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POINCARÉ PASSES

Another of the leading figures of the dark days of the Great War has passed from the scene with the death today, at the age of seventy-four years, of M. Raymond Poincaré, war time President of France.

Of the notable group to whom France turned in those days of danger few are left. Foch, who took command of the Allied armies; Joffre, hero of the Marne; Clemenceau, war time premier and leader in the Versailles conference; Briand, lover of peace and disciple of security; and now Poincaré, all have gone.

Ranking high among European statesmen, Poincaré was held in deep regard not only in his own country but throughout Europe and across the seas. He had served his country as senator, minister of finance, premier and president, and served in each office with distinction. His leadership of the nation during the Great War inspired confidence at home and among the allied nations and he contributed in no small degree to the ultimate triumph of the cause.

Almost equally notable were his services during the period of strain and stress after the war. He was hailed as the 'saviour of the franc' when, in 1926, as premier, he performed the apparently impossible feat of balancing the nation's budget, thus relieving fears of further financial collapse and setting the nation on its way to financial stability.

He resigned in 1929 and practically retired from politics, but his counsel has been available for those who succeeded him and his advice has often been sought.

The name of M. Poincaré long will be remembered in France.—Moncton Transcript.

MAINE WANTS LIQUOR

The State of Maine was long known as the prohibition state, years ago when we in New Brunswick were all wet. When we had the so-called Scott Act, when any person who had the price could buy a drink, the lid was on tight over in Maine. When we had our so-called prohibition laws and between times when we had our license laws in spots. Maine was still bone dry, much dryer than other states. It is probable no matter what some people may say, that New Brunswick is dryer so far as booze goes under our present system, than ever before in its history. Our bone dry neighbours over in Maine are beginning to think that our system is best. The Bangor News says:

Public meetings in Bangor on Monday and in Augusta on Tuesday developed almost unanimous sentiment among legislators and public alike in favor of a special session of the Legislature to enact laws for the sale of liquors under State control, and as it is a foregone conclusion that the meeting in Portland today will express a similar view, we may look for early action by the Governor.

There are many reasons for immediate action on this question. First, the people by overwhelming vote have demanded it. Second, the State needs the money to be derived from license fees. Third, nothing is to be gained by delay. The present Legislature is better able to deal intelligently and promptly with the matter than would be the body to assemble next January.

Maine has demanded honest liquor at fair prices instead of poison at high prices, and will have it, sooner or later. It may as well be now as a year from now.

There is no excuse whatever for delay. Controversy over rum has been an irritating and demoralizing nuisance in this State for eighty years. Let's be done with it.

No more liquor will be drunk because of legality than has been drunk under the ban of prohibition. Only it will be better liquor. The Maine stomach is entitled to some consideration and the condition of the Maine Treasury, long a cause of solicitude, demands relief. A very substantial measure of financial relief will be af-

forded by the revenues from liquor. And for that the taxpayers will be truly grateful.

A FAIR QUESTION

If a member of your family died, would you send out the obituary in a circular letter? If your wife entertained, would you run a slide on the screen of the movie show? If you were to enlarge your store, would you tell folks in a hotel register? If you had visitors, returned kinsfolk from U. S. A., would you depend on the race track or theatre program, to let other friends know? If you were to have a wedding at your house, would you tack the news on a telephone post?

Then why in heck don't you put your advertising in the newspaper, too?

Youth Suffer From Our Economic Bungling

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 immediate provision for the substantial reduction of this indebtedness. A careful survey of the possible sources of income for the balance of this year indicated that if all of us put our shoulder to the wheel, we might reasonably hope that we would meet our current expenses for 1934 fully and reduce our present indebtedness by upwards of a thousand dollars. A budget committee was appointed to prepare a spending budget for the new year wherein it is anticipated that the economics suggested should enable us to practically halve the remaining deficit and we believe that it should be our determination to entirely wipe out any arrears in 1936.

The resignation of Miss Tyhurst from the secretaryship of our Girls' Work has been a matter of deep concern to all of us and we were fortunate in having the heads of the three Provincial Girls Work boards with us in an earnest endeavor to conserve the work in the light of the fact that became clear to us all, that the permanent security of all our work including that promoted by Miss Tyhurst, demanded that we remain with in the present reduced amount of our budget for the ensuing year. This the representatives of the Girls' Work Boards agreed to on the understanding that barring serious unforeseen contingencies, the Board would undertake to employ a successor to Miss Tyhurst by the autumn of 1935.

It was felt that the compulsion arising out of our financial situation might well prove a blessing in disguise if it led us not only in Girls' Work, but in every phase of our work to place a much larger degree of responsibility on volunteer workers. We recognized that it was probably true with us as in the case in so many other fields that the paid worker was prone to take altogether too much of the road himself and the lay worker was altogether too prone to leave his responsibilities to the employed secretary. It is obvious that there are thousands of people in these Maritime Provinces, whose great need is to throw themselves in a consecrated way into leadership in their local field, and in the larger sphere of inter-community helpfulness. This is particularly true of the young people.

Consideration was given to the way in which our forces can render more effective service to the district conventions.

For some time it has been felt that the time was ripe for the review of the constitution under which we operate. A special committee was appointed to look into phases of the matter of revision of the constitution and to bring in recommendations for the board at this session of the convention, so that any desirable changes may be adopted at the meeting a year hence.

A Teen Age Problem

Much time was given to a review of the values in our 'Teen age pro-

grams. It has always been recognized that these programs, because of the high spiritual contribution that they are designed to embrace are more difficult to launch and maintain than other programs being aggressively promoted. It was recognized that there is much that is good in some of these extra church programs but impressive evidence was brought out that our program, the one created by and officially adopted by the Churches, was the only one which experience proved to conserve the loyalties of the members for the Church and maintained the identity of the group with the local church. It was brought out that the United Church through its Presbyteries was lending strong emphasis to the importance of maintaining and promoting these programs in the Churches and it was likewise clear that there was no disposition on the part of those responsible in the Baptist denomination to lessen the emphasis on the vital value of this work.

An inspiring address was given at the latter part of the morning session today by Rev. H. E. Allanby, the topic being church Vacation Schools. This work was started several years ago in New York. It was started because the need was evident that something be done to teach children how to employ their leisure time. The problem everywhere said the speaker was one of the children being idle during the holidays, the churches comparatively idle, the students idle. The word idle in so far as the churches were concerned implied that they were less busily engaged during the summer. The fact that children do not know how to occupy their time leads to the inspiration of the organization of a system of play. This has been tried very successfully in our two hundred localities throughout Canada, about ten of these being in the Maritimes, notably Moncton, St. John, Berwick, New Aberdeen, Sydney, Scotchtown and Halifax.

During the holidays the children are invited to join the vacation schools, which are purely voluntary. The programme consists of organized play, hard work, bible stories, a weekly hike and there is always a short while devoted to worship which invariably becomes popular. Some classes have been known of boys and girls attending the worship period of their own free will and returning home to duties, showing this was creating a love for the worship of God. It has also been gratifying to see the zest with which the children take part of their own choice and the parents and even school teachers have shown their appreciation of what is being done for idle children by the church vacation schools.

The opening session of the fifteenth convention of the Maritime Religious Education Council was held at Saint Andrew's Presbyterian church last evening with the seating capacity taxed to the utmost to hear the two principal speakers of the evening, Rev. Dr. F. L. Orchard, who delivered the president's address and Dr. G. T. Trueman, president of Mount Allison University.

The meeting was opened with praise service and an official welcome from Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross, pastor of St. Andrew's church, which was replied to by H. E. Campbell, of Stewiacke, N. S. After the naming of committees, nominating and resolutions and the taking of the offering the president spoke, and was followed by Dr. Trueman. The sessions continued today.

Dr. G. T. Trueman, president of Mount Allison University, delivered a very interesting address as the second speaker on the M. R. E. C. program last evening.

Dr. Trueman referred to the situation in the world today, pointing out the differences in the world of today, compared with other things. Despite all the differences, however, human nature remains unchanged.

Certain instincts in childhood and early life do not change and we build and construct on these. The accumulation of knowledge has been gradual process in childhood. Honesty, eating, behaviour and other reactions have resulted in the acceptance of certain ideals—and desires to do and be a certain type of person.

The difference today between people depends almost altogether on the outward condition with which they are surrounded. The world in which they are born is responsible for the person that the child grows up to be.

He had no intention, the speaker said, of reviewing the conditions in the world today. He stressed the safety and importance of work, comparing the young people today with those of yesterday. "There has been a very bad bungling of our economic organization, said Dr. Trueman in declaring that youth today had small chance for work.

The church of former days stood at the centre of things, he said. The boy yesterday, forced the question, "What Does Jesus Christ Mean To Me". Religion was formerly more serious than now. Family worship today is an exception in the home today and we must find something else to take its place.

Something has to be done to take the place of these old organizations, declared the speaker. The child is getting more authority and freedom than it used to have. All this change in tradition means something in our life today, said the speaker.

We need today a life that is more integrated. The boy today needs more steady down—he is pulled this way and that by his desires. His work means little to him. Walk, study—a goal ahead is what will give those boys and young people an integrated life.

Many failures have been caused by this pull of desire. He advised against getting desires and habits fixed so that they cannot be uprooted. He talked the "crash of ideals", in many young lives. Character and happiness and unity are integrating factors in living.

Life today is more complicated, there are many forces which tend to designate life today. Perhaps we need imitation, suggested the speaker.

The use of tobacco is extremely harmful to the nervous system, the power of perseverance. It is a pernicious habit and practised to a great extent.

The young people today need control. Equally enough control is needed by the older people also.

One difficulty is the strained relations between the youth and the older people. We older people need to set an example to the younger ones, declared the speaker.

"It is a grand thing to know the Bible", said Mr. Trueman. It takes a good mind and wide knowledge to know what is right and what is wrong. These can be secured in the Bible and a history of the life of our Lord.

"We want knowledge and we want the desire to do right", emphasized Dr. Trueman. The young man needs the power to overcome and break up habits.

The speaker traced the work that the M. R. E. C. could do in leading these young people on the right path. The program of C. G. I. T., Trail Rangers, and Tuxis Boys can not be bettered, thought the speaker. Life is a whole pattern and the idea is to integrate all points of view into a complete entity or unity.

You must try harder the speaker advised youth. Cudgel your wills! Adopt the Christian attitude.

He referred to the Oxford Movement declaring that if it will bring back that spiritual nearness with God we should adopt it. We need again that power, peace and joy of spirituality.

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