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OUR KING'S JUBILEE

It is the general opinion that so far as Fredericton is concerned the sixth of May is too early a date to have a satisfactory celebration in this city. In Fredericton the season is not quite far enough advanced. Why not have the celebration on May 24th, or, better still, the King's birthday, which is June 3rd. The latter seems an appropriate date for the King's celebration. Another matter to be considered in this connection is that Fredericton should have a celebration worthy of the capital city of the province. This cannot be done without preparation. Do not pull off anything haphazard. Let us have a real celebration worthy of ourselves and of the capital. Our one hundred and fiftieth celebration was not properly organized. Perhaps we may handle this better. We must have time. It is not necessary to rush it off on May 6.

OUR LITTLE LAMB

What happened to the New Brunswick lamb, which always received special mention on the Menu cards of leading New England hotels? New Brunswick lamb was said by leading caterers around Boston to be of the finest quality in the world. Why is it that the New England breakfast table is apparently getting along without our bacon and butter?

Some such thoughts as these cropped up last week when some one in the Legislature said that the province was not even self-supporting. Ten million dollars annually were going out of the province for imports, the most of which we should raise ourselves. Perhaps some York County farmer can answer the writer or many another town-bred chap who cannot understand it at all. Perhaps the new marketing bill will be the cure-all for these economic ills. It is to be hoped so.

RETREAT BY MOSCOW

Russia's sale of the Chinese Eastern Railway to Manchoukuo through the intermediation of Japan marks a new chapter in Far Eastern relationships. Russia has left Manchuria entirely to Japan. What this means to Russia's position in the Far East may be appreciated from the map. Northern Manchuria, across which the Chinese Eastern Railway runs, forms a great salient between western and eastern Siberia. In order to reach Vladivostok, Russia's window on the Pacific, Moscow has now to go all round that salient, thus making the distance 500 miles longer.

It was because of this strategic importance of the C. E. R. to the retention of Russia's Far East possessions that Moscow clung to the C. E. R. as long as possible. Geography meant much more than sentiment. In the first flush of revolutionary sentiment the U. S. S. R. said that it would renounce all Tsarist imperialism. The C. E. R. was a grand example of imperialism—a line cutting through what was then Chinese territory. Instead of handing it back to China, however, Moscow entered into partnership with China for its joint control.

China is left out in the cold in the new settlement. Nanking might justifiably argue that this is a treaty violation. But, as A. A. Joffe, the first Soviet Ambassador to China, used to say, in Far Eastern affairs the Soviet is realistic. Facts mean much more to Moscow than pacts. Perhaps the agreement will disturb relations with Nanking, but Russia has to live in some kind of amity with its neighbors, and China's place as a neighbor has been taken by a Japanese-supported Manchoukuo. Russia is under other pressure to recognize the facts. Pressed on its western border by what it feels are designs by Germany and Poland, deserted by the United States, the Kremlin must perforce reduce points of friction with Japan. The present rapprochement may yet mean further concessions in Siberian fisheries and Sakhalin oil to the empire of the Rising Sun.

TRURO HOT DOGS

Speaking of the Nova Scotia R. C. M. P. bringing police dogs to Nova Scotia the Truro Daily News says: "Another cogent reason for bringing the bloodhounds to Truro will be to watch Sunday merchandising. These husky brutes of 100 pounds avoirdupois with their death gripping mandibles should prove a most salient deterrent when viewed as a pantalon attachment by any one inclined to walk out of a Truro store on a Sabbath day with a package of cigarettes or nut bar tucked away in his garments.

"Another factor, the hounds would provide an additional source of revenue for the civic minister of finance. A few more dogs on which to slap a four dollar plaster ought to look mighty good about this time of year.

"Dog news, hot news! Let us all pull together and do our best to bring the hounds to Truro. A few more canines will never be noticed, especially if thrown in with 'the million on Lyman street.'"

Of course, bear this in mind, bloodhounds are creatures of high persistence and once they get the scent they are not fussy who's alley it may lead up to. They lack diplomacy and discrimination. Otherwise they are good. Bring the doggies on quickly, please."

SNAPSHOTS

Blessed are the meek. They don't suffer so much when some other speaker interrupts.

In the old days, holes in the pillow case were eyelet embroidery instead of cigarettes.

The Chicago Daily News squeezes it all in a nut-shell. "What is a treaty between enemies?"

"Don't gamble with strangers" is a sensible warning. Why don't they print it on marriage licenses.

You can always tell what Japan is fighting for. You just wait and see what she takes.

Officially this is spring—but unofficially we advise you not to trust it.

You can always tell what Japan is fashioned nightshirt. Nobody has gall enough to wear it at breakfast.

Sometimes the black seat driver has a husband who manages the kitchen from a chair at the dining-room table.

Next to his self-complacency, the thing which a woman probably envies a man most is his capacity for enjoying himself.

Hi Slocum thinks the reason the Board of School Trustees shun publicity is because there are things they do, that they want to keep under cover.

A man could once surmise what a girl would look like at 40 by glancing at her mother; but now-a-days it's pretty hard for any lover to believe that a girl will ever look as young as her mother does.

Control Presbyterian Church Unsatisfactory

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 too; but some of them are standing at the corner of the street smoking cigarettes. I have seen them doing it. What influence is that on the youth of today? I don't know where they learned to smoke cigarettes; but if a minister cannot give up some of the smaller vices what can he expect of the youth of the country?"

LATE MRS. BELVA ELLINGWOOD
 A brief but impressive private service was held today at the home of W. R. Fraser on Brunswick street, relatives of the late Mrs. Belva Ellingwood, who died at Buckfield, Maine, on Thursday last, being present. The funeral of the late Mrs. Ellingwood took place this afternoon at Buckfield at three o'clock and the service here was held in conjunction with that one. Rev. G. W. Guilou conducted the service at the Fraser home here this afternoon.

Munition Industry Going Full Swing

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 when employees claimed the company refused to bargain collectively. This it was asserted was a code violation. In the Old South Forum speech the Senator further explained the "pay-as-you-go" war finance plan which was presented to the President on March 19 by the Senate Munitions Committee. This plan embodies 12 points dealing mainly with elimination of war tie profits by a strict income tax of 99 per cent of the income over \$10,000 in war time.

Pay-As-You-Go-Plan
 This "pay-as-you-go" plan, Senator Nye told the Monitor, will be ready for the Senate within two weeks. "I am honestly convinced that this plan—although it may be slightly changed in its final form—will pass all congressional tests," he said. "I firmly believe such a plan for paying the war bill to go into effect immediately upon our entrance into any conflict is our greatest hope for peace," he asserted.

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., March 25—If the arms industry were made a losing proposition in time of war, "companies would send their lobbyists to the national capital in a desperate effort to stave off conflict," whenever a crisis loomed, H. C. Engelbrecht, research expert for the Nye Munitions Investigating Committee, told a Williams College forum audience here last night.

Mr. Engelbrecht predicted that such would be the case if the Government conscripted the munitions industry at the outbreak of war. He characterized 1934 as a "banner munitions year" in his advocacy of his arms conscription plan.

STEPS AWAY FROM WAR

Seen from the vantage ground of Gen. Smedley D. Butler's experience with the "fighting marines" war is a racket. Even in the quieter judgment of Bernard M. Baruch, who headed President Wilson's War Industries Board, war may be termed a "profitable industry." To prevent its being either of these is the object of such plans as the one outlined by Mr. Baruch before the Senate Munitions Committee Wednesday.

Mr. Baruch told the Senate committee he did not favor nationalization of the munitions industry, one of the steps often urged by Senator Nye, chairman of the munitions committee but omitted from that committee's 12-point program, as from Mr. Baruch's. Nor did Mr. Baruch believe conscription of labor was desirable, though he urged proper distribution of the burden of war. This he believed could be achieved through price fixing, control of money, increases in taxes, mobilization of man power with a "work or fight" provision, and adjustment of wages to correspond with changes in price levels.

It may be questioned whether any plan that requires less financial sacrifice from those who stay home and work than from those who fight can define "proper" distribution of the war burden. Neither the Senate committee plan nor this of Mr. Baruch promises equal financial sacrifice as between those two classes. It should be remembered that it is not only the executive of big industries who reap war profits but also the labor that sustains war. General Butler, who calls war something less euphonious than "a profitable industry," believes that the trench soldier's \$30 a month should be the top in war pay.

Legislation to prevent war through preventing war profiteering may have to go further than either the Senate committee's or Mr. Baruch's if it is to achieve its real object. Public opinion has a right to demand the utmost in this direction. But it should recognize that the Senate committee's plan, or probably such a plan as might be worked out in co-operation with the Senate committee by Mr. Baruch's group, will chart at least a few first steps in the right direction.

FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE

At noon today in front of the post office, the property of Chas. H. Weddall on George street was sold under foreclosure of mortgage, being bid in by W. J. West for \$3,100. W. E. Farrell acted as auctioneer.

OUR MAIL BAG

FROM A NORMALITE

Fredericton, N. B.
 March 30th, 1935.

Editor, of Daily Mail,
 Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Sir:

If it were possible I wish you would publish a few lines for me in regards to Mr. Weeks' letter which appeared in your paper, March 29th. It was indeed a pleasure which proved most interesting to read this letter addressed to the "Gay Normalites of 1934-35". We wonder if the author ever had any experience in the art of story writing. Surely he would prove famous at fiction!

Is it fair to the 300 Normalites to be judged and criticized by those few who boarded under the same roof as Mr. Weeks during his troublesome visit to our Capital? Surely he should have made a deeper study into the interesting topic before arriving too quickly at any rash conclusion.

In regards to the hiking parties we are able to inform him that they were properly chaperoned even in some cases by members of the faculty. We regret very much that Mr. Weeks was overlooked and did not receive an invitation.

Can it be true that the standards of new teachers are of a lower level? Then the standards of license examinations must have fallen. We can hardly credit the latter as great steps of improvement have been effected in recent years and no student is permissible to teach unless he has satisfactorily passed the required examinations.

The old familiar strains of "When I was a boy" are familiar to us all. Nevertheless we would like to have a leaf out of these people's diaries. It is very interesting also to note that as age increases one gets very sagacious, but has only a hazy recollection of his past.

Thanking you for your valuable space.

Yours Truly,
 H. RUPERT,
 (Normalite)

NOTE—The Daily Mail has received another reply to the letter which Mr. Weeks published regarding Normal School students. As Mr. Weeks, who is a well known teacher signed his letter and as the writer of the reply referred to had not the courage to even send his name in confidence, we will have to decline to publish his letter which contained abuse instead of argument.

Mr. Weeks' letter discussed questions. The reply which is very crude discusses persons. We have used the waste basket for the reply.

The Daily Mail publishes today a very nice letter from another Normalite who signs his name. We think that this should close this controversy.—Editor, Daily Mail.

KEEPING LENT

Regardless of its religious significance, the season of Lent may serve to profit any of us who believe in the value of self-control, an attribute necessary to the right use and enjoyment of life.

One way to cultivate self-control is through self-denial. Free exercise of appetite or desire is not conducive to strength of character. The stability definitely involves command of self and such command is developed partly through self-discipline. Obviously the giving up of one or more pleasures during a period of forty days serves as a check-up on one's capacity for ruling his own intimate kingdom.

It is easy enough to fall into the habit of thinking of this or that as indispensable. Life is so much a matter of little things that we are apt to magnify some of them, and thus distort their meaning. That is why it is well to pause once in a while to consider the relative merits of certain uses to which we put our time.

In addition to this, it is wise to do anything that will increase our enjoyment and appreciation of those indulgences which contribute to everyday pleasure, that we may avoid too frequent participation and so preserve a fullness of flavor.

As Elbert Hubbard used to say, "One horseshoe is good luck but a load of horseshoes is junk."

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