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Keeping Abuse Off the Air

The authority of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation will be used to good purpose if it keeps acrimonious religious debates off the air. It is not in the interests of national good-will to permit a public channel of communication to be devoted to assaults by one sect or another, and it is doubtful that propaganda of the sort helps the cause sponsoring the attacks. There is no intention of interfering with positive pleadings, which, after all, should constitute the material of those having something worthwhile to promote. If there is nothing positive to offer, it would be better to give the time on the air to some one else.

Is the Corporation prepared to apply this principle on a broader scale—to politics, for example? There is need for greater tolerance of other people's views in both religion and politics, without suggesting that tolerance means submission. Some one has said wisely—and it was not the Mister Sage of the last Federal campaign—that one single positive weighs more than a score of negatives. Clear the air of the negatives and there will be some prospect of peace on earth.

Having the right to confine propaganda to constructive ideas—and keeping in mind the difference between constructive criticism and abuse—the Corporation has an opportunity to prevent the destruction which thrives on confusion. Both Liberal and Conservative organizations, like religious bodies, will be stronger if they confine themselves to positive appeals. Public understanding will be clearer, and the country will be in a happier mood. Least of all should the air channels be used to stir up sectarian strife as has been the case in New Brunswick from time to time.

Lord Nuffield's Relief Fund

Lord Nuffield's donation of \$10,000,000 for rehabilitation of Britain's depressed areas is unique in private philanthropy. Many wealthy men of the past and present have provided generously for charities and social work of all kinds. Few of the great benefactors of any age have given the same leadership in solution of so gigantic a problem as the British motor manufacturer has now undertaken.

But more extraordinary than the purpose of the fund were the sentiments that encouraged its establishment. Simply, it was the sincere and practical patriotism of a great Englishman desirous of expressing "good-will toward the new King" and "do anything he could in support of the National Government, and particularly the Prime Minister." Many tributes have been paid Stanley Baldwin, especially in recent days. None could have so ably demonstrated the confidence of a great industrialist in his policies and leadership.

The Nuffield fund, while not sufficient to have any instant effect on the distress of the thousands congested in the depressed areas, introduced a new method by which private capital may best assist the Government in reconstructing those districts. And by it alone much can be done to redirect the youth of those areas for whom there is no work. They can be trained for new trades and new crafts, educated along lines that will make them more useful in the improvement of their communities, and introduced to cultural and vocational outlets now closed to them.

Such rehabilitation is fundamental in those industrial areas where men have been born into a single kind of toil for generations. It is work that is characteristic of all the philanthropy of a man who have given away more than \$3,500,000 a year for eleven consecutive years. Whether his money has gone to science, to charity, to his own workmen, or for national projects, Lord Nuffield has had in mind the general welfare of the nation. And his is the spirit that makes nations great.

Vancouver Clears the Air

Vancouver, B.C., stands reassured as to the integrity and efficiency of its police force, against which vague rumors and innuendoes circulated for some months earlier in the year.

Hon. W. A. Macdonald, who conducted an exhaustive inquiry into the subject, has given his decision that "the police force of Vancouver is honest, efficient and well worthy of the confidence of the community."

That such an investigation was held is not of exceptional interest; what calls for comment was that it was pressed by the police themselves and by the civic authorities of Vancouver in spite of the fact that no specific charges had been laid and only hearsay evidence and suggestion were brought before the Commissioner.

It was hinted, for instance, that members of the force accepted bribes for protecting criminal and underworld characters; but despite thorough inquiry no evidence was found to support the statement. The sittings of the commission of investigation were public, and all citizens who had definite charges to lay were urged to bring them forward.

The result, as has been said, was a clean bill of health for the maligned police and explicit exculpation of the men affected.

Vancouver evidently takes the correct attitude: that any suggestion of dishonesty in a public department, no matter how baseless such charge may appear, calls for immediate and thorough investigation in open court, so that if there be any grounds for such accusation they may be removed before the evil has a chance to spread.

It is an attitude which might with advantage be copied more generally throughout the public services.

Automobile Production

Production of 10,812 automobiles in Canada during November represented an increase of 102 per cent. over October, but a decline of 19 per cent. from November last year. Improvement was recorded in the number of passenger models over the previous month to 10,086 units from 4,592, while trucks declined to 726 from 769. Customs' figures for the month showed that 1,088 cars and trucks were imported into Canada and 5,161 exported. During the eleven months ending November, 51,860 cars were exported, while production amounted to 141,911 units.

SNAPSHOTS

The man who goes about threatening his customers against patronizing rival concerns and making slanderous statements regarding his competitors in business, is liable to get himself in a peck of trouble. There is a law against such unfair ways of doing business.

The School Board which keeps down the teachers' salaries has decided to give a big increase to their imported supervisor.

A prejudice isn't like a principle; you don't drop a prejudice because smart-Aleck writers poke fun at it.

The weakness of law is that you can break a lot of them and still be decent or break none and still be rotten.

"Living up to your station in life" means paying too much for what you get to prove you can do it.

To be able to say the right thing at the right moment is not so hard for the average woman—but to be able to refrain from saying the bright thing at the wrong time is sheer genius.

Science has found a way to end the glare of automobile headlights. Now if it will find a way to lighten the mental darkness afflicting so many motorists.

New School

(Continued from Page One) pected to do it. In face of this latest slap in the face to Fredericton teachers, they are foolish if they continue to do any more than they are paid for.

The School Board is planning to ask for about \$60,000 extra in January for an addition to the high school. This in the face of their failure to use the additional amount they got last year in the way it was understood they would use it, viz., in the restoration of salary cuts. In connection with this, one member of the high school staff of only one year's service with the Board got most of it. Raises of ten or fifteen dollars were given to some of the grade teachers, nothing to the rest.

How much is all the baloney worth that is handed out at school closings by representatives of the Board who praise the excellent staff of teachers in the city schools? All the teachers have received so far is a big ripe raspberry. Except the one who got a plum with the compliments of U.N.B. This action of the Closed Door School Board continues to be the talk of the city. It is the rawest action yet put over by this arbitrary aggression upon the citizens who pay the bills.

It is time that there was an elected School Board.

There was a report that the Closed Door School Board was to meet the new supervisor at the C.P.R. station and escort him to the High School building. Arrangements have not yet been completed, however, and this may fall through.

The citizens who think and care are wondering what the Closed Door School Board will do next.

Windsor

(Continued from Page One) there met a handsome Virginian named Spottswood, with an impressive old and new world family crest. They were married and she queened it over the New York younger set, but Mr. Spottswood, so it turned out, was just a plodding dentist and their social career strained his resources.

Her marriage with Count Edwin Schoemborn, at Paris, came off famously, in a blaze of Mayfair incandescence, but did not last long. The divorce proceedings dragged along for six years and it was not until 1924 that she married Baron Rothschild, third son of Baron Albert Rothschild, of the great Vienna banking house. She was the first non-Jewish bride of the Rothschild line who did not adopt the Jewish religion. Her uncle Dr. Carl Wolff, lived for many years in New York, the name seems to have been spelled Wulf, Wolf and Wolff.

Many Promises

(Continued from Page One) An expense fund for Marshal Chang to cover a "trip abroad" during which he will study military education in European countries.

Incorporation of the Marshal's troops into the Central Government armies in Shansi and Suiyuan provinces under the command of Marshal Yen Hsi-Shan.

It was confirmed that Marshal Yen played a leading part in the general settlement and agreed to take over Marshal Chang's troops who will be used in units fighting the invasion of Suiyuan by pro-Japanese Mongol and Manchukuo bands.

Chinese denied that any concession was made to Marshal Chang on his demand that the Central Government cease its warfare on the Chinese Communist armies and form a joint front with the Communists to oppose Japanese aggression in North China.

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Popular

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morse to me," General Chiang said. "As you had the courage to acknowledge your faults, I will tell the central authorities you regret what you have done and I believe they will deal leniently with you."

Belief was growing in some circles that the rebel marshal would be permitted to return to Sian-fu, where he held Chiang, and resume command of his armies.

Returning to Nanking, General Chiang resumed automatically the numerous positions he holds in the government, including that of head of the army.

Rumors circulated that the general desired to concentrate his energies on military organization and that his brother-in-law Soong would be named to the presidency of the executive Yuan, Chinese equivalent of the premiership of the nation.

It was understood Chiang discussed this yesterday with other government leaders, but details were guarded closely.

Chiang also was believed to have discussed the fate of Marshal Chang, who reached here yesterday with the declaration he was "ready to suffer whatever the government desires, whether it be death or not." The declaration was contained in a letter to Chiang which follows:

"I was completely unworthy to return with you to Nanking so I have followed you, coming to give myself up to the government.

"I am ready to suffer whatever the government desires, whether it be death or not, for I realize my wickedness and my sin against you and the nation.

"I beg of you, as my old friend, to forgive me if possible and to tell the nation my complete realization of the wrong I have done."

The government announced all of Chiang's lieutenants who were taken prisoners with the generalissimo Dec. 12 had been released from rebel quarters at Sian-fu and were en route to Nanking.

Indians to Be

(Continued from Page One) said Mr. Crerar, would be to see that each Indian was helped along in the livelihood for which he was best fitted, by location and otherwise.

While many Indians were registering marked success as farmers and others as fishermen, the great bulk of Indians obviously could not be absorbed in such industries since so many of them lived far from the populated areas, the Minister said.

"The fur trade, our oldest and still one of our largest industries, has its producing field where many Indians live," pointed out Mr. Crerar. "The fur trade requires thousands of operatives, and the Indians by heredity, inclination and training are naturally its most skilled workmen."

The department, he added, in addition to giving education to improve their skill as trappers, would also instruct them in the care and marketing of pelts.

Exclusive hunting areas have already been set aside for the Indians in the Northwest Territories. Even outside those huge preserves, no white trapper may obtain a hunting license until he has been a resident for four years. This tends to prevent transient trappers crowding in on an occasional clean-up by destructive and wasteful methods. Similar regulations have been set up in some of the Provincial districts bordering on the territories.

NEWSPRINT PAPER

Newsprint paper exports amounted to 5,916,653 cwt., valued at \$10,340,245 in November, compared with 4,880,747 at \$8,230,159 a year ago. Leading purchasers were: United States, 4,671,122 cwt., Australia 453,881, China 121,330, Peru 112,372, United Kingdom 88,731, Chile 86,484, Japan 68,196, New Zealand, 66,700, British South Africa 63,377, Argentina 35,557, Puerto Rico 321,521 and Uruguay 21,342. In all, Canadian newsprint went to 34 markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28—Unseasonal warmth and prosperous business conditions brought to the United States one of the merriest Christmas days in history.

Pope Pius XI

Suffering, Further Complications

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 27—Pope Pius suffered intense and increased pain today, his fourth Sunday in bed since he was stricken with paralysis of the legs.

The paralysis, reliable reports said, had spread from the legs along the Pontiff's left side and arm. His left leg, most severely affected, was particularly painful today and was swollen to a marked degree.

For the first time since he fell ill, Vatican circles spoke freely of the 79-year-old Holy Father's constant suffering. His physicians and attendants hovered close by, lest another fainting spell or sudden complications bring his illness to quick climax.

The Pontiff suffered a fainting spell after his Christmas Eve radio broadcast and was fatigued greatly by the effort. Pius referred to his sufferings in the radio message and since then there have been semi-official statements revealing that the Pope suffered great pain.

No Question

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ities said in a statement from Bilbao, issued through the Spanish embassy here:

"There is no question of releasing the Palos."

The statement declared the ship carried 1,500 tons of war material, including field telephones. Of three passengers aboard, it was charged, two were Spanish Fascist agents returning from Germany to Vigo, the ship's destination.

"War Contraband"

The Palos was stopped in Spanish territorial waters and "authorities consider it a clear case of war contraband," the Bilbao statement said. Naval attaches accredited to Madrid but temporarily stationed at St. Jean de Luz revealed the Palos had asked assistance from a British destroyer, Fame, on the day it was held up last week by Basque trawlers.

It was said, however, the commander of the destroyer replied he had no right to interfere. The Palos then asked the Fame to determine for purposes of record that the freighter was outside Spanish territorial waters.

The destroyer's commander, these naval attaches reported, found formally that the Palos was outside the limit of Basque jurisdiction.

Nazi Germany gave the Spanish Socialist government "another day" Sunday before invoking reprisals for reported seizure of a German freighter off Bilbao.

While the British and French ambassadors paid a Sunday call to the foreign office to deliver notes urging a halt of foreign volunteer enlistment in the Spanish civil war, Chancellor Hitler sat back to await developments.

"Beyond yesterday's communique," an official spokesman declared "nothing is known here. Nor is it contemplated to issue any further comment regarding the freighter Palos today. We are awaiting the Madrid government's next move."

The communique protested the Palos was seized outside Spanish waters and demanded its release, safe delivery of its cargo and three passengers said to have been aboard when the vessel was captured.

Mining

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partment of Trade and Commerce, would indicate that not less than \$100,000,000 was expended by the industry this year for consumable stores of all kinds, as \$84,813,603 was spent for supplies and equipment in 1935, compared with \$76,082,765 in 1934.

The relative importance in the purchasing power of the various major branches of the industry is revealed in an analysis of the recorded data also the magnitude of current development programmes is reflected in expenditures in particular spheres of mining.

This was especially evident in the totals for the nickel, copper mining, smelting and refining and gold mining industries.

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Justice W. E. Middleton has ruled the will valid, but there is still much legal argument to be heard before the money is distributed by the executors.

The claims of Miller relatives have to be considered in the courts and then will come the problem of which of the score of mothers claiming the prize or a share of it is the lawful winner. It may be months or years before the stork marathon, concluded Oct. 31, reaches the final finish line.

Perhaps the most remarkable development in the year's baby news was the shower of triplets late in the year. Four sets were born to Canadian mothers within a couple of months and all are living and well.

But a baby living in Montreal is really the year's greatest surprise. It weighed less than a pound at birth, but now, at 4½ months, tips the scales at eight pounds. It was one of twins, the other dying at birth. The baby's parents have refused to permit hospital officials to identify them.

Carol Anne Young is another of the year's surprises. When she was born in Brampton, Ont., recently, she weighed only 29 ounces, which is very little for any baby to weigh. They rarely live when they are that small.

Marie Dionne weighed three ounces less than Carol Anne when she was born at Callander two and a half years ago with her four sisters. Marie is a normal child now, of course, and Carol Anne is growing up, too. She weighs three pounds now, and her doctor says there is no reason why she shouldn't grow up to be a normal girl.

She and the Montreal baby interested medical men because of her size, but the McLean triplets of Toronto hold their attention for another reason. Beverly, John and Richard are believed to be the only triplets ever born in Canada after a Caesarian operation. Beverly weighed 4 pounds 7 ounces, John 3 pounds 12½ ounces, and Richard 4 pounds 3¼ ounces.

Weeks before their coming it was known that an operation would be necessary, and elaborate preparations were made. When they came into the world through surgical assistance on Oct. 23, five obstetricians, a pediatrician, and an anesthetist were present a record for surgical attention at a birth.

Their mother, Mrs. Sidney McLean recovered quickly and is at home now while her babies lie in hospital. Mod-

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