

OBSERVER REFERS TO EPIDEMIC OF TRAMPS

In Many Cases Tramps Won't Work and Do Not Deserve Sympathy

The recent epidemic of tramps in the city is only a repetition of what has occurred many times in the past. The urgency which the present lot show in their demands is something new, however. When it comes to asking for particular favorite dishes and disdaining others, that is certainly going a little too far.

It occurs to me that the latter tendency on the part of these hoboes may be largely inspired by the recent handouts that have been given to many of those on relief, both here and elsewhere. Latterly there seems to have grown up in our midst what may be called a new leisured class. There have always been leisured classes in every society and in every age. These classes have been able to enjoy leisure usually because of possession of wealth, either inherited or acquired. There have been a few instances in the world's history where leisure has been made possible to a certain class through handouts on the part of the governing authorities. Until the present day the most striking example of this was in the ancient Roman State.

In ancient Rome the mob was fed and amused at the expense of the state. Candidates for office were careful to bid for the votes of this rabble by putting on spectacular shows in the arena to which the mob were admitted free. "Bread and Shows" was the motto of the day. And in later years this idle and vicious mob was one of the main contributing causes to the downfall of the Roman State.

Nothing on this scale was seen again until the time of the recent (or present, if you wish) economic crisis. Then various countries and communities felt themselves forced to establish a system of relief which was in reality a throwback to Roman times. And the result has been, up to the

present time, precisely the same. As in Rome, the recipients of this bounty have grown ever more arrogant and exacting in their demands. Cases that have occurred locally might be cited in support of this contention, but incidents of the kind are quite well known to most. What has taken place within our local precincts has been duplicated elsewhere, and we have raised up our new leisured class, subsisting on the benefactions of others. This is a lot easier thing to begin than it is to stop. Recent experience has shown that to be true; and history supports the contention. The Roman State was never able to stop it. We read that direct relief is being discontinued here and there, but there still remain in the world at large, enormous numbers, on relief; and most of them have no immediate hope of getting off.

There was at least this important difference between the wealthy leisured classes and those of today. The wealthy were able to pay their own way. Two-thirds of the population was not taxed to keep the other third. I was never able to understand the venomous feelings with which so many are inspired by the existence of a wealthy class. Especially am I unable to understand it when it is the case of wealth honestly acquired by the holder. Why on earth shouldn't he have a right to enjoy it? Who has any better right? Go to a wealthy man and tell him it is his duty to give that wealth away to a rabble that wouldn't have the ability to make anything for themselves. If he answers, "Oh, yeah?" what did you expect?

Now to get back to our tramps. They are feeling the effect of this great system of "Bread and Shows." It is true that our authorities have not got around to free shows yet, but give them time. The tramps are beginning to think that it is time that they climbed on board the bandwagon. It is not a case any longer of a humble "Could you spare a bite for a poor hungry man?" It is, "Have you got any chicken in the house, I won't eat anything else." Well, my man, if you won't eat anything else you can damn well go hungry, for all I care.

There should be less sympathy expended on tramps than upon any other class. Tramps won't work even when they can get it. No matter how good times have been in the past, was ever the time known when there were no tramps?

"I can't turn a hungry man away," says someone. Very well, don't turn him away, but you don't have to feed him chicken. If he's really hungry he'll eat, and eat plenty.

—OBSERVER.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

F. H. Copp, M.P.P. for Westmorland and Mrs. Copp with their daughter Miss Marion Copp arrived in the city this morning and are taking in the Exhibition this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Copp are guests at the Queen Hotel and Miss Marion Copp is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. Emerson Edgcombe.

Fred D. Tweedie of Woodstock, well known authority on harness racing, is in the city today on a business trip. He will no doubt take a peak at the races as he goes along.

John Simms, son of the late Robt. Simms, barrister of Woodstock, and Mrs. Simms of Woodstock, is in the city this week attending the Exhibition.

Edgar T. Tweedie of Woodstock, was in the city today. Mr. Tweedie, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Tweedie and a brother of Robert D. Tweedie, Private Secretary to Premier A. A. Dystart, is en route to Sackville, where he will enter Mt. Allison University and take up studies.

Mrs. George F. McWilliam of Newcastle was a visitor at the Fair yesterday.

Miss Constance Allison, niece of Premier A. A. Dystart, of Buctouche, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Wood.

Friends in the city will be interested to hear that W. P. Fogarty, B.Sc. of Moncton and a graduate of St. Francis Xavier University, left for Toronto where he is studying for the Priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary.

Mrs. Frank Harris of Sackville has recently been visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Labbe and daughter Yvette, of St. Leonard's, are guests of Comptroller General E. J. Cormier and Mrs. Cormier who also have as their guests Barry McCann of Los Angeles, Cal. This is Mr. McCann's first trip after an absence of ten years from the Capital, where he formerly resided. Mr. McCann is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McCann.

Mrs. A. A. Dystart, who with her family attended the Exhibition, left this morning for her home. She was accompanied by her daughters Miss Mary Dystart, Miss Marion (Memo) Dystart and her niece Little Miss Patsy O'Regan of New York, who has been her guest this summer. The Premier and son Bobby will leave for their home this afternoon.

Miss Frances MacMillan of the Department of Public Health, recently visited Miss Leah Bremner, Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Cosman and Edward Cosman of Woodman's Point were visiting Mr. Cosman's sister, Mrs. Parker Currier yesterday and after attending the Exhibition left for their home last evening.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones, who are attending the Harvard Tercentenary, are expected home tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jardine, of Campbellton, are the guests for a few days of Mrs. Arthur Limerick, St. John Street.

Carleton and John Green and Miss Ann McDonald of New Glasgow, N.S., are taking in the Exhibition and are the guests of the Messrs. Green's brother, Norman Green. They expect to return home sometime today.

Miss Vesta Munroe of Southampton has gone to Richibucto, where she is principal of the public school of that place.

Mrs. T. L. Roberts of Richibucto has arrived in the city where she will in future reside.

Philibert LeBlanc, M.P.P. for Restigouche, was in the city this week, taking in the Exhibition. He was a guest at the Waverley Hotel.

The Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, former Premier of Canada, and now Conservative leader in the Senate, was in Sackville over the week-end, as a guest of Senator F. B. Black.

Gilbert Wall, who has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wall at St. Stephen, has arrived in the city and will resume his studies at the University of New Brunswick.

MARYSVILLE

MARYSVILLE, Sept. 18.—The Women's Christian Temperance Union held their regular monthly meeting last evening with a full attendance at the home of Mrs. Thos. Mitchell. After the regular routine exercises and discussions delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Frank Arnold of Minto is the guest of relatives for the week. Chester Cochrane, who has been a patient at the Victoria Public Hospital for the past three weeks returned to his home yesterday.

Chevier Linton who has been visiting friends in this place for the past two weeks has returned to his home in Grand Manan.

"Bob" Davis

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"Take a peek at this baby here, one pound fifteen ounces, a single ounce short of being a 'button' fish which disappointed me greatly. It pleased me immensely though to learn that it was two ounces heavier than Cobb's best attempt and I got my limit without going short on meal or rest time," declared "Bob," dancing around his mess of speckled beauties with a boisterous expression of youthful joy.

"Scenery—I have travelled all over the world and have never in my life seen such an undreamed of collection of land, water, forest and sky. The mountains are the most individual in the world and the general scene is fascinating beyond imagination."

However to return to Cobb and fishing, it is useless to make any attempt to satisfy public acclaim as to who is the best fisherman, Cobb or myself, because the trout are so plentiful that I will frankly admit that even Irving Cobb can catch fish in Maligne Lake, declared the great columnist as he disappeared in the direction of the kitchen for an interview over a certain matter with the Lodge chef.

Appeal Court

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John Joseph Evans, Timmins, Ont.; Louis T. LeBlanc, Moncton; N. B.; J. L. Albert Robichaud, Bathurst, N. B.; Marcel O. Paulin, Carleton Place, N. B.; Ernest Nathan Heustis, Saint John, N. B.; John N. Bugold, Campbellton, N. B.; and George Thomas Clark, Saint John, N. B.

CANADIAN PARTY REACHES CHERBOURG

CHERBOURG, France, Sept. 18.—In radiant sunshine Prime Minister Mackenzie King with members of the Canadian delegation to next week's meeting of the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva arrived this afternoon at Cherbourg aboard the liner Empress of Britain.

Hon. Philippe Roy, Canadian minister to France, was present to give the delegation a greeting. Senator Raoul Dandurand, minister without portfolio; Minister of Labor Norman McL. Rogers and Dr. O. D. Skelton, under-secretary of state for external affairs, travelled with Mr. King.

The delegates left for Paris where tomorrow they will be the guests of Mr. Roy at luncheon. Tomorrow evening they will leave Paris for Geneva.

Anti-Communists Organize Legion

LISBON, Portugal, Sept. 18.—The Portuguese Government granted today a petition by anti-Communists to allow the formation of a large civic militia to be called the "Portuguese Legion."

The petition, signed by 20,000 persons, called upon the people to unite in defence of the country's national ideals.

PASTORAL

I heard the gentle silver flutes
Of crickets hidden at the roots
Of summer grass, spread thin to dry
Beneath the arching September sky.

I thought there is no joy, no peace
For hearts, except to find release
Where man has set no boundaries
Except a line of steadfast trees.

No anchor holds the mind at rest
Like seeing summer's green tides
crest

The tops of stones, and overflow
Into a foam of clover snow.
—Eleanor Alletta Chaffee.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Fish and Game Protective Association will hold their annual meeting on October 7th it was announced today by F. Cedric Cooper, secretary of the organization.

Fredericton Exhibition

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and jackets made by the Hudson Bay Company are being shown by James S. Neill and Sons at the Exhibition this year. Also there are genuine Hudson Bay mitts and caps, in fact everything for the winter sportsman or sportswoman. A general line of other sporting goods is very attractively placed around the booth. Hunting, golf and skiing are featured most, and everything essential for the fulfillment of the outdoor enthusiast's recreation is included. Besides these are the Marconi radios that bring a programme all day to patrons at the fair. This is the 12th year in the one location for James S. Neill's exhibit.

J. C. Risteen and Co.
Tentest is the big item at this booth. The walls are done in the new tone tentest with the ship lap joint and the moulded edges. There is a folding breakfast nook with cupboard attachment and individual wardrobes at the sides. An interesting chart comparing the relative merits of tentest with other building material may be seen at the centre of the room while at one side is a display of Moore Paints. The floor of the exhibit is done in birch and the ceiling features false beamwork. At the front of the booth is a colonnade. For charm and simplicity this display approaches the peak of perfection.

In the Transport Building
The Lincoln "Zephyr" a sleek 12-cylinder sedan with all the modern appointments is the feature attraction at the booth of the Universal Sales Ltd. this year. Almost any time during the day crowds can be seen around the car examining its many features. There are no running boards on this sleek creation which makes for more room inside. The booth is also a rest room and the trimmings and interesting pictures make the place extremely attractive. A new Ford V-8 is also on display and a competent booth manager ready to explain any points.

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"Good furs make warm friends" is the slogan of the best fur display at the fair. There are Persian Lambs, Bombay grey lambs, Russian Caraul and Muskrat as the stock exhibits. Leopard skin coats, plain and trimmed are attracting much attention and the swaggar model in all types is predominant. There is a fitting room, too, for milady with a new coat for winter in her mind. In another booth, J. Clark and Son is displaying Connor's washing machines and the Westinghouse frigidaire. Still another booth is given over to Rogers and Majestic radios with the new tuning devices and many other modern features. It is well worth a visit.

Colwell & Jennings
One of the finest exhibits at this year's show is that of Colwell & Jennings. Hundreds gather around to examine the celebrated Marshall spring mattress, which forms the chief exhibit, along with the almost equally famous Kenwood blankets. Both are Canadian make and at popular prices. The exhibit space is roomy and well placed in the main building and so neatly is it arranged that it immediately catches the eye and holds it. This progressive firm gives away each year at this time one Marshall spring mattress, and at the exhibition booth those in charge are giving coupons away to all visitors to the booth. Anyone might win the mattress. At their Queen Street show windows, Colwell & Jennings are displaying excellent brassware and down puffs, which also is attracting attention from passers-by.

Hon. J. E. Michaud

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Hon. A. A. Dystart, Premier of New Brunswick on various public matters. Hon. Mr. Michaud will leave later in the day for Edmundston where he will spend Sunday before proceeding to his home in Ottawa. Many old friends were glad to see Mr. Michaud who is working hard in the interest of production of Sea Foods in the Maritime Provinces. Hon. Mr. Michaud stated that his trip had been most successful and that he was very much encouraged with the Outlook amongst the fishermen in the lower provinces. He stated that he was always glad to come back to Fredericton where he had many old friends.

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