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The Decreasing Severity of Punishment

The greatest price that a man can pay for crime is his life, but it is demanded less often than it used to be. In the last five years the average number of death penalties exacted in Canada has been 22 per year, but this is a smaller number than twenty years ago in spite of the increase in population and accompanying growth of crime.

As the number of death penalties has decreased, the number of life imprisonments has increased. In the opening years of the present century there was only one sentence of life imprisonment to seven death penalties whereas now the ratio is one to three or less.

Another way of indicating this tendency is to say that the number of these two severest penalties combined constitutes only about half as large a proportion of all sentences as they did thirty years ago. Similarly other long terms of imprisonment; they represent a declining proportion of total sentences.

Whether there is any connection between this tendency and the growth of crime is a question that is difficult to answer, but it is of interest to note that the proportion of crimes committed by habitual offenders—those who have been convicted three times or more—is much larger than it used to be.

On the other hand, the proportion of second offenders is substantially less. The only apparent explanation for this situation is that people who commit a first crime may be divided into two distinct groups—those who respond to the more humane and lenient treatment, and those who do not.

Farm Revenue in 1935

The revenues of the Canadian farmers were somewhat better in 1935 than in 1934 and the report on the subject issued a few days ago demonstrates that the branches of agriculture concerned with live stock, dairying and fruit continued to improve from the low levels of 1932. The yield and quality of the principal crops were seriously affected by drought, rust and frost in 1935 and the revenue from all field crops was down \$42,500,000 compared with 1934 figures.

It was very fortunate for the farmers, therefore, that they had better returns from their other endeavors. Fruit was particularly profitable last year. Live stock revenue has shown steady improvement since 1932 as prices rose sharply and marketings also increased. In 1935 revenue from live stock was practically double that of 1932 and over 20 per cent. greater than in 1934. The revenue from dairy products has also increased steadily since 1932 and the 1935 figure was the highest since 1930.

Poultry and eggs contributed an increased revenue in 1935, being 10 per cent. above the level of the previous year. Other lesser items in the farm economy provided increased revenue in 1935, these including wool, maple products, tobacco and flax fibre.

The net agricultural revenue in 1935 was about \$609,000,000, which was \$31,000,000, or nearly 5½ per cent. better than in 1934.

This information was contained in a report issued a few days ago by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Still the Danger Spot

Despatches indicating that the Madrid Government may be on the verge of its downfall again emphasizes Spain's unhappy condition, for even should the present Government be forced out of office there is no prospect that an early peace would follow.

Not even a successful issue—from the loyalist standpoint—to the present civil war would assure the Socialist Government any real measure of stability.

On the other hand, victory accruing to the Fascist rebels, and the institution of a Fascist regime, would be unlikely to result in anything better than a period of terrorism and repression, to be followed eventually by a new uprising.

As The Globe has pointed out on several occasions, lack of unity among both Leftists and Rightists is Spain's most devastating malady. The loyalists are split up into Socialists, Communists, Syndicalists and Anarchists, each faction being jealous of and antagonistic to all the others. The rebels include Fascists, Monarchists and others, each with different aims and ideals, so that, with the present quarrel settled, still others, apparently, would be inevitable.

In the circumstances it becomes more and more obvious that, sooner or later, the Powers will have to agree on some form of intervention if a semblance of order is to be brought to Spain.

At present, European neighbors are agreed, in theory at least, upon a policy of neutrality toward the combatants, and any partisan interference—that is to say, intervention by one or more Powers on behalf of either loyalists or rebels—might have the effect of plunging the greater part of the world into armed conflict.

But unless Spain is to remain a danger spot indefinitely, it seems evident that outsiders will be forced to agree upon some form of joint action.

Another solution unexpected but possible, which would probably be only temporary, would be to rise the power of super leader within the country, strong enough to unite the warring factions and subfactions with at least some semblance of satisfaction to all.

Nova Scotia Sea Monster

It must be in the blood. Down in Nova Scotia of late there have been several stories of sea monsters. It can't be the heat for there ain't no such animal thereabouts in summer. Possibly it's a reverberation from "auld" Scotia's Loch Ness monster. Anyway, people around Prospect Bay, on the South Shore of Nova Scotia, reported seeing a huge sea serpent galivanting around the bay. The sea serpent, however, turned out to be a big swordfish, estimated at between 350 to 400 pounds, chasing small schools of fish. The speed at which the swordfish travelled amazed the onlookers but any deep-sea angler who has tackled swordfish would not be at all surprised by the stretch of water covered by these streaks of "greased" lightning in the matter of split seconds, states the Fish and Game Department of the Canadian National Railways. Sportsmen who have pitted their wits and strength against the swordfish take their hats off to him when it comes to covering ground and as for his fighting abilities, well, they say if you want to feel what it is like to have a load of quivering dynamite on the end of your line, just hook onto a swordfish.

SNAPSHOTS

Several elm trees near the cemetery, including one beautiful English elm on the roadside in front of the O'Dell Estate, have been killed, it is claimed, as a result of having been painted by some one, acting for the city. Fredericton glories in its beautiful trees, and all efforts should be made to save them.

People who talk about forming rash judgments are some times the first to do the forming.

During August 207,300 visitors, carried by 44,825 cars, 65 busses and two special trains, paid their respects to the Callender quintuplets. Happily, the little ladies know nothing about their popularity, and are not in the least vain about the number of their callers.

The business man who picked up a skunk last night at the upper end of the city is not wearing the light suit today.

It must be quite a surprise to the bulls over there to see the Spaniards killing each other.

Special orders have been issued to Germans to smile at Jews until Sept. 15, the date the Olympic games are over. The order has been issued by Minister of Agriculture Walter Darre. "It is necessary to mention especially," he mentions especially, "the fact that there may be Jews among the foreign visitors, for the Reich government has given the international Olympic committee its pledge to protect all Olympic guests. Persons who may be Jews, therefore, are to be treated as courteously as Aryan visitors." Anti-Jewish signs "are to be removed during the period in question."

Adult Education

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elementary and high schools for the people is the expression of that belief. We believed that this initial training would somehow transfer to adult life and enable our people to carry on the democratic processes.

Continuing, he said, "The growing complexity of life, the accelerated tempo of social change and the total abandonment in large sections of the world of the democratic ideal is impressing upon us the inadequacy of education which ends with adolescents. It is gradually dawning on all people who still cling to the idea of democracy that there is need of a programme of adult education. Only through such procedures can we hope to explore further the possibilities of free men in society and thereby give the answer to the threatening social theories of our day.

"Many methods have been advocated for the carrying out of this work," related the speaker. "Correspondence courses, lectures, panel and forum discussions and the small discussion groups or study clubs. In Nova Scotia," he said, "the fulcrum around which our whole adult education programme turns, is the small discussion group. Necessity has something to do with the discovery that the small group is the optimum. It seemed to us the inexpensive and obvious way of doing it. The experience of Sweden with its 11,000 small study circles confirms the idea that this procedure is highly scientific and pedagogically right."

Dr. Coady further declared that "Our progress in organizing some 10,000 people in small groups during the last six years warrants the hope that the whole Canadian people could be easily mobilized for educational purposes, if willing agencies to undertake the work were available. There is perhaps a new emphasis on what certainly always should have been a fundamental education doctrine. It is learning and not teaching that counts. We have rediscovered the truth, that ordinary men can and will learn with out being subject to the infliction of lecturers or teachers, if given the proper library facilities and proper direction from a competent agency.

"It would probably be easy to get a fair measure of unanimity among educators on the mechanical procedure of an adult education programme, he said, "But it might not be so easy to find agreement on the material to be studied and the point at which common people should start. We at Antigonish believed that education should enable the people to realize their possibilities in life, and that these possibilities would be found by the people themselves and that in their own environment.

"The further conviction that there is a very vital connection between economic life, culture, liberty and spirituality convinced us that we should begin at the economic end," continued the speaker. "This we did, and our great army of adult learners in Nova Scotia have been during the past few years breaking in a co-operative way, into many fields of business heretofore exploited by private individuals. The fact that already the

DAILY FOREIGN NEWS COMMENT

Native Unrest in Morocco

The rebel victories in Spain have been largely won by Moroccan troops both native and Spanish. To their assistance, and German and Italian help with war material the successes of the revolt have been due. Evidence accumulates that even in regions held by the rebels, the people as a whole are against them. Though they have a certain following in the north the rebel movement is still not truly Fascist but represents mainly military reaction.

18,000 Moroccan Troops

Crossed into Spain
The number of Moroccan troops available when the rebellion commenced was 38,000. They were well equipped and trained for every kind of warfare.

Dangers in Morocco

Any agitation in Spanish Morocco affects at once the population south of the Riff in the French protectorate. As soon as General Franco commenced his revolt, Abdul Krim's tribe the Bocoyas, began to show signs of unrest. For this reason Franco up to date has not been able to use in Spain more than 18,000 of the 38,000 Moroccan troops available. General Franco offered the Pasha of Sheshuan Driss Riffi the post of Vizier if he would be hostage for his fellow tribesmen in Morocco whom Franco wished to arm as militia. The Pasha, aghast at the prospect, which seemed to him only another way of committing suicide, hurriedly crossed the border into Tangier.

Franco has offered native Moroccans a premium of 250 pesetas, and a wage of five pesetas a day. Though urged on with many promises and privileges they have so far listened coldly and only four or five thousand have enlisted. General Franco had two caids, who opposed recruiting shot which in turn has created new discontent.

There is a rumour that Abdul Krim has escaped from French custody. This would be all that was necessary for a general rising in Morocco, if true.

—H. M. P.

people of Eastern Nova Scotia conduct co-operatively and with success 25 stores, 18 lobster factories, innumerable buying clubs, fish plants, and 70 credit unions, is ample proof that the people can translate their thinking into action in the economic field. The enthusiasm which accompanies these activities augurs well for the spread of the movement.

"It is not to be concluded that because our effort has first issued in economic ventures that we are going to stop there. One of the great revelations of this movement is the fact that simultaneously with these undertakings there has grown up a great desire for the so-called cultural things. The demand for books is so insistent that we have already in process of formation a series of libraries to take care of the needs of the people. We are convinced that this is the short road to culture for the masses. Their gradual economic liberation coupled with new intellectual activity will rapidly condition them to the point where they will be able to be really masters of their own destiny. Such a regenerated people acting in the national arena will be strong enough to apply a formula that will permit all our people in Canada to enjoy a more abundant and better life," Dr. Coady concluded.

At the conclusion of his address, Dr. Coady was tendered a vote of thanks by the chairman. The singing of the National Anthem brought the meeting to a close.

Addresses were delivered by Hon. J. B. McNair, K.C., Hon. A. C. Taylor, and others.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The following property will be sold at Public Auction in front of the County Court House, Fredericton, at twelve o'clock noon SATURDAY, October 3rd, 1936, for assessed taxes and cost, property of Raymond Hayes Dickinson.

All that lot or parcel of land deeded by Charles Connell of the Town of Woodville in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick to Edward E. Lockard of the City of Saint John in the City and County of St. John, and Merchant, by deed dated the 18th day of March, A.D. 1862 and recorded in the York County Records in Book R-2, pages 236 and 237, and therein described as follows: All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Parish of Southampton in the County of York and known and distinguished as follows: Fronting on what is known as the Connell Road and on the north side thereof and known as Lot No. 154 and the west half of Lot No. 156 comprising a front on the road twenty-two and one-half chains and containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less, and more particularly described in a grant from the Crown to C. Connell dated the 23rd day of November, A.D. 1853, and being the same lands and premises conveyed by Emma J. Lockhart and others to one David Colwell by deed dated the 24th day of October, A.D. 1918.

Delinquent Parish & County Taxes, 1929-36\$23.60
Delinquent N.R. Roads, 1926-36\$ 9.12
Delinquent Road Taxes\$34.65
Total\$67.37
High Sheriff for York County, N.B., Fredericton N.B., Sept. 4th, 1936.

Ontario Men

of the Women's Employment Committee, which will include representatives of the younger women, will be announced shortly.

Members Unpaid

As provided in the act, members of both these committees, will serve without salary. They will be allowed living and travelling expenses while engaged on the work of the committee.

Robert F. Thompson of Toronto, chaplain of the 4th Brigade, Canadian Field Artillery, overseas 1914-1918, was formerly Secretary of Toc H for Eastern Canada. For eleven years he was in charge of industrial relations and placement for a manufacturing concern. Has studied the English methods of placement from occupational centres in Great Britain.

Joseph McCulley of Newmarket, Ont., is Headmaster of Pickering College at New market and actively interested in various aspects of progressive education. He is Chairman of the Committee of Young Men's Work of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A., in which capacity he has been associated with the work of the Canadian Youth Council, during the past year.

Roads Must Be

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this travel, he said, has been the heavy increase in train travel. "All of our system resorts, particularly Jasper Park Lodge, in Jasper National Park, Canadian Rockies, have had exceptionally good seasons and prospects are that the season's tourist business will be considerably in excess of this year." With regard to prospects for hunting parties to Canada, Mr. Howard stated that bookings this year are much in excess of last season, each of the provinces recording larger numbers of sportsmen making bookings with guides and hunting camps. "Increased numbers of sportsmen are going to Jasper National Park this season. Larger herds of moose, deer and caribou also greater numbers of mountain sheep and goats are reported in the hunting territory outside of the Park and hunting prospects are particularly optimistic in all of the provinces."

AN ATTRACTIVE TRUCK

A truck with attractive and unique aero dynamic lines attracted considerable attention about the city yesterday. The large red truck, which was the first of its kind yet seen in this city is the property of John Lehatt, Ltd., brewers of London, Ont. The truck was in charge of R. L. (Bud) Morris, the Company's superintendent of transportation, who is making a tour of the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Morris was accompanied to this city by J. P. Whalen, the popular New Brunswick representative of the Company and two chauffeurs. The Lehatt Company, which has been in business for more than one hundred years is known all over Canada and their representatives generally receive a hearty welcome whenever they happen to come around.

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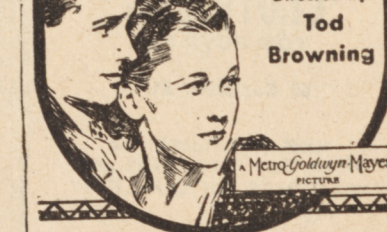
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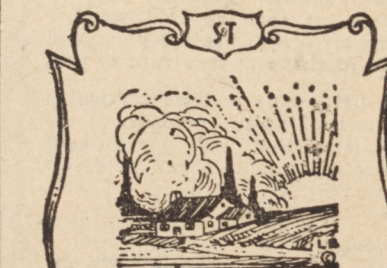
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