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Let Us Unite

Here is the kind of stuff that plays the devil with building up a united Canada. One dispatch to the press says that a group of French Canadians want the establishment of a "Corporative French Canadian State"—whatever that means. The other is a minister in Moncton, Rev. Neill Herman of Halifax, who rails at the French and warns his hearers that "Protestantism is at the cross-roads in Canada and we must protect our liberty." When statements like this are made they tend to pull apart a united Canada separate race from race. They leave a great opening for Communists to come in.

In these days every class and creed in Canada should stand shoulder to shoulder for the common cause of Christianity. People like those quoted above who try to stir up race against race are all enemies of Canada whether they are English or French, Catholic or Protestant. The time has come when all good citizens should unite for the common good.

Will It Stiffen the League?

It may or may not be coincidence that as Britain reveals a tendency to act while the League still is considering, as shown in her warning to Japan and China recently, the Geneva organization seems to be gaining confidence in itself.

Until the last moment it appeared likely that tacit submission to Nazi demands concerning Danzig would be made, the League's representative there being left to carry on a pretense of exercising authority, while actually without power to oppose the will of the German party.

This fear now has been dissipated. The League has given Poland a mandate over the Free City territory, which thus will remain under control of the League as the authority behind the mandatory power.

That this handling of the question probably will not be entirely to the liking of Germany makes it more significant, since it appears to foreshadow a possible stiffening of resistance to further Hitlerite demands.

That there has been a distinct clearing of the atmosphere at Geneva, with a consequent turning to the study of realities and away from academic discussion of ideals, is indicated by Britain's statement to the League's Disarmament Commission that she will continue to rearm until the rest of the nations reach an agreement on limitation.

Plans for disarmament already have been submitted and rejected. Britain told the Commission, and she sees no use in bringing them forward again. The real problem to be solved, she asserted, is how to restore international confidence. That settled, limitation of armaments probably would be a simple matter, but until it is settled she will arm to the point demanded by her great Imperial responsibilities and her international undertakings.

It is possible that, with this explicit assurance from Britain, the League will be heartened to take a definite and resolute attitude on matters which may come before it in the near future.

Penny Postage Centenary

It is now a hundred years since Rowland Hill, time-honored postal reformer, began agitating for the "penny post," adopted some four years later. That the Hill theory of the uniform, prepaid charge was a distinct success is attested by the modern postal systems. What it meant to the world in the intervening hundred years is best explained by its early universal adoption, which facilitated the creation of the International Postal Union, expanded and increased communications, and by the influence it had upon the subsequent development of national and international commerce.

It is not surprising, then, that consideration is being given to a suggestion that this anniversary be suitably celebrated. The Brandon Sun has come forward with a proposal that the most fitting method would be for Britain, Canada and the United States to return to the "penny post." Logically, it reasons that, "if the first attempt at low-cost mail was the big contribution to progress that historians say, we need such a stimulus today."

Few would attempt to question the certain stimulus of cheap postage, and, in consideration of the many obstacles the first penny postage had to overcome, it is difficult to see why similar benefits would not follow its re-adoption, especially with the facilities that now exist. But since the Hill innovation was tried and proved there has been considerable change in the views taken of postal services. More and more they have been utilized by Governments as revenue-producing agencies and the means to the balanced Budget.

Under pressure to find constantly greater revenues, Governments have manipulated postal rates as a form of indirect taxation, working on the theory that it was a well-established, essential service, so essential that a cent here and there in the charges would not curtail its use, and on the aggregate could be relied upon for the increase. There may be both reason and logic behind such a theory. But at no time should the need be permitted to circumscribe the vision of officials on the fundamental benefits of cheap postage, nor should they be unmindful of the service it has already given, and can continue to give, in a manner that bulks larger than Budget contributions.

Lie Detector Was Fake

News dispatches tell of a New Jersey schoolmaster who rigged up a little black box with dials and a red bulb and told pupils it was a lie detector.

The theory was that when a pupil lied about anything, the red light would flash. As a matter of fact, the light was controlled by a switch.

Before an official investigation could be made, the schoolmaster had the gadget destroyed by the school janitor.

It is reasonable to infer that under this school principal's plan, a pupil was guilty until proved innocent. If the examiner thought any statement by a pupil was a lie, the switch would be thrown.

To such depths does fake psychology drag men—and pupils. Yet no doubt many persons will agree that "when teacher knows" the facts, it is justifiable to rig up a trap for the pupil.

Maybe, but there is something more to education than teaching arts and skills and exercising despotic power. The real teacher—and there are thousands of them—teach honor, integrity, kindness, justice, and sets an example of these virtues.

SNAPSHOTS

There were some good-looking girls at the college dance last night.

We hope that man will not break the commandment by working at his house back of town again tomorrow. He has six days to do this kind of work.

The young man who missed seeing his best girl off at the train this morning should have got up earlier. Any fellow who sleeps until nine o'clock should not have a girl.

Ottawa hears R. B. is to drop the leadership and his brother-in-law, Mr. Herridge, will steer the ship. This sounds like the old family compact.

Talking about family compact, we know of a large one that is used by three girls and their mother.

The editor has three tickets on a Thanksgiving turkey. As this is the only way an editor can get a turkey, we hope they will take pity on us and let us win it.

F'ton Lawyer

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ed. If they would furnish within ten days a written order on the C.P.R. paymaster for the amount of their accounts the town would agree to assume the costs of the garnishee, he said. He pointed out that this did not mean by installments, but rather an unconditional order for the full amount, which he said in most of the cases would be considerably smaller than their next pay check.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Everett, Councillors Hall, Cox, Hetherington and Craig, C. J. Jones, K.C., town clerk and solicitor, and A. Gordon Bailey, town manager.

Mr. Atkinson told the council he represented 12 men against whom action had been taken by the town; he did not understand how or why. Executions had been issued against these men by an illegal method to garnishee their wages, he stated. He spoke particularly of men employed with the Canadian Pacific Railway. Last pay day, a number of these men had had their wages held up. He could find no precedent for the action taken by the council, which had resulted in the men in question receiving demerit marks which would interfere seriously with their promotion in the railway service, he said.

Mr. Atkinson said the right to bring men up for examination undoubtedly existed and then, if the facts warranted it, garnishee proceedings could be taken. Instead of this, the town had "fired something, I do not know what," and had used the C.P.R. illegally for the collection of taxes. "Whatever action has been taken," he declared, "is without the authority of your charter and without legal right."

He charged that the action was discriminatory because all citizens must be placed on an even basis, and the men had suffered damage to their employment for which legal action could be instituted.

Without describing the action that had been taken, Mr. Atkinson demanded to know why the town "has acted through a foreign state to accomplish what was amply provided for under the laws of the province." The method used, he charged, was unheard of, "Why has the town acted against some ratepayers and not others? Why have some been prosecuted and others shielded?" he asked.

Mr. Atkinson said he believed the councillors were reasonable men and had not thought of the matter on the basis he was presenting. "I ask you," he said, "to notify the C.P.R. to release the money you have not got and will not get under this method." No costs, he said, for any action taken outside the town should be charged against the men, and the town should ask the C.P.R. to erase any demerit marks from the records.

"On our part," Mr. Atkinson said, "we will make an agreement with your tax collector that each man will pay a percentage of his wages to the town monthly until the bills are paid. We ask that in future all citizens be treated alike in collection of taxes. If you refuse, some legal process will be employed. I ask you to rectify the mistake that you have made. Your action requires a public explanation and a public rectification."

Town officials, asked as to the action to which Mr. Atkinson referred, said that the men proceeded against had been in arrears for periods running up to five years. The amounts, it was intimated ranged from \$10 to \$30. It was explained that action had been taken through the Maine courts which had jurisdiction over the C.P.R. because the garnishee process was simpler there.

The C.P.R. officials said they were liable to the Maine jurisdiction because they did business in that state. Consequently, an order from Maine courts must be observed by them, and the amounts owing had therefore been taken to Houlton and an order against the men's wages issued by the court there and served on the railway.

Britons and Russians

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ternational non-intervention committee in London, when he denied Russia's charge that Italy—along with Germany and Portugal—had violated the pact by aiding the insurgents. Grandi, it was said in these circles, named eight British pilots who he alleged were working for the Madrid government. The names of aviators were not given here.

The ambassador also was reported to have asserted the British steamship Bramhill discharging Soviet arms at the port of Alicante, in southeastern Spain.

These Italian sources said the ambassador told the committee Italy would not be responsible if the accord which she 'loyally accepted' were to be 'destroyed by the unilateral decision of any one state.'

Grandi was reported to have named 30 cases in which he alleged the Soviet Union violated the neutrality agreement. He was said to have charged 70 Russian airplanes arrived at Barcelona, Spain, in September.

High sources said Grandi also alleged the Russian steamships, Neva, Kuban, Volga and others had been unloading arms and ammunition almost continuously in Spain.

He said a Russian publication, issued in Spain, instructed Spanish Communists to create a "Soviet republic in Spain and Portugal."

LONDON, Oct. 10.—Soviet Russia, threatening to withdraw from the Spanish non-intervention agreement, was understood tonight to have decided to continue co-operating for the present time.

A surprise was created in committee circles when Chancellor of the Exchequer Neville Chamberlain, acting premier during the absence of Prime Minister Baldwin, was quoted as having said Britain would leave the non-intervention committee if Russia could prove her charges.

Spanish Gov't

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far unconfirmed. The Rebel troops have been given a day of rest today in preparation, it is rumored, for a possible final attack tomorrow.

Insurgents today occupied San Martin de Valdeglesias, 37 miles west-southwest of Madrid, thus gaining their first grip on Madrid Province, at the centre of which lies the capital.

Within 24 hours, officers here said, the insurgents will have entered Madrid Province from four of the five surrounding provinces—Avila, Toledo, Segovia and Gaudalajara.

Insurgent airmen continued to hammer at Madrid, reportedly destroying a militia garrison and tearing up the Madrid-Valencia railway today.

General Gonzalo Queipo de Llano, insurgent commander in the south, claimed the capital faced an acute water shortage. Other sources declared war supplies, money and men were streaming out of Madrid.

Dominion

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Parliament by the United Kingdom Branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association.

Arrangements are now being made by Dr. Arthur Beauchene, K. C., C. M. G., clerk of the House of Commons, and honorary secretary of the Canadian Branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association, to have the group, with the British shield to be included between the two figures erected in a suitable spot on Parliament Hill.

The lion and unicorn with several other pieces of statuary were removed from the Westminster Houses of Parliament during the extensive restoration which has been carried out in the past four years. Dr. Beauchene selected the particular figures when he was in England last year.

A nice touch is the accompanying bronze plate with the gift, printed in French as well as English, which records the source of the presentation.

Bennett May

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tically in order to restore national financial solvency.

Another is Hon. W. D. Herridge, ex-minister to Washington, and brother-in-law of Mr. Bennett. Mr. Herridge's campaign to capture the leadership has, Ottawa believes, already been mapped out. He will fire his first guns in Toronto shortly, either at a luncheon club meeting or a Conservative party gathering. Those who profess to be in the know say Mr. Herridge's next public address, on which he has been working a large part of the summer, will be a masterly effort to win the support of two diverse national groups; conservative-minded Imperialists and youthful discontents.

He will come out for more adequate contributions by Canadians to Empire defense, a policy bound to be popular with many of the older men in the party. Widespread newspaper support given to the rectified views of Viscount Elibank on the subject has strengthened the conviction that in certain circles defense is a good campaign issue.

Church Services

Brunswick Street Baptist Church
11 a.m., Thanksgiving Service. "The Spirit of Thanksgiving"; 2.30 p. m. Sunday School, Brotherhood and Young People's Class; 7 p. m., Evangelization of Canadian Life. 1. The Leader. The Man sent from God. Are we drifting into chaos or planning a Christian Revolution? Gerald W. Guio, pastor.

Gibson Memorial United Church of Canada
Devon, Nashwaaksis and Kingsley. 11 a.m. Rev. D. R. Chown, and 7 p.m. Rev. W. A. Burge. The pastor will preach at Nashwaaksis at 3 p.m. Rev. A. D. MacLeod, former pastor, will preach at Kingsley at 3 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. Wilmot church quartette will lead singing at Kingsley in the afternoon. Rev. W. A. Burge, minister.

Advent Christian Church, N. Devon
Milton C. Burt, pastor. 11 a. m. sermon: Is Christian Faith Blind Credulity or Well-established Confidence? 7 p.m., service of song, followed by sermon. All are welcome.

Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Rev. George E. Ross, D.D., minister 11 a.m., Public Worship. Our National Thanksgiving "Thou shalt remember the Lord Thy God." 2.30 p. m. Sunday School and Bible Class; 7.00 p. m., Public Worship, subject, The grace of Gratitude. Saint Andrew's extends a welcome to all.

Christchurch Cathedral
18th Sunday after Trinity. National Thanksgiving. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Thanksgiving service and sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong and sermon. Dean Moorhead will preach at both services.

Expansion

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the city and that this point was being kept foremost in organizing the activities for this season. A school rugby league is already underway. It is planned to run boys' hockey leagues on much the same basis as last year, when some 230 boys participated.

A Young Men's basketball league is in prospect and it is felt that it can be a much stronger organization than last year benefiting by last year's experience. The gym club of last year attracted wide attention through their development as gymnasts and there is a long list of new applicants to join this club.

It has been decided to make the Recreation School a much more intensive training and that diplomas be issued to successful graduates. An effort will be made to create the highest possible standard for these diplomas. A Hi-Y Club is in the process of organization at the High School. This group will affiliate with the international Hi-Y organization which has clubs in important cities all over the world.

It is planned to run a series of six young people's forums during the coming season. A youth conference to discuss activities at the Youth Congresses held in Ottawa and Geneva, Switzerland, is in prospect.

Business Men's Club
A committee is organizing business men's health club. A young women's gym class will also be a new feature. The leaders, who attended a conference of Maritime "Y" leaders in Moncton recently are busily engaged in the organization of a Leaders' Corps.

Another interesting new feature is the projected Recreation Skills Institute. The object of this institute will be to give people a grounding in the fundamentals of some new recreation which they can enjoy. In other words, to give them sufficient skill in one or two activities that they will be able to enjoy their leisure time more fully. Fundamental skills in such activities as tap dancing, ping pong, badminton, bag punching, boxing, figure skating, musical appreciation and art appreciation will be taught.

A MISCHIEVOUS BOY
A little sepia brown boy on whom patience hasn't worked so well as the old fashioned ferule, broke a window out of the Apple Exchange today. This afternoon he is in the custody of the police station. The boy broke the window not because he was hungry for an apple but because he was mischievous. Another case of "sparing the rod."

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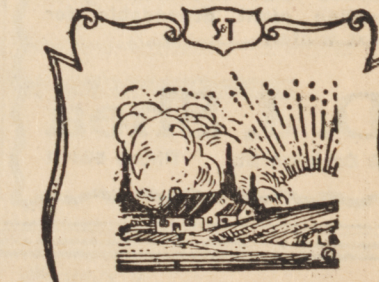
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