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A Movement Which Moves

St. Francis Xavier University of Antigonish, N.S., leads the field in Canada in the practical consideration of social, economic and industrial problems. It may be sheer ignorance but we do not know of any Canadian institution, group or organization, of the English-speaking Provinces, which runs a close second.

The Extension Department of St. Francis Xavier did not permit the difficulty of Dominion-wide organization to prevent the establishment of a movement which has attracted extraordinary attention across Canada and the United States and even in Europe. Faced with difficulties which were fast turning embarrassment into hardship, the promoters of the Rural and Industrial Conference long ago came to grip with their problems. The success which they have achieved has brought a remarkable social and economic change to the territory which they have been able to serve and meritorious recognition to the leaders from such institutions as the Carnegie Foundation.

The Fourteenth Annual Rural and Industrial Conference under the auspices of the Extension Department will take place at St. Francis Xavier University on August 19, 20, 21. The diversity of subjects listed on the programme is a commentary upon the complexity of modern social development. "The Credit Union Movement," "Consumers' and Farmers' Co-operatives," "The Consumer Bears the Brunt," and a place with "Adult Education," "Women and a Better Social Order," and "Three Phases of the Youth Problem." Farmers, fishermen and industrial workers will discuss the questions touching their vocations while a Professor of Physics and the Deputy Minister of Health for the province will tackle such problems as the "Complete Electrification of Nova Scotia" and "Building a Healthy People." The address of Welcome by the Most Rev. James Morrison, D.D., of Antigonish. The presence of Michael Williams, Editor of The Commonwealth, brings a close student and ardent admirer of the work of the University to the Conference.

The St. Francis Xavier University Supplement of the Casket, in its issue of July 23, lists the accomplishments of the Department during the past six years. It is a remarkable record of undertakings. The Annual Rural and Industrial Conference which last year brought 600 delegates to Antigonish appears but as a detail in the programme. The larger Conference this year will but keep pace with the forward movement discernable in each department of the work. We bid the Conference the best of success.

The English Way

The bringing of contempt of court charges against two London newspapers for commenting on the activities, character and past career of the accused in the recent attempted attack on King Edward was launched in the King's Bench Court.

The sob stuff in regard to the Bannister case was disgusting in the extreme. This kind of sob stuff is breaking into the Canadian papers. Juries have to be chosen from those who read the sensational material published in advance of the trial of the person accused. It would be bad enough if all that is thus published were true, but invention is called in, facts are colored, or made up, or over-emphasized.

Readers form an opinion before they are called on the jury.

They may think their minds are still open but sometimes they are only fooling themselves. Besides that, let us not forget that there are two sides to every such case. The sensational papers play sides. Sometimes they play up what newspaper men cynically call "sob-stuff," artificial building up of sloppy sympathy for criminals, especially at the stage of the case where the "sob-stuff" is put out.

The plain truth of the matter is, that criminal cases ought never to be tried out in the form of day to day stories, a mixture of fact and lies. There is a way provided by the laws of all civilized countries, by which the facts in favor of a person accused of crime, as well as the facts against him, are given in court in a calm and dispassionate way, without exaggeration, excitement or coloring, are judged by a jury of disinterested and impartial men under the advice of a learned judge, according to law, and a verdict given accordingly.

The function which the papers have taken upon themselves is contrary to law, and is not consistent with fair play to either the accused person or the public whose laws he is accused of violating. To allow such a function of an irresponsible press is contrary not only to law, but to ordinary ideas of fair play, and to ordinary everyday common sense. A court of justice and a theatre are, and must remain, two entirely different places.

Those who remember the Hauptmann case, and many other murder cases which were most unscrupulously played up in the press for what they were worth for sensationalism purposes, can easily imagine what an orgy of sensationalism and artificial emotionalism, would have been let loose on our poor heads if the man now under arrest had done the same act while the President of the United States was riding in Washington.

And we can picture to ourselves with what surprise the uncontrolled press of that country would have heard the Attorney-General of any of the States, ask a judge of any court to stop the scandalous performance.

But they do many things well in England. We trust that our Canadian papers will take the English way. That way, in this case, is, that the leader of the English Bar, the chief legal adviser of the Crown, acting in the interests of a poor wretch, who is in jail for an act which involved the King of England in person, asks the Lord Chief Justice of England and two other judges, for protection for that poor wretch against two of the most powerful papers in London.

That's the English way. Let it be made the Canadian way.

SNAPSHOTS

It took a man in Picton, Ont., an hour to decide who to inform that a grass fire was in progress. Wrong kind of ethics.

We hope that the bridge will come sooner or later, but why all the darn secrecy about it? The railway authorities should lay the cards on the table and never mind the high hating about it.

We hope now that the children are all done fighting over who got the biggest piece of pie from the Tourist Bureau, that the dear things will kiss. We would like to see Cedric kiss Alexander. We will leave the young lady clerk out of it. Perhaps Papa Miller will keep the children quiet in future. It's not nice to be fighting when strangers are coming in.

There never was a year when Fredericton had nicer flowers and gardens and lawns, all over the city. This is particularly true this year in regard to the lawns in the upper and rear end of the city where considerable new improvement is shown.

Father Coughlin

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It is my conviction have contributed largely to want in the midst of plenty, I addressed to the President of the United States, in a speech at Cleveland, Ohio, July 16, the word "liar."

"For that action I now offer to the President of the United States my sincere apology.

"It has been implied, both in the large section of the public press and elsewhere, that my action on July 16 was due to the fact that promises allegedly given to me in person by the President of the United States were not carried out. My reference was not to such action.

"Specifically, I had in mind the recorded promises held out to a Nation during 1932 by a candidate for the Presidency. I had in mind the noble inaugural address delivered by the candidate-elect on March 4, 1933; and had in mind an oath of office to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America.

"Historical records since March 4, 1933, is responsible for the fact that in my Cleveland address on July 16 I did not pussyfoot.

"The money changers have not been driven from the temple. Those who 'abdicated' their high places have been restored and their places made more secure. There is a greater and far more serious concentration of wealth today than existed in 1932 and 1933.

"The President of the United States is on record as having encouraged the Congress of the United States not to take too seriously the Constitution of the United States. That action did not have the effect of upholding the Constitution.

"I am conscious that the President of the United States is reported to have made the following declaration on May 14, 1935:

"As you know, a great many of the high and mighty, with special axes to grind, have been deliberately trying to mislead the people who know nothing of farming by misrepresenting—no—why use a pussyfoot word?—by lying about the kind of farm programme which this Nation is operating."

"I am conscious that the President of the United States has not pussyfooted when attacking either those with whom he is in disagreement or his political enemies.

"I was one of the first, and not one of the least, to help you attain the Presidency. My assistance was based upon Your Excellency's ability to perform. As my President, I still respect you, as a fellow citizen and as a man I still regard highly; but as an Executive, despite Your Excellency's fine intentions, I deem it best for the welfare of our common country that you be supplanted in office.

"To that end, in a gentlemanly and courteous manner, I strive, always willing to admit my mistakes—including those of good judgment—and to apologize even publicly when confronted with them.

"In conclusion, I wish to state for the record that my remarks and criticism delivered in Cleveland were directed at a candidate for the greatest political office within the gift of the people."

Respectfully,
(Sgd.) Charles Coughlin.

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DAILY FOREIGN NEWS COMMENT

JAPAN'S POLICY OF EXPANSION AND TRADE MARKETS

The present militaristic Japanese policy is so bound up with trade expansion that one can not be fairly considered without the other.

It cannot be too often emphasized that comparative speaking China is a rich country and Japan is a poor one. If it was possible to raise the Chinese purchasing power, China is one—and perhaps the only one—of the greatest undeveloped markets of the world. China has great resources in undeveloped coal beds, ancient industries galore, and only needs reforestation on a scientific basis, and a modern irrigation system to become rich and prosperous. An adequate railway system, modern highways, and the removal of vexatious internal inter-provincial tariffs which make the cost of transporting manufactured Chinese products to the sea prohibitive, would make the country prosperous.

China is Japan's great prospective market which she is prepared to keep at all costs.

British Trade with China averages about \$250,000,000 per year, and Japanese trade about the same. This trade, if handled by Japan alone, would go far to settle all their economic problems. A re-organized China under Japanese domination would assure Japan's prosperity.

For this reason since the declaration of the Chinese Republic in 1915, Japanese money and arms have financed various war-lords to embroil the country in civil war. The last thing that Japan wants is a strong Central China Government. She would prefer to administer the country herself.

—H. M. P.

Peace the Goal

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made many of the Tokio buildings, reconstructed since the last bad earthquake. And many houses have at least one or two rooms furnished in the occidental manner with chairs, tables and hardwood floors. Western fashions in clothes are becoming popular, too, and are being advocated as more healthful and hygienic.

Western Ideas

"There was a movement on foot not long ago which advocated discarding everything western and returning to the culture of the ancestors. It is, of course, impossible for Japan to do that. Western ideas, methods of education and ways of living have permeated too deeply. In addition, an industrialized Japan can not turn back on its path.

"The younger group in the army are impatient with the obstacles which stand in the way of promotion in time of peace. That is a major reason for their aggressive attitude. But the atmosphere there is changing. Even among the militarists themselves there is the desire for international friendship. Members of all classes are preaching peace."

Born in South

Mrs. Stirewalt, who was born in Charleston, N.C., married in 1914 and moved to Japan after her marriage. She has three daughters, 13, 18 and 20 years old, all born and brought up in Japan. The children were educated at an American school in Tokio. Filled with the jumble of nationalities, children from the legations, missions, and families of business men resident in Tokio, the youngsters are schooled in a fashion typically American.

"But there is a very important difference," remarked the mother of three girls educated in this fashion. "There are about 17 nationalities in that school, and almost every race is represented. The only qualification for admission is a working knowledge of English.

"Children there make fast friends, as in ordinary schools. And they acquire there, as they do not in the ordinary school, an international viewpoint. It is, for instance, difficult for my children when they come to the United States to adjust themselves to the prejudices and group consciousness they encounter. My children have, I think, the advantage."

Money Not Yet

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Some years ago, it is said, engineers visited Fredericton and in addition to going over the site of the then C.N.R. bridge, they surveyed another site at the west end of the city a short distance above the Old Government buildings. But the objection to this site was that it would require a long stretch of track on the Devon side of the river in order to reach the location of the bridge, and tracks and roadbeds cost money.

STOCKHOLM—Swedish labor groups have raised approximately \$15,000 to be sent to Spain for alleviating distress among fighting workers there.

\$1.50 Wheat

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At the end of the last crop year, July 31, the carryover was estimated to be 120,000,000 bushels. The present estimate of the new crop is about 200,000,000 bushels, making a total available for sale in this new crop year of approximately 320,000,000 bus. If there is subtracted from this aggregate about 100,000,000 bushels for domestic needs, there will remain over 200,000,000 bushels for sale to other countries, about 40 per cent of the world demand.

Difficult to Set Price

The enhancement of wheat prices at Winnipeg and the existing world situation lend fresh interest to the action the Government will take in the matter of fixing a price for the new crop. Under the Canadian Wheat Board legislation of 1935 the obligation is imposed on the Wheat Board, through the Federal Government, to fix the price for the ensuing crop year, but the rapid upward movement of the market makes it difficult to arrive at a decision as to what the price should be.

While it is apparent the government must fix the price for the Wheat Board, it has been more than once questioned whether or not the government, through the board might subsequently alter the price. There are said to be differences of view in legal circles as to the power to change the price. The government might, conceivably, fix the price at \$1 per bushel or even \$1.05. Whatever the decision, the growers may be critical.

12,722 Men

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additional men who were not in the camps.

The experiment has proved so successful that it has attracted attention in the United States, and investigators have been sent to Canada to secure information which may be useful in initiating a similar scheme over there.

Parliament appropriated \$3,000,000 as a contribution to the railways to induce them to absorb about half of the inmates of the camps, which had cost the Dominion Government \$22,000,000 since their inception four years ago.

It cost \$62.50 a month to keep a man in camp, so the government will save considerable money if the single homeless men who are now working for wages have sufficient from their earnings this summer to keep them through the coming winter. The task of transferring the men from camps to jobs on the railways and elsewhere has been under the direction of Humphrey Mitchell, former M. P. for Hamilton.

KING GEORGE MAY LOSE THRONE

(Special to The Daily Mail)

ATHENS, Aug. 7.—Widespread unrest in Greece is reported. The military dictatorship has been followed by many street clashes. There is danger of King George again losing his throne.

PALESTINE—Two Jewish and two Arab policemen lay dead today as new outbreaks flared up in connection with the Arab general strike at Haifa and other Palestinian points.

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