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Father Coughlin's Third Party

One of the oddest, if not the oddest, of election vehicles ever pieced together from spare parts of abusive oratory has taken shape this week at Cleveland and will be wheeled into the United States Presidential campaign any day now under the simple pseudonym of the Third Party. Its Presidential candidate will be Congressional Representative William Lemke, and his sponsors Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin, Dr. Francis E. Townsend and Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith.

From the crude and almost meaningless verbiage Father Coughlin wasted upon President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Republican Candidate Alfred M. Landon it can be inferred that the party, "non-political" in its creed and purpose, is really its own brainchild, the National Union for Social Justice. His Cleveland appearance was nothing more than a sideshow staged for the benefit of the 12,000 delegates assembled at the second conference of Dr. Townsend's Revolving Pensions Ltd. and to secure their pledge of moral support for the party. At the same time it was endorsed by Rev. Gerald Smith of the Huey P. Long "share-our-wealth" movement, and allegedly his 6,000,000 followers, who, Townsend National Vice-President Gomer Smith (opposed) suspects, will "turn out to be Louisiana bullfrogs."

Just what this Third Party, if elected, intends to do about all the evils Father Coughlin accuses successive Republican and Democratic Administrations of inflicting upon the American people is difficult to say. Father Coughlin himself did not say, and Dr. Townsend, as serious, if less articulate, seemed disinclined to say. The one definite assurance given the Townsends was that, in backing Candidate Lemke, they would not be submerging their separate identity, nor would any of the three groups of the union be asked to abandon their individual cures for the depression.

The conclusion must be, therefore, that if Candidate Lemke should arrive as President—and, after all, Alberta Premier Aberhart arrived on nothing more sound and with far less in the way of promised remuneration—the \$200-a-month pension scheme of Dr. Townsend, the "share-our-wealth" ambitions of Rev. Mr. Smith, together with the hundred-and-one money schemes of Father Coughlin, will all qualify for Federal legislation.

It cannot be denied that each member of this trinity of radicals has some following among the American electorate. How large these followings actually are can be judged only by their own optimistic estimates. At the same time it is difficult, even with the three groups banded together, to imagine the Third Party as any great force in the November election. The Townsend plan has been shown to be impossible of practical operation; the share-the-wealth ideal is no less impractical. That is as far as their "creative" work goes, and it would seem that their only effectiveness can be as critics of the major parties and their candidates. Should that criticism extend beyond the abusive limits established by Father Coughlin at Cleveland it is not unreasonable to believe that it will be more beneficial than harmful to the cause of both President Roosevelt and Governor Landon.

Position of Can.-Spanish Trade

For Canada, in common with the majority of countries, trade with Spain has arrived, owing to a number of factors, at a very difficult stage, writes Mr. A. B. Muddiman, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Milan, in the forthcoming issue of the Commercial Intelligence Journal. The present situation is chiefly owing to the lack of foreign exchange, which has in some cases resulted in complete stoppage of payment by the Spanish importers unless a clearing agreement has been instituted. In brief, goods shipped to Spain have not only to face a formidable barrier of customs charges, but even when landed in the country, payment may be so retarded by exchange control that, unless special payment arrangements are made, the exporter remains indefinitely without his money. Further, the unsettled political situation prevailing in the peninsula has been another factor restraining the exporter. Recently Spain has shown willingness to enter into a series of new commercial negotiations even with those countries with which she already has had commercial agreements. New or supplementary agreements have been made with France, Germany, Italy, and Belgium, and last year new negotiations were entered into with the United Kingdom.

While the Canadian importer has been regularly paying for his imports of Spanish goods and the funds have been remitted to Spain, the Canadian exporter has not received funds from Spain for the goods that have been shipped there, and there is now a substantial accumulation of arrears due to Canadian exporters. The Spanish authorities at the end of March, 1936 estimated that the Canadian funds thus frozen in Spain amounted to 12 million French francs. Their continued accumulation would make the problem of their liquidation the more difficult to deal with.

Outdoor Journeys Popular This Year

Some statistician may be able to tell, at the close of the season, how many Americans put their homes on wheels this summer and roamed where fancy dictated. To the casual observer, however, it would appear that they are out by the thousands where they may have been numbered by hundreds in previous years.

Houses on wheels, as these motor trailers are sometimes called, are almost everywhere in evidence. A day's drive up the Hudson valley or over into the interior of Connecticut is revealing. One thing that stands out is the fact that Southerners predominate in these Northern tours. Occasionally the license plate tells the story of a Western family that has gone out to see the country, but a two days' jaunt out of New York revealed that Georgia and Alabama are in the lead.

Near Copake Lake in Columbia county, a family from South Carolina had been enjoying life for nearly a week before continuing to the White Mountains. On the road a Georgian, his wife and two children were having a laugh on their friends at home after reading about the sweltering weather there.

Coming back through northwestern Connecticut two families were stopping for a day or two before heading for Canada. And a few miles south of Litchfield, another Alabama family had set up its home on wheels prepared to stay for several weeks. A huge tent arrangement was spread over the trailer, setting up a dining room on one side and a living room on the other. A 100-mile drive in almost any direction tells the story of how America is taking to the outdoors this year.

SNAPSHOTS

Speaking of small boys and girls running the streets at night, what about the bottle catchers brigade, a body composed of boys and girls ten and twelve years old, who follow up the Rubbie Brigade. These kids operate on the river bank in the rear of the Court House. Ten year old kids drink the dregs from the whiskey and beer bottles. Then they sell the bottles.

There is probably not many dregs left when the Rubbie Brigade get through.

The fellows with the car who tried to pick up the two girls last night on Waterloo Row felt kind of silly when one of the girls told them to go to hell. We have not heard whether they went or not.

Do you remember when there was no excitement after dark except when the moth got on the inside of the lamp chimney?

These were the same years as you used to drink water out of a tin dipper and the tin pail on the teacher's platform in school and never knew that there were germs. Every boy and girl slobbered in the same cup.

A Saint John daily is worrying because the Fredericton bridge is not under way. No wonder!

So they didn't find any of Barney Crossin's gold on the corner lot!

Your declining years begin when you begin to decline invitations to bridge parties.

The old-time doctor used psychotherapy, too, but he called it a bedside manner.

But you never hear of drouth relief for the merchant who goes broke because the farmers didn't make a crop.

There must be deflation in nature too, else how do bugs that size get through a window screen?

A boom every eight years is about right. You can make the old Panama last that long.

Pacifists are like preachers, they can't get anybody to listen except those who don't need it.

All Canada

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Breeding Parasites

The Department of Agriculture is striving to introduce effective parasites to control the sawfly, breeding them in its laboratory at Belleville, Ont., and seeking to establish them in the forests, where they will prey on the caterpillars and cocoons.

The difficulties of the method, it is pointed out, lie in the fact the sawfly has been increasing at an incalculable rate for several years, and is firmly established in a favorable environment. The parasites, on the other hand, start far behind numerically, and must spread over a huge area if they are to attack with enough force to decimate the pest.

Officials recall that the larch sawfly, a somewhat similar insect, destroyed all mature larch in this country in about twenty years, beginning in 1890. Parasites introduced to check their ravages were unable to cope with them at the time, but as the larch was destroyed the flies died of starvation and the parasites gained numerically, eventually effecting an apparent balance.

The larch started to come back as second growth and is still coming back, although it has not reached a commercial stage and is only a secondary commercial timber. A recent larch sawfly infestation near Quebec was checked in a short time by descendants of the parasites which were placed there more than twenty-five years ago.

Heavy National Loss

Danger in the spruce fly, however, is far more serious, it is claimed. Spruce is one of the nation's most valuable timbers, and the best source of newsprint. Mature spruce stands accessible for lumbering amount to 65,422,000,000 cubic feet. At average stumpage fees that would bring Governments revenue of \$654,220,000. At the mills the wood would be worth \$10,467,520,000.

In addition much spruce, commercial and second growth, is scattered through forests containing other trees. Each tree sawflies kill adds to the fire hazard of the forest in summer. In Gaspé authorities fear fire may roar through 6,000 square miles of what was once green timber, creating probably the biggest fire in history.

Their failure to stop the advance of the pest, they say, would prove a major national calamity.

THE LINOTYPE

The linotype—the machine by which this editorial and practically all the matter in this newspaper and others throughout the world is put into type—is nearing its fiftieth birthday.

It was on July 3, 1886, that the first linotype machine was set up and put into operation in the composing room of The New York Tribune, under the direction of its inventor, Ottmar Mergenthaler. Despite the dire predictions of the skeptics that it would prove a failure, it practically revolutionized the art of printing, and today authorities in the trade rate the creation of the linotype second only to Gutenberg's invention of movable type, about 1450 A. D., in its influence upon the advancement and spread of human knowledge.

The machine met with active opposition in the ranks of the printers who saw in Mergenthaler's invention a menace to their livelihood, another instance of machines supplanting men in industry. But while the linotype did mark the beginning of the end of hand-set type in most phases of the printing trade, the machine in fact produced the opposite of what was predicted with regard to employment. The increased speed and resultant reduced cost of setting type was reflected in more voluminous newspapers and a regular deluge of popular-priced books and similar publications, which caused more and more employment as time went on. In fact, there are today more hand-sets of type working in the industry than there were when Mergenthaler's machine was introduced half a century ago, although they are few in proportion to the number of linotype operators employed.

Some idea of the place which the linotype machine has filled in the printing world can be gathered from the fact that, from one machine in 1886 the number in operation has increased until today there are 75,000 of them located in eighty-nine countries or political sub-divisions, and their keyboards "speak" in more than seventy tongues. Thirty of them are on the high seas, including one in the Queen Mary.

Saint John Newspaper

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and merchants in all parts of the Dominion.

"Where is the Ethiopian in the woodpile? Has Halifax 'pull' got in its deadly work to further handicap the Port of Saint John?"

"In order to have the railway bridge at Fredericton rebuilt the people of the province, headed by members of the Provincial Government, members of the Fredericton city government and of the Saint John Common Council, must put their full weight into the drive to have the bridge built and have it built at once.

"Promises are not enough. The bridge should be started at once and there should be no holdup. The bridge is necessary to the business of the whole Dominion, and there should be no delay.

"There are rumors that the bridge is not to be built. With the lack of action it would appear that there is some foundation to these rumors. The people's representatives in New Brunswick must take the responsibility for having this bridge built and the sooner there is definite action and not just another flock of promises, the better it will be for all concerned."

St. Dunstan's Picnic

St. Dunstan's picnic put on by the C.W.L. for the children of the Sunday school, was an enjoyable affair and a decided success. Games and sports were enjoyed followed by supper. A large number were present.

The British government is being strongly urged to raise the duty on meats coming in from other countries giving preference to Canada.

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COMMENTATOR COMMENTS

Editor Daily Mail,
City.

Dear Sir:
Commentator is only one of many citizens who wonder when the Jubilee Park project will receive attention from the Aldermen. Summer is moving right along, but no move seems to have been made in the Park matter, and so it will not be until 1937 that the new Park will be open. Commentator continues: The entire river front could be made a pleasant land for worthwhile folks, instead of a desert and wilderness as always. No wonder part of it is a jungle, inhabited by the Rubbie Brigade. Far better to have it in a quiet spot where kiddies and tired mothers can enjoy the sunshine, than a hangout for male human beings whose highest ambition is to imbibe moonshine. What an eyesore! What a miserable sight! What a poor impression it must make on tourists entering Fredericton via the bridge. A restful spot that could so easily be a restful spot. The old dump has been removed, after years of agitation. Put some of our unemployed at something useful clearing the stumps, stones, weeds, bottles, odd bits of debris and other filth, that mar the appearance of the shore of our portion of "the Rhine of America." I am not in favor of the suggestion that the City transplant burdocks from the streets to the river front. If those civic burdocks are sacred, or if the law of the Medes and Persians declares that they shall not be cut down I opine that it would not be illegal nor impossible to cut them up, bit by bit. In fact, the Rubbie Brigade might do it gratis, in return for the herbs. I presume they are herbs, and that they are among the ingredients of Burdock Blood Bitters, which in bygone days were not a drug on the market. I know whereof I speak, for in those early days I was errand boy in a local drugstore and had to drag drugs around. In England, some people go "hopping" ('oppin'), picking hops for use in brewing. Why couldn't some people in Fredericton go docking, picking burrs off the burdocks? Would there be trouble brewing? Well, I must hop it now. Let me know when and how and by whom the City burdocks are to be cut up, after docking.

Yours truly,
COMMENTATOR.

GYROS VS. JACKASSES

To Whom It May Concern:

The members of the flying squad (Hockey Players) challenge the Devon or Fredericton Fire Departments to a game of Jackass Baseball on July the 30th and 31st. We don't care who accepts this challenge first, but we feel that we can "shut out" any ball team the Firemen can produce. For the last three years we have beat to a frazzle the Fredericton Firemen at hockey and we can do the same on the baseball diamond.

Ed. Clancy King will find it harder to ride a real live donkey than sail around the rink on a pair of skates. There are certain men on the department team who think they are good, including Pete Finnegan, Tom Dougherty, Harry Myhrall, Fred Desaulniers, Snooks Darlington, Lightnin' Kitchen and many others. If this challenge should be accepted which we feel they won't accept, please write to the Captain of the Gyro Team who is not far from the

Government Makes

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The revolt at Toledo was reported over but another rebel column of mechanized units was said to be advancing on Madrid, under General Mola.

The rebel advance in the north was the most important since the military revolt broke out last week in Spanish Morocco.

Civil officials were reported fleeing into France, while rebel leaders claimed they had mobilized 12,000 mountaineers from the Navarre hill country.

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