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Reorientating Party Politics

Whether or not one can subscribe to all his conclusions, it is difficult to reject Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler's analysis of the industrial problem and remain consistent with a long procession of facts. There will be no disclaimers to this assertion that it is world-wide in all its aspects, the form differing only in relation to domestic circumstances. The claim that it is certain "to fashion and to control the political differences and policies" in the United States in the years immediately ahead is too plainly evident to be argued. As a conclusion this holds good for most other countries, and has, in fact, been responsible for the political transformation of several.

It is in qualifying this conclusion that Dr. Butler discards the old-established parties of the United States as "outgrown." Here again few can find fault with his assertion that "these parties (Democratic and Republican) no longer represent, save in name, the same underlying differences of political thought and purpose as was originally the case." They are, in reality, divided and subdivided under ill-assorted classifications simply because the problems Dr. Butler cites cannot be fitted into their traditional programmes. Consequently Democrats must now be distinguished either as "New Dealers," "Liberals" or "Die-Hards," while a Republican is, of necessity, a "Reactionary" or a "Radical."

As these terms indicate, there is no basis for compromise. The problem does not permit of compromise, for it has redrawn the boundaries of policy on fundamental lines which cut across both groups. Dr. Butler attempts to designate the new divisions, terming one the Constitutional or Progressive Liberal, the other the Reactionary Radical. They are merely new names for Right and Left, and it is here that most will find grounds for argument, particularly those who in the present confusion look at Europe and like to think of themselves as of the Left or socialistic element.

In his definition Dr. Butler rules otherwise, Socialistic they may be in their purposes, but, measured against the democratic principle of well-ordered freedom, they are Reactionary Radicals. The real liberals, the truly progressive liberals, he declares, are those who seek change and reform within the limits of the principles underlying the Constitution, amending it at the will of the people themselves only when its interpretation does not meet the essential needs of the moment.

The Radicals he concedes to be truly radical in their ambitions to deal with the economic questions, but reactionary in fact "because the aim would be to pull up by the roots everything that exists, to destroy the gains of centuries of economic, social and political development, and to insist upon regimentation by government as a substitute for ordered and constructive liberty." Attacking fascism, and all opposition as Fascist, "they would exceed fascism in their zeal for control of individual difference and achievement of any kind."

If not entirely acceptable in form, parties aligned in accordance with Dr. Butler's definition would clear the air of a great many of the misconceptions originating in the present confusion of the tongues. How long it will be before the partisans will agree to being so recast is another question, but it would be a safe wager that the industrial struggle will throw up a great many parties before there will be general consolidation behind these "fronts." If the suggestion falls of early adoption it is valuable for one thing alone: that is the definition given those "revolutionary" elements of the Left. There is nothing they espouse which by democratic standards cannot be called reactionary.

The analysis of the industrial problem by Dr. Butler, while it refers to United States parties and problems, might well be applied to Canada.

Was Tokio's Guess Good?

DAILY the Sino-Japanese conflict see-saws. One day the Chinese are retreating before heavy Japanese gunfire. Next day the Chinese are sweeping back the Japanese lines.

Continuously, Japanese officials talk of wiping out China's military, but the fact stands out that Japan is meeting the stiffest resistance she has ever experienced on the Asian mainland.

From Manchukuo come rumors disturbing to the Japanese to the effect that troops there are in revolt against their Japanese officers. From Tokio comes word of grumbling among the business men and the humbler fisherfolk and farmers of Japan.

To fix the start or cause of the Sino-Japanese conflict at any particular "incident" is a futile effort. Incidents were merely excuses. The cause of the war is the geography of the Far East. Japan has a desire and perhaps a need for expansion.

Japan chose the time to fight. She knew that within, at most, two years, China would be a formidable foe. Even today, with what equipment and training she has, China is giving an heroic account of herself.

Japanese officialdom had another reason for choosing the time. Russia, China's geographical ally, was in a bad way, having executed many of her most competent generals.

Further, Great Britain, whose interests in the Far East are concerned, was busy trying to keep the peace of Europe. So to Tokio it appeared the exact moment for conquest. Did Tokio guess right? The days are unrolling the story.

Snapshots

Is that a bus? I thought it was a furniture van said a visitor to Fredericton this morning. We explained that the bus company was apparently trying to supplement its earnings by advertising furniture for sale.

Some members of the local School Board still claim that they founded Adult Education in New Brunswick. There is a man down in a certain part of West Saint John, in a little room, who thinks that he is former King Edward VII.

A hick town is one where you never see a policeman off the main Street.

There is no mystery about this reducing business. The horses are always thinnest when they are doing the most plowing.

The young woman who was a short time ago heard roasting The Daily Mail was at one time mislaid in a house at the lower end of town two days while her mother thought she was at work in a local office.

A local teacher was last term giving a lesson on sparrows. She pointed out that the sparrows had been brought here to kill the worms. Now, she claimed, the sparrows were becoming a greater nuisance than the worms. Speaking to little Johnnie in the front seat she said "Which would you rather have the worms or the sparrows?" "I don't know" said Johnnie, "I never had the sparrows."

It is claimed that crooks are selling forged lottery tickets. What of it? A forged one costs no more than a good one and you usually get the same return.

DOMINION

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transport planes, leaving a total of fifty-seven fighting planes which are under contract, although it is expected it will be some time next year before they are completed.

In addition to the reconconditioned planes being bought from Britain, most of the ordnance requirements have to be filled there, and some delay will result in modernizing the artillery and also providing the nucleus of anti-aircraft force. It is estimated that the entire construction program provided for in last session's vote will be completed about a year from now.

Deep satisfaction was expressed by the Minister in the progress made in reorganizing the militia. Mr. Mackenzie stated that, with the exception of the establishment of some artillery units where none before existed separate from militia units, the plan of reorganization was almost complete.

Work has already begun, he said, on the four mine sweepers, two of which are being built in British Columbia and two in the East. The aggregate cost of these will slightly exceed \$1,000,000.

EXPEL FIVE

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Officials Silent

I visited the officials responsible for the expulsion orders, and asked this question: Piled high on certain desks are the dossiers of these five—and many others under suspicion. I intimated that I would like to look at the dossiers, or at least be provided with a summary, but no—"we consider that that would not be in the public interest." However, piecing together various bits of information, I can give fairly specific answers to the questions:

1. Each journalist must be competent to carry on his professional job, send regular news despatches, and give outward evidence that he is a legitimate correspondent.

2. Except in a very few cases, German journalists abroad—and their secretaries—are expected to report to German police, and to the propaganda bureau, a summary of conditions in the country in which they reside.

3. These journalists—as well as restaurateurs, porters, travelling salesmen, and many tourists—are expected to keep tally on German emigres (exiled Jews, professors who would not bend their knees to the Nazi gods, etc.) and report to Berlin if they act or talk in a way inimical to Nazi interests.

OBITUARY

MAZERAIL—Passed away at Victoria Public Hospital, Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 9, 1937, Charles Mazerail. The funeral will take place Saturday morning, Sept. 11, leaving the home, 651 Charlotte Street at 9 o'clock. Rev. Father H. L. Coughlan will celebrate Requiem Mass at Hanwell Roman Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Interment will be made at Hanwell.

"HEC" MACKINNON GIVEN BURSARY

Popular Former U.N.B. Athlete Enabled To Continue Studies In Medicine

Hector H. MacKinnon of this city has been awarded an I.O.D.E. bursary of \$200 per year for four years in order that he may continue his medical studies at the University of Toronto, it was announced by Miss Alice Lockhart, Saint John, educational secretary of the New Brunswick Chapter of the I.O.D.E.

Miss Sylvia Kennedy, Hampton, was previously awarded the full bursary of \$1,200 or \$300 per year, for four years in order to continue her studies in voice and piano at McGill Conservatory of Music. Miss Vesta Webber, St. Stephen has been awarded a one year bursary of \$250 to continue her secretarial course at Acadia University.

He is the son of Mrs. J. M. MacKinnon and the late Dr. A. H. MacKinnon, who served overseas with the Canadian Army Medical Corps, and subsequently passed away in Bathurst, N. B., on March 8th, 1929, a war disability.

He is now studying at the University of Toronto Medical School at Toronto, which he entered in the fall of 1936 after an enviable academic and athletic record in several schools of the Maritimes and Ontario and the University of New Brunswick from which he was graduated last year with a B.A. degree, taking honors in chemistry and biology.

His standing on matriculation was second in the province and after entering the University of New Brunswick in 1932 he was awarded a Beaverbrook Scholarship. He filled the positions of president of the athletic association and president of the pre-medical society. In athletics he excelled during his four years at the university, playing two years of rugby four years of basketball, and two years being outstanding on the track team.

At the University of Toronto he is working under the Alumni Federation Scholarship fund, which is good for one year. He took his medical certificate 'A' C.O.T.C. and for sports confined himself to the Medical Inter-faculty basketball team.

Federal Government Watching Closely Export Material

(Special to The Daily Mail)

OTTAWA, Sept. 10—The Federal Government is watching closely for any violation of the law in regard to the export of war material. Since August, fourteen thousand dollars worth of war material has been exported. Twelve thousand dollars worth has gone to England, eighteen hundred dollars worth to Australia and the rest to Newfoundland.

OUR MAIL BAG

TWO FINANCIERS

Editor Daily Mail, City.

Dear Sir—When Ald. Mundle and Ald. McCaughey get through financing a water system embracing Fredericton, Marysville and Devon they should be sent to Ottawa and put on the job of financing the C. N. R. Wouldn't Fred Mundle make a great Mayor for 1938. Oh, boys.

Yours truly,
CITIZEN.

Fredericton,
Sept. 10, 1937.

MURIEL MILLER

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pressed his appreciation of this work which he stated would soon be on the press. Homer Watson was a personal friend of Premier Mackenzie King and recently Miss Miller visited Canada's Premier and was entertained at luncheon. The Premier gave her much valuable information regarding the life of Homer Watson and furnished her with a number of photographs which probably will be used in the new book.

A year or so ago Miss Miller published a book dealing with the life of our Fredericton poet Bliss Carman. This book which was well received and resulted in much favorable comment by leading Canadian and United States literary critics.

MEDIUM SECURITY

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firmly rejected. Britain and France contended the issue, involving the whole Mediterranean basin, were too large for the inactive neutrality committee.

Despite the absence of Italy, Germany and Albania, which is under Rome's financial domination and follows Italy's diplomatic leadership, it was expected the nine conferees would ask their adherence to any decisions.

ROOSEVELT

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"We were not nervous then," she said; "we were just interested. I never thought I would ever see bombing at such a short range. But I will admit I was afraid the two and one half hours we were on the tender, running from Shanghai to Woosung."

In a statement written on board ship, Mrs. Roosevelt criticized the United States Administration for its attitude regarding nationals in China, claiming they were allowed to leave the war zone only at their own risk.

NASAL CATARRH

... Just a few drops up each nostril
CLEARS HEAD QUICKLY



ORDERED SCHOOLS REMAIN CLOSED

On the recommendation of Hon. J. B. McNair, acting-Minister of Health and Labor, it is hereby ordered that the Schools of New Brunswick remain closed at least until SEPTEMBER 20th, 1937. This order also applies to the Provincial Normal School.

A. P. PATERSON, Minister of Education,
Federal and Municipal Relations.
September 10th, 1937.

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