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WHO IS EDUCATED?

NO WORD is more frequently used and so generally misunderstood as the word "educated." To define an "educated man" is no easy task. The definition would be influenced by our vision of life. An interesting discussion was recently held among a group of "old students" of a workingmen's college in London.

According to former Prime Minister Baldwin of England, now a peer of the realm, the educated man is not necessarily a learned man. This son of a farm laborer who rose to one of the highest positions in the civilized world gives his definition: "The educated man is a man with a certain subtle calm in adversity, happy when alone, just in his dealings and sane in the fullest meaning of that word is all the affairs of his life." According to Mr. Baldwin an educated man may have the learnings of an Aristotle or, he may not be able to sign his name. You may find him somewhere in the backwoods talking about his crops and cattle or singing the songs of his country-side. He knows nothing of accounts and credit courses. He may know little of professional or vocational achievements. In an address before the students of Harvard University, President Hopkins of Dartmouth gave his definition of an educated man.

He said: "Such a man must have been humble in the presence of great minds and great souls, must have been simple in contacts with his fellows, and must have been indefatigable in his desire to cultivate and to maintain the power of his mind and to accumulate that knowledge which makes up the data of accurate reasoning."

The word "education" primarily means to draw out of a man the latent powers of body, of mind and of soul. Only that man can understand education, who knows the meaning of life. The educated man is one who has learned to properly measure values, the one who can grasp the finer things in this world and above all the one who knows that this world is but a novitiate. Such a man will have those "certain subtle spiritual qualities which make him calm in adversity, happy in the fullest meaning of that word in all the affairs of his life."

FREE SPEECH IN UNIVERSITIES

SPEAKING at Queen's University, where he received the degree of Doctor of Laws, Sir Edward Beatty dealt with a subject which called for frankness. He discussed freedom of speech and thought from the university standpoint. What he said may be regarded in some measure as an answer to the charges that the recent Principal of McGill, of which Sir Edward is Chancellor, was too liberal-minded to retain the confidence of the governing authorities. It will serve a much broader purpose if it focuses attention on the fact which he emphasized, that college instructors have a responsibility extending beyond personal thoughts and inclinations.

"There have been occasions," said Sir Edward, "on which those who, like myself, have been given the opportunity and the duty of taking some part in the administration of our universities have been charged with attempts to limit freedom of speech and to repress liberty of thought. For my own part, and, to the best of my knowledge, for all those who have met this charge, let me say specifically that nothing could be more untrue. I have myself said, and I say again, that liberty of speech and thought is sacred, and nowhere is this truth more important than in the life of our universities. I have said, however, and I say it again, that there are limits within which these liberties may be exercised, and that to exceed these limits is not only foolish but wrong. It is equally foolish and equally wrong to proceed on the assumption that this freedom and these liberties do not carry with them the obligation of seeing that they are not destroyed by the intemperance and irresponsibility of us as individuals; that we prove ourselves worthy of them; and when I say that I mean precisely that the freedom we enjoy and which we rightly regard as precious can only be conserved and maintained by a deep sense of responsibility and an equally deep sense of duty and individual discipline."

While taking the position that the governing authority of a university could not undertake to direct the intellectual or scientific trends of the efforts made, he pointed out that public confidence in the institution must be maintained. For this reason freedom of thought and speech must be exercised with a knowledge of facts and principles that cannot be challenged. "There have been occasions on which academic officers in this country have used language which, in moments of unusual public excitement, may have pleased the crowd, but which was intemperate and unguarded by the standards of modern civilized society. Every such case tends to shake public confidence in the universities."

Sir Edward stated that too many employers have found upon engaging the services of young men and women with academic distinction that the progress of these young people in business has been delayed by erroneous statements of fact and intemperate descriptions of social phenomena to which they were exposed during their education. "A sense of responsibility" he declared, "should keep academic officers from statements which might seem harmless to their own fellows but which are definitely provocative in their effect on the minds of others less informed."

What he pleaded for was freedom of thought and speech within the limits of accurate knowledge, sound logic, a sense of responsibility, and the ordinary amenities of public life in a civilized community.

Were these safeguards adequately recognized, it is doubtful that freedom of speech would be an issue at any time. Their observance, however, presupposes freedom from prejudices; and here, it would seem, the governing authorities have a responsibility.

Snapshots

The best tonic yet discovered is a letter in the morning mail telling you what a wow you are.

Of course love is the supreme power. What else could enable people to put up with such people.

To fix the depression guilt, first (excusing the grammar), eliminate the things it would have come in spite of.

The trouble about burying the political hatchet is that somebody always keeps a chart of the exact site.

Mussolini insists that he is not a mere man, but an event. We'd say that he's a whole chain of circumstances.

There are three essentials for happiness: something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.

The early morning hours are said to be safest for driving but that depends upon whether a motorist is getting in late or starting out early.

A French inventor claims to be able to direct a warship and fire its guns by radio. He deserves encouragement. A war which could be confined to radio wouldn't be so bad.

ITALY'S SURPRISE

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a conditional "token" withdrawal of part of the Italian volunteers in Spain—but insisted that withdrawals be in "equal numbers from both sides".

Ambassador Maisky added that his government "agrees to examine the question of belligerent rights after the final evacuation of all non-Spanish elements taking part in military operations."

Informed sources said entire responsibility for the breakdown of negotiations would rest with Italy and Germany unless tomorrow's meeting produced a solution.

If it falls they said, Britain and France apparently would face a decision on whether to carry out the threat that they would "recover their liberty of action."

HAVE COMMUNISTS

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with his murderous "civilization" of the defenceless Ethiopian people; Hitler with his concentration camps and torture and murder of the progressives in Germany; Hitler and Mussolini's intervention in the Spanish civil war—the represent the last desperate stand of international capitalism," Barrett said.

"If the fascists get away with their murderous acts in Spain, they will try it right here in Canada. If it's red to fight against fascism, then you can call me a red. If it's red to fight for the abolition of capitalism which starves our people then I am a red and it is time the rest of you were too," he stated.

These four speakers, representing three different phases of the struggle of the common people for life, while using different terms called for unity of the people and showed by their speeches a real desire for a united front in the political field of the organizations they represented.

The following is copied from the "Clarion Weekly," the weekly paper published in Toronto, dated, Saturday, September 25th, 1937:

Mine Leader SWOC Director OTTAWA, Ontario—Silby Barrett, International Board Member, United Mine Workers of America, has been appointed Regional Director of the Steel Workers' Organizing Committee, of the C.I.O., for Canada. It was announced here as the 53rd convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada began.

Barrett left for Pittsburgh, where a plan to organize the Dominion's steel workers will be drawn up. He will return for the later sessions of the congress convention.

"We have a big task ahead of us," he stated to the Clarion, "I am confident that we will carry it through to its successful conclusion."

Mr. Barrett may not be a Communist and we do not say that he is, and are not able to say that he is not, but as he occupies a representative position in labor affairs the people should be interested in his speeches as published in the "Clarion Weekly."

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THE MINTO STRIKE

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Union recognition does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Fair Wage Board.

It has been pointed out to officials of the United Mine Workers of America that the proposal made by these officials that the government arrange a meeting with the coal operators in the Minto area and union officials to deal with the question of Union recognition was discussed at a meeting in Fredericton last Friday with representatives of the Minto local union at which the Premier and others were present when the position of the Government was definitely stated.

It was pointed out that while industrial workers have the right to join together in a union of their own choice to promote their interests in a lawful way and likewise any employer of labor has the right to recognize and deal with such a union if he so desires, as our law now stands these are matters which concern the employers and workers only. It is not the business of the Government to compel or prevent the employers dealing with a union in settling differences that may arise with their employees.

It was pointed out, however, that there is another method for settling labor disputes through the medium of a tribunal established as part of the machinery of the State and empowered to investigate conditions and make orders binding on all parties concerned.

It was further pointed out that in this Province we have such a body in the Fair Wage Board, set up about two months ago, which has operated efficiently and satisfactorily in all cases referred to it. The Board was prepared to function in the Minto dispute whenever the workers desired it to intervene.

The representatives of the miners at the meeting referred to undertook to submit to the men the proposal so advanced but whether this was done is not known at the present time. At any rate the suggestion has not yet been acted upon.

As has been pointed out by the Acting Minister of Labor, the matter of appointing a commission to investigate all mining problems in connection with the coal mining industry is not a practical one. Such a commission appointed in 1926 proved futile.

The purpose of a Commission is to determine facts and make recommendations to the Government creating it in order that the latter may take action thereon.

The speciousness of the present proposal rests upon the fact that the various matters mentioned fall within Dominion jurisdiction. If a Commission is necessary it should be appointed by the Dominion Government which has power to grant coal subventions and give assistance in freight rates and other relief.

To the Commission recently appointed to investigate Dominion-Provincial Relations submissions on these matters will doubtless be addressed.

The Province has, however, authority to deal with wages and working conditions in any industry and the Government is prepared to see that this power is exercised as soon as the parties to the controversy are ready for the Fair Wage Board to intervene.

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