

THE DAILY MAIL

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J. D. Rockefeller

A remarkable man passed away early Sunday morning when John D. Rockefeller died at his winter home in Florida. Starting out at the age of 16 on a \$4.50 a week job, he amassed one of the largest fortunes on record. His fortune is estimated at anywhere from one billion to two billion four hundred million dollars. During recent years he has given away to philanthropic objects more than \$500,000,000. Much good has been accomplished in a charitable way by this wonderful man and the different endowments which he left to philanthropic purposes will continue down through the years. Although he lived to the advanced age of 98 years, Rockefeller who started from nothing at the age of 16 was able to retire from business at the age of 57 years. He believed that it was every man's duty to get all the money he could honestly accumulate and give away as much as possible to charitable and religious objects.

While Rockefeller's method of doing business was sometimes criticized, the fact remains that through his vast accumulation of wealth he was able to do many things for the good of humanity.

Democracy; Russian Style

Although mass executions of the kind have dropped to the category of routine, the Soviet Government's recent liquidation of forty-four spies is not without interest. To be sure, as spectacular brutality it cannot compare with previous liquidations, when as many as 117 have been shot at one time. Nor is it equal to the famed Moscow espionage trials as melodrama. But what makes it interesting is its illumination of democracy, Russian style.

Last November the U.S.S.R. got a new Constitution, which, on the say-so of Joseph Stalin, chief author, made the Soviet "democratic to the limit." The first thing demonstrated by this latest trial and execution—there was a trial—is the freedom given to the press. The announcement of the event came from Moscow at least eleven days after death. Until it was made, no one, beyond the officials concerned, knew the trial was going on. So free is the Russian press.

But more important, perhaps, is the ease with which "democratic" justice can be made to function. Without anyone knowing anything about it, suspected persons are brought to trial, evidence gathered, signed confessions of guilt—always they are guilty—"obtained," sentences handed out and carried out. No bother, no fuss, no difficulties in substantiating charges, no appeals, and very little expense.

That is democracy on the Stalin model. That is the "great emancipation movement" being so freely offered to this and other democratic countries. The dictator who keeps all men "equal" also sits in judgment. All any man has to do to offend, to revolt, to commit treason, is to disagree.

Make London the Focal Point

Among the problems occupying the delegates to the Imperial Conference is the means of establishing closer contact between the Dominions. In appreciation of what is being attempted to broaden and strengthen Empire unity while promoting the economic welfare of all units, too much emphasis cannot be placed on this point. It is not unfair to say the effort should have been made long ago. Nor is it exaggeration to point out that many obstructions interfering with Empire relations in the past were the result of a lack of understanding.

Yet, important as closer contact is, it should not be necessary to create any new elaborate machinery for the purpose. Each Dominion has a High Commissioner in London who functions as the interpreter and adviser between Whitehall and his own Government. Without changing the character of his representation in any way, it should be possible for him to act in the same capacity with the other Dominions through their High Commissioners. There seems little reason why they should not be grouped in an informal Empire Council to which each could present the views of his Government on matters of trade, defense, or any other economic and political problems of mutual concern.

A "clearing-house" of the kind, if indirect, would be no less authoritative, since most issues of any magnitude are discussed individually with the British Government. Involving little additional cost in the way of staff increases in the offices of the High Commissioners, it would avoid the much greater expense of exchanging resident representatives of similar rank.

Free Ride to Church

In arranging for the conveyance of children, the ailing and the aged to his church that New York suburban pastor is rendering a useful service. But he should be on the lookout for chisellers. There are likely to be able-bodied adults among the candidates for transportation. And if they get it, next thing they will be expecting a free lunch.

After all, people who go to church are not conferring a favor on the organization or its leader. The shoe is on the other foot. The churches are endeavoring to serve. If their messages were universally accepted, if their precepts were practiced by whole populations, both spiritual and material benefits would accrue.

The weak and the infirm deserve to have the pathway to church eased. The healthy adult who won't go unless he gets a free ride isn't worth pew-room. Unless, indeed inveigling him to church is looked upon as a highway safety measure, on the theory that if let alone he would be likely to be out on the roads endangering his own and other people's necks.

Nazis Would Promote Babel

Former German subjects of Southwest Africa are agitating for the recognition of the German tongue as a third official language for South Africa. English and Afrikaans being the two now recognized.

That their demand will be granted is unlikely, for multiplicity of languages can add nothing to the unity of a people, and the movement to add German to the official speech of a growing Dominion too evidently emanates from a minority which is more or less openly opposed to the democratic principles of the Dominion's Government. In other words, it is not in accordance with the unanimous wish of all Southwest African Germans, but only with that of the declared Nazi Party.

It is natural enough that a community of other than British origin settled within the Empire should wish to retain the tongue of its forefathers; but experience has proved that its being encouraged to do so at the cost of neglecting to learn, and to use, that of its neighbors and its adopted country is detrimental both to the community itself and to the land in which it has settled.

Canada has evidence of this in the Doukhobor settlements of the West, whose problems could be more easily solved were the Russian migrants and their descendants willing to adopt the English tongue. On the other hand, the Dominion has many citizens of German origin who have never made any claim to be allowed to ignore English in favor of their native speech.

In theory, South Africa or any other British Dominion may be in sympathy with the desire of any minority to keep up the customs, traditions and language of its homeland; but in practice it cannot afford to set up isolated foreign communities within its borders.

SNAPSHOTS

Hard liquor seems to be the most dangerous intoxicant till you see a self-righteous man drunk on power.

Another cause of divorce is the fact that no home is big enough for two cases of swell-headed selfishness.

Moral indignation is a fine thing if it isn't mixed up with resentment because you can't play that way any more.

The meanest husband is the one who sees his wife bossing things and kills her joy by saying that's fine because he can't be bothered with such small matters.

Funny thing Spanish Leftists booed a bullfight because the bulls came from rebel regions. Leftists fight anyone who objects to red bunting.

Noted psychiatrist says brain doesn't do all the thinking, but other parts, as the hands, for example, help. Doesn't it seem as if the brain gets help remembering when it's dinner time.

The Providence (R.I.) Journal suggests that the Duke of Windsor might prove his mettle by discarding all his titles, joining the Labor Party and seeking a seat in the House of Commons. But wouldn't it be rather tough for Wallis?

Plan Air Route

(Continued from Page One) base and weather observatory essentials to the working out of the Polar air line from Russia to the United States.

Four of eleven men who formed the daring party will remain at the permanent base at the North Pole for a year studying conditions in the polar 'birthplace of weather.'

In preparation for their lonely vigil, the quartet spent the week of February 19 to 25 in a tiny tent 13 miles outside Moscow—symbolically the same distance they now are from the Pole—living, working and studying in a dress rehearsal of their life on top of the world.

French Canadian

(Continued from Page One) "That the Congress acknowledge freedom of creeds in Canada.

"That the Congress be known in French as 'Le Congres des Jeunes Canadiens.'

"That the Congress favors justice to all and that this should be in practice co-ordinated with the principle of representation by ethical groups and by organizations.

"That the aims of Congress be internal and world peace.

"That the Congress proceeds according to the principles of democracy and affirms: Belief in God; the right of individuals to private property; the necessity for internal peace and co-operation between all social classes; the sanctity of the human personality.

"That the Congress condemns subversive doctrines."

OBITUARY

HAGERMAN—Passed away at the family home, Mouth of Keswick, N. B., May 24, 1937, Ida May Hagerman, aged 74 years.

The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon with service in the Baptist Church, Mouth of Keswick. Rev. Mr. Young will officiate.

HILL—Passed away at his residence, Nashwaaksis, May 24, 1937, Joseph Hill.

The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon. Prayers will be conducted at the home at 2:00 o'clock after which a service will be held in St. John's Church. Interment will be made in the church cemetery.

The Divorce

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life of man. It is the most difficult of all relationships. And on it rests the integrity of the home and the family.

What are some of the things that menace the marriage relation and land people in the divorce court?

(1), Wrong ideas about marriage. Some think of it as based on passion. When the emotional side weaker then the bond begins to chafe. Marriage is being seriously challenged by certain schools that stress the indulgent aspect while overlooking the disciplinary.

(2) Incompatibility is a common ground of marital trouble. It is important that the couple should be on the same wire intellectually and socially. It is tragic when a masculine tyrant and a feminine pope hitch horses together. But a good deal of so-called incompatibility can be overcome. Marriage is an achievement rather than a fact. A happy marriage is a great accomplishment. We need to think less of love's fantasy, and more of its sanctity.

Is marriage a sacrament? It certainly must be much more than a mere contract if its true purpose is to be served.

Again, marriage is menaced by wrong practices. Extravagance paves the way to the divorce court. Keeping up with the Jones' is a dangerous business. Money is a rock on which many marriages have been wrecked. Intemperance is a fruitful source of marital unhappiness. Cocktail parties are not conducive to peace and understanding at home. The awful consequence of sexual sin is seen here in its most hideous form.

But the real trouble goes deeper. It is sheer godlessness. So many people marry with little or no thought of religion. It is a religious ceremony, but without faith in God, what a hollow mockery. The religion of Jesus teaches respect for personality, and a lack of that is responsible for many a domestic tragedy.

It has been said that married people who attend church regularly are not found in the divorce court. What we need imperatively is a religious movement that will turn the hearts of people towards God. That is the only effective remedy.

Many are the blameless victims of divorce. Should they be permitted to re-marry? We might ponder the words of Henry Sloan Coffin: "Where the ideal of marriage itself is not being flouted and degraded it is a fair question whether it is the mind of the Spirit of Christ not to further and bless a second attempt to establish a true wedded life." But at least it is but an attempt to salvage a wrecked vessel. Our business is to so help and guide the navigators that there will be no wreckage to salvage. And it is still true that the greatest of all great things is love.

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Living Costs

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hold textiles (155.8 per cent. jump during this period) is largely responsible for the sharp upward trend of the entire index. Other commodities listed in the "cost of living index" showed increases varying between 10 and 27 per cent.

It is a remarkable tribute to the government, however, that the prices of the most important food staples, such as spaghetti, bread and coffee, have increased little or not at all. The same cannot be said for clothing materials.

To offset the upward price trend which was initiated at the beginning of the Ethiopian war, the government has ordered a general wage increase of approximately 10 per cent. to more than 6,000,000 workers. The increases went into effect before the devaluation of the lire, and since then the government has been doing everything within its power to keep prices down.

It has succeeded in controlling the price of spaghetti and bread, but in other fields it has been defeated by the rigid laws of supply and demand. Many prices could not be kept down artificially because the products had to be imported, and Italy had to pay with devalued lire. In virtually all these categories the prices are now 30 to 40 per cent. higher than before devaluation.

The immediate reaction, after a study of the foregoing figures, is that Italians must be protesting and grumbling against the new sacrifices they are making for Mussolini's empire.

People Not Grumbling

Such is not the case. Fifteen years of fascism have taught the Italian people discipline. Many of them are appalled at the price they are paying for Italy's new "greatness," but they don't grumble—at least not in public.

It cannot be denied, however, that there is a considerable amount of unexpressed dissatisfaction at the new burdens placed on their shoulders. Since the Ethiopian war, more and more taxes have been added to pay for Italy's rearmament program and these, combined with the increase in the cost of living, have made life extremely difficult.

Mussolini's new 1937-1938 budget for national defense totals \$276,650,000, or an increase of approximately \$36,380,000 over the previous year. The new budget does not include special appropriations which are made from time to time to cover emergency needs which Il Duce considers necessary because of the international situation.

Right now Italy is engaged on a gigantic rearmament program which is straining every nerve of the nation. Citizens are deprived of many raw materials because they are needed for manufacture of war materials. Munition factories and armament plants are working on 24-hour schedules, and are not required to observe the 40-hour week which is obligatory for all other industries.

Guiding Makes

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an increase in membership of 1,800 over last year. Reports of kindred societies showed many companies sponsored. Speaking for the Catholic Women's League, Miss Florence Boland stated that the movement within that denomination had received much impetus as a result of recognition from the Pope, and the clergy were actively supporting it. The 12th C.W.L. Company, Quebec, won the Lady Bessborough Shield in perpetuity, last year. Miss Boland said: Mission study, work for church bales and the Dorcas Society, high-lighted work of companies sponsored by the Dominion Board W.A. Church of England. New companies organized in several provinces under the aegis of the Women's Institutes, and a record year for the I.O.D.E. with 140 new companies were noted.

Decision to hold, instead of a Dominion Guide week as last year, a two-day program to enlist public interest in the movement was made, dates in October to be chosen.

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Interest 52.24

Dated the 29th day of April, A.D. 1937.

FRED I. HAVILAND,

City Treasurer of the City of Fredericton.

conducted for 750 Guiders across Canada, by Miss Joyce Wolton, Imperial Travelling Training Commissioner. Growing exchange of visitors between camps of the various provinces was also noted in the report of the general secretary, Miss Elsa Relpert. Nine adventurous Rangers of Kingston, made an eight-day tour last season, covering 600 miles in new parts of Ontario and Quebec, in a Ford truck. International Thinking Day and a joint birthday of the world chiefs was widely observed by Canadian Guides. Many Canadian officers attended international camps and conferences, and at present thirty-five Canadian Guides are participating in a Coronation Empire Camp in England.



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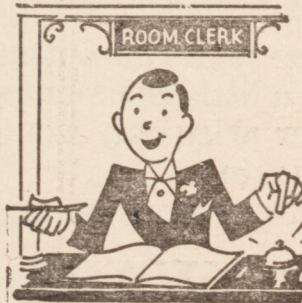
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