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A CLOSE-UP OF ABERHART

PREMIER Aberhart's political ineptitude is well known, but nowhere better than in Alberta. The Calgary Herald cites his methods on behalf of the imprisoned Unwin and Powell. What more useless line could he have followed than intimating to Ottawa that "these judgments are upsetting the public peace and are destroying the people's respect for the courts"? A plain threat.

The Herald admits public opinion in the Province is aroused, not against the courts, however, but against Mr. Aberhart's "effort to drag them into politics and damage their prestige for the sake of his own broken cause."

This provides home evidence in support of the view held elsewhere that the imprisonment of these men supplies an excuse for diverting attention from the utter failure of the Social Credit plan. A new issue was necessary; and what better than "martyrdom" for a cause? As the Calgary paper puts it, "the Unwin-Powell case has appeared to provide such an issue, and Premier Aberhart and his satellites are working it for all it is worth. The bald aspersion cast upon the courts in the course of this campaign is just one more evidence of their desperation." And further: "But even in desperation they would do well to remember that British courts are not open to their challenge. They should remember this, and not only for the sake of the public peace, but for their own sake as well. Because the present effort to subjugate justice to political ends is an indecency which public opinion here and throughout Canada will not take lightly, nor soon forget."

This news from home indicates that those close to the weird Government proceedings in Alberta—close enough to observe all the moves in a losing game—are convinced of the tragic futility of the Aberhart scheme.

"IS IT CANADIAN?"

THE British nation has always enjoyed a reputation for resiliency. It has shown remarkable recuperative powers even when its arch-enemies were ready to write R. I. P. on its almost prostrate body. And today, when Britain is flushed with prosperity some outside observers are apt to lay this at the door of the re-armament programme. Recent history discounts this reason.

Back in 1932, when Britain appeared to be in the doldrums, the "Buy British" movement began to emerge from the chrysalis stake of talk to action. The results were astounding. With characteristic tenacity the "Buy British" plan was organized on a national scale and it was not long before the public became conscious, through propaganda, of the effects on the national pocketbook and, particularly, employment for, between January and August of 1933, 649,000 insured workers, or nearly one-fourth of the idle, were removed from the ranks of the unemployed to the employed.

One of the most oft asked questions in that period, when the Britisher went shopping, and particularly by women, was "Is it British?". Those three words were magical in results on domestic business. Possibly Canada might take a leaf out of Britain's notebook in this regard for the three words, "Is it Canadian?" used by Canadians when buying, whether it be industrial machinery or "hot dogs," would soon quicken the national industrial and agricultural pulse.

BLOWING THE HORN

A NOTED newspaper woman lately went by train from Brussels to Berlin. En route she talked with the Belgian conductor and with a German fellow-passenger. The former criticised his country's course and stand in several major matters of government. The latter not only praised the Hitler regime, but bragged lustily of the good it had accomplished.

Just before the conductor reached the end of his part of the run, he approached the woman and said, "It has just occurred to me, Madame, that about all we use our freedom for is to complain. . . . These others, they always boast. They boast until they believe what they say. I wonder what would happen if we should blow the horn?"

Isn't it a fact that our freedom of speech too often is employed in freedom of flaw-finding? Wouldn't it help matters if we were to praise what is good and fair—and much is good and fair—to the same extent that many of us now loudly berate what's bad and unfair?

The one answer is Yes. If freedom is used only as a license to find fault, it's not going to get us very far on the road that leads to social and economic conditions approaching the ideal. We don't train our children to useful, happy living by loading their eyes with ugliness and their minds with what is sordid or selfish. No one in trade attempts to win customers by displaying the least attractive of his wares. At every turn we find ourselves trying to put the best foot forward; to make the best possible impression; to beautify or make presentable even the most common necessities.

But when it comes to the sum total of what we are, as expressed in a government founded on freedom, we nearly always manage to voice the "mud and scum of things." Why not free a little more boasting in our free speech!

COLLEGE PROSPECTS

THE Director of Admissions of Columbia University points a warning to the college based on the decreasing trend evident in public school enrollment! Throughout the nation there are now fewer students in the primary grades than there were ten years ago. Philadelphia and New York have noted the decline in their elementary school population for fifteen years, but the figures given by the New York educator would seem to indicate that the rural sections are similarly influenced by causes of national scope. Except in the large cities the decrease has not been sufficient to lower the numbers of the entire school population, including the high schools, but before the next two decades are past the colleges will face a lowered enrollment.

Such a forecast has to be reckoned with in building programs of both high school and college. For in both the peak of attendance will probably occur in the next few years. In the colleges it may be brought nearer if the tendency to tighten up the entrance requirements continues. For the privately endowed university a drop in students means lessened income with no appreciable cut in expenses. Library and laboratory facilities must be provided even for the reduced number in attendance. The passing of this educational frontier in our history is foreshadowed in the increasing emphasis now being placed by college presidents on plans for extending scholarships, rather than expanding physical plant.

Snapshots

According to The Brunswickan, U. N.B. organ, the Forrester will return from the Hemmerfest "in the half lit hours of the morning filled with good will and fine spirits."

The cost of education isn't high. What costs so much is wasting effort on a thousand in order to educate six.

The radio will never displace the piano in the average home, says Ruth, because there isn't room on top of any radio for the ash-trays and the empty glasses.

In the State of Florida a prominent fraternal order has initiated a 22-year-old alley cat, which is to be guest of honor at a banquet. What is this dizzy old world coming to, anyway?

Nothing makes a girl who "sympathizes" with a married man so indignant as to discover that he is still running around with his wife.

No doubt, in view of Hitler's latest move, Austrians also will be obliged to cultivate the goose-step.

Still another change in a bewildering world: In Brantford the boys are skipping and the girls have taken to marbles.

Fortunately Germany's "pacification" of Austria promises to be less rigorous than Japan's "pacification" of China.

N. B. GUIDES

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siderably more than was occupied in Boston.

The New Brunswick Lumberjacks' Orchestra, piloted by Don Messer, will appear in New York on the strength of the popularity which greeted them in Boston. The show management, who formerly have been thumbs-down on any musical dress-up have undergone a change of heart and the Lumberjacks will be a fixture in the daily and nightly program of tank sports and outdoor craftsmanship.

Literature being handed over the New Brunswick rail this winter is of a type that is taken home and really read, it is said. The principle offering, in reality a special all-New Brunswick edition of The Maritime Advocate of Sackville, conveys the story in regular magazine form.

"Going into better literature for shows," said Mr. Griffiths, "has proven well worth the price. Certainly it costs more money to produce it, but the difference in cost just represents a choice between getting your message scattered over the floor of the exposition hall or landed on somebody's library table. After watching the crowds at Mechanics' Hall in Boston last week it is safe to say that The Advocate special comes in the latter bracket."

Guides who have followed the exhibit at both shows and have carried the burden of building up and tearing down include George T. Allen, Penniac; William Norrad, Ken Moir and Fred Fairley, Boiestown; Sandy Macdonald, William Macdonald and Fred Craft, Saint John; Harold Till, Riley Brook; H. W. Wanamaker, The Range; George Hinton, Doaktown; Gordon Tweedie, Bath, and Bob Crombie, Skiff Lake. B. S. Moore, Andover, president of the N. B. Guides' Association, who designed and built the log lodge, has supervised its erection in both Boston and New York.

William Owens, of the federal fish hatchery, Saint John, is again in charge of the live fish exhibit and has been lending a hand on many other tasks connected with operating the exhibit.

ROAD BLOCKING

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It takes a lot of snow moisture to grow a bushel of wheat and there can be many a slip between a February storm and a field of grain in August, but the Province is more cheerful already. Things have been bad so long that Saskatchewan is inclined to conservatism; yet it is said the farmers are sparing a glance for the advertisements of 1938 cars, radios and dresses, and are guessing this is the year they have been waiting for so long.

Parents Visit Eight Rooms To See Their Children

BERNE, Ind., Feb. 19—When Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schwartz visit their children in an Adams County township school near here today they have to go to all eight grades. Noah, 6, is in the first grade; Amos 7, the second; Joe, 9, third; Elizabeth 10, fourth; Barbara, 11, fifth; John, 12, sixth; Jacob, 13, seventh; Mary, 15, eighth.

POISON

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though his food had not been specially prepared for him. He had prescribed for Bryant on the day before his death, and that evening Bryant's young son had come all haste to his surgery to report that Bryant found this medicine too strong for him; he could not keep it down. There was nothing in this medicine to irritate the stomach.

Careful search of the Bryant home revealed no clues. One part of the garden seemed to have been freshly dug. The police dug it and found, buried at a depth of two feet, a charged can which had contained weed killer. The shape of the can indicated a kind of weed killer which had a large content of arsenic, and would undoubtedly kill if taken in sufficient doses.

Bryant's body contained 4.09 grains of arsenic, almost enough to kill two people. Indeed, he seemed to be saturated with the poison. The dirt under his finger nails contained 330 times the normal amount of arsenic. There was arsenic in his hair.

Mrs. Ostler, a friend of the family, who had helped to nurse Bryant, told a long story about his illness. One point only seemed of importance. Bryant ate very little, but what food he took came from the family table—all ate alike. But he required special drinks, chiefly soups, and these were invariably prepared by Mrs. Bryant.

In the middle of the night that Bryant died, Mrs. Ostler remembered Mrs. Bryant entering the sickroom. "Will you have your soup, Fred?" she asked Bryant. Bryant protested but his wife insisted that doctor's orders must be followed. She brought the soup and fed it to him. An hour after Bryant was dead, and Mrs. Ostler noticed Mrs. Bryant throwing a can into the stove.

"What are you doing?" she asked. Mrs. Bryant seemed flustered. "I must get rid of this," she answered. "Don't you say anything about it." The tin when found greatly enhanced the importance of that passage of words.

Still, there was no motive. Mrs. Bryant supplied this with amazing disregard for her own safety. She went by train to Wellington, Somerset, the day after the funeral, met and spent the day with a young man. The two, obviously, were lovers.

Appeal to King Fails

Mrs. Bryant was arrested and tried. She avowed innocence, collapsed in court when the jury found her guilty and sentence of death was imposed. Yet she fought hard for life. Appeals to the higher courts failed. Finally she wrote this letter to Buckingham Palace:

"Mighty King, have pity on your lowly, afflicted subject. Don't let them kill me on Wednesday. From the brink of a cold, dark grave I, a poor, helpless woman, ask you not to let them kill me. I am innocent."

When all hope of reprieve was gone, she faced death with fortitude and courage.

Joe Brown, boxing coach at Princeton, is a sculptor in Philadelphia. He fought nine bouts as a professional light heavyweight and then retired

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AFTER A HEAVY MEAL . .



.. AFTER A LONG EVENING

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POLITICAL

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Von Papen stole an hour from supervising his packing to explain that the entrance of Hitler as a force in Austrian affairs was a move toward peace, not only with Austria, but internationally.

"Austria will be an example of how uncertainty in Middle Europe can be swept away," he said. "This as the Fuehrer will say Feb. 20 (to the Reichstag), is being done by Germany's agreement to guarantee Austrian integrity and independence."

"The developments mean that Nazis in Austria now can openly say they are Nazis. All that Germany wants in Austria is that Nationalists have a right to express their views as other groups have."

"The world has been trying to believe there has been a split between Germany and Italy because of Italy's attempts to reach a closer understanding with England. That is wrong."

"Germany will do the same thing. It is Italy's and Germany's sincere intent to establish permanent European peace. This cannot be done without the understanding and friendship of the great powers."

"Germany is holding her hands out to England in friendship provided

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England recognizes Germany's natural human demands for return of colonies."

Von Papen who brought Hitler's invitation for the conference to Von Schuschnigg, said Premier Mussolini of Italy was completely satisfied with the new Austro-German arrangement which "doubtless" was first discussed when Mussolini visited Berlin last fall."

Von Papen said that a German-led commonwealth in Central Europe was necessary because "the political and economic ties between the nations of Middle Europe had been disrupted by the Great War."

"Consequently this affected the aspirations among the little countries and formed a constant danger to European peace. Germany suffered from such conditions around its borders. Consequently the Fuehrer's and my efforts have been concentrated on establishing an organized peace."

The ambassador said he could not understand why "anybody should become excited when two states have settled their differences in the most friendly and natural way."

"Austria and Germany, aside from most intimate racial relations fought shoulder to shoulder in the Great War. Their friendship continued after the war until a new dictatorial Austrian regime declared National Socialists were illegal."

"Now the German and Austrian chancellors have shaken hands and restored the traditional friendship which in time will grow into the greatest contribution towards European pacification."

GAIETY

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BARBARA STANWYCK
JOHN BOLES

—IN—
"Stella Dallas"

EXTRAORDINARY

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gard to Austria's independence, Mr. Eden said:

"The House will be aware of the interest which His Majesty's government have always taken and will continue to take in the Austrian question not only on its own account, but with relation to Central Europe as a whole."

"We are, therefore, watching the situation closely. I certainly hope to be in a position to make a much fuller statement on Monday."

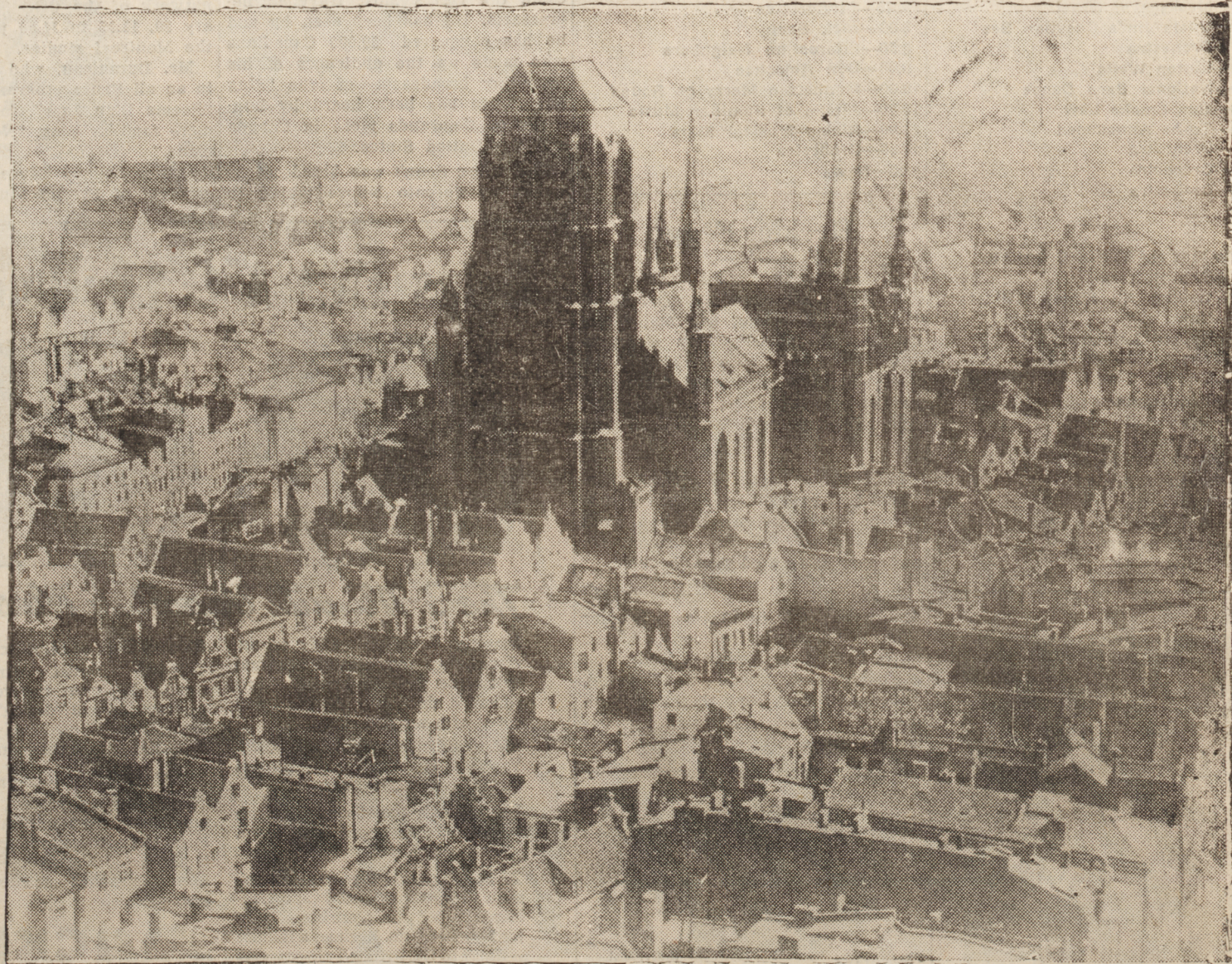
ANOTHER

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them and force abandonment of the German language and customs.

One wonders whether such Germanic populations as those of Alsace and Luxembourg would enter into Hitler's scheme for confederation. Nothing has been said about them recently.

HITLER SUSPECTED OF DESIGNS ON DANZIG AS NEXT SURPRISE



Germany's army purge has been followed by rumors that on Feb. 20 Hitler will make an important speech on foreign policy that will surprise the world. In many quarters it is believed that the next surprise will be the gobbling of Danzig.