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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the
 Weakest Ink."

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 20, 1941

"While the Lamp Holds Out to Burn"

It is an old aphorism (and a most comforting one) that the ways of Providence are not our ways. Human justice but rarely approximates God's justice; more frequently, for aught we know, it runs counter. At best it is only our highest human conception of an ideal never realizable on earth. For that reason it must wear an aspect stern and implacable. It must follow the old Mosaic code of "an eye for an eye," not deviating to the right or to the left, or taking cognizance of many factors which we know, from our own erring experience, to be of vital significance. We cannot comprehend the relation between infinite justice and infinite mercy; we can only trust and believe that it exists. Otherwise, what meaning would life have for any of us, or what hope at the end of the road? We are all, in very truth, "miserable sinners," and there is "no health in us." The author of *Pilgrim's Progress* said devoutly, when he saw a felon on his way to execution: "There, but for the grace of God, goes John Bunyan!" All Christian creeds are in agreement on this point: that salvation comes not by works, but by grace. As Francis Thompson expressed it:

"There is no expeditious road
 To pack and label men for God,
 And save them by the barrel-load.
 Some may perchance, with strange surprise,
 Have blundered into Paradise."

Perhaps the most amazing revelation in the Bible (from the human standpoint) is the story of the repentant thief on the Cross. It raises no question as to past misdeeds, or of the justice of the punishment meted out. It stresses only one thing—the cry from a contrite heart, and the instantaneous response from the Divine lips, assuring pardon and redemption.

These thoughts are occasioned by a melancholy event, the consummation of an act of human justice, inevitable but none the less harrowing, which took place in Charlottetown this morning. We should be less than human if the fate of the principals in this event did not concern us. We should be more than human if we could see behind the veil, or weigh their hearts in the balance. They had, as British justice decrees, a fair trial, and the time and opportunity for making their final preparation. It is to be hoped that they used that precious time and opportunity well.

The Gasoline Situation

Mr. Howe says "reasonably satisfactory" defines the response of Canadian motorists to the Government's request that the use of gasoline be reduced, and he has no plans for compulsory rationing, sees no "immediate" necessity for such a step. His information is that retail sales of gasoline have been cut 10 to 15 per cent.

In the circumstances, suggests the Ottawa Journal, this reduction seems rather small, and perhaps nothing could avert a ration system if we were in the Spring instead of hearing the end of Summer. Most long trips are taken on or before the Labor Day week-end, which is little more than a fortnight away. By that time, too most Summer cottages are closed, and with September there will be a very substantial decrease in motor mileage. Possibly we can assume that cars will be laid up for the Winter earlier than usual, and that more cars than in recent years will be put away for the months when Winter driving uses fuel freely. Time and the weather thus may relieve the situation for the remainder of this season.

But whatever unpleasant measures may be necessary there must be no stinting of gasoline for the armed services. They must be served first, and what is left must suffice for commercial vehicles, last of all for pleasure driving. If voluntary action does not do the trick we must expect compulsion.

Fighting Disease

The progress made in public health in Canada is reviewed in a paper given at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Public Health Association by Dr. G. J. Wherrett, secretary of the Canadian Tuberculosis. Here are some of Dr. Wherrett's findings:

Much progress has been made in eliminating bovine tuberculosis. Two provinces, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, are now tuberculosis free areas and testing of herds has been going forward in all the others.

Pasteurization of milk is now a health regulation in all the large cities. In Ontario, the law requires that all milk offered for sale shall be pasteurized.

Vaccination against smallpox was already common practice in 1916, but the Anti-Vaccination League was then in full cry. There were so few deaths from smallpox in 1939 that no death rate figure was struck. It would be less

than 1 per 100,000 persons. The league appears to have passed out of existence, along with the disease.

The use of toxoid against diphtheria is a victory of this quarter century. In 1921 (the earliest year for which national statistics are available) there were 20.2 deaths per 100,000; in 1939, 3.9. In Toronto, where immunization is far advanced, there has not been one case of diphtheria for some years. Our success in the past 20 years means that there are 1,793 persons, mostly children, hale, happy, full of life who, had the 1921 death rate continued, would have died from diphtheria in 1939.

And so, too, with typhoid, the dread foe that killed more British troops in South Africa than did the enemy. The death rate in 1921 was 7.8; in 1938 1.8.

The T. B. death rate in 1921 was 87.6 per 100,000 whites. In 1939 it was 47.

In a national sense, the fall in the T. B. death rate since 1921 means that in 1939 4,466 people are alive who would have died in that year, enough to form a small community.

Dr. Wherrett's story is a grand one, but in the war for public health, apparently, there is no complacency and no place for appeasers. Progress has been made but, as Dr. Wherrett said, "much remains to be done."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Canada discovered this date, 1508.

Evidently whether the Government intended it or not, dynamite has been provided aplenty to deepen and widen the Wood Islands Ferry Channel.

There have so far been eight wet Saturdays in succession; the Wednesdays have been better behaved. It is hoped they will continue so, for there is much need of improvement.

From henceforth let us all do our best to support law administration and enforcement, and thereby create a morale which will not tolerate the pernicious practice of "getting away with it." We see where it may end.

It feels Fallish, more's the pity, for we have had practically no summer as both Farmers and tourists can testify. This sort of experience about once in 40 years, gives a measure of justification to the slandering outlanders who proclaim we enjoy nine months Winter and three months late Fall.

Letters received from Islanders in a 3rd Division infantry regiment this week, indicate they had an uneventful crossing, and thoroughly enjoyed every minute. At time of writing they were getting "acclimatized" somewhere in England, not far from London, and within easy reach of the R. C. C. S. some of whom they had contacted. The people are very hospitable, and the Canadian boys do not lack for entertainment.

General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, died this date 1912. Resigned from the ministry in the Methodist New Connexion in 1865 to establish the Christian Mission, out of which developed the Salvation Army in the East-end of London. It has since become a feature of almost every British town and village, besides spreading almost over the whole world. In social work the army has proved especially successful.

The plastic auto has arrived but not just ready for distribution. Produced in extensive experimentation by the Ford Motor Company, the plastic is composed of about 70% cellulose fibre and 30 per cent, resin binder. Company officials have expressed the hope that the plastic would some day go into mass production of Ford cars, although no definite predictions as to when have been made. The model is designed to withstand more punishment than steel bodies the company now uses. Ford recently swung an axe against one of the plastic panels and it remained undented.

Through her struggle during the period of June, 1940, to June, 1941, Britain saved civilization. Now, through a brilliant struggle on the eastern front of Europe, Russia is assuring eventual victory in a conflict whose outbreak she clinched by her early collaboration with the Nazis. This was the interpretation placed on the progress of the war by Mr. Neville Butler, who recently left his post as British minister to Washington, at which he was succeeded by Sir Ronald Campbell. Mr. Butler is en route to Britain where he will assume new duties in the American division of the Foreign Office.

One of the most frequently recommended methods for saving gasoline is to refrain from what has been called the jackrabbit start, says the Times Review. It is argued that quick acceleration uses more fuel than is the case when a car gets under way more slowly. But, upon examination, this claim seems open to question. A weight of 1,000 pounds can be raised one foot by the application of 1,000 foot-pounds of energy for one minute. Or, it can be raised one foot by the application of 100 foot-pounds of energy for ten minutes. Again, it can be raised the same distance by only 10 foot-pounds of energy if it is applied for 100 minutes. In short, the total amount of energy required is the same in each instance; but the faster the energy is expended, the quicker the weight is raised. In the same way, it requires a certain, definite amount of energy to set a standing car in motion and bring it up to a speed of 30 miles an hour. You can use a lot of gasoline for a few seconds to accelerate to a given speed, or you can use one quarter as much fuel per second for four times as many seconds—the total amount of fuel used will be approximately the same in either case. Any slight difference should be in favor of fast acceleration; because a properly adjusted gasoline engine is more efficient when delivering its maximum horse-power.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The heart of London is now getting from its own farms hundreds of tons of meat and vegetables a year for the hospitals and other institutions of the Metropolis. London's citizens are the farm-folk of 4,000 acres, mostly within the "belt" and in the "blitz" area. They own 1,500 head of pedigree cattle, 3,000 pigs, 7,000 head of poultry and 550 sheep. In the year of the "blitz" they produced 1,000 tons of meat, 1,000 tons of milk, 351 tons of eggs, 1,668 tons of vegetables and 81 tons of fruit. They are even "digging for victory" in London's famous parks. Two hundred acres are being worked by borough councils for food-growing. Sheep graze on 500 acres, and in the centre of London alone individual Londoners are raising food from their allotment on 450 acres. — British Industries' Bulletin.

Of the 1,400 high and vocational school seniors who attended Shaw's "The Doctor's Dilemma" in New York, two-thirds had never seen a "legit" play before. Naturally they liked it immensely. Who wouldn't enjoy a novelty, plus Katherine Cornell, plus Raymond Massey, plus Shaw, at a nickel a ticket? The venture was so successful that there will be ten or fifteen more experiments of the same kind next year for the educational and playhouse folks. The reduced price should be explained, was due to the generosity of all concerned, who gave their services free. The receipts were \$70.25. The donors will normally get a \$1,500 matinee performance. But would the young folks prefer the stage to the screen if the prices were the same? It is pleasant to think so and to hope that the 1941-1942 tests will prove it. We must consider, however, that youth has had its palate stimulated by highly seasoned food. — Boston Herald.

A gentleman at Kapuskasing saw a potato bug in a patch of potatoes. And that is news in the North Land. It is many a long year since potatoes were first grown in this part of the North. Twenty-five years ago the late Charles P. Rice grew some potatoes on one of his farms near Timmins, and he expressed special pride in two things about these potatoes — they were such excellent specimens of potatoes for eating and for planting. With the general growing of potatoes all through the North, it was expected that the potato bug would learn about it and emigrate here. The potato bug, however, is so rare in the North as to be worthy of mention in the paper as a rare visitor. During the years, of course, a few potato bugs have naturally reached this country, but they do not survive. It may be the hard winters, or the uncertain weather, but in any event the North has the finest potatoes and the fewest of potato bugs in the area of the civilized world. — Timmins Advertiser.

The cloak of secrecy surrounding operations of the United States Navy was completely pierced if a bill reported out this week in the House of Representatives becomes law, as it probably will. It gives the force of law to present executive orders regarding the photographing, sketching, or modeling of United States ships or other naval property, and it extends the prohibition to the photographing or sketching of foreign ships in United States waters and to the depicting of defence articles. Secretary Knox has also discontinued the publication of new duty assignments of Naval and Army officers in this week announced that the Navy would no longer give out the news of contracts between the Navy and contractors. Technically, that isn't censorship, it is protection of the news at its source, a policy which has been advocated for months by Col. Knox, and which has recently been adopted by the Army, though with less stringent measures than prevail in the Navy department. Presumably, the secretary's action on contract publicity and movements of naval and marine officers leaves newspapers free to publish such information if they get it from reliable sources, though without official confirmation. The majority of editors, however, would be reluctant to publish information that had been officially withheld. — Editor and Publisher.

It is intimated discreetly from Ottawa that out of his total official income of \$21,000, Premier King must pay \$9,692 in taxes this year. Sir Edward Beatty of the C.P.F. will doubtless find half his larger income gone to the government. And all over the nation more obscure bachelors must pay more taxes than the married men with dependents. It is very sad, of course. But there are plenty of willing ladies in the country, looking for a good home. Haven't the bachelors brought it all on themselves? — Vancouver Sun.

The old Murray mine at Sudbury was the first nickel property opened. When Edison spent six weeks looking over the Sudbury area in 1901, he said there was enough nickel there to last the world for 1,000 years. That year the writer succeeded Mr. Edison as a tenant of his room in the American Hotel and found his straw hat on the bed post. The hat, he said, belonged to a deaf man who was "plowing around" looking for mineral. It was a No. 8 size. — J. W. Curran in Sault Star.

The integrity, the independence, of America are at stake. We no longer have any time to lose, if we wish to preserve our Government and way of living. The time for discussion is past. The time for action has come. Padlocks should be put on the lips of every man from this time forth who wishes to stink throughout the length and breadth of the land, proclaiming that he is a disciple of Hitler or Mussolini, or that he is a Communist. In spite of what some fools tell you, we are no longer at peace with Germany. According to J. D. Glen cur, consulting forest engineer, Montreal are caused by lumberjacks and

WORDS OF CHALLENGE

A THOUGHT A DAY FOR A PEOPLE AT WAR

"What an immense debt we owe to our merchant seamen! We must never forget how these men have served the State in its hour of need. And in our thoughts, and in our thanks, we associate with them the Allied seamen! We must never forget how these brave men are in countries occupied by the enemy. The service which they are rendering with so much courage brings near the day of freedom for their own people and for others." — Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

A P. E. I. MOBILE CANTEEN

Sir,—The attached letter was received by the Prince Edward Island Command of the Canadian Legion, and is self-explanatory.

At a meeting of the Command Executive the suggestion was advanced that various organizations, business houses, and individuals throughout the Province might desire to contribute towards the purchase of one of these canteens to be named "The Prince Edward Island" and sent overseas to cater to, amongst others, the very many Islanders now helping to defend "that other Island" because, from experience, we are quite prepared to believe that a cup of tea from a canteen so named would taste just about as good to a gunner in a P.E.I. Battery, or to a private in an Island company of an Infantry regiment, and about four times as good to some lone "for-ginner" marooned in a unit of "for-ginner" from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or points west.

All organizations, societies, or individuals wishing to contribute are invited to send their subscriptions, which will be publicly acknowledged, to the undersigned officers, or to the secretary of any Legion Branch, keeping in mind that the number of vehicles available is limited, and it will be a case of first come, first served.

We are, Sir, etc.,
P.E.I. COMMAND CANADIAN LEGION, B. E. S. L.
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(ENCLOSURE)
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It occurs to me that you might use your influence on occasion to direct the attention of Voluntary Organizations, who have the means of raising money, and suggest that they might like to raise funds for the purchase of one of these very useful Vehicles, which could be put into service by Canadian Legion War Services. In such cases the name of the donor is painted prominently on the side of the Canteen, so that they get full credit.

If we could find donors for seven more Canteens, it would be of very considerable assistance to us in a financial way, as these Units cost about \$2,000.00 each.

Full particulars will be gladly supplied to any enquiring persons. Yours faithfully,
D. E. MCINTYRE,
 General Manager,
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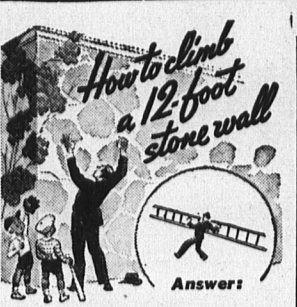
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There are not "available to all." My information on rail rates was obtained from the local freight office of the C. N. R. The water rates came from one of the largest Lake Ship Companies in Montreal. This was at the opening of navigation. I shall be glad to let your correspondent see the file in confidence. Since that time water rates have advanced because higher rates are being offered on shipments of ore from Lake Superior and on other war requirements.

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Tuesday, 19th, 1.30 p. m.—Iona, farm of Mr. James E. Daly

Wednesday, 20th, 1.30 p. m.—Alliston, farm of Mr. T. Albert Hicken

Thursday, 21st, 1.30 p. m.—Red Point, farm of Mr. Nelson Stewart

Tuesday 26th, 1.30 p. m.—Rose Valley, farm of Mr. John W. McKenzie.

Wednesday 27th, 1.30 p. m.—New London, farm of Mr. William E. Johnstone.

Thursday 28th, 1.30 p. m.—Palmer Road, farm of Mr. Sylvain Peters.

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