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TWO LEADERS

A significant feature of the by-election in West York, Ontario, was the bitter opposition of Communists to the successful Conservative candidate, Mr. Harry Price.

It was the rock of Section 98—the "unlawful assembly" section of the Criminal Code, upon which Mr. Henry made the stand that carried him through the heckling barrage to his audience, and, while it may have been the inadvertently aimed remark of an opponent that gave him his cue for action, he seized upon it with ability and left no doubt in the minds of his listeners as to where he and the Province at whose helm he watches stand with regard to the threat of Communist aggression.

BRITAIN'S POLICY

Discussing the economic prospects of the coming Conference at Ottawa the Royal Bank Monthly Letter says:
If there were no more intelligence in the conduct of British affairs than is being exhibited in most other countries, it is probable that Great Britain would be at work upon a plan by which England, Scotland and Wales should be made as self-sustaining as is physically possible.

ada. Let us trade such products. It would have been a terrific blow at Canadian welfare if Great Britain had taken the other course.
The political and economic significance of this move which gives promise of drawing the Empire into greater unity of interests by means of trade relationships and reciprocal interdependences may have a far-reaching influence upon the future of the Empire. In its immediate effect, the greatest importance of the Imperial Conference is the renewed emphasis upon that most essential element of economic capitalism. Great Britain desires to obtain as much wheat and bacon and butter and newsprint as possible for the products which she expects to send to Canada.

MOVIES AND CRIME

The relationship between moving pictures and crime entered a debate in the British House of Commons. The Home Secretary, the Right Hon. Herbert Samuel, devoted a lengthy speech to the subject, and, in part, said:
"There were some who thought that the cinema was another factor contributing to crime, especially among the young, but there was much division of opinion as to that—and his very expert and experienced advisers at the Home Office were of the opinion that, on the whole, the cinema conducted more to the prevention of crime than to its commission. It kept boys out of mischief and gave them something to think about. Of course, if films were of a character giving technical instruction in efficient methods of the commission of crimes that would have an opposite effect; but the Board of Film Censors made it their duty to prevent propaganda of that kind—and the objections that might have been made some years ago under that head were now seldom heard. In general, the Home Office opinion was that if the cinemas had not existed there would probably be more crime than there was, although at the same time they were far from saying that it was not necessary to raise the standard of the films which were produced.

"The cinema industry was now one of very great importance, and the effect of the films that it exhibited was profound upon the national life. There was now much greater liberty in expression than was considered proper in Victorian times, and the consequence had been the introduction not only into the cinema, but elsewhere, to a degree unprecedented in modern times, of the six element. There was a growing opinion that that had been over-stressed, whether on the stage, in fiction, or in the cinema, and there was a wholesome reaction of public opinion."
Touching on moral conditions generally, the Home Secretary voiced the following sentiments, which admirably express the viewpoint of thinking people in this country as well as in Great Britain:
"There were in our midst certain tendencies of an indecent and degrading kind. We had got rid to a great extent of drunkenness as a national vice, but there were still dangers in other directions. The British people was, as it had always been, on its guard against those tendencies. It was easy to scoff at the bourgeois respectability of the Victorians, but there was a good deal of healthy instinct in those conventions; it was a reaction from the looseness of the period of the Regency which had preceded it. There was in the British people now, as there had always been, a very earnest desire for clean living, for decent ordered family life. It was essential that we should maintain that character, for the sake not only of our influence in the world, but for the sake of our influence in our own Commonwealth. How far the State could intervene with the power of the law to repress

NOTES BY THE WAY

Hon. L. A. Taschereau, speaking as Attorney-General, declares that objectionable periodicals will be barred from sale in Quebec upon proof of their immoral tone, even if special authority has to be resorted to. The Prime Minister will have the support of the public in the matter, for he is acting chiefly in behalf of impressionable youth, which is most liable to be harmed by evil literature.

The British Government is known to favor the entire cancellation of all war debts and indemnities, and it is expected that the Empire, represented by delegates will be a unit in support of this position at Lausanne. On the other hand, Edouard Herriot, who is likely to control France's foreign relations in the incoming Government at Paris, has declared himself as being opposed to any revision whatever of the already established basis of war obligations. While this assures a conflict of views at Lausanne, it by no means implies a deadlock over the question. A compromise between the two extreme positions seems more probable.

The national debt of Great Britain amounts to 7,544,000,000 pounds. Of this enormous total, no less than 5,632,000,000 pounds is in the hands of various sections of the British public, the balance of 1,912,000,000 pounds being held by British Government departments for the benefit of the nation.

Virtual independence of British authority in India promises an India inveterately divided against itself. This is the shadow which leads even the most earnest democrats of Britain, such as Ramsay MacDonald, to hesitate about decreasing the withdrawal of the supreme authority of the British flag. Peace between Moslems and Hindus is something which evidently Gandhi and his followers are unable to bring about.

Racketeering exists and prospers in the United States today, says the Detroit News, not of its own strength, but because there are lawyers who make it possible. Consider the racketeering lawyer. He is prospering. He belongs, often, to the best clubs. You meet him at golf; you find his name begging for enrollment on prominent lists. But he is a racketeer, one of the vast class directly responsible for the ascendancy of the underworld, and drawing his wealth from precisely such sources of illegal income.

Whatever new arrangements are destined to appear, says the Providence Journal, a fresh adjustment of some character cannot be delayed much longer. With the German Government apparently very strongly committed to the doctrine that reparations payments in the future, if there are to be made at all, shall be on a substantially lower basis, the days of the Young plan are seemingly numbered, especially inasmuch as the British and Italian Governments are inclined to sympathize with the German desire for further revision.

The manifestations of these undesirable tendencies was another matter. Freedom also was of importance, and was an integral element in the British character, and between these two conflicting claims the position of the Home Secretary of the day was never an easy one. Without exercising the power to suppress by forces of law tendencies which are undesirable, the State could exercise a very powerful influence and power of leadership in helping to set the tone of national life. But it must mainly rest with public opinion itself. It should not be chary in expressing itself to help to remove whatever was unwholesome and ignoble in our drama, in our cinemas, or in our literature, and so to restore and maintain the cleanliness and dignity which were essential elements in national greatness."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Our local contemporary's comments of yesterday indicate that it is less concerned with the plight of unemployed workmen in Charlottetown than with making political capital out of their difficulty. Its ignoring of the fact that the unemployed men's association is non-partisan and is appealing to the City Council as well as to the Government is obviously calculated to embarrass the association in any agreement it may seek to make with the Government.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Hours

EAT ACCORDING TO YOUR BUILD
I have written before about the three types of build or physique (a) the short narrow body on the long legs (b) the long wide body on the short legs, and (c) the type that has normal length and width of body, on legs of normal length. You can readily see that just as these bodies differ in shape, so will they differ in weight for the height, thus showing that: no table of weights can be made to apply to everybody.

In the French army only the length of the body is taken, being measured with the recruit sitting down. As the narrow body gives less room for the lungs, this type of individual is more apt to have lung trouble than with a wide body. Now as lung ailments demand plenty of good food it is unfortunate that the stomach in this type also is crowded downward, thus making it more difficult for food to pass from the stomach to the small intestine.

To make matters still worse, it has been found that most of these narrow individuals have a small intestine (where food is absorbed into the blood) a few feet shorter in length than in those whose bodies are of normal width and length. This means of course less surface for absorption.

He has plenty of room for his lungs and stomach, and his small intestine may be slightly longer than in one whose body is of normal length and width. He will thus have a good appetite, a good wide stomach, plenty of absorbing surface, and good large lungs to supply oxygen to burn up this food. It is this type of individual who is likely to overeat and thus more likely to develop the penalties of overeating—kidney trouble, diabetes, heart disease, and hardening of the arteries, and apoplexy.

Thus we find that in institutions where tubercular patients are being cared for, that plenty of rich concentrated food—meat, eggs, cream—is a big part of the treatment. On the other hand, as you know, in the treatment of overweight, heart, kidney, and hardening of the arteries, foods are given that are bulky, but not rich in other food value—cabbage, celery, lettuce, spinach, grape fruit, and asparagus. Meat and eggs are given once a day only.

So, take a look at yourself; and if you belong to either the first or second class mentioned above, eat accordingly.



Let me but live my life from year to year
With forward face and unreluctant soul;
Not hurrying to, nor turning from the goal;
Not mourning for the things that disappear,
In the dim past, nor holding back in fear
From what the future veils; but
With a whole
And happy heart, that pays its toll
To Youth and Age, and travels on
With cheer.
So let the way wind up the hill or down,
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy;
Still seeking what I sought when still a boy,
New friendships, high adventure,
and a crown,
My heart will keep the courage of the quest,
And hope the road's last turn will be the best.
—Henry Van Dyke

"Woman's life must be wrapped up in a man, and the cleverest woman on earth is the biggest fool on earth with a man."—Dorothy Parker.
"No man ever thinks a poem out; he only feels it out."—Edwin McCauley.
"The average Briton tries to pattern his life after that of the country gentleman in the age of Shakespeare."—Hendrik Willem van Loon.

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.

POLITICAL PIGMIES

Sir,—Calamity often brings to light the revolting phases of human foulness. It was illustrated in the Great Plague of London where ghoulsh shapes like men, risking death from relentless disease, entered plague stricken homes to pilfer, and even the places of burial to rob the dead of the jewelry and trinkets, to satiate their unholly greed. It was like in the case of the Lindbergh child, when filthy human cormorants fed upon the agony of others.

These reflections come to me as I read some Liberal propaganda, of which "Disgusted Farmer" in Saturday's Patriot is a fitting type. His genius proposes to increase the price of butter, and to enlarge the 8c duty on butter, and allow New Zealand to flood Canada with millions of pounds as in the halcyon days of his party's rule. Canadian beans, which he had to pay 10c a pound for under his beneficent tariff, he can now buy for 2 1/2c. And with characteristic inconsistency his removal of the tariff is plump up against the paradox to increase the price of agricultural products as exports, and, like a two edged sword play the reverse game of cutting the cost of imports. This mirage is familiar to those looking through the wrong end of the telescope.

He chatters over political pledges, made in good faith, in a political campaign, under normal conditions. He hasn't apparently awakened to the fact, known even to school children that the world has since been overtaken in a stupendous crisis of depression. It has not dawned upon him that the brainiest men in governments, in finance and industry, have been puzzled the genius of the ablest of the world's thinkers. And yet, with wind and a vacuum for his capital, he would cut out taxation, build branch railways and pay old age pensions, and give employment to all, while the universe, outside of his own sphere is in the throes of stagnation.

He evidently knows little of what is going on in the world. He apparently does not know that Canada is making the best effort of any country in the universe to stem the tidal wave of depression, and that the eyes of the nations, with rarely an exception, are studying the Canadian program and commending its success. That the economic world is now looking to Premier Bennett as the astutest of statesmen, and centering their hopes upon his ideals and the Great Conference, the offspring of his genius, to herald the opening of the era of relief and prosperity.

Nor does he seem aware that the whole-souled big hearted and ablest of Canada's Liberals, and the biggest and most patriotic of Canada's Liberal press, have lifted themselves above the pigmies of their party, and joined hands with Premier Bennett, not in his politics, but in his heroic efforts to steer the country clear from the great whirlpool of bankruptcy and ruin which is threatening the world.

Thank God that we have those big men, and a Canada loving press, true in the very essence of their conduct to the fundamental principles of true Liberalism, who, in the hour of their country's danger, exalt themselves above the expedients of party, and ply their talents and labors to the aid, not only of Premier Bennett, but all governments and civic rulers and kings of finance and industry in making Canada the leader of the nations in the restoration of prosperity. I am Sir, etc., A SUFFERER.

The Nearest Planet

(London Correspondence)
The discovery of a new planet, nearer to the earth than any previously known, is announced by Dr. A. C. D. Crommelin, formerly

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Backache

Prophets Of Ruin

(Ottawa Journal)

Last December Sir George Paish made our flesh creep by telling us that unless war debts and reparations were fixed up in some way by February the world would go smash. The old perverse world didn't fix up war debts or reparations or much of anything else, and it refused to go smash. Now we have a lot of other experts telling us that unless the coming Lausanne conference does succeed we'll all go bust for sure. Well, our own humble expectation is that Lausanne will settle nothing, and that the world won't collapse. The world is extraordinarily tough. Somehow or other it possesses intangible assets that economists and experts invariably fall to reckon with; so that just when it seems to be on the verge of ruin something or somebody comes along to save it. Or to give it a few more years of grace.

It isn't that war debts and reparations and a whole lot of other things aren't serious, that things aren't in a bad way. It is simply that the world being what it is, and people being what they are, things just simply can't go smash. If it were otherwise, if wars and debts and pestilences and famines could submerge civilization, then the world would have gone smash long ago. The great trouble with economists, we think, is that they lay altogether too much stress upon rows of figures on paper.

Kipling Made A Fellow

(The London Times)

Mr. (we should say Dr.) Rudyard Kipling has honorary doctorates in eight universities in England, Scotland, Canada, France, and Greece; but it must be rather a lonely thing being a Doctor but having no college to call one's own, no quadrangle or hall in which one may feel oneself at home. And now it is announced that Magdalene College, Cambridge, has filled that lack in the life of her Litt. D. Rudyard Kipling, by electing him to an honorary Fellowship. Magdalene is the college of Samuel Peeps, who entered it as a sizar in 1851. When his shade and Mr. Kipling get together—as certainly they will—between midnight and dawn, what glorious yarning there will be about ships and shipping, and books and alphas, and workers and shirkers, and a score of other subjects of interest to these two lovers of life and of the men and things that fill it! Charles Kingsley may look in too, and perhaps pass a word or two about horses and dogs and rhymes; but the new Fellow is not likely to let talk with the former Rector of Eversley prevent his having a chat with the shade of the Vicar of Romsey, the inventive Mr. Berthon, who gave us, with much else, the collapsible boat. There will be others eager to welcome the great poet and prose-writer who has won what Charles Lamb would call his "collegiate worth" without the usual approach through undergraduate life. And Magdalene College has not only done an honor to itself and to its new member which will make many thousands of far from Cantabrigian people glad, The College may have done something to express the modern University spirit by drawing into an academic fold the almost violently unacademic master of all the arts of writing, who has enriched the English language with a manifold and multi-colored treasury.

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Speaking to a correspondent of the Morning Post, Dr. Crommelin said that the planet was at present only 10,000,000 miles from the earth—the nearest that any celestial body ever approaches with the exception of the moon and occasional comets. It has been seen by amateurs with good telescopes and assistant at the Royal Observatory in Belgium, and was at first above the star Arcturus. When it thought to be a comet. Later, it recedes to its furthest distant however, Dr. Crommelin verified the fact that the body was a planet. Its discovery has detracted from its place of honor the little planet Eros, which was previously the nearest planet to the earth and was therefore the one used as a basis for all celestial calculations.

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