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Daily Lenten Meditations

A Prayer For Labour
By Albert W. Palmer

"O God, our Heavenly Father the Creator and Preserver of all mankind; we come to Thee this day in humility and need, recognizing that there is something sacred in man's work."

"We would pray for all men and women who toil around the world to-day. Give them a large sense of the dignity of labor. Help them to know that their work is not just a means to a great and united purpose to co-operate for the common welfare. Grant them just recognition in the councils of industry. Preserve them from blind anger, from shortsighted violence and especially from exploitation by dishonest, blind or incompetent leadership. Raise up for them leaders of far-sighted wisdom, courage and devotion."

"We also pray this day for the great multitude of the unemployed. May their needs and deprivation be so on the hearts of all men everywhere. Let them have work and content with his own job or his own home until we have so ordered our common life together that work and opportunity are freely open to all who now seek work and find it not."

"Teach us all the way of co-operation. May those who rule seek to rule not by fear but by love understanding, and good will. Preserve our civil rights and deliver us from oppression, graft, and violence. To that end, help each one of us to be faithful, law-abiding citizens, that ruthless force may give place to reason and human brotherhood."

"We who toil pray to-day for those who sit in the seats of industrial power, who control the shops and factories where men and women earn their bread. Touch all who have responsibility for business management and economic leadership with a profound concern for the welfare of those who work in the industries they control. Set justice, brotherhood and regard for human values in their hearts, save them from any will to profit by exploiting their fellow-men, but rather inspire them to make of industry a means of common welfare for all mankind."

"Make us in all things, just, patient, fair, forgiving, but uncompromising and eternally committed to human rights and brotherhood. For Thy Name's sake, we ask it. Amen."

to be borrowed. There was enough money paid out in Charlottetown during the last few years to pay the Brighton bridge project, he said.

Mr. Saville approved of the youth training courses, and of the appointment of an agricultural teacher at Prince of Wales College.

HON. J. P. MCINTYRE

Hon. J. P. McIntyre, Minister of Public Works, in his opening remarks paid tribute to the late Hon. Premier Blanchard, David MacDonald and H. D. McEwen and also to the late Pope Pius XI.

He recounted his impressions on a recent visit to Ottawa and Washington and went on to discuss the importance of the coming visit of Their Majesties and the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Charlottetown Conference which preceded Confederation.

"The whole of Canada with a few exceptions" was agreed that the new Canada-U.S. trade agreement would benefit Canada and particularly the Maritime Provinces, Mr. McIntyre declared.

"We hold everything we got in the 1935 agreement, and we got larger concessions on our farm and fishery products," he said.

Figures for January 1938 and 1939 shipments of seed potatoes, cattle, fresh lamb and cheese were cited to show increases during the latter month.

"The fishermen had worked under great hardships and disadvantages during the last year or two," he continued. "There were opportunities, however, for the younger men especially in the industry. Mr. McIntyre cited the oyster fishery. He never was opposed to the oyster leasing policy if it was done on the proper basis, he said. In Prince County thousands of dollars were paid last year by the leaseholders in labour alone. There were also splendid oyster fishing opportunities in the eastern part of the Province for young men with initiative."

Citing from the Commercial Intelligence Journal Mr. McIntyre showed that imports of oysters to the United Kingdom increased by 42 per cent in recent years, the most marked being from the United States. Canada's shipments, he pointed out, were negligible. From his own experience he knew that oysters were one of our greatest future industries.

In addition to oysters for table use, the United Kingdom also imported large quantities for re-baiting. The oyster requirements on the British market must be clean, and of proper size. Shipped f.o.b. Halifax or St. John, our oysters realized from \$2.00 to \$10.00 per barrel in the United Kingdom.



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found that the people were satisfied. That is not taking away the rights of the people; that is giving the people their rights because in a court of law where the judge is not saying anything against the judges but when they are sitting on the bench and hearing evidence, it is not as efficient as a business man who knows the value of land; and a business man, going right to the spot.

"Better Than The Courts"

"In a court of law," Mr. McIntyre insisted, "the judge can't go to Tignish or Souris and interview the people. That is the way we have done has been much better than the courts of appeal; because those men will give the man whose land is taken—they will give him justice. That is the way we did, particularly with the National Park. The people with very few exceptions were quite satisfied."

Mr. McIntyre expressed the wish that "the Conservative leader was here, then we could have it out."

He claimed that the relief figures he had quoted at the last legislative session as covering three years, to which reference had been made by the Conservative leader, referred to the years 1934-1937. He quoted a statement alleged to have been made by Dr. MacMillan in 1935 that the people of this Province were "well off" and banned this statement for the difficulty of getting better consideration at Ottawa.

Comparing relief grants under both administrations, Mr. McIntyre said the amount of unemployment relief obtained for Charlottetown in 1933-38 was \$7,045; for 1934, \$4,430; for 1935, \$3,450; a total of \$14,915. In 1936, under the Liberals, Charlottetown got \$25,000 for direct relief; in 1937, \$21,000; in 1938, \$21,000; a total of \$67,000 in three years.

CHANGING Dominion contributions for unemployment relief throughout the Province, Mr. McIntyre gave figures totalling \$647,300 under the Conservative regime for four years, and \$673,000 under the Liberals for three years.

He objected to the Conservative leader's reference to Mr. Bennett as a statesman whose shoulders Mackenzie King was not fit to tie.

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The Central Guardian

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FUNERAL NOTICE—The remains of the late Mrs. Beattie Suttis arrived from Truro last evening. The funeral will be held privately from the MacLean Funeral Home this afternoon to the People's Cemetery.

CAMPBELL, H. BENTLEY—In the case of Hon. T. A. Campbell, Premier, vs. Mr. W. E. Bentley, K.C., action for damages for the publication of a defamatory libel in a very large article published in the "Charlottetown Guardian" newspaper on the 26th of November A. D. 1938 concerning the plaintiff's dismissal for want of prosecution on the grounds that the plaintiff did not deliver his statement of claim within the three month period provided by the Rules of Court. The motion was opposed by Mr. Calvin McCallum of Counsel for the plaintiff who read a long affidavit of Premier Campbell stating that on account of the urgent pressure of public and private business the Premier has been unable to devote sufficient time or attention to the completion of instructions for a statement of claim and to arrange adequate conferences with his attorney for that purpose. Mr. McCallum asked that the time provided for delivery of a statement of claim which expired on March 7th, be now extended. His Lordship then ordered that the action be dismissed unless the plaintiff should deliver his statement of claim within two weeks after the prorogation day of the present session of the Prince Edward Island legislature.

Cites Neglect Of Road Work In 5th Kings

Draft Address Debate Concluded Last Night, With Speeches By Messrs Saville, Hon. J. P. McIntyre And Hon. Marin Gallant

Road machine work neglected, bridge railings "falling down," no much hard liquor was now being sold in Nova Scotia as was sold in 1934, and apparently there was also a great deal of smuggling.

Mr. Saville refuted the argument advanced in Central Canada for Maritime Union, and suggested that instead of fewer provinces, Ontario and Quebec would be much easier for the Dominion Government to handle if they were cut in two. We, at any rate, were quite capable of governing ourselves in this part of Canada, he declared.

Opening Remarks

He did not agree with some people who say that this debate on the Draft Address was the longest in the history of the House. He said that he had spoken for 30 minutes and that his constituents had been very patient. He said that he had not heard a great deal of criticism from other Legislature members on the project.

Mr. T. W. L. Prowse said that from a business standpoint the project was sorely needed for a long time. He, along with Messrs LePage and Trainor would support the project.

Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan said it was a logical economic problem and steps should be taken to amend the powers that be at Ottawa to make the bridge an accomplished fact. He pointed out that through representations to Ottawa the Hunter River-Rustico highway was built and he believed that the people of North River had a similar just grievance. He urged that all parties should unite in a case such as this and offer his services if he could in any way be of an advantage.

Mr. Walter Shaw, Cornwall, stressed the importance and benefits to be derived from a Brighton Bridge and concluded by saying that the project merits consideration of all people of the province.

Mr. A. F. Stewart, M. L. A., Bonshaw, pointed out that subsidies had been given between Bonshaw and Victoria had been discontinued and yet nothing had been substituted to take their place although thousands of dollars had been saved by the government.

Mr. J. O. Hyndman felt that this province had been discriminated against long enough by Ottawa and that the people should forget politics and unitedly press their claims under consideration. He said that both the Brighton and West River bridges should be built.

The resolution unanimously adopted at the close of the meeting follows:

"The urgent need for better shipping and travelling facilities and that splendid section of country, those Southern and Western portions of our Province beyond the North River has been evident beyond debate for many years."

"The agitation of the people, by the people and for the people of this district, as well as very generally by the people of Charlottetown, and elsewhere in the Province, interest and sympathy of merchants and business men of Charlottetown, to the end that every thing possible should be done to bring into effect the bridge project so urgently needed."

"The old North River Bridge, so long a principal factor in communication between the section mentioned and Charlottetown, has served its time and fallen into decay. It is now condemned for traffic in respect to vehicles of heavy tonnage. At its best it has not been safe even for light traffic, being too narrow for vehicles to meet or pass thereon. It is now unsuitable for Bus Traffic, so essential to the business interests of the West River District and Charlottetown. The trucking business has grown to such an extent that our roads and bridges must be made suitable and safe to carry heavy loads and to reach markets at all times, including seasons when ice conditions are bad."

"In view of the above facts and further considering that the Government must, in the near future, build a new and more substantial bridge across the North River, it is proposed that such a bridge be established nearer to Charlottetown, located at or near Brighton across to the "Ferry Road" recently surveyed."

"It is therefore resolved that we, the merchants and business men generally of the City of Charlottetown hereby go on record as strongly urging the building of the proposed new Brighton Bridge as the main link connecting with the projected hard surfaced highway through this rich farming district to Borden, and thus provide better travelling and travelling facilities to the markets."

School Book Prices

Mr. Saville agreed with the second order (Mr. Macmillan) that the price of school books was "altogether too high." Poor people should have free school books, he thought.

Another matter about which he was concerned was the shortage of books in the summer and then apportionment of Agriculture should be paid to, and try and get the people in those sections where they have cheese factories in not too young a state of repair to reopen them. It is something the Department should look into at once, because butter at its present price is not a profitable thing."

He was pleased to note in a recent press statement that the eastern part of the Province between Amundale and Souris, was the best section in North America for growing seed potatoes. The federal government, he suggested, should have all that section of the country growing nothing but disease-free Irish Cobblers.

He commended the Minister of Agriculture for paying \$50,000 for the purchase of land not adapted to potato growing.

The present government, he claimed, was the first to do any of the work in the summer and then applied for relief in the winter. In those cases the Government should step in and withhold some of their earnings for the winter months. In Charlottetown about \$20,000 was paid out a year in direct relief. That was the interest on about two million dollars.

The time had come for the Government to make a careful survey of the whole situation. Work must be provided even if the money has

Refused Leases

Mr. J. Walter Jones: "We are troubled and dead by people living in the vicinity of the East River, asking us how they can get leases. It seems to be impossible. They don't know how to obtain the leases. The business there is going to develop, but nobody can get possession."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "I had occasion to lease five acres in a bar at the bottom at Savage Harbour Bay."

Mr. Jones: "You couldn't get a lease in the East River."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "It might be possible if the people are public beds that they are not allowed to lease them, but there must be new leases."

Mr. Jones: "I wish you would influence the Minister at Ottawa that will permit us."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "The way we went at, we went to the Inspector of Fisheries and he took it up at Ottawa."

Mr. Jones: "We did that and couldn't get it."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "I presume the reason is there are oysters on the beds that you want to lease."

Mr. Jones: "No, they are all dead."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "Well, in Queens and Kings Counties there are many parts that are not taken that will produce oysters."

Continuing, he said he would reserve his review of roadmaking costs for the Budget debate.

Expropriation Procedure

Referring to criticism of the Government's expropriation procedure in connection with land for widening purposes, he said the King owned or should own the land 60 feet in width and the Government was entitled to take this without remuneration to the owners.

Mr. Wade Hughes: "Which owner would you approach? Where the farm did not cross the main road, there would be a question of which owner you would have to take it from."

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: "Well, the question would rest with the engineers, but the Conservative leader says the Minister of Public Works takes the privilege of appeal to the courts away from the people, and the same thing applied to the National Park, and that they had no alternative only take what the Minister offered. We did it true, deny them the use of the courts but we appointed a commission of three men, two prominent farmers and a business man, and they go to each farmer, talk it over with them, compare figures and discuss the value of the land taken, and then come to some understanding. They then make their report to the Government and in 95 cases out of 100 I

Cheese Production Needed

The cheese situation, he confessed, was serious. Unless the cheese factories are put into operation again the dairy outlook was very bad.

"It is a pity there is not enough cheese made in this Province," he said. "We could have a whole steamer load, direct from Charlottetown, during the summer months. That is one thing that I believe the Government should support. Agriculture should pay attention to, and try and get the people in those sections where they have cheese factories in not too young a state of repair to reopen them. It is something the Department should look into at once, because butter at its present price is not a profitable thing."

"You can hear wines and beer being advertised over the radio," he said, "but with few exceptions I have not heard any attempt made to educate the people to the wisdom of total abstinence."

Trinity United Church
THURSDAY, MARCH 23
1.00 Chalmers Chorus — Board Room.
1.15 — Y. P. Plays — Hearts Hall.

ATTENTION
Junior Board of Trade Members
Mr. A. A. Gardiner, assistant general passenger traffic Manager of C.N.R., will address a joint meeting of the Senior and Junior Boards of Trade, City Bldg. Board Room, March 27, 8 p.m. Visitors welcome.

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BIRTHS

CAREW—At New Carlisle, Quebec, March 17, 1939, to the Rev. B. E. and Mrs. Carew, a son.

DEATHS

BAIRD—At Webster's Corner on March 18, 1939, Helena Baird, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Baird, aged 10 months.

McGINN—At North Attleboro, Mass., on March 19, 1939, Mrs. Sylvester J. McGinn, (formerly Florence Trainor of Charlottetown).

In Memoriam

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