

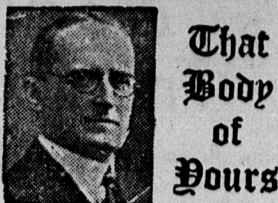
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NOTES BY THE WAY

Whatever opinions may be held by professional speculators, manufacturers of munitions and other war material, it is becoming increasingly evident that the consensus of opinion throughout the civilized world is in favor of disarmament as the best means to end war. A petition sponsored by the League of Nations Societies in forty countries in favor of disarmament is being received with general favor. Up to three months ago 600,000 people had signed in England and the Albert Hall meeting where Mr. Baldwin, Premier Macdonald and Mr. Lloyd George spoke all unequivocally in favour of disarmament was so large that they had to hold an overflow meeting in Hyde Park. The petitions go to the respective governments and will be presented at the conference in Geneva next February. An opportunity is now being given in Canada to sign this petition and it is hoped that it will meet with the same response that has been accorded to it in all the civilized countries.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

DON'T GROW SHORTER

A middle aged business man was undergoing a physical examination and when informed that his height was 5 feet 9 inches without shoes asked to have his height taken again as he knew he was 5 feet 10 inches. He was again measured by the stadiometer or height machine, and it recorded 5 feet 9 inches. "I can't understand it," he said "because I had my height measured by a similar machine regularly for years and it was always 5 feet 10 inches." "How long ago is it since you were last measured?" the doctor asked. "About ten years" was his answer. "Have you gained any weight?" "Yes I have put on about twenty pounds." "That is the reason," said the doctor "you have grown one inch shorter. You have four curves in your spinal column, one back of neck, one at upper back, one at lower back, and one at hips. When you put on extra weight these curves in the spinal column become even more curved as the body settles down from this extra weight put upon it, particularly the small of back as the extra weight on the abdomen pulls it forward. Now the matter of the height itself is really not important, but when the spinal column sinks downward in this manner all the organs in the chest and abdomen become somewhat crowded and can not do their best work; less air into lungs, particularly upper part; less room for heart; less room for stomach, crowding down or other organs in abdomen, particularly large intestine; circulation of the blood hampered. Now what is the remedy to preserve our height and health? Simply remembering to sit tall, stand tall, and actually think tall always. And don't overeat. The head should be kept erect, chin drawn backward, chest thrust forward and upward, the abdomen drawn backward thus lessening the amount of the curve in the small of back, weight of body on the balls of the feet. Try to keep the hips and shoulders as far away from one another as possible. The idea of trying to keep as tall as possible is the secret of the erect carriage. Don't let your body sink. Keep your body tall whether standing or sitting. Remember most of us sit more than we stand.

GRIEVOUSLY DISAPPOINTED



HON. W. L. M. KING—"To think that my dear friend Wilfrid would do this to me."

Australian Pact Approved

(Sydney Post)

The trade treaty between Canada and Australia was put through all the legislative stages in the House of Commons on Wednesday with record despatch. It evoked little discussion, and was given second reading, committee consideration, and third reading, at the one sitting of the House. It may therefore be assumed that it meets with the approval of all Parliamentary parties and groups.

When submitting for second reading the bill ratifying the treaty, Premier Bennett said that two basic principles had been observed in drafting its terms. One was that such commodities as each Dominion produces and the other requires shall be given special tariff preference by the importing country. The other was that such a tariff level may be maintained by each country with respect to its own products as will give it adequate protection in the home market.

Recognition of these two principles constitutes the best guarantee of the permanence of the pact. No trade agreement can stand the test of experience which contemplates the "swapping of jack-knives." Reciprocal dealings require to be carried out in such a way as to insure an exchange of commodities which are not competitive with one another in kind or quality. The fatal weakness of the former Canadian-Australian treaty was that it did not recognize or make allowance for this fundamental principle. It permitted Australian—and as subsequently extended New Zealand butter—to be imported into Canada on payment of the nominal duty of 1 cent per pound, while the general Canadian tariff on butter was only 3 cents and afforded no effective protection to the domestic producer. The consequence was that Canada was deluged with New Zealand butter, and the dairy industry of this country was almost destroyed. Under the new treaty there is to be a duty of 5 cents per pound on Australian butter, as against the general tariff rates against other countries of 8 cents per pound. This should afford ample protection to the Canadian butter producers, but if experience shows that it does not, there is a provision in the treaty under which the Canadian duty may be increased without prejudice to the other items comprised in the pact. The agreement has been drafted with the utmost care, and as there is perfect accord between the two Governments as to the objects each has in view, there is little likelihood of future friction or dissatisfaction on either side.

Canadian poetry in spite of the recognition given abroad to Roberts Carran Lampman, and others. The answer to that might be that if governments did as much to encourage poetry as they have to encourage cheesemaking, the two arts might have won equal renown. At any rate, this section of the country will show claims paying equal honour the two branches of endeavor.



FROM HEIGHT BEYOND HEIGHT

Man's thought is higher than the mountains are; His knowledge weighs the stars and reads their light; His dreams range where uncharted heavens lie. Yet no whit nearer still there soars afar Beyond man's highest thought, the infinite, Beyond his farthest dream, eternally. —Curtis H. Page.

"How kind of you," said the girl, "to bring me these lovely flowers. They are so beautiful and fresh. I believe there is some dew on them yet." "Yes," stammered the young man in great embarrassment, "but I am going to pay it off tomorrow." There are many buy ways on the road to success.

He Talked Too Much

A parrot and a cat lived together in more or less open civility. Up on its high perch, whenever Pussy approached Polly delighted in shrieking challenges at her. One day while in the floor Polly gave vent to her screech and Pussy was on her in a flash. Later, while surveying her ruffled and torn feathers, from the security of her perch Polly sadly philosophized: "I know what is wrong with me. I talk a darned sight too much."

Mr. Mackenzie King must have felt the same way on Thursday night when near the end of his four hours' speech in an attempt to defend himself and the part he played in the Beauharnois scandal. He declared he did not know where his campaign funds came from, and turning to Premier Bennett asked him if he thought that a Prime Minister should know where campaign funds originated!

Without a moment's hesitation Premier Bennett retorted: "I have always been of the view that the receiver of stolen goods was a criminal."

That ended the dialogue!

The Issue

Nomination Day clarifies the situation in the respective constituencies. We now know who are running as Councillors and who as Assemblymen. The opposing sides are definitely lined up and it remains for the electorate to elect from the contestants the representatives they think will support a Government in their best interests. The candidates supporting the party that will give us the kind of Government we should have at the present critical juncture are the candidates the electorate should get behind and elect. Party ties should not count in an emergency like this. We have no natural resources save our brains and brawn to draw upon for revenue, which thus must come from direct taxation or Dominion subsidies.

The Liberal party stands for increased taxation, as witness Mr. Lea's famous simile about our farmers being treated like children to be made to take their taxation like medicine, and Mr. MacIntyre's equally emphatic declaration that our farmers should "broaden out" and be prepared to pay more taxes.

The Conservative party believe and have proved in the past that the best way to get increased revenue is to present our claims properly at Ottawa and not to rest until they have been satisfied in whole or in part. Mr. Lea's party has had nearly four years to press our claims in a Government of the same type at Ottawa, and has failed miserably. Would it be any more successful with a Government it has abused and condemned by resolution in the Legislature and from one end of the Province to the other?

For four years the Saunders-Lea-MacIntyre aggregation has muddled through, adding extravagance on extravagance, debt on debt. It now appeals to the country without a policy and without a platform, inviting the people to sign a blank cheque for them to fill in according to their own sweet dictates. It is too much to expect that the electorate will be so complaisant as to comply with their wishes.

On the other hand, we have a party headed by Mr. J. D. Stewart, of proved business and administrative ability, a leader described by a political opponent as one whose word is as good as his bond. The Conservative party has a policy and a platform which it will implement without unnecessary delay.

In the midst of the battle it is not always easy to see the issue clearly. But let there be no misunderstanding with the decisive hour almost

upon us and the contestants lined up behind their respective leaders. All those behind Mr. Stewart are opposed to increased taxation and pledged to bring back more subsidy through the friendly agency of a friendly Conservative Government at Ottawa, assisted by seven other friendly Conservative Provincial Governments.

Insult to Injury

The Lea Government organ is the only newspaper in Canada that has not published, in summary form at least, the sensational report of the Beauharnois inquiry. Not one reference to the proven guilt of Mackenzie King's millionaire friends or of the \$700,000 Beauharnois money which went into the Liberal campaign chest at the last federal election has appeared in the Patriot's columns, though from one end of Canada to the other these revelations have been featured, commented upon, and denounced by reputable newspapers of all political complexions as the most disgraceful scandal in the history of Canada.

And while it has suppressed all news in connection with Beauharnois except Mr. Mackenzie King's laboured speech in his own defense.

The Lea Government organ carries on a daily campaign of mudslinging and misrepresentation against the Bennett Government, directing its attack principally against the Prime Minister—the man who could not be bribed by Beauharnois graft! What reliance can the intelligent electors of this Province place in a newspaper campaign so partisan and contemptible? What confidence can they have in a Government which depends for support upon such a campaign?

Disarmament Petitions

Petitions are being circulated for signatories in this Province as throughout Canada and other countries to be presented by the League of Nations to the Disarmament Conference at Geneva in February next, asking that disarmament may be speedy and universal. With the approval of His Honour Lieutenant Governor Dalton and both provincial political leaders, opportunity for signing these petitions will be afforded near the polling centres on election day. Everyone 15 years of age and over is eligible to sign. The petition forms will be in charge of the Women's Institutes and The Guardian joins with the Press of Canada in recommending to the attention of all citizens the importance of indorsing in this effective manner a movement of such humane and far-reaching consequence to the world.

Editorial Notes

The "July frost" in Charlottetown is only a foretaste of what the Lea Government will encounter when it goes to the country on Aug. 6.

The Summeride Liberals have established rooms in the curling rink for the provincial election campaign and a local paper describes this as a place where they can curl up and take a last long sleep.—Moncton Times.

One promise that Premier Bennett made in the federal campaign is completely ignored by the anti-Bennett press in this Province. He promised an investigation into the Beauharnois scandal!

Our contemporary is again indulging in frantic predictions of victory at the polls. The same old headlines which were used in the last federal election and in the by-election in Second Prince are being pressed into service. The electors have read them before, and know what they presage!

That War has proved worse than a failure in the settlement of international disputes has been abundantly proved not only by the slaying of millions in the recent great war but by the financial and industrial debacle which has followed the war, and from which the great nations of the world are now struggling to extricate themselves. The universal signing of this petition will undoubtedly impress upon the League of Nations the necessity of doing all possible to achieve at least a measure of disarmament among the nations.

It may be asked why the powers are today so concerned about Germany which they were fighting only a few years ago. The answer is that in helping Germany through her present crisis the nations are really helping themselves. Time was when the collapse of a nation meant little to any other nation. It is not so now. The nations are so interdependent that the collapse of one has its repercussions in every other nation. This is why the nations of the world are now obliged to help Germany out of a hole she dug for herself.

The racketeering industry is estimated to take \$18,000,000,000 out of the nation's pocket annually. One year's moratorium on racketeering would enable the United States to pay off its national debt and still have a couple of billions to spend for other things.—Detroit Free Press.

If gallant citizens of the United States had conquered the Himalayan Peak "Kamet," the newspapers of this continent would have blazoned the performance in large, black frontpage headings, eight columns wide. The feat happens to have been achieved by Englishmen and so, naturally, we have not heard much about it. We are glad to note, however, that the Royal Geographical Society has formally congratulated Mr. Frank Smythe and the little band of young British climbers who accompanied him. As the London Times says, the successful ascent of the mountain, 25,447 feet above sea level, and the highest summit on which the foot of man has yet been set, is a notable triumph for Mr. Smythe and his associates who have well earned the congratulations of older mountaineers. It was truly in keeping with the modest traditions of British heroes that when Smythe, Shipton, Holdsworth, and the porters, Lewa and Nima Dorji, had almost reached the top of the peak, the Englishmen of the party signed to Lewa to go ahead and take the honor of being the first human being to tread the summit, and similarly that they decided to let their best porter, Kesar Singh, share with Captain Birnie and Dr. Greene the credit of the second ascent.

Stanley Baldwin said the other day that if he were a young man he would come to Canada. George Bernard Shaw now hints that if he were a young man he would go to Russia. But, of course, he spoke as one who has never been in Canada.

Since the co-operation of British and American financial authorities is necessary for an international loan to Germany or the Reichsbank, it is not to be assumed that France will set up extravagant political demands as a condition of German relief. On the other hand, Germany must show good faith, politically as well as financially, if she expects to be relieved. France is entitled to certain political guarantees, inasmuch as money is the very sinews of war. Germany must not devote borrowed money to war purposes. The attempt to form a political union with Austria under the guise of a commercial accord must be abandoned. Germany must undertake to hold Fascists and Communists in check, in order that the lending nations may be sure that they are not giving financial stimulus to a German revolution.—Washington Post.

For Better Service

(Moncton Transcript)

The new car ferry now on the route between Prince Edward Island and the mainland comes as a welcome addition to the transportation facilities of the Maritime Provinces. It will provide more adequately for the increasing traffic, both freight and passenger, and will be of especial advantage during the busy passenger season in the summer. By none will it be more appreciated than by those travelling in motor-cars who will find the provision by which they can drive directly on board the steamer and off again at their destination a decided improvement over the former arrangement. While the ferry service is provided primarily for the convenience of the dwellers in the island province, the better service which can be given by the new craft will be equally appreciated by others who have occasion to visit their province. Its superior accommodation will also be an asset to the increasing traffic and will make it easier to induce more visitors to take the trip to the Garden of the Gulf. With the new ferry steamer and the new hotel at Charlottetown, the government railway system is doing its share to make the island attractive for visitors.

Cheese and Poetry

(Sydney Post)

To certain people, there may seem a slight incongruity in the proposal of the Federal Government to erect a cairn in Oxford County, marking the location of Canada's first cheese factory. The most recent cairn in Western Ontario is that at Morpeth, honoring Archibald Lampman, Canadian poet, and it was erected by subscriptions from his friends and admirers. The question, says the London Free Press, might well be asked should governments commemorate great poets as well as great industries, or, on the other hand, is cheesemaking an art in the same class as poetry? Lovers of good cheese, who delight in lingering over a meal topped off with a slice of their favorite brand, rolling the succulent morsels around their tongues, savoring the aroma and inhaling the bouquet, will tell you that cheese does quite as much to make life richer and fuller as poetry does. There are cheeses and cheeses, just as there are poems and poems, starting at the bottom with doggerel and certain kinds of poorer homemade cheese, and ascending the scale to the sublime heights of heroic verse and such masterpieces as Stilton and Roquefort. The mild, kindly Cheddar, constituting the bulk of Canada's cheese, might be compared with pleasant pastoral verse and nature poems; the luscious Limburger is the Walt Whitman of cheeses, full of meat and strength; Roquefort has the tang and subtlety of, say, Edna St. Vincent Millay; Stilton has a Browning-que vigor and flavor; cream cheeses are smooth and deceptively mild, like some of the younger whimsical satirists. Cottage cheese has the homely appeal of Edgar A. Guest. And the sad sad truth remains that Canadian cheese has made more of an international name for itself than has

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