# Thoughts For Our Time

By His Eminence Cardinal McGuigan
(Copyright)

The school, although it is not the only agency in education, fills a very important role in that sphere. We can, however, have some quite false notions as to what a school should be.

In this century, the century of mass production, we must be careful not to make factories out of our schools, to have assembly-line formation of identical products. To do so would be to offer insult to the pupils. They are not just so much molten metal which is thrown into different moulds or processed metals which is beaten into certain forms. They are human beings, all different since there are no two personalities which are identical.

Whatever we might think about mass production as a method of satisfying some of our material needs, it is very definitely wrong as a method in the education of our children. Yet there is a tendency towards this in the schools of today especially in the densely populated urban centres and in our overcrowded universities.

A school should be a meeting place of personalities especially the personalities of the teacher and the pupil and this implies that the teacher should know his or her pupils and respect and love them: and they must know them as human beings and not simply as the boy or girl in seat four of aisle three. In short, the pupil must be met and known and treated as a distinct human personality. There is no other way in which there can be exercised any vital or dynamic action between the teacher and the pupil.

Another thing about which we must be on our guard is the false conception of the function of the teacher. There is no doubt that teaching is an art and requires a certain talent and skill on the part of the teacher for the teacher is an artist. His art, however is not like the art of a sculptor who works on inanimate stone or clay. The subject of the teacher's art, the child or student is a living vital and vibrant being. The work of a teacher and his art is somewhat like the work and art of a doctor. In fact the word "doctor" is the old Latin word for teacher.

### Help Mind of Pupil

This does not mean that the teacher is dealing exclusively with sick people. Doctors are consulted not only in cases of disease, but also to insure continued health. Medicine deals with a living being that possesses inner vitality and the internal principle of health. The doctor exerts a real power and casuality but he does it by helping nature. The doctor imitates the ways of nature and helps nature by providing appropriate diet and remedies that nature herself uses. Medicine is an art that ministers to nature an art subservient to nature. This means, of course, that nature herself is the principal agent in insuring health. It also means that in cases of healing the doctor has to have something to work on that what he does is to help nature do the healing. A real influence, a necessary work but at the same time one that leaves no doubt that the principal agent in health is nature herself.

The same holds true of education. A vital and active principle of knowledge exists in each of us. This inner vital principle the teacher must respect above all, just as the doctor must respect the organism with which he deals. The art of the teacher consists in imitating the ways of intellectual nature in its own operations. The teacher's role is to help the mind of the pupil to progress and also to comfort the mind of the pupil by helping him to take steps which he is unable to take by himself.

### Pupil is Paramount

This means, of course, in the process of learning that of the two dynamic factors present, the mind of the pupil and the art of the teacher, the principal agent is the internal vital principle in the one to be educated, the mind of the pupil. The educator or teacher is only secondary. The most important people in our schools are the pupils. The schools are for them. They are the ones who have to do the learning. Teachers are only helpers. The teachers perform only a secondary role in the educational sphere. The sooner we get rid of the impression that the teacher can do anything, the better; and the sooner teachers realize their limitations, the more effective their work will become.

Here the teachers and professors may sometimes find consolation for failures and think of them as due to the defect of the principal agent, the student, and not to their own deficiencies; much, as a doctor may console himself for failure by saying that he was faced with an impossible task. Such an excuse is often valid. Yet, apart from this, the considerations which we have just made illuminate the conflict between the old form of education by the rod and progressive education which stresses the freedom and the inner natural vitality of the child.

### Need Moral Authority

Education by the rod is bad education because it makes the teacher the principal agent and perverts the very nature of the educational task. The teacher must repsect the inner freedom of a child. Children are free and we must not forget it. Yet their freedom is a plastic and suggestible freedom and it is harmed and let astray if it is not helped and guided. Hence, while education by the rod is bad education, education which simply contemplates the spontaneous blossoming forth of a child's instincts with the teacher as a tractable and almost useless assistant is a bankruptcy of education and also the bankruptcy of the responsibility of adults towards the youth. The right of the child to be educated requires that the educator have moral authority over him, and this authority is nothing else than the duty of the adult to the freedom of youth.

If such an attitude could prevail in our schools, we would remedy some of the defects now noticeable in them. It would bring to light once more the notion that the teaching office is really a vocation and not simply a job. It would also insist on the fact that the school is a place for students to work and work hard for their own development. Finally, it would be a place where respect for authority would be inculcated because pupils would soon realize that such authority is not wielded in an arbitrary fashion but simply out of a sense of duty to fulfill our obligations to them.


**When your BACK ACHES...**

Backache is often caused by lazy kidney action. When kidneys get out of order excess acids and poisons remain in the system. Then backache, headache, rheumatic pain, disturbed rest or that 'tired out' feeling may soon follow. To help keep your kidneys working properly—use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Time-tested, popular, safe, non-habit-forming. Demand Dodd's Kidney Pills, in the blue box with the red band. Sold everywhere. 131

**Dodd's Kidney Pills**



THE MOST WONDERFUL BABY IN THE WORLD IS *Yours!*

*Made especially for Canadian Babies...*

AYLMER BABY FOODS ARE RECOMMENDED BY CANADIAN DOCTORS

Aylmer Baby Foods were developed in Canada ... with the aid of Canadian Doctors and Nutrition Experts ... especially to meet the needs of Canadian babies. Your Baby will like the fresh, mild flavor and extra smoothness of Aylmer Baby Foods.

AYLMER BABY FOODS

B24 YOUR BABY DESERVES AYLMER QUALITY


# THE CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a newsy nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

JIMMIE'S TAXI, Phone 528.

CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE.

AT YOUR SERVICE — Arnfast Coal Company. Phone 2498.

BABY REFRIGERATORS in stock. Storey Electric.

HOWARD MacINNIS Fitted Footwear at 175 Queen Street.

SALE OF STOCK SUITS. J. P. MacPherson & Son, Queen Street.

BUYING FOWL and Chicken Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Satisfaction guaranteed. Require large quantity heavy capon for American market. Buying Friday 10 a.m. to 12 noon. R. L. Dickieson, New Glasgow.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS - Advertisers are reminded that their copy must be in the Guardian not later than noon the previous day to guarantee insertion. Out of city advertisers who telephone classifieds, etc., should particularly bear this in mind.

VERNON RIVER MEETING. — Federation of Agriculture meeting, Vernon River Hall, Tuesday evening, September 13th, at 8.30. Discussion of farm organizations and marketing problems by Department of Agriculture and Federation officials. Farmers in all surrounding districts invited. L. P. McIsaac, Box 99.

FUNERAL SATURDAY — The funeral of the late Adrian Doucette was held from the home of his brother, Andrew Doucette, on Saturday morning, Sept. 10th, to St. Augustine Church, Rustico, where Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Petre, who also officiated at the grave. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Jeremiah Doucette, James McDonald, Gerald Proctor, John Gallant, Arthur Gallant and John Pineau. Burial was in the Church cemetery.

CAPTURED TRURO TROPHY — Much interest is being shown in the honour coming to Mr. Thomas B. Fell, Stewiacke, N. S., formerly of Tryon in this Province, when his registered cow, Pontiac Bessie Vale, captured the silver cup at the recent Truro Exhibition. This cup was donated by Munn Bros., North Sydney, for theg best Holstein female, any age, bred and owned by exhibitor. She is a descendent of Aggie Mercena Vale which was purchased by Mr. Fell in 1930 from the late Hon. Walter M. Lea. She traces three times on the sire's side to Jean Alberkirk Pontiac, a former champion for milk and fat in the herd of W. R. Bovyer, Bunbury, and a later outcross from a grandson of King Bessie 37th, namely, Falconwood King Pat. After having her calf some two weeks ago she was somewhat thin but her wonderful dairy quality and temperament were undeniable and carried her to the top. Milking heavily with a first test of 4.8 she bids fair to eclipse her last 4-year-old R.O.P. record of 18,121 lbs. milk and 606 lbs. fat on two milkings.

CRASWELL for Photographs.

CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS. — Advertisers are reminded that their copy must be in the Guardian not later than noon the previous day to guarantee insertion. Out of city advertisers who telephone classifieds, etc., should particularly bear this in mind.

ENGAGEMENT — The engagement is announced of Mary Dorothy, only daughter of the late James B. and Mrs. Croken of Summerfield, Prince Edward Island, to Hughes Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Corbin of Chester Basin, N. S. Marriage to take place the latter part of September in St. Thomas Church, Annapolis Royal, N.S.

## Personals

Mrs. John MacInnis, City, and Mrs. N. J. MacDonald, Caledonia, returned home on Thursday evening after visiting friends and relations in Moncton, N.B.

Rev. Mr. Chowen was among the Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Murray, Valleyfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus MacGowan, Pinette, were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. MacGowan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson, Valleyfield.

Mrs. Howard Nickerson has returned to her home in Valleyfield after enjoying an extended trip visiting relatives and friends in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Massachusetts.

## Too Many Versions Of "O Canada"

VANCOUVER, Sept. 11—(CP) — Mrs. O.S. Peele, president of the Women's Canadian Club, isn't happy about one of Canada's National songs and she's on the warpath.

She hopes to get the Canadian Club's 2,000 members behind her and get "O Canada" revised, or at least have one of its two versions designated as the official one.

"How can we hope to have Canadian unity until we have a standard National anthem?" she asks.

(Canada's official National anthem is "God Save The King.")

To this end, the Women's Canadian Club at its National convention Sept. 23 in Saskatoon, will deal with the matter of an official anthem.

One of the members—Mrs. Percy Shallcross—has written lyrics for "O Canada" which chart a middle course between the two versions now in use.

The Shallcross lyrics eliminate reference to our "native land," contained in the Weir version, but retain the first two lines of the Buchan version.

"As a basis for discussion, the new version will be proposed as the official version." However, Mrs. Peele adds, she herself prefers the Buchan version, now used by the Vancouver Branch of the Canadian Club.

The more commonly used Weir version begins:

"O Canada, our Home and Native Land,
"True Patriot love..."

The Buchan version begins:

"O Canada, Our Heritage and Love,
"Thy Worth We Praise, All Other Lands above. .

## Man In The Moon Stymies Romance, Hollywood Expert

By VIVIAN BROWN

NEW YORK, Sept. 11 — (AP)— Stay out of the moonlight, girls, if you want to win that man. Moonlight in the park or woods or on a deserted street — everyplace but on the water — is the worst possible light for romance. It has a ghostlike quality, says John Alton, one of Hollywood's outstanding photographers.

He thinks the mood of mystery created by deep shadows and strong highlights from the moon ruins romantic atmosphere.

But if you can lure that man to the water, and the moon happens to shine, well then, girls, you've got something. The water will filter it, he says, turning it into musical form that does spell romance. He says:

"Successful women of the world in every generation have been conscious of light. Cleopatra never appeared in public except in light that flattered her. Rita Hayworth, Marlene Dietrich, Joan Bennett, always have been conscious of the light —and, they always have been surrounded by men."

If you go to the beach with your beau, be sure you sit under a beach umbrella, especially at high noon. Strong lights created by conflicting sources — beach, water, sky, sun — create shadows. But don't leave the beach early because just before sunset — when the light turns to orange — really is your best bet. Good on mountain tops, too, he says.

Aboard ship your best light is immediately after sunlight with the beautiful "hypnotic quality" of light coming from the east.

### Mirrors and Hats

Carry a mirror with you at all times is Alton's advice, and wear a hat with a brim. Men adore them because it casts a soft light upon the face and keeps direct harsh sunlight off the face.

In restaurants sit away from lights that hang directly in the open — they will add 10 years to your age, and lights from below give "criminal light" illumination. Low candles are terrible, too, he says and continues:

"All women think candle light is romantic. But it isn't. Candles were never made to be put between two people. They should be like other light, used on the side at eyes height, not above or below, or else the human countenance does not seem normal."

Alton, who has just written a book on "painting with light," says that during the summer pink light increased naturally. So if you want to keep that man who is visiting you from developing wolf tactics, use light with a bluish tint. His pulse rate is high enough on a hot night without adding to the excitement with warm light.

In the winter, however, it is just the opposite. Give him plenty of pink light. It will heighten the romantic atmosphere in the home and your success will be inevitable — if you keep him in a pink glow, of course.

### MOHAMMEDAN CITY

Largest town in Pakistan is Lahore, with a population of over 1,000,000.

## BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

BY WINIFRED E. WILSON

SANDPIPER

At a casual glance, Sandpipers are so very much alike that if we really want to identify any special one we need to know the distinguishing marks of each species. All are obviously shore haunters, equipped for such a life. Their bills, used for probing in wet sand, are long, slender, and tapering, usually straight though sometimes down-curved; their legs, designed for wading, are long and slender.

Having learned carefully only the springtime appearance of the Sandpipers, you could never differentiate them in autumn, because their plumage has changed. Certain characteristics of the Semipalmated are always the same, as the small webs between the toes which have supplied its name; but naturally they cannot be seen as we watch the bird pick its way along a beach. And its legs are still a dusky green, almost black, a feature which aids in distinguishing a Semipalmated from the slightly smaller but very similar Least Sandpiper, whose legs are yellowish. A somewhat stouter bill is a constant distinction. Its upper side, never as brown as that of its little relative, is now ashy grey, the feathers lighter tipped; its purer white breast has even paler streaks than in spring. In flight the two are particularly similar, showing a faint, white wingstripe. Their habits are so much the same that they associate on open, sandy beaches, running after the receding waves to nab small crustaceans. They often nest near each other also, on the ground in slight hollows, using a tiny bit of waste vegetable matter from close by as lining. These two species even travel together. But the Semipalmated does more wading and sticks closer to sandy beaches.

As summer draws to a close the Semipalmated becomes very fat from the abundant food, and when it finds a sheltered spot in the sunshine likes to dawdle there before continuing its journey. How very like a human being! During these rests we may hear its voice continually. The commonest note is a single "cherk", though it is classed in with the Sandpipers that are known as "Peeps".

Some of these birds have a very long way to go, for they breed along the eastern Arctic coast south to southern Labrador. Those from farthest north are gradually joined on the migration route by other Sandpipers. They like company for the trip. All go at least as far as Texas for their winter holidays. Then a few at a time drop out of the flock, though many fly right on to Patagonia.

Do Geese fly high?

## Winnipeg Woman Had Active Role In U. N. Service

WINNIPEG, Sept. 11 — (CP)—A who played a busy part in the eventful mediation of the Palestine problem and served as a Bernadotte and Dr. Ralph Bunche secretary under Count Folke during the long negotiations, is back home for a rest.

She is Helen Stokell, and after two years away from home—one of them in the troubled Middle East —she says it has been a "wonderful experience."

At her parents' home in suburban Elmwood she said it was a love of travel which led her into the United Nations' service and into the peace talks which have been termed one of the United Nations' biggest achievements.

"I went to Egypt with Count Folke Bernadotte's mediation group, and although Count Bernadotte set up his headquarters on the neutral island of Rhodes, his Egyptian staff, of which I was a member, was stationed in Cairo," she said in an interview.

"Senor Pablo de Azcarate, former Spanish ambassador to London, Saleh Mahmoud and myself made up the mediation group."

Miss Stokell said her official status was that of secretary, but she did everything from arranging blackout curtains to decoding messages in the middle of the night.

"Administrative arrangements for military observers from the United States, Belgium and France who spent time in Cairo were left to me, and with continual shifts of these men and their families coming through, there was scarcely a spare minute. This work in the daytime and constant air raids at night added to the excitement.

"When preparations for the mediation were under way, meetings were called in Alexandria twice for a conference of all Arab leaders. It was shortly after just such a conference that the news of Count Bernadotte's assassination came.

"At the time of his death, the United Nations General Assembly meeting in Paris was about to open, and the mediator group in Egypt was slated to sit in on the meeting.

"Staff duties were so heavy in Cairo, due to this tragedy, that the party was unable to leave, and Dr. Ralph Bunche, director in the trusteeship department in the United Nations, flew from New York to present Count Bernadotte's report to the Assembly.

"Shortly after, a call came from Dr. Bunche, and the Cairo staff left immediately for Rhodes, where final preparations for the mediation were to take place," Miss Stokell said.

"Following three months of conferences and meetings the final agreement was dawn up, and the staff returned to Cairo to close shop. The two months' journey home then started."

Miss Stokell is a graduate of St. John's technical High School here. After a business course she joined the Manitoba Forest Service, but her longing for travel prompted her to take examinations required for government service.

In 1943 she went to Washington, and in 1946 to New York with the U.N. In 1948 she was appointed secretary to the chairman of the Palestine Commission, Dr. Karel Lisicky, at Lake success. Upon its dissolution she left for Egypt with the mediator's group.

# Religion And Life

By Very Rev. George C. Pidgeon, D.D., L.L.D.
First Moderator of the United Church of Canada
(Copyright)

Very few papers reach one's desk in these days without some reference to freedom. It is discussed by all sorts of men in all sorts of connections. In all conferences on the rights of the individual, freedom holds a prominent place. The World Council of Churches in Amsterdam insisted on both religious and civil liberty, and every committee meeting under its auspices has dealt with some denial of the freedom of the Spirit.

One reason for this is the threat to all forms of freedom by totalitarian tyrannies. But Marxian Communism, however, is not the only menace to freedom.

Our concern here is with the freedom of the spirit. This emphatic assertion of the liberty of the Christian was made by St. Paul: "For freedom Christ has set us free; stand fast, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery."

The first element in the freedom of the Christian is his right to approach God through Christ. The inspired word is: "Through Him we both" (i.e. both Jew and Gentile) "have access in one spirit to the Father." (Ephesians 2:18) "There is one God, and there is one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all." (I Timothy 2:5) Outward observances may be a help; the sacraments for example, not only symbolize but also convey the grace of Christ to the believer; but nothing external must ever come between Christ and the soul or be regarded as a substitute for personal trust in Him.

The next phase of spiritual freedom is the spirit's deliverance from its bondage to the flesh and from the guilt of past sin. There are no chains as hard as those which the sinner fastens on his soul by his sinful indulgences and no slavery as hopeless as his. Christ died to release men from an evil past, and He lives to make that deliverance effective in the life of everyone who will trust Him. Freedom to become the best and the greatest of which he is capable is Christ's gift to the believer. This liberty is independent of outward conditions. Onesimus, the slave, had it as really as Philemon his master. Charles Wesley wrote of Christ in the first outburst of joy in his conversion:

"He breaks the power of cancelled sin;
He sets the prisoner free:
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood avails for me."
To this every redeemed soul echoes "Amen."

The Christian has the right to demand from the state the removal of every obstacle or interference with his full development in all that Christ claims for him. The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America said this recently: "In championing religious freedom we mean freedom from coercion by any earthly power, whether political or ecclesiastical, that assumes the prerogatives of God and attempts to control the conscience of the individual." This principle received a striking vindication in Britain during the dark hours of the First World War. In 1917 the British Parliament had a new franchise law brought before it and the government's proposal was to disfranchise all those who had suffered imprisonment during the war as conscientious objectors. Lord Hugh Cecil made the debate memorable by his opposition to that clause. He began by making it clear that he had no sympathy with the conscientious objector, holding that his interpretation of obligation was perverse and mistaken. But he drew a sharp distinction between him and the seditious objector. The latter is a rebel against the government of the state, while the conscientious objector confines himself to saying: "I am bound to respect in my own life my own conscience. My own conscience tells me that to do what you would have me do is wrong and it is my inherent right to obey my own conscience."

Mr. Bonar Law had repeated the old affirmation that the safety of the state is the supreme law, and Lord Cecil's answer deserves to be immortal: "We cannot take any such answer. We are Christians first and Englishmen afterwards. Christianity can never compromise with any national claim. It must have its disciples all in all, soul and body, leaving no sphere out: and to reserve to the state any supremacy is to part company with the Christian system altogether."

This is the historic position of Christ's followers. The Book of Revelation is, among other things, a protest against the effort of the Roman Empire to compel worship of the Caesars, and Christians died by hundreds rather than submit. In our time, this position was held against the Japanese effort to make worship at the shrines a test of loyalty to the Emperor. It is being maintained today wherever the state claims the right to rule the conscience of the Christian man. What applies to the decrees of the state also applies to social economic pressure to compromise with conscience.

A loyalty to God of this character does not lessen our devotion to the state. Rather, all the lesser loyalties are strengthened when the supreme loyalty is given its due place. To give one's country, or community, or family, the best service of which he is capable, one must put the will of God first wherever that will is known. Then God's strength is available to meet the other requirements of life.

### STORIES OF CHRISTIANS

Hagiology is the body of literature dealing with the lives of Christian saints and martyrs.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Mr. Horace H. Ling, New Glasgow, who passed away September 12th, 1946, and daughter Marion B. April 15th, 1935.

The years may wipe out many things,
But this they wipe out never
The memory of those happy days,
When we were all together.

Ever Remembered by Wife and Family.


Small

or Tall

For Beverages
Babies
Cereals
or Cooking

There is No finer Milk in any can

Pure as can be! Pours like Cream!
(Try the small size)

Borden's
IRRADIATED EVAPORATED MILK
"If it's Borden's it's GOT to be good!"


### START BEAVER SURVEY

THE PAS, Man. — (CP) — A study of beaver in a large northern Manitoba area has been started by biologist J.B. Nash, staff member of the University of Manitoba. He will chart the beaver population and investigate what the animals eat.

*Why Grape-Nuts Must Be Good*

*"I have used Grape-Nuts for 38 years in Canada and over 10 years in England — need say no more,"* writes a Brantford, Ontario, man.

**Here's Why Better Breakfasts Pay Off**

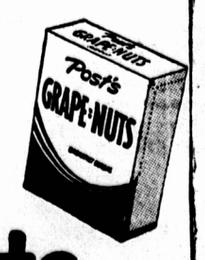
*Read these simple facts. Then act at once. Here is an easy, pleasant way to feel better — act better. You'll profit yourself. Your folks will benefit, from Grape-Nuts, too.*

**A Good Breakfast Starts You Out Right**

Breakfast is an *extra* important meal because it should get you off to a good start for the day. If you have to be keen . . . sharp . . . at your work DON'T SKIMP BREAKFAST. Otherwise you're simply risking resultant fatigue, irritability and lessened efficiency.

**Grape-Nuts Starts a Good Breakfast**

Grape-Nuts is a cereal *specially* made for breakfast. So why not make breakfast more nutritious, more enjoyable? Simply include two tablespoons of Grape-Nuts — appetizing, golden kernels of whole wheat and malted barley. You'll benefit from useful amounts of carbohydrates, minerals and proteins. Flavourful with milk or cream. And for cooking, there are different recipes on the package. Order Grape-Nuts from your grocer today.




Post's
**Grape-Nuts**

A Product of General Foods

G-109