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Happenings of The Week

Queen Mary's carpet, which arrived in New York this week aboard the Queen Mary will be displayed at the National Gallery, Ottawa, March 26-28. Prime Minister St. Laurent will open the Ottawa exhibit tomorrow at 3 p.m. Elaborate precautions have been taken to protect the famous rug, which took the Queen Mother eight years to work. A special basket of solid English brown oak with bronze feet has been designed for it by leading British architects. The King's own patent lock and safe makers have fitted it with hand-made locks incorporating burglar-proof safety devices. The inside of the chest is lined with stainless steel. On arrival the carpet was wrapped in a specially-made dust-proof zip-fastener bag dyed in the exact shade of lining, which hides the chest's steel reinforcement. The chest which also contains three portraits of Queen Mary in a frame covered in pigskin and surmounted with a gold crown and cipher, will remain in New York, while the carpet is on tour. Originally intended by Queen Mary as an heirloom to be left in one of the royal residences, the carpet has been given to the British Government to help raise needed dollars. It is to be sold to the highest dollar bidder, and donated to a public institution.

About four hundred and fifty guests attended the annual Medical Ball of McGill University held in the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium at ten o'clock last night. Guests of honor for the event were: Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Brown, Dr. G. Lyman Duff, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, and Mrs. Duff, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Armour, Dr. and Mrs. Wesley Bourne, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Campbell, Dr. and Mrs. Sidney M. Friedman, Dr. and Mrs. Campbell McG. Gardner, Dr. and Mrs. Alton Goldbloom, Dr. and Mrs. Keith Gordon, Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Martin, Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Donald McEachern, Dr. and Mrs. R. McNally, Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan C. Meakins, Dr. and Mrs. G. Gavin Miller, Dr. and Mrs. Edward S. Mills, Dr. and Mrs. E. G. D. Murray, Dr. and Mrs. S. Slater Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. Carleton B. Pierce, Dr. and Mrs. W. Philipott, Dr. and Mrs. G. Stuart Ramsey, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Slakoff, Dean and Mrs. D. L. Thomson and Dr. and Mrs. J. Gilbert Turner.

Viscount Alexander, Governor-General of Canada, this week was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace. Later Viscount and Lady Alexander lunched with the King and Queen. The Governor-General is making a private visit to Britain. He and Lady Alexander arrived by R. C. A. F. plane March 15 and return to Ottawa next week.

Principal and Mrs. Frank MacKinnon of Prince of Wales College entertained at dinner on Wednesday evening prior to the Robertson Memorial lecture in honour of President Alexander E. Kerr of Dalhousie University.

Following the lecture a reception for Dr. Kerr was held in the Prince of Wales College library and over one hundred guests met the Dalhousie President. Principal Frank MacKinnon, Dr. Kerr, the Minister of Education, the Hon. F. A. Large received. Later refreshments were served and presiding at the tea tables for the first hour were Mrs. G. D. Steel, Mrs. W. J. MacDonald, Mrs. J. F. MacMillan and Mrs. W. J. Duchemin. For the second hour Mrs. G. L. Bennett, Mrs. J. F. Connelly and Mrs. R. T. Matheson presided. Bouquets of tulip and daffodil were arranged in the library and centred the attractive tea tables. Members of the faculty and the Model School teaching staff assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Borden of Charlottetown, are sailing from Halifax, N. S., on March 30 by the Empress of Canada for a two and a half months' motor trip through the British Isles and France.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilde, London, Eng., were present at Buckingham Palace for tea to meet the French Minister, Monsieur Auriant and Madame Auriant. They had a long chat with the Queen, Princess Elizabeth and baby Charles. Mrs. Wilde is a niece of Mr. A. S. Dickson, Charlottetown.

Mrs. J. S. Cookson who has been visiting her sisters the Misses Hodgson, Brighton Road, has returned to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Horne, their daughter Margaret, and their son Mr. Ivan Horne have returned from a holiday of seven weeks spent in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Col. and Mrs. K. S. Rogers left on Sunday for Toronto and Niagara Falls where they will visit with their daughter Mrs. Keith Morrow, Mr. Morrow and their son, Mr. William Rogers.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Clark Easton Street, sailed from Halifax this week for a month's holiday in Bermuda.

Miss Jean MacLean and Mrs. Matilda MacDonald are leaving shortly for San Francisco, California, where Mrs. MacDonald plans to holiday for several months while Miss MacLean will be on a shopping trip.

Lenten Meditations RESTORATION OF MAN (The London-Times)

Mr. Bernard Shaw has summarized in an epigram the alleged perversion and degeneration of Christianity into Crossianity. The phrase is original but not the thesis. It was indeed almost a commonplace of nineteenth century liberal Protestantism, though few will be found to support such a view today. A better biblical scholarship rejects it; and human experience during the two world wars has shown its inherent triviality.

In such a world as men know today what ground for confidence in life, or what hope for men would there be, in a religion which had not come to grips with sin and suffering? But there never was any other Christianity. The Gospel has always been proclaimed in terms of Christ crucified and risen; and the Cross for the New Testament writers is the symbol not of defeat but of triumph—not of death but of life restored.

Passion Sunday enshrines the Christian paradox that the place where evil seems to be in possession and men's self-confidence most completely shattered is the source of hope and the guarantee of victory.

"He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows," Christianity contains no promise to make the path of life soft or smooth. No man may evade the discipline of difficulty or some share of pain, whether bodily or mental. Always in the vision of the Christus patiens men and women have found the faith, the patience and courage to endure suffering and triumph over it, turning it into spiritual conquest; the Cross has been the rod and staff to comfort them as they passed into the valley of the shadow. In the fellowship of the suffering of Christ pain and weakness are hallowed and transformed.

Yet this is not the whole truth of the Passion. Much Christian art and much of the Passion music has been a meditation on a martyrdom and the innocent suffering the Lamb of God. Popular Christian devotion has tended to dwell too much or too exclusively on the passive aspects of the Crucifixion—that is, on the things which were done to Jesus.

But this is more than the story of a martyrdom. Christian theology at its best sees in the Cross the central fact of history; and unless it is the disclosure of God in history all Christian experience is a mistake. All hope for humanity starts here; for it is the pledge of God's concern for man—that "love which will not let him go"—in the hour of his most need and moral bankruptcy.

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

OPERATION TO RELIEVE DE-PRESSED MENTAL PATIENTS

I write frequently about lobotomy (prefrontal), the operation in which the nerves supplying the front part of the brain are cut. Many mental patients recover completely, others become less grief-stricken and able to be of use in the wards of the mental hospital.

When this operation was first performed it was done with the object of giving relief to grief-stricken, depressed patients. After operation, many of these patients were relieved of their symptoms and felt no responsibility of any kind. A little later it was found that some of them, in addition of being free from grief, depression and all responsibility, gradually were regaining their normal mental faculties and actually returned to their former occupations.

This was indeed a great change in their lives and in the lives of their families.

Since these first operations were performed our mental specialists have been performing this operation on many cases that have been treated for years by the usual mental hospital methods, and have been able to help a good percentage of these cases.

In "Psychiatric Quarterly," Utica, N. Y., Dr. H. B. Snow reviews the results obtained in 27 patients who underwent prefrontal lobotomy (front lobes of the brain). Sixteen patients obtained benefit from this simple surgical operation. Eight of these 16 could go home and the other eight could work about the ward. Eleven patients were not benefited.

Dr. Snow does not advocate prefrontal lobotomy for all types of acute mental cases; he advises that the usual mental hospital treatment be first tried, as many patients recover within a certain time by the usual methods. If these methods do not help, then prefrontal lobotomy should be tried. "It is of value in the chronic cases of long standing for the forgotten persons in mental treatment. With the use of prefrontal lobotomy one can look forward to saving a moderate percentage from restraining or control apparatus or seclusion room."

It has been found that even if they do not fully recover, patients are better behaved and easier handled than before operation was performed.

thoroughly as any soap left in the fabric will ruin the dye. Goods for dyeing must be clean and free from grease.

Q. How can I clean delicate laces?
A. Squeeze the laces through skim milk, to which a little bluing has been added. Then stretch and dry them between cloths over a turkish towel.



HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH
A new portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, taken at Buckingham Palace, London, by Royal Command, by the court photographer Cecil Beaton.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS - Virtue Unrewarded

In Fact, Most Gratuitous Acts Penalized, Says Dorothy Dix

The reason there are not more kind, generous, sympathetic people in the world is because you can't be kind, generous and sympathetic to anybody else, and then be done with it. You have to make a continuous performance of it. The minute you begin to help an individual he gets out his marking iron and brands you as his goat.

Lend your automobile to a friend one time, and ever after he feels privileged to use it when he wants it, and he soon considers that you are imposing upon him when you use the car yourself.

Donate \$50 to a charity, and they assess you a hundred dollars for it the next time they make up their budget.

It is things like these that turn the milk of human kindness in our breasts into ice cream, and that makes us dare not extend a helping hand to those in trouble for fear they will turn into old men of the sea who will climb on our backs and of whom we cannot rid ourselves.

SHOW SELF EASY MARK
It would seem that gratitude would make those to whom we have been kind show their appreciation by forbearing to trouble us further and make them mark some other individual for their victim the next time they were staging a hold-up. Not so, however. Not at all so. The very fact that we have shown ourselves easy marks makes us their perpetual target.

You pay a poor widow's rent for her for a few months. She doesn't say: "Mr. A. has been so kind and generous to me that I will not impose upon his liberality any farther. I will hustle around and try to get the money myself, and, if I can't, I will ask somebody else to help me out."

Oh, no. Having once paid her rent, the poor widow not only expects you to do it until the end of the chapter, but soon begins to complain because the house isn't in a better neighborhood, and has not pink bathtubs.

There is no truer saying than that if you lend a friend money you lose your friend and your money both, and that is what makes many of us who would like to help a friend over a hard place snap shut the padlock on our pocketbooks.

For well we know that when the time comes to pay John won't think how good and kind we were to lend him the money. He will think how Shylocks we are to make him return it.

In fact, lending is so often a boomerang that flies back and annihilates the poor, kind-hearted simp of a lender, who was trying to help out some needy individual, that it is no longer indulged in by prudent people. Only the other day a friend of mine said to me: "I know a poor young couple of newlyweds who are just starting to keep house. They have scarcely a stick of furniture, and I would just love to lend them enough to make them comfortable, but I dare not."

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Toothbrush Care
The toothbrushes should be disinfected frequently by dipping them into boiling water. Pour peroxide of hydrogen over the bristles then rinse well with hot water. This will cleanse and whiten the bristles simultaneously.

Olive Oil
Freezing is injurious to olive oil, so keep it in a place that is of moderate temperature. Always see that it is in an airtight container.

The Washing Machine
Often a coating of soap forms on the inside of the electric washer. Rubbing this coating lightly with fine steel wool will remove it readily.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Are apologies by the hostess in order if guests drop in unexpectedly and she is compelled to "throw a meal" together?
A. Most certainly not. Give them what you have and without apologies. If they are the right kind of people, they will be thoughtful enough to recognize the circumstances.

Q. When attending a dinner dance in a hotel, should a woman check her wrap or leave it over the back of her chair?
A. She may check it or keep it with her, just as she wishes.
Q. Is it obligatory to send a gift when one is notified of the birth of a baby?
A. It is not obligatory, but it is customary to do so.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

Almost slowly, one would imagine, the hands of the clock move, and the tick appears to be less surely, in keeping with the mood of these quiet hours which mark end of week. Reviewing now this measure of time, we know it has been good to this family, though naturally not without its periods of stress and concern. As others do, we invariably come to those small or larger irritations in our living, to checker even our happiest days, though these, we often find are but passing shadows, which usually time itself rights, and if they often quickly come to us, at length disappear, to be swallowed up, lost, and forgotten, gone with their ilk in the flow of the river, that bears away the past.

"There's a lot of sickness on the go, Ellen!" neighbor to us commented in a call this morning. "Oh, nothing serious though neglected there's no telling how serious they might be, but, colds and flu. Must have been the great Christmas!" "But it's a white winter!" we said. "Yes, but these nights there's those confounded white frosts—not too healthy either! I believe we're in for a change soon—the sky looks like it. That kind of a gray, Oh, out," he sighed, "I guess it's only natural for us to be complaining about something!" "Yes," we agreed, "and as for troubles, well, 'ain't this old world got trouble?"

We suppose that somewhere folks have troubles now—especially, we know from experience, they who sit at home and await some wandering one's return. For out of the gray of day, snow is falling, not moulding fields and yards gently but in wind-blown drifts. In our stillness we are aware of the flakes being tossed against the panes. Not temptuously of course but in a way to make us wish that everywhere folks were safely indoors. "These March storms," James said when we chatted moments ago, "you never can tell just how bad they'll be!" Mr. A's lantern, a dim light through the snowfall and drifting has made safe passage between this house and his own on the opposite slope. And where is James?

James has come by this, we know, to the comfort of his old armchair to a spell of reading. If we were with him instead of separated by circumstance and the falling weather and darkness, it is likely that he would "see here" a number of items of mutual interest—for James is one to read thoroughly and digest, and find food for reflection. There would be the current doings of "The Houses"—both Island and Federal, and reading, he would be sure, to take heart (his this member or that, irrespective of political leanings "is quit" a man, Ellen).

He would be saddened to read where lives had been lost at sea, on land or in a plane crash, and would be bound to find where someone, somewhere had at last been caught in an entanglement of

The Stars Say -

By Genevieve Kemble

For Sunday, March 26
SOME strange, novel, unique or perhaps inexplicable or eccentric urge or slant of mind or emotions may incite to very concrete and determined action, with a promise of dynamic or dramatic results, far-reaching in scope and final outcome. Extraordinary ideas, inventive or other unusual compelling urge may eventually bring about spectacular achievements or adventures.

For the Birthday
Those whose birthday it is may anticipate a year of the spectacular, sensational or romantic with strange, curious and intangible leads impelling to very practical and radical activities. It might be an inspirational idea, a "visionary" compulsion or other erratic or peculiar drive, but in the long run it could bring about surprising practical returns.

A child born on this day may be a weird combination of the eccentric, spectacular and unpredictable, sustained by the practical, dynamic and dramatic.

For Monday, March 27
MONDAY'S astrological forecast is for a sudden and unpredictable course of action which might be deemed a "leap in the dark" and with just as uncertain a reaction on the affairs, the health, the home, and personal peace of mind on all concerned. A sudden "yen" or urge to do the unaccountable or dramatic, could bring about conflict, insecurity, and loss. All phases of life being involved it might be well to keep a checkline on emotions.

For the Birthday
Those whose birthday it is, may be disposed to "fly off the handle" in some sensational, eccentric or inexplicable drive, to do something spectacular. This could have dire reactions on the status, job, public, as well as purely personal relations, obligations and commitments, of far-reaching consequence. Joint obligations being shattered, strange entanglements might rise to an unpleasant or revolutionary climax. Move cautiously.

A child born on this day might be marked by the "eccentricities of genius" or other precocious, marking it for an unsettled, spectacular, but progressive career.

Pioneer Days In P. E. I.

By F. H. MacArthur

A few of the older residents of Bonshaw and West River districts yet have a recollection of the terrible storms that brought disaster and death to some of their neighbours while travelling by ice to and from the city long ago. What with the piercing wind, the heavy snowdrifts and the slowness of the fir-bushed ice trail, both men and horses were often completely played out by the time they reached their homes.

Many years ago, Fred MacRae nearly lost his life when his horse missed the road and broke through a dangerous patch of ice, engulfing them in the deathly cold water of the West River.

It was just by a stroke of good luck that two other travellers heard his cries for help and came to his rescue.

After wandering for many hours, the three finally drove ashore near Rice point, where they were housed and bedded till the next day. MacRae was badly frost-bitten but, in time, recovered from his hectic experience.

Several persons lost their lives on this route and as many others bear the marks of Jack Frost for the rest of their lives.

Some three-score years ago, Dr. Robert MacDonald lost his life while crossing the ice between Brighton and York Point. His body was discovered on the York Point side of the river the following spring. Dr. MacDonald, a native of North River, had been practicing

Better English

By B. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He was born the fourth of March."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "delinquent"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Bavarian, subterranean, historian, chameleon.
4. What does the word "panacea" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with in that means "incapable of being avoided"?

Cook's Corner

HONEY APPLE CRISP

4 cups sliced apples
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/2 cup flour
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup walnuts (optional)

Slice apples and spread fruit in greased shallow baking dish; sprinkle with granulated sugar and

Morning Smile

Last Respects
A film star spent a week-end at a hotel. On leaving, he presented the manager with a huge bouquet saying, "These are for the telephone operators."
"What a nice compliment!" exclaimed the manager.
"Compliment—don't be a fool," retorted the film star. "I thought they were dead."



The executive of Musical Festival Association are very gratified to announce that the secretary had received over a thousand entries in 102 classes. An increase in adult entries, violin classes school courses, especially rural schools is noted. Encouraging too is the fact that the districts represented cover a more extended area than in former years, thus furthering our aim of province wide participation.

We look forward with interest to the increased variety of programme provided by several new classes namely "Original Composition," "Bagpipe," "String Ensemble," "Rural Church Choir," "Canadian Composers" and "Sight Singing."

A new problem has arisen for the programme committee due to the greater number of entries and the fact that competition will be taking place simultaneously in two halls. However, every effort is being made to so arrange the programme as to avoid confusion for the contestants and to accommodate those coming from a distance.

1950 gives every promise of being our most successful festival.

Stance K. Cook
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The tailored classic for the tailored woman

The new 1950 Samples for Spring and Summer have arrived and are now on display for your approval.

Jack Cameron
"The Store for Men"
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