

Lenten Guideposts

Personal Messages of Inspiration and Faith
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THE SPORTSMAN'S OWN CIGARETTE

PEACE THROUGH FAITH By William Green

William Green, one of America's most honored labor leaders, testifies how religion has helped him in his half century of labor leadership. Mr. Green is president of the American Federation of Labor.

During more than half a century of endeavour to improve the condition of working people in this country, I have found my personal religion a source of strength and comfort. Religion brings peace in the midst of turmoil.

By personal religion I do not mean a private religion, an experience separate from association with my fellow men. I strongly doubt that there is any such thing as a private religion, any more than there can be a private language. By its very essence, religion is social and has primary and direct bearing upon one's associations with others.

A religion distinct from ethics and morals becomes empty ritualism and sinks quickly to the level of primitive magic. This oneness of experience with God and experience with men is what the Prophet Micah meant when he proclaimed: "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth Jehovah require of thee but to do justly, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

I suppose that a casual observer examining my record might conclude that my life has been one of turmoil and strife. I cannot deny that it has been one of struggle.

In the Mines

When I reached 17, I followed the trade of my father and went to work in coal mines of the Southern Ohio fields. I also joined immediately the struggle to better the lot of the men and the families they supported by toiling in the dark and damp of subterranean pits.

Neither the work nor attempts to improve working conditions were exactly peaceful. The mines were dangerous; so were the picket lines. My father and mother brought with them from across the sea an intense loyalty to the people with whom they lived and worked. They brought also a deep sense of their duty to God. A combination of this loyalty and this duty made a priceless heritage left me by God-fearing parents. Every morning and evening at six, father led us in family devotions. Mother's life revolved around the union, the Baptist Church and the family.

In those days a strike might last from three to ten months. Miners' families helped each other out; even so, we went hungry every now and then. I also saw anguish mingled with fear lay hold of a family when fellow workers carried home a broken body, following one of the horrible accidents that were so frequent in the mines.

"Despised and Rejected"

I saw what it meant to mothers and small children when the breadwinner was taken away or injured so that he could not work. In those days the law did not hold an employer responsible for what might befall his workman.

When I was sent to the State Senate a few years later, I resolved to hit that failure and hit it hard. My proposal for a workman's compensation law was greeted with cries of "Socialism," and termed an attack upon the American system. I learned what it meant to be "despised and rejected" of men.

Many times in years that followed casual onlookers might conclude that there could be no peace for one so near the center of struggles that marked the efforts of American working men and women to improve their lot. In many of these I was called to play a leading part. But throughout it all, there has been a way of inner peace. This way is the way of faith.

How can one have faith in God and not have faith in man, who is the child of God? I have seen the twisted, distorted nature of man at its worst, striving for wealth, position and power. And yet my faith is continually being restored by seeing the common people of this country in loyal and sacrificial devotion to the cause of their mutual betterment.

Although I have seen grasping, self-seeking, evil-desiring men in all walks of life, I have also discovered that when plain, everyday folk are given a way to make their desires felt, they invariably straighten things out. Right will prevail.

Faith in God, faith in man, I cannot say which comes first. I heard recently of a farmer who lived in that section of Michigan called the "Thumb". Spring comes late up there, because that section is almost completely surrounded by icy waters. One particularly late spring, this farmer announced to his neighbors that he was convinced that spring would not come at all that year.

When they asked him why, he replied, "Everyone knows it can't get warm until the ice gets out of Lake Michigan; and how is the ice going to get out until it gets warm?"

A Vicious Circle

The facts as this simple man observed them presented one of those closed "vicious circles." He failed to realize that his little thumb of land was only a small part of a great, wide world, in which, revolving in its course around the eternal sun, were set in motion cosmic forces far beyond his ken.

Many times during the last fifty years the cause of right and justice seemed hedged in. Efforts to free it were blocked by a vicious circle, and there seemed no way out. To-day, in many ways, the world seems to be deadlocked. Having won a victory in war, we wonder whether we can summon enough good will and intelligence to win victories which belong to peace.

In perplexing times like these, I find again and again that I must rely on faith—faith that if all of us do our utmost there will be forces far beyond our ken that are at work for good in the great universe about us. The stars in their courses fight for right. The ice will melt, and summer will come.

So it has been, that in the midst of strife I have found peace. Faith in God, faith in man. Like the bow and the violin, together they make harmony.

TOMORROW: Totally deaf as a boy, Lucius Humphrey was inspired with a faith that he would hear again. And the morning D.D. came when he heard his mother's laughter.

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In the two matches fired on Friday, 10th March the winning teams were the P.E.I. Regt. "A" and the Signals Regt. Lineup and scores of the teams is as follows:

First Match	
P.E.I. Regt. "A"	
SSM B. E. Shaw	90
Sgt. J. R. Stanley	88
Sgt. Ryan	87
Sgt. V. G. Douse	85
Tpr. C. C. Gallant	84
Low score counted out	77

Navy "A"	
Off. Cdt. J. E. MacRae	95
CPO S. G. Bowles	91
OS D. MacKenzie	86
AB J. E. MacKenzie	83
CPO E. V. Pineau	75
Low score counted out	73

Second Match	
Signals Regt.	
Lieut. Hennessey	94
Sgt. A. Weeks	94
Sgmn. L. V. MacDonald	93
Cpl. Mullins	92
RSM J. F. Smith	91
Low score counted out	85

Navy "B"	
PO A. Costello	89
LS D. B. Smith	78
AB P. Clark	77
PO Llewellyn	72
PO R. Wilson	52
Low score counted out	368

League Standings				
	W	D	L	Pts
Signals Regt.	7	0	1	14
PEI Regt. Officers	6	0	2	12
PEI Regt. "A"	5	0	3	10
28 LAA Regt.	4	0	4	8
Navy "A"	3	1	4	7
R. C. M. P.	3	0	5	6
R. C. A. M. C.	3	0	5	6
Navy Officers	2	1	5	5
Navy "B"	2	0	6	4

Fancy Dress Carnival At North River

A fancy dress carnival held at North River Rink recently, the first of its kind to be held since the new rink opened its doors to the public this winter, went over with excellent success before a large crowd of attending fans.

It was a very colorful program, with many contestants appearing in gaily colored, and unique costumes, some of which were outstanding in their originality while others lent a humorous vein to the night's program.

At the conclusion of the program, the officials of the North River Community Club extended a hearty vote of thanks to the many Charlottetown business firms who donated prizes which were so instrumental in making the program the great success that it was.

Mrs. Bruce MacKinley made the presentation of prizes while Mr. A. C. MacEachern, club secretary, officiated as master of ceremonies and announcer.

The following are the prize winners: School girls—1, Marlene Kelson, North River (Mickey Mouse); 2, Ruth Warren, North River, (Bride); School boys—1, George Boyle, Hunter River (Indian Boy); 2, Rollie Campbell, North River (Devil).

Ladies—1, Mrs. John Warren, North River; (Whitch); 2, Margaret Coles, Winsloe (Cupid).

Men—1, Robert Jewell, Meadow Bank (Uncle Sam); 2, Parker Jewell, Meadow Bank (Tramp); Most Comical—1, Dick MacKinley, Charlottetown (Learner); 2, Orman Yeo, Kingston (Clown); Best Couples—1, Margaret Rodd and Beryl MacFarlane, Winsloe, (Dutch girls); 2, John Stockman, Winsloe (Robin Hood), Eleanor MacPhail, North River (Pocahontas).

Special prize donated by the rink management: — Bruce MacKinley (Aunt Jemima).

AGE-OLD SPORT

Theseus, son of a Greek monarch, is given credit for originating boxing as a popular entertainment in 900 B. C.

Tickets Drawn For Sweepstakes

DUBLIN, March 16. — (AP) — A lottery drum turning in a barn-like room in suburban Ballsbridge today brought prizes to hundreds of ticket-holders, including many Canadians and Americans, in the Irish hospitals sweepstakes.

The drawing was on the Grand National steeplechase, to be run at Aintree, England, March 25. The tickets were drawn from the drum by Irish nurses, whose hospitals will receive £312,937 (\$970,105) from the sweepstakes. The prize fund totalled £835,000.

For the second year in succession, 13 tickets were drawn on each of the 86 horses entered in the Grand National. Holders of the ticket on the winning horse will receive £25,000 each. Second-place winners will get £10,000 each, and third-place winners £5,000.

Every one of the 1,118 ticket-holders will receive at least £180. This goes for holders of tickets on horses that do not run.

Besides the horse prizes, there are 50 residual prizes of £1,100 and 529 cash awards of £50 each.

Look For Don Newcombe To Win 30 Games

(By Joe Reichler)
VERO BEACH, Fla., March 16—(AP)—Don Newcombe has yet to pitch a full season in the majors but already they're picking the big Negro righthander to become the first since Dizzy Dean to win 30 games in one season.

Winning 30 is a stupendous feat, but the mere fact that players and writers are willing to speculate on Newcombe doing it is a tribute to the equipment and mound wizardry of the Brooklyn Dodger ace. Despite inexperience, Newcombe hung up a 17-8 record in 1949. He did not start a major game until May 22 after he was brought up from Montreal Royals.

Dean amassed 30 victories in 1934 for St. Louis Cards. The last

Trust Funds And Employment Service

The following statement by Mr. R. P. Hartley, Moncton, regional superintendent, Atlantic Region, Unemployment Insurance Commission, corrects a statement quoted in the Guardian on the 11th instant from a Moncton exchange:

"The inability to procure employment in the off season, the expanding bread lines in the thirties, and the hardships resultant therefrom, led to the inauguration of a system that would provide both a National Employment Service and insurance benefits for those unemployed through no fault of their own."

"The trust fund set up to take care of insurance benefits is not only helpful to those who draw the benefits, but it also helps the tradesmen in the slump period to receive payment of their accounts without becoming too greatly tied up through too much extension of credit."

"With the extension of benefits that is now being provided by the Dominion Government through the balance of the slump season this year, and through the slump seasons for all the years that lie ahead, the value of these insurance benefits will become all the more apparent as time marches on."

"Insurance benefits have been a great help, but they were never intended, and never will take the place of full or near full employment. In 99 per cent of the cases people prefer employment to drawing on their insurance credits, and only draw on them by reason of lack of work which leaves them no alternative."

American League pitcher to win 30 or more was Lefty Grove back in 1931. Did Don think he could make it?

"I'm not predicting anything," he said with a smile. "I have found out that every guy who predicted something wound up doing just the opposite. But I will say that I'm a better pitcher than I was last year. For one thing I know the hitters better. I'm more experienced and I'm developing a change of pace pitch to go with my curve and fast ball."

Hockey Draw

LONDON, March 16 — (AP) — Here are the pairings for the final round robin of the world amateur hockey championships: Friday, March 17: United States vs. Sweden; Britain vs. Norway; Canada vs. Switzerland.

Switzerland vs. Norway, Britain vs. Sweden. Monday: Sweden vs. Switzerland, Britain vs. United States, Canada vs. Norway. Tuesday: Canada vs. Britain, Sweden vs. Norway, Switzerland vs. United States. Wednesday: United States vs. Norway, Canada vs. Sweden, Britain vs. Switzerland. Saturday: Canada vs. United States, Switzerland vs. Norway.

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CAR TOSSED 45 FEET BY TRAIN BUT OCCUPANTS ESCAPE SERIOUS INJURY — Although this auto was tossed 45 feet by a C.P.R. Detroit-Toronto passenger train on a crossing at Islington, Ont., its occupants escaped serious injury. Treatment was given car occupants by Dr. W. K. Fenton nearby, and they were allowed to go home.

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One of the passengers is seen being helped away from the crash scene. Only slightly injured were Helen Scott, 24, Margdon Rd., and Donald Dewar, 23.