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Words Well Spoken

A fine objective for Charlottetown was suggested in an address at the Rotary Club on Monday by the Very Rev. C.H. Moreau, C.Ss.R. It is not only in line with the generous sentiment prevailing at this Christmas season, but a highly practical and much-needed one, which would pay dividends in civic welfare for many years and give us genuine reason for taking pride in our provincial capital and cradle of Confederation.

The need for improved housing and living conditions in this city was the theme of the Rev. Father Moreau's address. "I believe," he said, "that you could start on a tremendous development of housing if certain leadership were provided along these lines and sincere citizens were brought together." We have called attention to this matter in recent editorials, and have heard many comments from readers who are more intimately acquainted than we are with the seriousness of the present housing shortage for people of modest means. The situation is deteriorating steadily and unless leadership is shown, and public action stimulated, we shall be in a very bad position indeed within the next few years.

We want more industries in this city; but where are the workmen and their families to be accommodated? Old dwellings are being torn down, continually, to make way for service stations and other facilities of that sort. No thought at all seems to be given to providing homes on a reasonable rental basis for those who cannot afford to build new ones, and who, if they have large families of small children, are worse off than our forefathers were in early settlement days. Lumber was available cheaply then and dwellings could be put up at very small cost.

One reason given for lack of attention by civic authorities to this problem is the high cost of building at the present time, and the risk involved in financing an adequate housing scheme. We do not think there would be any great risk under the Dominion Housing Act; but that, in any case, is not the point. The point is that the high cost has made such a scheme more necessary than ever if the needs of our less well-to-do citizens are to be taken care of. How can they afford to build if the city can't? And what kind of a city are we living in, that takes no thought for such basic requirements as these?

Dialogue 1959

Why and how Canadians should be concerned with the Orient is the theme of a booklet just issued by the Canadian National Commission for Unesco under the title "Dialogue 1959." The publication is the first of a series to be published by the Commission on selected aspects of the Unesco program seen from the Canadian viewpoint. It contains texts of addresses given at the first national conference of the Commission, held last year, at which special emphasis was placed on mutual appreciation of Eastern and Western cultural values. The complexity of the problem is discussed by H. R. Toru Hagiwara, Japan's ambassador to Canada, who quotes a statement of Professor Arnold Toynbee that the Orient of the 16th century rejected western civilization when it was presented as

a foreign religion but accepted it in the 19th century in the form of a new technology; but, he points out, it is not only the technology of the West, but its literature and art as well, that has influenced the East. Speaking from the Western viewpoint, a Unesco official discusses the existing gaps in knowledge both East and West. He reviews in detail "the channels of communication now available, in and out of school, by person, by sound and image, for bringing into every Canadian mind some awareness of the problems which confront the peoples of Asia."

"Dialogue 1959" concludes with 32 recommendations for action, drawn up by the advisory committee appointed by the Canadian National Commission, ranging from special studies on Asia in universities and schools to wide-scale use of all mass media to stimulate public interest.

Excellent Appointment

The Shaw Government is to be congratulated upon obtaining the services of such a competent and experienced man as Mr. Reid Sangster as director of marketing services for the Province. In making the announcement yesterday, Premier Shaw stated that Mr. Sangster will begin his duties early in the new year by making an exhaustive study of our provincial marketing problems. His main task will be to extend markets and popularize Island products. Part of his work will be to advise 4-H club members and junior farmers in proper marketing principles.

Successful marketing of fishery as well as farm products will be Mr. Sangster's problem, and we can imagine no more important one at the present time. There is no doubt as to the quality of our products in both industries; but competition is getting keener and it is not a question of whether we can afford a full-time marketing expert but of whether we can longer afford to do without one.

The need has been felt for a long time. Premier Shaw's wide experience as deputy minister of agriculture has enabled him to locate the right man for the job and the appointment will, we have no doubt, be warmly welcomed by all concerned.

Vice-Regal Message

It was an inspiring address which His Excellency Governor General Vanier gave in a television broadcast on Monday to Canada's youth. Indeed, it was so completely lacking in buncombe and pomposity, so sincere and straightforward, that it may well become a classic of its kind. Speaking for older people generally, he frankly conceded that "two major world wars in the course of 25 years isn't anything to boast about," and that despite material gains we have made little progress on the ethical and spiritual level. He appealed to his younger hearers to do better. He urged particularly that they join various youth movements, in order that their ambitions, aspirations and generous impulses might be directed into the proper channels.

It was a coincidence, perhaps, that the 37th annual Maritime Tuxis and Older Boys' Parliament should be meeting this week at Mt. Allison University, and that other similar parliaments are convening across the country. In any case, it was a message that was most timely and appropriate at this season, on the eve of a new year and a new decade in which peace prospects are brighter than they have been for some time, and in which Canada is likely to play an increasingly important role in world affairs.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It is like parting with an old friend to lose the CGS Brant, the federal boat that has been servicing this area for over thirty years. She has been replaced by a fine new ship, CGS Tupper, but it will be hard to duplicate the old Brant's record of achievement.

65 persons met death on the highways in Canada during the Christmas weekend, and nearly 500 in the United States. We were fortunate in escaping without any serious accident in Prince Edward Island, but we have no excuse for complacency. Our year's record is the worst we've ever had.

At a recent meeting of farm journal editors in the United States, it was noted that agriculture gives employment to 35 to 40 per cent of the total U.S. labor force. 60 per cent of the raw material flowing into the national economy has its origin in agriculture, and 40 cents out of every consumer dollar is spent on products having an agriculture origin.



NOAH AND THE ARK

OTTAWA REPORT

Dangerously Thin Ice

By Patrick Nicholson
That was the sincere wish on the most impressive "official" Christmas Card distributed here this year - a simple white card

embazoned in full colors with the national coat of arms, and with the crests of the four services making up our national defence. But as I gratefully read that christian greeting, I pondered. What a misnomer is that title of the popular sander: "The Minister of National Defence." The Minister of Nothing.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

APPRECIATION

Sir,—Allow me space in your esteemed paper to express my sincere thanks for the hospitality extended towards my fellow countrymen and myself since our arrival here and especially at this great time of the year—Merry Christmas and the happiest coming year.

We feel particularly grateful to the priests and sisters within the University. They have in every way managed to make us feel right at home. Outside the College, Dr. Joe MacMillan, Dr. Burge, the Hogans and many others, are among the finest men we have ever met. To all these, "thank you" doesn't half express our feelings.

Yours very truly, CHARLES MWANGI and STEPHEN MURAI Kenya students St. Dunstan's University

TRUE PEACE AND GOODWILL

Sir,—May I once more congratulate you on your Christmas editorial on the Birth of Christ. You noted that the star that led the Wise Men to Christ also shone down on Rachael weeping for her children—murdered. How is it the world's Christians do not get together and refuse to obey wicked rulers, dictators and kings and obey only as the early Christians did, Christ their Lord? Can we imagine the early Christian joining the army of Rome to fight for Herod or any other wicked ruler or king? Is it any different today? Of course, of late years we in the western world fight for survival of our system of government. Jesus said to the soldiers, "By violence to no man, that is to take by force of arms. If more could accept even this principle itself, it would be sufficient to end all wars.

Imagine how we could feed the hungry of the world besides clothe and educate them, if only we could cut short the armament manufacturing business. Right today orders are from Ottawa to cut production of hogs, eggs and other products by 30 per cent because we, the government, cannot afford to drop money selling those products on the world market. In other words, shall we produce butter, hogs and eggs or fighting bombers and many other implements of war? Hitler had to decide this very question and he shouted, "Guns rather than butter." His, of course was a war of aggression, ours for defence; and yet the means are the same.

Personally, if the church could only have a small group of men address those summit and peace parleys in the interests of mankind, I believe we would be making history in paths of true peace and goodwill. As a rule, politicians are not interested in social Christian principles. History proves this very definitely. Khrushchev when here referred to them following Christ's example on social matters. But he dare not quote all Christ's words, the one I have mentioned, "Do violence to no man" or "He that taketh up the sword shall perish by the sword." And at least one more, "In secret I have done nothing." Mr. Khrushchev should have had a long interview with Billy Graham, "David and Goliath." May we all strive for good relations among men for 1960, rather than gold that shall perish with the user.

I am, Sir, etc., HARRY FRIDHAM

able of destroying the other and Canada, neither capable of parrying the other's blow. Khrushchev, more single-minded and more realistic than some of his counterparts, sees his objective blocked along the route of military conquest. So he has switched to Cold Warfare. He calls this "Peaceful Co-existence"; a bromidic phrase calculated to dupe the wishful-thinking of the West. YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED But, just as Hitler explained his plan for world conquest in his book "Mein Kampf", which his enemies all ignored, so K has publicly declared his objective in the Russian equivalent of our blindly benevolent phrase: "Peace on Earth". In his book, he says, "Peaceful co-existence means the economic, social and ideological war, which we must wage until we achieve the world-wide triumph of communism." K, appears to be the first post-revolutionary leader in Russia who has observed that his fellow citizens are human beings, seeking peace and prosperity. He wants to set himself up as a Father-Image to his people, which could not be achieved by condemning 100 million to burn in a nuclear holocaust, while the remainder perish in lingering agony.

Cards That May Prove Lifesaver

By Herman N. Sundeen, M. D. MILLIONS of persons carry union cards. Millions more carry membership cards in all sorts of fraternal, civic and social organizations. But relatively few persons bother to carry cards that may mean the difference between life and death in an emergency. SPECIFIC ILLNESSES I refer to those of you with specific illnesses such as heart trouble or epilepsy, who might be subject to seizures at any time. If you carry a card describing your illness and what drugs you are accustomed to taking, it will be a great help to a physician who might be hurriedly summoned to aid you. Even bystanders will know the nature of your illness if it is plainly stated by a card in your wallet.

CARD FOR DIABETIC A diabetic who takes insulin, for example, should carry an identification card saying so. In addition to giving his name, address and telephone number, and the same information about his doctor, it should state: "I am a diabetic. If I am unconscious or behaving abnormally, I may be having an insulin reaction. If I can swallow, give me sugar, candy, fruit juice or a sweetened drink. If I am unable to swallow, or if recovery does not take place promptly, call a physician and send me to a hospital at once." Persons who are under treatment with anti-coagulant drugs should also carry cards providing this lifesaving information.

Anti-coagulant drugs prevent clotting of blood and ordinarily are not hazardous. However, they can become so if there is severe bleeding. In the event of an accident or serious illness, it is vital for the attending physician to know whether the patient is receiving heparin or a coumarin derivative so he can prescribe the proper drugs for restoration of normal coagulation. WHAT'S INDICATED Vitamin K1 usually is indicated in the case of coumarin and Protamine Sulfate or Polybrene for heparin. A drug company just recently began distributing such cards.

Along with his regular identification card, I think everyone should carry a card listing his blood type and the name, address and phone number of his doctor. It seems like such a simple precaution — and it might save your life. QUESTION AND ANSWER M. E. M.: What causes arthritis of the sciatic nerve? Is there a particular diet that might help this condition? Answer: Arthritis is an inflammation of a joint, so there is no such thing as "arthritis of the sciatic nerve." You may be referring to a sciatic neuritis.

Although diet is not a usual factor in this condition, a large dosage of vitamin B1 (thiamin) is sometimes helpful in the above mentioned condition. orado. The archeologists hope to find with certainty why the Indians laboriously built their houses, then mysteriously abandoned them. In the Old World, Dr. Nelson Glueck, a Biblical archeologist, discovered a Palestine trade route that was already ancient when Solomon's caravans joggled across it 3,000 years ago. Dr. Glueck, president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, found evidence of many ancient camp sites along the trails in the Negev. These caravansaries served the ancients as motels.

Winery of Gibeon Archeologists from the University of Pennsylvania uncovered ruins of a 2,600-year-old winery at the ancient Biblical city of Gibeon near Jerusalem. The winery had a capacity of 30,000 gallons. The Bible says the Hebrew general, Joshua, condemned the inhabitants of Gibeon to be "hewers of wood and drawers of water." The excavation shows, however, that they often drew something stronger. In Athens, an expedition led by Dr. Homer A. Thompson of the Princeton Institute of Advanced Study excavated the ancient Agora, or market place, where Socrates taught. Archeologists devised a reasonably comprehensive drawing and scale model of the original site. They also discovered an ancient Athens mint which contained furnaces and bronze molds for making coins.

EARLIEST TRACE Space exploration promised awesome triumphs, but in 1959 man also took a long hard look at his own humble past. It was the 100th anniversary of Charles Darwin's momentous "Origin of Species." Fittingly during the centennial year, a Kenya anthropologist discovered what may be the earliest known trace of man. Dr. Louis S.B. Leakey and his wife found the skull of a prehistoric youth in Olduvai Gorge, Tanganyika. Hailed as a link between true man and his apelike progenitor, the skull is believed to be more than 600,000 years old.

Working on a more recent era of human history, a National Geographic Society - Tulane University expedition excavated Dzibilchaltun, the largest known Maya center and perhaps the largest archeological city-site in the New World. Dr. E. Wyllys Andrews, director of the project in Yucatan, Mexico, reported the discovery of a series of wooden artifacts in a well. The finds may remain unique unless future underwater work is undertaken, because wooden artifacts in the soil soon perish in the alternation of dry and wet seasons. North of the border, the National Park Service joined National Geographic in exploring and stabilizing cliffside ruins in Mesa Verde National Park, Col.

CLUE TO SHIP MYSTERY? During Nero's infamous reign, the port of Claudius was built about 20 miles from Rome on the Mediterranean. In 1959 workmen building a new Rome airport near the slip of Claudius came upon the remains of several ancient Roman ships. With these relics, scientists hope to clear up an old mystery: how oarsmen sitting in rows, one on top of another, managed to operate such ships. Ancient historical records and art clearly show ships with two and three banks of oarsmen. Experiments with modern models indicate that when a second bank of oarsmen is added to the first, the upper oars must be so long as to be completely un-

NOTES BY THE WAY

No-democratic government suffered by having an aggressive opposition to keep it on its toes.—Sherbrooke Daily Record "I'm something of a mind reader," said a guest at a party. "I can tell at a glance just what a person is thinking of me." "Don't you find it embarrassing, asked an acquaintance.—Vancouver Province

OUR YESTERDAYS (From the Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Dec. 30, 1934) At the meeting of the Milk vendors and producers held yesterday afternoon, the formation of an association to be known as the Charlottetown Milk Producers and Vendors Association was discussed. The chairman, Mr. Earl Ings, outlined the steps already taken to provide solutions to problems confronting the fluid milk trade in Charlottetown.

TEN YEARS AGO (Dec. 30, 1949) Superintendent Norman Anderson, officer commanding the P.E.I. Division of the R.C.M.P. will leave today to take up his duties as Commissioner of Highway Safety for the Province of New Brunswick. Superintendent Anderson will be succeeded by Inspector Churchill of R.C.M.P. Headquarters. O.S. Nordland was elected president of the P.E.I. Veterinary Association at the annual meeting held last night at the Meical Centre. Other officers include, vice-president, J.R. Cunningham, secretary-treasurer, E.S. Notting, registrar, George C. Bishop.

MAXIMS

All men are equal; it is not birth but virtue alone that makes the difference. Biologists of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography searched for living trilobites — crinlike animals that inhabited the oceans 500 million years ago. Trilobites are considered extinct, but hope of finding specimens was spurred by the discovery of "neopilina," creatures also thought to have died out. Another intriguing quest was launched by the Beaudette Foundation for Biological Research at Solvang, California. Biologists are interested in a mysterious strip of the Pacific Ocean stretching from Panama to Baja California, Mexico. In that area, fish grow to tremendous sizes and seem immune to disease. Scientists wonder if the water contains some medical ingredient which might benefit man.

DIVING SAUCER INVENTED In Atlantic waters, Captain Jacques-Yves Cousteau, commander of the French undersea research ship Calypso and co-inventor of the Aqua-Lung, successfully tested a new vehicle that will open fresh frontiers to underwater explorers. The vehicle is the jet-powered Diving Saucer, a man-made saucer that looks like a huge mechanical turtle with two gaping eyes. Captain Cousteau, who has led the National Geographic Society-Calypso expeditions since 1952, inspired its design to meet the need for a highly maneuverable device to use below 150 feet — the maximum practical depth of divers equipped with Aqua-Lungs.

IGY RESULTS ANALYZED In 1959 scientists also were revealing in the facts and figures produced in the recent International Geophysical Year, hailed as the single most significant peaceful activity of mankind since the Renaissance and the Copernican revolution. With the whole earth as his laboratory, 30,000 IGY scientists and technicians of 66 countries ranged from Pole to Pole and probed deeply into sea and sky. The IGY scientists could point to many striking achievements. These included the detection of a deadly radiation of unknown origin surrounding the earth at a height of about 250 miles; the colonization and extensive exploration of Antarctica; and the launching of space devices.

Perhaps the most important discovery of all was that scientists all over the world, regardless of their respective political and economic philosophies, could cooperate in the quest for knowledge. In the words of a committee of the United States Congress: "Where political minds could not meet, scientific minds did."

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