

Religion and Life

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Two passengers met on an ocean liner. They were out for an early morning walk, and a casual greeting led to a conversation and they found that they were going to the same church meeting. They were registered in different classes on the ship, but kindred spirits cannot be kept apart, and they sat on the barrier that was designed to separate them and talked about the faith which they held in common. One was a member of the Society of Friends, and when mention was made of the claims of certain churchmen that Christ came to them through the Sacraments, he commented, "When they affirm that Christ comes to them through their peculiar way of celebrating Holy Communion, we accept their testimony but when they claim that theirs is the only way to God, we must answer that we know another."

There is probably no claim ever made by religious men which the Divine Spirit has treated with more contemptuous disregard than that theirs is the only way of communication between God and the human soul. The idea that the grace of God, The Infinite and Eternal, can be confined to forms drawn up and observed by man, is absurd on the face of it, but men have often held it and have persecuted to the death those who denied it. In the fourth chapter of John's Gospel we have an historic example of such a dispute. For centuries Jewish worship had the temple in Jerusalem as its centre, and its advocates claimed that this was the only place in which the living God could be worshipped. The Samaritans claimed that Mount Gerizim was the only seat of acceptable worship. The controversy was bitter and for centuries Samaritan and Jew had no dealings with each other. In the chapter quoted we have an account of the way in which a Samaritan woman of the world (or underworld) submitted the question to Jesus. She recognized Him as a prophet, and asked: "Must we worship on Mount Gerizim or on Jerusalem?" Jesus answered: "Neither." "Why?" Because God is a Spirit and can be worshipped anywhere."

"In Spirit And Truth" What a revolutionary statement this is, when we consider where, and when Jesus made it:—"The hour comes when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem shall I worship the Father... God is spirit and those who worship Him in spirit and in truth." Real worshippers, he explained, offer spiritual worship and the Father seeks such worshippers. The Father wants such worship and responds to it. There is, therefore, real correspondence between the genuine worshipper and the object of his adoration. It is, therefore, necessary that our worship be spiritual—that is, a real reaching out of soul to God which leads to conscious contact and communion with Him. The word "spirit" in the New Testament means that part of man's nature which is capable of holding intercourse with the Divine Spirit. There is that in our nature which is akin to God. As Canon Streeter put it, He is a "God who speaks" and there is that in man which hears and answers.

We cannot do without God. Our hearts long to find the One from whom we came and to whom we go and who is in control of all that concerns us. Bertrand Russell recently gave an address over BBC in which he pointed out that, while he has discovered and harnessed

many of Nature's forces he is not all-powerful, there are other and greater forces to which he can only submit. Now this thinker may not agree, but the fact remains that the average person has an inexpressible longing to find the One whose mind originated and whose will controls all the elements around us and whom Jesus knew as Love. We reach after Him and multitudes reach Him in our worship.

In Many Ways We worship in so many different ways. There is no doubt about the genuineness of the worship which the devout offer in the great cathedral in which the praises of thousands resound through "long-drawn alle and fretted vault." On the other hand, one of Canada's leading preachers testified that never did he find the presence of God clearer or His Spirit's quickening power so effective as in a little cottage meeting held while a blizzard kept the majority of the congregation in their homes. Events proved that Isaiah's experience of God was real when he found Him in the temple surrounded by a seraphim veiled their faces; and Jesus declared that the publican was justified when he dared not lift his eyes to heaven but beat upon his breast as he prayed: "God be merciful to me, a sinner." God has come to men in solitude with such revelations of Himself and His will that their generation was lifted to new conceptions of truth and duty. He has also come to the Christian fellowship with such communications of His grace that the church entered and service.

The need is that we worship—in spirit because we live by communion with Him, and in truth because our ideas of the Father determine the character of both our worship and our service. In our worship we receive communications of God's will and strength to do it. Our integrity is sustained by our worship.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER On Tuesday evening, June 19th, a large number of friends and neighbors of Kingston and surrounding districts gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Smith to honor their daughter, Norma, who is to be the principal in an important event shortly.

To the strains of the Wedding March played by Mrs. Adam Livingston, Miss Olive Barrett escorted the bride-to-be to the seat reserved for her. She was nicely decorated in grey figured silk with gowned in grey figured silk with black suede shoes. Little Judy Holmes presented Norma with a bouquet of mixed flowers. Gloria Willis and Marlon Ann Newton carried in the baskets of gifts which were many and valuable; she also received many gifts of money.

Misses Velda Green and Aletha McGregor opened the gifts and Shirley Newton and Edna Colwill read the verses and presented them to Norma. Misses Olive Barrett and Erma Newton arranged them on the table. Norma thanked everyone for their lovely gifts, and the girls for getting up her shower, and invited everyone to come and see her in her home; then all joined in singing "For She's A Jolly Good Fellow."

A dainty lunch followed, and the remainder of the evening was spent in social talk and playing games. Later all departed for their homes, wishing Norma much happiness.

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FRESH SWEET PEAS at the market this morning.

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CITY POLICE COURT—At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, three men charged with being drunk and incapable appeared. Two were fined \$5 and costs or five days each and the other fined \$10 and costs or 10 days. Two cases of common assault also were dealt with. One was a remanded case that was further remanded one week and the other was remanded until today. A fourth case of drunk and incapable was remanded until today.

PERSONALS Dr. Ethel B. Sellar returned to Boston, Mass., accompanied by her sister, Miss Selma E. Sellar, and Mr. Andrew Rielley.

Mrs. A. E. Coll and her two children are the guests of Mrs. Coll's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. MacNeill, City, who are summering at Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Cromwell, Glen Rock, N.J., arrived in the City Friday. They will spend the summer at their cottage at York Point.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Scott of Sawyerville, Quebec, arrived in the City last night. They will be the guests of Mrs. Scott's brother, Mr. Roy Cromwell, York Point, for the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorrance Clark Headley of Boston, Mass., arrived in Charlottetown to visit with Mrs. Headley's sister, Miss Ida Sellar, 244 Kent Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo McIntyre and family motored to Halifax last week. They were the welcome guests of Mr. McIntyre's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McDonald, returning home on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bausfield of Victoria, B. C., accompanied by Mr. Bausfield's mother and his brother Ray visited at West Devon recently, the guest of Mrs. Bausfield's father and friends. Mrs. Bausfield was the former Edith MacArthur of West Devon. They also visited friends at O'Leary and visited her aunt, Mrs. James Hiscott and Mrs. Elmer Fyfe at Stanley Bridge. While at Stanley Bridge they visited Cavendish, the home of Anne of Green Gables. The visitors were delighted with the Garden of the Gulf. They motored all the way from Victoria, B. C., in eight days and began their return trip on Thursday, 19th.

Tron Sewing Club Have "Achievement" Day The annual "Achievement Day" of the Tron Sewing Club, sponsored by the Tron Women's Institute, was held at the home of Mrs. Spurgeon Clark, at the close of the work done by the class throughout the year was on display for the judges and visitors to examine. The judges were Miss Mary Robin and Miss Mayles Boswell, the director and the supervisor, respectively, of the Prince Edward Island Women's Institute. Miss Robin and Miss Boswell commented on the fine work exhibited, and complimented the girls of the club on their handiwork. Of special merit were the sweaters knitted by the fifth year girls and the original ideas exhibited in their scrapbooks.

The highest marks in each grade were obtained by the following girls: 1st year, Junior—Ruth Foy; Intermediate, Janet Howatt. 2nd year, Junior, Helen Bacon; Intermediate, Dorothy Bacon. 3rd year, Junior, Mildred Howatt; Intermediate, Olga Carr. 4th year Intermediate, Lorraine Leard. 5th year Intermediate, Imogene Howatt.

Olga Carr, the third year Intermediate winner, obtained 98 marks the highest mark in any class.

Parents and visitors examined the handiwork while second year girls gave demonstrations. Third year girls read their essays, and first year girls their letters.

Tea was served and all enjoyed a social hour, during which the leaders, Mrs. Spurgeon Clark, Mrs. Walton Toombs, and Miss Dorothy Taylor were presented with presents and an address.

The parents expressed great pleasure at the accomplishments of the year, and praised the leaders highly for giving so much of their time and talents to Sewing Club instruction.

HISTORIC PURSUIT The custom of autograph-hunting is claimed to have its origin as early as the 14th century.

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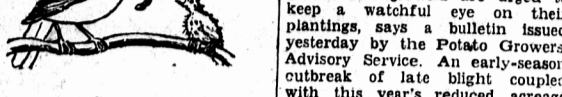
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BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

WINIFRED E. WILSON



SPOTTY "Peet-weet, peet-weet," called the Spotted Sandpiper, bobbing its whole body up and down, as with dainty, but very rapid little steps it ran along the shore, raising its wings as if to preserve balance when it was necessary to alight on a slippery rock that came in the way. But before being overtaken, out over the lake it flew in a half circle, landing behind the enemy, back at the starting point. Whether this was Mother or Father Spotty we, the pursuers, could not tell, because they are exactly alike.

Four very small, downy babies must be actually in sight, though invisible for when your boat was yet some distance away we had seen a Spotted Sandpiper landing four little specks along the sand and over the pebbly beach. Then suddenly a warning of our approach had been given, and the specks had vanished. Now, four of the objects we took to be longes must, in reality, be crouching Spotted Sandpipers.

The home from which they had so recently emerged was in long grass, a little back from the water. The tiny, buffy eggs, well camouflaged by dark spots, were arranged so that their pointed ends touched in the centre of the nest. Unlike a family of song birds, these youngsters all had the same birthday. The eggs were bigger in proportion than those of hatch. And so, as is ordinarily the case with shore birds, the babies were covered with down, and able to run about almost as soon as they dried out. Bird watchers term them "precocial".

Once young Spotted Sandpipers have changed from down to feathers they are dressed much the same as their parents, but lack the characteristic spots. Several species are quite similar, but the Spotted Sandpiper can be differentiated in several ways. The odd wing, consisting of a few quick beats followed by a short sail on wings that remain below the horizontal, the white stripe that can be seen in each wing at this time, and the continual teetering when on land are the best identification marks. Only a close-up shows that the slender little legs are pale yellow, distinguishing it from the Solitary Sandpiper. Sharp eyes are also required to spy the extremely small, elevated toe, which is a feature common to Sandpipers. By autumn, even adults have lost their round breast spots.

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camp got under way July 2nd, with approximately 40 young people enrolled. This camp was for a ten day period and was followed by a seven day camp comprised of junior young people from the ages 8 to 12 years. Fifty three including staff attended this camp session.

Exceptionally fine leadership was given with William O. Weale, of Christ, Deering the first camp. Merrill Nicholson, student minister who is spending his summer holiday at home with his parents in Fredericton, P. E. I., deaned the Junior camp. Two outside leaders were on hand to add to the faculty, Mr. Owen B. Still, Professor of Theology in Alberta Bible College, and Royston Jones, a student of the same school. Junior camp leaders were as follows: Merrill Nicholson, Dean; Wm. Weale; M. D. Dunbar; R. Jones; Eleanor Murray; Juretta Murray; Betty Ann Beck, Nurse; Dorothy Linkletter.

The exceptionally fine facilities and charming site located at Canoe Cove and owned exclusively by Christian Churches in the Province affords the excellent in camping for enthusiasts of this type. Athletics, boating, aquatics, indoor recreation, the romantic adventure of sleeping beneath canvas, fellowship, chorus singing, stunts and a variety of other diversions were offered in the regular schedule.

Completing twenty consecutive years of managing and cooking for the Christian Church camps in Prince Edward Island is Mrs. A. B. (Anniebelle) Houston. To her high tribute must be paid in maintaining the continuity of camping life in the Province. Helping Mrs. Houston for the past three years has been Mrs. Robbie Melish on Montague.

It is firmly believed by those who have been associated with these camps that there is no better means of indoctrination and development of character in our youth of the Province than through the Canoe Cove Christian Camp.

Watchful Eye For Late Blight Is Urged

Weather conditions have continued to be ideal for the development and spread of late blight of potato and growers are urged to keep a watchful eye on their plantings, says a bulletin issued yesterday by the Potato Growers' Advisory Service. An early-season outbreak of late blight coupled with this year's reduced acreage and much late planting could decrease production quite considerably. Present weather conditions indicate that thorough spraying is as likely to be as essential this season as in 1943 and 1948.

Potato insects are scarce at the present time, but populations of aphids and flea beetles will build up during the next few weeks. D.D.T. should be added to the sprays or dusts to keep the population down to a minimum.

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