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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

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An Honored Name

The Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire, now meeting in annual convention at Quebec, has rendered a long and distinguished service to Canadians. Never was its emphasis on loyalty to our British traditions more helpful or more necessary than at the present time, in view of this country's fast developing status as an important influence in world affairs, and in view also of increasing American pressure on our economic life. This latter is, of course, inevitable; the plain and simple fact of geographic proximity makes it so. All the more reason why there should be constant reminders of what Canadian culture in all its phases owes to the political and social institutions which made the British Empire a stabilizing and unifying power over a large area of the world.

For many years the I.O.D.E. has been concentrating its influence and financial resources on education; and last year, according to the President's report, it spent nearly $250,000 by way of bursaries and scholarships to Canadian students. This year the amount will be still higher. This represents, indeed, a living and useful memorial to men and women who died in defence of their country.

In some quarters today the words "Imperial" and "Empire" are not in particularly good standing; mainly perhaps because of the confusions which abound in current political thinking. Yet, they stand for something fine and good in the history of political evolution, and they still have a place in the nomenclature of a sane and responsible democratic pattern. The women who make up the I.O.D.E. can be proud of its name; they will be well advised to hold on to it.

U. S. Honors War Dead

With fragrant spring flowers, parades, speeches and flags, millions of our American neighbors will be paying fitting tribute to their war dead today. The official commemoration program focuses on the more than 100 national military cemeteries. Ninety-four of these are in the United States, scattered from Arlington on the Potomac to the Golden Gate of San Francisco; from St. Augustine, Florida, to Custer, Montana, on the Custer massacre site. Others have been established at Honolulu; Mexico City; Sitka, Alaska; and San Juan, Puerto Rico. In Europe, Africa and Asia, 22 major American cemeteries, plus unguessable numbers of smaller plots, memorials and monuments, will witness this year's ceremonies recalling the sacrifices of two World Wars and the Korean struggle.

Many of the quiet gardens of perpetual remembrance stand on historic battlefields. Flanders Field in Belgium and the Aisne-Marne Cemetery at Belleau Wood in France, are two of the eight American cemeteries created in Europe as a result of World War I. Out of the European and North African landings and other actions of World War II came 14 more, including St Laurent overlooking the D-Day Normandy beachhead, Italy's Anzio-Nettuno, and the burial grounds at Tunis, North Africa, and Manila in the Philippines. In addition to the cemetery exercises, flags will fly at half-mast and 21-gun salutes be fired at every United States military post and aboard all naval vessels. Flowers will be cast on the waters for those lost at sea. One of the youngest overseas shrines scheduled for May 30 services comes under United Nations, not United States, jurisdiction. It is the Korean cemetery at Pusan, where some 2,000 soldiers of 10 nations are buried.

The Civil War made May 30 a patriotic holiday in the United States. Even before the conflict's end, the custom of strewing flowers over graves of the fallen had caught on, especially in the south with its abundant spring flowers. When the word spread that Mississippi and other southern women had decorated Union as well as Confederate graves, northerners were touched and interested. On the first official observance at Arlington National Cemetery, a future president, James A. Garfield, delivered the address. Later, starting with New York in 1873, all except a few southern states made May 30 a legal holiday.

A Complex Situation

The general opinion regarding the trouble on the island of Cyprus is that it is simply a quarrel between the Greek Cypriots and the British. The facts tell another story. There is a sizable Turkish minority on Cyprus, about one-fourth of the total population; and these Turks are unalterably oposed to the union-with-Greece movement.. They would like to see the island restored to Turkey which controlled it for many years prior to the Russo-Turkish war of 1877, at which time it was taken over by Britain. But since that is not practical, they are reconciled to a continuance of the status quo, partly because they believe the British are in a better position than the Greeks would be to defend the island against a possible aggressor, and partly because of the fair manner in which the British authorities have always treated the Moslem minority.

At all events, it is clear that were Britain to let Cyprus go its own way, civil war would be almost inevitable, and the state of the Greek Cypriots would be much worse than it is at present. With Britain out of the way, the Turks would be quite capable of challenging Greece for control of the island, for they have never forgotten the days when the Moslem will was law in that part of the world.

Trouble between Turkey and Greece, never too far away, would be one of the worst things that could happen at the present time to the prestige of NATO. Indeed, it could very well annul the organization's strategic position in the Eastern Mediterranean. It may be that the Greek Cypriots are entitled to self-determination; and perhaps they could make good use of it. But it is well to see all sides of the question, and not merely one "either-or" aspect of it.

EDITORIAL NOTES

According to present plans a monument to Sir Robert Borden will be unveiled on Parliament Hill, Ottawa, in November. It will stand on the west side of the West Block.

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It will be recalled that in the course of his visit to Britain the former Soviet Premier, Georgi Malenkov, expressed a great admiration for Robert Burns and his poems. Now, the poems are being set to music by a noted Russian composer. They had better not start the rumour that Robbie was a Russian.

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The power of the press was underlined by Field Marshal Montgomery in Winnipeg over the weekend, when he urged at a press conference that plans be formed for emergency production of newspapers in the event of nuclear war. "If people can be spoken to by their leaders, if they can have newspapers, it will keep up the morale," he said. "They must have newspapers."

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The device of income tax deduction at the source of the income is generally credited to the inventive mind of Mr. Beardsley Ruml. But the story goes in Ottawa that the real father of the scheme, says The Printed Word, was none other than the late Dr. W. Clifford Clark, a deputy minister of finance who was catapulted into that office because Mr. R. B. Bennett, when prime minister, was impressed with his brilliance. Assisting Dr. Clark were one or two other people who are still around.

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According to recently published statistics, the growth of Christianity is not keeping pace with the growth of the world's population. In 1929 Christians made up 33% of the total. The latest report puts the proportion at 32%. Chief reason for the decline is said to be the waning of Western influence in Asia. Of the total Christian population at present, Roman Catholics make up about 60%. They number about 120 million more than in 1929. The total number of Protestants, on the other hand, has declined by about 6 million.

WHILE SPENDING THE FAMILY'S MONEY

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.

LINES ON DEPARTURE

Sir,— I notice in your Saturday issue of The Guardian an interesting writeup and photo of Mr and Mrs. Arthur Bagnall, visitors from New Zealand. His parents or grandparents came from New Glasgow, P.E.I.

In looking over an old scrapbook of Mother's I came across a few lines written by the late Rev. Donald Crawford, Minister of the Christian Church, and I thought these people would appreciate this ancient article. I feel quite sure that none of their relatives or friends would have a copy.

As far as I can tell it was printed in some Charlottetown paper at that time but the name of the paper is not shown.

I am Sir, etc.
P.E. MURRAY,
Bradalbane.

(Enclosure)

Lines written on the departure of Mr. George Bagnall and family for New Zealand, by Rev Donald Crawford, New Glasgow, P.E.I. Dec. 1863.:

Before the parting hand we press,
And take a last farewell,
Let me some parting thoughts express,
That in the bosom swell.

The pleasing past we can't forget,
While reason holds her throne:
The present is with grief beset,
The future is unknown.

Since your acquaintance first was made,
How pleasing to review
The scene of sunshine and of shade,
The Lord hath brought us through.

How often with the Church of God
Did we in concert meet;
While trusting in a Savior's blood,
His death did celebrate.

How oft the gospel's joyful sound
Dispelled the gloom of earth,
While in its blessed truth we found
The germ of heavenly birth.

When mourning sinners turned to God,
Believing in his Son,
And finding pardon through his blood,
The heavenly race begun.

O'er such a soul-refreshing sight,
Rejoicing angels sing;
While we with Christian friends unite
In praises to our King.

And well do we remember too,
The hours of grief and gloom
When mutual friends, both good and true,
Were hidden in the tomb.

When lost to us in death's dark shade,
How precious was His word,
Assuring us the absent dead
Were present with the Lord.

And now though tears suffuse the eye,
And sorrows pierce the heart,
Hope points us to a home on high
Where kindred never part.

May He who rules the raging storm,
And rocks the waves to sleep,
Protect you with His powerful arm,
While crossing o'er the deep.

And tho' among strangers far away,
Your future lot be cast,
May His sure promise be your stay
While changing life shall last,

And when the last loud trump shall sound,
And slumbering millions rise,
O, may we all in Christ be found,
And with Him mount the skies.

Then with the blood-washed throng above,
Redemption's song we'll sing,
And basking in a Savior's love
Will never say Farewell.

HISTORIC GAME

Old records show that cricket—then spelled "creckett" — was played at Guildford in Surrey, England, about 1550.

As The House Sees It

By Heath Macquarrie

Since the furious pipeline controversy began no one can say that the Canadian House of Commons has been dull or boring. At times the tension has been electric with members in their seats and visitors in the galleries fully aware of the importance of the occasion. In the atmosphere of high seriousness some of the parliamentarians have risen to new heights.

The brilliant efforts of Stanley Knowles of Winnipeg North Centre and E.D. Fulton of Kamloops have commanded widespread admiration. Both have made a thorough and exhaustive study of the complicated procedural rules by which parliament functions and both present their case with exceptional clarity and coherence. Knowles, tall, thin and graying is a former clergyman who makes his points with telling pungency. Fulton, considerably younger is a lawyer with a brilliant intellect and a mastery of language.

When either of these members rises to his feet on a point of order one can expect that point to be buttressed by masterly use of the great authorities on procedure. Since the closure struggle began, these two parliamentarians have given their colleagues learned and logical argumentation of an extremely high order.

STRONGEST FACTOR

But admiration for the brilliant performances of individual members is not the only sentiment felt by the observer of these historic sessions. One cannot help but be impressed by the fact that the solidarity of the party system is in the end the strongest factor of all. While political parties are an essential to our governmental system there are times when one sadly wonders if, like many another good thing, party loyalty cannot be carried too far.

It is hard to believe in their inmost hearts that all Liberal and Social Credit members disagree completely with the arguments raised on procedural questions by the experts from the parties opposing. When one listens to brilliant exposition of parliamentary rules it is saddening to reflect that no matter how well the case is argued, no matter how sound the logic the appeal will be voted down with the usual party majority. Under such circumstances a good case is no more effective than a poor one.

But while one may be depressed about the tendency for the weight of numbers to overcome the weight of argument, the current crisis has some bright spots. The Leader of the Opposition has been at his best in the struggle against closure. He is vigorous and effective, and in his denunciation of the government's treatment of parliament he speaks with an obvious authority which greatly enhances his stature, even in a house containing a large majority of his political opponents.

The C.C.F. leader has long been regarded as a great parliamentarian and he too is rising to new heights. It is obvious that Mr. Coldwell is genuinely disturbed by the curtailment of parliamentary liberties and his deep anger is not concealed. But always he remains the gentleman, never does he lose control of his emotions.

SPEAKER NOT AMUSED

Other members have shown abilities not widely recognized heretofore. Some of the speeches on the resolution stage were of a very high order and were doubtless improved by the fact that a twenty-minute deadline had to be observed. There has been occasional wit and repartee that has been bright and brilliant. One of the amusing thrusts came from Alistair Stewart, Winnipeg, who rose to his feet after one of the votes and solemnly announced that he had been paired with Madame Defrage. This infamous lady was supposed to have sat calmly at her knitting while aristocrats went to the guillotine during the French revolution. Opposition M.P.'s who have been describing closure as the guillotine, burst into laughter at Stewart's announcement. Mr. Speaker seemed not to be amused.

Pugwash — Haven Of Thinkers

By Harold Garnet Black

Last summer national attention was drawn to Pugwash, just across the Northumberlatnd Srait from Charlottetown, because of a unique project sponsored by a native-born son who for many years has been one of America's leading industrialists but who has never forgotten the land of his birth.

For some years Cyrus S. Eaton, noted Cleveland financier, who was born in Pugwash a little over seventy years ago, has had in mind the establishment of a quiet center where scholars, scientists, philosophers, and other thinkers might spend some leisure time in complete relaxation, away from the noise and confusion of great cities and free from all kinds of interruptions to which they are constantly subjected.

There on a point of land jutting out into Pugwash Harbor and surrounded by spacious grounds stands the Thinkers' Retreat called Pineo Lodge, a large and recently modernized white house with ample verandah. This place was once the home of a member of the Eaton family.

EARLY CAREER

Cyrus Eaton's name has been well known in American capitalistic circles for over forty years. Though he originally planned to enter the Baptist ministry, he was deflected from that purpose by his uncle, the late Rev. Dr. Charles Eaton, who subsequently became a long-time member of Congress and an American delegate to the United Nations Conference that met in 1945 in San Francisco.

It was through Dr. Eaton's close association with John D. Rockefeller, Sr., that his nephew obtained a clerical position on the Rockefeller estate. That was the beginning of Cyrus Eaton's meteoric career one of America's greatest contemporary industrialists.

Since then Mr. Eaton has been connected in some important capacity with numerous large utilities and banking companies, among them being the United Light and Power Company, which served 12 Midwestern states and attained assets of over $557,000,000; Republic Steel Corporation, which later became the third largest steel company in the United States; Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company; Cliffs Iron Corporation, Sherwin-Williams Company; Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company; and the Steep Rock Iron Mines in Ontario, Canada.

LOST FORTUNE IN 30's

During the depression in the early 1930's Mr Eaton lost most of his personal fortune, then estimated at $100,000,000. Through his partnership in Otis and Company, Cleveland investment bankers, and his long experience in financing huge industrial concerns, he has since been able to re-establish himself financially. At the present moment he is busy building his second utility empire largely through the development of iron mines recently discovered in Canada.

In addition to these activities Cyrus Eaton is a trustee of the University of Chicago and of other educational institutions, and has written several books on political and economic subjects.

It is because of his widespread interest in humanity that he has established the thinkers' rest at Pugwash. His aim is best expressed in his own words. "The possibilities of nuclear energy—atomic fission and fusion—are so terrible today," said he, "it seems to me the thinkers of the world must get together and find a way of using it for peace and not for war. It is my hope to help in some small way to achieve that through what I am doing."

It is too soon to assess the value of this undertaking, of course, but the outlook is promising.

FIRST GUESTS

Aong Mr. Eaton's first guests were Julian Huxley, eminent British biologist and author; John A. Wilson, professor of Egyptology at the University of Chicago; Henry S. Commager, professor of history at Columbia and editor of The Rise of the American Nation (40 vols.); F. Cyril James, principal and vice-chancellor of McGill University; Patrick B. McGinnis, president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad; James R. Wiggins, executive editor of the Washington Post and three men from Princeton: Julian Boyd, professor of history; Frederick S. Dunn, professor of international law; and Walter B. Stone, professor of philosophy and editor of the Thomas Jefferson papers. (50 vols.).

It is expected that among the guests at the next session will be Dr. Norman MacKenzie, president of the University of British Columbia, who was Pugwash born.

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Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D.

TWO ENERGY BUILDERS

CEREALS and bread are just about the cheapest energy foods we can buy. Both contain protein for growth and rebuilding of body structure.

Thiamin, or vitamin B-1, is found in whole grain, enriched or restored breads and cereals and is important to you for many reasons. It helps create a good appetite, sound nerves, strong muscles and it helps prevent fatigue.

Iron is the mineral added to enriched products. It is helpful in building rich, red blood.

In some milling processes, the important outer coats of grains, which contain valuable vitamins and minerals, are removed. This means the grain must be enriched to regain much of their nutritive value.

You can usually identify the whole grain cereals by their rough texture and slightly dark color. Generally they are made from the entire kernel of wheat, oats, corn and rice.

READ LABELS

For the most part other cereals are either enriched or restored. But this is not always true. So, it is a good idea to read the label on cereal packages to make sure they are whole grain, enriched or restored.

Most white bread now is enriched. However, much of the flour you can buy is not. Again, better read the labels carefully.

You know that cereals make good breakfast foods and that they can even be used as desserts, as in oatmeal cookies.

But there's another way you can work them into your menu which probably will save you money as well as give you their extra nutritional value.

MEAT STRETCHER

Here's a suggestion for a "meat stretcher"—a meat loaf with oatmeal. The following recipe serves four persons.

1 lb. hamburger steak
1 medium diced onion
1 c. uncooked oatmeal
1 c. milk or 1 c. tomatoes
1½ tsp. salt
⅛ tsp. pepper

Mix all the ingredients thoroughly. Place them in a greased tin and bake in a moderate oven for about 45 min. You can serve the loaf hot or cold.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

J.K. What is the best method of treating a sprain?

Answer. It is usually best to administer cold applications. It seems that cold diminishes the amount of swelling and bleeding into the tissues.

The Poets Corner

IN THE NIGHT

When I heard the learn'd astronomer,
When the proofs, the figures, were ranged in columns before me,
When I was shown the charts and diagrams, to add, divide, and measure them,
When I sitting heard the astronomer where he lectured with much applause in the lecture-room,
How soon unaccountable I became tired and sick,
Till rising and gliding out I wander'd off by myself,
In the mystical moist night-air, and from time to time,
Look'd up in perfect silence at the stars.

—Walt Whitman.

Medici Tombs

(Exchange)

A strange work now being brought to a conclusion in Florence is the opening of the tombs of the Medici. These tombs, like those of many a Pharaoh, have evidently been robbed in the past of the treasures believed to have been buried with the dead. Some of them were opened for verification in 1895. But the current operation has been conducted in the interests of science. No other family tombs, except those of the Hapsburgs, the London Times points out offer such scope for the study of an unbroken hereditary line.

For 12 generations the Medici dominated Florence, famous as intriguers, politicians and patrons of art. From their line came many popes, kings, queens, grand dukes and other notables—among them two kings of France, an empress of Austria and queens of England, Spain and Navarre. Starting in 1945, Professor Gaetano Pieraccini and his colleagues have exhumed 23 bodies. They tried to keep the skulls for exhibition and study, but after a warm controversy were ordered to reinter them with the rest of the bones.

Of special interest were the tombs of Lorenzo the Magnificent and his brother Giuliano, each the father of a pope. The remains lie beneath Michaelangelo's statue of the Madonna and Child and figures of two saints. Giuliano's skull shows the gash inflicted by assassins who killed him but missed his brother at high mass in the cathedral on Easter Sunday, 1478.

NOTES BY THE WAY

There are still some who remember the opposition that delayed vaccination and pasteurization, now accepted health measures. Must we hold up another health innovation (fluoridation) that has the unrestricted approval of all expert opinion?—Vancouver Province

This letter published in The Times of London, requires no comment. "Sir—I have a pair of Russian leather walking shoes, size four, width triple A, made by a great artist 42 years ago. They weigh only 8 ounces, and are in perfect condition; furthermore, I can still wear them. The workmanship is unquestionably a lost art today."—Montreal Star

In Ecaussines-Lalaing, Belgium, a mass rally of pretty single girls was held with the view of impressing bachelors with the advantages of marriage. The president of the group appealed to unmarried young men with "pay less taxes, have your socks darned and your breakfast in bed." The bachelors should get that last clause in writing and witnessed by a notary. —Ottawa Citizen

A few years ago parents were told to go easy with Junior. We were to expostulate with him, explain to him, hold heart to heart talks with him, lure his juvenile spirit into the ways of curious thought and eager speculation but not to wallop him with hair brush, barrel stave, shingle or buggy whip. This, it now seems, must have been in error. Now we have the psychologists turning back in their tracks as all science does now and then, and advocating the plain, simple methods which the pioneers found so efficient.—London Free Press

An insurance adjuster in Chicago has charged that huge burglary losses in the Windy City could be attributed to police apathy toward investigative work. He added that police work on some crimes of this nature had been so lax that insurance companies had to hire city policemen to work on cases on their days off. That's one way of creating interest in investigative work.—Cleveland Plain Dealer

St. Catharines is the latest Canadian city to have its mayor wear a suitable chain of office—a practice of venerable standing and distinction in Great Britain, Europe and elsewhere. Some false sense of democracy has led Canadians to be suspicious of almost any civic regalia. However, judges and lawyers wear robes and gowns, thus enhancing the dignity and commonalty of the courts. Speakers of parliaments wear robes and tricorn hats, and any number of societies require their members to wear uniforms, sashes, aprons and so forth. So what's the matter with a mayoral chain of office—Brantford Expositor

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