

Literature And Life

By BOOKMAN

THINKING WITH OUR EYES

I read an article recently in the British Weekly by Lyn Harold Hough in which he said that when we think below the eyebrows we think in pictures; but when we think above the eyebrows we think in words...

In William Blake's poem, "The Everlasting Gospel," we find these words: "This life's five windows of the soul distort the heavens from pole to pole."

And lead you to believe a lie. When you see with, not through, the eye"

During his wanderings Wordsworth met a Highland girl near Loch Lomond and was constrained to write "In spots like these it is we prize our Memory, feel that she hath eyes," and went on to say that till he became an old man he would see the small cabin, the lake, the bay, the waterfall and her—the spirit of them all.

He was thinking with his eyes; and again in "Patern Abbey" which Mark Pattison said was as new to literature as was the Sermon on the Mount to religion, we have these words: "In lonely rooms, and mid the din of towns and cities, I have owed to them (the scenes he had just beheld) in hours of weariness sensations sweet, felt in the blood and felt along the heart..."

...and in them there is food for future years.

We hear a good deal these days about "visual education"—teaching through the eyes. The great teachers from Plato on have taught in pictures. This was especially true of the greatest teacher the world ever saw—Jesus of Nazareth. When

he was asked to define what is meant by neighbor, he did not have recourse to an academic definition but told a story of what happened on the road—the story of the good Samaritan. Instruction like that enters in at lowly doors and the humblest thinker can understand it. It is surely not necessary to say that the reading and the study of imaginative literature will help the mind. For one thing we need to be awake and have our wits about us if we are to understand what we are reading. Are not many words just pictures? They were coined by artists. As Trench says many words are fossil poetry.

In the poem by C. E. Montague is worth quoting: If a language would live it must eat, and the English language, in all its times of best health, has been a good feeder, if not a gross one. Nothing that it had a mind to ever stuck in its throat. Mr. Montague deals with this in an essay called—A living language.

I think that one reason why the Bible is so misunderstood is that we are apt to forget that the Hebrew mind was particularly imaginative and so we are too often disposed to take literally what should be read as more or less poetic. Or as Blake said we are apt to read with the eye and not through it.

Much of the world is as a landscape in a blind man's eye. When we say "Oh, I see it," we are seeing in pictures. This is one reason why in an address a story is remembered while most of what was said is forgotten. We have all heard addresses which lacked colour, lolly regular were they, splendidly dull too. When Saint Paul is at his best as in I Cor. 13, he is imaginative. He makes Love live—gives it a voice, legs, activity; we give it down the street, conduct itself, carry about a mantle to throw over the failings of others, capable of putting up with what would cause others to show great displeasure.

Dry conceptions are hard to grasp but when ideas are humanized and clothed in flesh and blood, they are more readily grasped by the mind. In other words we are thinking with our eyes.

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Mr. and Mrs. Reg. MacKinnon of Clyde River have returned from their holiday trip to Boston and other New England cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbie Scott and Harold Scott returned to their home in Cornwall, November 14th, after two weeks' holiday in Weymouth, Mass.

Friends of Mr. Colin MacPhail will be pleased to hear that he is out of hospital in Toronto, where he underwent treatment following an alleged beating at the hands of thugs. Mr. MacPhail is a former resident of Argyle Shore.

The story of the efforts made by the people of Portland, Oregon, to help British sailors in their port is told in a little book "Good Fellows All", written by Mrs. Ann Grace Chapple who was responsible for organizing the White Ensign Club in her city in the early years of the war.

It came into being when the dockyards of the West Coast naval centre were busy building aircraft carriers for Britain and the crews were being sent from Great Britain to man them. Members of the many British societies in Portland got together under the direction of Mrs. Chapple and found temporary homes for the visiting sailors among former British residents of their descendants. The club later came into being to provide a place where the boys could feel at home and enjoy themselves on their off-duty hours.

The book has recently been received by the Charlottetown Public Library here and will be available for reading in the customary manner.

A record crowd of So-Edders at the opening frolic started with the pre-Christmas series off with a bang Tuesday night. Seventy-five members registered for the fall series to take up the lectures on "Trends in World Affairs" and "Preparation for Marriage", also the interest groups of ham radio, flying, ballroom dancing, leathercraft and cooking. This series is expected to be the most successful attempted yet.

With Fred Norton as master of ceremonies a concert was held consisting of Ivan Robinson singing "Old Man River" and an encore, Peggy Dalziel tap dancing, and two hilarious skits put on by members of the So-Ed committee. The balance of the evening was spent in dancing to the music of Paul Cudmore's Trio.

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SEVEN DAYS

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washing her hands and donning an apron she proceeded to make a pie, and it WAS a pie.

This is how she did it. Line the pie plate with rolled-out crust and fill it with tart apples sliced thinly. Mix 3 tablespoons of flour, 1-2 cup brown sugar, 3-4 teaspoon cloves. Then add 1 cup sour cream and mix thoroughly. Pour the mixture over the apples and sprinkle the surface with 1-2 teaspoon cinnamon and 1-2 tablespoonfuls of flour.

Put in a hot oven for 10 minutes. Then reduce the heat to moderate and cook thirty minutes. Serve warm, with cups of steaming hot tea or coffee.

7. Sunday: The slender needles of the huge juniper in the backyard, are yellowed now with the passing of the seasons and slowly they cascade downward, covering the yard with an "off-gold" carpet. Lonesomely the old tree stands, denuded of its coat, while a couple of "bird-homes" hang neglected from the upper boughs. November is a short month or maybe we think it's short because winter is just about upon us. We all rush around in what seems a pre-dawn hour, as we make ready for the day. How thankful we should be, that we may go to the Church of our choosing and not have to do without the solace of religion.

As my Dutch friend said, "You lucky—always school, always Church, us—no school, no church for long time!" What don't we appreciate our privileges, do we?

God is all around you, if only you could see. He sprinkles every raindrop; he blossoms every tree. His perfume flowers carry, in every known land.

But feed the birds in springtime, you'll touch Him with your hand. All earth reveals His smile, sweet and gentle He! God is all around you if only you could see!

That's all for this week. Give member to smile for who gives little with a smile gives much, and he who gives much with a frown, gives very little after all.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. HUBERT S. STRICKLAND

The death of Mrs. Hubert S. Strickland, 14 Spring Park Road, occurred at the Prince Edward Island Hospital on Friday morning, Nov. 7th.

United in life, and again in death, her body was laid on Nov. 10th, beside that of her beloved husband who preceded her by only three short weeks.

While knowing that the days, and even the hours were fast running out, she endured her sickness with great Christian fortitude, and up until the very last maintained an active interest in all that went on about her.

Her passing, expected as it was, came as a great shock to her family and friends, and her death leaves a void that none may replace.

Mrs. Strickland was the daughter of the late John Rhodes Warren and Isobel Bernard, both of whom predeceased her many years ago.

Myrtle, as she was familiarly known to her most intimate acquaintances, enjoyed a very special position in her family and neighborhood which was clearly shown by the many acts of kindness during her long illness.

A more fitting tribute to her character could hardly be desired. She leaves to mourn her daughter, Florence (Mrs. W. D. Sherren), two grandsons, Hubert and Blaine Sherren, also two brothers, Albert J., and Gordon C., and one sister Annie (Mrs. John M. Garnhum), all of Charlottetown.

The funeral was held from Trinity United Church where services were conducted by Rev. John T. Irwin, Rev. T. H. B. Somers and Rev. A. Frank McLean. Interment was in the family plot in the People's Cemetery.

The honorary pall bearers were, Hon. A. W. Matheson, Hon. W. C. S. McClure, Cecil Miller, John L. L. Campbell, T. Roy Cudmore and Dr. D. T. Waye.

The active pall bearers were six nephews, Edwin Warren, Gordon Garnhum, Rhodes Warren, William Henry, Earle Stewart and Wilson Ross.

No pain, no sorrow—tears—where she has gone—Life's work complete, her earthly hands at rest; She passed through portals brighter than the day And soared beyond the skies' star-studded crest. Then should we weep, when to that fuller life The soul of one so dear has taken flight—To blossom out in ever greater splendor And live forever more within God's sight!

South Rustico And Vicinity

Mr. Amos Gallant, general merchant, South Rustico and Mrs. Gallant, are enjoying a short motor trip to Halifax and other points in Nova Scotia.

Miss Marie Gallant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gallant, South Rustico, has arrived home from Montreal to take over the position of book-keeper in her father's office.

Miss Mary Toombs and the Misses Marie and Margaret Hagen of South Rustico spent a long week end at their homes recently. These young ladies are students at Prince of Wales College.

Miss Marie McGuigan, student at Notre Dame Academy, Charlottetown, spent the week end of November 9th with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McGuigan, Hunter River.

At St. Augustine's Church, South Rustico, on the feast of All Saints and All Souls a tridium was conducted by Rev. Father Simpson, of St. Dunstan's University. All the devotional periods were largely attended.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett Gallant, Hunter River, whose marriage took place at St. Augustine's Church, South Rustico, on Tuesday morning, November 11th, Rev. Fr. Peters officiating.

Miss Shirley Craswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craswell, South Rustico, spent a few days with her parents during the past week. Miss Craswell is a student at Union Commercial College, Charlottetown.

A large and appreciative audience was present at St. Augustine's parish hall, South Rustico, on Monday evening, November 3rd when Rev. Father Thornley of the Scarborough Missions, Ontario, put on the screen the beautiful picture, "The Life of Christ," in technicolor.

Miss Marina Gallant, South Rustico, and Miss Frances Gallant, Rusticoville, commercial students at Notre Dame Academy, Charlottetown, and Miss Patsy Gallant, Rusticoville, commercial student at Union Commercial College, Charlottetown, spent the recent long week-end at their respective homes.

Tpr. Lawrence Durant of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Petawawa, spent fourteen days embarkation leave with his wife and young son Jackie in Charlottetown. While home, he and his wife and little son spent four days with his parents and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. Durant of South Rustico. Tpr. Durant leaves Petawawa shortly for occupation duty in Germany.

The Hallowe'en Masquerade Dance drew a large crowd to the South Rustico Hall on Thursday evening, October 30th. The many beautiful costumes, original and unique, presented a difficult task for the judges. First prize was awarded to Miss Helen Gallant and Miss Margaret Blanchard who portrayed Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. Messrs. Alyre Pineau and George Gallant won second prize, while the third prize went to Messrs Alyre Gallant and John Gallant. A feature of the entertainment was the excellent music provided by the Charlottetonians.

Sutherland-MacLean Wedding

A quiet marriage ceremony took place at the Presbyterian Manse New London on Wednesday afternoon August 27th at 4 p.m. when Barbara Christine, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Ralph MacLean, French River, became the bride of Gordon Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutherland, Sea View.

The double ring ceremony. The attendants were Miss Sylvia Bishop, cousin of the bride, and Mr. John Sutherland, brother of the groom.

The bride chose for her wedding a street length dress of Queen's blue crepe with navy accessories and wore a corsage of sweet peas and maiden hair fern.

Miss Bishop was attired in a street length dress of navy taffeta with matching accessories and wore a corsage of pink sweet peas.

After the ceremony the bridal party motored to Sandy's Restaurant, and points of interest throughout the province.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland are residing in Kensington where the bride is on the staff of the Kensington Dairy Association, and the groom is employed on the M.V. Abegweit.

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Keep these danger signals in mind and see your doctor if one appears.

Thoughts For Our Time

By His Eminence Cardinal McGuigan (Copyright)

SPRITUAL PARALYSIS

Infantile paralysis is not only a dreaded disease of the body. Today, its name may be applied, aptly enough, to a malignant condition of the soul. We are told by the experts in the social sciences that our society is characterized by the stigma of immaturity; our people have a tendency to remain juvenile, though physically adult—to be infantile in behavior when they should be manly. It is equally true on the spiritual plane.

We appear to be paralyzed in our growth as Christians, forever fearful of acting and living the Christian life of adults that we have received. St. Paul has phrased it in this manner: "When I was a child, I talked like a child, I had the intelligence, the thoughts of a child; since I became a man—I have outgrown childish ways." A child is an individualist by nature. He is the only object of his concern. He is surrounded by the loving care of his parents who provide him with the necessary warmth and affection he needs. And he learns swiftly to expect these things, and rightly so. He is still a child and his responsibilities are all for himself. It is only when he reaches manhood that he acquires a sense of public responsibility.

Something of the same sort is true of the child of Christ. He became a Christian through the Sacrament of Baptism. His concern then was with his own development and growth in the Christian life. In a sense, he talked and thought like children of God. But the time came, as it does to all of us, for him to take his place as a responsible member of the great Christian family into which he was born through Baptism. It was time for him to be mature with a strength that is proper to his new state. Yet, today, many Christians have failed to grow up spiritually. While mature in mind and body, they remain forever infantile in their spiritual activity. Their main concern, while good, is still for themselves; their sense of Christian, public responsibility has been left undeveloped.

One reason for the apathy of our Christian people toward public responsibility may be in their attitude toward God. Perhaps we have the erroneous notion that the Holy Spirit no longer works in us—as He did in the apostles. Yet God is changeless—no less concerned with His people now than He was at Pentecost. The power of the Holy Spirit is still with us, though the effects he wishes to produce are often frustrated by our own lack of knowledge.

Perhaps this is the reason why we fail to develop as adults in the Christian sense of the word. We can hardly be expected to act as militant Christians unless we are aware of what the struggle is about. The recent war gave many of us the opportunity of renewing our knowledge of geography and of peoples. Some followed the military campaigns so closely, that they could predict the next at-

this regard. He, who calls us into membership of the Christian family also provides us with the strength to be virile adults in this family. He has given us weapons that will assure us of success, if you wish, a sword of the spirit. The one force or strength which conquered in the past is still part of our heritage. It is with weapons of love that he will conquer. And it is only an adult Christian who can love unselfishly. The child is still concerned with himself—with what he is receiving; the well-developed man forgets himself in order to give to another.

It was the famous quality of the early Christians that they loved one another. Following their model, the Christians of early times did not hesitate to show their genuine love for all with whom they associated. This was the strength they possessed, which would move mountains of opposition from the government; a consuming concern for their enemies. It was from this source of power that nations and empires were changed. It was by being concerned with the plight of others, by loving them, that all obstacles to peace and happiness were removed; that true Christian love of neighbor will ultimately settle our difficulties and will make us mature in our Christian life.

St. Paul said that he has outgrown childish ways. The modern Christian can do the same by developing a consuming concern for the family to which he belongs. It demands a growth of the mind—to see the problems; a growth of the will—to bear responsibility and to suffer hardships. It is through a constant practice of love that God will grant us the strength and courage to mature. And God who is more concerned with us than we are ourselves, will give us the grace to overcome our infantile paralysis of the spirit and to grow into the adult form of His Son.

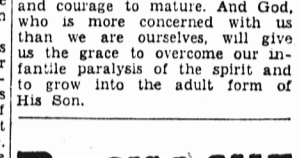
It is of the utmost importance that all Christians have opinions on the Christian education of youth; on the spirit of Christ which should infuse the discussion of labor problems. We must be concerned with every phase of human activity—politics, military training, recreation, etc.—so that we may find a Christian solution to the problems that are involved there. If ever we are to mature and take our rightful places in a Christian society, it is imperative that we use our mind and our intelligence. One main characteristic that distinguishes a child from an adult, is the mental activity of which he is capable. It is none the less true with the Christian child and adult.

Yet even those who have thus matured, may fail to take their rightful places in society as Christian men and women. There is needed not only development of the mind on human affairs, but also a development of initiative. It is nothing new to state that the world needs leadership today. Certainly those who profess to hold firm or none of our Christian principles are not lacking in their leadership. A quick glance at the proceedings at the assembly of the United Nations brings this point out clearly. While the world awaits a solution to her pressing problems, there are few outstanding Christians to carry the Truth of Christ in a practical way to the conference tables. Indeed, there are fewer still to support those who do. What we need is initiative and responsibility from the majority of our Christian peoples. And this requires strength.

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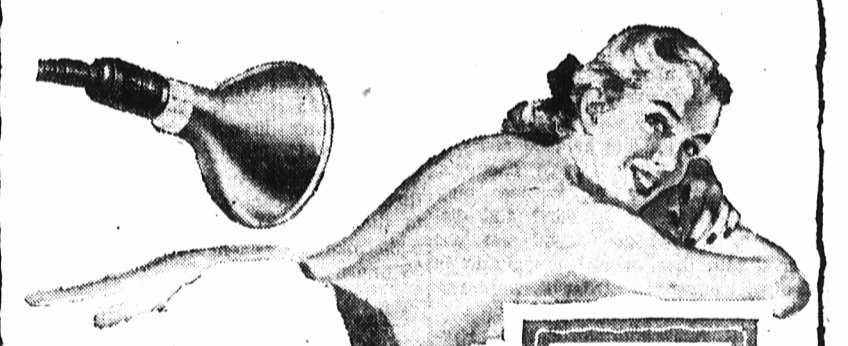
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