Eisenhower In New Appeal For European Unity

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General Eisenhower has made another appeal to the leaders of Europe to meet the totalitarian enemy with economic, military and political unity.

Even while the North Atlantic Treaty Organization officials were gathering for their Rome meeting, the theme was holding nearly all of the attention at the Strasbourg meeting of the Council of Europe.

The need for European union has been revealed as the nations sought to prepare defences against Russia.

First the French recognized that only through international control of Germany's steel and coal industries--the bases of her war potential--could other countries obtain German help for defence and still be insured against a revived German militarism. This was recognized as meaning a European coal and steel pool, since Germany could not be both partner and slave.

The Schuman Plan resulted, with its amazing provision for a supra-national control rising above individual sovereignties.

Then, largely to overcome continental fears of a revived German general staff, the idea of a unified European army was worked out, with its own provision for something like a supra-national general staff controlling troops and the practical elimination of individual national armed forces.

Now the matter of economic support has come to the fore. The idea of a mutually complementary European economy, without national trade barriers is being pressed again, and with it the ultimate necessity of political union.

In all of these matters the Europeans, however, have been embarrassed by Britain's position in the Commonwealth, which comes ahead of her position as a European power.

British liberals and American congressional visitors at Strasbourg have been urgent in their expressions of desire for greater British co-operation in European unity.

One anomaly in the talk of unity was the inherent factor in British policy which always opposes creation of any single dominant power on the continent. Yet a unified Europe would be in effect a dominant power, capable of denying to Britain any say so about continental affairs, and even capable under circumstances as yet unforeseen, of turning militantly against the island neighbor.

The pressure of the cold war and the possibility it will turn hot is overcoming many old nationalistic ideas in Europe. Leaders are turning toward unification. Whether public minds are doing likewise is another question.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Comander of NATO forces in Europe, recently inspected Canadian troops on their arrival at Rotterdam. He is shown here, accompanied by Major R. W. Potts, DSO, of Toronto, inspecting the 57th Independent Field Squadron, RCE. Defence Minister Brooke Claxton, who was in Europe for the arrival. is shown just behind General Eisenhower.
(National Defence Photo).

BURGESS BEDTIME

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when he had entered tha hole under the old stump, he had left a little of his scent. It was this that Buser's nose had found at first. When he had gone to sleep that scent had gradually faded away, and there had been no more to take it's place. You see, when Nimbleheels is in that deep winter sleep, there is no scent.

Little by little that hole in and around that old sump grew bigger. "One of these days I'll pull that stump over," Buster would say to himself. At last there came a day when he did pull it over. There was a great snapping of old roots. It came over so suddenly and unexpectedly that Buster went right over backwards himself. He scrambled to his feet a little out of sorts. He began to dig around in the soft sand in the hole where the stump had been. There might be a fat beetle in there. As a matter of fact, there were three or four black beetles in there, and Buster got all of them. He smacked his lips. He scooped out a pawfull of loose earth and tossed it to one side. There were two or three lumps. He overlooked it entirely. It was Nimbleheels the jumping Mouse wrapped up in a tight ball.

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HISTORIC RELIGION

SAINT JOHN, N. B. — (CP) — Excavation has begun for construction of a Greek Orthodox Church here. Members of the ancient religion in this city were given permission to go ahead by His Grace Ezekiel, Bishop of Naslanos, whose territory covers the New England States and Canada.

Official Visit To Pythian Sisters

Montgomery Temple No. 32 Pythian Sisters was honoured in having Mrs. Kathleen Eastwood, New Glasgow, N. S., Grand Chief of the Grand Jurisdiction of the Maritime Provinces, make her official visit on December 3rd; the Most Excellent Chief, Miss Ethel Sutherland, presiding. Also present were Mrs. Addie Affleck, Grand Manager, and Mr. Charles Bentley, Past Grand Outer Guard.

The initiatory degree was conferred on five candidates in an impressive and pleasing manner.

One of the features of the evening was the presentation of Past Chief's Pins to the following Past Chiefs: Mrs. Margaret Brady, Mrs. Addie Affleck, Mrs. Gladys Downe, Mrs. Amy Hemphill, Mrs. Helen MacEachern, Mrs. Pearl Garnhum and Mrs. Hazel Ferguson. The Grand Chief, Mrs. Eastwood, made the presentations on behalf of the Temple.

Mrs. Edith Taylor, E. S. and Mrs. Audrey MacLeod, E. J., escorted by Mrs. Ruth Stewart, Prot. and Mrs. Marion Lord, O. G., read an address and presented a gift to the Grand Chief. A gift was also presented to Past Chief Helen MacEachern, Degree Captain, on behalf of the Degree Staff.

The Grand Chief gave a very interesting and instructive address on the work and principles of the Pythian Order, and the other grand officers spoke briefly.

A buffet lunch was served, the lace-covered table being centered with a silver bowl of cream and bronze 'mums, flanked by candles in the four colours of the Order.

IN MEMORIAM

ALLAN N. MacDONALD

There passed away in his home at Heatherdale, on November 19th, Mr. Allan N. MacDonald, in his 79th year.

Mr. MacDonald was a man of beautiful Christian character and an outstanding citizen. His home was a place where the stranger as well as the friend received true Highland hospitality, and he was a genial host.

His stories of his travels and experiences, which he told in a vivid, cheerful and interesting way, were listened to with rapt attention by old and young. He gave strong support to every worthy cause and his place in the church was as long as health permitted, always filled.

The funeral services, held from the home to Kilmuir Church were very largely attended and were conducted by his pastor, Rev. A C Fraser, assisted by Rev. D. W. MacPherson. The favourite selections, "The Lord's My Shepherd" "Shall We Gather At The River", and "Nearer My God to Thee" were sung. Many floral offerings were presented.

Besides his widow, Mr. MacDonald is survived by five sons, Hugh and Bruce in Ontario; Martin in Heatherdale; Preston in Georgetown, and Gordon at home and by four daughters, (Bessie) Mrs. Alan Cameron, Caledonia; (Florence) Mrs. Bruce Stewart, Souris; Sybil, Charlottetown, and Marjorie at home; also by one sister, Mrs. Belle MacLeod of Montague.

School Delivery Of Prayer Criticized

MONTRERL, Dec 8—A lay delegate to a meeting of the Montreal Presbytery of the United Church of Canada said that pupils in the city's Protestant schools often said the Lord's Prayer as if it were a school yell.

They said the prayer as if it were "Rah! Rah! Rah! the gang's all here!" William Betts of Westminster Central Church told the meeting.

He was one of a number of speakers who expressed lack of satisfaction with Sunday School teaching and with the amount of Christian education in the day schools.

Rev. G. G. D. Kilpatrick, chairman of the Protestant Committee of the Quebec Council of Education, said that the Protestant schools here provide a great deal of Christian education.

He said that the teacher's handbook gave instruction on religious teaching and teachers themselves were able to receive instruction from the Faculty of Divinity at McGill University.

He said the Bible had "a unique place" in Quebec's Protestant schools.

Rev. Clifford E. Knowles, McGill student counsellor, said that students coming to university often displayed lack of knowledge of God and religion. This, he said, indicated the need for better Sunday School work.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

One of the geographical mysteries of Lake Orion, in the state of Michigan, is an island that every summer rises to the surface only to go back to its undersea bed every winter.

On one occasion a number of farmers who lived nearby thought to put the unique island out of business. So in the late fall they dropped hundreds of loads of stone upon it, believing when it went down it would stay put. But the following August it popped up again and, strange but true, it was minus its load of stones!

Later, they chained the floating island to the coast with heavy chains. If they couldn't keep it from coming up, they reckoned they'd hold it from going down. When the time to submerge came it departed —and the huge chains went with it, and were never seen again.

An island of the same turfy formation may be seen floating off the coast of Virginia. This is a circular piece of land measuring 300 feet in diameter. Its center is the scene of a picturesque grove of aspens and dwarf pines. This grove acts as giant sails that carry the pint sized isle up and down the coast. — Virginia City Chronicle.

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On the island of Sumatra, is the world's largest flower named: "Rabblesia Arnoldi." This giant blossom would serve as an umbrella for two persons as it measures a yard across and weighs 16 lbs. It was discovered in March 1818 by Dr. Joseph Arnold, a noted English botanist.

If you are hatching a brain child of simple nature don't hesitate to have it patented. Some of the largest fortunes have sprung from simple little things as novelties. That mechanical toy, "Dancing Jim Crow," earned for its inventor an anhual income of $75,000. Dr. Plimpton, inventor of the roller skate, made $1,000,000 from his patent, and the guy who first put the rubber tip on lead pencils made $100,000 a year during his lifetime. May Anderson's curling iron brought her a yearly royalty of $40,000.

Like the first automobile, the first iron ship has more reputed birthplaces than the poet Homer. The Clyde, the Foss and several other rivers claim pre-eminence in this respect. But certainly the first large screw steamer built of iron was the Great Britain, sometime prior to 1846 and more likely 1834.

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In K. Irvine's "Cyclopedia of Anecdotes" Boston, 1851, I came across the following curious passage:

Literature by measure — A steward wrote to a book-seller in London for some books to fill up his master's library, in the following manner: "In the first place I want six feet of theology, the same quantity of metaphysics, ahd near a yard of old civil law, in folio."

It is interesting to note that as a result of tests made of the many thousands of books that rest on the shelves of a modern library, one small shelf could contain all the literature of the library.

It is an amazing fact that the life-boat was invented by a landlubber, in fact a coach builder, named Lionel Lukih, a native of Dunmow, England. The following inscription on his tombstone is still legible:

This Lionel Lukin
was the first who built a life-boat,
and was the original inventer of
that principle of safety by which
many lives and much property
have been preserved from shipwreck, and he obtained for it the
King's patent in the year 1785.
Well, that should clear up the
matter of who made the first lifeboat.

The first newspaper woman was an American, Mrs. Anne Royall, born in Maryland in 1769. The story is told of how she set up a crude printing press and published, on Capitol Hill, for several years a small weekly sheet called at first "The Washington Paul Pry" and later "The Huntress." Mrs. Royall was a very eccentric person and the terror of politicians. Finally she was indicted by the Grand Jury as a common scold, was found guilty and was sentenced to be publicly "ducked." However, her sentence was changed to a fine and imprisonment.

Wealth becomes a curse to anyone who has not earned it.

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Today with light up-to-date equipment and the best of shoes it is doubtful whether a modern army could do a march of 62 miles in twenty-six hours of the hottest weather and leave only 17 stragglers behind. But this remarkable record was chalked up by the march of the British Light Division to Talanera in 1809.

Just to prove that women can walk as far as men, Mrs. Anderson in the winter of 1878-1879 walked 2,700 quarter miles in 2,700 quarter hours. She did her act on a track of such length that seven times around it made exactly a quarter mile. The long walk was made in the old Mozart Beer Garden, Brooklyn, New York, commencing on December 16, 1878, and ending on January 13, 1879.

No wonder one hears so many different pronunciations of the word quinine when the dictionaries are all at sea. No one of them exactly agrees with the other. The Century Dictionary tries to get around the difficulty by giving three pronunciations. The Standard gives five, Webster and Worcester give two each. However, the weight of dictionary authority seems to favor, though not insist on, the full sound of "C" in pronouncing the word. Yet the "K" sound is more in consonance with etymology. The reader may take his choice without fear of being laughed at.

There are 180 railways in the U. S. A. 8 miles or less in length, 40 have rights of way over only 2 miles, while about 20 in 1910 were limited to 10 miles. Of these 8 are only one mile long, 19 have two miles. These midget railroads are found in mining centers and around industrial plants. Canada, too, has its quota of dwarf railroads connected with mines and industrial plants.

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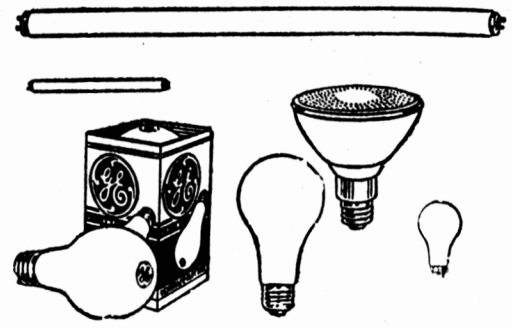

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