

Thoughts For Our Time

By His Eminence Cardinal McGuigan (Copyright)

Publisher are complaining today that people have stopped reading. They are very hesitant about accepting a serious book because unless it can be used somewhere as a prescribed textbook its sale is likely to be confined largely to libraries. At first blush, this situation appears incredible. Yet when the matter is examined a little it becomes only too clear that there is a little proportion between the printed matter that appears from our presses and the amount of solid reading that is done. There was a time when a serious-minded man could be identified from his library shelves. He had rows of well-thumbed editions of the classics, and a considerable number of serious works in his field of special interest—science, theology, law or literature as well as history. This is no longer true. Reading is largely confined to newspapers and magazines which can be cursorily read and discarded. He no longer wants any books of his own. This is reflected in the rapid increase of "cheap editions" which are not intended to survive many readings and whose flamboyant format is enough to discourage one's keeping them. It is also reflected in the construction of the modern home, in which a library is even rarer than a guest room and infinitely less desirable. Not the publishers are right. People simply do not read. And the question is, why? Principally, I suppose, people no longer read because they no longer know how to do so. The ancients were told read slowly and aloud. A very few read silently, but with their lips. The result was that they tended to memorize what they read, and when they said that they had read ten works they meant that they knew what was in them and what was their significance for life. It was possible to have read only two or three books and to be at the same time a fairly learned man. If one of these books happened to be the Holy Scriptures, its reader was not only a learned but a very wise man. Reading in this sense became part and parcel of the texture of one's thought and life. One took great care before reading a book, knowing it was to be an important experience for one's whole lifetime.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. SADIE HILL Mrs. Sadie (McInnis) Hill, wife of Albertus Hill of 259 Sargent Street, Norwood, R.I., died July 20 at the Rhode Island Hospital after a long illness. Born in Prince Edward Island, Canada, the daughter of Elizabeth B. McInnis and the late Alex McInnis, she had been a resident of Rhode Island for many years. Besides her husband, she leaves her mother Mrs. Elizabeth McInnis, one sister, Mrs. Moffatt MacLean, one brother, Lester, all of Summerside, P. E. Island; one sister Florence, of Halifax, N.S., one sister Gladys, of Oshawa, Ontario, one brother William F., of Cranston, Rhode Island. Funeral service was from the Ray O. Page Funeral Home, 280

Smash Long Racket Of Thefts

MONTREAL, July 29—(CP)—A railway express detective from Boston and two Montreal City detectives claimed to have smashed a two-year racket of thefts from railway express agency consignments reaching or leaving Montreal with the arrest of two R.E.A. employees here. Detectives said that \$300 worth of merchandise—including an imported camera and clothing in apparel—was recovered from various Montreal homes.

SANDY'S THEATRE UNDER THE STARS SHOWING TONIGHT - 9 P.M. 52nd STREET -With- Pat Paterson, Kenny Baker, Leo Carillo, Ian Hunter Songs, Romance, Comedy Sandwich and Soft Drink Service During Show. TOURISTS! You will be interested in knowing that we specialize in P. E. I. Lobster in the shell, Fried Oysters, Fried Clams, Sea Foods to please the most delicate appetite. Also remember we cater to Weddings, Banquets and Social Gatherings in the Banquet Hall. Floor space 1900 sq. ft. Curb Service now resumed for the Summer Months. Located on St. Peter's Road, 10 minutes drive from Charlottetown.

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BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

WINIFRED E. WILSON



BARELY INDEPENDENT

Almost as soon as birds break the shell they are given instructions as to when and how to hide from enemies. Go near a nest of tiny, scrawny Robins and you will hear their mother, or father, or both shouting out orders about keeping still so as to avoid detection. Then glance at the nestlings and see how they obey. This series of lessons continues for some time after the birds are old enough to leave home, and another subject appears on the curriculum: what food should be eaten, and where and how it is to be obtained. Young Redwinged Blackbirds have a choice of weed seeds, grain, and insects, but are fed in the bushes for quite a while. The food problem is difficult enough for any youngster in Birdland; but it may be imagined that a Flicker has a much easier job picking up ants than an Osprey diving for fish. Well into August you can expect to come across birds nearly as big as their parents (perhaps their short tails being the only evidence that they are juveniles) still getting a meal without any effort on their part, because even though able to do some flying, they are barely independent. Mother keeps a watchful eye on her darlings. Little Bluebirds and Wrens are put to bed each night; young Marsh Hawks fly a bit farther from home each day. Certain species can go on their own steam almost as soon as hatched. This applies to Plovers, Gulls, and Terns. Therefore Mother Nature, as a precautionary measure, provides them with special downy costumes at birth. These are made with daring contrasts of light and dark, giving a blotched appearance, and providing excellent camouflage, because the outline is broken up. Although able to get over the ground fast as soon as hatched, shore birds are brooded by their parents for some time. Herring Gulls are able to swim almost immediately. Even after they are capable of flying long distances, juvenile Terns are still fed by the adults. Ralls and Woodcock run around right away, so must carefully obey parental commands. Mother Grouse needs to be patient, for her large family keeps close to her for many weeks. The same may be said for Mother Duck, who actually makes herself into a pleasure steamer, carrying her whole family on her back when she swims. Wood Ducks follow their mother from their home in a hollow tree to some quiet stream or pond. Are beach birds long legged?

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cecchini has returned to their home in California, after visiting Mr. Cecchini's mother, Mrs. Annie McCabe, Charlottetown, her sisters Mrs. Earl Chapman, Bradabane, and Mrs. Raymond Gauthier, of Charlottetown; also her brother Ted in Charlottetown. This was Mr. Cecchini's first visit to the Island. Miss Marion Ross of London, Ontario, and Messrs. Ellis Deveau and John O. Tweedy, of Hamilton, Ontario, motored to P. E. I. arriving in Charlottetown Friday morning. They will spend a brief holiday at their homes here, Miss Ross and Mr. Deveau in Fortune and Mr. Tweedy in Earncliffe. In loving memory of Willard Collings, Sturgeon, who passed away July 31, 1949. We who loved you sadly miss you As it dawns another year; In our lonely hours of thinking, Thoughts of you are ever near. Lovingly remembered by brothers and sisters. IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of Cpl. Lawrence J. Murray who passed away July 31, 1949. He was taken without any warning, His going left hearts filled with pain, But though he is gone from amongst us, In our hearts he will always remain. Day and night we sadly miss you, Deeply do we feel your loss, Lonely in our home without you, Help us, O Lord, to bear the cross. Lovingly remembered by his wife and family.

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Plan Picnic For P.E.I. Blind

At a special meeting of the Charlottetown Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind held at the Charlottetown Hotel Saturday afternoon plans were made for the organization of a picnic for the blind of Charlottetown and any other blind persons in P. E. I. who are able to be in Charlottetown on the day the picnic is to be held. The Auxiliary president, Mr. W. J. P. McMillan, announced that the picnic would be held on August 10th but said that the site for the picnic would not be decided until early next week. Arrangements are being made for transportation and refreshments committees were formed. This will be the first picnic to be held for the blind of Charlottetown and it will bring pleasure to those attending. The local Field Secretary, Mrs. G. E. Wood, reported that similar picnics, which have become annual events throughout the Maritime centres are an important social event to the blind participants. The committees in charge of refreshments are planning an appetizing menu, and there will be a program including: games, quizzes, etc., all planned particularly for the enjoyment of the blind. The Field Secretary reported to the meeting that the Institute district office will be moved from 166 to 142 1/2 Great George St. on the first of August, where more office space is available to carry on the work which brings the many services of the C. N. I. B. to the more than 160 blind of the Island.

Veroni - MacDonald Wedding

Helen Kathleen MacDonald became the bride of Dr. Anthony Dominic Veroni on May 27th in Holy Redeemer Church. Father Baldwin officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of white satin with lace yoke and a short train, and wore a headress of pearls and bugle beads, and finger-tip veil of tulle illusion. She carried a bouquet of red roses. Miss Carol MacDonald, cousin of the bride was maid of honor. She wore pale blue taffeta with matching headress and carried yellow roses. Frankie Veroni, brother of the groom was best man. The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Veroni, Guelph, Ont., were present for the wedding. A reception was held at the bride's home. The bride's mother wore mauve with a white corsage. The groom's mother wore powder blue with a pink corsage. Following the reception, Dr. and Mrs. Veroni left on a motor trip to Moncton. They are residing at Mermaid, P. E. I.

Farewell And Presentation

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson on Tuesday evening when a number of their friends and neighbours gathered to bid them farewell before leaving for their new home at Hampton, P. E. I. Music and social chat was enjoyed, after which an address was read by Mr. Harold Doyle, while Mr. Kenneth MacKendrick presented them with a substantial purse. The recipients thanked one and all for their kindness and invited them to visit them in their new home. "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows" was then sung, after which a bountiful lunch was served by the hosts, assisted by Mrs. Gerald Murphy, Mrs. Kenneth MacKendrick, Mrs. Avarad Shaw, Mrs. Tommy Hardy, and Mrs. Chester Rice. The remainder of the evening was spent in music and dancing, music being supplied by Miss Lorna Hardy, Mrs. Holden Shaw, and Mr. Alton Hardy. Following is the address. Campbellton, P. E. I. To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson. Dear Annie and Lloyd: We, your friends and neighbours of Campbellton and vicinity have gathered here this evening, on the eve of your departure from Campbellton, to express to you our sense of loss in losing yourselves and family from this community. We have known you both from your childhood days, and have always found you as worthy of our respect, and in your daily living and intercourse with your neighbours you have both made many friends; and to you, Lloyd, with your unfailing cheerfulness and sense of humor have made many a meeting, or evening, a source of enjoyment. And to you, Annie, we have always found you willing to cooperate and help in any line of community and church work, and your home always open for a meeting of any good cause; and this, coupled with your gracious hospitality, has always made you a charming hostess. In your new home, both from prosperity and happiness, and continued good health, and trust the move will prove of financial benefit to you and all of your family. We wish you to accept this gift, to be spent in buying some article for your home, that will be a constant reminder of your Campbellton friends, and with it goes our very best wishes for your future welfare. Friendship's house is made of gold It's doors are open wide, And love, and trust, and happiness Are ever found inside. It's in the city of the heart Where stars shine all year through. For friendship's house is made of gold By precious friends like you. Signed on behalf of the people of Campbellton. Previous to this, Mrs. Thompson was surprised by the ladies of the W.M.S. and presented with a lovely gift of Rogers 1847 silver and a nicely-worded address. Following is the address. W. M. S. Address Dear Annie: We, the members of the W.M.S. have gathered here this evening, and learning of your departure from this community to a new home, cannot let you leave our circle, without expressing to you our sense of a very real loss to our Society, and all lines of church work. You have always been a regular attendant at our meetings, and sharing in the duties of office, and as we are not a large group, your loss will be felt all the more. We heartily wish you happiness and success in your new home, both for yourself, your husband and family, and trust that God will bless and prosper you. We would ask you to keep a kindly place in your heart during the future years for your friends you are leaving in Campbellton. Please accept this gift as a remembrance of our fellowship together in the Master's service. Signed on behalf of the W.M.S. and Y. P. U. Mrs. Wm. MacKendrick, Mrs. Lloyd Bradshaw.

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Religion and Life

By Very Rev. George C. Pidgeon, D.D., L.L.D. First Moderator of the United Church of Canada (Copyright)

As I write I have before me a clipping from The Telegram for July 3 with its record of accidents over the holiday week end. Fifty-seven persons died in accidents throughout the country, the blackest record for the year. Of these, there were twenty-six violent deaths in Ontario alone. If that number were slain in battle, the entire nation would be in mourning, but because they are the result of our ordinary way of living, we just let them go on. We seem to have lost our capacity for feeling; tragedy of this magnitude no longer shocks us. What a mockery to speak of "Reverence for Life" in such a context. A friend handed me for holiday-reading Albert Schweitzer's autobiographical sketch, "Out of My Life and Thought". This is the man who in his twenties arrested the attention of theologians the world over by his studies in the life of Jesus, and of musicians by his interpretation of Bach's music in both in theory and on the organ. Then at the height of his fame he resolved at thirty to study medicine and to become "a Jungle Doctor." He wanted to give his life to service in return for the exceptional privileges he had enjoyed and he chose as his field of operations one of the most primitive of African tribes. He and his gifted wife were just well settled in their work in Lambarene when the news reached them that war had broken out in Europe and that they must regard themselves as prisoners of war. The whole tragic situation was a challenge to an intellect as vigorous as Schweitzer's, and in the leisure time forced on him he began to think through the problems raised by the war. He said, "Now war was raging as a result of the downfall of civilization." Not its cause, mark you, but its result. For years he had felt that the fire of our ideals was burning low without anyone noticing it. Often being concerned about it. Often public opinion did not reject with indignation inhumane ideas, but accepted them and approved of humane courses of action adopted by governments and nations. Even for what was just and expedient there was only a lukewarm zeal available. We had made progress in inventions and knowledge, but he felt that in our mental and spiritual life we were not only below the level of past generations, but that we were in many respects only living on their achievements. Not a little of this heritage from the past was beginning to melt away in our hands. Out of it all—the war. After making innumerable notes on the thoughts that came to him on the subject, and feeling that he lacked an organizing idea, there came to his mind, "unforeseen and unsought," the phrase "Reverence for Life" and he recognized it as the key-thought for which he was seeking. It is with the bearing of this on our situation that we are concerned here. Is it not at the point of "Reverence for Life" that we are failing now with the tragic results reported in the press? We are allowing men to drive through our streets at a speed which means certain tragedy for a moment's miscalculation. We pride ourselves on our intelligence and yet every one knows that it pays better to sell beer than to sell books. For example, the writer just quoted asks, "Have we white people the right to impose our rule on primitive and semi-primitive peoples?" He answers, "No, if we only want to rule over them and draw material advantage from their country. Yes, if we seriously desire to educate them and help them to attain to a condition of well-being." We see the justice of this in Africa, but the principle has a very direct bearing on education and all other cultural agencies and influences among us. Will not the idea of "Reverence for Life" in education lead us to give more attention to making the man than to fitting him for a job? For years the practical has had the right of way in education, and about every subject the question was asked, "What good will this be to the student in the work he is preparing to do?" People who ask this question either do not know or have forgotten that the Renaissance in Europe originated in the re-discovery of the rich thought and song of the past and that it had a major part in Europe's emergence from the dark ages. Yet we, the beneficiaries of that movement, consent to shut-

Wood And Paper Highest Exports

OTTAWA, July 29—(CP)—Wood and paper exports led the parade as Canada's sales of goods to foreign countries during the first half of 1950 reached a new pacetime high of \$1,430,600,000 the Bureau of Statistics reported today. Exports to the United States, touching \$905,000,000, were the highest in history of Canada-United States trade. The 1950 figure up \$6,000,000 from the previous record of \$1,424,000,000 in the first half of 1949, saw Canada's exports to the United States account for 63 per cent of her total shipments abroad the world, compared with 46 per cent in the same 1949 period. Shipments during June worth \$289,200,000 a record so far this year, compared with \$277,000,000 in May and \$255,100,000 in June last year. Sales of \$905,000,000 to the U. S. during the half year was up 31 per cent from \$690,800,000 last year. While exports to the United States increased, shipments during the six-month period were lower to such countries as the United Kingdom, other commonwealth countries, Latin America and Europe.

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RED CROSS BLOOD DONOR CLINICS

Red Cross Hdqts., CHARLOTTETOWN— Monday, July 31st ..... 2-4 and 6-10 Tuesday, August 1st ..... 10-12 a.m. only St. Mary's Hall, SUMMERSIDE— Tuesday, August 1st ..... 6-10 p.m. High School, O'LEARY— Wednesday, August 2nd ..... 2-4 p.m. Women's Institute Hall at ALBERTON— Wednesday, August 2nd ..... 7-9 p.m. Dalton High School, TIGNISH— Thursday, August 3rd ..... 10-12 a.m. Borden High School, BORDEN— Thursday, August 3rd ..... 7-9 p.m. 1000 DONORS ARE NEEDED AT THESE CLINICS TO MAINTAIN FREE RED CROSS BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND FOR NEXT THREE MONTHS. BE A DONOR and SAVE A LIFE!