

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

Bay of Fundy Power Religion Aids Mussolini Cheap Eggs for Soldiers Government Railroads?

Governor Brann of Maine is unwilling to share expenses, and President Roosevelt may drop the Passamaquoddy power project. That would be a national misfortune. While spending billions so freely, it would seem worth while to spend thirty-six little millions to harness the gigantic tide power in the Bay of Fundy.

Development of that project would supply the whole state of Maine with power and industrial prosperity and pay for itself.

To allow the vast power of one of the highest tides on earth to continue going to waste would be as foolish as it would be to cease using the power of Niagara.

In Milan, Cardinal Schuster, celebrating mass for those that died in the Fascist march on Rome, indorses earnestly Mussolini's invasion of Ethiopia, praising "the valiant army which, in intrepid obedience to the command of their fatherland at the price of their blood, open the doors of Ethiopia to the Catholic faith and the civilization of Rome."

Also, according to Associated Press, the cardinal praised Fascism as "promising the national morality wished by the Catholic church."

Italian soldiers in Ethiopia, much surprised, can buy as many fresh eggs as they want at ridiculously low prices.

Ethiopians will not eat eggs—their religion forbids them to devour "that which might have life in the future," but they are willing to sell the eggs to the Italian soldiers and let them imperil their immortal souls by "devouring future life" if they choose.

Ethiopian tribesmen have no scruples about eating the chicken, once it is hatched, which shows that religious scruples take interesting forms. What about the "future life" that the hen might have produced?

Railway labor unions plan a Washington lobby, to promote government purchase and operation of railroads. Owners of some railroads would gladly share the expense of that lobby, if they could sell their railroads at a fair price.

Running a railroad in competition with automobiles, motor busses and trucks is like running a legitimate hotel in competition with night clubs and other former speakasles.

Russia is a successful spy hunter, having convicted on the average one every six hours, according to "Collier's."

If, in Russia, you are convicted of spying, no second conviction is ever necessary or possible.

These 100,000 spies, to earn their money, must keep international suspicion alive, and that helps to keep war alive.

Rejoicing in the fact that "the 13 years of the Fascist regime have not passed in vain, and the world of plutocratic and conservative egotisms is obliged to take note of this," Mussolini denounces League of Nations sanctions aimed at him as "a preposterous crime destined to increase disorder and distress in every country."

Pan-American Air Lines asks air travelers: "Shall we serve cocktails to passengers?"

The answer should be emphatically "no." First, the average cocktail is unfit for any stomach, except perhaps that of a carrion-eating hyena; second, it has been proved more than once that alcohol and flying do not mix well.

The President inspected "fortifications" of the Panama canal, returning from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

Unfortunately there are no fortifications on the Panama canal. The canal depends on its locks and they, open to attack from the air, could easily be destroyed. No engineer will deny that.

The way to have a "fortified" canal is to build one at sea level. In these spending days that might be done now, through Nicaragua.

Uncle Sam would have something to show for his money more substantial than groups of weary gentlemen "raking leaves."

There is encouragement in the fact that "regular jobs," not the artificial made-to-order kind, are increasing. Three hundred and fifty thousand men were hired in September, and payrolls for September are \$12,000,000 a week above August.

Warner Brothers' successful production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," under the direction of Max Reinhardt, proves courage and sound judgment.

The picture is a financial as well as an artistic success, greater by far than any recent Shakespearean stage production with living actors.

Mr. Burton, of Cosmopolitan Magazine, asks various highbrows and brows of middling height to answer: "Will world peace ever be possible?" The answer is "Yes," but paid spies may postpone the happy day.

Among other parasites, the world now supports 100,000 spies—men and women. Forty thousand have been caught and convicted in Europe during the past 15 years.

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CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

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Corn-Hog Program Is Indorsed by Farmers

NEW DEALERS have scored a major victory, and are correspondingly elated. By a majority of something like 8 to 1, the corn-hog producers have voted for a continuance of the crop adjustment through another year. Incomplete returns from the referendum showed that the program was favored by a majority in every one of the 33 states from which votes were received.



Chester C. Davis

"It is only natural that we should be pleased with the apparent approval of adjustment given by corn and hog farmers," said Chester C. Davis, AAA administrator, as he watched the returns come in at Washington. "If the final results bear out present indications another voluntary contract will be offered for both corn and hogs."

In a formal statement Davis emphasized earlier assurances that the AAA would seek a 25 to 30 per cent increase in hog production next year, saying the "need for increasing the present pork supply of the nation... will be kept in mind in plans for the next adjustment contract."

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace gave out a statement commending the farmers for their decision. "The referendum means," said Mr. Wallace, "that corn-hog farmers of the country will be doing their best to increase hog production next year in such a way as will not bring about excessive overproduction in subsequent years. They realize their triple duty: To the consumer, to the cause of soil conservation, and to the maintenance of a fair income for themselves."

Before the results of the voting were known President Roosevelt announced tentative plans for making the AAA over from an emergency to a permanent agency. Observers in Washington concluded that Mr. Roosevelt intends to make the AAA a major campaign issue next year and to rely for re-election largely on the voters in those western states that have received the largest cash payments in the carrying out of the crop adjustment program—taking it for granted that he will carry the solid South.

Uncle Sam Is Cautious Concerning Sanctions

WHILE the League of Nations was going forward with its plans for the imposition of sanctions against Italy, its officials asked the United States government to comment on this policy, for the attitude of this country is considered vital to the success of the program.

Secretary of State Hull replied promptly but with extreme caution, avoiding comment on the action taken by the league powers and inferentially declining to cooperate in the sanctions.

The answer, whose tenor was dictated by President Roosevelt, was sent to Minister Hugh Wilson at Bern. It only set forth the moves made by the United States under the neutrality act and restated our government's hope for world peace. In press conferences Mr. Hull stressed the fact that this country will continue to move independently to keep free and untangled as President Roosevelt has promised.

League of Nations officials on reading the reply said it was "encouraging" and all that could be expected. They looked upon it as important moral support of league efforts to end the warfare in Africa.

Prospects for Early Peace Are Faint

BRITISH diplomats were of the opinion that the chances for an early peace in east Africa were mighty small unless Italy could be stopped by the effective imposition of penalties. The Italians seemed to have dropped diplomatic negotiations with the other European powers and started another big drive from the northern front toward Makale and Addis Ababa. The first day's advance carried their central columns nine miles forward and was said to pave the way for a general movement ahead. So far as the uncertain news from the front shows, the Ethiopians were offering little resistance. To date there has been no battles of major importance, and until the Italians have chances to annihilate the Ethiopians in large numbers the latter have a good chance.

General Graziani's southern army, in three columns, was steadily advancing on Harrar, despite rains and boggy ground and the guerrilla warfare waged by the natives. The capture of the important town of Gorabai was imminent.

In Rome Mussolini told a gathering of Fascists that Italy would respond with "heroisms" to the sanctions which he termed "the most odious of injustices"

Hoare Tells British Stand on War

SIR SAMUEL HOARE, British foreign secretary, assured parliament and the world that Great Britain has no intention of fighting Italy and would not alone apply military sanctions against that nation. He held out strong hopes that the war in Africa could be settled without resort to extreme measures. His speech was plainly an invitation to Italy to talk peace terms.

Denying that the government's policy is hostile to Fascism, Sir Samuel said:

"We have not the least intention of interfering in the domestic affairs of other people."

"The unbroken solidarity of the empire is behind the government's policy," he said. "Let those prophets of misfortune who have marked the empire down for decay and dissolution observe this fact of overwhelming importance."

Hoare hinted at British isolation from continental affairs if the league collapses.

Next day Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin warmly endorsed all that had been done at Geneva. He deprecated even the use of the word war, but called for a rearming of the empire, saying: "In the interests of world peace it is essential our defensive services should be stronger than they are today."

Baldwin announced the adjournment of parliament on October 25 and the election of a new parliament on November 14. The campaign already is under way and is lively, with the international situation furnishing the main issues. The Labor party accuses the government of delaying action in the Italo-Ethiopian imbroglio until too late to prove really effective, and impugns its motive in seeking rearmament.

Navy Day Is Celebrated by the Nation

NAVY day, which appropriately is the birthday of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, was celebrated throughout the United States. President Franklin D. Roosevelt gave it a good start with a letter to Secretary Swanson in which he declared himself in favor of building the navy up to the country's needs. He said:

"In the unsettled conditions existing throughout the world it is imperative that we should heed the needs of national defense. By the passage of the Vinson-Trammell bill, which authorizes the upbuilding of the navy to the limits of existing treaties, our national legislature gave very definite expression of its purpose to increase the strength of the American navy to a degree commensurate with America's needs, interests and responsibilities."

Six thousand Boy Scouts, headed by Daniel Beard, the aged national scout commissioner, made the customary pilgrimage to the tomb of Theodore Roosevelt at Oyster Bay.

Prince Von Starhemberg May Be Made King

FASCISTS of Austria and leaders of the Heimwehr, all adherents of Prince Ernst von Starhemberg, now vice chancellor of the country, are contemplating the possibility of making the prince regent and later proclaiming him king. Actually the movement toward this end has been started. Von Starhemberg's attitude toward this movement was not revealed, but he indicated in a carefully worded address that he proposed to develop his Fascist ideas with greater vigor.

Friends of the prince hold that a Starhemberg dynasty in Austria would be greatly preferable to restoration of the Hapsburgs. They say the pretender to the throne, Archduke Otto, wants to establish a democratic kingdom, and this would not fit in with the ideas of the Fascists. Besides, the return of the Hapsburg dynasty would be bitterly opposed by the little entente and probably by some of the great powers.

Hundreds of Haitians Perish in Hurricane

RELATED reports told of the terrific hurricane that swept across the southern peninsula of Haiti and that was followed by devastating floods. There was no way of estimating the number of fatalities, but they were believed to be as many as two thousand. Entire populations of many valley villages were wiped out. Jeremie, near the western tip of the peninsula, suffered the most. Jacmel also was hard hit and about one hundred bodies were recovered there. The hydro-electric plant at this place was destroyed.

Kansas Republicans Want Landon for President

THERE is no lack of potential candidates for the Republican Presidential nomination. The latest boom to be informally launched is for Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, often mentioned as a possibility. The other day there was a gathering in Topeka of party leaders, including members of the state committee, state office holders, congressmen and Senator Arthur Capper, and after some oratory they unanimously and enthusiastically indorsed the governor for the nomination.

Landon had not indicated whether he would be a candidate. If he will, the movement will probably be given formal status at the annual Kansas day dinner in Topeka on January 29, the seventy-fifth anniversary of the state's admission to the Union.

"Inquiries about the formation of Landon-for-President clubs have been received from 45 states," said Will G. West, clerk of the United States District court and former secretary to the governor. "Requests for information about the governor are coming from all parts of the country. An organization should be set up soon to supply them with the information and direct activities in formation of clubs."

President Roosevelt Back in the White House

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, deeply tanned and in fine spirits, returned to the White House, his holiday tour ended. When he landed from the cruiser Houston at Charleston, S. C., he told a big crowd gathered to welcome him that the country is on its way back to prosperity under the planned economy of his administration, "and don't let anybody tell you differently."

At an informal press conference just before he left the cruiser, the President was asked to comment on the "impending collapse" of his drive to put three and a half million employables on relief to work by November 1. He replied that November 30 was 39 days off and that November 1 had never been set as the deadline, and that he had been very careful to say that substantially three and a half million persons would be put to work. If three million are at work by November 30 he said he would be satisfied with the four-billion-dollar program, and that it could not then be considered to have fallen down.

Abe Shushan Acquitted of Tax Evasion

ONE of the government's much publicized efforts to punish alleged income tax evaders of Louisiana failed when a jury in Federal court at New Orleans brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of Abraham L. Shushan, one of the close associates of the late Senator Long. The prosecution claimed he owed \$71,000 in taxes. The verdict was greeted with loud cheers by the crowd in the courtroom, and in the ensuing confusion several news photographers were beaten up by former members of Long's bodyguard—which seems to be a habit in Louisiana.

Townsend Plan People Hold a Convention

NEARLY 5,000 men and women from all parts of the United States gathered in Chicago and held a national convention of the Townsend plan, which, as most people know, would give every person sixty years of age a \$200 per month income if the person agreed to spend it all within the month, did not work or have an income all told of more than \$2,400 a year.

The elderly California doctor who devised the plan was present, and the delegates seriously undertook the work of formulating a campaign to compel the adoption of the plan at the coming session of congress. They reported that Townsend plan units are growing rapidly in all the states.

Mackenzie King Becomes Premier of Canada

FOR the third time in his career Mackenzie King is now prime minister of Canada, following the victory of the Liberal party at the polls. Richard B. Bennett and his Conservative cabinet resigned and King was called on to form the new government, which he did at once. He himself was sworn in as prime minister, president of the privy council and secretary of state for external affairs. Thomas A. Crerar of Winnipeg was made minister of mines, immigration and colonization, interior and Indian affairs. Charles A. Dunning of Montreal is the new minister of finance and W. D. Euler of Kitchener has the trade and commerce portfolio. All the cabinet positions except that of agriculture were filled at once.

New Haven Railway Asks for Reorganization

FIRST of the big eastern railroads to seek reorganization under the amended bankruptcy act is the New York, New Haven and Hartford, which serves one of the most densely populated sections of the country. Its petition was filed because it was unable to meet taxes of \$4,000,000 and interest of \$2,200,000.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for November 10

EZEKIEL TEACHES PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

LESSON TEXT—Ezekiel 32:7-16. GOLDEN TEXT—So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.—Romans 14:12.

PRIMARY TOPIC—A Prophet Encourages His People. JUNIOR TOPIC—A Watchman on Duty.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Does God Care What I Do? YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Individuals Accountable to God.

Ezekiel prophesied in the land of the captivity. The purpose of his ministry was threefold: (1) To show the house of Israel that they were in captivity because of their sins (14:23). (2) To show that God is righteous in his visitation of judgment upon them (7:8, 9). (3) To sustain their faith by assuring them of their national restoration, the punishment of their enemies and their final exaltation among the nations when Messiah shall reign.

I. God's Sovereign Right to the Souls of Men (18:1-4). Every man is personally responsible to God.

II. The Moral Obligation of Sons to Their Father (Ezek. 18:14-20).

While the law of heredity gives the child a sinful nature and when the child arrives at the age of moral responsibility it begins to sin, God holds such responsible for their deeds.

III. Ezekiel's Responsibility (Ezek. 33:1-9).

As a prophet of God certain responsibilities were imposed upon him. There is a sense in which every disciple of Christ is a witness for him and therefore is responsible for the giving of his testimony to sinners. His responsibility is set forth under the figure of a watchman. Two things were required of a watchman.

1. To hear the words of God's mouth (v. 7). The source of the message of every minister and Sunday School teacher is God's holy Word. Just as the prophet did not originate his message but received it of God's mouth, so it should be with every minister and Sunday School teacher.

2. To sound the warning (v. 7). After hearing God's message he was to speak it out and proclaim it to the people. A watchman today is both to hear and to speak. The people are to be warned of the impending danger. Failure to sound the alarm makes the watchman guilty of the blood of the sinner.

IV. God's Attitude Toward the Sinner (vv. 10, 11).

God has declared in his Word that unfaithfulness on the part of his people would cause them to "perish among the heathen," that they would "pine away in their iniquity" (Lev. 26:38, 39). In view of this pronouncement some are disposed to say that their case is hopeless. To meet this attitude of despair the prophet assured them that God had no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that his sincere desire was for the wicked to turn from their way and live. Regardless of what their past had been, they were given the assurance that the future was bright if they heeded God's command and plea. No one need to despair because of sin, for God's grace is greater than human sin.

V. The Sinner's Personal Responsibility (vv. 12-20).

God created the members of the race personal beings, giving them freedom of choice. They have moral discernment enabling them to distinguish between the right and the wrong. They choose, therefore, according to the quality of their being.

The following principles govern the sinner:

1. Past righteousness will not avail for present sins (v. 12). When a righteous man turns to iniquity, his past seeming righteousness will be of no avail.

2. Past sins do not make impossible present acceptance with God (vv. 12-15). By virtue of the operation of the law of habit, every sinful act makes it harder for the sinner to repent, but God's grace is such that if the sinner repents God will forgive and restore.

3. Restitution required (vv. 15, 16). The proof of penitence is that, so far as possible, the sinner makes amends for wrongs done.

4. God's ways are equal (vv. 17-20). God holds man responsible for his own deeds. The child is not condemned because of the deeds of his father, nor can it be said that the fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge. This does not do away with the law of heredity. Regardless of what one's past life has been, God's grace in Jesus Christ blots out his record and he stands accepted in the Beloved.

Friends

Friends are as companions of a journey, who ought to aid each other, as preservers on the road to a happier life.—Pythagoras.

A Mother's Love
If there be aught surpassing human deed or word or thought, it is a mother's love.—De Spardara.

Force
The power that is supported by force alone will have cause often to tremble.—Kosuth.

Marriage Is Insurance Against Most Everything

A married man lives longer and is less likely to end up in the workhouse than a bachelor. So says Edwin S. Burdell, professor of economics and social science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The professor is further of the opinion, based on his stories of the subject, that married men commit few crimes and less often go insane. The unmarried man has less at stake in the community because he has a lower status. Marriage is the best insurance in the world—insurance against crime, insanity, poverty and premature death.

Now Science Explains Why So Many People Past 40

Feel That They're Slipping Losing Their "Grip" on Things



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