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LIFE in this Prince Rupert

by BIDDEE JINKS

There are a few events in every year to which we look forward with an eagerness born of past associations and whetted by anticipation. Christmas and New Year lead—and then, arriving on their heels, is the Burns Banquet.

Some years ago when Rev. A. F. MacSween went in search of a "response" to the toast to Bonnie Scotland, he moved unerringly in the right direction to a fellow Scotsman who also dearly loved his native land—plus the native instrument, Col. Bapty, who was the commander of the Canadian Scottish stationed in Prince Rupert at that time, was only too glad to be of service. "I shall use as my theme, the music of Scotland," he told Mr. MacSween. "I should like to bring along one of my pipers to illustrate this music at various times."

So it was all arranged. Col. Bapty would give the response, one piper would pipe in illustration and he would come to the church on the following Friday to practice.

On that day Rev. MacSween was in the church, at peace with himself and the world in general. And then that benign countenance suddenly changed to register consternation and dismay as a great noise bore down upon him. Being Scotch, full well he knew the source of that sound. Even the exact number! In a moment's calculation he knew that 14 pipers and 10 drummers had accompanied the "one" just to show their "guidness of heart." They filed into the church, filled the platform and formed a line across the hall in front of the platform. Without delay, they swung into action, all 25 of them.

Speechless, Rev. MacSween listened. Then, fearing that his hearing might also leave him, he escaped into the church auditorium above. It was no better. The air throbbled about him in an agony of sound; it beat upon him like small gremlins. In desperation, he sought the wide open spaces—and the courage to face the banquet night!

The night arrived and one whole table was filled to capacity by a band of hearty pipers. They seemed to fascinate the master of ceremonies who looked often in their direction and, as often, moistened his lips and ran an expert finger around his collar! Only when the people cheered for more, did the good Reverend relax. He had forgotten that a hall filled with people would modify the mighty blast. In the face of such enthusiasm, he smiled broadly—and was glad he had thought of so successful a feature.

It would be impossible to think of these receding banquets without remembering various servicemen who contributed to the pleasure of those present. There was Capt. Acree, from California, chaplain at Acropolis Hill; a talented young Canadian, Bob Fleming, who put the audience into the aisles with his impersonation of an opera; but, perhaps, one of the most outstanding was Capt. W. D. Rowlands, also an American chaplain.

Capt. Rowlands rose to speak—at an utter loss. He had never attended a Burns Banquet before and hadn't been able to

find out much about them. Someone said that Scotch people attended them and that they brought Haggis. That didn't help. All he knew about the Scotch was a definition he had heard which said a Scotsman was a person "that kept the Sabbath and everything else he could lay his hands on!"

The Haggis had him completely stumped. He had thought it was something worn on the front of the kilt. But while he was pondering the matter, there was an unearthly shriek from somewhere and a man appeared, holding something aloft on a platter, marched triumphantly about the room, followed by a piper who minced along, blowing and swinging for all his might. "What do you know!" he said to himself. "Somebody has found the Holy Grail!"

But, lying on the table directly in front of Capt. Rolands, it resembled anything but, he thought. In bewilderment he watched a man approach the table with a long, sharp knife in hand. Then he reached out and poked the thing and poked it again, all the while shouting something in a foreign language. Finally the great stuffed object lay gaping open. An aroma unlike anything he had sniffed before touched his nostrils. Pleasant, too!

One by one, he laid all the facts together, and reasoned the whole thing out. It was eatable. It was loved by Scotsmen. Why! that thing must be the Haggis. And so it was!

Lutheran Church Campaign In City

To conduct a laymen's evangelical campaign for St. Paul's Lutheran Church during the coming week, C. E. Overland and T. J. Njaa, ex-servicemen farmers of Hasen, Saskatchewan, have arrived in the city. They will conduct services in the local church Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings and will also assist the pastor, Rev. A. O. Aasen, at the morning service tomorrow. Following their visit here, Messrs. Overland and Njaa will proceed to New Westminster and Matsqui. Mr. Overland is a veteran of the Army and Mr. Njaa of the Air Force.

LETTERBOX

OUR FINE WEATHER
I thought the most suitable place and person to send this to was a newspaper and its editor, so here goes:

Why didn't Prince Rupert take advantage of Vancouver's "cold snap?" We had temperatures of 40 and 42 out here so I imagine Prince Rupert had temperatures around 40 too. It would have been good "advertising" for Prince Rupert, especially when her weather is a much talked of subject in Vancouver and other southern points. It would have sounded over C.B.R.'s news broadcast (since they talked about their cold weather so much). Vancouver's temperatures at 10 above zero and Rupert's at 40.

Why, oh why, don't people take advantage of opportunities? And why doesn't Prince Rupert advertise herself more? (MRS.) JEAN M. ODLUM, Triple Island.



SATURDAY SERMON

BIBLE TRUTH

(Contributed)

Fear God, and give glory to Him—worship Him that made heaven, and the earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. (Rev. 14:7).

These days we hear a lot about "education." There is Education Week. The topic of the CBC Citizens' Forum, recently was "Education and National Unity." "Do our schools bring us together or keep us apart?"

We heard a notable speaker with a string of letters

after his name give a nationwide address on Education. This speaker acknowledged the present "disintegration of Education," and appealed for a foundation "or centre of knowledge." But first to our question. Do our schools bring us together, foster "racial equality?"

The theory of evolution a la "Origin of Species" is the latest framework of all our "elementary sciences" excepting, of course, mathematics. The basic principle of our progress, in attaining our present status, is that of "the survival of the fittest." Many statements and postulations, set forth as facts in all our natural sciences, have no relation to the actual facts, but are fashioned to suit the doctrine.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." (Prov. 1:7). Note our text at the beginning, and see why our "disintegration of education." All of our present progress as a western civilization we owe to Christianity through the early pentecostal church, Jesuits, Fathers, Luther's Reform, Wesleyan Revival and so on. The greatness of Germany as the

centre of learning and culture was the direct result of those peoples turning to Christ in the Reformation. Her downfall was her turning away from God to Marx.

The first school, and college, in Upper Canada was founded and largely supported by Wesleyan "circuit riders" who didn't own a second pair of boots. Yes our schools can fill the gap under discussion but only when we "turn from idols to serve the living and the true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven" (in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge) "who of God is made into wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption," "for what shall it profit a man if he should gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Yes, we can offer a "centre of knowledge." All our boasted British Justice is built on the Ten Commandments and our freedom upon the teachings of the

Bible, alas too often marred by dogmatic churchmen, who for example long refused to recognize the fact of mutations. If we are willing to return to the "old paths" of faith and fact, our education will be an unmix-ed blessing.

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THE POOREST PAID, most criticized, least appreciated, but most useful citizens are the clergy. "The Layman looks at the Minister," by Dr. Murray H. Leiffer, tells what the Methodist laymen want in their ministers in the United States. The best of the laity, being as imperfect as their parsons, would, of course, like perfection.

The minister who "seems pessimistic and defeatist concerning the achievement of the goods of the Christian Church" is disapproved by 98% of the laymen. The required optimism may be sustained better by fixing both eyes on heaven, with only occasional glances at the congregation.

An approved minister must not "follow notes too closely," differ theologically from his congregation, neglect pastoral calls, be corpulent or untidy, suffer from domestic infidelity, address labor union meetings as often as meetings of service clubs, despite the equally obvious need of the former, or smoke. The minister, should, however, "proclaim equal opportunities and responsibilities for all racial and nationality groups."

The reference to corpulence is gratuitous. The unchristian salaries paid to most ministers will prevent them from becoming corpulent, unless they have a natural tendency to obesity. They already have ample reasons for plain living and high thinking.

With this worldly wisdom before them, ministers who strive to succeed in their missions will be well advised to keep their heads in the clouds, seeking guidance from a higher and original source.

Inspector H. H. Mansell, provincial police, returned to the city this week from a brief trip to Smithers and other interior points on official business.

LOWESTOFT, England—A recent meeting here rejected a proposal to continue Sunday movies by 198 votes to 106.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE "ADMINISTRATION ACT"

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NOEL LAVERDIERE, DECEASED
TESTATE
TAKE NOTICE that by Order of His Honour W. E. Fisher, made on the 17th day of January, A.D. 1947, I was appointed Administrator with Will annexed of the estate of Noel Laverdiere, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified, to me on or before the 15th day of March, A.D. 1947, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.
DATED at Prince Rupert, B.C., this 23rd day of January, A.D. 1947.
* GEORGE H. HALLETT, Official Administrator, Attn. B.C.

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