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Economy and Life

FOR TWO YEARS there has been much talk about economic unity in Europe but there has been relatively little action. The general American view is that before 1952 Europe should be in a position where she can produce efficiently enough to sell her goods for dollars instead of getting them out of the Marshall Plan nursing bottle. One hope for such efficiency would be an intra-European market where under quotas, tariffs and exchange controls would be eased off and a market large enough to permit of mass production developed.

Europe is today somewhat as the United States would be if each state had a different currency, plus tariffs and quotas. In addition, enterprise has been dulled by parceling out trade under cartels.

Much more is involved in the project for developing a single market in Europe than merely ending the dollar famine. Increasing freedom of trade would improve efficiency and raise Europe's standard of living. That is a good end in itself. But a further advantage is that it would lessen the appeal of communism, and indeed might well prove one of the stoutest bulwarks against totalitarian tyranny.

A SUCCESSFUL BOOK

ALASTAIR MacGREGOR, the writer, has succeeded in making his fellow Scots very angry. From this, it can be logically reasoned and safely concluded that his latest book, a story about the western isles, will be an outstanding success. It has just been placed on the market and the folks who dwell north of the Tweed are boiling with wrath. After all, it's the sort of stuff that sells a new yarn. MacGregor describes the islanders as lazy, given to drink, greedy, immoral, harsh and not particularly cleanly.

The editor of the Stornaway Gazette writes that it is vile and false. There are strong and repeated demands that the book be withdrawn. No one goes to the trouble of writing something stillborn.

MacGregor, himself a "hielan laddie," evidently had an idea and applied it where he knew it would press upon the most sensitive parts. Great the uproar, and stern the denunciation! But the more widespread the fury, the more insistent the demand for a copy, and consequently the heavier the receipt of bawbees.

BAND DESERVES SUPPORT

WE ALL LIKE to watch a parade. Few are indifferent to one, large or little. Color, music, smartness all have a pulling power. A parade a day would not be a dull idea for any town. There is something about the old marching airs or any good lively tune and pacing figures moving steadily by that stays with one for a time. Band concerts are ever welcome. Prince Rupert has a band that looks and sounds well and it is entitled to full support and encouragement.

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Letters to the Editor

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Editor, Daily News:
I have been reading various items in our daily paper on prayer in the home, and ask you to print for me the following few lines, hoping you may find room in your paper for them:

HEAVEN—HOME

Think of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven. Of taking hold of a hand and finding it is God's hand. Of breathing a new air and finding it celestial air. Of feeling invigorated and finding it immortality. Of passing from storm and tempest to an unknown calm. Of waking up and finding it Home.

I am interested in that land because I have held a clear title to a bit of property there for over forty-five years. I did not buy it. It was given to me without money and without price. But the donor purchased it for me at tremendous sacrifice. I am not holding it for speculation since the title is not transferable. It is not a vacant lot. For more than forty-five years I have been sending materials out of which the greatest architect and builder of the universe has been building a home for me which will never need to be remodeled nor repaired because it will suit me perfectly, individually, and will never grow old. Termites can never undermine its foundations for they rest upon the Rock of Ages. Fire cannot destroy it. Floods cannot wash it away. No locks nor bolts will ever be placed upon its doors for no vicious person can ever enter that land where my dwelling stands, now almost completed and almost ready for me to enter in and abide in peace eternally without fear of being ejected.

There is a valley of deep shadow between the place where I live in Prince Rupert and that to which I shall journey in a short while. I cannot reach my home in that city of gold without passing through this dark Valley of Shadows.

But I am not afraid because the best friend I ever had went through that valley long, long ago and drove away all its gloom.

He has stuck by me through thick and thin, since we first became acquainted forty-five years ago, and I hold His promise in printed form, never to forsake me nor to leave me alone. He will be with me as I walk through the valley of shadows, and I shall not lose my way when He is with me. My ticket to Heaven has no date marked for the journey—no return coupon—and no permit for baggage. Yes, I am all ready to go and I am praying each day I'm left here in Prince Rupert that others too, from Prince Rupert, will meet me in my eternal Home.

Thanking you sir, for giving me this space in your paper. Yours for a safe journey to Heaven for all who will trust in my Saviour.

LILLIAN E. WEATHERLY.

COURTESY CORNER "STUPID"

Editor, Daily News:
In reply to the letter in your Monday issue signed by Mr. Ferguson, I would like to say my little piece about the traffic bylaws that have been passed in the last year in the town.

I have never seen or heard of a more stupid move than has been made at the corner of Third Avenue and McBride Street. If this is the way a new Ratepayers' Association has of showing their ability to support, I suggest they better forget the whole idea!

Does our Chief of Police and Ratepayers consider this a dangerous corner? If so, I would suggest to them to get around town a little. I could show them a number of more dangerous places, where parking on top of hills and on corners, is still allowed. What about every other intersection on Third Avenue or the top of the hill at Sixth and Donald?

I believe that the whole matter could be cleared up to the safety and satisfaction of everyone if Third and also Second Avenues were made through streets with stop signs at all intersections.

While I'm at it, I might as well hit on the remark of Mr. Ferguson's about it being a safer place for sane drivers. Does Mr. Ferguson know that these cab drivers are all examined both for driving ability and medically, before they are allowed to operate; and that the back of their license is marked that they are fit and proper persons to be operating a public vehicle. This is signed by your Chief of Police. So if he thinks the cab drivers are a menace, it is quite easy to stop them.

I think Mr. Ferguson, has the same idea as the Police Force and City Council, that they are only interested in the revenue derived, not in the welfare of safety, when they can allow the Police car to sit in the dark, along the Court House road, by the hour, waiting for someone that might miss one of those signs. I've always had the idea, that the police force was for the protection of people, not to see how many convictions they can get against the public.

Thank you Mr. Editor for the space.

J. CURRIE,
Taxi-Operator,
Ratepayer.

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TERRACE QUEEN TO BE CROWNED

The Oddfellows and Kinsmen are planning a joint social to be held in the Oddfellows Hall at Terrace on the evening of November 17 when Marjorie Thomas will be crowned May Queen and given her scroll of office. Marjorie was severely injured by a truck on her way to school a few days before the May celebration. Pearl Haugland stood in her place and was crowned temporary Queen, while, at the same hour in St. Paul's hospital in Vancouver, Marjorie received a gift and a lovely bouquet of flowers from visiting Kinsmen. Recovered in health, she returned home before school re-opened in September.

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'Twas cold and gloomy that Remembrance Day
I saw a vision there, a glorious sight:
A countless host of youth arrayed in white.
They were the souls of those who came from far
To give their all for victory in the war.

In solemn mood they gathered were that day;
In conclave great for mortal beings to pray:
That man, who has his earthly life to live
May come to know that war no peace can give.
For war destroys the brotherhood of man,
Leaves naught but ruin and tears for heaven to scan.

One rose to speak, his voice was sweet and strong;
Hushed was the prayer; expectant was the throng.
Surcharged with feeling, he these words did say:
"List, brothers all, on this Remembrance Day:
Remember ye the hope within your heart
When all for freedom played their noble part?"

"We may well ask, What doth delay the peace?
Rumors of war, why do they never cease?
No praise of peace does e'er reach heaven's gate;
No songs of brother love; but hymns of hate
Disturb our peace, who all for victory gave
Now pray in anguish future lives to save."

"These men on earth,—they are the living dead
Who place a halo round warmaker's head;
Lend ear to Satan's words, proclaimed with ease,
That waging war can yield the fruits of peace.
War breeds but hate, sows dragon's teeth of strife,
And strife, the foe of peace, destroys man's life."

"Let men on earth, who want all wars to cease,
Follow Christ's ways; obey the Prince of Peace;
Obey His word, who said, as well we know:
'Put up thy sword and learn to love thy foe.'
Follow the Christ, who walks the paths of love
And gave His life to bring peace from above."

—W. E. SIEBER
The Manse, Golden, B. C.

REVISION COURT DROPS 5 NAMES

Civic court of revision deleted a total of five names from the unrevised 1949 voters list Tuesday morning, leaving the revised list with 2,843 names, 65 more than the 1948 list of voters.

The court, consisting of Mayor Nora Arnold and Aldermen Daggett and Whalen, deleted the names of six owners, two of whom were dead and four of whom were not British subjects and therefore ineligible.

Names of three owners which had been omitted in the original list were added, leaving a net loss of three owners.

Names of two license holders, which had been duplicated on the original list, were dropped.

Status of one person, previously listed as an owner was changed to householder, while another who had been listed as a householder was reclassified as an owner.

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