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Real Christianity

WITHOUT wishing to step in where angels fear to tread, there is something we like about that renewal by the United Church of Canada of the proposal for "constitutional union," whatever that may be, with the Anglican Church.

Too much time, we think, is often lost by prejudicial bickering over denominational differences—to say nothing of the waste of time, thought and effort which might be more usefully applied to the dissemination of the simple Gospel and the promotion of the Christian way of living.

What important difference is there anyway about being United, Anglican, Presbyterian, Baptist or even Roman Catholic provided one is living the Christian way?

Too much concern, we sometimes think, is placed on the kind of Christianity we practise rather than about the elementary fact that a lot of people are practising no Christianity at all.

Indeed, there must be frustration of Christianity in some of these prejudicial and narrow-minded views about whether this denomination or that is the best. What's the difference, anyway?

We wonder what Christ himself would have to say about this pretty bickering about the mechanics and politics of following in His footsteps.

Yes, we think the General Council of the United Church is on the right track and we hope it is followed up.

In unity there is strength and one great church. It seems to such simple-minded people as ourselves, would be able to do a whole lot better job than a lot of little ones which, too often, appear to be beating the air and fighting between themselves.

NEW INDUSTRIAL EMPIRE

START of a new industrial empire for B.C. is indicated by facts on the new Aluminum Company of Canada development in the upper coastal area. Of the 1,500,000 horsepower to be developed by the hydro project, the company would require about two-thirds, so that the rest would be available for other industries.

This project will raise the world's output of aluminum by one-quarter. Estimated cost of the development is close to \$500,000,000. It will be of sufficient size to create an entirely new city with a population of about 50,000. An influx of other industries is bound to occur—not only to serve this population—but to absorb the anticipated power surplus.

A desire to set up similar plants on the coast has also been indicated by two other firms, Reynolds Metal Company and Aluminum Company of America. Falling power potentials in most of the continent give the reason for their interest. This province is one of the last sections with untapped reserves of more than a million horsepower in each of at least three locations. It is said the Aluminum Company's Nechako dam will create the longest hydro reservoir in the world.

Developments of such magnitude naturally progress slowly but they do indicate the possibility of B.C.'s tremendous hydro resources reaching the status of a basic industry.—Journal of Commerce.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

"God forbid that I should glory, save in the death of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world." Gal. 6: 14.

Radiologist For Hospital Is Out

The provincial hospital commission, holding that there is not sufficient volume of work to warrant the expense of a full time radiologist at the Prince Rupert General Hospital, has decided to postpone working on the matter until such time as a radiologist might be obtained who would be able to handle the work of a full time specialist. The commission was also made at last night's board meeting that a radiologist might be situated in the north to work in conjunction with various hospitals. Dr. R. G. Large, director of the Medical Association, at last night's board meeting, expressed the opinion that, since the hospital was really paying for such service, it was entitled to get it. The matter is being further explored.

INDUSTRY WORK
The work Oct. 15 to 21 has been set aside as national industrial week by the Health League of Canada.

How Good Is Your Word?

When you purchase anything on credit, you agree to pay for the goods on a certain date. Don't break your word—pay your bills when they come due.

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Services in the Church

DIRECTORY

Services in all churches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School at 10:15 except as shown.

ANGELICAN CATHEDRAL
4th Ave. W. at Dunsmuir St.
Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 2:00 p.m.
Canon Basil S. Procter, R.A., B.D.
Rector: (Blue 753)

FIRST BAPTIST
5th Ave. E. at Young St.
Minister: Rev. Fred Andrews
(Green 612)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
4th Ave. E. at Young St.
Rev. E. A. Wright, D.D.
(Green 982)

FIRST UNITED
630 5th Ave. West
Rev. L. G. Steber
(Green 618)

FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE
202 5th Ave. West
Pastor: C. Fawcett
Services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School 12:15
(Green 531)

SALVATION ARMY
2nd St. at Young St.
C.O.: Capt. W. Foulton
Lectures Class 2:30 p.m.
Sunday School 3:00 p.m.
(Black 266)

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
512 5th Ave. West
Pastor: E. Soland
(Black 610)

ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN
501 5th Ave. West
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Evening Prayer: 7:30 p.m.
(Blue 447)

REGULAR BAPTIST
620 5th Ave. E. Box 803
Pastor: Rev. Leonard A. Thorpe

First Presbyterian Church



234 Fourth Ave. East
Minister: Rev. E. A. Wright, D.D.
Organist: Mrs. E. J. Smith
John Currie
Sunday, September 24, 1950
Morning Worship—11 o'clock
Evening Service—7:30
F. E. Andrews will be the speaker at both services.
We extend a cordial invitation to visitors to worship with us.
Remember the Sabbath Day is Keep it Holy.

First United Church
636 Sixth Avenue West
Prince Rupert, B.C.
Rev. Lawrence G. Steber
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
SALLY DAY

FAMILY SERVICE
The boys and girls will attend Church with parents.
No Sunday School in First Church.
Sermon: "For the Healing of the Nations."
Children's Story: "The Story of Lorraine."
Junior Choir Anthem: "Children of Jerusalem."
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship.
Sermon: "Running with the Footmen."
Subject: Mr. Rowland Miles.
CONRAD UNITED SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 1 P.M.

First Baptist Church
(Young Street)
Minister: Rev. F. Andrews
11 a.m.—Morning Service
12:15 p.m.—SALLY DAY in Sunday School. A welcome awaits every member. Special invitation to parents. Newcomers and visitors welcome. Premium Disciples in all three departments.
Remember our Bible Class for groupings.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service.
Remember we are back on STANDARD TIME today.

SATURDAY SERMON

Text: Joel 2: 15-18. "Blow the trumpet . . . call a solemn assembly . . . gather the people . . . let the minister of the Lord weep . . . then will the Lord . . . pity His people."

SHOFAR SOUNDS

On Thursday last, at nightfall, the shofar sounded in the synagogues of the world and the day of Yom Kippur was at an end. Yom Kippur, or Day of Atonement, takes precedence at the beginning of every new year in the Jewish calendar and the Jewish people of the world have just finished ushering in their year's

One of the great prayers that was said in all Synagogues runs thus:—"O Lord our God, and God of our Fathers, Thou hast placed us on this earth and hast appointed us to do Thy will. But we follow too often our evil inclination and transgress Thy laws. In Thy gracious love, Thou hast given us the Sabbath, that we pause in our striving after worldly goods and seek the treasures of the Spirit which consecrate life unto Thee. And this Sabbath of Repentance admonishes us to turn from the pursuit of life's vanities. Truly O God we know our weakness, and feel humble and chastened."

Note what Joel says—if the people and the priests will weep before the Lord then will the Lord have pity upon them. This confused chaotic world needs God's pity. Go to God's house tomorrow and join the solemn assembly in atonement. It is later than you think, and the last shofar may sound when you and I least expect it.

Go back and read that prayer again. It is well worth the few seconds it will require.

Is it not at least a prayer that all might pray?
I will go further and say that it is a prayer that all ought to pray. Warnings galore are showing the thinking people that there is a drift to materialism. What are we to do about it? Joel told his people what to do. We have quoted portions of the four verses at the head of this newspaper article, you read the context and the text for yourself and see how bitter must be their sorrow.

It is all very well for us Christians to lean heavily on the fact that Jesus Christ was and is our Atonement, but what about our share in the act?

Atonement—three words—at one moment. Making as one. Yes! Jesus Christ made it possible for men to be at one with their God without recourse to further blood sacrifice, but even he could not compel men to accept the act of atonement. There is still something we must do. It can best be done in solemn assembly. It has become far too fashionable to say in a supercilious manner:

Evangelist For Regular Baptist

Rev. Ross MacPherson, pastor evangelist of Regular Baptist Church and well known student of social problems, arrived in the city on today's plane from Vancouver and will be here for the coming week conducting an evangelistic campaign at the local Regular Baptist Church. Mr. MacPherson was here a year ago and made a deep impression on all who heard him. Arrangements are being made for well attended meetings during his stay here.

Mr. MacPherson was engaged in missionary work in the Orient and was caught in Japan during the war years.

CINEMAS IN FLU

In 1949, there were 15 cinemas in Flu, serving a population of 280,000.

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at the

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On Sixth Ave., near High School

General Theme—"New is the Hour"

Scriptural Messages for Today

COME AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS

Bible and World—

Crisis is Spiritual

Truth Being Sought in Spite of Materialism, Visiting Speaker Holds

Giving emphasis to the belief that the present crisis in international affairs is more spiritual and moral than economic, Rev. W. H. Hudspeth of Toronto addressed a well attended meeting in St. Paul's Lutheran Church last evening.

The meeting took place under the auspices of the local British and Foreign Bible Society of which society the speaker was general secretary in China. In that country he had, as missionary, served for 28 years, dating from 1909. His wartime experiences included being held as a prisoner by the Japanese.

After outlining the development and general growth of the British and Foreign Bible Society, Mr. Hudspeth described the change noted in Japan since 1945. Prior to the end of the second Great War the emperor of Japan was regarded by his subjects as God himself, or the King of Heaven. Such worship, however, has since vanished and the Japanese are studying and seeking the truth in Christianity. General MacArthur, for example, recently cabled Washington to send more missionaries and Bibles.

"What an unparalleled opportunity is seen here," remarked Mr. Hudspeth.

He told of life in China, the progress of mission work in that

land, the many fine qualities of her people, and his admiration of them.

Reference to Africa was made by the speaker, the vast problems before that continent, the millions of natives, and the continuation or otherwise, of white supremacy.

Mr. Hudspeth then spoke of how two mighty world wars had had a disturbing effect in Europe in that the tenets that had gone unquestioned thirty or forty years ago were today being challenged. This doubt could also be detected in Great Britain. He drew attention to the public attitude toward youth and could not agree with the view that the boys of today were not the equal of those of earlier days. The young men of today, Mr. Hudspeth declared, are in particular characterized by bravery and by the desire to know the truth in everything.

The speaker, who left today by plane for Vancouver, was introduced by P. H. Linney president of the local Society. Prayer was said by Canon Basil S. Procter.



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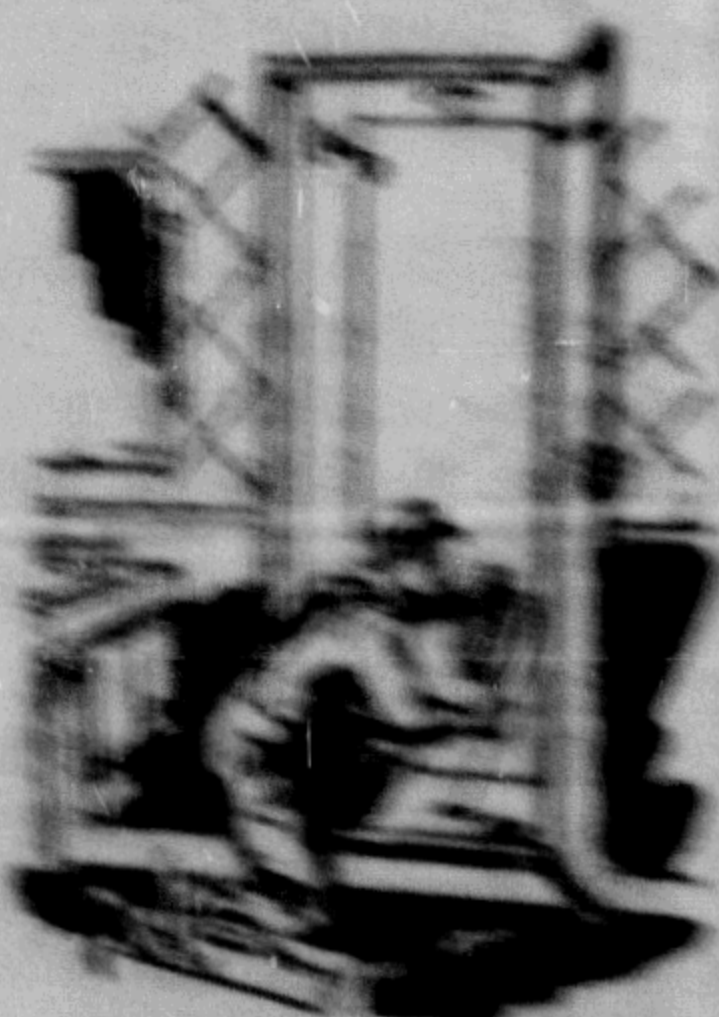
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