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Hungary's Faith

ONE of the most valuable Canadian contributions to rehabilitating those Hungarians who escaped from Communist oppression was performed by the University of B.C. in accepting a group of Hungarian students who wished to continue their studies in forestry. Dean of the group is Kalman Roller who recently described the efforts of Communists to instil their dictatorial doctrine into students of that country. To provide an insight into the reasons behind the failure of the Communists to get their message across, we reprint part of his remarks below, made in addressing students at UBC. He said:

I think you would be interested to know why the Communists never succeeded in transforming those Hungarian young people whom they regarded as the basis of the new Socialist State.

Their failure was caused by the attitudes of the Hungarian parents and teachers who, from the very beginning, recognized the true intentions of the Soviet system, namely to create a new type of man according to "our great example of the Soviet Union".

By the time the average student finished his five year course at university, he discovered the internal inconsistencies of the Communist regime, and the damage this enforced way of thinking had done to the emotional morale and intellectual life of some of the people. So it is no wonder that the students were present at the compulsory Marxist lectures only in body, while their spirit longed for free enquiry and truth.

After Khrushchev's historic address, in which Stalin was toppled from his Communist saint-hood, we all hoped that Communism would undergo some important changes. But the changes that took place were superficial and again the time came when we had to realize that we could not go on much longer seeing, before our very eyes, the slow death of the freedom of human spirit and faith in God.

We needed a miracle to bring alive in our hearts again hope of a life as free thinking men, not the degraded soulless creatures the Russians were trying to make of us. This miracle came in the spontaneous outburst of the revolution. Through the blood of tens of thousands, Hungary's spirit was reborn.

Allow me to point out that Canada has played an important part in the resurrection of Hungary. This country, which up to now, hasn't known too much about Hungary or Communism, is now taking an increasingly important part in the struggle between the factions of our divided world. Canada, through receiving many immigrants, proved that she understands those nations fighting for freedom.

Prodigal Sons

TIME and time again, news stories refer to celebrities of stage, screen and radio as "Canadians" who have even gone so far as to renounce their Canadian citizenship.

Time to abandon hollow, useless types of patriotism—or are we wrong? Perhaps after all one should keep, as it were, a foot in the door, a fatted calf in the barn, just in case some celebrated deserter decides to return to the fold for a royal welcome as another prodigal son.

—Owen Sound Sun-Times.

Scriptures

There was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:7.

His coming had been foretold before there was an alphabet we think. The book of Job foretold His coming and some scholars think this story came from Sumer before Babylon was founded. Again and again and again His coming was foretold.

Students of prophecy were certain He was at hand. Wise men learned in the occult pin pointed the probable place of His birth. And the precise time. He came in utter simplicity and humility. God wanted it that way. He was the chief social revolutionist of all time. But there was no room for Him at the inn.

As I See It

by Elmore Philpott

• Choice On June 10

ON JUNE 10 the people of Canada choose the government to manage their affairs for the next four years.

In actual fact, the choice comes down to two fine men.

It is a fact, and it is a lucky thing for Canada, that this country has available to head up our government two men of such character and capacity as the Prime Minister, and the Leader of the Opposition.

We have never had a Prime Minister who was more widely and deeply respected than our present national leader Louis St. Laurent.

We have never had a Leader of the Opposition who fought a better, cleaner, uphill fight than John Diefenbaker has fought in this election. The large, friendly and increasing crowds which have turned out to see and hear John are proof of the fact that his efforts are appreciated, by a good many more people than ordinarily vote Conservative.

But it is a fact that the people choose more than single popular personalities when they pick their governments.

And in my opinion, it is a fact that there are the most compelling reasons why the majority of the people of Canada should once again say to the Liberals, carry on, and keep on doing your best for Canada.

IF THE people give another vote of confidence to the present government, they know exactly what they will get. This country will get more of the good, down-to-earth level-headed administration such as we have had since 1935.

This is the same government which brought us out of the great depression, through the Second World War, and all the difficult periods since. This is the government under which Canada has attained her all-time-high level of prosperity, and her all-time-high world prestige as a practical peacemaker.

But if the people of Canada should take a chance and "Follow John" nobody really knows what kind of government Canada would get.

It is not just a "Diefenbaker" government that would be elected.

It would either be just another Tory government, such as we had in the days of Borden, Meighen, and R. B. Bennett; or it would be a hodge-podge-make-shift conglomeration of all sorts of distrustful and discordant groups, including reactionaries, colonial - minded imperialists from Ontario, but fervid Duplessis anti-imperialists from Quebec—not to mention those ubiquitous Socreds from Alberta and B.C.—panting with eagerness to play jackal to John Diefenbaker, the lion, if John makes "the hill."

THE publicity issued by the Conservative party in this election itself gives the most convincing reasons for taking a searching look at the men beside and behind John Diefenbaker.

True John himself is a liberal—with a small l. It is a fine thing that the Conservatives have at last chosen a man of such progressive outlook.

But is there any such thing as a one-man-government?

How would John Diefenbaker free himself from those barnacle-minded, self-same in the Conservatives who opposed and fought to the last ditch every important social welfare reform which the Liberals have enacted in this century? True, they always saw the light later, and claimed a share of credit for the very things they had opposed.

Surely the people of Canada remember the second-to-last time when a Conservative MP had to be expelled from the House of Commons for flagrant disorder and deliberate defiance of the Speaker.

That was in 1944 when Conservatives were so passionately opposing Family Allowances!

The question which the people of Canada must therefore answer on June 10 is this:

Is one lone liberal as Leader of the Conservative party enough?

Looking . . . Back

From the Files of The Daily News

Twenty Years Ago

Vancouver, June 1, 1937—Frederick McBain Young, pioneer British Columbia Barrister and retired judge of the County Court at Prince Rupert, died here last night at the age of 74 . . .

When Prince Rupert became the county seat in 1908, he transferred there and held court in a tent.

Thirty Years Ago

At least six parties will explore the icy wastes at the ends of the world before fall . . . Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd expects to reach the South Pole by plane after his jump across the Atlantic . . .

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, famous Norwegian explorer, who will lead the scientific investigations in the German expedition, expects to chart new air routes over the top of the world.

Aerial Anniversaries

MONTREAL (CP)—The International Air Transport Association here notes that the Brazilian airline Varig this year marks 30 years in service. Aer Lingum of Ireland marks 21 years' operation, Flugelag of Iceland 20 years, Air Liban of Lebanon 12 years, and LAI Italian Airways, Malayan Airways, and Seaboard and Western airlines of New York each 10 years.

Cheese Expert

TWEED, Ont. (CP)—F.W. Brennan of Marysville, near Belleville, started his 47th year as a cheesemaker when the Pine Grove cheese factory began its 1957 operations.

SCHOOL REVISITED — John Diefenbaker sits at his old desk in the school at Greenwood, Ont., where he was a pupil 57 years ago. The students put a program of songs and dancing for the Progressive Conservative leader and his wife who are on an election campaign tour. Mr. Diefenbaker's father was a school teacher at Greenwood, near Oshawa. (CP Photo)

All Aboard By G.E. Mortimore

Remarkably few persons can write in a simple, clear way. The pen is a wand that changes fluent companions into pompous bores. The typewriter, like the camera, brings on paralysis. Aim a camera at an average human, and his face takes on a feeble smirk. Place an orator, or a party wit, at the keyboard, and his fine words freeze into simpering cliches.

Clear writing takes practice and hard labor. Some amateurs achieve clarity. Some professionals never do, but these ones are condemned to stay in the minor leagues, aren't we?

Recently I was privileged to be one of 22 judges in Liberty magazine's $2,000 "Why I Love Canada" essay contest. I was pleased to see that the majority of the panel made the same choice for the first-place essay as I did.

In many of the essays that reached the finals, the effect was marred by patches of high-toned phoney cuteness. But the winning essay rings true from beginning to end—except for one phrase that appears hackneyed and sour: ". . . a wayward wind of unrest."

The winning essay was written by Peter Cliffe, 27, of Downsview, Ontario. It appears in the June issue of Liberty magazine. I'm reprinting it here, partly because I think it's a fine essay, but mainly because it will save me the trouble of writing a column myself:

"I was raised among the rolling fields and sleepy market towns of England's Lincolnshire. For 24 years, I was as English as afternoon tea, and content with the life I led. Then a wayward wind of unrest drew me Westward three thousand miles, and gave me a life to rebuild here in Ontario, with the experience of the Old World to help me and the knowledge of the New World yet to be learned.

"Two years have gone by since then, and Canada has changed for me from a country full of unknown quantities to a friendly homeland already rich in memories. Today, I remember England with affection and gratitude; but it is to Canada that I look for my future.

"Canada is not just a country or a way of life. It is a state of mind. It is a faith in yourself and the land on which you stand; a belief in the permanency of a decent way of life; and an awareness that the God who spread Canada between two oceans, did so with love.

"Canada, for me is a series of vivid impressions. It is Muskoka, with a driving rain coming in off the lake; or Niagara Falls, gay with summer tourists and the spray rising like a veil. Or it is the Magnetawan River on a crisp morning in early summer, when the groundmist hangs like smoke. Again, it is Lake Ontario in the humid heat of an August evening, the blue sky darkening into night, and the highway crowded with traffic. It is the small towns, scarlet with maples in the fall; the old towns that dream of the past; and the great cities that stride into the future.

"It is the poetry of Pauline Johnson; the novels of Hugh MacLennan; a concert on CBC television; the rhythm of a hillbilly group at a Farmer's Market on a Sunday evening.

"I like the way the Canadians deck their streets for Christmas, and the noisy groups at roadside picnic tables in the summer. I share their pride in themselves, and their awareness that they, too, are building a great America. I like to sit with them over a drink in the evening, hearing Canadian voices telling Canadian stories, and taking part in the swift give-and-take of good-natured repartee.

"My fortune has been to meet Canadians in many walks of life. I have driven miles with two young mechanics, come east from Saskatchewan to see Ontario. The evenings I spent with a young clerk, from New Brunswick, have left many pleasant memories. I count among my closest friends a former Hudson Bay storekeeper; a farming family in Prince Edward County; a would-be writer; and a boiler-room engineer, whose hobby is psychology.

"From these, and many more, I have known an eager hospitality and a warm friendship. I have reason to be grateful to these Canadians, because they helped me understand something of this great and complex country, and enabled me to adjust myself to the tempo of her life.

"Now, when I walk through the downtown crowds of a great city, or stroll beneath the maples flanking the Main Street of a sleepy country town, I do so in the knowledge that I am part of this great and growing country; that its ways are my ways and I have much contentment in knowing that this is my country—my Canada."

COMRADES STAND at attention as a sergeant in the ROAF Women's Division bends over a fainting member during a church parade in Toronto. Muggy weather and a long period of standing at attention brought on the collapse. (CP Photo).

U.S. Planning To Continue Missile Tests

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Army, with another apparently successful test accomplished in its intermediate range ballistic missile program, plans to carry on development of the Jupiter weapon at least through next November.

After that, the army will be compelled to drop development of its 1,500-mile-range rocket unless Defence Secretary Charles Wilson changes his mind about restricting the IRBM to the air force and navy.

A missile generally believed to be of an army Jupiter-type was fired Friday from the missile test centre at Cape Canaveral, on Florida's east coast. The defence department, following custom, confirmed that a test had been conducted, but declined to identify the missile or discuss results.

Publisher Re-Elected To UBC Senate

VICTORIA (CP) — J. Stuart Keate, Victoria Daily Times publisher, has been re-elected to the senate of the University of B.C. for the 1957 to 1960 term.

The only Vancouver Island man elected to the Senate, Mr. Keate served during the 1953 to 1956 term.

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— 1 —
James Sinclair our Minister of Fisheries has appointed a management committee to Rehabilitate the Skeena-Nass Fisheries. He has through his Department established the first school for commercial Fishermen established at our University of British Columbia. Federal aid is given to Co-operative education and training of young Fishermen as well.

— 2 —
The budget of the Fisheries Research Board is increased to Four Million Dollars a year, for the benefit of the Fisherman of Canada. A sum of $75,000 is given annually to Universities for Scholarships and studies in Fisheries.

— 3 —
Minister of Fisheries James Sinclair to this date has fought a successful battle to develop the Columbia River Power and Save the Fraser River for Fisheries. Canada is now the only Country in the world extending Unemployment Insurance to all commercial Fisherman.

— 4 —
James Sinclair said he was very gratified by the warm approval given to his program by the Fisherman's Unions of British Columbia. But, he said, however, his program would not have been possible without the whole-hearted support of the Liberal members from Fishing Ridings, and especially from Ted Applewhaite who has supported every effort made by his Department for the Benefit of the Prince Rupert and Northern Fisherman.

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