

Unfair to July

July gets a poor shake from the poets and the literary gentry in general. Bartlett's familiar Quotations mention it three times, but only one of these references is laudatory.

July is the best month. The all-round best month, in Canada anyway. For one thing, it is a good month for getting no work done.

The fault is not July's but with the poets and everybody. We live in anticipation and don't appreciate a good thing when we have it.

A new camera for studying brain surgery at Montreal Neurological Institute requires 5,000 volts of current for each exposure.

True or False?

Some time ago, R. J. Deachman, the well-known Ottawa economist, offered a prize for the best answers to certain statements which a great many people think are true and most of us, indeed, would like to be true. Here they are.

1. The world owes everybody a living. 2. This is an age of plenty. 3. Production for use instead of production for profit would raise the standard of living.

4. A reduction of the working day to six hours and two weeks holiday with pay, while retaining the same rate of wages, would eliminate unemployment.

5. It is possible to increase production so as to give every Canadian a much higher standard of living.

6. The size of the national debt is wholly unimportant. 7. If we can have good times in war, we can have good times in peace.

The winner of the prize was W. C. Wood of the W. C. Wood Company, Guelph. His answers to these questions were very good indeed, and were as follows:

1. False. The world owes us a living only in proportion to our service to the world.

2. False. The greater part of the world is very, very short of even the barest essentials.

3. False. Production has always been for use. Profit, the by-product of efficiency, is used to create further progress.

4. False. Unemployment can only be eliminated by reducing costs and prices to where demand for goods will maintain full employment.

5. True. This can only be achieved under real freedom of enterprise and free market.

6. False. A huge national debt restricts productive capacity, increases taxes and limits capital investment in productive machinery and research.

7. False. Eventually we or our children must make the sacrifice caused by the wastage of war.

These assertions and the answers to them deserve the widest publicity because of the majority of people in this and other countries realize the truth of the latter, and act accordingly, we should be able to keep our economy on a sound and sane basis. Canadian Countryman.

Even if you are on the right track you will be run over if you sit there.

BRAINS

All the brains are not in the executive group. Recently a personnel manager had a visit from the wife of an employee. She said her husband each week presented her with his pay envelope containing \$35. He then took back \$5 for carfare and pocket money.

A man's pay is his own business, but the personnel man told the lady the job classification in which her husband fitted and added that tax deduction, group insurance and so forth would leave such a man \$24.96 in his envelope to take home. After all the union usually insists that the rate for each job be printed in a neat booklet.

Up to then, the personnel manager had not been known as a home-wrecker.



By H. COLES

AT THE RISK OF having to retract this statement, our belief is that the Acton Intermediate club made a thoughtful decision, under the circumstances, when they engaged four Guelph players, and climbed into Int A. There had been some agitation earlier in the season by two or three players to import a mound staff but the idea was discarded in favour of playing Int C. The brass of the club thought importing was too risky. Fans in this district aren't affably acquainted with imported players unless, and this is imperative, they are a winning team. However, when the string of losses grew longer and longer, there could be no more waiting for developments. Results were too tragic, scores too high. So, as emissaries the locals sent out Duke Lindsay and Owen Maxwell with orders to grab up talent. Guelph Maple Leafs this term are in the grip of a home player rejection comedy and it was to Guelph the two Acton eyes headed.

SINCE THEIR INDUCTION into ranks, the As have improved so much they won two games in four starts. Both losses were the result of the wildest "breaks" a club could encounter. An umpire's blind call denied a contest with Georgetown while on Monday a drive Rod Ryder bounced over the fence with the tying run on first was restricted to two bases and the runner held at third. If the ball had dropped an inch or two lower on its bounce the verdict would have been different. You can see from this that neither defeat lowered the club's stock, which incidentally is showing a marked trend upwards. Fans have fallen in love with the brand of game exhibited and are flocking to home fixtures. Tomstatter, who in our humble opinion is the best short stop in the league, has fired their imagination and fans often indulge in applause for his brilliant play. As you know, this year that has been conspicuously absent. They haven't seen Leader pitch, as yet. At Waterdown on Saturday he weaved a four hitter as the As' downed the Waterdown club 8-2. When Matt Tyler nominates Leader for the home stand we suggest he advertise the fact widely. It's our guess that gate receipts will enjoy a response similar to a play-off contest.

EIGHT GAMES REMAIN to be played, inclusive of last night's trip to Milton. This pillar is of the opinion that with any luck, Acton will romp to eight decisive victories. The record to date (Monday) is four wins, eight losses. To prove themselves of Int A calibre, Matt Tyler's crew should finish the season with a 500 average; i. e. ten wins ten losses. If they maintain the power shown at the plate in these last few games its conceivable they can finish on that ratio. Judging by the extra bases accounted for when they do powder one, the As' potentiality are the most formidable line-up to ever play in the Halton County League in an Acton uniform.

ACTON JUNIORS after losing two close decisions to Milton and Oshawa last week bounced right back into contention on Saturday by whipping Milton 9-0 on the strength of fifteen base hits that included a tremendous four fly smash from Bob McEnery. Oshawa's usurped league leadership as Acton lost two and the locals intend to regain it by another win in Milton tomorrow. They play an improved Brampton team here tonight. Games with Brampton have no effect on the standing but the visitors usually make it interesting. It's likely mentor Bill Holloway will pick Wiltshire, the new right-hander from Everton to throw against the Brampton crowd tonight, reserving Lawson for Friday night's important contest in Milton. The kids have really been hitting the agate at an exaggerated clip. Old observers can't recall a club with as much bat savvy in minor ranks in these parts in the last decade, and several of them prefer the Junior title to the Intermediate. We're in accord on that point. There's excitement on every pitch when the simon-pure tangle. Still crowds have not been large and it is a tough pull to purchase balls and bats, hire conveyances for trips outside Acton, besides numerous other small expenses. Be down at the park tonight and give the club a hand. They've got a good ball team!

The Sunday School Lesson SUNDAY, JULY 10th, 1949

SONGS OF PILGRIMAGE Golden Text— I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go unto the house of the Lord. Ps 122:1

Lesson Text: Ps 122:1-5 Exposition: I. The Joy of Assembling with God's People in God's House, Ps 122:1-5

These passages say nothing about worship "Worship" as used in the Bible stands for a distinct and definite act. "Thanksgiving" is not "worship," prayer is not worship. Someone has well said, "In our prayers we are taken up with our needs, in our thanksgivings we are taken up with our blessings, in our worship we are taken up with Himself." Worship is the soul bowing before God in adoring contemplation of Himself. It is the supreme act of the soul in its approach to God. God is seeking "worshippers" above all else (Jno 4:23, R. V.). Worship is also the supreme joy of the soul of the intelligent worshipper (Ps 17:15, R. V., Ps 27:4). While God is seeking "worshippers," He finds very few. We can call all sorts of religious exercises "worship," many even say "we will now worship God in the collection." This is untrue and absurd. You only worship when you bow before God in adoring contemplation of Himself. Drinking in His glory and His beauty, Oh! the unutterable joy of real "worship." And what fellowship there is when two or more really "worship" together. It is in worship above all else that we are transformed into the likeness of the God whom we worship (2 Cor. 3:18, 1 Jno 3:2). Worship above all else empties us of pride and reveals our own weakness and vileness (Isa 6:5, Job 42:5-6). Worship fills the worshipper with new strength (Isa 40:31). "Worship" is not merely a privilege; it is a solemn duty. Worship of God the Father and of His Son Jesus Christ is commanded in God's Word (Matt 4:10, Heb 1:6).

The only worship that is acceptable to God is the worship which is offered on the ground of the shed blood of Jesus Christ (Heb 9:7-14, 10:19) that is inspired by the Spirit of God (Phil 3:3, R. V.), and that is "in truth" (Jno 4:24). It is not a mere form or profession of piety, but in reality. There is much so-called worship that is not real; the head bows, the knee bends, the body is prostrated, but the soul does not bow in true adoration to God. The one who really loves God is glad with exceeding joy when they say unto Him, "Let us go unto the house of Jehovah" (Is 11). That is the dearest place to Him because it is "Father's House" (Jno 2:19, R. V.), it is home. Why he is glad to go there is not because that is where he meets his friends, or hears preaching, but because there is fine music, or listens to eloquent where he "beholds the beauty of Jehovah" (Ps 27:4) and He is the infinitely beautiful one. He is glad to go there also that he may "give thanks unto the name of Jehovah" (Ps 27:4), and He is the infinitely beautiful one. He is glad to go there also that he may "give thanks unto the name of Jehovah" (Ps 27:4), and He is the infinitely beautiful one.

It is a command of God that we pray not only for Israel (Rom 10:1; Joel 2:17, Isa 62:6, 7), but specifically "for the peace of Jerusalem" (Jerusalem "the earthly kingdom is very dear to our God" (Is 14:32, Zech 2:7, R. V. 10-12). Some day Jerusalem is to be exalted above all the cities of the earth (Zech 14:19-21, Isa 2:2-4, Mic 4:1-3). The reason given here for praying for Jerusalem is that "God shall prosper that loves her." They shall prosper that love her. That God blesses the nation as well as the individual that loves Israel and treats Israel justly and kindly. It is "for the sake of the house of Jehovah" that was once there and that some day will be there again (Ezek 39:25-28). We are to seek the good of Jerusalem.

III. The Pilgrims' Rest, Ps 134. This is the last of the Songs of Ascents. Along the long route to the Temple, the object of his faith and worship, the pilgrim cheers his heart constantly by singing the songs of Zion. That is, he constantly is looking with spiritual anticipation to the place where he has heard the Shekinah-Glory hovered over; the Mercy-Seat. The religious pilgrims have climbed steadily unto the crest-of-Zion's Hill. Their journey has been lightened by this beautiful series of "Songs of Degrees." That the hearts of the pilgrims are filled with anticipation of meeting God is evident from the language of this song. They are envious of those who have already attained to the House of the Lord, or whose vocations keep them there. The exhortation to praise involves the recognition of reasons therefor. In the case of Israel it meant the

manifestation of grace which called Israel out of Egypt, which gave to the Israelites the Promised Land and those laws and rituals which revealed the method of Jehovah in redeeming sinners. Alas, Israel lost this cause of thanksgiving through sinful neglect. Israel forgot God. The Israelites listened to false priests who caused them to forget God (Prov. 23:25-27). When they lost God they also lost the songs of redemption (Ps 137). As long as the redeemed are faithful to Christ and His Word, they will have songs of adoration and praise. Observe how spontaneous is the praise in the New Testament writers how they break out in doxologies at the least opportunity or under the slightest provocation (Ac 4:21, Rom 11:33-36, 16:25-27, 1 Cor 15:57, Eph 1:3, 2:20, 21, 1 Tim 3:16, 1 Pet 1:3, Rev 5:8-14).

The symbolic purpose of the palm is a beautiful one. Spiritually, its purpose for the Christian is to remind us of the pilgrim nature of our lives. We are people with a heavenly destiny (Jno 14:1-3). When our work on earth is done we are "to be with Christ" (Phil 1:23). All of life is a preparation for this ultimate (2 Cor 5:10). And just as the Jewish pilgrim ascended to the Temple in hope of being in the place where the Shekinah Glory was so we expect to behold the King in His beauty. That is inspiring anticipation for us (Ac 8:55). Likewise as the Israelite drew strength from the Temple to make the journey and sing this song, so we as Christians draw strength from Heaven as we journey there.

GEORGETOWN

Word has been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cummins, that their son, Bill, who was seriously burned in an other explosion a few weeks ago is now out of danger. Bill was injured while at work with an oil company at Babram Arabi on the Persian Gulf.

The new Deputy District Governor, Mansell Ketchen of Credit Valley was a guest at last Tuesday's meeting of the Lions Club at the McGibbon House. He officiated at the installation of the new officers, who are headed by J. I. Lambert, serving a second term as the club president.

Member of an old Glen Williams family, Mrs. Norman Amley died at her home in Toronto on Saturday, June 25th in her 91st year. Mrs. Amley was born in England and was formerly Clara Sykes the only daughter of the late John and Martha Sykes.

On Sunday a Decoration Day service was held by Branch 120, of the Canadian Legion to honour district men killed in two wars and Branch members who have since died. A parade marshalled by SQ MS Henry Shepherd, marched from the Legion Hall to the Cenotaph and later to Greenwood Cemetery — Herald.

PROTECTS FARM EQUIPMENT

A complete line of enamels for protection of expensive farm equipment and machinery has been developed. It may be applied over previously painted surfaces and used for touching up spots before applying them as finish coats, the maker states. It is said to provide a tough film resistant to weather, rust, grease and oil. Will come in black, red, grey, green, orange and yellow to match shades of paint coating of major farm equipment manufacturers.

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