

WHAT IS A BOY?

What is a boy? The Rotarian Magazine gives the following answer to the above question: "The person who is going to carry on what you have started. He is to sit where you are sitting and attend to things which you think are so important, when you are gone. You may adopt all the policies you please, but how they will be carried out depends upon him. Even if you make leagues and treaties he will have to manage them. He will take your seat in Parliament, assume control of your cities, states and empires. He is going to move in and take over your churches, your schools, universities, corporations, councils and prisons. All your work is going to be judged and praised and condemned by him. The future and destiny of humanity are in his hands, so it might be well to pay a little attention to him now."

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Any child hobby is full of picture chances. Adult hobbies, too. Picture them as they progress, step by step.

IF YOU have a son or daughter who is a budding hobbyist, picture the child's progress. A series of these pictures has delightful "story-telling" quality, and will increase in memory value as time passes.

Almost any hobby can be pictured. If your young daughter paints or draws, snap a progressive series of her at her sketch pad or easel. If the boy builds model planes, snap a series of him busy in his workshop fitting parts of the new model. Take pictures that show the progress of the job, from the first stick to the completed plane—and its trial flight!

First attempts at golf... first lessons in tennis or swimming... any outdoor sport is full of these picture chances. Picture each stage, and you will treasure these snapshots later on.

Take special care with these pictures, to get just the effect you want. For example, in taking the picture above, a light yellow K-I filter was used on the camera lens, to darken the blue water and sky and make the white clothing and boat sail "stand out." Fast film was used, and reflections from the water made a short exposure possible—1/50 second at f.11. The picture shows careful thought, and proves that the rule "think before you shoot" is worth observing—whether you are taking hobby snapshots or some other kind.

Hobbies grow and expand, and they should be represented in your picture-history of the family. Take plenty of pictures, showing each new phase and development of your son's or daughter's hobby—and begin taking them now, for tomorrow there will be new stages to picture, while today's opportunities will be past.

John van Gulder

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS INCREASED

Premier Hepburn is being unhesitatingly criticized these days, by the Conservative and Independent Press throughout the province, over one of the promises he made during the 1934 campaign, and which is claimed to have been proven never kept. During that campaign he declared frequently, "I can and will cut down the cost of administration fifty per cent. It won't be the pleasantest task in the world to go in there and fire a lot of supernumeraries. But it has to be done in the interest of the suffering taxpayer, and if you show me you want it done we'll do it very thoroughly." Six months after the 1934 vote, when the Hepburn Government was swept into power, 1100 provincial civil servants had been dismissed throughout the province. Many dismissals were expected and from a partisan angle were quite in order—even though many of those throughout Lanark and Leeds and Grenville Counties will not agree.

What happened? Well with this wholesale dismissal the consensus of opinion was that many of those who would not be replaced, and the taxpayers would save money. Not so! According to The Toronto Globe and Mail, the taxpayers of Ontario are paying 547 more provincial employees today than were prior to 1934. The following are the figures for each department uncanceled by the Toronto daily to back up the statement.

Agriculture: In 1934, 508 employees. At latest report, 584. Increase, 15 per cent.

Education: In 1934, 516 employees. At latest report, 527. Increase 2 per cent.

Attorney General's: In 1934, 796 employees. At latest report, 840. Increase, 6 per cent.

Treasury: In 1934, 191 employees. At latest report, 279. Increase, 47 per cent.

Provincial Secretary's: In 1934, 173 employees. At latest report, 209. Increase 15 per cent.

Provincial Audit Office: In 1934, 51 employees. At latest report, 61. Increase, 20 per cent.

Mines: In 1934, 88 employees. At latest report, 121. Increase, 38 per cent.

Health: In 1934, 836 employees. At latest report, 875.

Prime Minister's: In 1934, 51 employees. At latest report, 53.

Highways: In 1934, 218 employees. At latest report, 436.

It is impossible for one to believe that the cost of administration has been decreased, but rather has been increased, unless the 1647 were hired to replace the 1100 fired at less salaries. On the other hand such an increase in employment, and in all probability decreased relief rolls. Perhaps there is more governmental work? We do not blame Premier Hepburn for the great increase even though he is blamed, the same as Hon. Geo. Henry was for putting the twist in the Straight Furrow. Political patronage was the cause, and no doubt some members of the Globe and Mail Leadership League, were most guilty in increasing the Provincial administration staff and cost — they sought jobs either for themselves or their friends. One of Canada's greatest detriments to governments is political patronage.—Smith Falls Record-News.

CORRESPONDENCE

THE CANADA TEMPERANCE ACT

In view of the announcement in the Speech from the Throne of the intention of the Ontario Government, The Ontario Temperance Federation, has issued the following statement.

About the year 1914 the areas above mentioned having extended the application of municipal local option as far as was practicable under the three-fifths handicap, sought to protect themselves by adopting with substantial majorities county local option as provided under the Canada Temperance Act.

It has been the practice of all Ontario governments from 1887 down to 1934 to enforce the Canada Temperance Act where it obtained for offences of selling and the provincial Liquor Act for other liquor offences committed within the area concerned. Under this procedure, the Canada Temperance Act was found to be a workable and reasonably satisfactory and effective county local option. The province and the provincial government has departed from the practice of its predecessors. It has ignored and violated the law. It has sought to destroy its operation by action before the Supreme Court of Ontario, the Supreme Court of Canada and the Privy Council, and in each case it has failed.

It has now been announced in the Speech from the Throne in the current session of the Legislature that a bill will be introduced to repeal the Canada Temperance Act in so far as it applies to Ontario. If the aim of the government were simply to bring about unity of authority it could easily make provision in the Liquor Control Act for county local option on the same basis as that afforded by the Canada Temperance Act.

In a letter under date of February 21, 1935, calling hotel-keepers to a conference, Mr. Geo. H. O'Neill, honorary president of their Association refers to the action of The Federation in seeking to bring certain questions relating to the Canada Temperance Act before the Supreme Court of Canada. He states: "Votes can be taken throughout the province in counties, which includes towns and villages, and in cities under the Canada Temperance Act whereby a majority would make such county or city dry. The Ontario Association are endeavoring to have this submission postponed if possible. If the temperance people are successful this is going to make it a very serious situation for the hotels throughout the province."

It is interesting that the Liquor trade fear and hope to destroy the Canada Temperance Act. The government of Ontario in seeking to destroy county local option is implementing the wishes of the liquor interests. It is also endeavoring to deprive the people of Ontario of their democratic rights and to co-erce the citizens of Huron, Perth, Peel and Manitowish into accepting in their midst the widespread sale of liquor against which they have sought protection, and further to prevent the extension of the Canada Temperance Act to other areas in Ontario.

All who are interested in preserving a county local option law in Ontario would do well to communicate with their local member urging opposition to the petition.

A. J. Erwin,
General Secretary, The Ontario Temperance Federation.

Greek Mythology Reveals Stories of the Dogwood

Although the various dogwoods are sometimes so small that they seem hardly more than a good-sized shrub, they have been known for centuries and their legendary history reaches into Greek mythology, to the Roman empire at the time of Christ and to the folklore of early American Indian tribes. Their slender, twisted branches and unusual four-petaled flowers have seemed to call for explanation and the legends have tried to account for them, writes Paul Davey in the Washington-Star.

One of the legends is to the effect that the dogwood, because of the hardness of its wood, was chosen for use in the cross at the crucifixion. The technical name of the tree is Cornus, from the Latin corna, a horn, and refers to the character of the wood. The legend runs that the dogwood was much distressed at being chosen for such a terrible purpose and that the Saviour, sensing this feeling, made to the tree this promise:

"Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used for a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted and its blossom shall be in the form of a cross—two long and two short petals and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there shall be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with blood, and the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns."

All those who see it will remember that it was the dogwood that I was crucified and that tree shall not be mutilated or destroyed, but cherished and protected as a reminder of My agony and death upon the cross."

It is a beautiful way of explaining the peculiarities of the dogwood. History does not bear out the legendary assumption that the cross was made from the wood of the dogwood, but that does not take away from the beauty of the legend.

Greyhounds Pictured on Ancient Egyptian Stones

Earliest records of dogs include the greyhound, variations of this breed being depicted on Egyptian stones. The Afghan hound and the Saluki are forms of the greyhound, although their appearance is somewhat different. The Afghan hound is well covered with hair and the Saluki, noble in appearance, is distinguished mainly by luxuriant feathering.

England has made wide use of hounds and, although not recognized, the old hound dog is a familiar sight in America, writes Edwin McK. Johnson in the Chicago Daily News. English breeds include the Bassett, Beagle, harrier, bloodhound and whippet—each with its distinct function. With the exception of the whippet, these breeds are scent hunters. The whippet, like the greyhound, Saluki, Afghan, Borzoi and Irish Wolfhound are primarily sight hunters, running down quarry by sheer speed and power rather than by tracking.

The foxhound and harrier are dogs of the chase. Beagles, too, are used in packs as are cross-bred hounds.

The Borzoi (Russian wolfhound) is one of the most artistic appearing breeds, but its background reveals its original use for tearing wolves to pieces. Running in packs, these large dogs provided rare sport for the Romanoffs.

Irish wolfhounds, once near extinction, are the largest dogs of all.

Why Cats' Eyes Shine in Dark

The luminous appearance of a cat's eyes in the dark is due to the reflection of light by the tapetum lucidum, which is part of the membranous layer between the retina and the outer covering of the pupils of the eyes. This remarkable layer is distinctly differentiated from the choroid layer only in certain animals.

It is the tapetum lucidum that enables members of the feline family and other nocturnal animals to see even when there is very little light. Some authorities believe this layer reflects the light rays through the retina a second time. In the domestic cat the tapetum lucidum is brilliant green or blue in color and has a metallic luster. The glare is especially noticeable when artificial light is thrown on a cat in a dark corner, or when a cat in a dark place is observed through an opening, light entering the darkness through the opening being reflected from the cat's eyes as from a mirror.

Use Muesh Cloth in Skirts

Tarasco Indian belles, descendants of a distinct old race that inhabits parts of Michoacan state in Mexico and is much admired by American tourists, beat the Dutch in the way of wearing skirts and petticoats. Their average every day skirt requires nine yards of cloth. With it are worn at least two and sometimes as many as five white cotton lace trimmed petticoats. Nobody has ever been able to ascertain why so much skirting and petticoating is worn.

Teak Tree Has Long Journey

In Burma the journey of a teak tree from forest to mill requires an incredibly long time. First the tree has to be girdled and dried, says Collier's Weekly, and then dragged to and floated down 1,200 miles of river to Rangoon, a job that has been known to take as long as 25 years.

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"CAN PLACE DOZENS OF MEN" DECLARES CHRISTIE OF O.A.C.

Much Unemployment Ascribed to "World Owes Us a Living" Idea

Failure of many to find employment is due to lack of interest, Dr. G. I. Christie said in an address at Milton, on March 16th. The president of the Ontario Agricultural College spoke at the annual ladies' night of St. Clair Masonic Lodge, Lodges of Oakville, Guelph, Georgetown, Streetsville and Campbellville were represented.

"A large part of our unemployment is the result of too many thinking the world owes them a living, so they sit down and wait for it," Dr. Christie declared. "I can place dozens of men if they really know how to do something and sincerely want to do it."

He deplored the lack of practical instruction in some of Canada's colleges and contended the value of college to students "lies not so much in knowing something as in learning how to do something."

"In many universities today, students memorize great quantities of material to pass the examinations, then they are graduated and are called 'educated,'" he said. "Many of today's 'educated men' are without jobs."

Dr. Christie ridiculed the suggestion that "the church has failed," he said, "because churches are not overflowing and preachers are a little lonely, does not mean the church is failing."

He blamed the absence of today's youth from church on "the home training received at the mother's knee." He criticized parents "who let their boys and girls run wild."

"Home to some boys," said Dr. Christie, "is a filling station. To some girls it is a place to receive calls so they will know where they are going next."

Recipes For Lent



By BETTY BARCLAY

These recipes are suitable for the Lenten season and also for the period of festivity that follows. Try them and see how they add to the enjoyment of a meal:

Pineapple Curry Dressing
1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch
1 cup canned unweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice
1/2 teaspoon curry powder
1 teaspoon cold water

Cook cornstarch and pineapple juice until thick and creamy, then add curry which has been mixed with the cold water. Boil thoroughly. Cool on ice. It should be the consistency of brown sauce. If too thick, add a little pineapple juice. Very quantity of curry according to taste, but never let the curry flavor predominate the pineapple.

When ready to serve, add whipped cream, whipped egg whites or mayonnaise, according to taste.

This sauce will keep for several days in the refrigerator and may be used in cocktails, fruit cups, salads, or with cold entrees, meat, chicken, eggs or fish.

Café Au Lait
(Coffee with milk)
Use 1 1/2 heaping tablespoons regular grind, decaffeinated coffee to each cup (1/2 pint) water. Make by any method desired. (If percolated, "perk" 15 to 20 minutes slowly and gently, or longer than ordinary coffee.) Have ready a pot of hot milk. When serving, pour milk and coffee together into cup in equal amounts. If using decaffeinated coffee drip grind, use well-rounded tablespoons instead of heaping tablespoons.

Frozen Orange Cream
1 package vanilla arrowroot pudding
1 cup milk
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup orange juice
Grated rind 1/4 orange
1 cup cream, whipped

Mix vanilla arrowroot pudding with milk; bring to boil, stirring constantly. Remove from fire; add sugar. Cool; add orange juice and rind. Pour into refrigerator freezing tray; freeze quickly for 1 hour. Mix in whipped cream; continue freezing for 3 to 4 hours. Makes about 1 quart.

THE DOG IN BOYS TOWN

The boys themselves tell the following story about Father Flanagan's famous Boys Town, says a writer in The Young People's Catholic Weekly: Several years ago the boys decided that they wanted a dog. The priest said he would get them one. On Saturday, during a snow storm, he went in to Omaha to search for a pup. When he had found one and started to get on a street car with it, the conductor would not allow the animal aboard. It was against the rules of the company, he said. The only other way to ride to Boys Town was by taxi, but Father Flanagan didn't have enough money for that. So he held the dog under his overcoat and walked back the whole ten miles through the snow, just so he wouldn't disappoint the boys after telling them he would bring them a dog! It is any wonder the inhabitants of Boys Town love Father Flanagan and would do anything in the world for him?

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY

Although there is to be no change in the Lord's Day Act at this session of the Legislature, the question is one that will not be settled by pious resolutions so much as by pious conduct, claims the Hanover Post. So long as thousands of people fail to "Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy," so long will there be an invitation for a more wide-open Sunday. A Puritanical Sabbath would not have public opinion behind it today, and neither would a law allowing a wide-open Sabbath. The conduct and wishes of the people will be reflected in the laws of the land.

COLOR

A very large Canadian woman, wearing a brilliant red dress and many diamonds, went to consult a celebrated dress designer. "Mr. Worth," she said, "what colors should I wear?" That connoisseur looked her over a brief moment and then replied, "My dear madam, when the Creator fashioned the hummingbird and the butterfly He made them of brilliant colors; but when He created the elephant He made it taupe!"

STOP ME IF

Loving Wife—"The doctor says I must have a change of climate." Fond Husband—"Well, cheer up, my dear, spring will soon be here."