

## The Editor's Corner

### MISGUIDED MISSIONARIES

While the action of Quebec residents in resorting to mob violence in recent occurrences where members of Ontario religious groups were conducting street services cannot be condoned, we can hold no particular brief for these "misguided missionaries" who insist on inflicting themselves on solid Catholic communities and who must have some previous awareness of the outcome of their actions. Last week we read in the daily papers of the arrest of a young Toronto minister and some of his followers, their refusal to pay fines for breaking a local by-law and their determination to serve jail terms rather than pay the fines imposed. Perhaps they fancy themselves modern martyrs, but to us the whole thing seems rather silly and unnecessary when there are so many fields open for religious endeavour in the Dominion.

Take for example the Doukhobors in western Canada. What a fertile field for missionaries to tackle! We guarantee that any group who want to minister to these fanatical Sons of Freedom would have their hands full and would have an opportunity to do some real converting to a more orthodox form of religion.

Of course it is not necessary to go very far outside the bounds of Toronto itself to do missionary work. Compare total church attendance with the population of the city and it gives the clue. Take Georgetown itself any Sunday. You will find perhaps four hundred of our two thousand grown-ups in church. There is a wonderful field for missionary work here, and at no risk of incarceration, violence or fines.

### IMPLICATIONS ARE FRIGHTFUL

As this is written on Monday morning, indications are that unless some last-minute miracle occurs, Canada will have a complete strike of railwaymen. The implication of such action on the economy of the country is almost too dreadful to realize. It is hard to believe that it could happen and harder to believe that the government will let it happen.

Already today we are feeling the effects of the threatened strike. Just a few minutes ago the Canadian Advertising Agency which handles CNR advertising wired cancellation instructions for two advertisements scheduled for this week's issue of the Herald. An attempt to mail a parcel to Hamilton this morning was futile, the post office explaining that no parcels were being accepted for despatching. We were also told that the Herald could not be mailed to any outside points other than rural routes and localities like Limehouse which are served by rural mail carriers. Arrangements have been made for transporting letters by truck but this does not include parcels.

Mrs. Norman Verdec, who has been visiting in the city since moving from town last week told us that she had planned to leave for her new home in the west this week but was unable to get reservations because of the threatened strike. Georgetowners like Jean Ruddell and Marion Williamson who are summering on the west coast are in a similar predicament.

These are small things in themselves. They do not approach the terrific problems of supply which must be met if the strike should take place. People must be fed and clothed, gasoline and oil must be supplied to distribution points throughout the country, farm machinery and steel, grain and fish, newsprint, furnaces and washing machines must be moved from their point of origin. And it is physically impossible for all this to be done by transport truck and plane. Fruit and vegetable growers stand to be heavy losers of the strike is not settled.

A strike which lasts more than a few days at most would create problems of distribution which can only be imagined. And the sad fact is that some percentage of business will stay lost. One plane trip could make an air traveller out of a train passenger. One shipment by transport could lead to a contract. And the railwaymen's demand for higher wages and shorter hours could be a tremendous boomerang which eventually could give shorter hours all right — a "no hour" week when jobs are not available.

### SOME THOUGHTS ON "TIPPING"

An editorial in the Ingersoll Tribune in which the writer expresses his objection to the custom of "tipping" meets with our full approval. It is a custom for which we have no use at all and the sooner people stop being hoodwinked by paying extra for services which are usually purely imaginary, the better we will like it.

The odd thing about tips is that they apply only to certain lines of business. It is the accepted thing that one should tip the porter on the train, the bellboy at a hotel or the waitress in a restaurant. It is contrary to this unwritten rule that the clerk who sells you the ticket, the lady who cleans up your room each morning or the cook who supplies you with food should benefit from this extra payment.

Booking in for overnight at a city hotel recently, with only one small piece of luggage we asked the clerk for a room key as we did not intend to go immediately to the room. This was not allowed. The clerk said that it would be necessary for the bellboy to show us to the room — a barefaced admission that they not only condone, but encourage the practice.

It is surely possible to pay porters, bellhops and waitresses a fair rate for their services and to abolish this obnoxious practice of tipping which is an insult to the recipient and an annoyance to the donor. Hotel-

men could render a great service to the public by sparking the movement for it is in hotels where the custom has itself most deeply rooted.

### POT POURRI

The furnace in the Herald office was lighted briefly Monday morning to take the chill off the office, which led foreman McGilvray to remark "You aren't used to this. You haven't spent a week at the beach."

A letter from Jasper Park Lodge tells us that Walter T. Evans was registered there as a guest. Don't know why all resorts do not use this effective form of advertising and send lists of local guests to their home town papers.

A reader presented us with a copy of The Canadian Far Eastern Newspaper published by James G. Endicott, who will be remembered as a speaker at the Lions Club last year and who later made a trip to Russia on a "peace mission." Mr. Endicott seems to be intent on adopting the Communist approach that America invaded Korea, etc., etc. Wasn't it Hitler who said if you are going to lie, make it a big one.

It is impossible to realize how badly a car can be wrecked until one looks at the remains of the car in which a young Kitchener man lost his life on Saturday in a collision with a bus. The car was towed into Bowers Motor Sales after the accident.

Holidays are over for everyone at the Herald office except the editor, and a railway strike would put a crimp in plans to attend the newspaper convention in New Brunswick the first week in September. Georgetown missed the big rain last Thursday when 4 inches of rainfall overtaxed storm sewers and caused floods in various parts of the city.

Has anyone noticed the difference between the hit parade favourite "Goodnight Irene" and the old timer "Seeing Nellie Home"? With so much cold weather we are spending more time than usual this summer listening to the radio. A program everyone will enjoy is "Candid Microphone" Tuesday at 9:30 over a Buffalo station. Sunday night "Rate Your Mate" is a new twist on quiz shows, conducted by Joey Adams, who is something of the Groucho Marx type. One of his ad-

libs which drew a big laugh was this: Adams—How long have you been married? Lady—Five years. Adams—Have you any children? Lady—Yes, we're lucky, we have two. Adams—A friend of mine is luckier than you. He's been married five years and he only has one.

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