



# Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

How can any housewife establish any motivation in her buying pattern, or confidence in any product any more? Every week another of her favorite brands is marked '10c off' or the label changed to a more appealing colour so that she finally has to enlist the aid of a clerk to find it on the supermarket shelf.

If I thought it would do any good I would make a sandwich board protesting marketing practices, hang it around my neck and march up and down in front of the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa as long as my 'ballouses' could take it.

Wish I had been in the gallery the day a brief requesting the outlawing of trading stamps was presented to the Prime Minister. I would like to have rolled one of those dapper young pages and had him present another slip of paper protesting premiums. Why go only half way to cure the evils of modern 'come on' practices? Perhaps if stamps, premiums and the '50 cents off' habit were all outlawed, we could begin to assess the absolute value of our shopping dollar.

I realize it isn't as easy as collaring a page boy to get a nod of recognition for a cause during a session of our Federal Government. It was just my fancy little way of leading up to my contention that pricing, presentation and packaging of everything from disposable diapers to headache relief pills, from 'no wrinkle' no shrink' textiles to 'Uncle Dan's' Cookies have gotten all out of proportion to the relative cost of the article. What are we paying for, package, label or the stuff behind the cellophane?

Oh sure, it all adds up to employing more people and wouldn't really care if the label was honest. If it noted that there was 10c worth of produce, 10c worth of bottle, 10c worth of promotion and the remaining 17c (for the small size which includes 10c off) for the wages of those responsible for the production of the commodity, and a profit along the way for manufacturer and merchant. We aren't any of us stupid, we all know there are spots which have to be added to every item. But my hat is off to one manufacturer who recently marketed his cake mix in a plastic bag 'Passing the saving to the customer.'

As far as I am concerned this type of honesty will hook my shopping habits much faster than a free towel, a premium stamp, or a mark-down.

In the opposite corner of my mind on this miserable morning is an argument I had with a fellow passenger on a recent trip to Ottawa. It was his opinion that passenger travel by train was becoming obsolete. For once I was lucky, for I had in my purse an authority with which to back up my contention that there will always be a need for travel by rail.

My authority was no less than Erwin D. Canham, probably one of the best known and most respected editors on this continent. He wrote in the Christian Science Monitor: "We can learn a good deal from the challenges of nature. One lesson is that our urban and rural society must never become totally dependent upon the automobile, or the airplane either, for long range transport. The railroads must be preserved and improved, and rapid transit along rails in our metropolitan areas is vitally needed. Reorganization in some cases, refinancing in others, better combinations of lines and systems, more efficient and economical use of labour, capital to purchase new and better equipment—all these and many other steps may be needed to save rail passenger transportation—but saved it surely should be."

"Of course, it may be that relatively fewer passenger runs will be required, and perhaps smaller trains, than in the old days. And many passenger services have gone never to return—we have to be realistic. Yet there will remain a basic need for the rails, however much we improve the airplane's use in bad weather."

"But if the rails remain an important resource in long distance passenger travel—not to mention freight, which is still more needed—how much more vital rapid transit by rail is in our spreading urban complexes. Here the automobile is almost choking the life giving arteries of the metropolis."

Mr. Canham is not alone in such thinking. Premier Leslie Frost of Ontario has shown interest in transportation facilities for Metro Toronto. Donald Gordon, Canadian National's president and Liberal Leader John Wintermeyer met with the Ontario premier recently to discuss a solution for traffic congestion.

## Seek More Donations as Red Cross Total Lags

The Red Cross, which has figuratively been regarded as a "plus" sign in this year's local campaign for funds.

**Campaign Over**  
With a \$2200 quota, and a one-day blitz campaign over, the society has received scarcely more than half the hoped-for money.

Many industries, organizations and individuals who in the past have supported Red Cross have not yet been heard from.

**Donor Clinics**  
The Red Cross, besides its international services, provides many things of which local people are well aware. The Canadian Bank of Commerce.

## Two Missionaries Are Speakers at St. John's

The March meeting of the Evening Auxiliary of St. John's United Church took the form of an Easter Dinner in the Church Hall on Wednesday, April 5th.

About 150 members and friends were welcomed by the President Mrs. O. M. Brewster, after which Rev. I. M. Fleming, said Grace.

The services for the dinner were donated by the Cancer Society. Members of the Hi-C Group assisted in serving a delicious dinner. Mr. Thomas Trouton accompanied at the piano by Mrs. James Evans, sang two lovely solos.

Dr. O. M. Brewster introduced the two guest speakers for the evening. The first speaker Dr. Nelles Silverthorne, the senior physician at the Hospital for Sick Children, based his address on Matthew 28, verses 16-20. He told of his part in spreading the Gospel throughout the world from a powerful radio station in South America and of the work being done among the primitive Aeta Indians in Ecuador by the widow and sister of one of the five Protestant Missionaries who were slain there four years ago.

Dr. Silverthorne gave a challenging Christian witness. The second speaker, Dr. Robert Stephens started his medical missionary work together with his wife, a nurse, in the United Church Hospital in Bella Bella, B.C. and from there went to the Belgian Congo, now the Republic of Congo. The Congo in area is the size of Ontario and Quebec combined and has a population of 15 million. Dr. Stephens illustrated his message with coloured slides. One film which he called "The Power of God," illustrated how one family became converted to the Christian Faith through the medical missionary work.

A question period followed, during which those in the audience had an opportunity to find out some first hand knowledge of the situation in the Congo.

Miss Ruth Evans expressed the thanks of all in the speakers for their challenging and inspiring messages and to Mr. Trouton for his beautiful solos. Mrs. O. M. Brewster gave the closing benediction.

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**At Ballinafad Service**  
Mr. and Mrs. G. Bielby and family of Grimsby visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. McLean and family.

Miss Lois Campbell of Guelph visited for the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McEnery.

Miss Beth McEnery spent the Easter holidays at her home.

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## Paradise Without Death This Century: Witnesses

The successful three-day convention of Jehovah's Witnesses held in Bridgeport this past weekend was attended by 1100 delegates, who were there to hear the main Bible discourse, "The Twentieth Century in Bible Prophecy." This was delivered by Mr. T. R. Jones, Toronto, District Supervisor of the Watchtower Society, on Sunday at 3 p.m.

**Encouraging Facts**  
Mr. Jones in discussing this topic stated, "Those who look to the Bible in hope of finding encouraging facts about the future should not be surprised to find critical times included in its forecast for the twentieth century. Wars, floods, earthquakes, increase in crime and a collapse in morals are all prophesied for this generation. But then it also speaks of a group of people preaching about the righteous kingdom of God, a war of God against all wickedness, followed by a paradise earth without death — all to be realized in the twentieth century." He also related that it is not material possessions that can fill one's life with love and purpose in living that bring true happiness. Science does not have the answer, you must look somewhere else — to God's word, the Holy Bible.

**Reach Out**  
Saturday evening, 700 delegates gathered for Bible discussion on the theme "Reach Out for a More Complete Ministry." A program of talks and demonstrations well illustrated how this could be achieved by all witnesses.

Saturday afternoon 7 new ministers were ordained during the Baptismal service. At this ceremony, each witness became a preacher. This makes Jehovah's Witnesses the world's largest body of ministers. Each of them has made a study of God's word, the Bible, believes it, and has made it his mind to live by it and teach it to others.

**Walk in Name**  
The opening session, Friday evening was attended by 600 witnesses to hear the address of welcome on the subject "In the Name of Jehovah" delivered by Mr. T.

This convention in Bridgeport brought much happiness and joy to Mrs. Anna Paul, of Waterloo. Mrs. Paul is 82 years old. She stated "I never in my life had so many people around me as I have here. I am very happy to be here with so many delegates to enjoy the fellowship and association. I hope I shall be able to attend many more such gatherings."

**Full Benefit**  
A "hard of hearing section" was set aside for the delegates needing hearing aids. Head phones with individual volume control were provided to help all get full benefit from the Bible program.

Mr. R. Alton, Circuit Supervisor and chairman of the convention stated, when asked, why do Jehovah's Witnesses meet every six months. These conventions are neither crusades nor revivals. They are quite dignified gatherings of Christians intent upon filling their minds with Bible wisdom. At Witnesses assemblies, there is no wild emotionalism, no noisy religious manifestations. There is happiness. Their hearts glow with happiness that comes from leaving behind all barriers and distractions to get together for three days in a model assembly community where Jehovah's spirit and intense love for one another manifests itself in Christian orderliness, consideration and co-operation.

**1200 Meals**  
To enable all to enjoy Christian companionship even at mealtime a cafeteria was operated by the witnesses. They served over 1200 meals to nourish the delegates.

Mr. George Brandford, presiding minister of the Georgetown congregation, related that twenty other departments were also necessary to help make the convention a success.

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## CLUB MIDTOWN

April 21 we are going to throw the Midtown doors wide open, hunt up the welcome mat hidden in the attic and go all out for our Spring Semi-Formal! I want all of you to march yourself to the closet, throw open the door, jump right in there and search around until you find your best, finest, most super duper Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes. Take them out of moth balls and prepare them for the big dance. Then, you and yours strut on down to Midtown for one of the most enjoyable nights you will ever have. Everyone in town is welcome.

This Friday the wild and woolly Willingham will do the honours as we take our weekly trip to muskeville. He'll be his usual charming self, just a fairly bubbling over with vim, vigor and vitality, so be sure to be there.

I cannot confirm the definite date of our invasion of Canadian Bandstand, but it might be April 22.

Well the Stanley Cup finals are well under way and I proclaim to the world that I am a Black Hawk fan and I'd give

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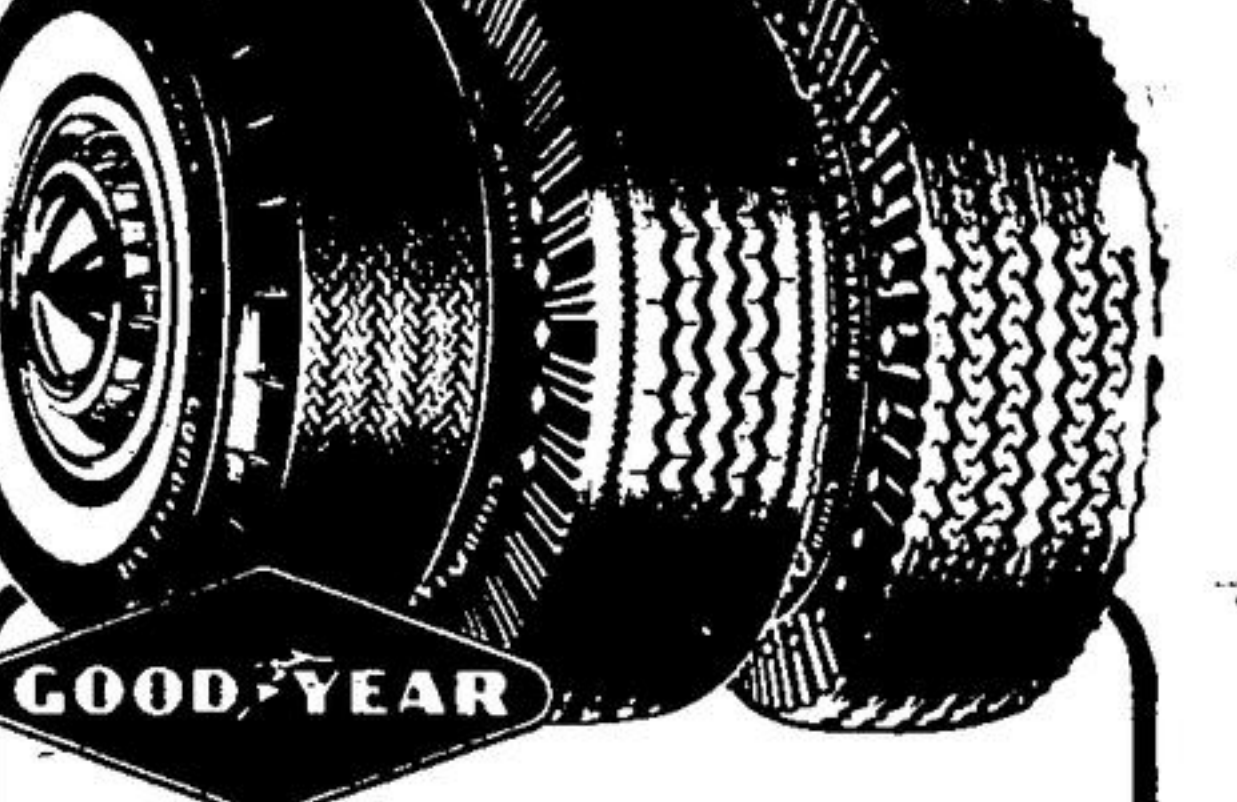
My hitsville-bound discs for this week are "Daddy's Home" by Shep and the Lamplighters and "More Than I Can Say" by Bobby Vee.

The Midnight Ride of the Cliff could be there to partake in Richards the "no holds barred" festivity. That's all for this week. See you Friday night at Midtown, anyone a ticket to trade for two Unit, then he good, take care, keep smiling and remember: The hardest thing about climbing the ladder of success is getting through the crowd at the bottom.  
Goodnight M. L.

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