

VALOROUS YOUTH

Upon high altars of their youth, tall candles gleam, And throw their light upon the cloth of faith— That rich, embroidered cloth whose snowy sheen Reflects in full the measure of each dream.

Twenty Years Ago

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Visitors and members sat around the board Tuesday evening at the banquet held in the newly completed Masonic Temple in Oakville on the occasion of the Official Dedication ceremonies in connection with the opening of the edifice.

Milton softball league opened at the Arena Monday evening. The opening ceremony created a great deal of interest when Dr. Gowland, president in the box, fanned J. W. Blain, hon. president.

MARRIED

HILLMER-TERRAH — On Monday, October 6th, 1924, at 16 Albany Avenue, Toronto, by the Rev. R. B. Cochrane, Margaret Helen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferrah, Toronto, to Whitney Hillmer, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hillmer, Oakville.

DIED

FREEMAN—On Friday, October 10, at the residence of her sister, Dr. Eva Fisher, Toronto, Mary Elizabeth Freeman, of Trafalgar.

ELSLEY—At the Guelph General Hospital on Sunday, October 5th, 1924, Orval Lloyd, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Livi Elsie, Brookville in his 31st year.

MOOREHEAD—At Oakville, on Tuesday, October 14th, Mary Guest, widow of the late Stewart Moorehead, of Milton, in her 74th year.

GILMOUR—Andy Gilmour, only son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gilmour, of Nassagaweya, aged 14 years, was accidentally killed in a car accident, October 13th.

Australia's North Wonderful Country

U. S. Minister Believes Great Territory Awaits only Development

CANBERRA (CP)—When a boy, Nelson T. Johnson, United States Minister to Australia, often slept under the stars on the Oklahoma prairies, and when he returned from a 2550-mile tour of Northern Australia, he was bubbling over:

"It is a great and beautiful country—the best I've seen since I left home. It made me feel at home. I boiled a billy like the rest of them, and had some great yarns with the drovers and stockmen. With a railway from Mount Isa to Newcastle Waters, and on to Wyndham one way, and to the Gulf of Carpentaria the other, you could have a city the size of Omaha at Newcastle Waters, with vast stockyards and packing sheds.

"All the cattle you walk out of there now could be fattened and treated on the spot. The future of the stock and wheat market lies there."

"I'm tired of hearing about the great Australian loneliness and the dead heart of Australia. There's an awful lot of marvellous country up their waiting for the youth cooped up in the cities. They could go out and conquer it, build cities and make their fortunes."

"What do you want immigrants for? That country is for Australians. Your youth can do what we did in Oklahoma. You could build that railway in three or four weeks. You built the North-South Road, didn't you?"

But the anidote was administered by Dr. C. T. Madigan, Lecturer in Geology at Adelaide University, and an expert on Northern Australia.

"The time to try to get blood out of a stone is when you have to," he said. "If necessary, we could support a population of 60,000,000 on the country we have already occupied. At the moment we have 7,000,000.

"People shouldn't romance about the north. It's fantastic to talk about really big cities up there. Even with railways, there is nothing but a sparse pastoral future for the north with a population of a few thousands.

CO-OPERATIVE FACTORY

WINNIPEG (CP) — Canadian Co-operative Implements Limited, a farmers' co-operative, has purchased a factory in Winnipeg for \$400,000. The factory has operated for 35 years producing farm machinery and hardware.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22nd, 1944

RELIGION IN EDUCATION

Golden Text.—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. Jno. 8: 32.

Lesson Text.—Matt. 7: 7-12; Luke 6: 39-45.

Exposition. — I. The Wisdom of Prayer, 7: 7-12.

Jesus begins His stirring words on prayer with three commands, each of which is accompanied with a corresponding promise. Remarkably expressive are the promises. The enjoyment of the promises is conditioned upon obedience to the commands. (1) "Ask." What love on God's part to command us to pray as if we were conferring a favor on Him by doing it. Surely if we do not obey, it is a grievous sin and insult to Him. If we do, what then? "It shall be given you." It is the easiest thing in the world to get things, just ask for them (Jas. 4: 2, ch. 21: 22; Jno. 4: 10; 14: 13, 14; 15: 7; 1 Jno. 3: 22). We ought always to be at this (Luke 18: 1). But earnest asking does not stop with asking, it also seeks and knocks; and it finds and has the door opened to it. Jesus puts the power of prayer very strongly, "every one that asketh receiveth." Not that He does not say that every one who asks gets everything he asks, but "every one that asketh receiveth." There is a way of asking that gets the very thing asked every time (Jno. 15: 7; 1 Jno. 3: 22, 5: 14, 15; Jno. 14: 13, 14), but in every one's prayer there is power, and every real prayer effects something.

To sum it up, God is a Father. Most men believe that theoretically, but few believe it really. To many God is a theological proposition; God is the Absolute, the Supreme Being, Infinite Force and Reason, etc. No; God is "Our Father." All objections disappear before that conception of God.

This lesson in prayer is illustrated by an allegory of an earthly father. No matter how sinful fathers may be they will answer some petitions of their children at various times. If earthly, sinful fathers can answer their children, how much more so God. This Jesus said to encourage us to draw nigh to God (Jas. 4: 8), and to increase our expectations. God is more generous, more kind, more understanding than any earthly parent. This is almost like a blank check signed by one whose account is rich and good. How much do we draw upon it and in the right spirit (Jas. 4: 3; Heb. 13: 18; 1 Thes. 5: 17, 18)?

II. "Prove All Things," 6: 39-40a.

The warning which our Lord brings to our notice is worthy of our serious consideration. The amount of evil which false teaching has brought on the church in all ages is incalculable. The world has always been full of "blind" men who aspired to lead others. Perhaps there were never more of such self-styled leaders than to-day. But a teacher who does not know the way to God himself is not likely to lead his hearers to God. If the blind lead the blind, they both fall into the ditch. If we would escape the danger against which Christ warns us, we must prove the teaching we hear by the Holy Scriptures. They are our only infallible guide.

We have the promise of Jesus that the Holy Spirit will lead us into all truth (Jno. 16: 13). With the Word of God as a lamp to our feet and the guidance of the Spirit in our hearts we have no excuse if our souls are led astray.

III. The Need for Consistency, 40b-42.

When we are perfected (restored by divine grace to our true condition) we shall be like Him (cf. Eph. 4: 15). But insofar as we differ from Him in thought, will, and conduct, we are now imperfect. The Bible everywhere warns us against judging others. Most men are sharp-sighted to see the mote (sins and faults) in another's eye, but pass unnoticed the beam in their own. Jesus meets this strange inconsistency with a startling "Why?" The answer is self-evident — selfishness. Love is blind, but no other love is so blind as self-love. When we learn to love others, this attitude toward them will cease (1 Cor. 13: 4-7). One great reason for our harsh judgment of others is that we fancy that to discern faults in others covers up or atones for our own faults. But it does not (Rom. 2: 1-21; 14: 12). Jesus calls the one so blind to his own faults by no soft name. "Hypocrite" is what He names him, and that is just what he is. His pretended zeal for righteousness is humbug, for he desires it not for himself, but in someone else. Mat. 24: 51 tell us whitherward this man is headed. If we would really help others, we must not contradict by our lives what we say with our lips. It is well to desire to set others free from faults, but we should first be sure we are free from them ourselves.

IV. Character Shown by Conduct.

Jesus compares a good man to a good tree and a bad man to a corrupt tree, and then goes on to show that what a man is at heart determines his character. The words of our Lord on this point are clear and unmistakable. "Every tree is known by his own fruit." If there is to be a good outward life, there must first be a good inward man, a pure heart (Prov.

4: 23). The heart determines the words, too, as well as the acts. Much of our twentieth century religious and ethical culture is an attempt to make a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. It cannot be done! What is needed is a new heart.

Koenig Rebuilds French Forces To Fight For Allies

Leader of Fighting Forces of the Interior is One of Top Personalities of New France

PARIS (CP)—There is one man among the leading personalities of new France who has no fear of future political vagaries. He is Gen. Joseph Pierre Koenig, chief of staff under Gen. Charles de Gaulle, military governor of Paris, and commander in chief of the Fighting Forces of the Interior.

Gen. Koenig is now second only to de Gaulle in practical authority and influence and his position is not hinged on a political mill. His entire career is that of a soldier and he has no desire to change it. Associates say his ability and popularity are such that he will take his place in the Fourth Republic as a powerful military figure through popular acquiescence.

A tall, blond, mustached general who is only 45, he has a definite dislike for politics and shuns publicity.

Koenig represents the flaming sword of France such as de Gaulle has been the symbol of freedom for the past four years. But whatever role de Gaulle may plan in the future—even if he retires—Koenig's admirers believe he will continue as a high military figure.

The military governor of Paris is much more important than the title implies. Paris is the hub of France and to turn the wheels of industry, transportation and communication, other factors in the rebuilding must succeed first in the capital. This is Koenig's responsibility and as such he supersedes the civil authority in Paris.

Fought in Desert

Under Koenig's command, France is speedily rebuilding her army and organizing her resources to support this army.

Koenig first became prominent in June 1942, when he commanded the gallant defence at Bir Hacheim but his military career began in the last war.

Born in Caen, Koenig attended school until 17 when he enlisted in the army in the First Great War. Commissioned at 19 he stayed in the army after the Armistice, became a captain in the Foreign Legion.

He fought in Brittany against the Germans, then took a fishing boat to England where he immediately joined de Gaulle.

Sent to Gabon and the French Cameroons in equatorial Africa to help reorganize French troops, he also saw service in Eritrea and Syria. Then came Libya, and later the Tunisian campaign where he was attached to the 1st French Division which formed part of the 10th Corps of the 8th Army.

He was made a brigadier in 1941 and general of a division in 1943. Shortly after he became chief of staff and was made commander in chief of the FFI six months ago.

Koenig is married and has two children. He makes his home at the Hotel des Invalides, the general army headquarters.

He is in his office at 7 a.m., often working until 2 the next morning.

Koenig is a strong believer in leaving governing to those who are trained for the job. Should de Gaulle become first president of the Fourth Republic, Koenig undoubtedly will continue as next in command of the army.

CHINESE CWAC IS 59 INCHES TALL

WINNIPEG (CP)—A tiny Chinese—59 inches high—has come to Winnipeg and joined the C.W.A.C. Helen Hoe wants to be a soldier for Canada and "I'll do anything," she says.

Helen is the first Chinese girl in M. D. 10 to join the C.W.A.C. She'd like to be a waitress but the 18-year old, 106-pound recruit wouldn't sulk no matter what she's assigned to do.

She was born in Melita, Man., and took her Grade XI at Manitou, Man., where her father runs a restaurant. She likes to skate and dance, and she loves serving food. Her own favorite dish is pork chops.

One of a large family, Helen has three brothers and five sisters. Brother Grant Hoe is in his fourth year medicine at the University of Manitoba.

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Department of Finance

October 1944

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Issued under the authority of Hon. Ian A. Mackenzie, Minister of PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

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