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EASTER

On Sunday will be celebrated the most joyous festival of the Christian church, Easter. The Easter season is, indeed in the calendar of the world, even Christmas yielding second place to it. It commemorates the dividing line in history between progress and reaction, and makes the point at which mankind began to grope painstakingly through the darkness toward that goal of an ideal civilization which is still so far distant, but infinitely nearer than on that first Easter almost two thousand years ago.

Good Friday had provided one of the darkest pages in the history of man. It had seen the terrible sight of one of the high tribunals of colonial Rome trembling before the fury of the Sanhedran and the Jewish mob. It had heard the most remarkable pronouncement in the annals of jurisprudence—a verdict of not guilty followed by an immediate sentence of death. It had seen the wonderful personality and the splendid virile manhood of Jesus Christ stilled in physical death and had heard the tragic cry of triumph: “It is finished!”

Friday's setting sun shone on an upraised cross on Calvary but as that sun rose on Sunday it shone upon an empty tomb in which all the legions of Imperial Rome had been unable to hold the intended victim of their intolerance. Before that grave the military power of all autocracy gnashed their teeth in impotence, while in the garden one who had been a simple Galilean peasant spoke simple words to a faithful woman.

Twenty centuries have passed since the martyrdom of Christ before Pontius Pilate; and today the followers of the carpenter of Nazareth are numbered in their tens of millions. Twenty centuries ago the scourings of Jerusalem cried “Crucify Him!” Today the verdict of humanity rolls back the answer: “Behold the Man.”

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PROTECTION FOR PEDESTRIANS

Inquests concerning two fatalities on Yonge Street were held last week and three persons are now in the hospital suffering injuries received when struck by cars on this highway, which tragically emphasizes the need for some provision for the safety of pedestrians. The number of accidents is evidence of the great risk which a pedestrian takes when walking on Yonge Street, and this risk is much greater at night.

In addition to the many accidents and fatalities we are quite safe in saying that there is hardly a motorist who has driven a car on Yonge Street for five years or more, but has at some time or other narrowly missed hitting a pedestrian. The accident toll on this highway has been too great, and something should be done at once to improve conditions.

The fault does not all lie with either the pedestrian or the motorist. Sometimes glaring headlights have blinded the car driver and in other instances when visibility was poor the driver has been unable to see the pedestrian until it has been too late to avoid the accident. On the other hand in a district such as this there is sure to be a considerable number of pedestrians, and in many places there is no place to walk except on the highway. To anyone who has used Yonge Street either as a motorist or pedestrian the wonder is that there have not been more fatalities.

The danger hazard on Yonge Street must not continue indefinitely. The only solution is the provision of adequate sidewalks for pedestrians and such sidewalks must be kept clear of snow and fit for use at all seasons of the year. In any plans for Yonge Street improvement the provision of adequate sidewalks for pedestrians is an absolute necessity in the interests of the preservation of life and limb.

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IT SEEMS SUCH A SIMPLE THING

(By Bert Barnes in “Shining Lines”)

“Courtesy seems such a simple thing! Yet there are those who must think it isn't worth while, for they don't practice it. They neglect the little acts that make the world a better place to live in. Strangely enough they don't seem to realize that they are denying to themselves certain, definite benefits to be gained from the practice of courtesy.

Courtesy is a mark of good breeding. It commands respect. It is the polish that welcomes the customer, cheers the fellow-worker and makes the day easier for everyone. Courtesy is a recognition of the rights of others. It is what we all want for ourselves.

To be courteous, therefore, is to practice the Golden Rule. To be discourteous is to be brutal—self-centred—intolerant. There is no surer way of annoying people. Discourtesy breeds scowls and grouches, promotes misunderstanding, sows discord. It is one of the ingredients of failure. On the other hand, the desire to be courteous cultivates a cheerful, beaming personality and radiates good will.

Increasing one's stock of courtesy towards others increases one's own stock of happiness.

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WHEN THINGS HAPPEN

There is nothing that is more welcome to a newspaper office than the friendly subscriber who sends in a bit of news, either by phoning, by letter, or by dropping in the office. That is real goodwill and co-operation.

People come and go throughout the community, bringing a pleasant little ripple in social life, but too often no one troubles to notify the local newspaper. Yet these little items are appreciated by the office, and read by everybody. They are not of great importance, but they are part of the fabric of our living. It is impossible for a small newspaper staff to cover adequately any district without a little volunteer help. And “The Liberal” takes this opportunity to acknowledge appreciatively the many volunteers scattered here and there who say to themselves, “Perhaps ‘The Liberal’ would like to know about that.” Whereupon they act.

We thank those many good friends of the community who are kind enough to notify us “when things happen.” They are not only assisting us but are helping to build up an attractive picture for our outside readers. May their number increase!

NEWTONBROOK

The attention of the community between Thornhill and the City Limits is called to the Good Friday Service to be held in the Newtonbrook United Church at 11 a.m. We ought not to forget the price that was paid for the redemption of man. Let us honor Him by our presence at this service. Rev. Gordon A. Sisco, M.A., General Secretary of the United Church is to be the special preacher. The local clergy will take part.

There was a very interesting meeting held last Monday night in connection with the Young People's Union of the United Church with the Lansing Young People as guests of the local society. The meeting took the form of a parliamentary debate, “As Canada's National Peace Policy,” with the Newtonbrook Young People taking the part of the Government and upholding the Bill, while the Lansing society took the opposition. The bill was unanimously sustained. There were about seventy people present.

We hope that all the services being held during Holy Week will be rich in blessing.

We invite those of our community to the Easter Sunday Services in Newtonbrook United Church, Sunday School at 10 a.m. and worship services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The choir will give special music.

Newtonbrook United Church

The Easter Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. was held in the Sunday School room on Tuesday afternoon. Owing to the illness of our President Mrs. Halbert, our first Vice-President Mrs. James Murray presided. The meeting opened with quiet music and a call to worship, and Mrs. Murray reading a suitable Easter poem. The Devotional Worship Service was conducted by Mrs. W. T. New. The Scripture reading was taken from Mark 15th Chapter—first seven verses. There were several hymns sung with prayer in Unison. A reading on Meditation was also given, the theme being “Christ is Risen. Indeed.” Mrs. Murray closed this service with prayer.

Our Christian Stewardship Secretary made a fine appeal for our Thank Offering, saying it was a lone gift, given as a return for God's goodness to us, and God accents our gifts in the spirit in which they are given. An Easter solo “Christ Arose” was very beautifully rendered by Mrs. Frank MacFarlane. Mrs. Murray gave a very fine review of our Study Book, on “Stories that must be Retold.” There were many very touching incidents which made us realize more than ever that we must do our utmost in giving, and our prayers to help these unfortunate people. Mrs. Murray concluded her review with this lovely little poem: Christ has no hands but our hands To do his work to-day;

He has no feet but our feet To lead men in His way.  
He has no tongue but our tongues To tell men how He died.  
He has no help but our help, To bring them to His side.  
At the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

Before the meeting the Finance Committee met and it was decided to increase our givings 10 per cent. over last year's.

NO POSTAGE REQUIRED

A letter addressed to a member of parliament to the House of Commons, Ottawa, when the house is in session, does not require any postage. A letter addressed to the Prime Minister or any Cabinet Minister at Ottawa does not require postage at any time. This also applies to the departments over which the Cabinet Ministers preside. In the case of a registered letter we understand that it is necessary to affix the 10 cent stamp for registration fee.

The town of Pembroke is in default and a supervisor has oversight of its affairs.

JOHN PENDERGAST

John Pendergast, a lifelong resident of Toronto Gore Township died at his home there on Wednesday, March 10th after a long illness. He is survived by his wife formerly Margaret O'Donnell, two daughters, Mrs. M. J. Frawley, Hillsdale and Mrs. M. J. Byrne, Wildfield; five sons Frank and Charles, Toronto, Thomas of Cobourg and William and Edward at home. The funeral took place to St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Wildfield, on Saturday morning.

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The Y.P.U. was withdrawn last Sunday evening so that those who wished might attend the Pageant at Maple United Church.

Messrs. H. Ireland and E. Evans finished sawing and moved their mill to Farr Brothers on the Seventh concession. Upwards of 100,000 feet of lumber were sawed in this district.

While driving his car near Laskay Roy Phillips had the steering gear go wrong. Fortunately no one was injured.

Property near and in Teston has been changing hands. Lorne Melloy's farm has been sold to Mrs. Hamilton, the Windas farm to Mr. Brown, and Ben Corfield's house and lots to Mr. Harold Bowen.

A number of Teston people attended and enjoyed the Amateur program at Edgeley last Friday evening.

Mrs. George Taggart spent a day last week with Mrs. Bates at Vellore.

Mrs. Monk visited Teston friends on Monday last.

Communion Service will be held in the church here on Easter Sunday.

Monday evening, March 22nd, a representative gathering of friends and neighbours met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Ireland to enjoy a social time with them prior to their leaving for their new home at Pine Grove. The evening passed in progressive euchre and other games. Harry Ireland was winner of the gentlemen's prize and Miss Della Diceman captured the lady's prize while the consolation prize went to Mr. Jack Kyle. After lunch was served the gathering was called to order when a fine pair of blankets and a handsome tablecloth was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Ireland by Mr. D. Julian and Mrs. J. Murray. The following address was read by Mrs. D. Julian to which Mr. and Mrs. Ireland responded in happy terms: Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Ireland and family—

Dear Friends:—  
We, a group of your friends, have met here this evening to spend a social hour with you and offer you a small token of our regard for you and yours.

Please accept this gift and as you meet friends in your new home may this gift recall memories of your friends in this community, and we hope it will find a use in your home and a place in your hearts.

Often we will think of you and remember our last social time together. It is the wish of all your old neighbors and friends that your future life in your new home will be full of happiness and prosperity. Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors.

The W. A. met at the home of Mrs. W. Williamson on Wednesday, March 17th, with a good attendance. Rev. Davis gave an Easter talk stressing the place women took at the Crucifixion and Resurrection. The meeting extended best wishes to Mrs. Crofield for a pleasant voyage to Scotland where she will visit her father. Mrs. Crofield thanked the meeting in a few well chosen words.

HEALTH

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SHORT-SIGHTEDNESS

There are people whom one meets in every day life who have never really learned to see. These people are apparently content with their own restricted sphere of vision, totally unaware of the beauty of the world round about them. To them, distant vistas and horizons are a mere blur and beautiful views are only a figment of a poet's imagination.

Eight per cent of children between the ages of 5 and 10 years are near-sighted—that is, they do not see perfectly in the distance. Very often little Johnny is backward at school and accused of being stupid when in reality he may be a potential Einstein. All he needs is a correct pair of glasses so that he can see the blackboard properly.

Sometimes when considerable close work is done during the growing period of childhood, the eyes tend to become more and more near-sighted, until distance vision is greatly restricted and a very dangerous stage is reached when useful vision is reduced and permanent damage may be done. As soon as any tendency toward this condition is observed, all close work should be stopped immediately.

Near-sighted people invariably like to do the things that harm their eyes most. Children whose distance vision is not as good as their playmates often are not so adept in athletics, particularly outdoor pursuits.

They turn to close work and read—by a competent eye physician who ing, which tends to make them more near-sighted, and they become still less fond of athletics. Hence a vicious circle is formed and the end result means poor sight. All such children should be seen by a competent eye physician who has the necessary training and equipment to treat the condition. Why should any child go through life so greatly handicapped when modern science can bring aid to the short-sightedness?

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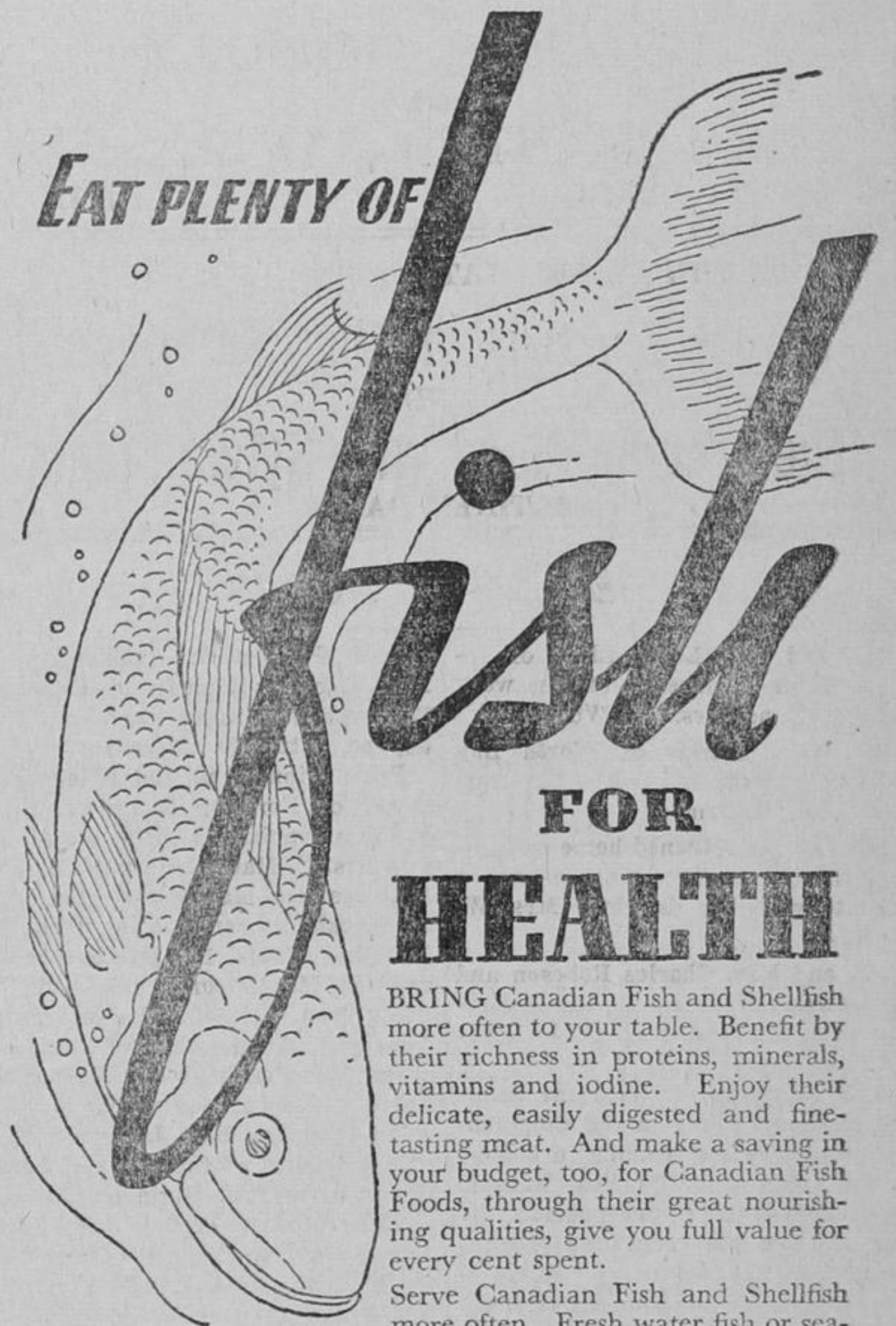
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- 1 1/2 Pounds of fresh fish (cod, halibut or other fish)
- 2 Cupfuls of diced potatoes
- 1 Cupful of diced carrots
- 4 Cupfuls of water
- 1 Pound of salt pork, diced
- 1 Medium onion, chopped
- 2 Tablespoonfuls of flour
- 2 Cupfuls of milk

Salt and pepper to taste  
Remove the skin and bones from the fish and cut into small pieces. Cook the fish, the diced potatoes and the carrots in the water for 15 minutes. Fry the salt pork until crisp, remove the pieces and cook the onion in the fat until tender. Add the flour, stir until well blended and gradually add the milk, stirring until the mixture is smooth and thick. Combine this mixture with the fish and vegetables, season to taste with salt and pepper, simmer for about 10 minutes, stirring frequently and serve hot.

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