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Highway Safety

Thousands of motorists about to start lengthy vacation trips are being warned against "taking the fun out of driving with unnecessary risks".

This friendly warning comes from Arch W. Bryce, general manager of the Canadian Highway Safety Council.

Haste on the highway is waste most of the time and may mean the pleasures of a good holiday destroyed.

You will enjoy your trip much more, and it will be much safer for you, when you take road conditions into account and you adjust your speed to weather conditions. It's also advisable to get out of your car every 100 miles or so to stretch cramped muscles and to restore alertness with a cup of coffee.

"Remember," Mr. Bryce cautioned, "spending long consecutive hours behind the wheel to pile up large mileage in one day invites exhaustion and exposes drivers to becoming victims of 'highway hypnosis'."

For this reason, the practice of regular coffee-breaks by professional truck drivers of large fleet operators is particularly sound, he suggested.

There was no fun in holiday driving for some 750 people who lost their lives last year on Canadian highways between Dominion Day and Labor Day, Mr. Bryce recalled. "Most of them would still be alive if they or someone else had slowed down."

Investment Conservation

Citizens of Richmond Hill and surrounding townships pay an annual levy to help finance the work of the Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. Figured over the entire area the cost is 40 cents per person.

That's the cost of conservation to be levied against each of Metro Toronto and Region's 1,610,860 citizens during the 1960 tax year.

In today's high-cost-of-living world, one cannot buy very much with 40 cents... materially, that is. But there is another side to the coin — the enjoyment and peace of mind afforded by a trip with one's family to a conservation area administered by the Metro Conservation Authority. The excitement and laughter of a small boy as he pulls a squirming speckled trout from the clean waters of a pond at Glen Haffy.

A healthy and educational trek down a nature trail in the Boyd area for a first-hand look at our area's flora and fauna. A swim in Heart Lake or in a stream at Goodwood and a picnic beneath the shady branches of a giant elm.

And in the wintertime, there is skating on the frozen surface of these lakes and streams as well as skiing and

tobogganing on the snowy slopes of the Albion Hills.

All of these things are to be enjoyed only a few miles from your doorstep through the work of your conservation authority.

In addition, your 40 cents buys the following: protection from the annual springtime problem of river valley flooding by means of channel improvements and engineering works; vigilance against the further polluting of our rivers and creeks, and action to return these waterways to their original clean and sparkling state; reforestation of sparsely-treed areas; defeating the inroads of erosion by grassing slopes; building farm ponds and advancing modern land-use techniques.

That 40 cents also helps purchase more land for the development of additional conservation areas for the benefit of you and your family and the protection of our wildlife.

Those four dimes on your tax bill are helping to create a legacy for the future — for your children and your grandchildren, as well as generations to come — so that they will be assured of green grass, shade trees, picnic spots, clean waters and a place in the sun.

FAITH FACTS and

A weekly Comment On
Christian Life And Action

— By Calvin H. Chambers —



"Changing Human Nature"
We often hear the old proverb quoted, "human nature never changes," especially when we feel that a certain situation can never be altered. But, while it is true that human nature of itself never changes, the glory of the Christian gospel is that it can change human nature.

When we stop to think of the wonderful letters which the Apostle Peter wrote to the early Christians, we must recognize this fact. Here was a man who was changed, not by his own efforts, but by the power of the Christian gospel. Peter as we know, was once a hot headed, impetuous, know-it-all disciple. One of the inner circle of Christ's disciples, he did not hes-

itate to "correct" Jesus, if he felt He was going "astray." With loving patience our Lord had to put up with this man who might have exasperated most of us. In fact, it was to this man that Jesus addressed the immortal words, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock, I will build my Church." He was able to say this to Peter, because Peter had recognized in Christ the truth of God's revelation, "Thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God." In spite of the fact that Peter denied Christ, and went back to his fishing nets hating himself, our Lord appeared to him again. He gave him another chance to dedicate himself to the service of His Kingdom, when He said, "Simon Peter, lovest thou me more than

these?" Peter's reply has been the inspiration of untold numbers of people who have felt the wonder and joy of being given another chance. "Lord, Thou knowest all things, thou knowest that I love Thee."

The power of Christ's love, transformed this man at the very root of his being. That love, like powerful dynamite, blew his pride, self-righteousness, and unthinking zeal, to "smithereens." Peter was changed, not by self effort, but by impact of Christ's love.

We are living in a day when applied psychology is stressed in every area of life. We try to bring about changes in our children by using "child" psychology. Every businessman has to be alert to the field of good public relations. We have become past masters at getting what we want by using the right technique in breaking down another's resistance.

But, in spite of the fact that we have amazing insight into what makes a human being "tick," and how to get the best out of a person, we cannot change human nature with anything less than love. God's love, in action through us, is the only thing which in the last analysis can break down barriers in a person's life, and produce a change which is at once revolutionary and transforming.

Jesus Christ is the Great Transformer. To come under the power of His love, is to find the old habits, outlooks, attitudes, breaking up, only to be remolded into new habits, outlooks, attitudes. Christ's love always changes for good. The trouble with us, and with all humanity, is that we resist change. How different our world at every level would be, if man would give up fighting against the love of God, and begin yielding to Him, for God is love. It is not exaggeration to say that we would witness miracles of change on the international, national, community and personal scene. If we let that love begin transforming us, our selfishness, pride, self-righteousness, then we will not doubt its power to change others.

BRADFORD — In its first year as a town, Bradford Council last week revealed that the treasury has a cash surplus of \$54,000. Its 1960-61 commercial mill rate will be 70 mills while the residential rate will be 65 mills.

Designer Of Canada

(by Loraine Porter)

That first July in 1867 belonged to Sir John Alexander Macdonald, a Scot moulded in Canada. He was born in Glasgow on January 11, 1815, but his parents moved to Canada when he was five years old. The new country offered the potential political genius opportunities that his quick mind eagerly grasped, and at twenty-one he was called to the bar in Upper Canada.

The progressive young Tory, with the big nose and the sardonic smile, had a mind of his own, and early in life decided that his adopted country had the right to govern itself. He had an opportunity to assert his belief at the time of the repeal of duties on wheat in England and the subsequent wane of the grain trade. Canada's Tories and some Liberals signed a manifesto declaring for annexation to the United States. John A. Macdonald refused to sign. He was determined to save Canada's inheritance, and his strong nationalism well qualified him for the role of chief orator of our national structure.

Boundless vitality and drive, great vision and ability to lead men were his tools in building Canada's political framework.

Buoyant courage, sparkling wit, cheery optimism and remarkable resiliency were his weapons against poor health and lack of money as he worked toward his objective — the confederation of an undeveloped, but potentially mighty Canada. And along the

path to his goal he played the leading role in transforming Toryism into Liberal-Conservatism.

Sir John wanted for Canada that same esteem of property, and its distinction of rank, that England possessed, and under the British North America Act, the new federal union fashioned its institutions from the pattern of the constitutional history of the British Empire. Parliament, with its legislative power, had two houses — the Senate and the House of Commons. The Governor-General was the executive authority.

After Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, and Ontario united on July first, 1867, Macdonald concentrated on the task of completing Confederation. Four years later, when British Columbia joined the union, Canada became a Dominion from sea to sea.

However, the peoples of the united countries had slight acquaintance of each other and Macdonald toiled to his mid-seventies at the task of welding them into a nation. His plan was to bind the people together by railways. In consolidating Canada by means of transcontinental railways he hoped to protect his adopted country from outside domination.

He encouraged settlers to populate the Dominion's empty spaces in the west, and in this way he made Canada recognized abroad. He built up an economy for the benefit of Canadians and during the depression of the 1870's he proved the power and popularity of his policy of economic nationalism.

There was not only pride of achievement in politics for this great nationalist, but also pleasure in every day living. Macdonald enjoyed theatres and concerts, and attended many at home and in London, England. He liked stimulating conversation with well-informed people. His easy-going urbanity and high spirits won him many friends across the Dominion and abroad. In early days Macdonald was hard-drinking and hot-tempered at times. But he always rose to the occasion when his country needed him because he had the imagination to understand nineteenth century Canada and her national requirements.

On June 6, 1891, John A. Macdonald died. He was buried in Kingston where so long ago he started to practice law. The Father of Confederation was dead, but his creation was designed to grow ever grander.

To the very end the boy from Glasgow was intent on Canada's business. He gave a lifetime of public service to the building of a nation.

His heart and his intellect belonged to Canada.

The first of July belongs to Sir John A. Macdonald.

"Dear Mr. Editor"

THE SOARING TAX RATE

Dear Mr. Editor:
After over four years of life in the "Hill" — pleasant years during which I've come to feel like an old resident — so rapid has been the growth of this fair town; it is rather disturbing to be shocked out of one's suburban complacency by the realization that one is apparently aboard a rudderless ship, rapidly heading for the financial rocks!

After the wild slashings of the budget preliminaries it was reasonable to expect that the ordinary 'Joe' was going to get through the next year with a shirt on his back — a 20% Tax Hike is guaranteed to ensure that he won't, and this was a budget cut to the bone! Some of our councillors are not happy about the cuts; as a taxpayer, I'm not happy about the bone — it sort of sticks in the gullet! It is not made any the more palatable by the fact that successive councils show no sign of learning from the mistakes of their predecessors.

But let us forget the wastes and mistakes of the past which made a laughing stock out of the good people of Richmond Hill. Let us begin to act like a responsible community where our finances are concerned. It will not be easy, the Dragon of Educational Costs has yet to meet a St. George capable of a deflationary thrust; a road of some description must be put through to the main residential areas of the town — obviously some money must be spent.

However, there is incredible talk around town, of going to work again on the recently finished Municipal Buildings and it is even whispered — air conditioning; all \$20,000 worth of it — never let it be said, that a drop of honest sweat trickled on my tax ledger.

It may well be that council only gets its hand on 25 per cent of the loot, as stated by the Mayor, but let us preserve some sanity in the spending of it. Quite obviously something has to be done, many of us simply do not subscribe to the theory that fifty or sixty dollars a year will be tacked on to tax payments, ad infinitum.

We need a crusade against waste and inefficiency it would seem the businessmen are prepared to start one — but let's forget the partisan spirit sure our council is a 'commuter' council but whether we like it or not, we are a dormitory town — a commuter's town — representation may not be balanced now, but there's a remedy and plenty of support for the right policy.

It might be a good idea for "The Liberal" to report to its readers, the real facts behind this town hall business, who on council originated the idea — who is pushing it? All in all, we must register a protest that will be heard — and heeded.

In the name of common sense, let us make it clear to our elected representatives, that no Councillor, Reeve, Deputy Reeve, or Mayor will survive for a second term, who does not bear uppermost in his or her mind, the grim fact that the limit has been reached.

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(First of Two Articles on Safe Boating)
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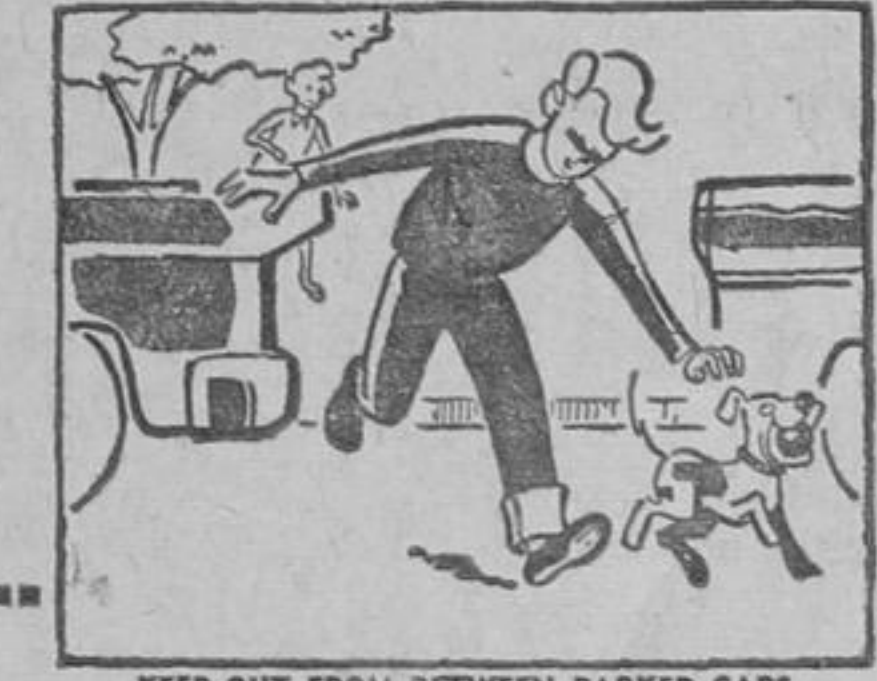
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