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WHY NOT TRY THE PLAN?

Again The Advance would ask the question:-Why not use present opportunity to assist in the development of the North's china clay deposits? North of Cochrane there are large deposits of china clay reported. It is several years since these deposits were first reported by competent authorities. The quality of the clays is said to be superior to most known bodies of the kind. Some years ago it was said that the deposits north of Cochrane were only equalled by two other fields, one owned by British interests and the other by Czechoslovakia. Perhaps, because the deposits were not common, there has been delay in developing them. At the present time, conditions in the world seem to present an ideal opportunity for the speeding up of the development of the North's china clay deposits. In the use of this material, Czechoslovakia was one of the leaders of the world. In recent months Czechoslovakia has been robbed of its pottery and allied industries. The Germans who stole these industries, however, find themselves unable to carry them on with the same success as was shown by the Czechoslovakian experts. This means that the field for these wares is open in the world. At the same time the Czechoslovakian experts who made a success of the industries in their own country have been driven from the field by the Nazi despoilers. Why not bring to Canada a few of these experts and have them take up in earnest the development of the deposits north of Cochrane? Why not transplant the Czechoslovakian industries in this line to Canada? There is every reason to believe that the Czechoslovakian experts would make a success of it. They would be inspired by many special impulses. If they could not develop the industries here, it would only be because such development was impossible. It would not cost much to try the plan-a few thousand dollars would determine the question beyond doubt. It would appear to be a mistake to delay the matter until the Czechoslovakian experts find other fields of endeavour. Canada has already a number of people from Czechoslovakia and has found them excellent citizens. Timmins has it quota of these New Canadians and has every reason to be satisfied with these good people. The way in which the Bata Shoe Company is planning and progressing in regard to the establishment of a shoe factory in Canada is evidence of the enterprise and business ability of these people. Canada needs new industries, more population of the right type more work for the people here. The opportunity presented by present conditions should be accepted at once and to the fullest extent.

ANOTHER SCOTTISH JOKE

There was once reason to believe that all the jokes on the Irishmen were made by impecunious Englishmen in Fleet Street, London, that jokes on the negro were the work of the Irish, and that all the German jokes were made by witty Frenchmen or French-speaking Belgians. But for many years it has been known for an unquestioned fact that all the jokes about the Scottish have been made by the Scottish folk themselves. Tradition has it that there is a large factory in Aberdeen where all the genuine Scottish jokes are made by wholesale and shipped all over the world. The ingredients are free but there is a regular schedule of prices for the different types of jokes. The meaner the Scot in the joke the higher the price. The story of the meanest Scot has not yet been released, because other nations are all too mean to pay the price for that one. It may also be noted that the Scots are the world's leaders in co-operation and Scots all over the world gather up all the Scottish jokes going the rounds, and when they are worn out in one locality they ship them back to the Aberdeen factory to be polished up again and issued once more to a simple world at the regular rates. Scots the wide world over never hesitate to make a joke or pass along a joke at their own expense because they know that sooner or later it will land in the Aberdeen factory for revitalizing and then honest Scots will have a chance to make an honest penny from it.

In recent years there has been a tendency on the part of Scots and other intellectuals to look for the Aberdeen trademark on any joke about the Scots. Accordingly, there was some puzzlement last week when despatches from overseas told the story of the German poet, Will Vesper, and his attitude to the Scots. Was this a genuine Scots joke? Or was it the evil work of some humorous Sassenach? The only way to determine the true inwardness of the matter is to dis- New York World's Fair. For the information of was no singer, but agreed to write out the Japan- week gave the ruling that a husband who calls his sect the whole joke, take it up clause by clause, those who know nothing but what they hear over ese words, if the local clergyman would sing them. follow its logic, and then decide whether it be true the radio it is stated here that "Esperanto" is This proved satisfactory to all concerned—until or false. No ordinary joke can stand that pre- what is termed a "universal language." It is a the significance of the words struck the audience, than this Solomon, however, who pointed out that

This Germanic Will Vesper is quoted as saying that the "Scots are the healthiest, most respectable and most Germanic people in the British Isles." No true Scot would say that even in joke. They are far too modest and unassuming for that. No humourous Scot would boast about his health or respectability any more than he would flaunt the beauties of Scotland in the face of the rest of the miserable world. These are things the world must know without the telling, or the world must be stupid, indeed. The farthest any Scot would go in reminding the world of the facts suggested would be no more than a gentle hint, like than contained in the Scotsman's prayer. where the Scots are casually referred to as "God's own chosen people." As for the Scots being "Germanic" that is ridiculous. The Scots were a cultured and progressive people when the Germans were mere savages, little better than they are today. Seriously, it may be added that no nation on the face of the earth is as little "Germanic" or "Nazi" as the Scottish, who in their hearts love freedom and independence above all else, and hate regimentation and tyranny to the very death.

In the statement of Will Vesper that "the Scots are the last sound national strength that still exists on the British Isles," Scots will see that here is no Scots humour. The word "last" is entirely unnecessary. No Scots humorist would have inserted it. Any good Scot will admit that there are a few splendid Englishmen and brilliant Irishmen and a host of gallant Canadians and enterprising Australians and brave men and women of other nationalities in the Empire. In a generous moment the Scot might even agree that the Empire might get along without the Scots, but he would have to admit that it wouldn't get along so well. But the German who thinks that the Empire is decadent, except for the Scots, is no poet, no humorist-but just plain fool.

It is in Nazi Vesper's proposal that Germany ban all jokes against the Scottish that the Scots will see the complete lack of Scots humour, however. The Scots people never had any sensitiveness about the jokes at their expense. Such jokes cost them nothing—and bring in a revenue. The Scots know they are good jokes because they make them themselves. The Scots know that it is an intelligent world—because the Scots are all over it. Consequently, the world must see that if it is a joke to say that the Scots are mean, for example, then the truth must be that the Scots are generous-probably free-handed would be a bet-

approach the humorous when he suggests that the Jews are at the bottom of most of the jokes spread about the Scots. He claims that the Jews Great War and with the expiditionary hate the Scots and use the medium of jokes to defame them. "That is reason enough," this professing poet says, "for us and our press no longer to provide foolish jokes to the advantage of these Jewish proselytes. Therefore, away with jokes about the Scots." As a matter of fact, the Jews Kirkland Lake for July 19, are expectand the Scots are friends the world over. Why ed to re-nominate the present memshouldn't they be? Both their histories go back ber, Walter Little, of the gold camp to the flood, the Jews being saved in Noah's Ark, been announced on behalf of the C.C.F. and several of the Scottish clans, according to it is understood they plan a convention B. A., No. 677 paraded to church ser-Scottish tradition having boats of their own. Scots and Jews the world over have always exchanged jokes. If this barter stopped at jokes, there may be a reason. It is true that there are no Jews in the joke factory at Aberdeen, but at Cappie Lang, are spending a holiday the same time many a good joke on the Jews has visiting friends in Pembroke. been told by a Jew to a Scotsman and later has travelled back to the factory at Aberdeen to be dressed up in the kilt and returned to the world as a joke on the Scots-and duly charged for. It was a genial Jew in Timmins who used to tell the story of the Scotsman and Jew who went into partnership in business and both went blindtrying to watch each other. More than once since then that story, dressed in different tartans, has brought revenue to the factory at Aberdeen.

If the idea of the German poet is to create animosity between the Jew and the Scot, he will fai dismally. The Scot and the Jew understand each other, respect each other, appreciate each other. They know that there is room enough in the world for both of them, though it may crowd things a little for the duller nations.

As to banning jokes on the Scots in Germany that would be the culminating ignominy for the German people. The people of Germany have the incident of the Tower of Babel. been robbed of freedom, of property, of the best of life. There is no need to consider the sensitiveness of the Scots in the matter. The Scots "can take it"-have taken it for generations. If Scottish jokes are banned in Germany it will not be in that language. Despatches say that the first for any consideration for the Scots, but for all lack of consideration for the poor oppressed German people.

To sum it all up, this proposal of the Nazi Vesper does not bear the hall mark of Scottish humour, but there is reason to suspect that it will travel round and round and eventually land in the Aberdeen factory to be re-clothed and issued forth again as genuine Scots humour and rightly chargeable as such. And any Scot can see the humour in all that.

SINGING ESPERANTO

to sing the Japanese anthem in the Japanese lan-One day last week was "Esperanto Day" at the guage. He refused to sing on the plea that he cedure. But nothing can kill the true Scots joke. proposed world language to replace or reinforce The first two lines of the supposed national an- some things are lawful, but not expedient.



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General Swift to Stand for Liberal Nomination

Englehart, July 8-Announcment that Brigadier-General A.E. Swift, of Dane plans to throw his political hat into the forthcoming Dominion general election as a candidate in the Temiskaming riding, indicates there probably will be four men in the field seeking the ballots of the voters when the appeal to the country is made by the Mackenzie King government. - The Conservatives already are prepared with their nominee the Liberals follow suit in less than two weeks, and Labor is expected to be represented in the fight

General Swift, who has had a distinguished career with the permanent military forces of Canada, has intimated that he is prepared to contest the riding as a Liberal-Soldier candidate He has been a resident of the district It must be admitted that this Will Vesper does for many years and is well-known through this section of Northern Ontario. General Swift saw service with the Canadian forces in the Boer War, the force sent to Siberia. He said today that he would enter the list when the election is called

Conservatives this week chose Gerald D. O'Meara to be their representative in the electoral tattle, and Liberals who have announced a convention centre. While nothing official has yet for some time this month, probably in vice at the Timmins United Church candidate at this election.

Mrs. Wils. Lang and daughter, Miss of local lodges.

Esperanto was invented by Dr. Zamenhof in

1878, and first published in 1887. Its word roots

are taken from a number of European languages,

its grammar is said to be simple, with few rules,

and its spelling is entirely phonetic. There is a

world congress to decide on its rules and regula-

tions, and it has been endorsed by many leading

men of many nations. Despite all this however,

it makes but slow progress in general acceptance.

The ordinary people of the ordinary nations pre-

fer their own language with all its drawbacks to

the proposed new universal language. Apparent-

ly the world is not yet ready for the reversal of

was used in an effort to publicize and popularize

late "Yankee Doodle" into Esperanto and sing it

verse of "Yankee Doodle" in Esperanto was as fol-

Ridu, ridu-ho, ho, ho!

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Kaj citm restu sana.

language.

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Baby Boy Struck by Train at Hoyle Dies from Injuries

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Ronald Noel, the little nineteenmonths-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Noel of Hoyle, was the victim of a terrible accident at Hoyle on Friday evening. A freight train coming north hit the little fellow as he was sitting on the railway tracks near his home.

The child was thrown fifty feet by the engine and received injuries to the head of a nature which caused his death three hours later in the Porcupine Hospital here.

The freight men picked up the child and brought him to South Porcupine where Dr. Atkinson was notified of the accident and was waiting to receive him. He was taken immediately to the hospital but death ensued. The skull was fractured with injury to the brain, Burial took place on Saturday afternoon in Tisdale cemetery from Hunk-

all other languages, so that anybody and every- them in the Japanese tongue was written by the

body anywhere and everywhere can talk to any- humourous missionary as follows:body else and everybody else anywhere else and O, wa ta fu liam everywhere else, or words to that effect in any A fu liam!

Oppressed by the intense heat last week the editor of The Peterborough Examiner broke into a wild outburst of song as follows:

I'd like to be the ice man,

And with the ice man stand: A lump of ice upon my head,

Another in my hand."

The heat being equally oppressive in Toronto the editor of The Toronto Telegram praises the poem but questions its sense. "Why, if the Peter- months preceding the expiration of the borough editor were the iceman?" pathetically asks The Telegram, "would he want to with the Esperanto Day at the New York World's Fair iceman stand?" The answer of course is that he would be beside himself with the heat. It is al-Esperanto. One of the methods used was to trans- ways a pleasure to answer questions.

Several comments have been made recently or the great improvement in the appearance of the Timmins cemetery. Not only is the cemetery cared for now in more Christian fashion than was the case in past years, but there have been no thefts of flowers from the graves nor other damage done as in some other seasons. The improvement must On the face of it, this doesn't seem as if it be credited to the appointment some months ago would do much to popularize either Esperanto or of a cemetery board. Although this board has Yankee Doodle. Indeed, it would not appear to do little money to work with, a regular caretaker is much to make many people believe that either of on hand at all times to guard the cemetery from them were particularly deserving of popularity. vandals while, at the same time effort is being To some it may recall the case of the returned made to improve and beautify the cemetery gen-I missionary who was also a jokester. He was urged erally.

> Magistrate Charles Solomon of New York last wife names in the privacy of their own home is not guilty of disorderly conduct. It was a greater

MISCELLANEOUS

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FRANK C. EVANS, -30-54M

Treasurer.

Quebec Allows Reduced Rental on Mining Claims

Quebec. July 8-Special to The Advance. A law passed during last session of the Legislature gives the Minister of Mines and Fisheries with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, the power to reduce from July 1st, 1939, to 25 cents an acre the exisible rent for the issuance and renewal of Development Licenses; and according to an order-in-council dated June 2nd, 1939, the reduction is authorized for one year dating from July 1st, 1939.

To have the right to this reduction the owner of the claims or the bearer when he will be on location with his workmen to carry it out.



A. H. PAGE whose appointment as Canada Life representative for Timmins and district has just been announced by the Head Office of that company.