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Notes and Comments

State Intervention is Bad

State intervention in the economic life of the individual and of the nation was announced as a step to conditions existing in countries under the dictators by W.H. Moore M.P. addressing a banquet of Whitby Chamber of Commerce last week.

To show one of the results of state intervention in the country's economic life for the benefit of any one class Mr. Moore cited the federal legislation better known as farm credit. The government dispensed it broadly over the country and politicians sang its praises throughout the country.

Berlin Says "Uncle Shylock"

During the heat of the threatened war over the world we were listening one evening to a speaker from Berlin, Germany, after having heard speakers from Paris and London. The German broadcast told of conditions in the big centre, then made reference to German views on outside reaction to the stand of Hitler.

Peace and the People (The Monitor)

Mobilized peace sentiment was the most notable feature of last week's crisis. Every observer is agreed, that never has popular insistence on peace been so powerful. Benito Mussolini has never been able by the wildest war talk to evoke the enthusiasm he won as a peacemaker.

The British Prime Minister, reporting to the House of Commons, himself declares:

The strongest force of all was the unmistakable sense of unanimity among the peoples of the world that war somehow must be averted.

There can be no doubt about the people's pressure for peace. But there must remain a doubt whether war was averted at Munich. Unless it be assumed both that Chancellor Hitler would have gone to war and that the present absence of open hostilities can be converted into genuine peace, that doubt persists.

About the first it is now useless to debate, although for future guidance it may be useful to find out whether Herr Hitler knew that he would not have to go to war before he committed himself. About the second, it is probably necessary for the present to wait and see what results Mr. Chamberlain's method of friendly consultation produces.

In the Commons debate Mr. Duff Cooper and Mr. Eden urged another method—resistance. They believe that mobilization of the fleet and the declaration that Britain, France and Russia would support Czechoslovakia if attacked were better instruments than concessions.

It must be said that earlier concessions have not achieved a firm peace. Since 1933 the world has increased its expenditures for arms from \$4,000,000,000 to \$17,000,000,000. And almost before the Munich ink is dry demands are heard for vast new increases. That is one measure of how much "peace" has been made. Yet Mr. Chamberlain believes that Munich was only a prelude; that it opens the way to genuine appeasement and then to disarmament.

There is certainly the hope that German desire for expansion can be fully occupied in peaceable lines for some time to come. Whether it will be peaceable whether real appeasement is possible should be clear in another year. If by then there is not such a gain in security that the nations are at least ready to abandon the arms race it should be apparent that some return must be made to the collective security ideal and that there must be a firm stand before consultation can be really friendly and peace-producing.

The people can well keep up the pressure for peace. It is clear that Munich did not fully express their desires or satisfy them. It hardly did more than reflect an aversion of war. That aversion is not the same thing as a positive peace purpose. It can be exploited and abused by any threat of war. It furnishes no firm foundation for a peace of justice, reason, and honor. It is no more than a "peace panic." But the people have aspirations for genuine peace. They will make sacrifices for it. When the crisis was at its height it was not the people who flinched. And they can find ways to make effective this just desire for peace.

Pickering Farmer Heads Ontario County Liberals

Pickering Township Farmer New Party Head—Mac Forsyth A Vice-President

James Heffering, well known farmer in the Township of Pickering, is the new president of the Ontario Riding Liberal Association, succeeding W. A. Dryden, of Brooklin, who resigned when he became general manager of the Royal Winter Fair. Mr. Heffering was elected at a mass meeting of the Liberals of the riding held in Whitby, called primarily for the election of officers. He was opposed by Joseph P. Mangan, K.C., of Oshawa, who has been the vice-president since Mr. Dryden's resignation, and has carried on the duties of that office in a very creditable manner. It fell to his lot to preside over the party destinies in the riding during the last provincial election.

Others in nomination for the office of president were Lyman A. Gifford, reeve of East Whitby and Warden of Ontario County; Walter A. Thompson, of Pickering; Mayor Fred T. Rowe, of Whitby. All announced their retirement after making brief addresses, leaving it a straight fight between Mr. Heffering and Mr. Mangan. Election was by ballot, with Mrs. A. W. Bell of Oshawa, in the chair.

Mr. Mangan told the meeting that he had been vice-president for a year and had received splendid co-operation from the people of the riding. He had intended up until a few days ago not to stand for president but on the insistence of many of his friends he had decided to allow his name to go before the convention.

Walter Thompson of Pickering, announced that he would stand for president. He said that in his travels he had heard many complaints about the Liberal party in Ontario, and from various quarters he had heard it asked when the party in the province of Ontario was "going to have a convention, something that had not happened for many years. Meetings of this kind," Mr. Thompson said, "assure cause they arouse and keep alive the interest in the party." Mr. Thompson pleaded that in the party councils youth be given a chance. The president of the party in this riding should be elected for only one year, for the man who fills the office must give constant, consistent and hard effort. A one-year term would give youth a chance to serve. Mr. Thompson, answering a charge that he had been a disturber in the party, said that the party needed disturbers and rebels who would keep the issues of the day before the people.

Warden Lyman A. Gifford said that he was not a candidate, but expressed the opinion that with all due respect to Mr. Mangan who had served the party faithfully and well, and because it was likely that J. C. Anderson of Oshawa would be re-elected secretary, he did not think that the president and secretary should be in Oshawa. "I say that it is not fair to the rural sections," Mr. Gifford declared.

Mr. Heffering, said that he had heard some time ago that Mr. Mangan would not stand for president and in that event he had decided to stand. It was not until a few days ago that he heard again that Mr. Mangan was in the field. He had, however at the request of many of the party followers in the riding, decided to allow his name to go before the convention. If elected he would give the Association the best service he was capable of.

The election for president was announced as follows: Heffering, 176; Mangan, 109; 3 spoiled ballots.

Other officers of the Association elected were:

Honorary President—W. H. Moore, M.P.; Dunbarton; W. E. N. Sinclair, K.C., Oshawa; F. L. Fowke, ex-M.P., Oshawa; R. R. Mowbray, Brooklin; Theodore King, Whitby; Miss M. Sleep, bring results.

Whitby, Honourable G. D. Conant, K.C., Oshawa; Samuel Jeffrey, Port Perry and W. A. Dryden, Brooklin.

Vice-Presidents—Joseph P. Mangan, K.C., Oshawa; Mrs. A. W. Bell, Oshawa; Arthur J. Carnegie, Port Perry; Miss Grace Davis, Port Perry; Duncan B. McIntyre, Whitby; Leslie McLaughlin, Oshawa, Malcolm Forsyth, Claremont.

Frank Gerrow, of Scugog, was elected treasurer, J. C. Anderson, Oshawa, was elected secretary. Reports from every municipality were presented and adopted. These reports contained the names of the chairman of each municipal organization, polling sub-division chairman and deputies.

It is understood that the executive reported above, together with the chairmen of the organization in each municipality, make the complete executive.

CREATIVE THINKING DECLARED RARITY

"There is very little creative thinking in our schools," Professor Thomas H. Mitchell told a meeting of the Markham Women's Institute in session late last week. He urged a program of adult education to occupy the leisure time of citizens.

"One out of every 20 adults thinks creatively," said Doctor Mitchell. "We need better division of labor and rest and we need leaders who can think."

Hiking as a hobby was suggested by the speaker. Hobbies are more safeguards, he said.

Presbyterian Young People Convene

Knox Presbyterian Church, Toronto, last weekend was thronged by more than 1,000 members of the Ontario Presbyterian Young Peoples' Society gathered there for their fifth annual convention.

"Crusading for Christ" was the theme from which the delegates drew ideas and inspiration, and Rev. M. B. Davidson, M.A., D.D., of Galt, presented these ideas, while Rev. J. G. Inkster, B.B., D.D., of Knox Church, welcomed the delegates and conducted the Sunday morning Communion Service. Mission work was presented by Rev. William Thomas, M.A., of Cook's Church, Toronto, and a large group of missionaries on furlough. Rev. J. Buchanan, M.D., D.D., of India, and Rev. R.E.G. Dennys, B.A., of Toronto, were featured speakers. Many other ministers, laymen, and young people spoke.

At the Sunday evening Rally Service held in Cooke's Church, the 200-voice Toronto Bible College Choir lead in the singing. This service was open to all.

Fellowship was provided by several activities, notably the Saturday evening banquet in the Royal York Hotel, when Rev. D. T. L. McKerrill, B.A., D.D., of Niagara-on-the-Lake, and former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, was the speaker and part of the programme was broadcast. Tour of the city, including Casa Loma, the museum, etc., and a recreational evening was interspersed among the sessions.

Discussions on young people's work, business and missions provided many ideas for future work, and finals in Bible Drama and public speaking contests will furnish further interest.

ALFRED HILL BURIED

Funeral services for Alfred E. Hill, 76, were held from the home of his son-in-law, Freeman Allen, 3rd concession, Whitchurch. Interment was in Aurora cemetery. His wife predeceased him.

Reparations Next!

Germany to Make Claims on Little Nation for Alleged Wrongs

A Foreign Office spokesman announces that the International Commission supervising cession of the Sudetenland to Germany was confronted by new difficulties in delimitation of the fifth zone of occupation and "the question of reparations for injustices inflicted by the Czechs on the Sudetens since 1918."

As the commission resumed its discussions last week spokesman indicated progress might be difficult from this point on.

"Hitherto it was easy, as the four zones (to be occupied by the German army before Oct. 8) were already fixed at Munich and only certain technical details remained," he said.

"The fifth zone will prove more difficult. Also there is the question of reparations for the injustices inflicted by the Czechs upon the Sudetens since 1918."

Previously an inspired source close to the foreign office indicated such reparations "would be demanded of Czechoslovakia just as soon as the Sudetenland was completely in German hands."

"The reparations, it was said, will be claimed not only on grounds of justice but also in the interests of peace."

These sources pointed out that it was essential that conditions be created for an amicable relationship between Germany and Czechoslovakia. Both nations, it was argued, desire to live as good neighbors to the other.

But a semi-official commentator asserted this goal could not be reached if "Czechizations" in the Sudeten areas undertaken since 1918—when the Czechoslovak republic was born—are overlooked.

It was indicated that Germany would not consider the Sudeten question solved unless reparations were paid.

There was no indication immediately of the amount of reparations to be claimed or on what basis or how they are to be paid.

Germany has taken over millions of dollars worth of public buildings, fortifications, etc; without paying one cent for them.

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POTATO CROP IS HEADACHE FOR FARMERS

Arroostook County Production About 50 Million Bushels, May Not Meet Costs.

Caribou, Me.—Farmers of Arroostook County estimate that the season's potato digging will amount to about 50,000,000 bush. That sounds like a lot of potatoes and it should mean a lot of cash to the county's 6,000 growers, but they say it doesn't.

Pessimistic Arroostook farmers say the average price a barrel of potatoes will realize this fall is 50 cents. And the Maine Agricultural Department reports that it costs the farmers \$1.57 1/2 for each 165-pound barrel of potatoes by the time they are ready for the market. Many farmers, however, put part of their crop in storage to wait until the price goes up a bit. They are charged 20 cents a barrel for storage, but by December until March they should get from \$2 to \$3 a barrel and so are able to break almost even.

Advertisement for 'GAIN SLENDER BEAUTY SAFELY on new energy-building BREAD DIET!' featuring a woman in a dress and a detailed menu for the diet plan.