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**Notes and Comments**

**It's Spring Clean-up Time Again**

Now that the snow and ice have gone, and the warm sunshine is making the world bright again, and our thoughts turn to springtime, there is that call to clean-up-paint-up, and beautify. During the long winter months when we liked to sit before the fire place or toast our feet at the kitchen stove, dust gathered in the cellar. There has been a deterioration of paint on the outside of the house, and our buildings generally have become a little shabby. Mothers of families are busy housecleaning, windows are being thrown open, and curtains are fluttering in the breeze, rugs are being beaten, and the house turned inside out. Why not the same on the outside? If we beautify our homes, our lawns, our gardens, we create a pride and an enjoyment in our environment which brings a real uplift to our mental attitude.

Stouffville with its paved thoroughfare, well kept lawns, and flower beds has the distinction of being one of the prettiest towns between Toronto and the north country, and it is hoped that every citizen will do his or her part toward even more beautification this spring.

**Top Pay for Railway Employees**

Railway engineers driving trains between Brockville and Montreal draw a pay of \$20.70 for a ten hour return run, it was revealed before the special Senate Committee last week. Not bad wages for a company (C.N.R.) to pay when running behind at the rate of a million dollars per week. The loose manner in which government business is handled is a bigger threat against democracy than either Hitler or Mussolini. The C.N.R. is to build an eighteen million dollar depot in Montreal which could be done without or left until the railway earnings warrant the expenditure. As it stands the money will come from the pockets of the tax-payers.

**Paid Your Income Tax ?**

You are reminded that last Monday was the last day for filing income tax returns and paying the first instalment on your income. It is regrettable if this proved disturbing or caused you to stay home from your first of May fishing expedition, but the law must be complied with. It provides stiff penalties for non-compliance.

It's too bad, but the government needs the money—it has so many expenses, the Canadian National Railway loses are enormous. Your income tax, together with that of 200,000 other individuals will provide a lot of revenue this year—probably about \$35,000,000. That is a fistful, but the loss of the C.N.R. have to be met.

In just four months, the cost of the government owned railway will eat up as much money as will be paid by individuals by income tax this year. The cost for the other eight months must be provided from other source. What a job Mr. Dunning has!

**The Canadian Weeklies**

Last Friday and Saturday the Ontario and Quebec division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association met at Ottawa. The annual gathering is a reminder of the fine arts played by the weekly press, according to the Toronto Daily Star, which comments further: "The weekly paper in your town performs a service which some city people are apt to underestimate. They underestimate too, perhaps, the importance of the smaller communities in which many of the weeklies are published. These communities supply the nation with more than their share of the country's foremost men and women; leaders in the professions, in business life, in public life.

The Star continues: "The weeklies are closer to their field and to the life of the people than any metropolitan newspaper can hope to be. Their writers know personally many of those about whom they write. They have their fingers upon the community pulse. They are in touch with the men and women of their constituency to a degree which in a larger constituency is not possible. And they learn to be accurate. If there is a mistake in a name or an initial or in the facts about a local gathering, they soon hear about it. So the training afforded by a weekly newspaper is invaluable in its relation to the realities of human experience and the importance of faithful reporting.

A metropolitan newspaper cultivates its field "extensively; a weekly, "intensively". The former reaches out into the far corners of the world for news of what is happening there. The latter concentrates on its own district in a way which city papers cannot possibly do. Instead of foreign correspondents it has close-to-home correspondents—country correspondents, they are called—who send it weekly budgets of news from places round about. These rural part-time newspaper men and women make a genuine contribution to the paper which they serve, and some of them serve it for a life-time. They give it a home touch which the metropolitan press cannot provide.

One of the finest men which weekly newspapers ever gave to Toronto or to any other city was the late Joseph T. Clark, editor of The Star—and on this paper there are many others who have had their training in the smaller centres. Mr. Clark was one-time editor and publisher of the Pickering News.

It is fitting, therefore, that a trophy which the publisher of The Star is donating to the Canadian Weekly Newspaper's Association for annual competition should be a Jos. T. Clark memorial, and so named. It is awarded to the best all-round newspaper published in a town of 1500 or less. This year being won by the Stouffville Tribune will probably be presented by the late Mr. Clark's talented son, Mr. Gregory Clark. It is a symbol not only of the late Joe Clark's affection for the brethren of the weeklies, but of the Star's continued appreciation of their splendid service to their communities." The Star concludes.

**THE PINCHER PINCHED**

It appears that the law is no respecter of persons, when it reached out and landed a blue paper on Constable Ben Gayman of Markham township, as this officer was in the act of escorting a victim of his own arrest to the Don institute. Constable Gayman who was transporting Ross Norton of Unionville to the Toronto bastille, on a charge of deserting his family, and was in full police regalia, was served a summons on Monday for speeding within the city limits.

**FISH RUNNING MEANS SUMMER AT LAKE**

Summer came to the Lake Simcoe district last week despite cool winds and cloudy skies. The annual run of perch,

came swarming up the Maskinonge river and residents were stampeding for their favorite spots with hook and line.

They came with a rush after the ice went out of the bay last week and good fishing is in full swing. When it's fishing time it's summer time up here," said Andy Cameron who runs the boat-house south of the Lake.

The three Unionville lads who went on a spree with a revolver in the Crosby Memorial Rink last week were put on six months probation Monday when they appeared before Magistrate Keith in County Police Court. The trio must also make good the damage done the arena.

Send The Tribune to absent friends.

**Sunday School Lesson**

**Approach to the Lesson**

A hard field presents a challenge to the man of faith in which he delights. He knows that God works, not with what he finds, but with what he brings. His spirit is able to break down and save the most indifferent or the most contentious men. Athens was the center of the Greek culture—a veneer of learning that covered but did not destroy the wickedness of paganism which excused and even pretended to sanctify the vilest practices. Corinth was notorious for its vice and corruption. To "Corinthianize" was a synonym for a life given over to shame and sensuality of the most degrading character. The worship of the gods of Greece produced no change in the lives of their devotees. Religion and immorality went hand in hand. The gods themselves were but deifications of lust and ambition. Those who worshipped them were like unto them.

But to these cities Paul came with a message which he knew to be the dynamic of God, mighty to the destruction of Satanic strongholds and powerful in building new and holy lives which would demonstrate the might of the spirit of God to renew and regenerate the most depraved of mankind, as well as those who gloried in their self-righteousness and fancied superiority. No message was needed. It was the story of the cross—Jesus Christ and him crucified—which revolutionized multitudes in Corinth and resulted in the establishment of a strong and highly-gifted church of God in that iniquitous city.

Verse by Verse  
Acts 18:1—"Came to Corinth." This was the chief city of Achaia, the province south of Macedonia. It was a city of great wealth, and was given to unspeakable corruption.

Verse 4—"Persuaded the Jews and the Greeks." Having taken up a lodging with Aquila and his wife Priscilla, tent-makers, Paul worked at his trade, with them, to support himself and thus be independent. On the Jewish Sabbath days he preached in the synagogue, where many Greeks as well as Israelites thronged to hear him.

Verse 5—"Jesus was Christ." After a period of preparatory ministry, when Silas and Timothy joined him, Paul declared boldly the Messiahship of Jesus.

Verse 6—"Your blood be upon your own head." Opposition at once developed on the part of the Jews. Declaring that they were responsible for their own doom for rejecting the message of the Gospel, Paul turned definitely to the Gentiles, who were evidently eager to hear more about the Good News.

Verse 7—"Justus, one that worshipped God." The house of a proselyte from paganism to the worship of the true God was opened as a preaching place, where Paul continued his ministry.

Verse 8—"Hearing believed, and were baptized." A mighty work of God broke out. Even the chief ruler of the synagogue, Crispus, was saved, and many others believed on the Saviour, and confessed his name in baptism.

Verse 9—"Hold not thy peace." Paul needed encouragement and instruction. In a night vision the Lord cheered him, and assured him that he was to continue as he had begun.

Verse 10—"I have much people in this city." He who sees the end from the beginning knew there were many in Corinth who would believe in the Lord Jesus, so he would not have his servant turned aside to go elsewhere until the harvest had been gathered in.

Verse 11—"A year and six months their most holy faith." 1 Cor. 2:1—"Not with excellency of speech." Writing to the church at Corinth some time after he had left them, he disavows any attempt to influence them by mere oratorical ability or human eloquence. He proclaimed the testimony of God in simple language, counting on that to do its work.

Verse 2—"Jesus Christ, and him

crucified." Paul had but one message for a needy world. It was the Gospel of the crucified Saviour, who gave himself for our sins. It was not Christ as teacher, prophet or reformer that he proclaimed, but Christ as the sinner's substitute, who died on the cross of shame.

Verse 3—"In weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling." There was no bombastic self-assurance. He recognized his own limitations, and dreaded the intrusion of that which might nullify his preaching.

Verse 4—"In demonstration of the Spirit and of power." He was not afraid lest his addresses might not be polished and refined; he rather feared that they might be too much so, and he knew that only the power of God could reach the hearts and consciences of men.

Verse 5—"Not... in the wisdom of men." He would not have people looking upon him with admiration and trusting in him as a spiritual leader because of his wisdom and ability. He would turn them from himself to God, that their confidence might be in him alone.

The Heart of the Lesson  
It is the preaching of the cross which is the appointed method of winning souls and building men up in Christ. Paul did not undervalue culture and education, but he "ths." For this lengthy period the apostle remained, teaching the word of God, leading souls to Christ, and building the young converts up on the foundations of rhetoric and the cleverness of the orator so occupying the minds of the hearers that they became occupied with his ability instead of with the Christ he proclaimed. Therefore he studiously avoided anything that would have such a tendency, and in all simplicity he preached the message of the cross in humble dependence on the Holy Spirit to use that proclamation for the salvation of souls. In this he became an example to all other preachers.

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