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Notes and Comments

Salvage Report

Seven thousand carloads of approximately 15 tons each, or 211,491,518 pounds of materials were salvaged in one five-month period last year, according to reports made from local salvage committees throughout Canada to National Salvage campaign headquarters, Ottawa. On the basis of reports received and considering the provincial population, Manitoba led the nine provinces in the total quantity of material salvaged.

Asked Much of Stouffville

The Canadian Red Cross sets a high estimation on the willingness of Stouffville to give of its financial resources. It gave the village an objective of \$3,000, and with a section of Whitechurch a total of \$3,700; when the village of Markham is only asked to raise \$1200 in all, and the town of Aurora with a population over twice that of Stouffville is asked for only \$4,000. The honors are ours, so let us all do our best to reach the objective. Last week the objective was assured and if the late givings are as generous as those which have been recorded Stouffville proper will go over the top.

A Patriotic Duty this Year is to Tap The Maples

Sap's runnin', according to a report in the Walkerton Herald and Times, hence it must be warmer up in that neck of the woods than we have experienced down in the more southerly part of Ontario. Walkerton district is one of the larger maple sugar producing parts of Ontario because there are many more maple trees in that section.

The wartime sugar rationing by the government which limits the supply of one-half pound per week for each person, has given an impetus to the manufacture of maple syrup. Others will tap a few trees as a patriotic duty, hence we may see sap dripping from the front lawn shade trees of local citizens as never before. Thus this industry which is an important one in Ontario and Quebec will hum in an unusual manner. There will be a terrific demand for maple sugar for the soldiers.

This Wonderful Thing Called Dehydration

Half a dozen plants across Canada are rapidly going into production on the job of dehydrating vegetables. It is a process whereby the water content is taken from the vegetables or fruit in such a manner as to reduce the size many fold. When the water is applied to them again, they are even better than before in some cases.

Cabbage dehydrated by the new Canadian process is better, according to experts, than fresh cabbage, unless the fresh cabbage is hurried right from the garden to the cooking pot. You can get about a dozen and a half dehydrated cabbages into a container that would only hold one fresh cabbage.

Six or eight potatoes, dehydrated, will fit in the space of one fresh potato. They can be served boiled, mashed, riced scalloped, French-fried—about every way but baked.

Onions dehydrate to one sixteenth of their original size, come, ready for use, don't have to be peeled by the housewife.

One pound of dehydrated carrots is equal to 12 pounds of fresh carrots, one pound of dehydrated turnips is equal to eight to ten pounds of fresh turnips.

Taking an average, 10 pounds of fresh vegetables produces one pound of dehydrated vegetables, and one pound comes back to ten pounds when prepared for use.

The wartime advantages of this are obvious. We can ship overseas 10 times the volume of vegetables that could be carried in fresh form in the same space. The dehydrated vegetables will keep almost indefinitely.

Save Your Pennies You War Workers

Hundreds of people in this locality are employed in war work at Pickering or in Toronto. If any of them imagine they have a steady job, their illusion should be quickly dispelled. The war-workers should see to it that he has a portion of the good wages he has received saved up for the inevitable day when he will be laid off for periods of weeks and perhaps months. The wages are good enough to permit a nice saving in the hands of any thrifty ones.

Two months ago, Hon. C. D. Howe issued an important statement regarding layoffs in war industry in Canada. The statement was intended to alleviate fears and dispel misunderstanding regarding these layoffs. It was pointed out that layoffs and unemployment were inevitable with the changing trend and tempo of war and must be expected to continue. Mr. Howe indicated that certain steps were being taken at Ottawa to meet the problem. Assurance was given that "labor will not be wasted."

It now appears that Canada, in common with Britain and the United States, but to a greater degree than both these countries, is facing a situation where many thousands of war workers will lose their present jobs within the next three to twelve months.

A minister noting that church funds were sorely needed announced to his congregation "Brethren, there is a man in my hearing who is flirting with another man's wife. Now if he doesn't put a \$5 bill on the plate I shall announce his name from the pulpit." When the collection was taken there were 19 five-dollar-bills on it along with \$2 and a note stating "The remaining \$3 on pay-day."

Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for March 28
THE APPEARANCES AFTER THE RESURRECTION
Golden Text:

"I am alive for evermore"—Rev. 1:18

THE LESSON AS A WHOLE
Of the many appearances of our risen Lord to His disciples, before He ascended to Heaven, two have been specially selected as the particular lesson for today, although several others are included in the chapters indicated for further study.

There seems reason to believe that the place where the disciples were gathered on each of these occasions was the same upper room as that in which they had eaten the last Passover with their Master and where He had instituted the feast of remembrance, the Lord's Supper. On the evening of the day of His resurrection, the little group of the Eleven gathered together, drawn by their common affection for and loyalty to Him, but with minds swayed by conflicting thoughts and with hearts overborne by varying emotions. How far could they credit the strange stories, told by the different women, of angels appearing at the time, and the Lord manifesting Himself in the garden and on the roadway? Were these only the effect of the fevered imaginations of these well-meaning, but possibly overwrought, women, or were their stories actually true? And what of the testimony of John and Peter as to the undisturbed grave-clothes out of which the body of the Lord Jesus had come as the butterfly emerges from the chrysalis shell? The sudden appearance of the Lord in their midst and His reassuring words of peace put an end to all their questioning, at least for the time.

Then eight days later, on the next first day of the week, He came again and gave a particular testimony to the previously absent Thomas, which brought him, too, to realize that Christ was indeed Victor over death, and which led to his earnest confession, "My Lord and my God." The doubter was changed to a worshipper as the nailprints and the scar from the spear wound made it evident that the Lord Jesus had risen in the very same body which had been "hanged on a tree" (Acts 5:30). Thus the fact of His resurrection became clear to them all though even later on—such is the perversity of human nature, even in saints of God—we are told, "some doubted" (Matt. 28:16, 17) and had to be reassured before they were ready to go forth as heralds of the cross and witnesses of the resurrection (Acts 4:33).

Verse by Verse
John 20:19—"The same day at evening." This was the evening of the first day of the week, following the appearances to the women in the early morning and to the disciples on the way to and in their home at Emmaus, later in the day. "Jesus (came) and stood in the midst." Thus He fulfilled His word as given in Matthew 18:20. He was there visibly manifested. He still is in the midst whenever His saints are gathered in His name. He "saith unto them, Peace, be unto you." How this must have reminded them of His words as recorded in John 14:27!

Verse 20—"He showed unto them his hands and his side." This was His way of identifying Himself to them, and it was also as though He would remind them how that peace was made—by the blood of His cross (Col. 1:20). Those scarred hands were the receipt that told of the price He had paid to redeem His own.

Verse 21—"As my father hath sent me, even so send I you." He was going back to the Father. They were to be His representatives as they went forth in His name, to carry the message of reconciliation to the world.

Verse 22—"He breathed on them, and saith... Receive ye the Holy Ghost." It was a symbolic act. As the last Adam, He was now a quickening Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45). As God had breathed into the body of Adam and he became a living soul, so now Jesus Christ breathed upon His disciples that when the Spirit came at Pentecost they might know He proceeded from Him (Acts 2:33). He was to give the Holy Spirit that He might empower them for witness-bearing.

Verse 23—"Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted." As they preach Christ, if men believed, they were authorized to proclaim remission of sins (Acts 10:43). On the other hand, He said, "Whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained." When men refused to believe the message, their sins remained upon them (Acts 13:41). The servants of Christ thus act as His representatives in forgiving or retaining sins. It was no conferring of the priestly power of absolution or excommunication that He imparted. Every true servant of Christ has exactly the same authority to proclaim remission of sins to all who believe and retention of sins to all who refuse the message.

Verse 24—"Thomas... was not with them when Jesus came." How many, like Thomas, have missed great blessing by absenting themselves from the gathering of the children of God! We are warned to be careful in regard to this (Hob. 10:25).

Verse 25—"Except I shall see... I will not believe." This is ever the attitude of the rationalist. And how much we believe that we can neither see nor explain! Thomas was doubtless desperately in earnest and thoroughly honest. The Lord knew



Captain Frances Riley, Winnipeg, Man., who led the first contingent of Canadian Women's Army Corps to arrive in England, chats with Second Officer Dorothy L. Swart of Elsa, Texas, first U.S. W.A.A.C. to be assigned to duty in the European theatre. They met at a luncheon given at the Mansion House in London attended by women leaders of the United Nations war effort. The Princess Royal was guest of honor.

DOUBTS ARE JUSTIFIED AGAINST CHAIN LETTERS

To The Tribune Readers:

Having spent a bit of time doing extra writing during the recent chain-letter epidemic, I began to think the whole thing through more thoroughly. It seems like helping to do our bit, to get our friends busy making one quilt block, and in return receive enough for a whole quilt for the Red Cross. Almost every home has material to make a number of such blocks, and in the time required to write out these letters, could make a dozen or so. So if our local Red cross says go ahead (two light and two darker squares 4 1/2" alternated to make a 9 1/2" inch block) let's all get busy.

Multiply the cost of paper, stamps, etc., by the number of people this chain reaches, and you'll have enough to buy the linings and batts. So let's contribute that, too. Our local Institutes may even quit it.

One can easily see that I can't send one block, one apron, hankie, or what-have-you, and receive several dozen in return, without a good many later in the chain being the losers. So I had to wonder if chain-letterism might not be second cousin or so to gambling.

—Anxious to Help.

PRICE CEILING PLACED ON USED CLOTHING

Used clothing is under the price ceiling, the Wartime Prices and Trade Board re-iterated this week warning second-hand clothing dealers that they must abide by the price regulations. The board pointed out that it is watching the second-hand clothing exchanges and is prepared to take vigorous action to maintain the price ceiling.

The order provides that clothing "of the good quality and condition, being free from patches, darns, tears and holes, thoroughly cleaned and having all buttons and other means of fastening," may not be sold at prices any higher than the highest lawful prices charged by a second-hand clothing dealer during the basic period of Sept. 15-Oct. 11,

this, and in His own way and time He was to reveal Himself in such a way as to overcome all unbelief.

Verse 26—"After eight days again." Another weekly circle elapsed before the Lord manifested Himself once more to the Eleven. Thomas being now with them. He was fully aware of his words and attitude.

Verse 27—"Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands." As He extended those nail-pierced hands, what must have been the emotions of the soul of Thomas? Then came the added command, "Reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side." The body of the Lord Jesus still bore and will bear forever, the marks of His passion. These demonstrate beyond all possibility of doubt the fact of His resurrection, that His disciples might "be not faithless, but believing."

Verse 28—"My Lord and my God!" This exclamation by Thomas was an avowal of his recognition of the true deity of our Lord Jesus Christ. If He were anyone less than God, how sternly He would have rebuked Thomas for using such words. But the fact that He accepted them without rebuke and pronounced a blessing upon him for making such a confession is proof that He valued this testimony to His Godhead glory. Thomas was not a Unitarian. He knew His Saviour to be not only a divinely controlled man, but God manifest in the flesh.

Verse 29—"Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." Believed what? Believed that which had just been so fervently declared, that Jesus Christ is God. This blessing is for all who, to the end of time, make this good confession.

Verse 30—"Many other signs truly did Jesus." Only a very few, comparatively, of His mighty works are enumerated or described in this Gospel, or in the three Synoptics.

Verse 31—"These are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name." In this verse we have set forth definitely the purpose of the Holy Spirit in giving us the Gospel according to John. Here the honest seeker after truth will find the most convincing proof of the deity and Messiahship of Jesus, and through receiving this testimony in faith he will obtain eternal life.

The order also provides that all used clothing may not be sold at the maximum prices set out in the order. Clothing of an inferior quality or condition is to be sold at proportionately lower prices.

In addition, the order provides that prices must not exceed certain specified amounts, for example: the maximum price that may be charged for a man's three-piece suit is \$18; for a man's winter overcoat, \$18; a woman's dress, \$3; girl's coat up to 10-year olds) \$4.50; man's trousers, \$4.50.

Any infraction of this regulation should be reported promptly to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board Office.

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