

THE MODEL CITIZEN

(A sermon preached before the Women's Institute of Paradise, Nova Scotia, by Rev. W. Steadman Smith, Pastor of the United Baptist Church of Paradise and Clarence.)

"For the love of our nation and has built for us a synagogue. This chapter describes a model citizen. He is the type of a man that is a blessing and a benediction to any community.

First this Model Citizen was a Patriot. He loved our nation. He was an independent hybrid. His patriotism was neither static nor effervescent but just the reliable 365-days-a-year kind. If he was willing to die for his country he was just as willing to do that which is oftentimes harder, live for his country. Loving the nation of which he was a part he was willing in times of peace as well as of war to make a genuine contribution to the nation's welfare.

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself has said: This is my own, my native land!"

Can you look at the flag—your flag—and not be moved by its appeal? Do you look at it—the flag—and think of it as a mere piece of cotton or silk, bunting? Does not its symbolism stir your soul? Think of the red of it, the brave of it. Think of the blue of it, the true of it. Think of the white of it, the pure of it. Does it not stir you to the depths when you think that it stands for liberty not lawlessness, for law and not license? That it stands for bravery of the type that characterized our out-numbered, out-trained and often hummed in soldiers on Europe's blood-stained battle fields, who were as unconquerable as death? Look again at the flag for it stands for righteousness not founded upon expediency but upon principle, not upon might but upon right.

What makes a nation great so that citizens of the smallest city, town and community as well as the largest have a worthy pride in its name and fame, share in its glory and can truly be termed patriots?

Our country's greatness consists of what? Its great wealth, its expansive territory, its potential fruitfulness and productiveness? True our land is a most favored one, with the finest scenery, the most fertile soil and the most diversified and salubrious climate to be found anywhere but it takes more than rich soil, fine scenery, excellent climate to make a nation great or its people patriotic. Men always count far more than means, women far more than wealth, character far more than climate. True greatness can never be measured in fathoms but fathoms. There must be good government, founded and maintained by the highest liberty and justice, democracy and not autocracy. Our educational and social institutions must be built on the solid foundations of moral worth. Our homes must ring with the laughter and song of happy and healthy children. Our churches must echo with joyful praise to Him who is still acknowledged to be the God of the nation and from pulpit must sound out the Gospel that unshakes the slaves. In the churches and in the homes there must be the open Bible, the blessing of every progressive and growing nation.

Thank God we have still in Canada men and women of the rugged virtues of incorruptible ancestors! We still have men and women who are willing to give themselves for their country's good rather than lose their souls in their country's sin. These know that to be a patriot involves more than merely waving a flag on July the first or by holding a job at a fat salary or by voting the straight party ticket just because it is the party ticket. A soldier goes to war and cuts down the enemy with a machine gun, but it is also highly patriotic to cut down the weeds and bushes by the road side with a bush scythe. The soldier gives his life in a day but the men and women who give an entire life of service for the good of the community and nation are also highly patriotic.

As Patriots therefore let us go give our lives to our nation that we will

lustre to the nation's name and fame and not add darkness to the nation's shame.

The Model Citizen is also a public spirited man. "He hath builded for us." Anybody can tear down but it takes a model citizen to build up. Anybody can criticize, model citizens improve upon things. The model citizen as a public spirited man is an interested man. He is vitally interested in the public welfare. The public welfare is his welfare. It makes a great difference to the public spirited citizen whether the community is disgraced by the unsightly or diseased by the unsanitary; whether bushes grow where roses ought to bloom and weeds thrive where hedges ought to grow; whether there is mud where pavements ought to be and darkness where lights ought to shine.

The public spirited citizen is concerned about the schools, the churches and all other institutions and buildings that reveal or embody the spirit of the citizens. He is concerned about the appearance of the homes, the streets, the school yards, the cemetery. He would see the cemetery receive the sympathetic tears of sorrow at the funeral but he would also have it receive the sympathetic drops of perspiration after the funeral that the city of the dead might be made the most beautiful spot in the community. The real public spirited man is not most concerned about low taxes but about high standards. By voice and vote, by education, agitation and cooperation he seeks to improve the community, morally, socially, esthetically and physically.

In no place in the world are public spirited citizens needed more than in our country communities. For here there is less of adhesion and cohesion than to be found anywhere else. Here there is more criticism and less cooperation, more discussion and less execution, more tittle-tattle less trust, more gossip and often much less of God, the young people are often more scandalized by sin than sanctified by the Saints.

But despite all this there are public spirited men and women who are working for the weal. We have today an organization of women called "The Women's Institute." This organization of women has for its ideal, not that miserably selfish one "ourselves alone" but seeks to benefit others socially, intellectually and physically. They work and give, plan and provide that the unsightly may be made beautiful, the unworthy noble, and the impossible be made real. These women in every community where they work have bridged the chasm between work that needed to be done and those willing to do it. They have supplied the vision and often the vigor until victory has crowned their efforts. With the same warm devotion that led them in the days of war to give, to spend and be spent for those over there, they work today to make this a better, brighter, happier and healthier world for us over here. No one can doubt their patriotism, let us thank God for their public spirit.

But the Model Citizen is not only patriotic, public spirited, but pious, or as we say to-day, religious. "He has built for us a synagogue" not a saloon, a place of devotion, not a dance-hall or a pool-room. The man of our text didn't boast for the nation without considering what would best promote a nation's welfare. He built a house where young and old alike could develop these powers of mind and heart that are the staying and stabilizing qualities of great men in a great nation. This Model Citizen evidently knew that "Righteousness exalted a nation but sin was a reproach to any people." He realized, as we must, that it to-day we raise a generation of mere pleasure loving, cigarette sucking, joy riding, Sabbath breaking, Church forsaking people, we will reap to-morrow a generation of vice-stained, God hating, Christ cursing old men and women whose only joy in life will be to chase the fleeting bubble of sin and shame.

Plety is no more against good citizenship than is patriotism and public spirit. The great Lloyd George of England is not less a model citizen

of England because he is first of all a citizen of the Kingdom of God and a true follower of Christ. So of Pres. Harding of the United States. The young man Sergeant York acclaimed by the United States as their greatest soldier was not less a true man and heroic soldier because he was a devout and simple minded Christian. The aviator who a year or so ago won the race from New York to San Francisco was not less an aviator and a good citizen of the United States because on the Sunday night following his victory he preached the Gospel in one of San Francisco's churches. Let it be known that at least 90% of the great leaders in industry in our country are connected with the Christian Church.

The simple fact is nothing destroys a nation, community or individual like irreligion and unrighteousness. "The name of the righteous shall be held in everlasting remembrance, but the name of the wicked shall rot." The secret of any citizen's greatness lies in the fact that he links himself up with the God of the nation, respects law and order, makes the open Bible his, observes a quiet Sabbath, is found in the Church of God and works that his faith may produce fruitage in a larger and better life for his community.

When the history of your community is written up, the things that will appeal and hearten the weary toilers along the dusty road of time will not be first of all your big orchards, your broad valleys or your artistic and well kept homes, but the character of the big brained, broad minded men and women of faith, who through organization and cooperation did something to build and improve upon the community of their fathers and left to us a heritage of hope.

Gathering up all I have said in this short paragraph, I declare that the community is best which has for its citizens, men and women patriotic, public spirited and pious, who build a house where there has been a rubbish heap, plant flowers where weeds grow, put up a Church where a saloon blighted, build character where sin blasted and make it possible for the young to be raised safely, the middle aged to prosper and the old to find a heaven at the sunset of life.

TEN DAYS OF RAIN IN CALIFORNIA

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27—Rain has fallen in southern California for ten days and continued to-day with forecast from the Weather Bureau as to when it will cease. San Diego was isolated, except by sea-going vessels, as the highways and railroads have suffered many wash-outs. No loss of life has been reported at any point in Southern California, but the property damage has been heavy. Nearly nine inches of rain has fallen in Los Angeles in ten days. At Anaheim, two feet of water ran through the streets last night. In San Francisco, the rainfall in the last twenty-four hours was 1.59 inches with a forecast of more rain to-day.

CARELESSNESS

"I am not much of a mathematician," says Carelessness, "but I can add to your troubles, and I can subtract from your earnings. I can multiply your aches and pains, I can take interest from your work and discount your chances for safety. Besides this, I can divide your thoughts between business and pleasure and be a potent factor in your failures. Even if I am with you only a small fraction of the time, I can lessen your chances for success. I am a figure to be reckoned with. Cancel me from your habits and it will add to your total happiness."—The Kansas Official.

NEW POWER PLANT AT NIAGARA

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 28—The formal opening of the Chippawa power plant took place this afternoon in the presence of a large and representative gathering. Premier Drury, Sir Adam Beck and a host of others, representing the government, the hydro-electric commission, the legislature and various city councils, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, etc., left Toronto this morning by train for Niagara Falls. The numerical strength of the party was increased at various points en route.

MAN IS BEATEN TO DEATH BY MACHINERY

Hamilton, Dec. 28—Thomas Davidson, aged 55, met a horrible death this afternoon at the plant of the Steel Company of Canada. He was caught in the gears of a steam pump used to cool the slag, almost stripped naked and his life beaten out. No one saw the accident. He worked alone in the pump house and was last seen about 2 o'clock. His dead body was found about 4:30. Coroner McIlraith will hold an inquest.

"Service" is only a word until it has produced SATISFACTION—then it is Salesmanship—Exchange.

THOUGHT HE HAD HEART TROUBLE

Railway Man Says He Was Nearly Down and Out When He Began Taking Tanlac

"It's all due to Tanlac that I am able to be on the job to-day, for I was just about down and out when I began taking it," said Harold Blanchard, a trainman on the Canadian National Railway, residing at 320 Donald St., Winnipeg, Man. "On returning from France, after three years service over there, I was so run down and weak I could hardly work. My appetite was gone and my stomach in such a bad condition that what little I did eat seemed to do me harm instead of good. After eating I would bloat terribly and my heart would beat like a hammer against my chest. This palpitation was so bad at times I began to think I had something serious the matter with my heart. My kidneys had also bothered me for several years and there was a severe pain in the small of my back. "My sleep at night did me little good, for I would wake up at all hours and then get up feeling as tired as if I hadn't gone to bed at all. In fact I felt miserable all the time. One day I happened to hear a man telling how much Tanlac had helped him, so I began taking it and the results have been nothing less than remarkable. To put it all in a nut-shell, I am now as strong and well as I ever was in my life and I consider Tanlac well worth recommending to everybody." Tanlac is sold in Bridgetown by S. N. Weare and by leading druggists everywhere.

WRONG NUMBER PLATE

By Error of Attendant, Thought Father Dead.

New York, Dec. 27—An attendant in a Brooklyn hospital picked up a number plate that had fallen to the floor, and placed it on the wrong bed. The occupant of the bed died, and James Crowder, a painter, was informed his father had passed away. Crowder bought floral pieces and a casket and rented carriages for a funeral. Surely it was a sad Christmas week.

His sister was first of those to pass by the bier at the final service. She fainted, and in a moment Crowder discovered the dead man was not his father.

A telephone call quickly brought the news that the father was still alive. To-day he was recovered and back home with his children.

MEAN POD SPOT OR ANTHRACNOSE

(Experimental Farms Note)

Vegetable growers are familiar with the spotting of bean pods which commences as a dark red pin point, enlarging rapidly, becoming darker in colour and forming a more or less kidney-shaped canker or sore. Sometimes the pods are nearly all covered with these sores, rendering them very unsightly and worthless. The seed from infected pods have black or brown spots on them, and invariably the plants bearing diseased pods will be seen to have numerous spots on the leaves and stems, somewhat similar to those on the pods, but smaller and more elongated.

UNITED STATES CROPS VALUED AT \$5,675,877,000

Washington, Dec. 28—The important farm crops of the United States were valued this year at \$5,675,877,000 based on prices paid to farmers on December 1st, the Department of Agriculture announced to-day in its final estimates. The same crops, which comprise about ninety per cent. of the value of all farm crops, were valued last year at \$9,075,388,000.

12 HURT AS DETROIT TRAIN LEAVES RAILS

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28—More than a dozen persons were injured, some of them seriously, when a south-bound Detroit United Railway Limited inter-urban tipped up on its side as it rounded a curve at the southern outskirts of Lake Orion, forty miles northwest of here to-day. Ambulances have been sent to the scene from Flint, Mich.

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the spotting described above, and in these spots can be seen a yellow or pink slimy material which is composed of the seeds or "spores" of the fungus. These spores are scattered to neighboring plants, principally by rain, where they grow and form new spots, so spreading the disease through the field.

The losses from this disease have been very considerable in some localities and in certain years when weather conditions have been particularly favourable to the growth and spread of the fungus. The losses are brought about in three ways:

- 1. The killing of the young plants gives a poor stand in the field.
2. The destruction of the pods and the weakening of the plants reduce the yield.
3. When the crop is to be sold for seed, the presence of the spotted seeds would reduce the value considerably and would not be bought by anyone familiar with the disease they conveyed.

THE BEST MEANS OF CONTROL

The use of sprays has given no results. The more obvious way to combat the disease is to devise some means of making sure that the seed you plant is not conveying the destructive fungus. This can be done with very good success in the following way: Set aside a small plot of land, preferably some distance from your bean fields and grow your own seed supply in this. Plant in this plot plump, clean seed of the varieties you wish to grow the following season. Inspect these plants as frequently as you can during the growing season and weed out all plants which appear sickly or have any spots on the stems, leaves or pods. When the crop from this plot is harvested, go through the pods and discard all those which have any signs of spotting and keep the selected ones separate from all the other beans. If your selection has been carefully done, you may be reasonably certain this seed will produce a clean crop the following year.

F. L. DRAYTON, Plant Pathologist.

Only Shady Spot

A very stout woman, hustling through the park on a hot day, became aware that she was being followed by a roughly-dressed lad. "What do you mean by following me in this manner?" she demanded indignantly.

The boy hung back a little. But when the woman resumed her walk he again took up his position directly behind her.

"Look here," she exclaimed, wheeling angrily. "If you don't go away at once, I shall call a policeman!"

The unfortunate lad looked at her appealingly. "For goodness' sake, kind lady, have mercy on me and don't call a policeman. You're the only shady spot in the park."

C. P. R. PENSIONS SENIOR CONDUCTOR

Winnipeg, Dec. 28—William Fogg, senior conductor of the Canadian Pacific Railway with 43 years experience as a railroad, 36 of which he has been a conductor, has been superannuated. He bears the enviable record of never having lost a passenger. Mr. Fogg was forced to retire before making his final trip as a result of an accident at Fort William last week. He would have concluded his railroad career December 31st.

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