

RUSSIA FIGHTS AGAINST GOD

The Soviet government continues, as its own spokesman once put it, to "wage war on the Divine front." It is true, we are told by anti-Bolshevik Russian editors, that priests are no longer arrested and executed by the dozen, as was the practice two or three years ago, and that ruthless methods of struggle against churches and religion have been replaced by milder and subtler methods. Yet, it is contended, the militant materialism of the Communist party ruling in Russia continues to weigh heavily on the life of Russian believers. Thus we are told further, because of the interference of the Government, the main branch of the Greek Catholic Church, the "Tikhonite" Church, still remains without a spiritual leader. Patriarch Tikhon died in the spring of this year, and a successor was to have been elected within three months of the date of his death. But as Metropolitan Peter, the Keeper of the Patriarchal Throne, is said to have let it be known, the Soviets would not allow a conclave to gather for the election. At the same time, we are told, the government continues to patronize, though unofficially, the "New," or as it is also called, "Red" Church—the Living Church—the Resurrection Church—which in Bolshevik hands is a tool with which to belabor the Tikhonite Church. The "Red" churches recently held their conclaves at Moscow, and decided to support the anti-religious Soviet Government. The official Communist Izvestia of Moscow tells us what occurred at one of these conclaves:

"Bishop Antonin (the chairman), displayed an unusual tenderness for the Communists. He said: 'During a recent public discussion on materialism and spiritualism, Lunacharsky (a leading Communist) declared that no prayer has ever been heard. This is not true, for our prayers for the Soviet Power will be heard by the refugees Cyrill and Nicholas Romanoff and by the anti-Bolshevik Bishops. They will hear them and burst with anger. In our temples the Soviets must feel at home. We must say to the Soviet Government: 'I love thee.'"

"The conclave has adopted a resolution in keeping with which the Re-introduction in its masses a prayer for the Soviet regime, worded as follows: 'Lord, grant victory to our Government over its enemies for the welfare of the people.'"

According to Vazrozhdienie, the nationalist anti-Bolshevik daily published in Paris by an influential group of Russian emigres, including the followers of the Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholayevich, it is exactly this subservient tone adopted by the new churches toward the Soviet Government that deprives them of all authority in the eyes of the Russian believers. Every one, says this paper, knows that these churches are a sort of department of the Soviet machinery. It is for this reason, that the new churches control but a few parishes in Moscow and still fewer in the provinces, while the Tikhonite Church commands the sympathies of the bulk of Russia in spite of the persecutions befalling it. The paper adds:

"Metropolitan Peter, the Keeper of the Patriarchal Throne, has been threatened on many occasions. But accepting his lofty post, he was aware of the danger. He knows to what measures the Government and its political police may resort, and yet he has forbidden his clergymen to communicate with the Living Church and to participate in its conclave. This is also known to the fifty-eight bishops who have sided with him as well as to the crowds filling his temples and keeping away from the empty temples of Soviet officials imitating priests."

The Tikhonite Church is still very strong. Persecutions have added to its moral forces instead of weakening them. The anti-Bolshevik liberal Rule, published in Berlin, thinks that the Soviets have abandoned hope of annihilating the church by direct interference, and that they are now relying mainly on the anti-religious propaganda among children whom they want to bring up in the spirit of complete atheism. It says:

"On the eve of every Church holiday anti-religious lectures or shows are organized in Soviet schools. Besides and then an anti-religious show is staged for all schools of each educational district. Members of the Union of Communists Youths, as well as 'Red Pioneers,' are obliged to attend such shows. The other children are advised not to miss them."

"These shows are usually very primitive and rude. Artists put on enormous blue noses and thick stomachs, and, clad in real ecclesiastic vestments requested from churches, move around with crosses in their hands. If the show is staged for several schools at once, the program is enlarged, and children are shown, in addition to the Greek Catholic priest, a rabbi, a mollah, and a Roman Catholic prelate. To provoke laughter the players resort to obscenities and indecent gestures."

Vezrozhdienie thinks that persecu-

tions have frightened a certain number of believers from the Tikhon Church. It is to this fact, it says, that must be ascribed a rapid spread of Baptist communities, which, in the first years of the revolution, when Greek Catholics were persecuted with especial ruthlessness, were tolerated by the Soviets. Their success, we read further in this paper, is due to various causes, among which is their deep piety. For instance,

"Baptists, who can still gather without being interfered with, attract by the sincerity of their creed, by the intelligent simplicity of their prayers, and especially by the purity of their life, which stands out in contrast with the atmosphere of drunken noise, invectives, dirt and debauchery surrounding the 'Communist nuclei.' Their conduct is so unusual that people observe them for a time with profound respect, then visit their gatherings and finally join their communities. The Baptist community is especially successful in our northern villages, which it has reached partly from Finland, partly from large cities. However, the authorities are now dissatisfied with the spread of the Baptists, and they want to requisition in Petrograd the Baptist Church which has been built by private donations. It is not difficult to predict that protests will have no effect. Baptists were favored as long as they could contribute to the weakening of the Greek Catholic Church; since, however, they begin to develop themselves as a force, they can not help being viewed as an undesirable element which will not be allowed to prosper."

During the month of August 1,132 vessels, comprising 131 trans-Atlantic, 35 coasting and 966 inland steamers, entered the port of Montreal, these having a total net registered tonnage of 1,986,945, while in the same period 1,141 vessels went out, these representing 1,932,145 net registered tons. Since the opening of navigation 757 ocean-going vessels, representing 3,468,965 net tons, have entered the port, are compared with only 649, representing 2,280,072 net tons last year; these figures being up to the midnight of September 5th.

F. F. Norcross, a well-known Chicago lawyer, had an amazing experience recently while staying at the Banff Springs Hotel and playing on the golf course there. His approach to the ninth hole was disrupted by a huge bull elk which tossed its antlers and stood pawing the ground with evident hostility as the lawyer prepared to play his ball. Mr. Norcross was about to observe the better part of valor when the bull's attention was distracted by the appearance of a cow elk which made an effective substitute for the golfer and both animals disappeared into the neighboring bush.

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It is for this reason that they have minimum monthly charges, although they are not alone sufficient to offset the total fixed charges and, if the majority of the customers did pay considerably more than their minimum charges the rates per kilowatt hour would have to be greatly increased. Many light and power utilities take care of this situation by having a great portion of their rates to consumers based entirely upon the connected load or maximum demand of the consumer. In addition to this they have a relatively small kilowatt hour charge, intended to look after the remaining 20 per cent. of the costs which are not fixed charges. These costs are made up of copper losses, and expenses incidental to the operation and maintenance of the system, which are determined by the kilowatt hour consumption.

Because the landlord's costs go on month after month, he charges for his suites a monthly rate during the life of the tenant's lease, irrespective of whether such tenant is on a holiday at the beach or not. For the same reason the City has a minimum charge. Waking or sleeping, at home or abroad, there is reserved for the consumer a portion of the City's system on which he is expected to pay the fixed charges.



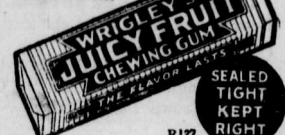
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Creation of a new industry in Western Canada covering a product which is new imported into this country to the value of about five million dollars annually is foreshadowed by the samples of hemp now on display at the Windsor Station, Montreal, according to G. G. O'Malley, Development Engineer, Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. O'Malley stated that considerable work had already been done in the West of Canada towards the creation of such an industry. Efforts to promote companies have been made in recent months and there is no doubt that fine stands of hemp can easily be grown in certain districts.



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Handsome Cup for C. P. Liner Making World Cruise



1. Cup being placed in niche in Library of the Canadian Pacific Liner Empress of France. 2. Cup being presented, left to right: C. S. Quartermaster, (passenger) Staff Captain W. G. Bux Wood, Mrs. Mathew Cope, (passenger) Capt. E. Griffiths, R.N.R. (Commander). 3. This photo shows the Cup presented to the ship and the Replica given to Commander Griffiths.

themselves. On the cup is engraved: Presented to the Canadian Pacific R.M.S. 'Empress of France' by passengers on the 1925 Cruise in appreciation of a remarkably successful voyage of 34,000 miles. Commander E. Griffiths, R.N.R.

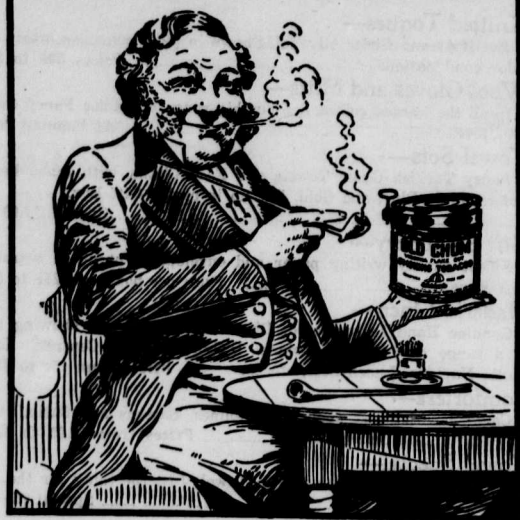
Inscription on the Replica presented to the Commander reads as follows: This Replica presented to Commander E. Griffiths, R.N.R., R.M.S. 'Empress of France' by passengers on the 1925 Cruise in appreciation of his skill, tact and unflinching courage throughout a most wonderfully successful voyage of 34,000 miles.

With even greater comforts on board the palatial ocean liners than any to be had on shore it is not surprising that cruising has seized the popular fancy. This year many will avail themselves of the opportunity of making the Round the World Cruise on the Canadian Pacific Liner, Empress of Scotland.

The liner leaves New York on December 3 and returns April 10 via the Panama Canal after visiting over 20 countries en route, including 26 ports of call, and arriving in the Holyland on Christmas Day. Cruise members proceed to Jerusalem and Bethlehem by train after disembarking at Haifa. After a day and half visiting scenes made memorable by the life of Our Saviour the party goes on to Cairo by train.

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PRE-EMPTIONS
Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emption is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, 'How to Pre-empt Land,' copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timbered, and, carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 1,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emption are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emption must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of \$10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin 'How to Pre-empt Land.'

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is \$4 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land \$2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, 'Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands.'

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stampage.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranked priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free permits are available for stock-owners and travellers, up to the limit.

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