

**Wanted: Young Men in Politics**

We rely too much on middle-aged experts. In all departments of human endeavour, the younger generation is always knocking at the door; Mr. Baldwin said a wise thing the other day when he exhorted the Conservative Party agents to answer the knock and open the door and make it welcome, or even to go out and knock for youth, and compel it to come in.

The cause, he maintained, can, at the juncture, be served even more effectively by young men with brains than by middle-aged men with money bags.

He was right; and it is not to the conservative cause only that his sentiments are applicable.

It is just as important to the Liberal cause and to the Labour cause that youth should be given its opportunity.

And that for a sound reason which is too frequently overlooked. Not because young men are, as a rule, wiser than old men, or because youthfulness is a perfect substitute for experience; but because government administration are skilled trades and need to be mastered before they can be properly practised.

Our ancestors recognized that fact and acted on it.

The elder statesmen among them were always to look out for recruits among the brilliant young men of the universities who could be brought early into the House of Commons and prepared by long parliamentary training to step up into the ranks of elder statesmen in their turn.

"Professional Politicians."

It was one of the few advantages of the old "pocket borough" system that this could easily be done; and it is a sad fact that the men who have achieved the highest eminence in political life in England have nearly always been men for whom seats have been found and to whom office has been given in the early morning of their careers.

Walpole, Pitt, Canning, Peel, Macaulay, Gladstone—these are a few of the names which one instinctively thinks of in this connection.

Not one of these men had to wait for admission to Parliament until he had made a fortune and a reputation outside its walls. All of them were "chanced" by seniors who had confidence in their talents, when they were really little more than boys.

They might all, in truth, be described as "professional politicians"; and though that expression is often used contemptuously, its proper meaning is a perfectly honourable one.

If by a "professional politician" we mean a man who is in politics for what he can make, then the fewer professional politicians we have the better for the country.

But if we mean a man who makes politics the one serious occupation of his life, who serves his apprenticeship before following his trade, and studies the art of government as diligently as the barrister studies law or the doctor medicine, then the election of such men to Parliament is an inestimable advantage—a guarantee of the continuity of our progress and a safeguard against the wild-cat schemes of amateur faddists.

Let us hope, therefore, that Mr. Baldwin's appeal will be heard by those to whom it is addressed.—Daily Mirror.

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**Curious, Isn't It?**

**Peculiar Facts and Figures.**  
Stamps numbering 6,000,000,000 and of the total value of \$40,500,000 are sold by the post-offices of this country every year.

The weight of the earth is estimated to amount to 6,000,000,000,000,000,000 (six trillion) tons.

The longest ski slide in the world was opened recently in Sweden. It is sixty miles from end to end.

Metal railway sleepers have to be used in many parts of India; wooden ones would be eaten away by insects.

A cheese weighing 1 ton 10cwt. 1qr. 7lb. has been made in Australia for the British Empire Exhibition.

There are 24,500 miles of railway in the United Kingdom, 265,000 in the United States, 28,266 in Germany, and 35,145 in France.

The City of London covers 675 acres; the administrative County of London contains 74,816 acres, and Greater London has 443,424 acres.

The orange was originally a pear-shaped fruit about the size of a common cherry. Its evolution is due to twelve hundred years of cultivation.

Infantile mortality has gone down from 150 per 1,000 at the beginning of the century to 80 per 1,000 to-day.

Roller-skates were first patented by Merlin, a Flemish musical-instrument maker, in 1760.

The natives of Turkey have some ingenious methods of telling the time. One is by observing the eyes of a cat. Early in the morning and evening the pupils are round. At certain hours they are oval; at noon they are but a narrow slit.

**RINARD'S LINIMENT FOR HEADACHE.**

**Thrift, With Interest, is Sure Road to Fortune**

Few people realize how fast money works in increasing one's capital.

Any one who will save \$30.50 per month and who will invest this money at 5 per cent. and will continue to save and invest this amount and interest thereon regularly for 30 years will have accumulated \$25,000 at the end of that period. If the same person starts earlier in life and will save for 40 years he will accumulate the same sum at a monthly cost of only \$16.53.

If he will keep on investing his money on a 4 per cent. basis he needs to save only \$25.70 for 40 years in order to get the desired \$25,000.

Similarly one dollar a week set aside for a child at its birth and put in a savings bank, with interest added to it at but 4 per cent every six months, will amount to \$1,686.38 when the child reaches its twenty-first birthday.

If the people who occasionally take a flier or gamble in the mere hope of making something out of it, could make up their minds to set aside the same amount to work regularly and steadily they would be astonished at how much they can put by for a rainy day.—F. J. Lisman, in Forbes Magazine (N.Y.)

**British Unemployed AND THE END OF STIKES.**

The number of unemployed persons on the registers of the British Government's employment exchanges, who were claiming unemployment benefits in January, was 1,184,246, according to statistics received by the Bankers Trust Company of New York from its English Information Service. Of this number 919,599 were men, 235,027 women, and 32,710 juveniles.

National work has been instituted for the purpose of giving employment and it is estimated that possibly some 300,000 will be employed directly and 100,000 indirectly upon such national works.

On the other hand, the approximate number of working days lost by trade disputes in Great Britain and northern Ireland in 1923, was 10,640,000. The number of working people involved in these disputes was approximately 400,000.

**Judge's Kindness**

**Poor Debtor to be Sent for Three Week's Holiday at the Seaside.**  
"You look ill. I will send you to the seaside for three weeks. We will talk about the arrears when you come back."

So said Judge Sir Thomas Granger at Southwark, when a poor man, obviously ill, said that he owed £4 7s.

He had been suffering from pneumonia, he stated, and in his absence in hospital his wife had been supported by the guardians. He had discharged himself from the hospital to attend the court.

**Twice Dumb Man**

**Ex-Soldier Recovers His Speech for the Second Time—Shout at Football.**

To have recovered his speech twice is the extraordinary experience of Percy Bottomley, of Bradford, who first became dumb through being blown up by a German shell during the war.

Though treated in various hospitals in France, Ireland and England, he remained speechless for eighteen months. Then one night in hospital his voice returned.

When discharged from hospital he returned to civil life, was married and worked as a traveller. He later left Bradford for London to keep an appointment, and while absent received a telegram announcing the death of his wife.

The shock again deprived him of his speech, and he continued dumb until the other day when playing football with a Bradford club.

"Leave it alone! (meaning the ball). It's mine!" he suddenly shouted. mar15,101,60d

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The game was stopped and players and spectators heartily congratulated him. His speech is rapidly improving.

**Lieut. H. Rickard Arrives in the City**

There arrived by last evening's express Lieut. H. Rickard of the 15th Battalion of the Canadian forces. Lieut. Rickard served with his regiment for four years in France, and at Vimy Ridge received his commission for conspicuous bravery. His coming here is to lecture and show pictures in connection with his travels and in conjunction with the G.W.V.A. of this city. For the past number of years this gentleman has lectured throughout Canada, dealing with many incidents of the work of the War Veterans during their active service and the duty owed them by their native country since their return. Shortly after his arrival he entered into negotiations with the management of the Star Movie for the showing of these pictures and his lectures, and arrangements have been finalized by which this will be shown on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, further particulars of which will be published in all papers during this week. Lieut. Rickard met Col. Nangle, C.F., this morning and arrangements were finalized to have the pictures and lectures under the auspices of the local G.W.V.A. The proceeds will go towards the National War Memorial.

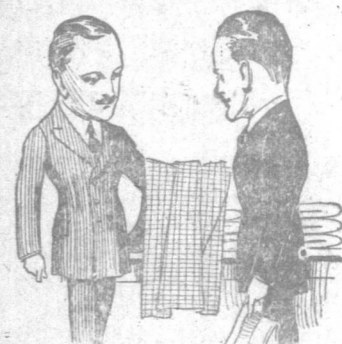
**"I Am no Scholar"**

**Murder Charge Phrase That Puzzled Accused Dock Labourer.**

On a charge of murdering Edward Murphy by striking him with a butcher's knife, William Parry, a Woolwich dock labourer, was remanded.

A policeman said Parry, when charged, replied: "I am no scholar. What is meant by malicious aforethought?"

When this was explained, he added: "It is not that. I did it on the spur of the moment. I might just as well have been a piece of wood, but, of course--just my luck. It was a knife."



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