

The Eternal Foundation

Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip attended a 5.15 p.m. service last Sunday at Sydenham Street United Church in Kingston. Her Majesty had expressed a desire to attend a non-conformist service while in Canada.

Greeting the royal couple at the entrance to the church was the minister, the Rev. Richard H. N. Davidson who delivered an 11-minute sermon as follows:

I Corinthians 3:11—"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

Last Friday the Queen of Canada and the President of the United States formally opened the St. Lawrence Seaway. Canadians have dreamed of that day for decades. We are pleased that at last this great engineering project is completed. Today the waters of the St. Lawrence are harnessed and producing electric power. Locks and canals have been constructed so that large ocean-going vessels may enter the Great Lakes.

This is not the first engineering project of major proportions constructed by men and certainly it will not be the last.

Seventy years ago the French built a tower of iron reaching about a thousand feet upward to commemorate the Paris Exhibition. To this day men gaze at it in amazement, marvelling at the genius of the engineer who designed it and the workmen who built it.

Five thousand years ago the Egyptians constructed the great pyramid of Cheops. Men still wonder at it not only for its colossal size but because of the ingenuity of the builders and planners in times so ancient.

In the 11th Chapter of Genesis is the story of the construction of a great tower on the Babylonian plain. It was not built of stone or steel. Bricks were used, laboriously fashioned by hand of clay and straw, and laboriously carried upward on men's backs as the tower increased in height.

When the St. Lawrence Seaway was being built thousands went to see what was happening. They stood in awe gazing at dams, coffer dams, a power house and now a forebay as large as a lake.

I suppose there were guided tours when the Tower of Babel was built. People came in from miles around. They marvelled at the extensive brick works and looked upward at workmen swarming over the building which they thought reached almost to heaven itself.

Why were these mighty structures built?

Babel was built so men could raise themselves up to the height of God. Babel was never finished. Man in his

pride can never stand on the same footing as God.

The pyramids were built as tombs for kings. The building of two of them wrecked the economy of a great nation. They are still one of the wonders of the world. But they brought no benefit to anyone.

Eiffel Tower, so far as I can discover, when it was built had no useful purpose. Looking at it man might admire his own genius.

The St. Lawrence Seaway has two main purposes: 1/ to facilitate transportation and trade, and 2/ to produce cheap electricity.

If the production of cheap electricity is used by us to make ourselves richer when thousands are hungry, then this great engineering project is a curse. If cheap transportation by water is used by us to make Canada more affluent when most men cannot even buy a bicycle for transportation, then the St. Lawrence Seaway can be a curse.

But if we use it to ship our wheat from the prairies to those who need it at a price they can afford to pay; and if cheap power and transportation mean that we can manufacture locomotives for India and Pakistan for less money and by so doing make the few dollars Canada puts into the Columbo plan stretch further, then this project is a blessing.

We harness a river and we harness the atom; these can be a blessing or a curse. The Babylonians built the Tower of Babel and it was a curse. They thought that they would make themselves gods by the magnitude of their building. If we begin to put our trust in the mighty works of our hands and believe ourselves to be gods then we are doomed.

A Tower of Babel cuts the skyline of Montreal or Toronto or Vancouver wherever we build today of brick and steel, of glass and aluminum, and forget God; wherever we pride ourselves on our self-sufficiency. We boast that we have no need of any power or help from beyond ourselves. God is becoming irrelevant for us.

The sin of pride is strongest and most insidious among wealthy men and nations, among men and nations which have merits and ability. The man or nation with know-how and natural resources and the will to work rises. But in his ascent humility is left behind.

We cannot build a nation upon our engineering triumphs. Our character is not improved by pointing to the great natural resources God has given us. We cannot build the Church upon fine buildings in which we worship.

Our nation is built up by the purposes to which we put the engineering triumphs of our brilliant men. We can

wring from them every drop of self-aggrandizement, ease and luxury or we can make them serve God and our fellowmen.

We can denude our land of forests and allow our soil to deteriorate. Or as stewards of God we can conserve them and hand them on enhanced to the next generation.

The Church can stand upon its dignity, proud of its past and conscious of its present strength in this country. Or as Christians we can make friends of publicans and sinners; help the blind to see, the lame to walk and go about doing good and declaring the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We can stand up like the Pharisee and insolently thank God that we are not as other men are or we can humbly ask God for forgiveness.

We admire humility in others; we fail to practice it ourselves. We despise pride in our friends; we cannot control it in ourselves.

Do not believe Christian humility is abject servility; it is not a cringing, grovelling attitude toward one's fellows. To be humble does not mean to lay yourself down a doormat for every overbearing person to wipe his feet on.

The humble man recognizes that the Lord God omnipotent reigns. He and He alone is Creator and Lord of heaven and earth and all that in them is. The humble man sees that the Son of God was born in a stable and died as a criminal. The humble man sees that the life and death of Jesus Christ are the humble acts of God by which He is striving to change this world.

How is character built up in men and women? How can we build a nation or a church? By laying the foundation of our lives and the life of our nation and of the Church on Jesus Christ. He is the sure foundation. He is the indestructible foundation of life.

She: "Well, what's your excuse for coming home at this hour of the night?"

He: "My dear, I was out with some perfectly good friends playing golf and..."

She: "Why, it's two o'clock in the morning."

He: "I know, I know. You see we were using night clubs."

Queen Elizabeth Widely Travelled

In touring Canada and in greeting her subjects in London and elsewhere, Queen Elizabeth is doing her duty.

Since her coronation in 1953, the Queen has traveled 80,000 miles, far more than any other monarch in history. In 1954 she survived the loyal acstasy of a million Australians in Sydney, who broke police lines eight times to surround the royal motorcade, shouting "Good on you, Liz and Phil!" She went to Ceylon even though nationalist agitators collected 150,000 signatures asking her to stay away. In Nigeria, without blinking, she watched the fiery charge of thousands of spear-waving warriors and accepted the homage of such local chieftains as the Rwang Pam of Birim, the Atta of Igala, the Tor of Tiv and the Och of Idoma.

Queen Elizabeth kept her royal composure drinking soapy-tasting cava in Fiji and eating breadfruit in Tonga, while laka laka dancers whirled about her to the eerie music of nose flutes. In Jamaica, the Queen

was unruffled when an idolater threw his cream-linen jacket at her feet and prostrated himself, crying, as the police hauled him away, "I want the Queen to walk on my coat—I love the Queen!" Rarely did the royal nerves give way, but once, in New South Wales, the Queen and Prince Philip seemed to be squabbling as their closed car whisked through a town, and a group of deaf-mute bystanders swore they lipread Philip's retort to Elizabeth: "Come off it, sausage."

At 33, Elizabeth II is a handsome woman of 5 ft. 3 in., brown-haired and blue-eyed, her head held royally on a swanlike neck. Her smooth skin, spring-in-England coloring and regal carriage give her subjects cause to call her beautiful. Her voice is clear-toned, with a still youthful ring; her movements are slow and assured. She wears her royal costumes and glittering gowns with majesty and grace; yet in tweeds and low-heeled shoes she gives out a no-nonsense warmth that can put any London housewife at ease.

Hot Weather Salads

Enterprising housewife can tickle palates of family with vitamin-packed salad greens.

Spring Garden Salad: On a bed of crisp iceberg lettuce arrange variety of fresh vegetables. Include carrot slices, curls, tomato slices, celery chunks, radish roses, broccoli and cauliflower flowerets. Serve with favorite dressing as a meal salad.

Laguna Cabbage Salad: Toss together 1/2 cup diced celery, 3 cups shredded cabbage, 1/2 cup shredded carrot. Serve crisp and cold in a "salad bowl" made from the large green, outer leaves of a cabbage. Serve the salad with a Quick Cream Dressing.

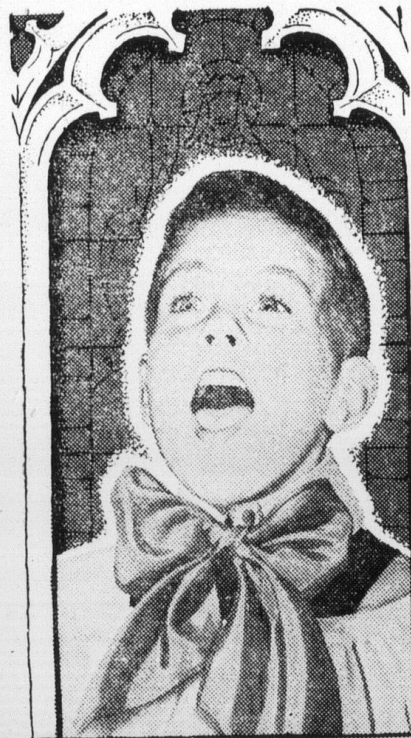
Green Summer Salad: Place in salad bowl large, crisp leaves of lettuce, green onion flowers, cucumber and pepper rings, avocado wedges. Place 1/2 avocado in center, filled with real mayonnaise, minced watercress. De-

corate plate with radish roses.

Avocado Ring Salad: Place 6 avocado rings on salad greens. Arrange 2 grapefruit sections and 1 tomato wedge on side of each ring. Dice ends of avocado and tomato and add with grated onion to real mayonnaise. Heap in rings.

Finger Salad: On small, crisp iceberg lettuce cups arrange slices from a small tomato. Stick a few carrot curls on picks into one of the tomato slices. Add branch of celery, cluster of "fancied" radishes and your favorite dressing.

Bleu Cheese Dressing: Blend 1/2 cup mayonnaise, 1 1/2 tbsps. milk, 2 tbsps. crumbled bleu cheese, a few drops tabasco sauce. Makes 1/2 cup dressing. Serve over iceberg lettuce, wedges of tomato, cauliflower flowerets.



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Popular A Sailor

Since February, 1954—the tall, handsome face is now as familiar as that of his wife, Queen Elizabeth, who has fulfilled the role of Consort.

His position in precedence can hardly be head of his household. Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip, the best-known citizen in the most popular of monarchs.

What is he like? The Duke of Edinburgh, time sixth in line of Greek throne. His mother is Princess of Greece, His mother is Princess of Greece, daughter of Milford House.

He was born at the start received a thorough education, spending his childhood with his uncle, at whose home he met the young Queen.

The young girl and the young boy were good friends. They exchanged letters, but Philip was interested in boys, already announced making the sea his home.

It was an easy matter for him to find a willingness to work in the sense of discipline, comradeship of a love venture and a love.

He won the King's cadet. Both Lord Mountbatten and the Marquess of Cambridge, en, himself a naval officer, and in Philip was admitted to the King's cadet.

Philip was a popular Royal Navy. But he was a disciplinarian. Although boys' off duty, he

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