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COMMUNITY CHEST APPEAL—

WHEN THE WAR was raging in Europe we needed little urging to support appeals designed to alleviate international suffering. We felt somehow that our contributions might find their way to one of our own boys in the far off battlefields of Europe. We envisioned the need of blood plasma for wounded soldiers; the comforts that our contribution might provide for the boy next door who had grown up suddenly and was then flying huge airplanes over enemy territory on nightly raids.

The devastation of war has created an equally urgent need for our help. It is the starving children of Europe. Just a short time ago we were moved to respond, possibly because of one young man. Today there are 400 million children that need assistance — more so than our own soldier boys ever did.

Nor can we, with a clear conscience overlook the peacetime program of The Red Cross Society, our own Children's Aid Society, The Institute for the Blind, The Salvation Army and the Bible Society. Everyone of these organizations is serving a definite need in our society. We are not asked for a great deal, but it will be conceded it is one of the finest investments we could possibly make in this troubled world. Let us hope that the citizens of our community, one of the most prosperous in the whole world will meet this obligation quickly and generously.

ARE YOU AFRAID, TOO?—

MANY PEOPLE suspect they have cancer and are afraid to consult a doctor because they do not know that cancer can now be controlled if detected and treated immediately by Radium, X-Ray or surgery.

Madame Curie wrote: "Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood."

And so, to stimulate more interest in obtaining the facts about cancer, the advantages of early treatment and the need for cancer dressing and transportation projects for needy patients, the Ontario Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society holds its membership drive this month.

Objective of the campaign is to obtain 150,000 dollar-or-more memberships to aid in the Society's educational and service program. Members will receive authentic literature about the disease from the Cancer Society which is endorsed by the Canadian Medical Association. Through facts obtained and passed along, a person may be instrumental in saving the life of a loved one, a friend, or even himself.

From this year's membership drive, the Ontario Branch hopes to be able to extend its services to include provision of nursing home accommodation for terminal cases or treatment cases who come from a distance to cancer clinics, during the treatment period. One dollar or more sent to the Cancer Society, P.O. Box 459, Toronto 1, or to the nearest local Cancer unit, will go toward this life-saving work.

BALANCED ACHIEVEMENT—

RADIO'S CRITICS are legion, but only a diaphanous veil of versatility of the creative brains behind Canada's broadcasting activities. In these days of soaring living costs, dollar shortages and political complexities an hour with radio is both refreshing and relaxing — an escape into the less tense realms of entertainment or culture, as we choose.

To say that radio's function is to educate, inform and entertain is a big mouthful. Long hairs may argue its standards are below par on each of these counts, while shorter crops wince at crack at sugar-coated doses of culture. But, by and large, the threefold program is being creditably carried out.

How often does the dial twiddlester stop to consider the planning that makes radio a mighty important factor in modern life? It puts lessons in the schoolroom, interprets Canada to millions in other lands, presents the news of the day for the city dweller and the Arctic trapper and offers "Allen's Alley," an operatic half-hour or an animal and vegetable quest for Bob Feller's baseball glove. And all for the cost of a radio licence and the turn of a dial.

Programs that bring walls from other quarters of the populace are acclaimed in one section and are a roar from one end of the Dominion to the other and who will say that hockey interest — and gate receipts too — has not been stimulated by the weekly winter program.

Radio's efforts to present a balanced fare for listeners were highlighted the other night when the CBC devoted three hours to a program that must have thrilled in the most discriminating music critic. Not so long ago "St. Matthew's Passion" might have attracted a few hundred to a church or concert hall, but thousands listened to Johann Sebastian Bach's great oratorio over the air and we venture a guess that many of these had acquired a love of music on the grand scale through the medium of radio. Versatile is the word for radio.

PORTRAIT OF MAHATMA GANDHI—

By Lewis Milligan —

"I DINNA KEN what to think about him; it's hard to understand yon people," said Mr. MacGowan when she was asked by one of her boarders what she thought of Mahatma Gandhi. That about sums up the average person's opinion — if it can be called an opinion. To the Western mind Gandhi was and still is an enigma, although he has been generally hailed as a saint. Some have even gone so far as to compare him with the Man of Nazareth.

Woodrow Wyatt, a member of a British Parliamentary Delegation which went to India in 1946, gives his impressions of Gandhi in an article appearing in the New Statesman and Nation of February 7. The article is entitled "Saint in Politics", and Mr. Wyatt's story reveals Gandhi more as a politician than a saint. Nevertheless, he concludes: "He did not claim to be a saint, but he had better right to the title than many who have passed the test at Rome."

The first meeting with the Mahatma was on a hot and "sticky" evening at Madras when he addressed the delegation in a "rambling discourse delivered from the veranda floor of the house in the centre of the camp, as we sat uncomfortably shifting on our chairs in a semi-circle around him, and lasted for nearly two hours. While there were flashes of wit and penetration in the address, Mr. Wyatt says that it left the delegation baffled. "It seemed to be impossible to settle anything with such a man."

When the members of the delegation pressed for "practical suggestions on the course our government should follow, the only advice we got was 'Get off our backs', with no indication as to how it was to be done," says Mr. Wyatt.

"It is easy enough," continues Mr. Wyatt, "to describe his simplicity, his asceticism, his days of silence and his fasts as play-acting; as many British administrators did so, perhaps rightly from their standpoint. To travel third class in India is a nightmare experience against a background of wooden seats and crammed carriages of infernal heat. If that was the way India's millions had to make a journey, Gandhi would go third class, too. But his train was a special one. His coach contained only himself and his immediate entourage. Each trip cost the Government of India \$100 or more; and he would solemnly tender the third class fare for it, so as not to be beholden to the British."

Gandhi's food was the same as that of the peasants, but he is said to have eaten "much more than they did or he would not have retained his health and vigor. His days of silence seemed to Europeans to be conducted with an eye more to their political effect than on their religious value. He never undertook a fast 'unto death' when he was in the hands of the British, as the risk that they might not release him was too great. "But that did not diminish their genuineness, and the Indians knew that they were symbols of passive resistance," says Mr. Wyatt. "His defects by Western standards were not defects at all in India. His position was understood perfectly. He represented their hopes and fears articulately when they could only feel them vaguely. Gandhi knew that the Indian character when it turns to violence can be as ugly as that of any nation in the world."

Mr. Wyatt says that Gandhi had the greatest respect for British institutions and culture, and for the British soldiers. "One day," says Mr. Wyatt, "I saw him in the streets of London, and he said to me that it would be a sad mistake on the part of the Congress to think that, if negotiations broke down, they would start an uprising and throw us out by force. 'Yes,' he replied, 'if we were to start a rising, I should have to think that the British were no longer tough enough to deal with it. It would be your duty to suppress it, and I hope you would.'"

At another point, when he was asked if he would tell Congress to adopt a policy of non-violence toward the Muslim League if they attempted to become "masters of India," Gandhi replied: "Yes, I should certainly urge Congress to pursue the course of non-violence—but I shouldn't expect them to." "That," adds Mr. Wyatt, "was typical of so many of his utterances which to the Westerner had a faintly dishonest flavor. But there was no dishonesty or real inconsistency in his make-up. The drawback was more that he so faithfully and accurately mirrored the tortuousness and simplicity of the Indian mind, never consciously did he do or advocate anything that was wrong or untrue."

Mr. Wyatt says that in some respects Gandhi's conscience was similar to that of the old Nonconformists in England. "That, no doubt, was the reason why Sankey and Moody hymns (and he was distressed that they had lost their former popularity in England) made so strong an appeal to him, together with the non-ceremonial aspects of Christianity." His Prayer Meetings are said to have been a "mixture of every creed, and through them he sought to reach the best in Hinduism. In that he succeeded, as he succeeded triumphantly, against misunderstanding, in carrying his religious beliefs into the realm of practical affairs," says Mr. Wyatt.

These intimate sidelights on the character of the Indian leader reveal him as a very complex personality. Although he was a typical Hindu, he was in many respects a typical Englishman of the latter part of the nineteenth century, and the two were at cross-purposes. But when toward the end he harked back to the memories of the question of a new national flag for India and was being considered he favored the inclusion of the Union Jack in the emblem.

QUOTE FROM YESTERDAY—

Despatch is the soul of business; and nothing contributes more to despatch than method.

—Lord Chesterfield

Thus, conscience does make cowards of us all; And thus the native hue of resolution Is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought; And enterprises, of great pitch and moment, With this regard, their currents turn awry, And lose the name of action.

—Shakespeare

Pen, Scissors and Pastepot

B. K. Sandwell must have read the editorial we carried a couple of weeks ago entitled "The University of Adversity." He stated in an address last night that Canada is producing more educated people than the economy of our country can afford. He would have been more correct had he said: "Canada is now correct had he said: 'Canada is now producing more people with four or five years University experience than this country can afford to support.'"

The Haldimand County Council seems determined to reduce the revenue of the Federal treasury. The county fathers have concurred in a resolution from Grey County Council that the exemption for income tax purposes be raised from \$750 to \$1500 for single persons and from \$1000 to \$2000 for married persons, but decided to take no action on a second resolution from Grey that the 50% excess profits tax be reimposed. We'll bet there's a conservative majority in that county council.

The County Council has also granted permission to the Provincial Police to have a door placed between their office in the County Buildings and the County morgue. While the County morgue is willing to make the police more cozy they made it clear that any cost involved in breaking through the plaster and installing a new door would have to be done police expense. The poor County fathers must be right out in the cold.

No less authority than E. B. Joffe, Ontario C.C.F. Leader, tells the public that Premier Drew is likely to call an election this summer, and that probably the issues will be Communism and Dominion-Provincial relations. He describes the Communism issue as phoney. There are bigger issues says E. B. Joffe, which could have been foreseen and avoided if planning (by the government) had been adopted. We're not sure Mr. Joffe might overcome the gas shortage but we'll be hanged if we can see what he might do about the flood situation before next spring.

There are a couple of things we don't like the looks of. One is the new style of long skirts for women with the petticoat at half mast. The other is the pious up bodied, on Talbot Street east. We don't suppose very many people will care whether we like half-mast petticoats or not, but there should be ready agreement to the thought that The Department of Highway should widen No. 3 Highway through the Village and pour a few tons of stone on the boulevard portions. The alternative would be to work it up and done.

We wonder how many income tax payers have been able to keep their year to apply against the income tax which falls due at the end of the month. Any opposition party that would might include in its platform a promise to have the family allowance mirrored in the household, to give the income tax payment, would stand a good chance of being elected.

THE EMBARRASSING EMBRACE

(Montreal Gazette, March, 1948)

The C.C.F. Party, through its leader, its national bulletin and in other ways, has been making clear that it repudiates the support which the Labor Progressive Party (for Communist Party) seems determined to give it. J. Coldwell, "the C.C.F. has kept its skirts absolutely clean." As far as its purpose and intention are concerned, it is a red supporter is now holding hidden or unwanted he may be he is there for good reasons of his own. The key to the matter would seem to be in Mr. Coldwell's statement that "the C.C.F. will not collaborate with the Labor Progressive Party in any way, direct or indirect."

But this contains a subtle hint that the C.C.F. direct collaboration is to have no part in it. Mr. Coldwell's statement is made in good faith and in good faith it may be accepted. But the (as it happens) a quite important matter.

It is to be noted that the Labor Progressive Party is not offering its support to the C.C.F. Party. It is not the Communist way to make of it. Instructing its members to make of it. Since the C.C.F. at the polls, the right of the right ballot cannot be altered, neither Mr. Coldwell nor anyone else can prevent the Communist from casting their votes in favor of C.C.F. candidates.

Mr. Coldwell says that the Canadian Communists are apparently trying to support their party's decline by identifying themselves with the C.C.F. But it may be very United States in the present struggle.

CONCERT OF  
MUSIC - MAGIC - MIRACLES  
FRIDAY, APRIL 2nd  
— 8.15 P.M. —  
JARVIS TOWN HALL  
PRESENTED BY  
ST. PAULS CHURCH GUILD  
BY FOLLOWING ARTISTS:  
WELCOME SONG — Glenda Reicheld, Helen West  
PIANO — Dorene Nelson  
ELECTION — Dorothy Iliffe  
SOPRANO — Amy Smith  
CONTRALTO — Helen West  
COMEDY — Mrs. Edward Bew, Mr. Sammy White  
VIOLIN — S. B. Harrison, Hagersville, F. R. Wray  
SAXAPHONE — Gloria Willis  
MAGICIAN — Ross Parsons  
BARBER SHOPPE QUARTETTE

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SPECIAL PRICES - GOOD TILL APRIL 15th  
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— OLD TIME DANCE EVERY FRIDAY —  
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Featuring TEXAS HIGHWAY  
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Floor Manager —  
MR. FRANK PAMER  
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— Admission - 25c —  
MODERN DANCE EVERY WEDNESDAY  
SATURDAY NIGHT  
Dancing Wednesdays  
1:30 - Saturdays 9:30 to 11:30  
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THE BOYS  
2 Pairs of Nylon Hose  
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— ADMISSION - 25c —

# Jarvis District Community Chest Appeal

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### Combining the Following Annual Charity Appeals—

- HALDIMAND CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY
- CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY
- EUROPEAN CHILDREN'S RELIEF
- INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND
- SALVATION ARMY
- EMERGENCY FUND
- BIBLE SOCIETY

## CAMPAIGN OPENS— MONDAY, MARCH 29th CLOSES— SATURDAY APRIL 10th

Give As Generously As You Are Able When The Canvasser Calls

The Merit of all These Appeals Will be Fully Appreciated  
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Rev. J. M. CAMERON,  
Chairman  
Rev. W. H. FULLER,  
Campaign Manager



GIVE TO RELIEVE HUMAN SUFFERING



These children are citizens of the same world but their worlds are more than miles apart. One is a happy Canadian boy, well fed, happy, his cheeks radiant and being schooled today for a living tomorrow. The other is a European child, not well fed, his cheeks sallow and living in a world of unrest. The Canadian Appeal for Children seeks to help 400 million boys and girls in Europe and Asia. Help them to know what it is like not to be hungry, to know the happiness of health and be taught the joys of peace and understanding. Help the Canadian Appeal for Children bring happiness to these boys and girls.