Minute Talks by the Business Men's Association of Chestertown

The Road Ahead

The other day a man died. He was a frankly simple man of average talents whose head the hand of destiny had raised above the clouds. A plain and unaffected man of the people was he; suddenly become of the elect by one of those strange turns of fortune that lift mediocre men to unsuspected and undreamed of heights. Measured by all hitherto accepted standards of greatness, by neither instinct nor training was he above the average; yet in his hand, as in the toga of the ancient Roman, rested the issue of war or peace. For he had been raised to power at a time of great storm and stress. Never in the world's history had there been such widespread discontent with existing conditions. A spirit of ominous restlessness pervaded the social, economic and political worlds. Time worn institutions were tottering on their bases; age old ideals were crumbling; civilization as we know it was moving swiftly through the grooves of change. And to the ears of this man, standing on the threshold of great events, there came from far across the seas the rumblings of approaching revolution.

And from the lips of this man, powerful because in a position of power, there came no word to touch with fire the hearts of men; no dramatic pronouncement to set free the forces of liberation. From his hand there came no great edict; no historic document to solve the complexities of this troubious time. But all those who came in contact with him vouched for his sweet spirit of conciliation; his broad sympathies; his love of mercy; his kindness of touch; his charity of heart; his anxiety for the love and affection of his countrymen.

And while the world waited for some startling act of statecraft—from the pen of a great statesman and benefactor of mankind there came suddenly this solemn warning. "Our civilization cannot survive materially unless it be redeemed spiritually. There is no escaping it, unless everything we have built up is presently to fall in ruin about us. It can be saved only by becoming permeated with the spirit of Christ and being made free and happy by the practices that spring out of that spirit. Only thus can discontent be driven out and the shadows lifted from the road ahead. Here is the final challenge to our churches, to our political organizations and to our capitalists—to everyone who fears God and loves his country."

And while the world thus waited, the simple, honest soul who sat in the seat of the mighty went throughout the length and breadth of the domain sowing in the hearts of his countrymen the seeds of love and good-will. For some he had a message of hope for the future; for others, faith in mankind and charity to all the world. Those precepts of goodness and truth that most men preach but few practice, this man lived. And in the Homeric phrase. "He was a friend to man."

Suddenly he died. With the swiftness of the dawn he passed away and round the earth there sped, as if on wings of light, the message of his going. And in answer to that message the humming wheels of industry were silenced; the busy marts of trade stood still and in remote corners of the globe men bowed their heads in deep and genuine grief. From fields of labor came the toilers to do homage to this honest man. The chancelleries of great nations were hushed as the halls of the mighty were draped in mourning. An intriguing and distracted continent, trembling on the brink of bloody strife, bent for a moment in meditation and benediction. A heartsick world mourned the passing of this simple, great-hearted man; this modest man who loved and trusted his fellows; this man who lived the Golden Rule; this forthright Christian—who died the other day.

And rolling from the hills and the fields and the woods and out of the hearts of common men there comes an echo, "Only thus can discontent be driven out and the shadows lifted from the road ahead."

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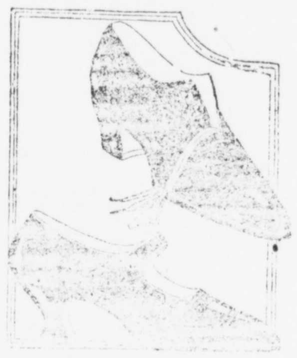
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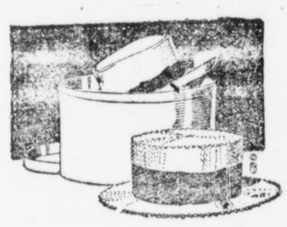


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