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Mr. Lea's Insincerity

Premier Lea's repudiation of his own election platform of 1927, in which the solemn assurance was given "to promote the growing of cranberries, blueberries, and small vegetables, and to thoroughly test the feasibility of establishing a canning industry in this Province," is the most astonishing exhibition of irresponsibility ever manifested by a government leader in this Province. At the Cape Traverse meeting Mr. Lea had the temerity to fasten the responsibility for this election plank upon a certain "lawyer" in the Liberal party. The reference, obviously, was to his former leader, Mr. Saunders, who, as he is no longer in politics, is being loaded with all the sins of the party. This brazen attempt to hoodwink the people is contemptible in a man occupying the Premier's position. Mr. Lea campaigned on the Liberal platform of 1927 and accepted it as his own. If he did not believe in his platform on that occasion, it was his duty to have so informed the electors. Mr. Lea had every reason to suppose that, if elected along with a majority of the Liberal candidates, he would succeed to his former position of Minister of Agriculture, and it was natural that he would assume special responsibility for the agricultural planks in the party's platform on that occasion. The fact is, of course, that Premier Lea is not interested in the growing of small fruits and vegetables, or in establishing a canning industry in the Province, and has done everything in his power to discourage such activities. He may be sincere in believing that such activities would not be profitable here, though there are many agriculturists, quite as competent to express an opinion as Mr. Lea, who think otherwise. We say he may be sincere in his opinion on this point—but he cannot possibly be sincere in his present efforts to persuade the electors that he is under no obligation to implement one of the principal agricultural planks in his election platform of 1927. Premier Lea should take the criticism coming to him in a more sportsmanlike fashion. He can no longer "pass the buck" to his former leader, whose advice, even in legal matters, he frequently spurned in the Legislature, and who is not now in a position to answer for himself.

The Globe Sums Up

"The Beauharnois affair—not merely the investigation—has discredited Liberalism." This is not the statement of "Tory propagandists," but the summing up of the Beauharnois inquiry by the Toronto Globe, leading Liberal newspaper in Eastern Canada. The Globe, in an editorial headed "A Word to Liberals," says: "The Beauharnois disclosures cannot fail to bring chagrin to old-time Liberalism, accustomed to clear, straightforward actions based on high principles. There is no use in attempting to disguise or make light of the fact that the party has suffered by the information brought out associating high finance with political fortunes in the handling of public affairs." "Notwithstanding the probability that much needed information has not been brought out, and the possibility that more names of members of some other party might be involved if it were," continues this staunch Liberal advocate, "the evidence is clear and definite that Liberal organizers and Liberal Senators were in the front line to receive the hand-outs." "The whole affair," the Globe continues, "suggests a bartering of

public rights under circumstances favourable to the party coffers and to the advantage of party members with influence. If Liberalism is to remain on the foundation established for it—that of service to the masses, and not to the favored few—the Liberal Party cannot condone or excuse in any measure the part taken by prominent members in the Beauharnois deals."

Naturally the Globe puts the case as charitably as possible—consistent with honesty—for the Liberal politicians involved in the Beauharnois enquiry. It omits to state, in its oblique reference to "the possibility that more names of members of some other party might be involved" the fact, brought out in the inquiry, that the attempt to bribe the Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett failed, Mr. Bennett refusing to touch a cent of such money. Nevertheless, even on the Globe's showing, the situation from the standpoint of right thinking Liberals, is exceedingly grave.

That all the facts in connection with the Beauharnois investigation should have been suppressed in the news columns of the local Liberal organ up to the time of Mr. MacKenzie King's statement in his own defense to the evidence given by Senator MacDougald, speaks for itself. The Lea Government organ, so far as we are aware, is the only newspaper in Canada that has suppressed the news of this important inquiry, and its motives for doing so while carrying on a bitterly partisan campaign against the Bennett Government, are patent to all.

Liberal readers who have confidence in the Toronto Globe as representing "old-time Liberalism, accustomed to clear, straightforward actions based on high principles," are wondering, these days, just what brand of Liberalism the Lea organ purports to represent!

Still Unexplained

The Lea Government organ has much to say about "official" persons participating in the election campaign. It has no explanation to offer, however, for the participation of the judiciary in the person of Mr. D. Edgar Shaw, Stipendiary Magistrate for the County, who spoke on the platform in support of the Liberal candidates at Windsor; or about the participation of the King's Printer, Mr. Dillon, of Charlottetown, a paid official of the Government and an employee of the Patriot, who interrupted the Conservative speakers at the York meeting.

Neither has our contemporary yet explained how its "guide, philosopher and friend" Dr. Cyrus Macmillan, of Montreal, happens to be campaigning in the interests of the Liberal candidates in the present election, in view of Sec. 210 of The Election Act, which provides that "any person, not being a voter, who resides outside this Province and who, to secure the election of any candidate, canvasses for votes or in any way endeavors to induce voters to vote for any candidate at an election, or to refrain from voting, is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding \$200 and costs and not less than \$100 and costs, or in default of payment of such fine and costs to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months and not less than three months, with or without hard labour."

It is an unprecedented thing for a defeated federal candidate, a non-resident of the Province, who did not even have a vote for his own colleague in the last election, to participate in a provincial election contest! It is not only unprecedented—it is illegal which makes it considerably worse.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The Communists will probably never appreciate the privilege that is given them in Canada of publicly opposing and railing against the Government and against the established economic and social order in this country, although no one would be allowed that privilege for a minute in Moscow or Petrograd. The Communists will always have the privilege in Canada and many other advantages as well, but they must not imagine that they can go further and disregard the law and constituted authority. They talk as if they should be entirely free from police control. Order will be maintained, however, and the extent to which police control is exercised will depend entirely on the Communists and their leaders.—Manitoba Free Press.

The Ontario Prime Minister's plan, says an exchange, to absorb a large amount of urban wageless labor—more specially the unmarried unemployed—into battalions at different points in the rural districts where the men can be engaged on new highway and other special works, is a constructive attempt to solve a disturbing problem.

It was rather significant that the amendment notwithstanding the very strong exception taken to the Tariff Board Bill, by the Liberal leader in the Lower House was not moved as a government amendment. Senator Robinson, who moved the amendment, was careful to explain that he acted upon his own responsibility and without consulting his leader. This was a rather curious procedure, having regard to the importance of the legislation and the fact that, officially at least, the Liberal party in the Senate was not prepared to engage in a test of strength.

Portions of British East Africa are suited to be a white man's country, and are therefore a prospective field for immigrants from Great Britain. Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in a recent speech said: "There were very extensive portions of Kenya, and certain parts of Uganda, Tanganyika, and Nyassaland, which were eminently suitable for white colonization—the higher-lying inland regions at over 4,000 feet and up to 8,000 feet. In those high countries one experienced some of the most perfect climates he knew of in the world, good soil, and every essential for happy lives for farmers and settlers."

British Columbia is just celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of that province's entry into the Confederation. The final terms of union, which included the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway, were not accepted by the coast provinces until July 18, 1870.

While many new buildings have been erected in New York the work of demolition of the older and smaller structures proceeds apace. According to statistics of the Building Department 545 buildings were taken down between January and July. Of this number 508 were residential buildings—dwellings, apartments and tenements. There were also thirty-eight office buildings brought to the level of the street and carted away. The Hotel Belmont, at the southwest corner of Park Avenue and Forty-second street, a twenty-two story structure, was the largest of the buildings to be sent to the scrap heap.

"The great misfortune of democracy," comments the Winnipeg Tribune, "is that only those out of office know how to solve the great problems."

The history of the "Pacific Scandal," says the Sydney Post, which outraged Canadian public opinion from coast to coast and drove a powerful Ministerial party into Opposition for 5 years, reads like a bedtime story when compared with the exploits of the Beauharnois buccaners. Parliament is at present confronted with proofs of the most colossal scandal Canada has known. The "Pacific Scandal" was expressed in thousands,—the Beauharnois Scandal makes a noise that resembles something like a hundred million.

A noted golfer in an address the other night apologized for his voice, his delivery and his unfamiliarity with public speaking. He need not have done it, but he followed a popular formula. Some people always are—apologizing. For themselves. For their children. For their children. For their houses. For the meals they've cooked. For the way they look. For work they do. For everything.

At the first meeting of the new Spanish constituent assembly, one of the Spanish leaders characterized the recent revolution as the "perfect example of a peaceful revolution," and off-hand no more peaceful revolution comes to mind.



By James W. Barlow, M.D.

That Body of Yours

MOST FREQUENT CAUSE OF SEVERE INDIGESTION

Your doctor will tell you that insofar as his office practice is concerned, that "indigestion" is the complaint of most of the cases. Where he visits the homes there will be more cases of rheumatism, bronchitis, influenza and other ailments, but "indigestion" forms the bulk of office practice.

Perhaps you have an idea that indigestion always means something wrong with the stomach, but in 500 cases of indigestion investigated by Dr. W. C. Alvarez of the Mayo Clinic, only 12 cases of organic stomach trouble were found.

Another interesting fact was that of the 500 cases, only 175, or 1 out of 3, was there an organic disease of the digestive tract itself. In other words 2 out of every 3 cases of indigestion, the trouble was outside the digestive tract altogether, and was due to "nervousness" usually inherited, intestinal worms, migraine, nervous vomiting, and so forth.

The most common single cause for severe indigestion was inflammation of the gall bladder.

Now while this may be due to various infections in the system—influenza, tonsillitis, severe colds, from infected teeth—the organisms of which are not completely removed from the blood as it passes through the liver, nevertheless a great many cases are due to constipation and the fact that the circulation of blood in the liver is sluggish due to lack of exercise. As you know the formation of stones in the gall bladder is now not any more common in women than in men, since the women stopped wearing the high corset which so crowded the liver and gall bladder that there wasn't much free movement.

What is my thought? That as the liver and gall bladder are to blame for most cases of severe indigestion, that the simplest way to keep free from indigestion is to see that the liver gets moved and squeezed. Simply bending from side to side with knees straight, twenty times each side, night and morning will aid the circulation of the blood in the liver, and force the flow of bile from liver and gall bladder into intestine. And when sufficient bile is forced into the intestine, it acts as a natural purgative, and prevents constipation.

Taking long deep breaths also squeezes the liver and gall bladder as this forces the floor to chest against them. By keeping meals well apart, not eating too much food, and taking regular exercise, you should keep pretty free of indigestion.

Control of Radio

(Toronto Globe) Control by the Dominion of all radio broadcasting and receiving stations, which later include radio receivers in the house as well as Government stations, has been established by the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada. The decision was not unanimous, two of the Justices dissenting on the ground that "the Provinces were entitled to a measure of control, particularly over radio received operation"; but the majority judgment was secured on the plea of its being "convenience amounting to necessity."

This decision specifically means that all licenses to broadcast or to receive speech, music or code signals by radio within the Dominion of Canada will continue to be under the jurisdiction of the Department which Parliament sets up for that purpose. It removes possibility of Provincial or community interference in such matters.

Such being the case, there is no further excuse for delay in finally dealing with the now rather ancient Aird Report on Radio Broadcasting—a report whose recommendations are based on radio broadcasting as it existed three years ago. The Government may do one of two things: either have the report brought up to date and deal with it, or throw it out as obsolete and impracticable at this time.

Briefly, the Aird Report called for the adoption of an Old World system, modelled much along the lines of that used in Germany, whereby all radio in Canada would be owned by the Government and operated by a Civil Service organization. Under the report's proposals, backed up and embellished by an organization known as the Radio League, all existing broadcasting stations in Canada would be wiped out and the Government would build a chain of 50,000-watt stations across Canada and hand them over to the Civil Service organization to operate. The cost of this

COMMENDS PREMIER BENNETT

(Montreal Gazette)

The Canadian Churchman, in its current issues, takes the opportunity to praise the Right Hon. R. B. Bennett for his legislative effort to keep undesirable publications from crossing the international border. The Churchman remarks that not long ago its representative was at a meeting where the subject of evil literature was broached and the question was asked, "How can we stop this flood of base literature which is spoiling the minds of our young people?" A committee was appointed to ascertain what steps could be taken. Meanwhile, the Churchman is confident that Mr. Bennett's measure may prove adequate and that the committee may be able to disband. The Prime Minister is heartily commended for his effort along this line.

The subject discussed by the Canadian Churchman has exercised the minds of many thinking Canadians for some time. There are many fine publications which come into Canada from the United States. These are welcomed by the reader of good literature. But there are also some very undesirable publications crossing the border. Many of these stress the sex element and the illustrations and text are highly objectionable, to say the least. They pander to what is base and it is a fact that they are bought and read regularly by the young, some of their patrons being children in their teens. Upon such juvenile minds they can have only an evil effect. These vicious periodicals are sold in the thousands. The harm they do must be great, for they make no pretence whatever of decency. In the same class are certain cheap books, which are lent to children at a few cents a day. These are dangerous to a degree on youthful morals. Both the vicious magazines and the questionable books deserve to be banned from the country. No matter where they originate, their sale should be prohibited in Canada.

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. This Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

GOVTS. IN LINE

Sir,—Our Liberal friends often used to advise the electorate that it would be to the best interests of all concerned to have the Provincial Government in sympathy with the Dominion. Now is the time to show consistency in this respect. Elect the Conservatives to power in the coming Provincial election, and through them, push your claims at Ottawa.

I am, Sir, etc., VOTER.

THOSE PATRIOT PROPHECIES

Sir,—A year ago The Patriot was full of large head lines that Liberalism was sweeping this Province, and there was not a Conservative to be found. What was the result? Now we have the same newspaper reporting every political meeting as strongly Liberal and Liberalism again sweeping from East to West. ???. Well, there are a lot of us, just as last year and we will feel sorry for the Patriot and Dr. Cyrus when the votes are counted. There is no Beauharnois money against us now!

I am, Sir, etc., CONSERVATIVE

WHO ARE CANADIAN EDUCATIONAL FILMS LTD?

Sir,—Will you, or some one of your readers please inform us who are Canadian Educational Films Ltd? When you have answered this question, will you please tell us by what possible chance, or by whose extraordinary judgment motion pictures of a world's heavy-weight boxing championship are shown under these auspices? No one queries the value of the many art of self-defence, but surely nobody thinks that pictures of a brutal prize fight for money are elevating or educational to the swarms of young people who swarm our movie houses. If this is the class of thing that is released for the education of the rising generation, then we had better hurry to see that it is tied up, so that it cannot go. It would be easy to mention one thousand other things whose release would be more elevating to the mind of youth.

I am, Sir, etc., HENRY D. RAYMOND

development and its maintenance would have to be borne by the taxpayers and by the owners of radio receiving sets. This is the report which the Dominion Government should now take up. Delay in dealing with it has retarded radio development in this country for upward of two and a half years, and has been the means of preventing existing radio stations from increasing their power to compete with foreign stations whose broadcasts reach nearly every habitable part of Canada.

CHARGE RADIO PLAYER IS INSANE CORUNNA, Mich. July 24.—(U.P.)—Because an aged woman here revels in playing jazz music on her radio in the early morning hours, neighbors, who claim they are kept awake, have demanded that she be subjected to a sanity test.

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Kings First Lieutenant

(Sydney Post) One of the most striking changes time has wrought in the Liberal ranks in the House of Commons is the promotion of Hon. J. L. Ralston from an almost inconspicuous Minister, holding a more or less ornamental portfolio, to the position of chief financial critic of the Opposition, and incidentally to that of first lieutenant of Mr. King. The portfolio of Finance ranks next to that of leading the attack on the budget, from the Opposition side usually devolves on the ablest and most resourceful Opposition front-bencher next to the Chief. When Mr. Ralston was selected for this task, he received a compliment, but it was a compliment which went his way by default. Had Hon. James Malcolm been well enough to occupy his place in the House, he would have been assigned the task that fell to Mr. Ralston. "Some will say that the ex-Minister of National Defence falls considerably below the class of the late Hon. J. A. Robb and Hon. C.A. Dunning, who in turn followed Mr. Fielding as Finance Minister in the late King Government. Be that as it may, Mr. Ralston made a respectable job of a difficult task, and if he did not find any weak points in the budget, it was not from lack of industry and research. At the same time one feels inclined to believe that this earnest-minded Nova Scotian, who was pressed into service by Mr. King five years ago, has become tired of the political game and that he will step out of it quietly at the next election. Ralston discharges with credit almost any task to which he addresses his energies, but his performance in the budget debate was as nearly perfect as anything he has yet done in the House of Commons. Mr. King's new first lieutenant is evidently getting ready for his exit from politics.

The Poet's Corner

MAN'S HERITAGE Sometimes in staring at the sun We fall to see the flowers at our feet; The moon and stars, the clouds and space loom large, But common things of earth are ever sweet. The heart is always wiser than the head, And to the meek, the earth is given free; So why then toil for things of little worth When Heaven's best gifts are free to you and me? —Dorothy Sproule.

YOUTHS END GLOBE TOUR 33,000 MILES, IN INDIANA

FORT WAYNE, Ind., July 23.—(U.P.)—A 33,000 mile globe encircling jaunt has been completed at a cost of under \$700 by Harold Greiner, Fort Wayne, and Paul Neipp, Cleveland. The youths, both of whom were graduated from Concordia College here, began their long trip a year ago this month. Among the methods of earning transportation engaged in by the youths was peeling potatoes on an ocean liner. In Spain they travelled more than 750 miles on bicycles.

TOBACCO BOX CAPTURES THIEVES

FOREST CITY, Ark., July 23 (U.P.)—When Darnell Devasier (su two robbers break into a store here recently he waited until they came out, then pulled a tobacco box from his pocket—ordered them to "stick 'em up" and yelled for police. The men were convicted of house robbery.

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