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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than
the Weakest Ink."

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The C. C. F. Platform

The second National party to announce its
platform, the Co-operative Commonwealth Fed-
eration started even some of its own members
by the sweeping measures of socialization
which has pledged itself to introduce into Can-
ada at the first session after being elected to power.

All key industries including all transport
services, banks, coal and primary steel will be
taken over by the government. Other industries
will be put under "social ownership" which it
explained is not quite the same as public own-
ership, as these industries such as farm imple-
ment, meat-packing and fertilizer, are only to
be controlled by the government while still being
administered by private enterprise.

Of most interest in this Province are the
eight sections of the C. C. F. farm policy.

1. A system of "guaranteed or forward"
prices. This will be achieved by fixing prices
well ahead so that farmers need not worry about
market fluctuations.

2. A national marketing act and the es-
tablishment of marketing boards with consum-
er-producer representation to market all farm
products involving inter-provincial or world
trade.

3. Orderly world marketing based on long-
term international agreements.

4. Assistance in the development of co-
operatives, commodity groups and other farm
organizations for orderly marketing.

5. Elimination of speculation in the mar-
keting of food.

6. Public and co-operative ownership in such
fields as farm machinery, fertilizers and meat-
packing.

7. Adoption of the "ever-normal granary"
principle. This it explains would entail govern-
ment financing of storage facilities for feed
and grains to ensure a continuous supply.

8. Crop insurance applied first to such com-
modities as wheat, coarse grains and flax and
later extended to other crops such as potatoes
and fruit. Provincial governments would be re-
quired to assist in this arrangement.

A more comprehensive vote-getting collec-
tion of planks could scarcely be imagined, and
it may be wondered how such a policy could pos-
sibly fail to receive the commendation of 100%
of our farmers. Guaranteed high prices if the
crop is good, and crop insurance if the yield is
poor. No worries about marketing. No worries
about growing. Under the C. C. F. programme
the farmer is to be made but little lower than
the civil servants who are to be in charge from
the cradle to the grave.

In their bid for power the C. C. F. planners
are not unmindful that there are other voters,
and to catch these, whose chief concern is the
high cost of food products, suitable concessions
will be made. Permission to buy margarine as
a substitute for butter will be granted under
their policy.

Anti-Butter and Oleo

The sponsors of oleo have a splendid Press
propaganda. Of course there is no shortage of
butter now, never has been at this time of year
when flush production is on. Those who have
issued warning about impending shortage have
been trying to look ahead, says a contemporary,
hoping for some remedy before actual trouble
starts. But there was a severe shortage last
March and April and this year we have made
less butter, more has gone into consumption,
stocks in known storage are down and the
population has increased. Those facts are in-
escapable. Whether the actual period of
shortage comes after Christmas, as the trade
has suggested, or in February as Agricultural
Minister Gardiner suggests, does not matter.
Even February is three months prior to the
start of new production, months when we must
get along on storage stocks. In the meantime
the entire trade, including producers, knows
that the shortage is coming and orderly mar-
keting is fast becoming impossible. A substan-
tial grey market has developed and all sorts
of people who never dealt in butter are scrambling
for supplies. It is quite true, as Mr. Gardiner
points out, that all this talk of impending
shortage is causing a mild stampede among
those who think they could not go short on
butter even for a short time. People are put-
ting butter in private refrigerators and other
storage. Maybe it would have been better for
those who know the facts to have kept mum and
so prevent this petty hoarding. On the other
hand they would have been accused of keeping
information secret. Actually too much fuss is
being made about the whole matter. Cana-
dians will get as much butter this year as any
people in the world, a great deal more than
most.

Cartoonists are Artists

Probably the most criticized form of expres-
sion today is the cartoon. Fond parents and
others look with concern at the hold which
comic books have on young people of both
sexes. They think that the effortless absorption
of episodes of violence and crime is a threat to
the sound development of the younger genera-
tion.

There is another side to the picture, how-
ever. It is recognized that we learn much more
rapidly when we have a picture to look at than

merely by reading descriptive passages, and there
is no doubt that today's youngsters are fam-
iliar with countless more ideas than has been
any previous generation. History, travel, fore-
ign customs, the great characters of fiction
are all familiar to youthful readers of the
comics who would otherwise know only of Mary's
little lamb and similar subjects. Also young
people show sound artistic appreciation in their
enjoyment of such masterpieces as the cartoon
movies produced by Walt Disney and his as-
sociates.

It is not too much to say that when future
scholars study the characteristic art of the
twentieth century the work of the great car-
toonists will be considered one of the principal
contributions to real human advancement.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Feast of St. Bartholomew.

Presbytery meeting in Zion this afternoon.

Swimming meet for Playground youngsters,
Brighton Beach this afternoon.

"Halloa Louis," "Halloa Alick," is how Vis-
count Alexander of Tunis and Earl Mountbatten
greeted one another on the steps of Rideau Hall.

Geneva where the huge League of Nations
quarters are likely to become a "white ele-
phant" for lack of a tenant.

Still they come and go! Charlottetown
has been the favourite location for conventions
this summer, and not unnaturally one of the
last is now with us—"Say it with Flowers."

The 80th Congress is reported to have
freed the American people from some 76,000
Federal rules. The land of the free must be
getting back to normal.

The Ottawa Journal, several of whose staff
spend their vacation here, is about the best
booster we have among the Press generally.
What they write about us is not journalistic but
literature, as, for example, the story in our yes-
terday's issue on sweeping oyster beds.

Canada's Major General Arthur H. Potts
warns us again that military preparedness is
the best way to avoid war. He blames World
War II on the Western nations listening to
pacifists who called any defence measure a
provocative act.

Lord Woolton, first British Minister of
Food and Reconstruction, born this date 1883.
On the defeat of the Churchill Coalition Govern-
ment in 1945 he became chairman of the
Conservative Party on the nomination of Mr.
Churchill. Was raised to the peerage in 1939
to enable him to hold a portfolio he being man-
aging director and chairman of the great de-
partmental stores of Lewis's Limited of Liver-
pool, Manchester and Birmingham.

It is rather amusing to read of a Liberal
party leader, Harper Prowse of Alberta, com-
plaining that Premier Manning has frittered
away the Social Credit policies of William
Aberhart and held power for 13 years under
false pretences. Of all the political parties in
Canada today the Liberals pay least attention
to their avowed principles, but like Premier
Manning they do what is likely to keep them in
power.

An intriguing development in diplomacy is
the appointment of a psychologist to the United
States delegation to the U. N. Atomic Energy
Commission. The idea, of course, is to find
out why the Russians behave the way they do.
So far no concrete suggestions have come from
this source but if the idea is generally adopted
the old diplomacy of threats and promises may
give way to well-planned suggestion.

How that U. N. eats up taxpayers
money! President Harry S. Truman has signed
a bill for a \$65,000,000 interest-free United
States loan to finance construction of the U. N.
Permanent Headquarters in New York City.
Meanwhile, United Nations officials have said
that ground will be broken early in October for
excavation and foundation work for the first
building—a 39-story unit containing offices for
the Secretariat. Construction of the first build-
ing is expected to be completed by the summer
of 1950. Meantime the European nations are
moving that the headquarters be transferred to

We became the Dominion of Canada rather
than the Kingdom of Canada chiefly because
the latter term might have offended republican
sentiment in our Southern neighbour. "Domin-
ion" well and largely describes complete sov-
ereignty which we exercise from sea to sea.
Canadians will probably not quibble if other
nations of the Commonwealth object to the de-
signation because of ignorance of its true sig-
nificance, but before the Dominions become
"commonwealth nations" some enlightenment
would seem to be in order.

While the Vice-Regal party were unlucky
in having part of their home flooded in their
absence, Lord Alexander's private secretary was
more fortunate. Canadian Press carries the
following: Mrs. Norman Lang of Vancouver is
heir to a \$300,000 fifteen-room California-
Spanish style mansion in Berkeley, Calif., and
her two children will receive \$50,000 each. Mrs.
Lang is one of the beneficiaries in the \$2,000,000
estate of her sister, Mrs. Sally McKee
Spens Black who died in Berkeley, Aug. 6. Nor-
man McKee Lang, a Vancouver broker, and his
sister, Mrs. Sally Letson, wife of Maj.-Gen. H.
F. G. Letson, private secretary to Canada's
Governor-General, were named to receive \$50,000 each.



Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.)

SCHOONER LAUNCHED
"On the 4th, at Souris West, was
launched a two-masted schooner, of
90 tons measurement, called the
"Nutwood", after the celebrated
troutling stallion of that name. This
vessel is intended for mackerel
fishing, and is equipped in every
particular. It claims to be the
largest and best constructed vessel ever built
in the country. The foreman, Capt.
Lord, deserves credit for the work
done. Mr. James Keele, of Rollo
Bay, was the contractor." The
Guardian, July 4, 1888.

Who Invented Diesels?

Doxford, a Sunderland firm
which is to supply engines for
four of the tankers ordered by
the S. A. A. claims to have
made its diesels go into new
ships than any other kind of en-
gine. On order now are some 230
sets totalling about one and a half
million horsepower. This includes
engines being built in overseas
yards for six firms outside Brit-
ain build Doxford engines under
licence. So many shipowners spec-
ify the Doxford engine that more
than eleven United Kingdom firms
have been called in to make them
as well as the parent company.
Two reasons for the popularity of
the engine are its economy of con-
sumption and lack of vibration.

Still Greatest Carrier

(Stratford Beacon-Herald)
More than 11,000,000 tons of
British mercantile shipping were
sunk during the recent war, and
latest official report from London
is that the nation is only 1,000,000
tons short of pre-war tonnage.
In addition to building for them-
selves, the British have built
great numbers of ships for foreign
countries, and if they had not
done that they would have been
past their normal amount. All this
has been accomplished in less
than three years, and even greater
progress has been held back for
lack of steel. But the steel
workers are doing a great job.
They are steadily producing more
than 15,000,000 tons a year, which
surpasses all previous output ex-
cept for one year during the war.
The new British freighters are
far finer than any built before
the war. Instead of the 5,000 to
10,000-ton "tramps" that plied
the Seven Seas, many of the new
freighters are 15,000 to 20,000 tons,
and have the graceful lines of an
Atlantic liner, more comfortable
accommodation for the crew, far
better equipment for handling
cargo to enable faster loading and
unloading—and much greater
speed. The result will be more
voyages in less time.

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COULDN'T KEEP SHACK

VANCOUVER.—(CP)—A 32-year-old woman who built a packing-
case shack in the bush near here
has been persuaded to tear her
home down. Police investigating
found the shack did not meet
sanitary by-laws and other ordi-
nances.

Farms For Britons

(Woodstock Sentinel-Review)
Now the election is over we are
waiting to hear the details of
Ontario's proposed participation in
the "gigantic" plan to supply some
100,000 acres of farm land in this
Province to the British Govern-
ment.

At the tail end of the election
campaign, Col. T. L. Kennedy,
minister of agriculture, let it be
known that he had received a
communication from a high official
in the British Government
seeking to have Ontario supply
100,000 acres of suitable farm land
in a plan proposed by Britain to
help offset a world food shortage
during the next ten years.

Colonel Kennedy tossed out the
hint that the plan was similar to
one proposed for Australia and
then closed the door. Further
consideration, he explained, must
wait until after the election.
It would be interesting to know
why the "high government official's"
proposal was made to a provin-
cial government, by-passing the
Federal Government which has in
the past made contracts with Brit-
ain for supplying produce of Cana-
dian farms.

One would also like to know
how this proposal, if carried out,
is going to affect our farm econ-
omy, which has to a large mea-
sure been geared to food contracts
with Britain. What about the prob-
lem of farm labor for these 100,000
acres?

FIGHTING FEAR

One of the worst features of
cancer is the fear it instils into
people. This fear, which in itself
is harmful, often holds a man
back from going to see a doctor when
he feels vaguely that something
is wrong with him. In cancer, as
in many other diseases, early
diagnosis and treatment are es-
sential. Cancer can usually be
cured with the aid of surgery, x-
rays or radium—provided it is
caught in its early stages. It is
important for a person who sus-
pects he may have cancer to see
a doctor at once.

BRUISES BECOME NUISANCE

WASAGAMING, Man.—(CP)—
Bruin trouble has descended on
cottagers in the Riding Mountain
Park area. Several residents have
suffered heavy losses from out-
door refrigerators, and one has
encountered bears three times.
The third time he dropped a bag
of eggs he was carrying to beat a
basty retreat.

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The Poet's Corner

WERE THEY AS RARE

In drifts like snow, the daisies
stand beside the evening,
and in the corners of the fence,
where grass is growing,
their lance-like petals chastely
white their gold disks showing.

They are so common, people pass
them hardly glancing.
Were they as rare as they are fair,
enchanting
their charm, who would ignore a
vision so enchanting?

—Susan Sharp in Kansas City
Poetry Magazine.

Small Help To Maritimes

(Ottawa Citizen)

The Maritime Provinces may
draw some comfort from the
recognition of the national Lib-
eral convention that because of
high freight rates, inadequate
highways and unfavorable trade
policies they have not prospered
as they should. They will ap-
plaud the statement that Cana-
dians in all provinces should en-
joy equal opportunities. But
there is little comfort for them in
the vague measures that the con-
vention put forward.

Certainly as the party's resolu-
tion suggests, decentralization of
industry "should be encouraged"
and cheap electric power "should
be made available." But by whom,
when, and how? The recom-
mendations on freight rates,
transportation, and trade treaties
may be regarded as general ad-
vice to the government but the
only point specifically endorsed is
the principle of freight rate con-
cessions.

Yet what the Maritimes need is
a real program of Federal assist-
ance and investment to bring
greater prosperity to a region that
is not poor in human or material
resources. The recently authorized
marshland drainage aid is a use-
ful measure. So would be the
bridging of the Strait of Canso.
Mr. John R. MacNicol, M.P., has
urged the Dominion to offer a
third of the cost of new coal-
using power plants. The Dawson
Report of 1946 recommended pub-
lic investment to improve the
transport and marketing of fish
and said Federal aid in public
housing would bring "enormous
benefits" to the Maritime econ-
omy.

But the convention did not draft
a program for the Maritimes. The
government has none. Industry
will not decentralize itself, and
even a series of measures to en-
courage its growth in the Mar-
itimes would be unlikely to have
great effect without a counter-
offensive against the economic
forces that have worked for cen-
tralization. In this effort regional
planning would be needed and the
principle of public service would
have to be invoked against the
desire for maximum profits. Such
an effort brought Canada war-
time economic success but from the
Liberal Party is in full re-
treat.

The journalistic description of
Lady Grant, M.P. who has just
become engaged to Lord Tweed-
smuir, as "the most photogenic
member of the House of Com-
mons" and "forthwith in the
Oxford Dictionary" — not that I
doubted what the writer meant
his adjective to mean but that I
wanted to be perfectly clear about
what he actually does mean. It is
probable that the selection of the
definitions are (appropriately) il-
luminating. Lady Grant, on this
showing, is "produced or caused
by light," which I doubt; or al-
ternatively is "producing or emit-
ting light luminiferous." If the
writer meant that — which he
quite certainly did not—I am win-
ning him entirely.—London Spectator.

A forestry expert in Southwest-
ern Ontario has warned that the
state's hard maple is dying out.
He forecasts that in another few
years the tree will be as extinct
as the passenger pigeon. The
causes are manifold, but chief
among them are mismanagement
of the farm woodlot and the in-
crease of disease which attacks
trees. Southern Ontario has al-
ready lost the chestnut tree which
was a distinctive feature of the
landscape a generation ago, and
the New England red spruce has
died out. The maple tree was once
so prevalent throughout Central
Canada and so significant in the
pioneer economy that its leaf
became Canada's national em-
blem. The Indians learned the art
of sugar making from its sap be-
fore the white man came. Maple
syrup is still one of the most de-
lectable confections native to Can-
ada and the destruction of the
maple by pests and overcutting
should be a matter of national
concern.—Saskatoon Star-Phoen-
ix.

What the problem is not to abolish war; we can only abolish war by abolishing humanity, which seems an excessive price to pay. Rather it is to abolish modern or total war — to bring war back to the relatively civilized manner in which it was conducted before 1914.—Calgary Herald.

We should buy British goods whenever we possibly can. No one needs to weigh on sentimentalities, or get mixed up in irrelevant political emotions. Buying goods made in the Old Country is straight, inescapable logic. We sell them far more than we sell ours and Canadian dollars are not easy for Britons to get. The only way we can help them have more of our things is to buy more of theirs. Foreign trade is nothing more or less than that.—Hamilton Spectator.

Owing to persecutions in 16th-century England, thousands of wanted men and women hid in secretly-built rooms in the homes of friends, and their concealment was rarely made known to other members of the household. Although the hiding persons dared not move about or light a candle, until midnight they were occasion-ally seen through the windows by neighbors or heard on secret staircases by servants. These x-periences so thoroughly convinced the people who hid the fugitives of ghosts that today some 150 luxurious country houses in Britain cannot be rented because of "unmored visitation of phantoms."—Collier's.

The watch we want has been invented but unfortunately is not ready for the market. Nor do we know what it will look like, or whether carrying it around will involve more trouble than the good to be got out of it. There are, however, three features about this watch which make it attractive to every citizen. It will never run down. It will not have to be wound. It will keep exact time for 1,000,000,000 years. By now you probably have guessed that this bit of jewelry is another of those atomic age prospects. That is right. Scientists say that they know how to put the watch together. But so far they have not given any clue as to the date of manufacture. But it will be worth waiting for.—Calgary Albertan.

It is very nice, indeed, to receive a prompt letter of thanks for a present you have sent a bride. With all the excitement attending the wedding it is no little accomplishment for a bride to be so business-like in expressing her appreciation. It is not a short, formal letter either. The bride evidently has given considerable time and thought to it. She is thanking you for a salad set and she says it is exactly what she and Jim wanted. Both of them. Love salad and expect to have it often. And yours is the only set they got. She is kind enough to point out that Jim is quite as thrilled over the salad set as she is. Her Jim must rise superior to the average young bridegroom who, as a rule, is so confused by the great array of presents that he can't remember any of them. It seems also that you were most fortunate in the selection of the salad set in that the color goes nicely with their other table ornaments. The bride concludes with the gracious hope that as soon as the wedding is over you will be settled in their apartment you would come by to see them and eat salad out of the salad set. You wonder how the bride has had the time to do all this. The letter is just another of many other incidents revealing what a good thoughtful wife she is going to make. Such being the case she will never learn from you that, as a matter of fact, what you sent her was not the salad set at all but a pair of candlesticks.—Vancouver News-Herald.

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