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The State & The Individual

Timely words were spoken by Mr. G. Blair Gordon, president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, on the subject of the State and the individual in the course of his presidential address at the Association's annual meeting this week.

Mr. Gordon readily conceded that the advocates of state ownership have gained ground during the last forty years. In that period there have been two world wars and many revolutions. While both wars were won largely by combinations of nations which favor liberty of the individual, these nations, by the circumstances of war, were forced to copy extensively the policies and practices of countries which magnified the power of the state.

Even in British countries there is a marked increase in state ownership and control of people and material things. The governments of Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand have adopted, or are putting into effect, very extensive programs of state control. In the United States and even in Canada there has been an extension of the same policy.

Mr. Gordon recalls in this connection the history of ancient Rome and other state-controlled Empires, all of which collapsed. The British and American countries have followed a different path and different policy. They believed in individualism and in the right of people to lead their own lives.

Churchill's Warning

Winston Churchill may be out of office, but he can never be said to be out of power so long as he wields his matchless weapon of speech. His latest words on the Russian situation are worth reams of diplomatic utterances.

"The American eagle sits on his perch, a strong bird with formidable beak and claws... Mr. Gromyko (Russian member of the Security Council) is sent every day to prod him with a sharp stick... All the time the eagle keeps quiet. But it would be a mistake to suppose nothing is going on in the breast of the eagle. I venture to give this friendly hint to my old wartime comrade, Marshal Stalin."

Saskatchewan By-Election

An important provincial by-election is being held in the Morse riding of Saskatchewan on June 27, the "most crucial" of any by-election since the CCF took office two years ago, says the Regina Leader-Post.

Morse was Liberal before 1944, but the CCF captured it in the election of that year though with a margin which makes the riding a fair fighting ground. The CCF vote was 2,763, the Liberal candidate had 2,122 and the Progressive Conservative, 725.

In the by-election the CCF and its policy of Socialism will be on the defensive. What the Leader-Post calls its "totalitarian trend" will be the main issue, and the fight promises to be hard and sharp.

candidate in Herbert Wiebe, mayor of the town of Herbert, and the Progressive Conservatives have chosen a man of "outstanding calibre" to quote the Regina paper, in Rupert Ramsay, provincial leader of the party.

Morse is described as "a typical cross-section of rural Saskatchewan," extending from west of Moose Jaw to east of Swift Current and northwards of Elbow, without any large towns. The vote of June 27 should give some idea whether to the farmers of Saskatchewan Socialism in practice is as fine a thing as Socialism in theory.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The undemocratic kingdoms are losing their heads, one by one. It is not so long since Spain shed her royal house for a republic; now Italy has followed suit.

A survey in one metropolitan centre showed that 59.1% of the housewives read the daily newspaper advertisements regularly before shopping.

The phenomenal development of radar may be gauged when we realize that we may now go to the movies and see our own hearts beat on the screen. That is an improvement even on the lie detector.

"Next to the atom bomb, radar was the most decisive weapon of the war. It brought about the collapse of U-boat warfare," said Admiral Doenitz, former C-in-C. of the German Navy, on May 9, when he continued his defence at Nuremberg.

Russia competing in skyscrapers already. The new Palace of Soviets at Moscow will be slightly more than a quarter of a mile high, or exactly 427 meters. It will be the tallest building in the world.

Criticism of Ontario's stand in the Federal-Provincial Conference, should be subject to the fact that that Province like others, has financial problems of its own to solve. For instance, Provincial Treasurer Frost in his third budget address to the Ontario Legislature forecast a \$21,065,694 deficit for the fiscal year ending March 1, 1947, based on record anticipated gross ordinary expenditures of \$149,436,605 and revenue of \$128,370,911, but pledged the deficit would be overtaken from increased ordinary revenue after the Dominion-Provincial Conference. But the Federal Government did not come to terms.

Norway separated from Sweden this date 1905; she first exchanged Denmark for Sweden as a ruler in 1814, when by the Treaty of Kiel, Sweden received Norway as a reward for joining the coalition against Napoleon. A Swedish Army terrorized the Norwegians into accepting Charles XIII (King from 1814-18); for the ensuing century Norway clamoured for independence, and a strong republican party. At the outbreak of the King of Sweden, the radical successive efforts of the Radical Premier Sverdrup, Steen, and Michelsen resulted in 1905 in the establishing by a plebiscite of Norway as a separate kingdom, under Prince Charles of Denmark, who became Haakon VII.

A public investigation into what the Wartime Prices and Trade Board feels are "questionable conditions" regarding the buying and selling of pork in Saint John is under way at the Prices Board's offices. The investigation is being conducted, the Prices Board maintains, in an endeavor to determine whether black market conditions prevail in wholesale sales of pork to a number of retail meat dealers. The investigation is being conducted, the Prices Board maintains, in an endeavor to determine whether black market conditions prevail in wholesale sales of pork to a number of retail meat dealers.

It is one of the most curious features of the present Government, says the Gazette, that it speaks with alarm at the very thought of inflation, while it pursues a policy that is making the pressure of inflation powerful and hard to control. But, more broadly, the difficulties have arisen from the determination of the planners to tamper with the economic functioning of the country. They have now arrived at a point where they are preventing free enterprise from providing the production that is needed and of which it is capable.

The late Premier Abernethy of Alberta would have rejoiced were he in the flesh at the practical realization of a political policy of "something for nothing" which has just been made effective by the Aitken Labour Government in the United Kingdom.

This milestone in British social history was reached when the House of Commons passed without division the government's "cradle-to-grave" National Insurance Bill. It now will go to the House of Lords. At a cost of more than £450,000,000 (\$2,002,500,000) a year, made up of weekly contributions of employees, employers and a contribution by the government, every adult in the country will be entitled to a cash benefit when unemployed or sick, and a pension on retirement. The Old Age Pension will be increased to the new retirement pension figure this autumn, but the rest of the plan is not expected to come into force until next year.

Notes By The Way

Chicago professor says that the average American is "a typical cross-section of rural Saskatchewan," extending from west of Moose Jaw to east of Swift Current and northwards of Elbow, without any large towns.

Britain is inviting women from war-devastated countries in Europe to do the domestic help problem. They will work in hospitals, other institutions and private homes. Canada would also stand an immigration of this sort.

That feeling was given striking expression at the first order to the exhibition in London, to which thousands have been flocking in the order of millions. The exhibition is the most tremendous growth and progress of the great Dominion of Canada since the late Majesty King George VI. The title given to that portrait was the very spirit of Empire was conveyed in those four fine words.

A report from Ottawa says the Department of External Affairs and the Director of Immigration are being called upon to consider the possibility of admitting refugees to the country. In cases where such persons would be sound policy to admit them. By the way, when is the Federal Government going to be found to devising a policy? Time files and the desirability of immigration will soon be the subject of this article.

A lament on the impossibility of obtaining a watering-can, even of the commonest kind, will find an echo in the hearts of many gardeners. The writer writes that: "Inquiries in three towns have shown that you can't even give an order, let alone get a watering-can. The only hope of supplying a watering-can this summer is to go to the States. It means a long and arduous journey, but it means a watering-can of inferior quality."

Economic collapse is what comes when a Government fails to find the courage to do what is necessary. The writer says that: "The ordinary man is that his salary or his living is steadily or, in extreme cases, to keep him from starving. It means that his savings, however small, are being lost. The writer says that: "The ordinary man is that his salary or his living is steadily or, in extreme cases, to keep him from starving. It means that his savings, however small, are being lost."

The writer of a humor column thinks "things are getting back to normal." His "favorite waitress reports a growing incidence of 'joking matter' in the experience of the public in the war. There was plenty of insolence then and in a very large percentage of cases it was 'always wrong' to be insolent. The writer says that: "The customer who had to be 'always wrong' to be insolent. The writer says that: "The customer who had to be 'always wrong' to be insolent."

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Archbishop Sinnott Retires

(Winnipeg Free Press) It is now announced that the Rt. Rev. Archbishop Sinnott, first came to Winnipeg and three decades ago in the celebration of the centennial of the Roman Catholic church, are a very long time indeed, long leave a lasting mark. This Archbishop Sinnott has done, and he has done it in a day-to-day manner, the recognition of this will be his reward.

His retirement here, a comparatively young man of 58 the first English-speaking archbishop of the church in Winnipeg in the midst of World War I, with a reputation for scholarship, industry and administrative ability, and a deep knowledge of the Bible. The archbishop's diocese are known to all and are his monument.

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Public Opinion is open to the discussion of questions of interest. The Charter-Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

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