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Drinking And Motoring

Recent tragedies have underlined the importance of rigid enforcement of the Temperance Act with respect, not only to drunken driving, but to drinking in motor vehicles under any circumstances whatever.

The new Act makes provision — which the old Prohibition Act did not do — for the legal handling of liquor by certain organizations having special permits for the convenience of its members, and this is a privilege which should be very strictly circumscribed.

The Election Campaign

The most noteworthy feature of the Dominion election campaign now entering the home stretch has been the lack of general public enthusiasm which, it is to be hoped, will not be reflected in the turnout at the polls.

Many commentators have noted an apparent crystallization of opinion against the continued growth of socialism in Canada. Few observers seem to think the socialist parties can even hold the balance of power in the next House of Commons.

In the opinion of Saturday Night, the most important issue between the two major parties concerns the currency: the Liberal policy of a controlled foreign exchange market as against the Conservative policy of abandoning all artificial interference with the value of the Canadian dollar.

Although no party has candidates in all of the 262 Parliament seats which are at stake on Monday, there will be contests in every Federal riding. As far as the two major parties are concerned, the Liberals are letting two ridings in British Columbia to go by default, while the Progressive Conservatives are not contesting 13 seats — five in Quebec, one in Manitoba, three in Alberta, three in British Columbia and one in the Yukon.

In Quebec, the Liberals have a full slate of candidates, while the P.C.'s are not entering candidates in five seats. Independent candidates in these seats have the endorsement of the Progressive Conservatives. In Alberta, the P.C.'s are not contesting three seats, now represented by Social Credit members sympathetic to the Progressive Conservative party, and prominent members of the House of Commons, Victor Quelch in Acadia, Robert Fair in Bow River, and A. Hlynka in Vegreville.

other parties, number 61, of whom 41 are listed for Quebec ridings.

No one should assume that his or her vote does not count in Monday's election. Laxity in this respect is what has cost other countries their freedom politically.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Now to wait and see.
Tomorrow Second Sunday after Trinity.
Monday vote early and vote only once.
The First Wesleyan Conference 1744.

The rules for safety in the water are really only common sense which, unfortunately, seems to be not common to all.

There appears to be little betting on the result of Monday's election. Quite a few offers, but practically no takers.

The Charlottetown Board of Trade has done exceptionally well under its new set-up. New blood, of the right kind, tells.

A week-end of uncertainty and then on Monday predictions will be fulfilled or upset and the silent ones will say they knew it all the time.

Mr. Justice Ilsley is to lecture at Dalhousie University on income tax law. This, says The Letter Review, will cause cold shudders to those who remember what Minister Ilsley did about income tax.

The 35 per cent increased butter production by Island dairymen would have meant quite a lot of money in their pocket but for margarine competition. As it is the taxpayer pays the support price of 59 cents and the margarine manufacturer makes the sales.

A typical news story from one of our larger cities concludes: "Our trams carried heavier traffic to the beaches over the week-end than ever before. They were packed tight." The accessibility of our own beaches and their uncrowded state are blessings which we tend to take too much for granted.

The London Economist has wisely pointed out that the deliberate plan of Communist Governments is to make the Churches as much agencies of the State as the Orthodox Church was in Russia under the later Romanoff Tsars.

Wholesale food prices are about 17 per cent below what they were a year ago and present indications are that they will continue on a downward trend, says Mr. Paul Willis, president, Grocery Manufacturers of America.

Most of us think of the fitting remark long after it can be effective. The editor of the Christian Science Monitor, Edwin D. Canham, is one exception. When a waitress spilled cream on him at a dinner in his honour he opened his remarks by saying that he had been doubly honoured.

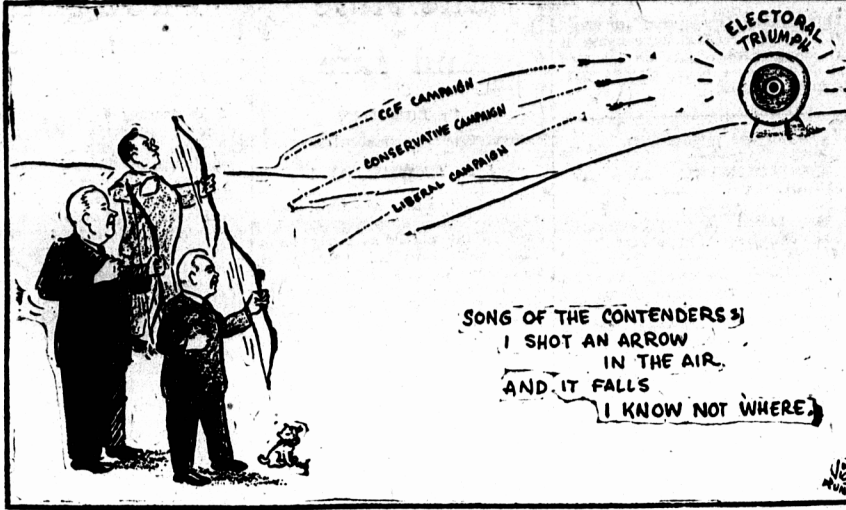
Admiral Viscount Mountbatten of Burma born this date 1900. After a distinguished naval service was appointed Governor-General of India at the revolutionary period in that Empire. He proved so resourceful and diplomatic that the change-over took place without any trouble or bloodshed among the races concerned.

The resignation of W. J. Patterson as M. L.A. for Cannington constituency, Sask., was announced recently by Acting Premier J. W. Cornman, K. C. The resignation reduces the number of Liberal members in the Sask. provincial legislature to 19, leaving the house standing: C.C.F. 31; Liberals, 19; Liberal-Progressive Conservative, 1. Mr. Patterson, former premier and provincial Liberal leader, has been appointed as a member of the Federal Board of Transport Commissioners.

One of the large mail order houses in the U.S.A. anticipates a gain in sales volume of 27 per cent by July 31, compared with last year at that time. The president of the company explains that business is good because the biggest part of customers are farm people and small town folks.

Opportunities are as often made as offered. Apprentice farmers will soon be working on farms in Scotland. An agreement has been made between the Ministry of Labour, farmers and trade unions for a three-year apprenticeship scheme to be initiated. In the past farmers have had to draw new recruits to agriculture from the sons of ploughmen and farmworkers.

How To Watch And Wait



PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

A COLOSSUS

Sir.—By universal acclaim the greatest living man in all this world is a Tory, and his name is Winston Churchill. This truth is freely acknowledged by all great men, and is only feebly and imperfectly denied by men of puny stature and feeble intellect who hold that all the virtues and talents are possessed by Liberals and by Liberals alone.

RECOLLECTIONS OF GEORGETOWN

Sir.—Many years before my time Georgetown was officially surveyed and laid off as the probable capital of the Isle of St. Jean or Prince Edward Island. In my time (during the 1880's) Georgetown had many worthwhile merchants and shipbuilders.

Today I see some improvements, but again many things are not so good. On entering the town I missed many buildings on the west side of Main Street, but on the East side is a splendid looking stone building, the C. N. R. station and other buildings used to be on Main Street. Now only the engine house remains on that site.

Hon. Dan Gordon's large brick building has disappeared (we used to call it the Convent). MacDonald Bros. busy corner seems to be closed up. This is indeed a great pity. In general, however, Water Street appears to have improved with the passing years. The greatest change for the worst which I noticed was at Trinity Corner. It used to be a busy corner. A general store owned by Wallace, I think, was there. It was later by Fred Campbell and W. S. Easton and still later by Jas. Easton and son. It is now closed. All seem to have passed on. I used to attend Trinity Church. I remember the door with the object of having a look in, but the door was locked.

I can remember when that church was packed on each Sunday, both morning and evening services. James Easton and family (we used to call him the Bishop), Albert Aitken and family, Charles Aitken, Robert Lockerby, Tapper family, W. W. Jenkins and family, the Skinner family, the Fairchildes and Lavers, W. Sanderson, Fred Campbell, Doctor Kaye, Capt. Westaway, John Westaway and family, Capt. Dicks and family, Ashley Allen, Charley Johnson and family, Joseph Poulton and family, old Mr. Haines and family, Wm. Allen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevens, Mrs. Yorkston and family, Ashby Allen, Charles Goffin from Woodville and several families from Montague.

In talking to Mrs. W. S. Easton, who seemed to be alone, she did not give me much church news from which was a surprise from one in which was the Eastons were always great churchmen.

I called at the James Easton house and found they had all passed on. The grandson, Edward Easton, was not home. I had a short talk with Mrs. Easton but as she is a stranger to Georgetown she could not give me much news of the old residents. She is a lady of education and refinement and is capable of making her way anywhere.

After being most of my life in Western Canada and United States and while still an Anglican, I have worshipped in churches of all denominations, I try to see why Georgetown is failing to keep up three Protestant Churches when one would be so much more sensible. Thanks for your space, Mr. Editor. I am, Sir, etc. TRAVELLER.

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.)

BANNERMAN'S ENACTMENTS

In 1851 Lieutenant Governor Bannerman commented his legislative career, by setting the people to mend their ways; gave relief to insolvent debtors; commuted the Crown salaries for outport control; regulated the cost of distilleries; permitted stray cattle to be sold; incorporated the trustees of Princeown Royalty Church; amended the Statute of the Mills, standard of weights and measures act; encouraged the cod and mackerel fisheries; prohibited certain games and fireworks in Charlottetown; authorized a lottery for the use of the Island; provided for common assaults and batteries; granted a patent to Abraham Gesner for an improved method of reduced the salary of the Collector of Imposts; restrained bulls; protected Georgetown from accidents by fire, and nuisances; relieved the salary of the Collector of Customs; and established the rates in currency at which sterling rents were payable.

In 1852 we find Sir Alexander engaged in adding to the Statute of Fisheries Protection Act; also to the Logs and Scantling Act, the "floating capital" of the Island streams; also the like continuation of the Statute of the Seamen's Act. Leasehold interest laws were consolidated; intercourse with Nova Scotia and New Brunswick again facilitated; the civil list provided for, and the Crown revenues commuted.

The Acts relating to small debts were overhauled, occupying sixty pages of the laws; the "Sardinian" got legislative permission to leave the Island; the fence laws were amended so that viewers might not be felled; punishment was provided for canine thieves; more assessment for education was imposed in a law of seventy-nine clauses; corporations were permitted to sue and be sued; the "Dioch" was incorporated, also the people called Bible Christians; the offices of Colonial Secretary and Road Correspondent were regulated; the process in certain cases was provided for; seduction obtained a summary remedy; the sale of arsenic and other poisons controlled; a Light House was provided for the Island; heavy duty of weighing coal, culm and coke was discussed; publishing public notices was regulated; proving of wills facilitated; a monopoly of the Charlottetown ferry permitted; a fog bell and horizontal windmill patented; persons of unsound mind were cared for; accidents by fire in Charlottetown again better prevented. A Temperance Hall Company and the Order of the Sons of Temperance were incorporated, the Statute Labor and Nuisance Acts amended, and appropriations made for the service of the year.

From "Progress and Prospects of Prince Edward Island," etc., 1861, by C. Birch Bagster.

The Age-Old Story

He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noon-day.

FIRST BIG RESERVE

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AT THE LAST

A late lark twitterer from the quiet side;
And from the west,
Where the sun, his day's work ended,
Lingers as in content,
There falls on the old gray city
An influence luminous and serene,
A shining peace.

The smoke ascends
In a ray-and-golden haze. The spires
Shine and are changed. In the valley
Shadow rise. The lark sings on
The sun,
Closing his benediction.
Sinks, and the darkening air
Thrills with the sense of the triumphing night.

So by my passing!
My task accomplished and the long day done,
My wages taken and in my heart
Some late lark singing.
Let me be gathered to the quiet west.
The sundown splendid and serene:
Death.

RELIEF FOR STOCKHOLDERS

LONDON.—(CP)—British holders of common stock of International Nickel Company of Canada are to receive tax relief in Britain with respect to Canadian tax for the three years ended April 5, 1947. Decision was made by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue.

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Notes By The Way

A scientist claims the human race would be better off if it walked on all fours, a suggestion unlikely to appeal to parents already laboring under the effort to keep Junior in shoe leather. — Sault Ste. Marie Star.

When Charlie the elephant from Cody's Circus at Perth was being taken for a lumber-up near the South Inch, he suddenly decided to investigate the contents of a near-by pram, in which an infant was sleeping peacefully. Before anyone could stop him, he had coiled his trunk round the hood, and playfully crumpled it into a shapeless mess. Amidst all the excitement and before two circus attendants managed to lure Charlie away from the pram, Baby woke up, looked him over, and dropped off to sleep again—quite unimpressed.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

It is amusing to read of younger competitors at the Boys' Chess Championship at Hastings who bought "and sucked" thoughtfully big sticks of rock candy while they pondered their chess problems. They were officially reminded that eating at the chessboard was normally prohibited, but as sweet rationing had just ended their lapse was overlooked. We shall now have to find out whether nourishment at the chessboard has an influence on the play. Are American players, by the way, allowed to take a gum ration to the chess tournament? It is not exactly nourishment, but it is said to assist concentration. — Manchester Guardian.

Some one has said that none but a practicing politician has yet been known to read an election manifesto. This may be an overstatement, but it stems from the nature of solid fact. Few road manifestoes because few are prepared to believe them. A government's promises are read in the light of its records, an Opposition in the light of its promises and expediency. The broad question for any voter to consider in an election, is which side presents the preferable group of candidates for public service. Barring great issues, there is little else to consider. Custom has made the manifesto necessary; otherwise it is practically valueless. — Sydney Post-Record.

Not for 117 years have the salaries of high court judges in the United Kingdom been raised. They propose to do something about that now. In 1931, during the depression, they all took a 20 per cent cut; six years later they got it back. The Lord Chief Justice receives £8,000 per annum; at four dollars per pound that is \$32,000, a far greater stipend than the Prime Minister of Canada receives. Other high court judges receive \$5,000 per year, but when they are married and pay taxes, the take home pay is about \$2,500. The point is that these incommensurate salaries, which they surely are, have far less remuneration in life than the able men in private practice who appear before them. The Attorney-General of Britain, who fills a Cabinet post, is not too badly off. He receives £10,000 per year. The socialist movement, it is announced, intends to raise the scale for the Chief Justice and 43 others. Even in the jangling process in the Old Land, they will put a premium on brains and integrity. — St. Catherine's Standard.

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