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

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The Royal Visit

The splendid reception accorded their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth on their arrival in Quebec yesterday was indicative of the loyalty and enthusiasm prevailing throughout the Dominion on this occasion.

The visit is unprecedented in history and is evidence, among other things, of the position Canada holds in the great family of British nations, united in the common bond of allegiance to the Crown.

Now For The Verdict

One of our most keenly contested provincial elections comes to a close today, when the electoral jury give their verdict through the ballot boxes. It was a surprise campaign, sprung on short notice.

The main questions discussed by the Conservative candidates were the financial, legislative and administrative record of the Campbell Government, centering chiefly on the Government's reckless debt increase in violation of its promises; its abolition of the right of resort to the law courts in land expropriation cases; its exploitation of the system of appointing members of the Legislature to salaried public offices and extensive purchasing of supplies through firms controlled by Government members; the secrecy and suspicion surrounding its methods of financing and liquor law administration; its manipulation of fishermen's loans and old age pensions payments for partisan political purposes; its obnoxious legislation as instanced by the new Probate Act which imposes greatly increased costs in handling small estates; and its attitude of indifference and irresponsibility towards the interests of the electors generally.

The Government candidates, for the most part, avoided discussing these issues, and when they did so were deplorably weak and unconvincing.

As regards party leaders, the Premier—eulogized in his party press as having the "the Oxford touch"—was suave and polished, resembling his federal leader, Prime Minister Mackenzie King in this respect, and showing an equally remarkable dexterity in using the resources of language, to camouflage his purposes.

On the other hand, Dr. MacMillan hits straight from the shoulder. There is no doubt about what he means; with him language is what it is intended to be, a means of expressing his views and sentiments so that all may understand him. If anything during the campaign the Doetor's oratory was more earnest and convincing than customary. All who heard him give him credit for absolute sincerity, of being a man whose word is as good as his affidavit. He has put up a great fight, has not spared himself night or day in the short time at his disposal.

There is every reason to predict, from the response received by Dr. MacMillan and his candidates, that the electors want a return to responsible, democratic government and will elect him with a substantial majority of supporters to carry out his platform and policies.

Shabby Treatment

It is not necessary to go to the campaign speeches of either party for evidence of the shabby treatment received by Charlottetown under Liberal administration. The facts are contained in the brief which the Charlottetown Board of Trade presented last year to the Rowell Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations. Here are some excerpts from the brief: "With regard to urban districts, the problem (of unemployment) in the City of Charlottetown has reached a point where it is beyond the capacity of the city to deal with. With the normal population of around 11,000 or 12,000 expanded within the last few years to between 14,000 and 15,000, and with no corresponding expansion in industrial activity, the city of Charlottetown is forced to provide relief to approximately 600 families, amounting in all to 3,000 persons.

"The total direct relief provided for these people during 1937 was \$53,464.38. This works out to approximately \$2.97 per person per month or about \$14.85 per family per month over a six month period during which relief is provided.

"We invite you to compare these figures with those applicable to other districts. Of this amount, meagre though it was, the City was forced to pay 61 per cent, while other Canadian cities pay on an average 33 per cent of their relief costs.

"This deplorable state of affairs is not due to the fact that the City officials have not at-

tempted to obtain more equitable treatment from the Dominion. Our Mayor has been forced practically to beg on his knees for the unjustly small amount of assistance that has been provided."

The brief also referred to the neglected condition of the port of Charlottetown. "A survey of Charlottetown harbour was begun in 1935," it stated, "and completed in 1937 but to date the necessary docking facilities for the larger vessels have not been provided."

The figures cited before the Rowell Commission are not open to dispute, as they were submitted to the Campbell Government before the presentation was made. All presentations before the Commission had to come, in the first place, through the Provincial Government.

These were matters in which the Campbell Government, as well as the King Government at Ottawa, neglected the interests of Charlottetown, for there is no doubt that in this case both governments were responsible.

Under the MacMillan Government, we obtained relief payments on a basis of 33 1-3 per cent contribution jointly by the City, the Province and the Dominion and it was the Government, not the City Corporation, which shouldered the burden of pressing our grievances at Ottawa.

Editorial Notes

Holy Thursday. Vote early, but only once.

Today's election will go down in history as remarkable for three things: its unexpectedness; the lack of satisfactory explanation for it; and the fact that one of the members of the Government was dumped in advance by his Party.

"A German revealing such a document concerning his own country would be executed under the treason law," comments the Berlin correspondent of The Daily Express of London, at the end of the following dispatch: "The Berlin newspaper Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung publishes a confidential notice issued to the London press by the Admiralty concerning coastal defenses and anti aircraft measures taken abroad. The report indicates that it came from an American news agency's London office."

Mr. Frank Sanderholm, Douglas County Commissioner, Nebraska, grew a beard (an untrimmed dandy, by Omaha's Golden Spike Day's celebration.) Then he started to Louisiana to return a bearded country ward to that State. His trip record: Fifty miles from Omaha: "Stopped to eat and they made us pay in advance."

Nashville, Tenn: Jailed. "Finally convinced the chief of police we weren't bums."

Birmingham, Ala.: "The cops gave us nasty looks, decent folks wouldn't sit near us in restaurants, they shooed us out of respectable hotels. Finally got a shave!"

Mentally sick patients are now being rescued from the world of the insane by the simple and comparatively safe measure of breathing nitrogen, it was announced at the meeting in Toronto recently of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology. "Encouraging results" of this new, non-shock treatment for insanity in a small series of cases were reported by Drs. H. E. Himwich, F. A. D. Alexander, Basile Lipetz and J. F. Fazekas of Albany, N. Y., Medical College and Union University. The new treatment achieves its effect by the same mechanism as the drastic insulin and metrazol shock methods. This is by decreasing the metabolic activity of the brain. The nitrogen inhalation treatment, however, is easier to give than insulin shock and does not produce the fearful convulsions of metrazol treatments which are dreaded by both patients and physicians.

A person may be called a "mule" on account of one peculiarity—obstinacy. In France the epithet "camel" is one of scathing opprobrium. Mules, particularly the army variety, have had their apologists, event their eulogists, and at last a French scientist and desert traveller is trying to do justice to the camel, which he describes as "of blood royal, of kindly and honest nature, and of noble loyalty." The late Lawrence of Arabia in "Seven Pillars of Wisdom" bears him out in this. It is believed that the scientist has undertaken an impossible task—a task for which no foreigner sees the necessity, for the reaction on being called a camel outside France merely arouses the sense of strangeness—possibly the ability to go on a long time without a drink. In discouraging the scientist's task one gloomy critic writes: "One might as well try to expatiate on the excellent qualities of the dog, cat, pig, serpent and even the canary, but you can't get away from the fact that they possess others, which are easier to remember and to apply to persons."

The Monthly Letter of The Royal Bank of Canada for May surveys business conditions in Canada, the United States and Great Britain. All through the winter it was taken for granted that with the arrival of spring, the upward trend in business activity general during the latter months of 1938 would be resumed, but the crisis in Europe in March and the recurrence of similar incidents during April have a most disturbing effect on world economic conditions. Business has been hesitant, recovery has made but little headway and cannot be expected to do so without some improvement in the international situation. Wage-earner families in Canada spend approximately two-thirds of their income upon the bare necessities of life—food, fuel, and light, shelter and clothing. This is one of the striking results concerning the living standards of wage-earner families recently obtained from a survey of Canadian urban family living expenditures. These results are reviewed and summarized in the second article of the letter, and reproduced in our columns yesterday.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Hitler referred to Czecho-Slovakia and Austria as provinces in the Reich, but they were never in the Reich; Hitler said he had never broken a treaty, and then broke two more, the naval treaty with Britain and the non-aggression pact with Poland, in this very same speech; Hitler said that Czecho-Slovakia had never wanted to be an independent nation, an appalling lie; These are the facts and the every rule of decency in debate. This is deliberate use of the Nazi technique of the "big lie." It is a speech which follows Hitler's own dictum in his "Mein Kampf," that successful propaganda consists in telling such tremendous lies that they cannot be rationally answered. —New York Post.

In an Ontario newspaper Dr. Heksch, of Balassagarmat, Hungary, advertises "Hungarian farm-land incorporated" in "1,000 acres (400 hectares) of good land (farm in Southern Canada)." He does not stipulate the size or value of the farm desired. We do not think there will be many offers. In which might Hungary might well be the battleground. That is probably why the farmer there, well-off one would judge from the size of his holdings, wants to get out. But anyone who would want to give up a good farm here to go to Hungary at the present time should have his head read. It wouldn't be worth taking the risk, even for 1,000 acres. —Windsor Star.

Associate Justice Felix Frankfurter made his first public speech this week after a discreet silence of three months. It was before the Harvard Club of Washington. The Justice confided to his consultants a colleague as to what it would be proper for a justice to talk about and was advised to confine himself to "agreeable vapidities." So he addressed the Harvard alumni on "relations to the faculty, telling them, 'It is important not to chill the vagaries or even the follies of teachers by hyper-criticism.'" —Christian Science Monitor.

This happened in Washington, but seems worth communicating here. A lady and her escort, dining in the Blue Room at the King Hotel, fell to talking about the strange hats worn by other women. "I'll bet you could wear that," said the gentleman, pointing to a wicker chair with a dinner roll, "and nobody would notice." "Of course," said the lady. She summoned her waiter and asked if he'd please have a roll baked sent into the ladies' room for her. The waiter brought her a roll, and she put it in the basket at a rakish angle, and returned quietly to her table. Nobody paid any attention to her, although she danced several times, walked about the lobby, and stopped at the bar for a brandy on her way out. The only impression the basket made was on the dinner check; it cost her escort fifty cents. —New Yorker.

Here's Canon Charles E. Raven, master of Christ College, Cambridge, and Chaplain to the King, in a letter to the Church of England, with the pointblank assertion that in the event of any war involving his mother country he'd have nothing to do with military service. He refused to act as chaplain to any regiment—he would decline to bring the consolation of their religion to the wounded and the dying. During the great war, casual deaths among the clergy of the Church of England, of which our visitor is a representative were: killed in action or died of service, 88; wounded, 176. This church was credited with 262 awards for gallantry on the field, including three Victoria Crosses. Isn't Canon Raven rather letting this proud record down? —Harrison in Windsor Star.

Up at Burnt River the other day they had an old fashioned occasion which shows that co-operative effort, more commonly known as "a bee" is still an institution in rural communities. Burnt River, situated in the northern part of Victoria County, is a small village which caters to the farmers and lumbermen of the surrounding district and its church serves the people of a rather wide district. When the church needed a new roof it contacted a problem, which, if not tackled in a co-operative manner, would have meant an expenditure of major importance and money is never a plentiful commodity in churches in small places. The problem was easily solved, however, by the men of the congregation who, after the shingles were purchased, had a bee the other day and finished the job of dressing the building in a new covering. The ladies of the congregation, not to be outdone, also joined in the bee and they supplied the men with dinner and supper and as the correspondent writes, the dinner and supper were man-sized meals. We can imagine the men of the congregation made the occasion of the shingling bee something more than a job of work. It is likely that it was an occasion of social contact of a nature that we in larger towns and cities could not understand. We can imagine the good fun that was had by the men as they sat around the table at dinner and supper while the ladies made the table groan with the weight of food. In a city or town a church needs a new roof, the men-folk would be more inclined to offer a special collection for the work rather than organize a bee to do the job more cheaply. —From the Lindsay Post.

The new "purge" or "drive" or whatever you wish to call it, against "reaction" or "whites" or "Russians" you wish to call that, is on in Russia. Yearmers after a socialist regime may as well put aside any thought that work will be easier under such a system. The argument that rewards will be greater, or other conditions better, but the fact remains that you can't duck work. When the government side in Spain was on the side of the "lapses" because Anarchist drab workers wanted shorter hours and more pay. Socialists and Communists quickly whipped them into line when Mexican strikes imperiled the national economy by frequent strikes, the leftist government moves for legislation to control them. When Russian workers decide to relax a little and gather some of the fruits of their revolution by taking it easy, they are quickly faced with "Stalinism" or else. No country, fascist, socialist or republican, can get along without work. No country can afford to allow its essential services

PUBLIC FORUM

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"LEFT HOLDING THE BAG"

Sir:— "We'll balance the budget Tomorrow night 'Twill be in the bag When the sun goes down."

Epilogue: This is tomorrow Here are we— And there's the bag And the sun's gone down! I am, Sir, etc., NAGGAL.

THE CAMPBELLS ARE GOING

Sir.— The Campbells are going Hurrah! Hurrah! The Campbells are going Away—away The Campbells are going And do we say nay? The Campbells are going In May—in May.

Their platform is rotten Their gains are ill-gotten They're lost in the wilds of the National Park; Their gates and their fences Are darn poor defenses The Campbells are out in the dark—the dark.

The Campbells are going Hurrah! Hurrah! The Campbells are going Today—Today The Campbells are going They're not going to ask them To stay—to stay.

They jiggled the budget The people will judge it Their good hard-earned money Has faded away They've got all the lowdown It's come to a showdown Today—Today! I am, Sir, etc., ALMOST INHANE.

CHILDREN, FLAGS AND CHEERS

Sir.—When children are marching two abreast in what hand should the flag be held? It is pretty to see all flags on outside when children are marching—then half have flags in left hand. Now then, can a flag salute be given with the flag in the right hand? We thought not. But then when the King, one flag—then flag is in the left hand. Is it correct to wave it in left hand, or should they change the flag over to the right hand and wave it?

Also, how should they cheer correctly the King and Queen? Will you answer through the paper, please, soon? I am, Sir, etc., SUBSCRIBER.

[The flag should be carried in the right hand with arm more or less extended, and waving, in respect of the number of children abreast. A children's salute is waving the flags above their heads and shouting at the pitch of their voices "Hooray" with the

The Poet's Corner

TO THE KING AND QUEEN

We throng today to see the King Of Britain's long enduring throne, And Britain's Royal Consort Queen, And proudly claim them for our own.

Oh people, greet your King and Queen They bring a breath of English rose, And Ireland's never-fading green, And spaces where the meadow grows, And flowing from their ancient sires,

And there's no race within our gates, Who tread our plains, or crowd our marts, Who may not greet the King and Queen, And find some kinship in their hearts.

So, not a single jarring note Of race, or creed, or party strife Should break today the harmony And concord of Canadian life.

Then freely come to greet the heirs Of Britain's long enduring throne; Forget the bars of race and creed, And proudly claim them for your own.

The herald of a brighter day When wars of race and creed shall cease, And history inscribe their reign The herald of a reign of peace.

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to be bogged up by loafing or slackness. The world is that way, and nobody has even yet discovered any way to get around it. —Kitchener Record.

It is idle to suppose that Germany's loss of the colonies she possessed before the war is in any real sense responsible for the economic difficulties which Germany has subsequently encountered. Before the war Germany derived no raw material of major importance from any of her colonies, and could not have, since these colonies possess not a single one of the essentials of modern industry—coal, iron, copper, rubber, oil or cotton. —New York Times.

BACKACHE OFTEN WARNING

Backache may be the first sign of kidney trouble. When your back aches, look to your kidneys. Don't fail to heed this warning—it is too important. Take prompt action to correct backache, or its cause. At the first sign of backache turn confidently to Dodd's Kidney Pills—for over half a century the favorite remedy for kidney ailments. 107

Chat Body of Hours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

PUTTING A SEAL OF ACCEPTANCE ON FOOD PRODUCTS

There was a time when the selling of patent medicines was carried on by a travelling concert troupe or even circus. After a crowd had gathered about the tent and watched the performance for a while, the "professor" stood up and told of the merits of his medicine; it would cure practically all the ailments common to the majority of his listeners. There was some merit in most of these remedies in that they helped to create an appetite and were effective in causing bowel movements.

Today these patent medicines are sold by means of radio and newspaper advertisements and as this advertising is supervised by the government, it is not likely that the statements made stretch the truth too far. The firms behind these medicines realize that one or more cases of dangerous results would stop all sales.

It would seem then that to a great extent patent medicines are safe enough, but of course, their use for any special symptom or ailment should be really under a physician's direction.

What is the travelling entertainer selling to-day? The patent medicine man has given way to the food expert.

Some of these experts may know their foods; their chemistry, nutrition qualities and quantities. Many of them also, after experimenting upon themselves, are quite honestly trying to help others.

There are many, on the other hand, who are just trying to play up the lack of food values and vitamins of good, nourishing foods in order to sell some special food in which they are financially interested by expanding upon its vitamin value, its mineral value, its easy digestibility, and its ability to prevent constipation.

Fortunately, to protect those who have a food of merit, and to protect the public from being alarmed or fooled by unproven claims, the Council of Foods of the American Medical Association is now judging the food values of certain food products and also the claims made by the manufacturer. The manufacturer of his product and the list of his claims for his product to this Council. If the food and the claims for it are accepted, advertising is permitted in the publications of the American Medical Association, and a "Seal of Acceptance" may be used in the advertising.

last syllable long drawn out—"Hoo raaaay!" Marching past the King or an officer taking the salute rank-and-file, like children, merely turn their heads to the saluting officer—still waving their flags in their right hands—and looking straight into the eyes of the saluting officer.—Ed. G.]

WHY HAVE SORE FEET? JUST RUB IN MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

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Modernization Loans for Home Owners. H-I-P Loans. \$3.25 per \$100.00. Repayable in 12 monthly instalments. BANK OF MONTREAL.

Third Reading Is Given Wheat Bill. (By The Canadian Press) OTTAWA, May 15—After a final plea from Social Credit members for a higher price the House of Commons tonight gave third reading to the bill fixing the initial price for wheat this year at 70 cents a bushel, basis No. 1 northern at Port William.

For a Delicious Cup of Orange Pekoe Tea. Mr. Tea Pott Says: Use BRAHMIN Full Flavoured Tea.

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