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Lives Of Great Men...

It's nice to have the views, at this time, of Mr. Keith Davey, national organizer of the Liberal Party of Canada, and since Mr. Davey doesn't believe in hiding his light under a bushel, it's not difficult to come by them. And on a subject of prime interest, too, namely, what he thinks about the qualifications of his gifted leader, Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Davey's contribution to this first issue takes the innocent form of a book review of an American best-seller, Theodore H. White's "The Making of The President 1964."

The President, Mr. Davey concluded, "is neither intellectual nor sophisticated." But neither is he "a John Diefenbaker—save for a passionate and prime concern for politics."

We had thought, from the criticisms from other quarters, that Mr. Diefenbaker had perhaps too much "gut integrity" for his own good, and too little of the other qualifications that are necessary to political leadership.

But it seems that others in the party, if not Mr. Pearson, can take a timely political lesson from President Johnson's example. "Certainly the President," says Mr. Davey, "was able to 'sell' the prosperity issue in a way which we have not yet discovered."

The Ottawa Journal, after citing this flabbergasting statement as we have done, cannot forbear giving it a Bronx cheer. "Get with it, Mr. Pearson!" it whoops. "Get out the trumpets of prosperity, forget Mr. Rivard! Canada may not be Texas but we have to stand tall and talk big and pull the Tories' ears, Yessir!"

To which we shall refrain from adding our own puny comment.

Those Student Loans

As noted recently in these columns, the new arrangement for student loans is meeting with criticism across the country. According to the London Free Press, this arrangement for tightening the purse strings by imposing a student means test, as well as by requiring income disclosures by parents, was the result of a mutual agreement between Ottawa and the provinces, though we heard nothing about it until now.

Written into the requirements as well, is an arbitrary determination that parents spend 13 to 18 per cent

of their taxable income on their children's education. And they have to attest under oath as to the information contained in the application.

All this may be necessary to curb such abuses as reportedly have crept into the loans system, though one would think it could be dealt with in a way which would not penalize the great majority of students who have lived up to their obligations.

"We would expect that normally the parents would be aware of the application (for a student loan) but we would not wish to stipulate that the loan would require the approval of the parents. To our way of thinking, it is better for all concerned that the student take full responsibility and should feel full responsibility, from the start."

This was in reference to the extension of loans to minors—but it was of general application as well. Even in the case of minors, it was deemed neither necessary nor desirable that parents or guardians endorse loans to make them acceptable to the banks.

Now all this has been changed. The stringency of the new requirements not only may curb abuses, they may put a crimp in the whole plan of assistance creating resentment among students and parents alike.

In the case of this province, it seems there is not money enough to meet the loan requirements of even those students who have qualified under the tightened-up regulations.

It Isn't Cricket

Britain's poultry market is a big and profitable one, and the Danes have been getting into it in a way the British government doesn't like. An announcement just issued from the Board of Trade—a branch of the government in the U.K.—concerning anti-dumping regulations is designed to stem the flood of Danish chickens now being sold there at a price 30 per cent lower than in shops in Denmark.

Britain's broiler industry now produces some three million oven-ready chickens a week, costing the housewife 18.8d (23 cents) a pound less than eight years ago. The industry claims it is not concerned about imports of birds generally, as it is confident of meeting and beating foreign competitors; but dumping at prices below production costs is another matter.

Total imports of dead poultry into the U.K., excluding ducks, geese and turkeys, is running at 12 million a year, more than double what it was a year ago. Most of these birds are coming from Denmark, which has been forced to find a new outlet because economic sales to Germany have been cut drastically. It is said that British housewives go for the home-produced poultry, although it might be 3d (3 1/2 cents) a pound more, because it has a better meat ratio than the smaller and less tasty Danish birds.

The British chicken broiler industry is one of the most modern in the world, and one of the few industries today to have cut prices to the consumer despite higher overheads. It reckons on producing 155 million this year, and is ready for expansion even into the export field. Not, its spokesmen hasten to say, on a dumping basis though. That isn't cricket, and the Danes have now been told so.

EDITORIAL NOTES

One of the world's most famous churches, Westminster Abbey in London, is almost 900 years old. The anniversary will be commemorated from December 28 (the Abbey's 900th birthday) until the same date in 1966. The theme chosen to give unity, structure and coherence to the events is—"One People."

For the first time, the head of a commoner is to appear on a British coin in addition to that of a monarch. It will also be the first time that the head of a commoner, with the exception of Oliver Cromwell, has appeared on a coin of the realm since at least the 12th century. The crown, a circulation in October of this year, will bear the Queen's effigy on one side and that of Sir Winston Churchill on the other.



HOW WELL YOU PUT THINGS, LESTER

OTTAWA REPORT By Patrick Nicholson

Waiting For The November 8 Shoo-in

Letter from a Parliament Hill office. Well Mum, you will have heard the news about the election. So I will be flying home shortly, to check up that Ed and the boys are putting my organization into shape for the vote.

Mum, remember how you told me I was a dumb dodo not to give this up years ago? Well, that is my last election and that is for sure. And oh boy what a golden handshake Mike has fixed up for me! Just look how he's fixed things in the past two years. First I got that boost from \$10,000 a year to \$18,000—of which a third is tax free; then I got those weekly air passes home, even your plushy neighbour the Doc doesn't have it as good, and I never work his hours now—get called out at midnight.

And what a ball this next Parliament will be for me Mum. With this redistribution coming soon—and we only just missed it by Mike calling the election now—poor old Palling Creek will go down the creek as the boys here joke to me. Instead of being a cosy little nothing job with a poll of around 18,000 it will be split four ways and tagged onto other constituencies each with about 70,000 people. That'll make the MPs work!

So where does that leave me? No place to run next time if I wanted to which I don't, and no call to work through the next five years on Parliament Hill! When poor old Mrs. Creppin at Noahsville writes moaning about her husband's pension, I'll just tell her to write to Williams the New Dem member for Wolfe West as Noahsville will be in his new constituency and when those plaguey dairy association boys from Udders

Place come delegating to the Hill, I'll tell my girl to steer them towards that Diefenbuddy Art since Udders Place will be in his constituency. That sort of thing will save me sitting around ministers' waiting rooms. But of course I won't let it to that when I come speechifying around in the next few weeks. I'll talk about how I strive night and day for the needs of ill old Faling Creek, just like I always say to the voters when I get a rare visit in my office here. "Why look at those three filing cabinets, all bulging with my letters to the Prime Minister putting your case." "I always tell them."

It's too bad though that old Mrs. Gratchit walked in in June all unannounced and spotted one of my filing cabinets open and filled only with bottles. Oh and that's another thing that'll make life pleasant here after this election. The government threw the press out of building, said there was no space, and now

it's been able to double the size of the liquor room they run there for MPs, all newly painted and even fitted with a refrigerator so I won't need to use those dirty ice-cubes out of my water cooler any more. Not so many tourists here since Labour Day, but I always say I'm lucky Faling Creek is so far from Ottawa, I don't get those busloads of visiting school kids and families on vacation like the MPs from nearer Ottawa.

So all said things have worked out good for your little "Scuzzy". Especially now that Mike has extended his "war on poverty" to help pleasure boaters. I could even cut that Tory vote along the Bay and Judy's two million bucks on advertising the pension plan will help. So I anticipate a shoo-in on November 8 and Parliament Hill will be a cosy home for me over the next five years—then good-bye and here I come home with that nice \$9,000 pension, Mum. Love from Scuzzy.

Anomalous Exception

Montreal Gazette. One of the anomalies—even one of the ironies—of hospital insurance has been the fact that the very class of patients who have often needed it the most have been excluded from it. These are those suffering from mental illness.

The whole purpose of hospital insurance is that it would lift from the patient, or from his family, the spectre of catastrophic medical costs. Mental illness not infrequently involves just such costs. Yet it is excluded from the terms of hospital insurance, whereas many acute physical illnesses, involving comparatively minor costs, are included.

Not only is this discrimination as far as costs are concerned; it is a discrimination in another way. It prolongs the old tendency to think of mental illness as something apart from usual medical treatment. This way of thinking belongs to the era when mental patients had little connection with general hospitals but were segregated in huge and remote institutions.

It is important, then, to note that the Quebec Minister of Health, Dr. Alphonse Courcier, has announced that the province will insist that psychiatric institutions be included in hospital insurance. This will be Quebec's position at the approaching federal-provincial Conference of Health Ministers in Ottawa.

Such a step would not only in itself help to end the old way of thinking of mental patients as outside the main stream of medical care; it would also be a tremendous help to those patients, or families, who have found the costs of mental illness a crushing load.

Be Tidy Or Else

Regina Leader-Post. One very popular vacation medium offers first class lessons in tidiness. Never was the maxim "a place for everything and everything in its place" more applicable than in trailer or tent vacationing. Mankind is becoming more like the turtle everyday and taking his home in a number of varieties, wherever his fancy takes him.

One still sees a great many trailers being towed behind the larger model cars. But with the growing popularity of compact cars, the size of the trailer has commensurately dwindled, for very obvious and practical reasons. Also the type of trailer built right over the cab and back of

an ordinary standard pickup truck is becoming more popular as it successfully does away with all problems of towing, faulty hitches and tricky manoeuvring. The lightweight two-wheel trailer which forms the floor of a tent, erected in a trice, also is proving popular and is extremely economical.

All of these summer portable homes have one common denominator which is implicit or the result is havoc. Tidiness is not just a virtue but a sheer necessity or doors will not fold down, and the joy of outdoor living dissolves into a hopeless disorganization.

Of Desks And Men

Ottawa Journal. There will be two schools of thought on the disclosure by Mrs. Evelyn Lincoln, who was President Kennedy's secretary, that Mr. Kennedy kept his desk looking as if someone had dumped a waste paper basket on it. One view is that expressed by the Montreal Gazette. "This is a comforting revelation. It goes far to destroy the idea that really successful men are those who keep their desks in order. What never seems to be understood is that the accumulation on such a desk is actually the most efficient of all filing systems."

Even the most moderate members of the Opposite camp will balk at that. They will say that if a cluttered desk man is a

success it proves only that he is a man who can triumph in spite of obstacles. The debate is one in which no converts are made. Each side has its own proverb. To one camp "a cluttered desk speaks a cluttered mind"; to the other "a cleared desk betrays an empty mind."

Occasionally a disordered desk will be seen to have been tidied. But this usually means its owner is an untidy desk man who has back-slidden. If he is a genuine cluttered desk man he will be in a daze and unable to accomplish anything until he gets the familiar chaos back.

This he will do within 25 minutes.

Listener's Disease

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen. He who discovers a way to stop people from snoring will have a path leading to his door. This amendment of the mouse trap story is mentioned because a great need exists and no one has come close to solving the problem. This is said with due respect to the more than 800 anti-snoring devices registered in the United States patent office. As I see it, the majority are aimed at keeping the individual awake and not to relieving the symptoms.

According to Spectrum, most of these gadgets are used to keep the mouth shut, the tongue flat, or the sleeper on his side. The simplest is a chin strap and the most complicated is a breast plate that has a reed to support the chin. Here is an electronic device that sets off an alarm when the mouth droops open. Others include diaphragms and plates to be worn between the lips and teeth. The rubber ball sewn on the back of the pajama is an oddie and the same can be said of tying the wrist to the side of the bed or the use of metal arches or prodding devices.

Most of these fall because a competent snorer can rattle the house with his mouth opened or closed and regardless of the sleeping position. We know where the sound originates, but we need more information on why one out of eight snores. Most of us are equipped to be raucous but sleep quietly. Exceptions occur among children with enlarged adenoids and adults with narrow or congested nasal passageways, polyps, or an elongated uvula.

The answer may be found by probing the mind and the emotions. Brain wave tests show that snoring stops when the individual dreams. There also is evidence that the psyche may play a role—an unconscious method of getting even with the sleeping partner. However, this is unlikely.

Researchers report that sleep is heralded by the early relaxation of the oral muscles. Snoring at night usually begins within an hour after falling asleep. It occurs sooner when drunk or after taking a barbiturate. In the day time it comes on earlier. At any rate, early snoring is a sign of instant deep sleep. How else can a person saw wood without awakening himself?

DOUBLE VISION. T.J.M. writes: Recently I have been troubled with double vision. I am 66 years old, retired, and have worn glasses most of my life and I work part-time in a bank. This condition began shortly after a long night of work (10 hours). Could this have caused my problem?

REPLY. This is doubtful. Double vision may stem from a minor stroke, but an examination will be needed to determine the exact cause.

BUNIONECTOMY. A reader writes: Please tell me what is done in a procedure called a bunionectomy?

REPLY. Several procedures have been devised to correct a bunion. The most common consists of removal of a wedge-shaped piece of bone that allows the big toe to resume its normal position.

MAXIMUM HEIGHT. A reader writes: I have read that people do not attain their maximum height until age 38 to 40. Is this true?

REPLY. No. This is the exception because the vast majority attain maximum height by age 20. (Note: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.)

Johnson Re-evalued

By Arch MacKenzie, Canadian Press Staff, Washington.

WASHINGTON (CP)—Sharply critical views of President Lyndon Johnson, which burst publicly into bloom last June, seem to be fading now with the summer.

A rash of newspaper articles had stated what had been an accepted fact for some time—that much of the press, many members of Congress and numbers of Liberal Democrats had serious reservations about the big Texan.

Cited as main causes for concern were foreign affairs generally and Viet Nam and the Dominican military intervention in particular.

Catty anti-Johnson jokes, billed as cocktail-circuit fare and often told in Texas drawl, made the rounds.

Journalistic heavyweights complained that the president was working too hard and working his cabinet and staff too hard. They said he was thin-skinned about criticism, often testy, frequently profane, lacked style and tended to be heavy-handed if not immoderate in foreign policy.

Senior and respected politicians such as Senate majority leader Mike Mansfield and foreign affairs committee chairman J. W. Fulbright were not in favor of the White House because they had contrary views on Viet Nam.

CITIZENS PLEASED. All this coincided with undisputed evidence that ordinary citizens felt Johnson was handling himself well. They still seem to feel that way.

Why the lessening in the criticism? Veteran Washington gadfly L. P. Stone, whose thin little weekly letter of comment by a self-styled Peacenik is enlightening about views on the left, says there are various reasons.

Stone, back in Washington after a month's vacation, sensed a new mood of cautious optimism about peace, writing just before the Indian-Pakistani war erupted.

"This has been accompanied by a re-evaluation of Lyndon Johnson where there had been only bitterness before," writes Stone. "The change is due to many factors. One is his extraordinary accomplishment in the field of social legislation; were it not for Viet Nam and the Dominican Republic, Johnson would be the hero today of the left-of-centre."

Liberals and moderates like Stone feel the president has changed his attitude toward the United Nations sharply—first by naming former Supreme Court justice Arthur Goldberg as successor to the late Adlai Stevenson and secondly by dropping the fight with the Soviet Union on peacekeeping dues which strangled the last session.

BACK UN EFFORT. The Indian-Pakistan war gives the U.S. greater opportunity to throw its full weight behind the UN. For once, the U.S. is not unilaterally involved in a crisis.

Johnson had much less regard for the UN earlier this year, judging by his handling of the Viet Nam and Dominican Republic problems.

Both trouble spots show improvement. American air power seems to have blunted the Viet Cong monsoon-season assaults in South Viet Nam and Johnson has been able to launch spirited peace-seeking efforts, although prospects for success are no brighter than ever.

Mansfield is speaking once again for the Johnson administration in urging all possible

efforts to make peace in Viet Nam. The Dominican situation is inching toward solution, although the ground still is extremely shaky.

Johnson's settlement of the steel strike seems to have left few scars on either management or labor.

There are two more reasons the press, in particular, has pulled its punches recently about Johnson. One is an apparent appreciation now that Johnson the president really isn't much different from Johnson the politician—they have known for more than 30 years. Secondly, Bill Moyers, a young Texan, has stepped in as press secretary and his precise and articulate knowledge about what the president will or may do is regarded as a considerable improvement.

GETS 1970 FAIR. PARIS (Reuters)—The Bureau of International Exhibitions Monday authorized Japan to hold a world fair in Osaka in 1970. A spokesman for the bureau said the decision was taken as no other country had asked to stage a world fair in 1970. The next world fair will be in Montreal in 1967.

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