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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink"

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The Price Tag

President Johnson has not presented the American people with the bill for the stepped-up war in Viet Nam. One reason, of course, is that he does not know what the cost will be.

According to official figures the U.S. is now spending between \$2.5 million and \$3 million a day in Viet Nam, or around \$1 billion annually.

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Some timely thoughts on the subject of constitutional amendments were offered at the 34th Couchiching Conference at Geneva Park, Ontario, this week, by the Hon. Maurice Sauve, federal minister of forestry.

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languages throughout the country, and for equal access to cultural facilities. There must be no forcing of two cultures on anybody, but simply of making the facilities for both available to all Canadians, so that they can choose whichever they want.

Finally, said Mr. Sauve, "we must assure to all Canadians in all regions of the country a level of economic activity that will ensure full employment, and a living standard that is within the parameters of a well defined national average."

This is a credo to which all Canadians can subscribe. If we haven't reached a "consensus" on the matter, it is time we did so.

Medicare In U.S.

Medicare is still at the talking stage in Canada, but within the past few days it was enacted into law in the United States.

There is considerable difference, however, between the American legislation and the proposed Canadian scheme. It is limited, for one thing, to persons over 65.

This expansion of Social Security—the most ambitious since the system was started 30 years ago—also calls for an average 7 per cent rise in the regular cash benefits currently being paid.

Congressional approval of medicare was obviously pleasing to the President. He flew to Independence, Missouri, to sign the measure, in the Harry S. Truman Library with the former President at his side.

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The Atlantic areas designated by the federal government for special industrial development incentives have been announced. For Prince Edward Island, as anticipated, they embrace the areas covered by the National Employment Service offices in Charlottetown and Summerside— which in effect means all the province.



"NOW THEY WANT TEN TRIGGERS?"

NORWAY TO INDIA

New Fisheries Development Project

Christian Science Monitor We confess that it never occurred to us to link India and Norway in any way. They seemed so far from each other and so different in culture and climate.

But they are growing rapidly in number, and each month are penetrating new dark corners where need is great. They afford remarkable proof of the extent to which the world has now taken to heart the fact that we are all our brother's keeper.

Policeman's Lot

Montreal Gazette The peace-time military forces of the United States have now been pretty well stretched to the limit.

There is now committed in Western Europe, in the Pacific, in Korea, in Viet Nam, and in the Dominican Republic, the United States is to be seen as a sort of world policeman, these

Seek Help In Britain

Brantford Expositor The Canadian government, willing to pay up to \$10,700 a year for research economists and statisticians, has been forced to seek them in Britain.

They are needed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics to make analytical studies in the fields of labor economics and labor force mobility, income analysis, capital stock and agriculture.

Glimmer Of Light

Montreal Star The new parliamentary secretaries whose appointments were announced by Mr. Pearson represent an encouraging step forward.

It would be insulting to say Mr. J. Chretien, 31 year old MP from St. Maurice—Laflèche, was an improvement over Mr. Guy-Rouleau, Mr. Pearson's former parliamentary secretary. They are men from totally different worlds, and Mr. Chretien is very much what those who believe in the reform of the Quebec wing of the federal Liberal party have been calling for.

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A new sea-battle between the British auxiliary cruiser Alcantara and a German raider—both already battle scarred—was believed to have been fought off the Coast of South America today.

Hospital Beds Facinating

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Some hospital beds are fascinating. Press certain buttons and they go up, down, tilt near the foot to flex the legs, or lift the head end to allow the occupant to sit. The device can do many things, but will not put the patient to sleep unless he is tired and comfortable.

The circle (Circoletric) bed consists of two large parallel hoops in which a mattress is fastened. There are no legs. The patient assumes the upright position by rolling the hoops forward. At this point he may step out of bed instead of first sitting up, and then putting the legs over the side, and reaching for the floor.

When the bed is horizontal, a special canvas rig can be inserted into place over the body of the patient. The hoops are rolled 180 degrees until the individual is on the abdomen instead of the back. He is now supported by the rig which is lowered away from the mattress. This exposes the back for cleansing, an alcohol rub, removing pressure from a bed sore, or just a welcome change in posture.

He told the conference he had seen nothing in the opening speech of Soviet delegate Semjon Tsarapkin to indicate Russia is prepared to negotiate seriously on either a non-dissemination treaty or an extension of the partial nuclear test ban treaty.

By Canadian standards at least, Gen. Burns' speech was a hard-hitting one. Canadian practice at Geneva and other international conferences has been, if at all possible, to leave the cold war polemics to the main antagonists and concentrate instead on trying to foster at least limited agreement.

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STUDENT LOANS AND GRANTS

Students who require loans under the Canada Students Loan Plan for the academic year 1965-66 should forward their completed applications to the Department of Education before August 31, 1965. The application form and the brochure outlining the conditions pertaining to the loans may be obtained from the Department of Education.

It should be noted that this province's allocation for Canada Student Loans is limited by formula to \$232,000.00 per annum. Last year this amount was found inadequate by October. It seems logical to conclude, then, that the committee charged with the responsibility of scrutinizing the applications should apply a downward scaling in the amount of each loan if the total amount of the loans requested by September 1, 1965 is in excess of \$232,000.00.

Each application will be revised and additional authority will be granted for an increased loan if the Government of Canada later authorizes an increase in allocations.

The loans are available to the students who are proceeding towards a university degree and to those taking a post-high school diploma course such as nursing.

Student teachers in this province should note that they may obtain a grant of \$200.00 for each year of the two-year course provided that they agree to teach in this province for at least two years following graduation. The form on which to apply for this grant may be obtained from the Registrars at Prince of Wales College and St. Dunstan's University on enrollment at these institutions. If, in addition, a student teacher wishes to obtain a loan, he or she must apply under the Canada Student Loans Plan on the form which may be obtained at this Department of Education.

P.E.I.-Canada Student Loans Committee Department of Education Charlottetown, P.E.I. July, 1965.