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Gets Cold Shoulder

Finance Minister Sharp has confirmed the rumors that the kind of Christmas present we can expect in his mini-budget on Monday night will be a tax increase to pay for the old age pension supplement.

The minister talked hopefully about the present Kennedy Round of tariff negotiations in Geneva and the prospects of eliminating tariffs on a trans-Atlantic and trans-Pacific scale across whole sectors of industry.

One would like to think that the Conservatives, who owe most of their parliamentary standing to the Atlantic and Western provinces where free trade with the U.S. is a live issue, would be more favorable to the idea than the Liberal party bosses.

Have they, too, fallen for the old bogey about trade barriers being necessary to keep us from being gobbled up by our big American neighbors? Protectionists in the central provinces have waxed fat on this kind of propaganda, down through the years.

It would be interesting to have a free debate on this subject in Parliament, on a motion on which the members, in the end, would have to stand up and be counted.

A Timely Warning

During the longshoremen's strike in the ports of Quebec province last summer, Prime Minister Pearson said: "Only when the processes of collective bargaining have broken down and national interest clearly requires it, then, but only then, should government, acting through parliament, intervene to end a strike."

Commenting on this statement in the light of subsequent events, the Montreal Gazette observes that it is a poor substitute for having standing machinery for settling disputes in essential industries.

It did not prove possible to take a similar attitude when similar work stoppages followed. The government could not allow the rail strike, but passed special legislation to deal with it. It felt obliged to plan emergency legislation this month to end the longshoremen's strike in Vancouver.

By resorting to different emergency measures to end or prevent different strikes in essential services, the government has only proved that these individual, arbitrary measures can never be enough. The uncertainty of procedure is nowhere better illustrated than by the dispute with the air traffic controllers.

The moral to be drawn from this is the urgent need of drafting appropriate legislation to deal with all strikes in all essential services under one authority. If the government thinks it can wait a year or more before doing this, warns our Montreal contemporary, it has underestimated the urgency.

There is always something to be thankful for if you look hard enough to find it, and surely it is in this category that we can place the assurance given the other day by Lee C. White, chairman of the U.S. Federal Power Commission, at a meeting of the American Petroleum Institute.

This will be due, however, not so much to the bounty of nature in this respect as to the gradual decline in the use of conventional sources of power as new sources of nuclear energy are developed. In the United States and Canada, Mr. White predicted that the use of petroleum will decline from its 43 per cent share of the energy complex in 1964 to 39 per cent in 1980; the use of gas will decline from 32 per cent to 30 per cent in the same period; hydroelectric power will slide from 2 1/2 per cent to 2 3/4 per cent, and nuclear power, which provided 1/10th of 1 per cent of the total energy used in 1964, will produce 1 per cent in 1970 and 6 per cent by 1980.

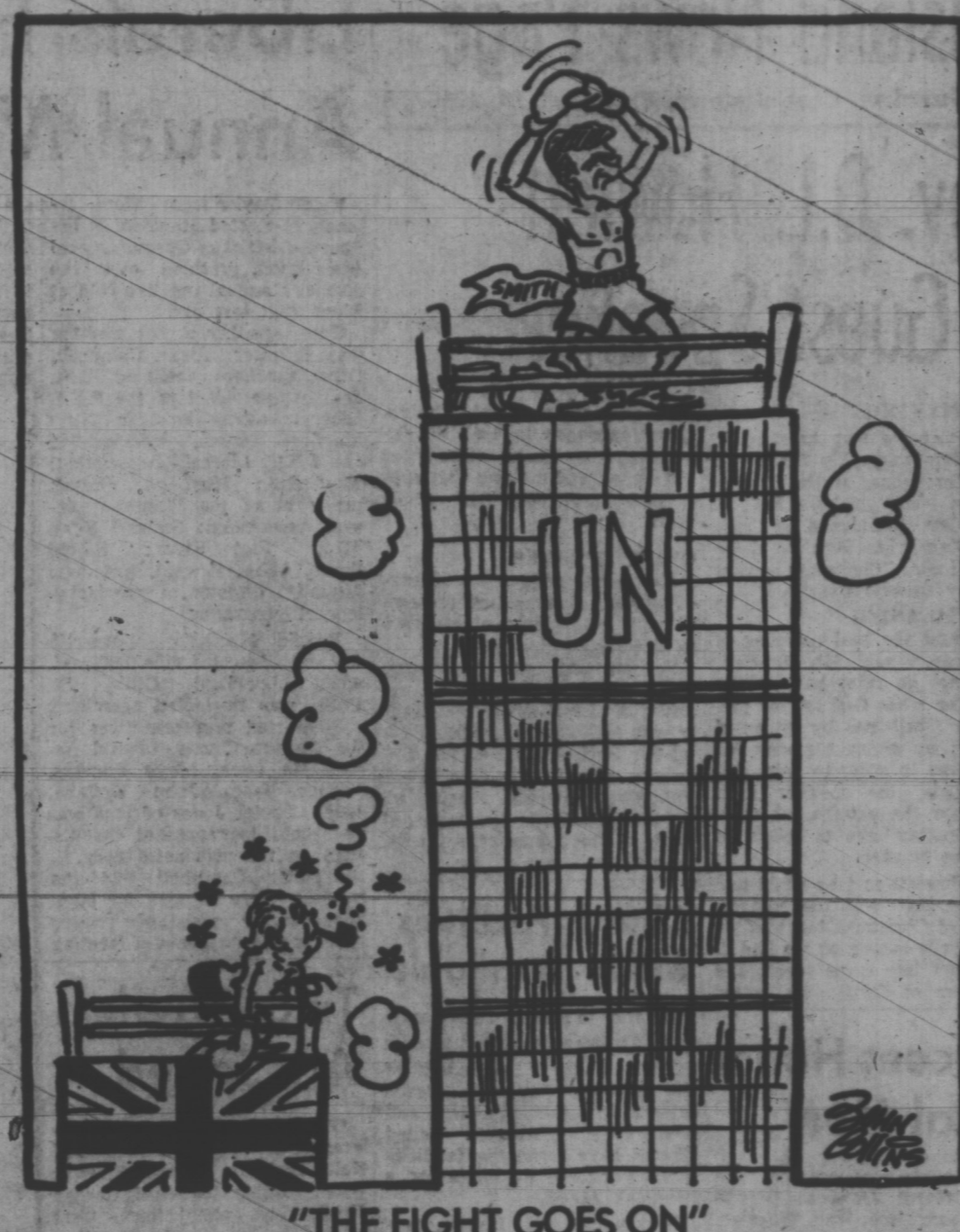
The speaker also predicted that by the end of the century a significant portion of the non-Communist world's oil supply will come from under the ocean floors and will be transported around the world by international pipelines and under the arctic regions by submarine tankers.

Foreshadowing the kind of world, in short, that will either have to get along in peaceful co-existence or else blow itself and all its enery resources into smithereens.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Labor Minister Nicholson, comments an exchange, made the understatement of the year when he told the Commons that the increased housing loan interest rates might work hardship on some people. It is those very people, in the low and middle-income groups, which the NHA was originally set up to help, who are being hurt.

How about a Museum of Childhood as an adjunct to our Centennial year? They've opened one in Edinburgh, with a remarkable collection of toys and dolls, and it's proving a popular tourist spot in the Scottish capital. Both adults and young vacationers find much to intrigue them in the building, which is situated conveniently in the city's Royal Mile or High Street. It contains a unique collection of toys, games, pictures, dolls, books, and costumes, as well as many examples of forgotten hobbies and sports. The museum has expanded so much that it is not possible to display the 10,000 children's books now in its collection.



OTAWA REPORT By Patrick Nicholson

Where Taxpayers' Money Could Be Saved

Finance Minister Mitchell Sharp is scratching around to find the extra dollars needed to pay an additional \$30 per month to perhaps 900,000 old age pensioners. He could temporarily use the nest egg in the Old Age Security Fund, which amounted to over \$85 million on 1st September last; that is more than enough to provide the \$90 million needed between 1st January next and the end of the fiscal year on 31st March.

This, by far the most expensive royal commission ever set up by any federal government here, and has cost \$5,373,190 up to 31st October. As long ago as 3rd March, "Ottawa Report" pointed out that expenditures already incurred, plus estimated costs up to 31st March 1967, totalled \$2,732,685 for this commission. Further costs of course will be added after that date.

The commission was established by Order-in-Council on 18th July 1963. It was instructed "to inquire into and report upon the existing state of bilingualism and biculturalism in Canada, and to recommend what steps should be taken to develop the basis of an equal partnership between the founding races... and to report with all reasonable despatch."

It would be more realistic if he were to heed the advice of his fellow-Liberal, Saskatchewan's Premier Ross Thatcher, and restrain expenditures to within his planned tax revenue. But then, our recent governments have notoriously failed to follow that normal housewife practice; instead, they look upon the taxpayer's pocket as a bottomless well of gold.

There are ten commissioners. One co-chairman, A Laurandean, has been paid \$98,100 to date; the other co-chairman - presumably a part-time worker since he is also a university president - has drawn \$48,360; and one more commissioner has drawn \$58,900. These are paid the "honorarium" of \$100 per day.

The payroll of the staff is headed by a part-time (!) Research supervisor paid \$24,750 per year, a co-secretary at \$21,500, a part-time co-secretary at \$20,000, and a director of research at the same salary. Contrast those figures with the \$25,000 payable to our Prime Minister - who of course makes another \$18,000 moonlighting as MP for Algoma East.

PUBLIC FORUM

FREEDOM AND MORALS Sir,- There has been so much controversy over the question of freedom of speech, freedom of action, and a new and free approach to the moral laws of our human race, that I felt called upon to add a word.

The Bible says, "Behold, God is not mocked. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." If leaders and people in high places sow the seeds of decadency what can they or we hope to reap? I wonder if they care.

Recently a film was shown in our province, advertising the "Joys of Hell." Was that, too, under the guise of "Education?" The very words are enough to make one shudder. But we must have freedom to poison the minds and hearts of our youth.

There is a great deal of publicity about the program "Sunday". Personally I saw only the first one, since I was curious to know what kind of a program it was. I have heard much about the others. I considered it was in bad taste, not for some of the reasons put forth, but because I think that something that God has instituted and blessed, should not be dragged in the gutter.

Let us wake up and consider our situation, and not be like the ostrich who, because he has his head covered, forgets the balance of his anatomy that is exposed. I am, Sir, etc., CONCERNED Crapaud, P.E.I.

DO THEY FORGET Sir,- I am afraid that I am behind the times in respect to many events of the present day. For instance, I am not sure whether the PO Party have laid down their arms or not. If they have ended their strife 'tis a consummation devoutly to be wished. This conflict concerns John G. Diefenbaker and his leadership of the Conservative party. Many of his opponents forget the great services he rendered to that party. They forget for instance that in the election of 1958 he achieved the greatest triumph that any Prime Minister of Canada had ever done. The record was 298 Conservatives against 57 opponents.

These programs, and also lurid literature, exist under the name of Education. Actually a good many are the products of sick minds. You know the devil has many ways to clothe his activities. What is in a name? Most of the older people who read this will remember the great controversy over Prohibition vs. Governmental Control. "Can we not drink like social responsible people?" they asked. "There is a difference between the social drinker and the poor alcoholic in the gutter."

It is true that he made mistakes, none of which were serious. He had the misfortune, however, after he came to power, of coping with a serious recession which he met with skill and fortitude and in 1961 the tide turned and Canada has enjoyed a period of prosperity ever since that memorable date.

TEN YEARS AGO (December 15, 1956) Western sources said Russia has begun training and refitting her army divisions in East Germany for atomic warfare.

It is the same with the moral question. When we first saw shows and read novels where drinking and affairs were carried on, some protested, many shivered, but gradually, like the man who bangs his head against a wall, after a few thumps it doesn't hurt anymore. People accepted it.

Those things, small perhaps in themselves, have contributed to the present situation. A country or nation without sound morals becomes a weak nation. I challenge anyone to refute this statement, because history bears it out. We spend millions of dollars to educate our children, and ourselves. We have all studied history from the time it was first recorded, yet we learn little from it.

PUBLISHER DIES AT 60 BADEN-BADEN, (AP)—Karl Marx, 60, publisher of West Germany's leading Jewish newspaper, died Thursday after a long illness. The scion of a family that had been residing in Germany since the Middle Ages, Marx was one of the most prominent personalities in the 30,000-member post-war Jewish community in the Bonn republic. He was no relation to Karl Marx, one of the founders of Communism.

Drugs For Hypertension

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Since many good products are available in the treatment of hypertension, a newcomer must offer definite advantages to make a dent in the market. The latest, dibrisoquine (Declinox), has been tried in England but is not available in this country. It is a potent antihypertensive and comparable to guanethidine and methyldopa.

Declinox lowers blood pressure but, like existing remedies reduces the tension to such an extent that the user becomes dizzy on standing. On the other hand, it has none of the unpleasant side effects of guanethidine and methyldopa. It acts rapidly in lowering the blood pressure when speed is essential. The full effect of the drug lasts from eight to 12 hours after oral administration. Time will tell whether these advantages hold up and dibrisoquine should be added to our growing list.

A person with mild to moderate hypertension usually improves after taking an oral diuretic alone or in combination with a sedative such as reserpine or phenobarbital. The salt intake also is restricted because the sodium in salt tends to raise the pressure in these people.

The weight also deserves some attention because reducing lowers the blood pressure reading. Emotions enter the picture among those who are tense and anxious. These individuals do best when relaxed, rested, and under little strain.

These factors are mentioned because high blood pressure is not a simple condition. There are many causes varying from excitement to kidney disease. The abnormality has a variable effect upon different people; it attacks some early in life, whereas others are not bothered until they have lived beyond the normal life expectancy. So we need medicines, others do not, and so far as medication goes, there is no single remedy that lowers the level in all hypertensives.

SEDATIVES OR PSYCHIATRIST? E. S. writes: If you had a choice of taking four sedatives a day or going to a psychiatrist to curb anxiety, which would you choose?

Take sedatives if you know why the anxiety exists. There are many causes at home and at work that may be responsible. If they are known, try to compensate for them, or avoid them. Transquilizers should be used only as a temporary crutch. See the psychiatrist if there is no improvement in three weeks.

THYROID GROWTH P. C. writes: Would a basal metabolic test show if here is a growth in the thyroid.

REPLY No. This procedure tests the activity of the gland rather than its size and shape and whether or not there is a tumor. Growths are detected by feeling the thyroid via X-ray, or scanning with isotopes.

TB SYMPTOMS D. G. writes: What are the symptoms of tuberculosis?

REPLY Early symptoms may be vague. Later the victim develops cough, fever, weakness, lack of appetite, chest pain, blood-tinged sputum, and weight loss. RHEUMATISM NEED REST O. G. writes: Do people with rheumatism need more rest than others?

REPLY Yes. Persons with the rheumatic state, who suffer periodically from bouts of rheumatism or arthritis, need extra rest.

Our Yesterdays (From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (December 15, 1941) Red army troops have routed six German divisions of 50,000 men and recaptured strategic Kalinin, 90 miles northwest of Moscow.

To determine why United States armed forces were not on the alert when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, President Roosevelt appointed a five man board, headed by associate justice Owen J. Roberts of the Supreme Court.

RACAN MAN CHARGED TORONTO (CP) - Albert Wideman, 36-year-old former executive vice-president of the defunct Racan Photo - Copy Corp., has been charged with defrauding the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce of \$116,000. He was arrested on the fraud charge Wednesday night following an investigation by the Ontario Securities Commission.

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Bonn-Paris Relations

West Germany's new chancellor, Kurt Georg Kiesinger, has come out strongly in favor of patching up relations between Bonn and Paris. It's far from certain, however, that his intentions will prove to be pure enough to suit President de Gaulle.

Willy Brandt, foreign minister in Kiesinger's new "grand coalition" of Socialists and Christian Democrats, gets a chance to test the wind today in a crucial meeting at the Elysee Palace in Paris with de Gaulle.

Brandt has gone to Paris determined to "put more vigor and muscle" into the 1955 Franco-German treaty. The alliance formed between de Gaulle and former chancellor Konrad Adenauer was all but killed by the antipathy between Paris and Bonn under the leadership of Ludwig Erhard and his foreign minister, Gerhard Schroeder.

Kiesinger's policy statement Tuesday to the Bundestag has been well received so far in Paris and Brandt should be an effective advocate for reinstating some of the old Franco-German warmth.

A telling point in his favor, in French eyes, must be that he made a special trip to Paris after the 1963 treaty was signed to assure de Gaulle of his support, speaking in his capacity as mayor of West Berlin and leader of the Socialist Opposition.

But Brandt still is likely to find he has his work cut out. In the three years of Konrad Adenauer's chancellorship, two trends in French foreign policy became more firmly established - a detente with Russia and Eastern Europe and a rejection of American influence in Europe. Both represent hurdles which the new German leadership must somehow circumvent if it wants the Franco-German treaty to be more than a dead letter.

On the question of Germany's relations with Eastern Europe, he edged away from the old hard-line which forbade diplomatic ties with countries that recognized East Germany. But his verbal concessions to Czechoslovakia and Poland seemed to stop short of what those countries require to be reassured about Germany's aims.

And there was next to nothing in the speech to mollify Moscow, consistently fearful of a resurgent Germany. It remains to be seen whether Kiesinger and Brandt will succeed in winning over de Gaulle without paying a price that would alienate either the German voters or the U.S. state department.

They Find It Appetizing

Pigs, being pigs, will eat just about anything. It is wrong to deduce, however, that pigs don't recognize good eating when they get it. And we are glad to know, from Department of Agriculture statistics, that Ontario pigs are still getting what always have regarded as delicacies.

Urbanites are apt to think of bran in terms of bran muffins or brown bread. They might be surprised to know that pigs also think highly of bran.

The statistics show that large amounts of bran and shorts are imported into Ontario from Western Canada, along with that produced locally, for animal feed. The bran runs at \$2.25 a ton and shorts at \$2.75. It's a two are quite different and generally used for different purposes.

Bran, of course, is the broken coat of wheat, separated from the kernel by milling. It is coarse ground. Shorts also are a by-product of milling, but it is fine ground and contains some of the wheat germ and a small amount of flour.

Shorts normally are best for weaning piglets. They do well on this meal when it is mixed with whole or skim milk. Bran is more apt to be used for mother sows which are suckling their young or, on occasion, for a cow or horse which happens to be "off its feed." Growing and fattening cattle or hogs usually get whole meal from oats, barley or wheat, or more probably a mixture of two or three of them.

It's a pleasant sight to see a litter of little pigs, their tails curled up in lively manner, gobbling up a mixture of milk and shorts at their little trough. Their manners may be atrocious as they grunt and shove but their enjoyment is evident.

Common Tongue Would Help

Dr. Grace Maynard, director of Student Services, Extension A1 Aid, told a women's group attending a United Nations seminar in Toronto recently that overseas students are not getting a chance to get to know Canadians better. She said the same students who complained about being shut out of social life by Canadians also complain about the lack of interest Canadians have in other countries and the ignorance they display in the fields of geography, history and culture.

It does seem a shame that Canadians do not use the opportunity to learn more about other countries from those who could give them first-hand knowledge. There are a great many students from other countries in Canada at the present time and thousands of New Canadians enter the country every year. Many of them are treated with unwarranted suspicion that does nothing to enhance Canadians in the eyes of the visiting students and newcomers.

We suppose it is a natural reaction and those who complain about Canadian coldness might be just as restrained toward Canadians visiting in their countries as we apparently are toward them here. We seriously doubt that in either case it is deliberate. Most people in any country are friendly toward visitors and eager to learn from them. The language barrier presents a major obstacle, of course. A universal second language, understood and used by at least the major countries of the world would go a long way toward solving problems in this area.

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