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alter. The cost: \$7,210,000. Or the 3,400 electrical relays the government bought from a U.S. manufacturer...

In one case the design of a car ferry for the department of transport had to be re-worked at a loss of \$55,000...

Disturbingly, the report notes that fraudulent and irregular practices have been going on in the municipal winter works incentive program...

Many other phases of public expenditure are dealt with, many other loopholes of extravagance or mismanagement noted...

Warning From Britain

A British cabinet minister has added his voice to the appeals to Canada to cooperate in helping the United Kingdom to reduce its trade deficit with this country...

Canadian exports of manufactured goods are about 30 per cent higher than they were a few years ago...

In the 1965 budget at Ottawa, Finance Minister Gordon promised legislation to remove some of the impediments in the way of sale of British goods to Canada...

If the World Health Organization is to achieve its goal, it cannot afford to wait another year before launching its new program...

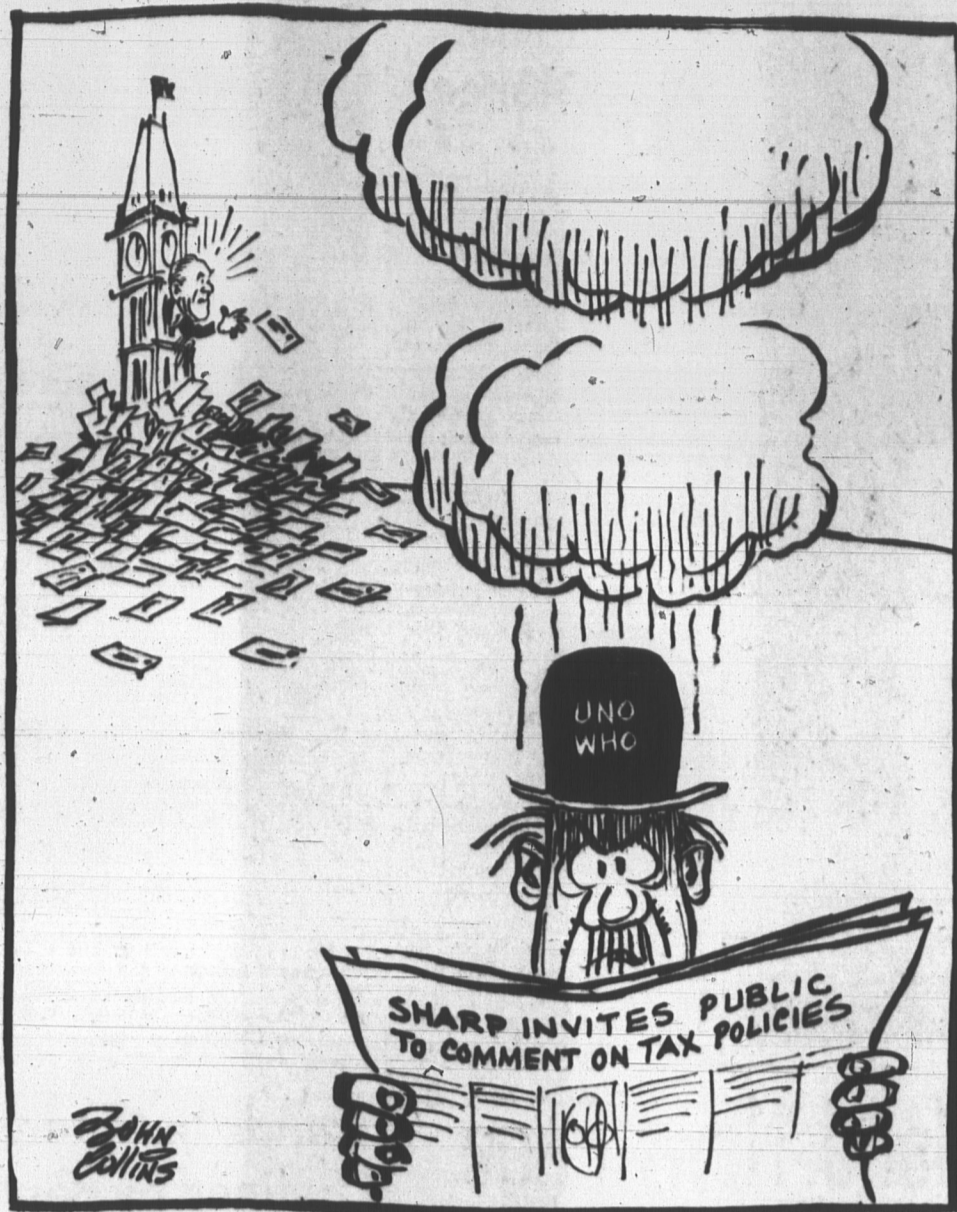
The Watchdog's Bark

We have a good watchdog at Ottawa in the person of Auditor-General Maxwell Henderson. Again he has brought down a revealing report about antiquated, wasteful and uneconomical procedures...

Mr. Henderson notes, in this connection, that Parliament's public accounts committee hasn't met since March 25, 1965, and hasn't gotten round to considering his 1964 report...

EDITORIAL NOTE

As a Toronto exchange points out, had the constitutional amendment formula meetings been open from the outset neither the Union Nationale nor anyone else in Canada could have created the latter day fuss they did...



"THIS ONE IS USING SMOKE SIGNALS"

THE WORLD'S RESOURCES

Golden Opportunity For Development

The most effective international organizations, such as the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund and the World Health Organization, are those in which common interests are most visible and political rivalries least profitable...

Not Slamming The Door

The Rhodesian rebel leader, Ian Smith, has said in a broadcast that he is willing to reopen negotiations with the British government...

What About Comedy?

A drama critic in the New York Times asks: "Well, what about comedy?" The question is re-answering, even though the answers may not be...

Life On Earth

It's a painful commentary on man's abilities that the U.S. government has seen fit to launch a study to find ways of maintaining human life on this planet...

Didn't Have Time

There's a school of thought which holds that a man doesn't run away from a bear because he's frightened; he's frightened because he runs away...

Supporting Rodents

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Rats have plagued humans since time immemorial. When fed and supported, their population usually remains stationary in a given neighborhood...

The stronger rats find this situation less competitive. As a result the rodent reservoir persists and as soon as man becomes lax and makes food more plentiful, the rat population increases to its previous level...

We support rodents by permitting them to eat garbage or gnaw their way into groceries, granaries, and other places where food is stored...

Many of our large city hospitals admit several babies annually who have been bitten by rats. The infants are helpless and extensive damage is done before the parents come to their aid...

Shoxin norbormide (Ratikate) is a relatively new poison that is lethal only to rats. This is important because accidental poisoning of wild and domestic animals and birds is a major objection to the use of rodenticides...

POTENTIAL CANCER

L. A. writes: What is meant by a precancerous lesion?

Any abnormality that may develop into a malignancy. The list includes white spots on the mucous membranes, especially of the mouth; scaly, itchy patches on the skin, particularly of the face; sores in the mouth that are irritated continuously by jagged teeth or poorly fitted dentures...

NIGHTMARE FATAL

R. B. writes: Could a person die from the effects of a severe nightmare, when he can't bring himself out of it?

This is a most question. Individuals have developed heart attacks in the midst of a dream, but we will never know whether these nightmares are responsible for sudden death.

UNPIGMENTED HAIR

F. E. writes: Can an albino safely dye his hair?

I don't know why not, if a safe dye is used.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT

If a fever persists, consult your physician. (NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.)

Crisis With Burundi

It can hardly be called a world shattering danger that the United States and Burundi have broken diplomatic relations. Burundi sent our ambassador and his staff home and we, in diplomatic tradition not necessarily based on good sense, retaliated by sending theirs home...

Burundi started out centuries ago as the Tutsi kingdom and later was a German colony. Belgium took over after World War I and ruled it as part of Ruanda-Urundi. The United Nations conducted elections in 1961 and Burundi became independent shortly after...

Why are relations broken? Burundi says that our ambassador may have been dealing with Burundi rebels. Our government denies it. A possible reason is that Burundi letists demanded the break to balance Burundi's earlier expulsion of the Communist Chinese ambassador.

Mwambutsa IV, god-king of Burundi, is absent as usual. His secretary took him off to Switzerland last fall claiming she was afraid of mobs of Bahutu tribesmen who had been besieging the palace. There could be cause for fear: two Burundi premiers have been assassinated in four years...

NOTES BY THE WAY

Doctor (complacently) — "You cough more easily this morning." Patient (querulously) — "I should, I've been practicing all night." — Windsor Star.
No man tastes true defeat until he watches a snow plow block off the driveway as he has just spent an hour shovelling out. — Ottawa Journal.

Young men proposing marriage these days are said to say to their girl friends, "let's pool our pay envelopes." — St. Catharines Standard.
Two political candidates were having a hot debate. Finally, one of them jumped up and yelled at the other: "What about the powerful interests that control you?" The other guy screamed back: "You leave my wife out of this." — Hamilton Spectator.

An American "beetle quarantine" has been announced, but before shrieking, children, take note that this one is imposed by the Michigan Department of Agriculture. — Windsor Star.
Percival — "Daddy, do they raise political plums from seeds? Daddy (who never had one) — "No, young man. Political Plum are more often the result of a bit of clever grafting." — Montreal Star.

The United States decision to take the Viet Nam war to the United Nations seems designed as a holding action to maintain some steam in peace efforts. It also is seen as a device to extend as far as possible the benefits conferred on the U.S. sincerity rating by the 37-day bombing lull over North Viet Nam...

Our Yesterdays (From The Guardian Files) TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO (February 5, 1941) In a frank attempt to speak to the German people over the heads of the Nazi regime, Wendell Willkie left behind him in Britain this message to the land of his forefathers: "Tell the German people that we German-Americans reject and hate the aggression and lust for power of the present German government"

On February 3rd, Mayor Henry W. Wedge officially performed the ceremony of laying the cornerstone at the new City Auditorium in Summerside which was expected to be in operation the following summer.

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