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Calls For A Showdown

The Fredericton Gleaner recalls that prior to the election which brought the Diefenbaker administration to power, the Progressive Conservative candidates of the Atlantic Provinces pledged themselves to work for implementation of the Atlantic Resolutions...

When the election campaign was on, the freight rate structure in the Atlantic Provinces was already out of joint. We are at the end of the rail lines, entirely dependent on the railways for buying and marketing our products...

Now we are faced with another 17 per cent increase in freight rates, imposed by the Board of Transport Commissioners over the protests of eight of the ten Provinces of Canada. It is estimated that it will cost this Province alone two million dollars annually in extra freight charges...

As the Toronto Globe and Mail points out, if the 17 per cent increase goes into effect on December 1st as threatened, it will push Canada's freight rate "index" up to 206—an increase of 106 per cent since 1949, four times as much as the increase in prices generally during the same period...

This is the showdown, gentlemen, the time to lower the boom. There is not a minute to be wasted in political shadow-boxing. We have your pledge and you have our mandate to protect our vital interests in this matter. Get in there and fight!

An Interesting Place

The Archives section of the United Nations, containing treasures new and old, must be an interesting place. Marjan Stoper-Babsek, Yugoslavia-born chief of the section, describes it this way: "The main task is to retain for posterity documents and records that will be of value to future generations..."

"We not only retain verbatim all that comes out of the General Assembly and its committees but also out of the councils of the United Nations. We have an extensive audio-record section consisting of 85,000 double-faced, 16-inch disks that no other organization has duplicated..."

The section controls about 6,000 cubic feet of records. This figure does not include the 5,000 cubic feet of documents of the old League of Nations that were transferred to the U.N. in 1946...

Nations that were transferred to the U.N. in 1946. Some of the League's documents were lost, such as the files of the first Secretary-General, Sir Eric Drummond. These were deliberately destroyed in June 1940, when the invasion of France appeared imminent.

One of the Archives' most cherished possessions goes back to the Security Council's first vote. Among the ballots cast was found a note scribbled in pencil that read: "May I, who have had the privilege of fabricating this ballot box, cast the first vote? May God be with every member of the U.N. Organization..."

Besides documents, the section contains some unusual things. For example, during an internal crisis in a certain country, the Archives were made custodians of evidence, pending the outcome of the crisis. The evidence consisted of machine guns!

Our Potato Prestige

A striking action was made in the Canadian Retail Federation brief before the Royal Commission on Price Spreads in Toronto this week. Stressing the development of food processing, the brief stated: "A comparison of Prince Edward Island potatoes with the same potatoes washed, graded and bagged in a supermarket would be like comparing iron ore to finished steel..."

Another important factor is, of course, the weight. We have drawn attention to this matter before, and we are pleased to note the emphasis which has been placed upon it at the meetings this week of the Federation of Agriculture. The following resolution, passed at the Queens County meeting, is well worth quoting here in its entirety:

"Whereas complaints have arisen relative to the weights of Island packages of potatoes, and whereas such a situation if it exists is injurious to the potato industry: Therefore be it resolved that in the opinion of this annual meeting of the Federation of Agriculture the responsibility for checking weights should be clearly established and that in the opinion of this meeting potato inspectors are the proper persons to do this work with all shippers being required to provide suitable scales."

Measures of this kind are of even more importance to our shippers than they are to the ultimate consumer; for the consumer, once cheated on the weight of a product for which he has paid, will turn to other sources of supply. In this age of intensive competition, only quality in full measure counts. Whatever inconvenience the policy recommended by the Federation of Agriculture may cause will be offset a hundred-fold in returns to the industry.

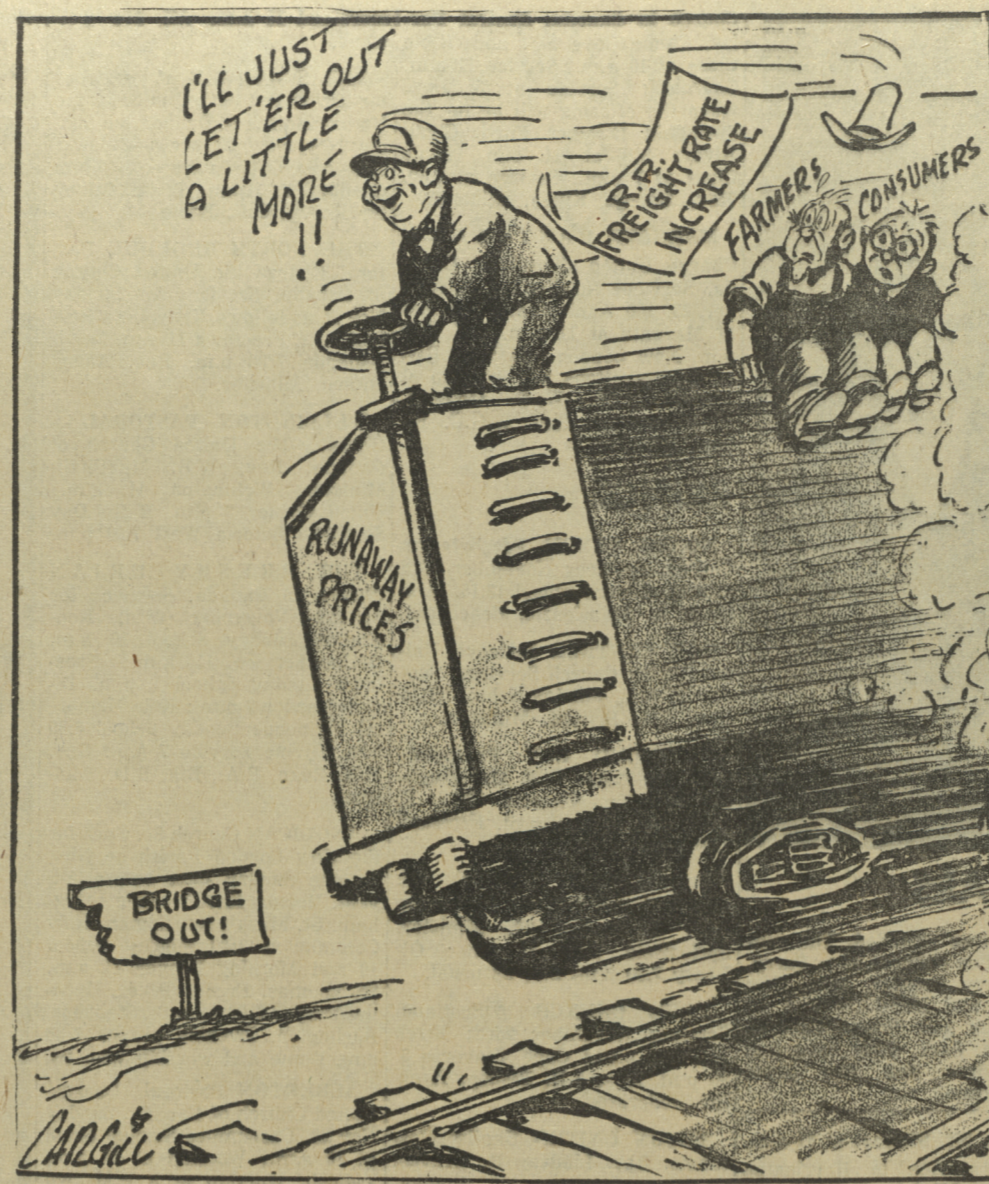
EDITORIAL NOTES

An experienced politician, Mr. Richard B. Wigglesworth, is the new U.S. Ambassador to Canada. He served as Republican Representative from Massachusetts for 30 years. He succeeds Mr. Livingston T. Merchant, a career diplomat, who is now Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs.

Life on the troubled island of Cyprus is no bed of roses these days. That, however, does not appear to have much effect on Britishers who have a mind to visit the Island. Recently, an appeal was made for 500 volunteers to replace Greek Cypriots in service canteens. 17,000 applied for the jobs.

According to Liberal leader Henry Hicks of Nova Scotia, most voters were "seduced" to vote for the Conservatives in the last general election. On their past record in this form of seduction Mr. Hicks' own party stalwarts qualify as notorious rakes. Here, surely, is a case where comparisons are odious!

16-year old Gayle A. Jams of Drumheller, Alberta, certainly knows what wheat growing is all about. She won the World Wheat title at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair against competition from seasoned farmers from Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom and four other nations. She must be the youngest person ever to win the award.



FLYING BOXCAR

OTTAWA REPORT

Efficient Cabinet "Extras"

By Patrick Nicholson

Prime Minister John Diefenbaker, now half way round the world on his 35,000 mile tour, is racking up more air miles as head of our government than all his predecessors combined. Many members of his Cabinet likewise cover immense distances by air, travelling around Canada and to attend important government conferences in other lands.

How would Canada fare, if an undesirable and unlikely but always possible air disaster should strike down a group of the Prime Minister's colleagues in the Cabinet? The answer is that the Conservative Party in showing such strength in Parliament that many candidates are beginning to knock on the door, who are at least as effective as some of those now seated at the Council table. No less than nineteen Ministers

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Sir,—The Executive of the Prince Edward Island Historical Society believes there is an increasing interest in historical matters in our Province. This is evidenced by the great number of enquiries we are receiving about the establishment of the new historic park and by the large attendance at the ceremony which celebrated the anniversary of the establishment of Fort Amherst.

The P.E.I. Historical Society will play an active role in the activities of our Province. During this winter season it is proposed to carry out an active programme which will see a number of interesting and important speakers appear to discuss historical subjects of immediate interest. The planning which must be done will require much thoughtful discussion, as the practical results, fully as much as the cultural, will be of tremendous importance to the future of the Province.

Your Historical Society played a great part in getting the Historical Park project accepted and it needs a large, strong membership to achieve further objectives which will be of great value to us all. If you are interested in this work we urge you to join us. I am, Sir, etc. F.A.S. JONES, President

SEEKS INFORMATION

Sir,—Would you be so good as to allow me the use of your columns in an endeavour to trace the earlier connections of an ancestor of mine? The person I refer to was Randall MacDonald, known as Randall Ruadh, (or Red Ronald) who was tacksman of the farm of Knockow, Kilmuir, Isle of Skye, in the years between 1780 and 1840.

Ronald Ruadh was twice married and had a large family, a number of whom emigrated to Prince Edward Island. There may be some of his descendants who are interested in genealogy and who may be able to link my family with their own. Randall MacDonald was my great-grandfather, and his daughter Margaret married my great-grandfather, James Budge, blacksmith and tenant, Kilmuxter, Kilmuir, Isle of Skye.

According to William MacKenzie, author of "Old Skye Tales" some of Randall's family settled at Ashion near Dundas, St. Peter's Bay; and some, MacKenzie to name, settled at Bridge-town.

I should be glad to hear, either through your paper or directly, from anyone interested who has made some study of the family genealogy. I am, Sir, etc. DONALD BUDGE, Minister of the Island Parish of Jura, Argyshire, Scotland.

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in present Cabinet were picked from among the forty Conservative veterans who had experience in Parliament before the first Diefenbaker victory. Of the other four Ministers, three are representatives of the 170 Conservatives who were elected to our federal Parliament for the first time on the Diefenbaker tide, during the past eighteen months. The fourth, Hon. Sidney Smith, former president of the University of Toronto, is the only person picked from outside existing parliamentarians for appointment to the Cabinet.

Among the virtually untrapped reservoir of new M.P.s, among the new young veterans of those Opposition days before June 1957 there is now becoming apparent an enormous reserve of strength. Although as yet lacking in long experience of Ottawa, this represents so much potential Cabinet material that Prime Minister John Diefenbaker will find it almost embarrassing to try to utilize its ability, and to prevent it from running to waste through unemployment.

From among these newly-elected or young-veteran Conservative M.P.s now outside the Cabinet, an able promising "shadow Cabinet" could be named. On the basis of their life experience and training, coupled with their Parliamentary performance, the following would be my nominations for the "second team", to serve under Prime Minister Diefenbaker in the event of that unlikely air disaster wiping out all his present Cabinet Colleagues. CABINET PROSPECTS

From Ontario: Minister of Finance, John Hamilton (Toronto); External Affairs, David Walker (Toronto); Health and Welfare, Dr. P. B. Rynard (Orillia); Trans-

port, George Doucett (Lanark); Agriculture, W.H.A. Thomas (Middlesex West); Senate Leader, Hon. W. R. Brunt (Hanover).

From Quebec: Public Works, Jacques Flynn (Quebec City); Justice Noel Dorion (Bellevue); National Defence, Pierre Sevigny (Montreal); Trade and Commerce, Ross Webster (Montreal); Lines and Surveys, Yvon Tasse (Quebec City); Defence Production, M. Allard (Sherbrooke).

From British Columbia: Citizenship and Immigration, D. Jung (Vancouver); Veterans Affairs, D. V. Pugh (Okanagan).

From Alberta: Northern Affairs, M. Lambert (Edmonton). From Saskatchewan: Secretary of State, H.F. Jones (Saskatoon). From Manitoba: National Revenue, Walter Dinsdale (Brandon). From P.E.I.: Postmaster-General, Heath Macquarrie (Queens).

From Nova Scotia: Labour, Donald MacLennan (Cape Breton). From New Brunswick: Solicitor-General, T. M. Bell (Saint John). From Newfoundland: Fisheries, J.A. McGrath (St. John's).

In the case of four provinces certainly, this second team would even outshine the present Cabinet representation. Of course the newcomers would be short on experience, but then it must be remembered that, of the Cabinet which was sworn into office in June of last year, even the General was a rookie in government. Coming up behind this "second team" suggested above, there is some excellent material to fill the secondary government posts and to press hard on the heels of the Cabinet. Such would include Ontario's G.E. Halpeny, Quebec's Robert Lafreniere and Edward Graffey, Nova Scotia's R.J. McLeave, Alberta's Art Smith, P. E. I.'s Dr. O.H. Phillips, B. C.'s John Drysdale, and probably also one M.P. yet to be introduced to the Commons, the newly-elected Mrs. Jean Casselman, widow and daughter of two "deans" of the House.

Choosing French Parliament

By David Rowntree, Canadian Press Staff Writer

A swing to the right in support of General Charles de Gaulle, who is not personally involved, and a decline in Communist support are among the few guesses being made on the outcome of Sunday's election when French voters begin choosing their first parliament for the Fifth Republic.

The election is confusing for a number of reasons:

1. A new electoral system is being used and the size and boundaries of districts have been changed. 2. Party labels, always paradoxical to non-Frenchmen, have been changed again and even the French seem a little bewildered this time. 3. Voter reaction, apart from the referendum approving the formation of the Fifth Republic, has not been tested since the upheavals of May that lifted de Gaulle to power.

SIMPLIFIED SYSTEM

The principle change in the voting system is from the proportional representation system to the single-member constituency. Formerly voting was for a group of seats in each department (roughly equivalent to a county). For example, if there were six seats in a department, each party listed six candidates. Theoretically, a party getting one-sixth of the vote got one seat.

De Gaulle changed this so that metropolitan France now is divided into 465 election districts, one for about every 93,000 persons with only one seat in each. To be elected on the first ballot, a candidate must receive an absolute majority that is also at least equal to a quarter of the number of registered voters. If a second ballot is necessary, a simple majority will be sufficient. The runoff elections will be held the following Sunday, Nov. 30.

WHICH GAULLISTS? The question of labels became troublesome when de Gaulle ruled that no group could present itself as a Gaullist party. But as he is the paramount in-

fluence in French politics, candidates have been eager to support de Gaulle and his policies in campaign speeches. This endorsement has come from traditional right-wing groups and even some Socialists and Pierre Poujade, the right-wing extremist who campaigned against the general before the referendum.

A Socialist is reported to have joked recently: "There's no doubt the Gaullists will win in this election—but which Gaullists?" BALANCED CHAMBER

What the premier hopes to gain from the election is said to be a Chamber of Deputies where neither the left nor the right has a majority. He would prefer a bloc of middle-of-the-road independents to hold the balance of power. The electoral changes and his refusal to support any party may help him achieve this.

Voter reaction to de Gaulle will be shown by the vote. The campaign is reported to have stirred little interest. Many Frenchmen appear content that de Gaulle is in charge and are not greatly interested in who is in the assembly.

MAXIMS

There is one piece of advice, in a life of study, which I think no one will object to; and that is, every now and then to be completely idle—to do nothing at all.

INCREASE ARMED FORCES PARIS (Reuters)—West German Defence Minister Franz Josef Strauss said Wednesday his country plans to double its number of men under arms by 1950. Strauss, addressing the NATO parliamentarians' conference said West Germany's armed services now number about 175,000 men, with current plans calling for a peacetime strength of 350,000 by the year after next.

LONG ESTABLISHED The rivers in West Pakistan supply the world's oldest irrigation canal system.

Should Follow Wife's Example

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. MEMO to all husbands: Listen to the little woman, at least when she talks about your health.

For some time now, we have known that women occupy a much more favorable position than men in national health statistics. The average woman will live about six or seven years longer than her husband.

And two out of every three brides can expect to outlive their groom.

STAY HEALTHIER

There is no secret to this longer life for the females. The reason is known by every doctor. Women live longer, generally, because they stay healthier. And they remain healthier because they seek medical advice three times more often than do their busy spouses.

Let's take just one disease—tuberculosis—to illustrate my point.

Dr. Edward A. Piszczek, field director for the Suburban Cook County Illinois Tuberculosis Sanitarium District, conducted a study recently of male and female TB cases.

REPORTED EARLY It showed that 41.1 per cent of the female cases were reported in the earliest possible stage of the disease, the minimal stage. This figure is almost 50 per cent greater than that for men.

About three times as many women report tuberculosis of the kidney, bone, etc.

Yet the incidence of far advanced TB among men is nearly two and one-half times greater than it is among women.

The conclusion is obvious: women seek medical advice much easier with mild symptoms. Moreover, they tend to go to a doctor more frequently when they notice any deviation from their normal health pattern.

MORE FEMALE CASES

In the case of TB, proportionately more women than men are getting the disease today. However, with the help of their doctors they are discovering the disease in earlier stages.

Thus, more women are being cured and rehabilitated.

I realize that despite all my shouting about the subject, few of you men heed my warnings to have an annual check-up and to see your doctor when even mild symptoms trouble you.

Your wife, on the other hand, knows the value of this advice. So listen to her—once in a while, anyway.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

M.G.: My tongue is coated. What would you advise? Answer: Coated tongue sometimes comes from constipation, although in many cases no cause for it can be discovered.

If you are in good physical condition, no attention need be paid to your tongue.

The Age Old Story

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.

FIND CRASH VICTIMS

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP)—A ground party Wednesday found the bodies of two California men in the wreckage of their C-46 cargo plane that crashed during a blizzard last Sunday.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

In a U.S. naval ship, ard, a technician was found operating a still under this work bench in a new demonstration of mixing business and pleasure.—Ottawa Journal

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Nov. 21, 1933)

The new Carnegie Library at Alberton was opened last evening. Mr. E.O. Barbour acted as chairman and introduced the speakers. A large number from the area was in attendance for the occasion. Among those speaking were Mr. A.F. Arnett, Mr. A.E. MacLean, M.P., Mr. B.W. Robinson, Rev. Mr. Weir, Mr. James O. Burke and Miss Nora Bateson.

Eight Shriners, officers of Philae Temple, Halifax, will arrive in the city today by plane on a goodwill visitation to the Shriners of Prince Edward Island. There will be a reception at the Queen Hotel at noon and a luncheon at 1 p.m. The delegation will leave for Halifax about 3 o'clock.

TEN YEARS AGO (Nov. 21, 1948)

Three persons are in the P.E.I. Hospital and two trucks are badly damaged as the result of a highway accident which occurred about 8 o'clock last evening at the foot of what is known as St. Dunstan's Hill on the Malpeque Road. The injured include Arthur Bowness, Winsloe; Leslie Murridge, Wiltshire and Miss Audrey Kent, Milton.

The Canadian Red Cross free blood transfusion service is expected to commence in P.E.I. early in December. Dr. J.H. Shaw stated last evening. Arrangements are being made with various hospitals which are co-operating with the Red Cross in the service and contracts have to be forwarded to Toronto for ratification.

Somewhere in lordlier realm immortal ears May catch the melodies that earth forgot; range the spheres and the spheres May little notice who is or not; While chanting full of heaven, heavenly toned and strong, The known and unknown merge in song.—Stanton A. Collins in The New York Times

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