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Conservative Victory

Yesterday's voting in the provincial by-election in the First District of Queens resulted in a decisive victory for the Conservative candidate, Mr. Frank Myers, over his Liberal opponent, Mr. Wood. Mr. Myers is to be congratulated on his achievement in converting a 148 majority polled against him in 1955 into a favorable majority of 293 on this occasion.

There is talk now that the Conservatives are planning a thorough reorganization of their party provincially, with a leadership convention to be held in the Fall. In preparation for the next provincial election which is not expected before 1959, Mr. Bell, it is understood, has already placed his resignation as leader in the hands of the party executive, and several names have been suggested as likely successors.

A New Idea

We have been told time and time again that atomic and hydrogen weapons are absolutely necessary for the security of the West, to keep war from breaking out or avoid total destruction if it should be forced upon us.

Historian Geoffrey Hudson stated that, far from being a deterrent to war, the concentration on nuclear weapons is nothing more nor less than "a bit of humbug designed to cover up the fact that the Western nations are unwilling to make the effort needed to provide themselves with adequate military defense".

It seems to be generally agreed that in manpower, planes, submarines and conventional weapons, the Soviet Union at the present time has a great superiority over the NATO powers.

chances of victory. To sum up, Professor Hudson believes that in the event of war, victory will come, as in the past, "to the army in the field". He does not believe that either side will use hydrogen bombs.

It is not a pleasant thought. It may be a realistic one, nevertheless.

To Honour The Worthy

President Eisenhower wants the Congress to pass legislation for a "Presidential medal for civilian achievement" to be awarded for especially outstanding contributions to the public welfare.

The United States and Canada are probably the only two countries in the world which do not have a regularly established system for honouring those citizens who contribute in some extraordinary way to the national well-being.

The proper way perhaps in our case would be to allow the Queen to honour her subjects, as is the practice in the other Dominions. Experience has shown, however, that it would be better to withhold power of recommendation from Government officials and place it in the hands of a representative board such as President Eisenhower has suggested with respect to his proposed plan.

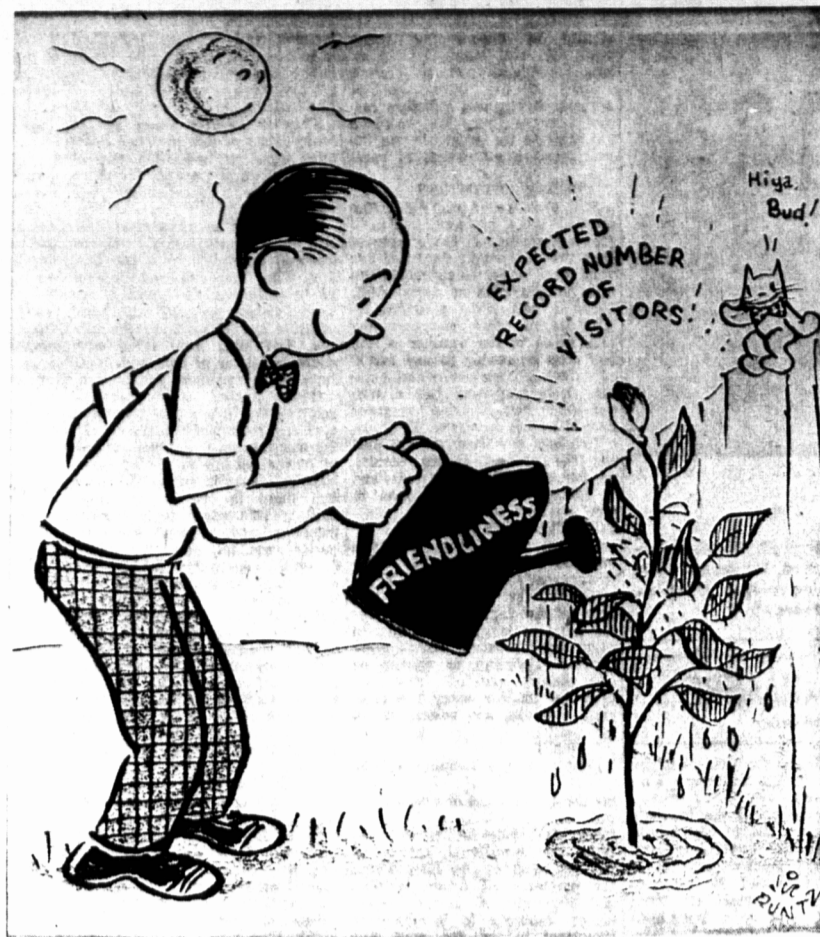
EDITORIAL NOTES

The Federal Fisheries Department has announced that the Government will continue to pay a 50% rebate on the cost of salt to fishermen in the Atlantic Provinces and Quebec.

A United States' Senator is quoted as saying that the Congressional hearings on improper practices in the labour-management field may result in "persecutions" of labour unions.

Bookbinding by hand is not as common a practice as it used to be. However, there is one place where it is still carried on. The Rev. Joseph Ruther, a Franciscan friar and head of the Mathematics Department at the University of St. Bonaventure in St. Bonaventure, N. Y., aided by a couple of students, rebinds an average of 1200 books and magazines a year.

Said Secretary Dulles in commenting on the visit to Washington of the Premier of Japan: "I think that the visit of Mr. Kishi has served a very useful purpose. I feel that it opened up a new era for our relations with Japan."



AND LOOK FOR A FINE FLOWERING

Latest Soviet Purge

By William L. Ryan Associated Press, New York

By WILLIAM L. RYAN NEW YORK (AP)—Soviet Communist boss Nikita S. Khrushchev may finally have succeeded in burying Stalin. If he has, it is a good omen for peace in our time.

The removal of Georgi Malenkov, Lazar Kaganovich, V. M. Molotov and others from the ruling party Praesidium, and the makeup of the new membership, indicate a might Khrushchev victory. They suggest the party itself has had its day of Stalinism.

Those formerly humiliated by the Stalinists now will run the show. Those responsible for such dark deeds as assisting Stalin in his latter-day oriental plotting have been pushed out. The shake-up has these overtones: "The First, it appears to be a showdown between the Stalinists and the anti-Stalinists in the Kremlin."

Second, it suggests there has been a bitter quarrel over Khrushchev's program to reorganize the Soviet economy. Khrushchev seems to have won.

Third, the elevation of Marshal Georgi Zhukov to full membership in the Praesidium suggests confirmation of the steadily increasing and steady influence of the Soviet Army in Kremlin politics. Along with him, now, there will be others in the Praesidium representing a more modern Soviet Union and a more moderate outlook.

OLD CHARLOTTETOWN

Early Court Houses

Historical Notes By T. E. MacNutt

(Concluded from yesterday) By an Act of the General Assembly of P.E. Island which was passed on the 13th April, 1858, Charlottetown was created a City by the name style and title of the City of Charlottetown.

The first election was held on the 7th August, 1855, when Robert Hutchison was elected Mayor together with two councillors. The City Council duly constituted, the first meeting was held for transaction of business at the residence of the Mayor, on Pownall Street on Saturday the 11th August, 1855.

On the 22nd August 1855, the City Council decided that the Old Court House be converted into a Council Chamber and Police Station. On the 21st December, 1855, the City Council held its first meeting in the City Hall, formerly called the Old Court House on Queen Square.

In 1872 by 35 and 36 Vic. Cap. 25 the Old Court House Lot, and the remainder of the land, originally reserved for Public Buildings was vested in the City.

On the 28th November, 1872, the City Hall Building was sold at auction, and immediately thereafter the City Offices were removed to the Market House. The old City Hall was moved to North side of Easton Street, now Nos. 119-121.

OLD COURT HOUSE SOLD The Island Argus of 10th December, 1872 makes reference to the sale of the old Court House, from which the following is taken. "It was sold by Auctioneer Stewart to Thomas Essary for forty one pounds. The lucky purchaser is likely to realize a large sum from the immense quantity of valuable pine lumber used in its construction nearly one hundred years ago. A building fairly sacrificed by Mr. Councillor Stewart for the paltry sum of forty one pounds, erected by our forefathers by a tax on all lands throughout the whole Island to raise the sum necessary for its building. The contractors being Messrs Spill and Macdonald, from a plan drawn by the late Artist John Plow. The purchaser has since sold his interest in the building to another party, whose intention, we understand, is to remove it to another site, intending to convert it into a private residence."

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COULD MEAN PEACE

This can mean peace for some time to come, because in such an enormous program the Soviet Union must have peace.

By that time the face of Soviet society will have changed tremendously. The U.S.S.R. will be moving toward a more stable social structure in which there will be a large stake in long-term peace.

The accusation against Molotov, of having hindered the policy of "peace among peoples" carries a strong hint of things to come in Soviet foreign policy—perhaps an early developing in the apparent willingness of the Soviet Union to make some concessions in international conferences.

This does not mean an end to the world political battle. It can mean, however, that when the world political battle over ideas becomes too hot and too dangerous, the Soviet Union will pull back.

In Communist countries the shake-up has big meaning. From across borders the Kremlin has heard rumblings of discontent with the old Stalinist line and there was a suggestion in this that those who hated and feared Stalinism wanted some insurance that it would not return.

Khrushchev gave plenty of indication he was willing to bend with the political hurricanes of the post-Stalin era, and that he was ready to concede there were various "roads to socialism."

He might even be able to convince Yugoslavia's Tito of this now. He never could have done it while the old Stalinists remained in the party leadership, arousing the suspicion that Stalin never was quite dead.

Some of the above is taken from City Report of 1877 which contains a very interesting review of events in the City since its incorporation in 1855.

NEW COURT HOUSE Weekly Examiner, 30th March, 1874. "New Law Courts, Thomas Alley, Esq. has commenced the erection of the new Court House. A number of men since Tuesday last, being engaged in laying the foundation for it. It will be situated between the Colonial Building and St. Paul's Church. Judging from the plans etc., it bids fair to be a handsome edifice. It will be ninety-four feet long, two stories high, and well proportioned."

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Hearing Aids In Many New Forms

By Herman N. Rundesden, M.D.

In our regular monthly review of medical developments a while back, I discussed a new type hearing aid which reportedly opened up a world of new sounds to many persons with hearing difficulties. I received so many inquiries for additional information on the device that I thought some of you might be interested in learning about a few other items which are readily available to help those who are hard of hearing, lead a more normal life.

SEVERAL MANUFACTURERS

However, let me emphasize one point: I am not trying to sell any of these items for any manufacturer so I will mention no brand names. Besides, I am sure that several firms manufacture such items as the following:

Radios designed especially for the hard of hearing. Most of these sets can be used either with your own hearing aid or with a special earphone. They offer private radio listening at the volume best suited to your needs, without disturbing others nearby. Television attachments which perform similar functions. One attachment available is for hard of hearing persons who need extra help for listening to TV, but who do not ordinarily wear hearing aids.

AMPLIFY VOICES

Telephones made especially for those with hearing difficulties. These instruments amplify the caller's voice permitting easy conversation.

Alarm wrist watches which wake you through vibration rather than sound. Even if you can't hear a regular alarm, you will be able to feel the special vibrating backs of these watches which transmit impulses directly to your wrist.

VARIOUS TYPES

Hearing aids that come in various forms. I can't imagine why anyone is any more sensitive about wearing a hearing aid than wearing glasses, but the fact is some persons are.

So you can now buy hearing aids which are worn as eyeglasses, jeweled brooches, or in the hair with a comb or barret.

One word of caution: before you get any of these items, consult your doctor and see whether he thinks they will be of use to you. No use spending money if you do not get your money's worth.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q: Can fractures occur without injury? Answer: At certain times fractures occur due to bone disease in which the bone is eaten away, so that in the normal process of walking and moving, the bone may break or fracture.

The Age Old Story

Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life.



OLD FORCE

He saw the sagging barn, the wane away, Beside him on the road he read "For Sale." He heard the turnpike traffic roaring by And hung his leather apron on a nail. He saw a truck unloading August hay One final time before they sold the shop, And in a sudden memory the dray. The leaning horses and the boy on top, The meadow waiting harvest not yet in And bright with heat and loud with dusty birds He saw himself grown older, dumb with din Of forge and anvil as he shod his herds, And filed and oiled the hooves; and then unbent And hung his apron where it always went. —Ethan Ayer in the New York Times

REPEAT PERFORMANCE

GALT, Ont. (CP)—A 14-year-old boy shot a hole-in-one Tuesday on the 145-yard ninth hole of the Galt golf course, six years after his dad performed the same feat on the fourth hole. Mervin Fouse, was playing with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fouse of Preston when he sank the drive with a No. 5 iron. It was the 31st hole-in-one in the 29-year history of the Galt course.

LANGUAGE EXPERT A grammar and dictionary of the Micmac Indian language was compiled by Silas Rand, Nova Scotia clergyman who died in 1889.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the MASONIC TEMPLE COMPANY will be held in the offices of E. B. Brown & Son, 144 Richmond Street, Charlottetown, on Wednesday the 10th day of July, 1957, at 7 o'clock p.m. NOTICE is further given that such meeting is also especially called to pass a resolution requiring the Company to be wound up, and to appoint a liquidator or liquidators therefor.

J. B. BROW, Secretary.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The shoe repair man says the five Johnson children must be sick. Their father hasn't been in all week.—Brandon Sun

The English being a sporting race, the doctor who operated on the wrong leg of a girl who went into hospital for a cartilage job should now lose a coin with her for the bill—double or nothing.—Sherbrooke Record

Princess Maggie (Buffalo) Leclair of northern Ontario's Porcupine area, still hunts and traps—and she's about ninety years old. Last winter she ran her own twenty-mile trapline. Timmins is honoring her soon and she deserves it.—Windsor Star

The C.B.C. frog sent to California to enter the contest for the jumping championship of the world just wasn't in the mood. He wouldn't jump. That doesn't mean the frog should come home with head bowed in shame. His was not the first C.B.C. failure.—Fort William Times-Journal

The tornadoes in Kansas and Missouri are the same as used to be known to Newfoundland fishermen and coasters as a "hog's nose"—a dreaded and sudden eruption of nature that was very frequent around our coasts up to about 50 years ago, but which seems to have disappeared in this part of the world.—Corner Brook Star

Fiddlers were the musicians of the pioneer days in this country and their brisk music provided melody for dancing and all sorts of rural merriment. No instrument is better designed to play folk music or accompany rustic frolics, and one of the reasons that we are so enthusiastic about the fiddler may be that we who live in the cities are homesick for the country and the hoedowns.—London Free Press

The first ship to open a direct line between Toronto and Ireland carried linen and whiskey. Times may change, but not Irish exports.—Namamiro Free Press

Complaining of the water in the Penobscot river in Maine, a resident said it was "too thick to drink to thin to plow." But fine for making mud pies! —Sudbury Daily Star

Little trees with any luck grow to be big trees and big trees are a common and national asset. It is news, good news, that this Spring the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests has planted 1,369,000 little trees in municipal forests of Eastern Ontario.—Ottawa Journal

Though out of office, Mr. St. Laurent and his cabinet ministers retain for life the title of "Honorable"—or "Right Honorable" if, as in the case of Mr. St. Laurent, they are members of the Imperial Privy Council. On the other hand a Speaker is called "the Honorable" only during his term of office, so Mr. Beaudoin now is plain "Mr."—Ottawa Journal

A compilation by the American Automobile Association shows that last year it responded to 5,256,000 calls for aid from its members. A common complaint—the flat tire—accounted for 12,906,000 of the breakdowns. Battery and electrical faults, estimated at 12,018,000 ran close second. The third most common cause was ignition failure with 6,447,000. Some 6,445,000 cars had to be hauled to garages for repairs. More than 2,000,000 drivers ran out of gas.—New York Times

MAXIMS

The man who has nothing to boast of but his illustrious ancestors is like a potato—the only good belonging to him, is underground.

HOLSTEIN FIELD DAY

A Holstein Breeders field day will be held at Falconwood Farm on Friday, July 5th, with the program beginning at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon. Judging competitions with cash prizes will be provided for both Juniors and Seniors and a sports program for all who wish to participate.

Mr. E. P. Jarvis, Holstein Fieldman for New Brunswick, will place the classes and speak to the group.

Bring your noon lunch and get acquainted with your fellow breeders.

Canteen services will be available.



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