

only surplus goods producing area in this section of Canada." He notes that this Province has for years led all Canada in production of Grade "A" hogs and citrus also our achievements in small fruits and high quality field crops, as well as in dairying and the fisheries industry.

The Canada Weekly Review is the only Canadian newspaper published in Great Britain and it has done much to stimulate interest in Canadian affairs. This special Atlantic Provinces issue is one of the best it has turned out. It will reach a wide and influential reading public overseas, including many who will undoubtedly be interested from a business standpoint in our improved economic prospects.

Significant Appointments
On Saturday last two appointments of special significance to Canada's cultural growth were announced. One was that of Douglas Jung to the Presidency of the Young Conservatives' Association.

Mr. Yung was selected by the Young Conservatives not because he is of Chinese ancestry but because he seemed to the majority of delegates to be the best available man for the post. Nevertheless, the selection reflects credit on the association; and it will enhance the prestige of Canada in many lands.

The appointment of Mr. Gladstone, an Indian, to the Senate was the fulfilment of yet another election promise made by Mr. Diefenbaker. But it was more than that. It was official recognition of the fact that in Canada a person does not have to be of the Anglo-Saxon or French race to be honoured by his fellow citizens.

EDITORIAL NOTES

On each of the four occasions when elections were held in the winter the party in office was returned to power. The Liberals can be counted on to say that this is not an inflexible law. Just the same, we would almost bet that they are a little worried about it.

President Eisenhower has received another lengthy letter from Premier Bulganin. No doubt other Western leaders will get their copies in due course. If Sir Winston Churchill is right in his opinion that "so long as there is jaw-jaw there is not likely to be war-war," the same principle must apply to "write-write".

Prime Minister Macmillan says he thinks there will be no war "as long as both sides are about equally strong in arms". But what if the Russians, fresh from their achievements in missiles and rockets, were to imagine that they are a little stronger than the West?

Prime Minister Diefenbaker starts the election campaign in Newfoundland. This is not simply a matter of starting East and journeying towards the West. Five of the seven seats in that Province were held by Liberals in the last Parliament, all of them by substantial majorities.



TRYING TO SPLIT THE TEAM

OTTAWA REPORT
Hard Problems In Economy

By Patrick Nicholson
Special Correspondent for The Guardian

OTTAWA: Do the votes of his fellow citizens magically convert any lawyer or farmer into a brilliant economist? Can electoral success convert Joe Citizen into a wizard statesman?

This was the thought roused by the conversation when I asked Blake Huffman, the Liberal M.P. for Kent County, Ontario, about his reactions to the government's Farm Prices Bill.

Mr. Huffman, long a practical and successful farmer himself, is inclined to reserve his opinion until he sees the answer to two questions as the bill is put into practical operation. To what extent will the daily application actually benefit the farmer, and how will it operate in the case of crops which are in effect restricted to one province?

In his district around Chatham, for example, soy beans and tobacco and corn are all cultivated. Soy beans are creeping into Manitoba, Mr. Huffman says, and perhaps in the odd community elsewhere a little corn or tobacco is grown. But in general, these three are Ontario crops, he believes.

So the problem may arise: Are their prices the responsibility of provincial marketing boards, or of some federal agency? There appears to be a conflict of federal and provincial interests here, in Mr. Huffman's opinion, and he is anxious to see how

each successive prime minister on these highly technical factors which so directly influence our trade and prosperity. President Eisenhower's economic advisory committee could be an idea which should be adopted in Ottawa.

For, as Mr. Huffman agreed, the votes of fellow citizens are no substitute to a statesman for a mind attuned to economics, trained for several years in economic theory, and experienced through a lifetime. It is not reasonable to expect a politician to acquire these technical skills overnight, be he a Quebecer elevated into highest office or a Torontonian appointed to the Cabinet.

To reinforce our agreement as we discussed this point, Mr. Huffman read me short extracts from a thought-provoking brief submitted to him by one of his supporters in Kent County advocating something very like the commission this column has urged.

"The country badly needs," it said, "an impartial, non-partisan body to guide it through these critical times, until such body can provide the nation with a non-biased appraisal.... such a body would restore confidence and set an example to the rest of the free world on how a democratic nation can meet the challenge of dictatorship, and achieve the happiness of its own people."

be raised until by 1957 it will be 4 1/2 percent. Self-employed persons, such as farmers and fishermen, pay 3 3/8 percent of their gross income annually, up to \$4,200. By 1975, their rate will be 6 3/8 percent. If they do not enter the scheme, they do not benefit.

MAXIMUM BENEFIT
The maximum benefit at age 65 is \$108.50 per month to the man, plus half that amount to his wife. However, a means test is applied, and if the man's income is already considered satisfactory, benefits may not be paid until age 72. To collect the maximum, a man has to earn an average of \$350 per month during the 10 years prior to payment of benefits. The minimum payment is \$30 per month. This wide range in benefit payments has, curiously, not been mentioned by Mr. Diefenbaker either in Parliament or on the hustings.

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MADE EXAMINATION
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Re-examination of the American scheme, already so thoroughly studied in Ottawa, won't do any harm, except in so far as it may mislead some sections of the public into thinking a great deal of advantage can be derived from it. Some minor improvements possibly might be superimposed on the existing scheme following this study. But it would be unwise to expect too much.

MAXIMS

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Nasty Weather Sours Tempers

By Herman N. Bundsen, M. D.
Do you feel depressed and frustrated? Does your spouse irritate you with almost every little thing said or done? Does your boss seem to make more stupid mistakes than usual? Are you just about fed up with things up to here?

Well, then let off some steam—and blame your troubles on the weather.
STORMY WEATHER
Scientists and doctors agree—more or less—that stormy weather (even beautiful snowstorms) generally means a stormy disposition for many of us. As the barometer falls, so does our thinking ability. We are apt to become easily irritated. Statistics show that stormy weather also is "suicide weather."

Attempts at self-destruction are much more common during low pressure periods. If you are subjected to headaches, you probably will find them worse during nasty weather.

BE EXTRA CAREFUL
Sore throats, influenza, colds and pneumonia also are more prevalent during stormy seasons. Windy, rainy weather means you should be extra careful to guard yourself and your family against becoming run down. You can muster to fight off disease at this time of the year.

Winter, of course, generally means a lot of turbulent weather. That's why it seems like such a miserable time of the year. So when you become dejected, as the wind begins to whip and the snow begins to fall, take heart in the certainty that brighter days are sure to follow.

REGULAR ROUTINES
Meanwhile, it may be a good idea to continue with your regular routines, keeping them as simple as possible. Don't attempt any major decisions or changes during this depression period, if you can possibly avoid them.

Rather, baby yourself. Make things as cheerful as you can by treating yourself to a new dress or suit, an evening at the theater or movies.

Try it. It's rather pleasant medicine.

QUESTION AND ANSWER
G. D.: I have had one baby who is a Mongolian idiot. What are the chances of another one?

Answer: The birth of a second Mongolian idiot is not frequent. However, every once in a while it is possible.

The Age Old Story

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.

The Poet's Corner

COMMITMENT
We come on beauty when our eyes are barely more than a child's, which find and fling away; yet we commit that young encounter early to memory, and keep it to this day.

We come on beauty then with later sight, surer to recognize the fierce resemblance. This meeting, too, we save with all our might in the safekeeping of the mind's remembrance.

And once again we happen on a view which shows perfection, should we look to see, and find the places where you tend to be, and learn new evidence of you by heart, and call the sum of our commitment, art.

—Norma Farber in the Christian Science Monitor.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Somehow we yearn for the good simple old days of yore, when a shooting star was the occasion for making a wish that one had reasons to believe might come true instead of speculating whether the celestial spectacle is merely a rocket with a dead dog inside.—Ohio State Journal

Let none imagine that the experience of the present Winter up to now—and goodness knows it can change fast enough—is so unusual that it must be attributed to the increasing warmth of the world's northern regions. It is recorded, for example that a dandelion was picked in St. John's on February 2, 1892.—St. John's News

Now they've come out with an alarm clock that rings half a dozen times at four-to-five minute intervals after being shut off. This enables you to catch those precious 40 winks and at the same time reduces the danger of sleeping too late to get to work on time. It eliminates the necessity of arising with the first ring. The only improvement that comes to mind would be to eliminate the alarm clock.—Minneapolis Tribune

Loafers in the high schools are wasting taxpayers' money, giving bad example to other students and wasting their own time. The thing to do is to discipline them from the schools.—Windsor Telegram

Now that the Liberals are their new leader, and a revamped program, they will be expected to carry out their responsibilities with a vigor which has been sadly lacking up to now in the first session of the new Parliament.—Regina Leader-Post

A puzzling anomaly of modern traffic is its persistent and mandatory mix-up of lights. At crossings green means proceed, red means mean caution, red means stop. But in the tail lights of cars and all in the same set of lamps, Globe and Mail

The Police Athletic League in Windsor, Ont., is calling a halt to teaching judo and boxing to the youth of that city. The decision to discontinue the classes came immediately after the appearance in court of a police-trained semi-professional boxer on charges of assaulting a police officer.—Cape Breton Post

TEN YEARS AGO
(FEB. 5, 1948)
Although Island producers did not ship much poultry to the United States last year, those who did were more than pleased with the price received and there is every indication that this market will be available again this year and should do much to increase the returns received for poultry over that of 1947.

An Alberton Rink early today won the Royal Flout Curling Trophy, defeating rinks from Summerside, Charlottetown and Montague in competition held in Alberton. Members of the team included Jack Proffitt, Edward Millman, Eric Corbett and Fred Millman.

The high school students of a small Texas town have shown that the South isn't what some Southerners would make us believe. They and their teachers formed an official welcome committee for the first Negro students to enter the former all-white school. Little Rock, please note.—St. Catherine's Standard

TOUGH SPORT

Sports writer Andy O'Brien places water polo as the toughest of all sports with sprint running and boxing in second and third place. An interesting story with which you may or may not agree. Get The Standard—on sale now, complete with magazine, 12-page novel and 20 pages of comics. Only ten cents.

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ATTENTION CITIZENS

All interested organizations and citizens are hereby invited to attend a meeting to be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, Charlottetown, on Friday, February 7th, 1958 at 7:30 p.m. to decide on a more appropriate name for our new Federal Building in Charlottetown.

The Government of Canada has agreed to change the present conflicting name if interested organizations and citizens can recommend a name meeting with general local approval.

Charlottetown Board of Trade.

SPECIAL NAMES CANVASSERS

These busy business and professional men are working for the "Y" this week. It's YOUR responsibility. Please receive them courteously and generously!

Frank W. Curtis, General Chairman

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