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"The strongest memory is weaker than
the weakest ink."
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New Prospecting

Thanks to a number of interested financiers, including Mr. Cyrus S. Eaton, prospectors are heading for Baffin Island near the Arctic Circle in search of iron ore. The team is led by Ross Thoms, a Newfoundland-lander who has done a lot of prospecting in Labrador and who is credited with discovering ore and oil fields on the northern slopes of Ungava Bay.

Mr. Thoms is highly optimistic over the new venture. "We're not fooling around with anything small," he told reporters in Montreal, "we're after big things. Baffin will be the next big name in iron. The day isn't far off when we'll see towns going up right inside the Arctic Circle."

The "Coastal Queen", a converted submarine chaser, is already enroute to Hope's Advance Inlet in Ungava Bay carrying supplies and equipment. Mr. Thoms and his crew—and Mr. Eaton—will be flying there in a few days to meet the ship. From there they will go on to their destination and, or so they hope, to new riches. The project is planned to extend over three summers. It is expected to cost \$1,600 each day the ship is away from her home port, Montreal.

In addition to iron ore, the prospectors expect to find new deposits of nickel, copper, oil and uranium. All Canadians will wish prospector Thoms and his hardy associates and, of course, his financial backers every success in their undertaking.

Hospital Accreditation

During the year under review at Edmonton, Canada moved appreciably nearer to having her own body of hospital accreditation, and in fact this goal may be said to be within sight, states the Canadian Doctor.

A purely Canadian organization of medical men, to assess the standards of care in Canadian hospitals, is to be set up and is expected to go into operation January 1, 1959. This is the result of progressive efforts which have been undertaken since 1951 under the leadership of the Canadian Medical Association.

Originally all hospital accreditation in the United States and Canada was carried out by the American College of Surgeons. Canadian medicine has had representation since 1952 when the work was undertaken by a joint body of representatives of both United States and Canadian medical bodies. "The time has now come," notes the report of the Committee on Hospital Accreditation, "when the national status of Canada, its language and racial factors, and its changing economics in hospital service call for the establishment of a purely Canadian program for 'hospital accreditation'."

Working on the all-Canadian plan since 1952 have been the Canadian Hospital Association, the Canadian Medical Association, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and l'Association des Medecins de Langue Francaise du Canada. These groups will be represented on the new commission.

It is officially hoped that the appointment of a new all-Canadian organization may result in the speeding up the work of inspecting Canadian hospitals for accreditation. To date the 346 Canadian hospitals, or 50.7 per cent of those eligible, have been surveyed since the accreditation program began. Of these 292, or 42.8 per cent, received complete accreditation, while 258 have three-year approval and 34 one-year approval.

It is emphasized that the new development results from no dissatisfaction with the system as it has prevailed, but is in the natural order of increasing Canadian autonomy and a desire on the part of the nation to run her own show as soon as she is capable of doing so

In all negotiations to this end Canadian medicine has received the warmest sympathy and heartiest cooperation from its counterpart on the other side of the border.

The National Debt

There is one debt shared by every citizen to which, oddly enough, very few outside of financial circles of Government ever give a serious thought. That is the national debt which in this country at the present time, annual surpluses notwithstanding, amounts to about \$600 per head of the population.

However, it may be interesting to some to note how this debt has developed in proportion to the growth in population. In 1941, when war expenditures were just beginning to make themselves felt, Canada's debt stood at about \$3½ billion or \$317 per head. Five years later it had reached the per capita rate of nearly \$2,000. But in 1941 the population was only 11 million. In 1946 it had risen to about 13½ million. The debt was roughly 13 billion. By 1952, it had fallen to a little over \$11 billion; and the population had risen to 14½ million. That made the per capita debt something like \$775.

Since then, surpluses have reduced the overall debt slightly. Meanwhile, the population has grown by another 2½ million, which leaves the per capita debt at the present time a little less than \$600. This means that, although the debt is roughly 3½ times what it was 15 years ago, the per capita burden is less than twice what it was then. In the meantime, the economy has grown by leaps and bounds; so that, all things considered, the Canadian debt is one of the less burdensome of all the national debts in the free world. Even so, it is good for us all to remember that we each owe \$600 in behalf of Canada.

More bothersome, by far, are the Provincial debts, especially in these Provinces which, like our own, do not have rapid growth in either population or resources.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The inscription "In God We Trust", which long has been carried on United States' coins will now be carried on \$1 bills. Some will call it a commendable move. Others, equally anxious to stress the power of faith, will have their doubts.

It was typical of Canada's great explorer-geologist Joseph Burr Tyrrell, who has died at the age of 99, that he should have written the life of another, although a more simple yet colourful explorer, David Thompson. Of Tyrrell it might well be said that Canada is his monument.

The Giants will be leaving New York next year and taking up headquarters in San Francisco. It's a heavy blow to Gotham, but not an irreparable one. That will come if and when the Dodgers pull up stakes, as they have threatened to do.

A member of the American Association of Women Ministers told her colleagues at the annual assembly of the group that "some congregations call a woman minister because they do not want to pay her as much as a man." Now, there's a woman with shrewd psychological insight, whatever she may be like as a preacher.

Drunken driving is a despicable thing. It should be punished to the full extent of the law. It is not always, however, the main cause of traffic accidents. In New York State, it has just been disclosed, 80 per cent of July traffic deaths were caused by violation of traffic rules. Nine per cent were attributed to drunken driving and five per cent to defects in vehicles.

Wedgport, N.S., had better look to its tuna-hunting laurels. At Portugal Cove, Nfld., where the sport is only just beginning, 8 had been landed at last report, while only 3 had been taken at Wedgport. Tourist Director O. L. Vardy of Newfoundland caught the biggest one so far. It weighed 871 pounds, only a few pounds less than the world record. American sportsmen are going to Portugal Cove as fast as they can find transportation. A few have left Wedgport for the new grounds.



WHILE THE BAND PLAYS ON

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.

GROWING RYE

Dear Sir,— In a recent issue of your paper, you have an account of the growing of rye on P.E. Island for the manufacture of whisky, and I am surprised to learn that so many prominent citizens, farmers, business men, farm organization officials are apparently giving the project their sanction and blessing. I wonder if this rye grown here is of such a superior quality or is this just another scheme of "Mr. John Barleycorn" to further tighten his grip on the people by getting them interested in the production end of the liquor business, so that by the time the next generation comes up, no one will dare even to raise a voice of protest against the entrenched evil.

"The love of money is the root of all evil" and the liquor traffic has ever taken advantage of man's cupidity to promote its interests and the present situation is no exception. It is disturbing to see so many men so eager to grasp the bait offered in the shape of a few dollars to be made by the growing of rye. I would that all those super-prosperity by the growing of rye for the manufacture of whiskey would realize that it is as true to-day as it has always been in the past that "They enslave their children's children who make compromise with sin", and that they will resolve to touch not the "unclean thing."

I am, Sir, etc.
R. LOUIS CAIRNS
Freetown, P.E.I.

SACRED HEART HOME

Sir,— The prospect that the building known as the Sacred Heart Home will be demolished and a new fire proof structure erected on the same site calls forth the following observations. This Haviland Street property once formed part of Fort St. George. In 1891 the Sisters of Charity known as the Grey Nuns of Quebec had built part of the building now used as the Sacred Heart Home on land adjoining the Victorian mansion of Mrs. Owen Connolly, the Church's great benefactress, which was located on the Dundas Esplanade. In 1905 a new wing was added thus making the Charlottetown Hospital one of the best in the province at that time. When in 1921 the Charlottetown Hospital was damaged by fire, the unused military Hospital on the grounds of Government House was offered to the Grey Nuns and they moved there. In the meantime the Charlottetown Hospital was moved across Haviland Street, and the Connolly House, and made into the Sacred Heart Home. I am, Sir, etc.
KENNETH BRUCE STEWART
Bedouque.

STANDBY

Sir,— Last winter when Mrs. Robert Nicholson, of 15 Fitzroy Street, was visiting Boston, she introduced me to the Old South Newstand where the Guardian is sold. How fortunate this was for during the days of our Boston newspaper strike I am particularly enjoying reading about Old Home Week.

Eleven years ago I visited the Charlottetown Hotel as a stranger to the island but have returned every year and many at the time of Old Home Week. This year I had to come in June or not at all but I enjoyed every minute of my stay.

Thank you for sending the Guardian to Boston.
I am, Sir, etc.
G. HILDRED C. PRATT.
171 Darlington St.
Boston 18, Mass.

What Is Wholesome Water?

Dr. Gordon Bates, Health Magazine

To the chemist the definition of water is simple. Its formula is H₂O. To the ordinary citizen without a knowledge of crystal clear fluid which he drinks commonly to quench his thirst. This is the wholesome pure water spoken of in legal documents. It is not the H₂O of the chemist but it is H₂O mixed with a great many chemicals coming from the beds of rivers and lakes which make it palatable. Pure H₂O a combination of hydrogen and oxygen in specific proportions, is good to replenish storage batteries but it is not suitable for human consumption.

It has been discovered in recent years that when ordinary drinking water with all of its chemicals is deficient in fluorine, children who drink it are likely to have decayed teeth because their teeth as a result are deficient in fluorine. It has been proven that fluorine will prevent caries. Caries may and does damage human teeth during the whole of human life. Without fluorine, in the percentage of 1 to 1,000,000 parts of water, water is not, in the opinion of competent scientists, pure drinking water because it is not conductive to health. People with decayed teeth are not healthy.

Fluorine is a normal constituent of the purest drinking water. How the addition of fluorine, which is a normal constituent of drinking water, can be compared to the addition of orange juice which is not a normal constituent of drinking water we are unable to comprehend. It is an unfair argument. This is the opinion of this journal, notwithstanding the fact that such an argument has been used to try to prove that the addition of fluorine to drinking water is medication. In our opinion, if there is an obligation on the part of municipalities to provide pure and wholesome water to their citizens, then municipalities are remiss in their duties and obligations if they fail to see to it that the drinking water they supply to their citizens contains sufficient fluorine to ensure healthy teeth.

Hitler's Shadow

Seymour Topping, Associated Press

The withdrawn shaggy-browed man in the green fatigues hardly glanced up when the Russian soldier seized his arm. Mumbling, he was half led, half dragged to the vegetable patch.

Then, as he has done for the last 10 years behind the towering red walls of Berlin's Spandau prison, the man stooped and began to pull weeds.

In 1937 this is Rudolf Hess, once deputy fuhrer of Nazi Germany and the dreaded "shadow" of Adolf Hitler.

Hess, at 63, is a haggard hollow-eyed remnant of the handsome saturnine Nazi fanatic whom Hitler named as his successor after Hermann Goering. Despite his physical deterioration, Hess has lost none of his air of mystery. To his jailers in the four-power Spandau war crimes prison Hess remains the enigma, the stranger gazer, the strange one carrying behind his dark brooding eyes answers to questions that still tease historians.

On the night of May 10, 1941—as Hitler's triumphant armies stood poised on the French coast looking toward England—Hess astounded the world by parachuting out of a Messerschmitt into Scotland. Allied leaders found the visitation no less mystifying than did the Scottish farmer who rounded up Hess in his meadow.

According to the official British version, Hess, who learned to fly in the First World War, said Grey Nuns and they moved there. In the meantime the Charlottetown Hospital was moved across Haviland Street, and the Connolly House, and made into the Sacred Heart Home. I am, Sir, etc.
KENNETH BRUCE STEWART
Bedouque.

Whooper Boom

New Orleans Item

Something has suddenly come over the whooping crane population.

For years the whooping crane haven't appeared to give a whoop whether they became extinct or not. So nonchalant have they been about perpetuating the species that there were only about 25 of them left in this world a year or so ago.

Two of these rare birds reside in Audubon Park and have received almost as much publicity as Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier concerning their prospects in progeny.

At present the zoo is treasuring two whooping chicks, the first to survive this long in captivity.

But now comes the news that whooping chicks are busting out all over Canada. Three have been hatched in Wood Buffalo National Park and five more birds are reported sitting expectantly on nests.

All this proliferation is fine if that's the way the whoopers want it, but, frankly, we wonder if they aren't overdoing it. After all, as birds go, rarity was about the only thing they ever had to recommend them.

The Age Old Story

The servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient.

REALLY COOL
Lake Superior has probably the coldest water of any of the five Great Lakes.

If Stingray Bites You

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

There's a new first-aid treatment for stingray wounds.

The procedure, developed by three Galveston physicians, is simple and provides complete relief from pain, in most instances, in from 10 to 20 minutes.

Now I know that relatively few of you will become victims of stingrays. But these nasty creatures present a constant hazard to fishermen and sea bathers from the middle of July to early September. During July and August, particularly, stingrays come into shallow water.

Since stingray wounds are among the most excruciatingly painful that any animal can inflict upon man, I think it's a good idea for you vacationists to know how to treat them.

RECOMMENDED TREATMENT

Drs. J. Fred Mullins, Charles J. Wilson and William C. Best recommended treating the wound by immersing it in ice water. Since the foot or ankle generally is the site of the wound, this is easy to do.

Temperature of the water should be about zero degrees centigrade. The foot or other extremity should be dunked until the wound is about six inches under the water.

Most cases require that the foot be submerged for about one and one-half hours. This is not a very comfortable method of halting pain, I admit.

MARKED DISCOMFORT

For the first five minutes or so, there will be rather marked discomfort from the cold water. But the heat of your extremity soon will boost the temperature to about five degrees centigrade and, as a result, the pain from the wound is usually reduced considerably.

The Texas physicians say that neither ice packs nor moderate doses of opiates have given such satisfactory results as quickly as this immersion method.

It might be a good thing to remember.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

O.N.: What would cause persistent vomiting in a three-month-old baby?
Answer: Vomiting may be due to the formation of habit, to wrong feedings, or to some digestive disorder or infection.

OUR YESTERDAYS

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(August 27, 1932)

The high reputation of Prince Edward Island dairy cattle was enhanced this week by the splendid showing of the Bunbury Farm Holstein Herd at the Ottawa Exhibition. Mr. J. Walter Jones, owner of the herd, received the news last evening that his showing of nineteen cattle had won the Reserve Junior Champion, 4 firsts, 4 seconds, 7 thirds, and 3 fifths.

Visiting the Province at the present time is one of its most illustrious sons, Rt. Rev. Francis C. Kelly, D.D., Ph.D., Litt. D., Bishop of Oklahoma, who arrived in the city on Saturday by car. Bishop Kelly last visited the Province in 1929 on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of St. Dunstan's College.

(August 27, 1947)

No report as to why work on construction of the New Prince County Hospital had been stopped or when it would be recommenced was given out following a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hospital last night. Mr. M. L. Bradshaw, vice-chairman of the Board, said there had been "no decision."

The Railway Wharf project which was hoped to be finished by the 1st of September, is likely to take another six weeks, a government engineer said yesterday. Although the main part of the work is completed, there remains a portion of the cement wall at the extreme end, together with surfacing the wharf and filling.



SIBYLLA PALMIFERA

Under the arch of Life, where love and death,
Terror and mystery, guard her shrine, I saw
Beauty enthroned; and though her gaze struck awe,
I drew it in as simply as my breath.
Hers are the eyes which, over and beneath,
The sky and sea bend on thee — which can draw,
By sea or sky or woman, to one law,
The allotted bondman of her palm and wreath.
This is that Lady Beauty, in whose praise
Thy voice and hand shake still — long known to thee.
By flying hair and fluttering hem — the heat
Following her daily of thy heart and feet.
How passionately and irrevocably,
In what fond flight, how many ways and days!
—Dante Gabriel Rossetti.

MAXIMS

When bad men combine, the good must associate; else they will fall, one by one, in unprofitable sacrifice, in a contemptible struggle.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Father's money can ruin a boy, but still if a boy has it in him he can ruin himself without the help.—Brandon Sun

It might be a good idea if some of the car manufacturers put their backs to pasture.—Sudbury some of the horses in their motor.

Still, there are a few families left who are so far behind the times that they enjoy the simple things of life.—Stratford Beacon-Herald

Time was when gross income meant something to farmers, but that era went out with the horse and buggy. Now it is the net income that really matters and it is the net income of agriculture that policies and programming should be designed to improve.—Farmer's Advocate

Consider, for a moment, how the course of history might have been altered but for the expected addition to an Italian family by the name of Mussolini back in 1910. According to the new memoirs of the widow of the one-time Italian dictator, husband Benito considered accepting a job as editor of an Italian-language socialist newspaper in New York. The former dictator reluctantly turned the offer down because their first child was on the way.—Ottawa Citizen

In the modern democracies, where free speech is the right of all, the supply frequently exceeds the demand.—Kitchener-Waterloo Record

Confidence men, one of the lower orders of criminals, are busy again in Canada. In Edmonton an elderly man lost \$6,000 to four men who posed as Government chimney inspectors. In Vancouver, a man would have been swindled out of \$50,000 but for the vigilance of a bank manager.—Edmonton Journal

A prolific fresh crop of hitchhikers is much in evidence in the area this year. They are apart from the adult group to which drivers have become accustomed over the years. Youngsters from the ages of seven and eight to late teens are throwing thumb signals to motorists both in the cities and on the highways.—Fort William Times-Journal



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