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Trafalgar Day

Sunday is the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar and of the death of Nelson and in this Island Province, as in many a place, even far from the sea, his memory is honoured.

The one exception, of course, was the tradition of doing one's duty. Nelson's last signal: "England expects that every man will do his duty", summed up his own unwavering determination.

Nelson understood, more than a hundred years before armies were slugging it out in fruitless trench warfare, that surprise, the unexpected, the swift hard attack, are the keys to success.

Nelson never sheltered behind orders which had been given without full knowledge of the situation. Perhaps he was fortunate that civilians at home could not follow his hour by hour operations and give orders in the midst of the battle.

Towards The Future

The eminent historian Professor Arnold Toynbee has expressed the opinion that the world will face starvation within the next century or so unless some international system of birth control is adopted meanwhile.

Writing in a recent issue of Saturday Review Dr. Lawrence S. Kubie, professor of psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine, suggested that the time will come when death from natural causes at any age will be considered a rarity.

Mr. Adlai Stevenson is meeting with a good deal of support for his plea to the United States Government to take the lead in banning hydrogen bomb tests.

body who does not have the accident habit can cease to live".

All this has the appearance of "strange thoughts and fantastic reveries" and it certainly opens up a big catalogue of fanciful speculations.

Original Platform

The States Rights Party has entered the lists in the United States election campaign; and it certainly can lay claim to an original platform.

Briefly, these are the things which Presidential candidate T. Coleman Andrews and his running mate Thomas H. Wendel are asking and presumably expecting millions of voters in several states to vote for: Abolition of the Income Tax which the manifesto calls "the worst thing that ever happened to this country, an instrument of vengeance, a Communist device"; rejection of the Supreme Court's ruling calling for racial integration in the public schools.

It seems incredible that any group of Americans in this day and age would seriously put forward such a program, much less expect any public support for it. Yet, there were nearly 3,000 delegates present in the convention hall at Richmond, Virginia, when the candidates were nominated; and some independent press observers seem to think that the States Righters will make more or less serious inroads on the fortunes of both major parties in several states and may even capture the electoral votes of one or two of them.

Clearly, isolationism is still a factor in American politics.

EDITORIAL NOTES

On Friday the technical state of war between Japan and the Soviet Union ended with an agreement signed in Moscow. The Second World War is now over.

This weekend Maritimes and Gaspé No. 7 Ground Observer Unit are engaged in "Operation Deer Hunt". Some 40 aircraft will converge on this territory and will be spotted, reported and plotted during a 34-hour period.

A new word has come into the language, or into the American version thereof. It is "farmstorming" and was first applied to Mr. Ezra Taft Benson in connection with his vigorous vote-seeking campaign in the farm belt.

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PUSHING BACK THE SHADOWS

The London Library

Scholars and serious students in Britain find the London Library in St. James's Square an invaluable guide and assistant in their work. In a talk broadcast recently in the BBC's General Overseas Service, Sir Harold Nicolson, who has for several years been chairman of the library, spoke about its history and its unique facilities.

May Create New Frontier

Another possible role was forecast for atomic energy by Sir Raymond Priestley when he delivered the presidential address at the 118th meeting of the British Society for the Advancement of Science, at Sheffield, last month.

Specialist In Spinning

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FROM ODE TO AUTUMN Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they? Think not of them, thou hast thy music too, — While barred clouds bloom the soft-dying day, And touch the stubble-plains with hoar-frost, Then in a wailful choir the small gnats mourn, Among the river sallows, borne aloft, Or sinking as the light wind lives or dies; And full-grown lambs loud bleat from hilly bourn, Hedge-crickets sing; and now with treble soft; The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft; And gathering swallows twitter in the skies. — John Keats.

on the premises, and any writer or research worker knew how immense was the privilege of being able to study seated at his own desk.

"Some of you," Nicolson concluded, "whether you are old or young, may perhaps be coming to London for purposes of research work or in order to complete some book on which you have been engaged. I suggest to you that you should bring with you a letter from your own university authority stating that you are a serious scholar or student and worthy of trust. It might then be possible for you to become a temporary member of the London Library. I feel sure that you would derive from such an experience a realisation of the value of the institution and a resolve, when you return to your own country, to induce men of learning and generosity to found just such a library in your own capital."

Preventing Clots

Surgeons may soon be able to operate to clear out clogged arteries and prevent heart attacks, a famous heart surgeon predicted Friday.

Heart attacks come when arteries feeding blood to the heart muscle become narrowed and closed by fatty deposits on the inside, or when the narrowed arteries are plugged by blood clots.

There are also hopes for safe, efficient methods of diagnosing the condition of arteries, to pinpoint the persons who could be becoming candidates for heart attacks, Dr. Blalock said.

spinning glands. They include pear shaped, treeshaped, flagelliform, glands, and most important the ampullaceous glands of which there are large and small editions. These various glands are specialized on individual sorts of filaments. In the glands, the spinning material is made and stored. Between the gland and the narrow outlet opening, there is a strikingly long duct which forms loops in some kinds of spiders. This duct does more than conduct the fibroin-like substance to the outside; according to Professor Peters it is the site of chemical processes organizing the fibroin into fibres.

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundeen, M. D.

WATCH OUT FOR PITS WHEN YOU EAT FRUITS. Fruit pits can at times be trouble-makers.

If you eat a lot of fresh fruit, especially apricots, prunes and plums, chances are you might have inadvertently swallowed a pit at one time or another.

You gulp as the pit goes down your throat, but then generally forget about it. And in the great majority of cases, the pits are excreted without any difficulty.

Occasionally, however, they lodge in the gastrointestinal tract and cause local inflammation. Seldom do they block the intestinal tract completely, but they can cause incomplete or intermittent obstruction.

In such cases, the pain can be very severe. Your physician might be hard put to try to trace this unexpected pain. Frequently a radiological examination is needed to find the source of the trouble.

SEVERE PAIN So if you suddenly develop a severe pain and the doctor has difficulty with his diagnosis, think back a while. Maybe you can recall accidentally gulping a fruit pit. That little pit may be the cause of your discomfort. And surgery may be needed to remove it.

It's probably best to check with your doctor right away should you swallow a pit. Meanwhile, don't take any laxative.

IMMEDIATE ACTION If the pit becomes lodged in the throat, immediate action is necessary. It may help if you hold the patient upside down (make him bend over if he's an adult) and slap him sharply on the back. Call a doctor quickly.

Under no circumstances should any attempt be made by the parent to dislodge a pit or any foreign body from the throat with the fingers, food or cotton.

QUESTION AND ANSWER V. G.: Is the dust from a broken fluorescent light bulb dangerous?

Answer: In the past, dust from a broken fluorescent bulb containing a metal known as beryllium. This beryllium can cause damage to the lungs and other organs of the body if it is inhaled. However since 1949, this metal has not been used in the manufacture of fluorescent light bulbs.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 20, 1931

Captain Daniel S. Miller of Alberton, P. E. I., went down with his schooner the "Kitchener" lost off Bonaventure Island on the Gaspe coast according to word received yesterday by Mr. A. E. Harris of Summerside. The schooner, engaged in coastwise trade, was carrying a partial load of lumber for L. M. Poole and Company at Charlottetown.

With a view to encouraging commercial oyster farming in Prince Edward Island, the Dominion Department of Fisheries is making suitable areas in the Province available for lease for operations of this kind. Under the Department's plan, leases will be granted in the Malpeque Bay area and at other approved points.

TEN YEARS AGO October 20, 1946

Don F. Brown, Liberal member for Essex West, will be joint chairman of a Commission named to investigate Indian affairs and to bear representations from Indian tribes. Senator J. Fred Johnston, Liberal, will be the other chairman. The commission will sit at Charlottetown on Wednesday, October 23.

Fire completely destroyed a large barn owned by Mr. Chester Reynolds of Murray River last night shortly before 10 o'clock. Also lost were two horses and two cows, some other animals, several pieces of machinery and a large quantity of hay which was stored in the barn.

MAXIMS

Make it a rule never to regret and never to look back. Regret is an appalling waste of energy.

Porridge For Mink

Economical porridge or cereal feeding of mink saves the Alberta fur farmer thousands of dollars in food costs annually. It has helped solve the problem of a diminishing supply of horse-meat and fish.

Mink farmers in the Lac la Biche district 120 miles north of here started adding high percentages of cooked wheat and oats to what fish and meat were available when horsemeat and fish feed started to become short a few years ago.

The Age Old Story

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

NOTES BY THE WAY

France plans to produce the unsinkable lifeboat, and what better place to launch it than right under the government benches?—Vancouver Herald

The City of Ottawa is considering an anti-noise by-law. Whether this will involve muffling Parliament and Mayor Whittin is not clear.—Edmonton Journal

In New Mexico, the present Democratic governor had the state buy him a new Cadillac to replace his three-year-old official Lincoln. Whereupon, the old Lincoln was purchased by his Republican opponent who is now using it to campaign through the state against lavish spending of the present administration.—Hamilton Spectator

Hon. Earl Rowe, acting Conservative leader who knows his race track as well as he knows his ballots, is not found making predictions of what is going to happen in that leadership race at the coming convention. He knows too well that in politics as at the race track it is foolish to feel sure.—Ottawa Journal

It is estimated that at the present rate of increase in the number of motor vehicles in Canada there will be a total of 6,000,000 in 1956. Parked bumper to bumper, passenger cars expected in Canada in 1965 will reach about 13,600 miles. If all the vehicles expected nine years from now were put on the paved highway system now in Canada, they would be less than two car lengths apart. And if we continue to add paved highways at no faster rate than we are now doing, the distance between cars would be only twenty-three feet. That's a rather grim prospect.—Red Deer, Alta., Advocate

No wonder our nation is getting soft. Now you can get \$64,000 just for knowing Shakespeare by heart. In our pioneer days you had to guess the number of beans in a five-gallon jar, and then you only got five bucks in merchandise.—Minneapolis Tribune

None of this mammy, pambly diet stuff for Vilhjarmur Stefansson. Who's Stefansson? He's the famous explorer who engaged in Arctic explorations from 1906 to 1912. What does he eat? Meat. The 77-year-old Stefansson went on the all-meat diet last year and says it has made a new man of him.—Cornwall Standard

The ultimate in Do-It-Yourself in medicine has come to light at the University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Mich., where a standard blood pressure tester has been set up on the kitchen table. Patients can take their own blood-pressure; then consult a chart to determine the amount and type of drugs needed to maintain pressure at normal.—Sherbrooke Record

A replica of the 90 foot, 100 ton Mayflower has been put in the water at Brixham, England, ready to be outfitted for a rerun next to the original Pilgrims' Voyage to Plymouth, Mass. in 1620. It's to be a commemoration of that trip and fulfillment of the ambition of a group of zealots to prove that "if the Pilgrims could do it, we can, too." While they're about it, they might load it up with people and settle an age old debate. Could a ship the size of the Mayflower possibly have held the thousands of ancestors who Americans claim came over on it?—Milwaukee Journal

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RURAL POLIO IMMUNIZATION CLINIC Immunization clinics will be held in most of the rural schools from the last week in October to mid November and in some cases in regional centres for surrounding districts. Teachers will be notified of the date and time of the clinics and parents are asked to keep in touch with the teachers for this information.