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Must We Tolerate It?

Two things were indicated very clearly in the discussion in the Legislature on national health insurance. This Province cannot afford to participate in a scheme which would involve additional expenditure of over a million and a quarter dollars.

While discussion on this outrageous situation was taking place in the Legislature on Thursday, Justice Minister Garson was boasting in the House of Commons that the new tax agreements provide \$640,000,000 in payments to the Provinces—“twenty-five per cent greater than last year, and almost double the total provincial expenditures in 1945.”

Finance Minister Harris seems quite as complacent as Mr. Garson about our fiscal problems. He too boasted, in his Budget speech, about “the new and more generous arrangements with the Provinces for a further five year period.”

These statements should not go unchallenged by our Legislature. It should pass a resolution denouncing in unqualified terms their misleading implications so far as Prince Edward Island is concerned, and appealing to Parliament against the rank injustice that has been meted out to us.

This Changing World

Mountains are higher and oceans are deeper than they were thought to be five years ago. Colonies have become sovereign states, and military occupation zones have disappeared.

been distributed since 1900. The last one was issued with the December, 1951, magazine.

Backed by recent survey and scientific research, the 1957 map shows Himalayan Mount Everest to be 29,028 feet high—a 26-foot jump. Everest is still the world's tallest mountain in terms of skyward reach.

The new, 10-color map gives more details of the seas' topography and ceaselessly moving circulatory system than did any of its predecessors. The direction of warm and cold currents, and prevailing winds, is indicated. So are some 160 underwater peaks, troughs, plateaus, ridges and basins, shown in varying shades and contours.

Among the insets printed along the borders of the main map, one lists the members of the United Nations—now 80 instead of 60, as in 1951. It also marks the boundaries of the Communist world, and calls the roll of nations that have joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO); the Arab League; and the Baghdad Pact.

Perhaps the most striking of all changes reflected on the map are the new names and features that dot once-blank spaces of the Far North and Far South. Even as the 1957 World Map rolled off the presses, additional details for the next were coming from Arctia and Antarctica regions where research scientists and explorers are working on information-gathering programs of the International Geophysical Year.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Mr. U Nu is Premier of Burma again. “You knew U Nu would be back, didn't you?” one can imagine his telling his followers in Parliament.

An art dealer has expressed the opinion that “nine times out of ten there is nothing in abstract art to understand.” Some critics will say he made a charitable estimate.

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NOT THE PSYCHOLOGICAL MOMENT

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.

SENATOR GRANT REPLIES

Sir,—I presume Mr. Allan J. Callaghan of Montreal is of Irish descent, at least on his father's side, and isn't it too bad that he has chosen the day before St. Patrick's to display his inconsistency.

In Mr. Callaghan's letter of March 16th he attempts to prove that I was wrong in saying the Roll of the School Inspector's Report, as one of the six best teachers in King's County, and I was as happy then as I am today in the Senate.

I am, Sir, etc., THOMAS V. GRANT, Senate Chamber, Ottawa, March 21st.

STIMULANTS IN HOTELS

Sir,—It is noted in your columns that there is some opposition to Mr. A.A. MacIsaac's bill to legislate the sale of alcoholic stimulants in our hotels.

When I assented twelve years ago to the legislation now in vogue, I received a few letters, all from one village, and all with nearly the same phrasing, protesting against my action in doing away with the nuisance of doctors' prescriptions, but I also received a great many laudatory communications, especially from our visitors and tourists.

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LIQUOR A HANDICAP

Sir,—Your readers should all find it a pleasure to read your daily summing up of the “Middle East” situation as well as other topics more closely affecting us. The editorial column seems to suit the average reader and is really educative.

The “Public Forum” is open to free discussion of many subjects, from the neglect of our highways to the matter of too little or too much beverage alcohol in the form of whiskey, wine or beer.

The drier you make this “Garden of the Gull” from all that incubates, the greater the flow of the choicest people from every part of North America. Those would come to get to a place where no one is continually talking about “beer.”

I am, Sir, etc., ARCH MACKENZIE, Kensington.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY AND TRANS CANADA GAS PIPE LINE

Sir,—In reply to a recent letter appearing in your paper, in which the writer stated as follows: “When you consider the hundreds of millions of dollars spent on the St. Lawrence waterways and gas pipe lines from Western Canada to which the citizens of the Maritimes contribute without benefit to them.”

The estimated cost of the seaway and power project is \$900,000,000 to be divided as follows: To the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario \$300,000,000, and to the Power Authority of the State of New York \$300,000,000; making a total of \$600,000,000.

The outstanding services rendered to all who suffer through your kind co-operation is indeed appreciated, and we wish to extend thanks for your generous contribution of space for editorial, news items, and cartoon.

The need for the March of Dimes is still great, and it will be for considerable time to come, so we sincerely trust we may have your continued support in the future.

Once again thanking you, and wishing you every success. I am, Sir, etc., J. LINCOLN DEWAR, President, F.E.I. Chapter Polo Foundation.

MAXIMS

Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind.

NO NATIONALIZED TEA NEW DELHI, India (AP)—Prime Minister Nehru's government Friday rejected a Communist parliamentary move aimed at nationalizing the \$400,000 Indian tea industry. It is largely British-owned.

MEASLES AND EYE ILLS

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NOTES BY THE WAY

We bet a lot of folks who turned over new leaves at the start of the year have now lost their place completely.—Brandon Sun

A stenographer is a girl you say while she is learning to type while she is waiting to get married.—Guelph Mercury

Greater protection is sought against the collision of jet aircraft, though there still is only one such to every 500,000,000 jallopy head-on.—Windsor Star

The discovery that Alberta and British Columbia automobile licence plates for 1957 will have identical color schemes—blue or white—looks like a lamentable failure of liaison between the two provincial governments. This may seem a minor matter, but it will create difficulties in law enforcement.—Edmonton Journal

In this mechanical age when the typewriter has almost entirely replaced handwriting, it may be a natural consequence that penmanship has become next thing to a forgotten art. Good handwriting is so seldom seen today that when a sample does bob up, it becomes almost a collector's item.—Swan River Times

The trouble with old-fashioned winters is that they were not made for automobiles and motorists. They were made for sleighs, and cutters, and drivers in buffalo robes. Actually a horse and cutter could do better in that kind of winter than a car, expect on cleared highways. We miss the ring of the sleigh bells, the zing of the runners on hardfrozen snow.—London Free Press

There is the probably apocryphal story of a man who used to bang his head with a hammer, because it felt so good when he stopped. Extravagant though his tale may be, it is approached by the true story of a Toronto man who played poker for two years without winning a pot. In the process he lost \$30,000 his home, and his car. Evidently he didn't have the hang of the game, or the brains to quit.—Windsor Star

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