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Capture Of A Rebel

Some day the shooting of Dedan Kimathi, the Mau Mau leader in Kenya, by an African policeman who mistook the cunning rebel for a leopard will be numbered among the legends of the Dark Continent. The incident has about all the romance and intrigue necessary to insure it a safe place in song and story. The fact that the capture was brought about when Princess Margaret was visiting Kenya adds to its interest.

Kimathi had been evading the forces of the law for years. His weapons were stealth, cunning, terror, and the sort of alertness that comes from long acquaintance with forest and jungle. Like many a rebel leader he was vain and arrogant. He delighted in the homage and obedience of his fanatical followers. He fancied himself a great soldier and liked to be known as Sir Dedan, the powerful, the lord of Kenya. Doubtless, he possessed some heroic qualities, some gifts of leadership and a burning conviction that it was his mission to release his native land from foreign domination. It is an old, old pattern of violence mingled with a sense of destiny. History is marked with it in a thousand places.

"Sir" Dedan will receive stern justice at the hands of Kenyan authorities. In all likelihood he will be hanged for his acts of terror against the peace and law of Kenya. This, no doubt, will be just retribution. Whether it will help to bring peace and quiet to Kenya is another matter. Quietly, for years to come his followers will boast that it was not British diligence but only the flash of a leopard skin that proved his undoing.

However,.....

It is to be hoped that the experts from 16 nations who are now meeting at United Nations Headquarters in New York to engage in exhaustive study of the effects of radioactive fallout from nuclear bomb explosions will find it possible to issue a clear pronouncement on the subject and thus help to clear up popular confusion in one of the more controversial public health problems of our time. Certainly, they are in a better position to make an objective appraisal of the dangers involved than are the American scientists who in recent weeks, against a background of political bickering, have spoken for or against continued hydrogen bomb tests. No one can say that U. N. atomic experts have personal interest in victory for either Mr. Eisenhower or Mr. Stevenson.

While the experts will study the entire problem, their chief interest, it appears, is in the content of "Strontium 90" in cow's milk as a result of fallout over land areas. It seems that Strontium 90 does not fall to the ground within a short distance of an explosion but is carried into the stratosphere where it spreads over the whole earth and is deposited over a period of years. It already has been established that it is capable of causing bone tumours, leukemia and other fatal diseases.

An authoritative though tentative declaration on this subject was given early in the summer by the British Medical Research Council. It said: "At the present time no great increase in the ill effects of Strontium 90 in milk can be expected. However, recognizing all the inadequacy of our present knowledge, we cannot ignore the possibility that, if the rate of firings increases and particularly if a greater number of hydrogen weapons are used, we could, within the lifetime of some now living, be approaching levels at which ill effects might be produced". At about the same time another recognized authority, the National Academy of Sciences, made this somewhat similar declaration: "It is apparent that as of the present time the dispersal of radioactive material resulting from weapons testing has not been an environment contaminant of substantial public health sig-

nificance. However, because of various unknown factors regarding distribution plus the potentials of possible wider spread, it is apparent that the subject in all its aspects merits meticulous and continuing attention".

The "however" in these two declarations is what really counts. It certainly matters a great deal more than the outcome of the United States election. Perhaps in due course the U. N. experts will be able to say just how much it does matter. The whole world will be awaiting their findings with intense interest.

Fun For Mr. Truman

That happy and care-free warrior Mr. Harry S. Truman is having the time of his life running around the United States and making pithy little speeches in behalf of Mr. Adlai E. Stevenson of whom he said less than three months ago: "He couldn't win on a bet".

Mr. Truman is in a preferred position to get a lot of fun out of the campaign. Unlike most of the Democratic orators, he has no axe to grind. It doesn't really matter much to him in a personal way how the election goes, except for one thing, and that is that a Democratic victory would give him one more chance to prove his thesis that professional "pollsters" are, as he once called them, "the bunk". He will never stop talking about how he humiliated Dr. Gallup and his devotees in 1948; and he wants to be able to do it again come Nov. 7th. That is his overwhelming interest in a Democratic victory—although, of course, there are lesser ones, such as his belief that the Democratic Party, regardless of who leads it, is always right and the Republican Party always wrong.

Incidentally, while the "pollsters" at this moment are predicting for Mr. Eisenhower a slight advantage over his opponent, they are doing it very cautiously, as if they were still troubled by memories of 1948.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A survey shows that this year the "average" American will buy 3.5 pairs of shoes. The .5 will come in handy when one shoe wears out faster than the other.

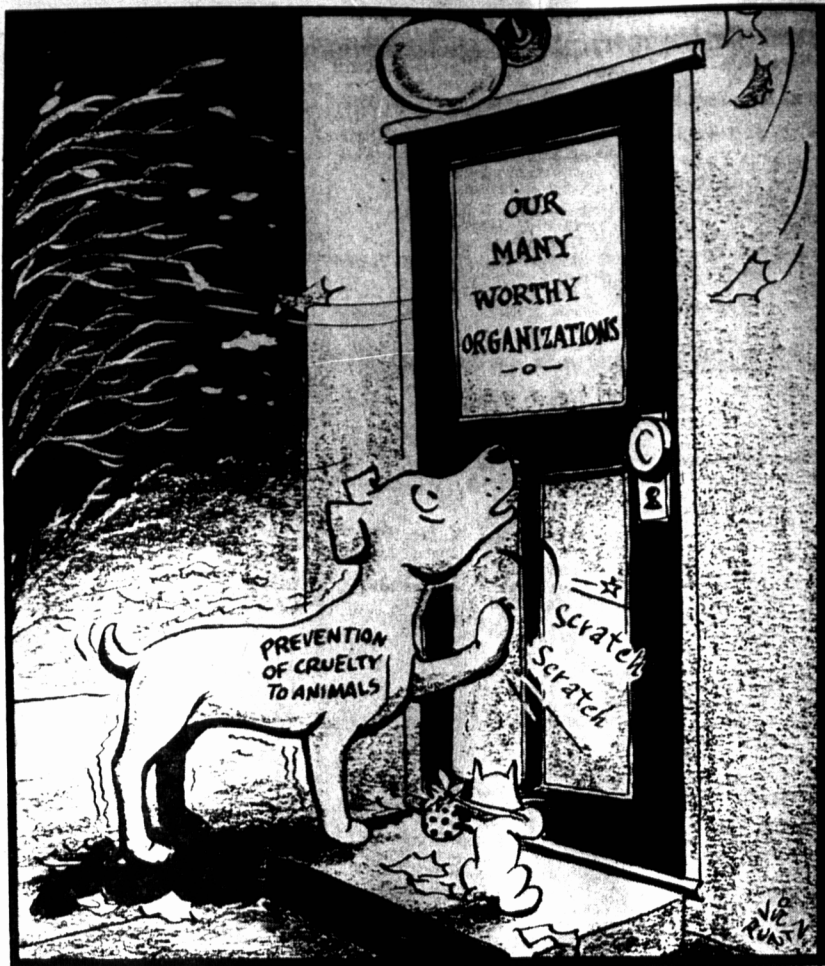
It is almost incredible that the dastardly conduct referred to by Chief MacArthur in the Public Forum could have occurred in Prince Edward Island. For a driver to hit and run is cowardly, but it appears that there is at large a brute who can hit and then throw an old man in a dark place to die.

Despite heavy competition from West Germany Britain is expanding her automobile exports to the United States. During the first eight months of this year nearly 19,000 British built cars valued at \$25½ million went to the American market, a 40% increase over the same period in 1955.

Evidently the anti-alcohol campaign of former French Premier Mendes-France has not been very successful. A late official report says that consumption of wines in France is increasing steadily and is much higher now than it was at the end of World War Two. There has been, however, a slight decrease in the consumption of "hard liquor".

Premier Bulganin's latest letter to President Eisenhower concerning the need for international agreement on control of hydrogen bombs tests came at a most inopportune time for both Republicans and Democrats. The Democrats will say it proves their point that the United States is lagging behind the other powers in this respect. On the other hand, some Republican strategist is sure to suggest that the Democrats and Russian leaders have joined hands to embarrass the President.

A university professor who has conducted extensive research in the so-called "grapevine" system of spreading news reports that about 95% of the information conveyed in that way is correct. That is a higher rate of exactitude than can be said of official sources. One hesitates to dispute a finding of experts; but there seems to be something here that requires further study.



ROOM FOR ANOTHER

PUBLIC FORUM

CALLOUS AND COWARDLY

Sir, — On the evening of Saturday, October 20th, 1956, about 6:30 p.m., a young man and his girl friend - both 17 years of age - were sitting in their parked car, on Sydney Street, at the junction with Great George - facing east. While they sat there an elderly man - known by sight to the young man in the car - walked up Sydney Street, on the north side and into Great George Street, turning south when he was lost to their view, as he was then behind their car.

A moment later a car was driven up Sydney Street and turned south on Gt. George. Almost at once they heard a sound of some impact and looking behind them saw this car backing slowly from an object on the pavement in front. Going over he, the young man, now saw that the same elderly man was lying on the pavement. Just at this moment another man came along walking south, on Gt. George. He came over and assisted the driver in putting this injured elderly man in the front seat of the car. Our young man who had been parked held the door open for them.

In the impact of red reflector over the left headlight and the light rim were dislodged from the car. The driver recovered these, placed them in the back seat then drove south on Gt. George. The man who had assisted continued walking down the same street and the young parkers went to the first show at the Capital Theatre, not perhaps realizing that this matter should have been reported to the police.

The injured man was heard to say "Take me home to an address on Sydney Street" and the only thing heard from the driver was "I am Sir, etc."

C.W. MACARTHUR
 Chief of Police.

OTTAWA REPORT

Trained Men Are Needed

By Patrick Nicholson

TRAINED MEN. Ottawa's Fisheries Minister Jimmy Sinclair has given a new twist to our current problem of lack of manpower.

The flow of immigrants into Canada in recent years has not merely failed to keep pace with our needs; it has actually been diminishing. The Department of Immigration has been under consistent, heavy and apparently justified criticism for excluding, rather than recruiting, immigrants.

Now there is such an acute shortage of labour, especially skilled labour, that the government has had to restrain our booming development. There would have been no call for the many and damaging credit curbs if a strong flow of immigration had kept our labour force constantly expanding at a fast clip.

Our greatest shortage is among engineers of all types. Our aviation industry especially has been feeling this shortage. One big aircraft plant, kept at overtime busyness with government orders, has maintained a whole-time recruitment program to bring in trained workers from Britain. So anxious has it been to lure such ready-trained employees that it has offered free transportation not only to each worker but to all members of his family. It has gone even further, and offered free hotel accommodation for one month until the immigrant family can get itself located in a home of its own.

THE SHORTER HAUL. Many of these expensively-imported immigrants were astonished at a recent aeronautical convention in Montreal. They found that the leading United States aviation companies had set up lobbies at that convention, to lure workers from Canada to their plants. It is a less costly move from Canada to the States than from Britain to Canada. The Americans aimed to get their immigrants cheap. But the wages which they offered were

The Poets Corner

BOB
 (OUR PAL)
 Bob was a dog of childhood days
 Who romped about the farm—
 He played our game of hide-and-seek
 And shielded us from harm.

We'd place his paws upon his eyes
 And he would never peek—
 Until we reached our hiding place
 And then that place he'd seek.

He'd scent us to our secret spot
 Then yip a bark of joy—
 And trail us all until he found
 Each hiding girl and boy.

This palship lasted thru the years
 Until one early morn—
 When fate decreed that one should
 Leave
 The place where he was born.

Bob yowled his cry of sad dismay
 As we went out that day—
 To catch the train for Boston, Mass
 Out at St. Peters Bay.

It was a soul sad parting dawn
 For one so young and free—
 To leave his parents and his pals
 And dog — no more to see.

But, —somewhere he is waiting
 In that place where good dogs go
 To bark a welcome greeting
 To his pals of long ago?
 Peter A. Reilly.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
 (October 25, 1931)

Mr. James Govan, one of the architects of the proposed new P. E. I. hospital, delivered an illustrated lecture on the new technique in the building of fireproof and frost proof frame buildings to an appreciative audience at the Board of Trade rooms last evening.

The funeral of Rev. J. J. Macdonald, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Summerside, was held yesterday morning at 10 a.m. The church, draped in purple and black, with the body of the beloved pastor resting in the sanctuary, was filled to capacity long before the service and crowds lined the streets to watch the funeral procession.

Mr. Charles Waugh, Summerside, who has been in an unconscious condition since an o'clock lecture on Wednesday evening, died in the Prince County Hospital last night shortly before eight o'clock.

TEN YEARS AGO
 (October 25, 1946)

By resolution unanimously adopted at the closing session of the Maritime Board of Trade, held yesterday in Charlottetown, the Board's Transportation Commission was instructed to invoke the co-operation of the three Maritime Governments, trade associations and industrial concerns to submit "as strong a joint representation as possible" to oppose the proposed general 30 per cent increase in railway freight rates in Canada.

Messrs B.C. Stephenson and C. Robertson, representing the Agricultural Prices Support Board, Ottawa, are in Charlottetown consulting with local potato dealers respecting the effects of the proposed floor prices on table stock potatoes.

from Britain and the States.

On present flow of immigration Mr. Sinclair told his American audience, "is not nearly sufficient". But his fellow Cabinet Minister, Immigration Minister Jack Pickersgill - speaking of course before Canadian audiences - has never equally admitted the inadequacy and inefficiency of his own and his department's program.

It is refreshing to hear that a Cabinet Minister, even if w's'n speaking in another country, will admit that our government is less than 100 per cent perfect.

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundes, M. D.

TYPHOID FEVER IS STILL AN EVER-PRESENT THREAT
 Typhoid fever is still with us even though we no longer hear of widespread epidemics.

Most of us, I'm afraid, are inclined to be apathetic toward this disease, yet the typhoid bacillus - the causative agent - is always present. Even today it remains a serious threat to our health.

Like most of you, I hadn't thought a great deal about typhoid until a woman called recently asking me to describe the symptoms. Her youngster didn't have this dread disease, but I began thinking that maybe more of you should be better acquainted with the symptoms.

The disease may be so severe that it causes death, or it may be relatively mild. Even the moderate type, however, brings a lot of suffering.

ENTER THROUGH MOUTH
 The typhoid bacilli enter the body and eventually the intestinal tract by way of the mouth. Symptoms begin about 10 to 14 days after the germs enter the body.

The victim probably will feel tired, have a dull headache, a steadily rising fever and will lose his appetite. He may have either diarrhea or constipation.

Some seven days or so later a rose-colored rash develops on the skin, generally on the chest and stomach.

ANY SEASON
 While typhoid is more apt to occur in warm weather, it can occur in any time of the year.

In cold months, drinking unclean water usually is the source of the trouble. In any type of weather, milk and milk products are a chief source of infection.

In large cities such as Chicago, our water, milk and other dairy products are perfectly safe, but in some other areas there may be a certain amount of danger.

Drink only water known to be pure and milk that is properly pasteurized. Keep your home free from household flies and be sure to wash your hands thoroughly after going to the bathroom and before handling food, drinks and eating utensils.

QUESTION AND ANSWER
 P.B.: I am constantly blushing. What can I do about it.
 Answer: Blushing is usually caused by nervous instability.

Due to excitement or nervousness, there is a nervous stimulation of the nerves supplying the blood vessels to the face. This causes an increase in the circulation, producing blushing.

There is no treatment which needs to be employed.

The Age Old Story

If low of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

INSTITUTE BURNED
 BERLIN (AP) — Te Lysenko Institute at Roslock in East Germany has been burned and Communist secret police are searching for clues as to the cause of the fire, the West Berlin paper Nacht Despeche reports. It does not give the date of the fire. The institute was named for Trofim Lysenko, the Soviet scientist who theorized that heredity was influenced by environment. Lysenko has fallen into disfavor in Russia since the passing of Stalin.

NOTES BY THE WAY

New methods on the farm are said to be rendering the pitchfork obsolete. But what will the farmer use for running the lightning rod salesman off the place? — Hamilton Spectator.

Those who steal automobiles are compared by a magistrate to the horse thieves of an earlier day. The penalty, however, is less drastic. In the Wild West days of the United States many a horse thief was caught and hanged from a convenient tree and no other about a trial. — Ottawa Journal.

Three cheers for the Calgary Dental Society! It is planning an aggressive campaign to acquaint the public with the merits of fluoridation of the city's water supply and to refute the countless unfounded rumors that fluoridation is a hazard to health. Few medical subjects have been as thoroughly investigated as this. Few remedies have been as thoroughly tested and proven. No health measure is safer than this one. And none can accomplish so much good for so little money and effort. The doctors and dentists know all these things, but the public is reluctant to believe the evidence. — Calgary Albertan.

Princess Margaret is working hard at her role as a member of the British Royal Family. Her reception at Mombasa brought her in contact with the varied racial groups of Kenya, and she had a few words to say about communal and racial harmony in a region which has seen something of what happens when these essential features are lacking in the life of a community. Her five-week tour is

no joyride and she deserves credit for undertaking it as a contribution to Commonwealth understanding. — London Free Press.

Equality of the sexes, is a myth as long as a man and a woman of exactly the same height are referred to respectively as "saved-off" and "petite." — Edmonton Journal.

In a Peking restaurant we sampled a dish of suspicious looking obviously ancient eggs. "They are not spoiled, and they do not have a revolting odor," observed our Chinese host graciously. "They are preserved eggs; they have been cured." Inside the shell was material of a cheese-like consistency. "In Europe," continued our host, "you preserve milk by turning it into cheese. We in China do the same with eggs." Milk and eggs are both essentially protein foods, so they might be expected to undergo a similar form of chemical transformation. Preserved eggs taste like cheese, and it is surprising that in a non-milk country they have for centuries filled the function of cheese. — Harpers



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