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Manitoba Legislature Dissolved

The unexpected announcement of the dissolution of the Manitoba Legislature, with the general election date set for July 27, may be construed as indicating that Premier BRACKEN-like Premier TASCHEREAU in Quebec, is finding hard political sledding and has decided to make his appeal to the electors before worse happens.

The Conservatives have recently found an able leader in ERICK F. WILLIS. Born at Bois-evean, Manitoba, 40 years ago, educated in the Universities of Alberta and Toronto, graduated in law at the University of Manitoba, Mr. WILLIS may be described as a barrister as well as a farmer, but agriculture has always been his chief vocation.

What A Betrayal!

If it is any consolation to the CAMPBELL Government, they are not the only ones guilty of violating election pledges by seeking power to impose provincial Sales Taxes. The Federal Government is equally guilty, the local Liberal organ on their behalf not only pledging Prime Minister KING would not impose additional taxes, but he would actually reduce them.

On the same page the electors were asked to "Vote for lower tariffs, wider trade, DECREASE IN TAXES," etc.

Again on Oct. 11 last year, the Patriot gave the following editorial assurance: "The KING Government steadily reduced Canada's taxes, AND WILL DO SO AGAIN IF GIVEN A NEW MANDATE."

It was on top of this raid on the taxpayers that the Government introduced its resolution in Parliament—allegedly at the solicitation of the provincial Premiers and Attorneys General—to amend the B. N. A. Act for the purpose of empowering the Provincial Governments to levy an additional Retail Sales Tax.

A mainland contemporary well says: "Examination of the argument that no barriers to freedom of trade would result from extension of provincial powers to impose a Sales Tax, reveals even that claim to be untenable. Let one province impose a Sales Tax and its neighbor omit to do so, and immediately buyers will be tempted to cross provincial borders to evade that levy."

And who would pay for all this? Every man, woman and child in the Province who bought anything from a lollypop to a lawn mower. But, as Mr. MUSTARD (Third Kings) pointed out in the Legislature, the tax would fall most heavily on our basic producers—our farmers and fishermen.

Editorial Notes

Tomorrow is Senator MEIGHEN's sixty-second birthday. He was born in 1874. This will be a nice week to judge the merits of the various National Park sites. Four wrecks of Maritime vessels in six days is somewhat of a record in marine disasters. The Republican candidate for the Vice-Presidency, Colonel FRANK KNOX, is half an Islander. Sir EDWARD BEATTY told the Senate Special Committee that unification of the C. P. R. and C. N. R. would effect a saving of \$65,000,000 per annum. The Hon. C. F. FOLEY

disagreed, giving the saving at \$15,000,000 per annum. But even the latter figure is not to be sneezed at.

Divide and rule was the old Roman motto in conquering and developing her empire; and Japan is acting upon the same principle with regard to China today.

Mr. RUSSELL CLARK, M. L. A., promises to put a question on the order paper at next meeting of the Legislature. But as these are now asked and answered in camera much wiser will the electors be with the information vouchsafed.

Premier BRACKEN, Manitoba, stole a march on the Conservatives by calling a dissolution within three days of the selection of the new Conservative leader, Mr. ERICK F. WILLIS, who will have little or no chance of organizing his forces before election day, six weeks hence.

A service club was giving a rather large public dinner and the guest-speaker, a man from out-of-town, proposed a toast to the many who, in and closely connected with the town, had done their civic best. He was much taken aback to see that not one of those present rose to drink the toast; but everyone present, rose simultaneously, to reply to the toast.

In Montreal, salaries and wages of workers who have just obtained permanent re-employment after having been jobless and on the dole are not seizable for debt for six months dating from the time their reemployment began. Another phase of the BOUCHARD work-for-relief plan, is that the wages paid the unemployed for their labor for relief will be non-seizable at all times.

Attorney-General DAVID T. WILENTZ, of Trenton, N. J., reports that \$14,700 LINDBERGH ransom money had been turned over for return to a representative of Colonel CHARLES A. LINDBERGH in New York. The \$14,700 was found in possession of BRUNO RICHARD HAUPTMANN, convicted of the baby's murder. The rest of the \$50,000 ransom, the prosecution contended was used by HAUPTMANN in stock market and business transactions.

A friendly agreement over custody of FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW, 12, film actor, has been reached. Under provisions of the agreement, FREDDIE will remain the ward of his aunt, Miss MYLLICENT BARTHOLOMEW, but the Union Bank and Trust Company will be guardian of his estate. Miss BARTHOLOMEW and the boy's parents will share in his earnings, now \$1,200 a week. Mr. and Mrs. CECIL L. BARTHOLOMEW and two daughters, who will be brought over from their home in England, will reside in Los Angeles.

Imports of farm implements in April made a sharp advance to \$1,100,000 from \$692,000 a year ago. The value of the imports from the United States was \$1,034,000 and from the United Kingdom \$32,000. Amongst the outstanding items were 1,233 cream separators from Sweden, 99 from United Kingdom and 85 from Germany; 311 dozen scythes from Sweden. The largest item from any country was 713 traction engines at \$528,263 from the United States, 37 at \$19,941 from the United Kingdom and one from Germany at \$1,395.

In Calgary, school teachers may be paid Alberta "prosperity bonds" in lieu of cash if it is found necessary to adopt a plan placed before the board of school trustees by Premier ABERHART. The plan was advocated as the only way the school trustees could obtain Government financial assistance if this is required. The "prosperity bonds" certificates would be redeemable in two years, but holders would have to affix a one per cent. stamp for each dollar each week. The Government will endeavor to have merchants accept payment in bonds for goods sold to holders of the certificates.

Col. GEORGE A. DREW, Toronto, whose engagement is just announced, has won out on the second, as well as the first count of the action for libel brought against him by Mr. DONALD H. WALKERSHAW, secretary to Mr. HEPBURN's Attorney-General. The first count dealt with the innuendo alleged to have been contained in Col. Drew's charges, while the second was the natural meaning of the words. Mr. WALKERSHAW's counsel did not appear at the hearing although Col. Drew stated he was in his office ten minutes earlier. Mr. Justice KINGSTONE dismissed with costs the second count. The decisions in both counts are under appeal.

Suit by GEORGE COUTURE to collect \$10,000 damages from ADELARDE BOYER for injury of his 10-year-old son when struck by the latter's car, was dismissed by Mr. Justice McDUGALL in Montreal Superior Court. The court held fault of the accident was the boy's in darting out suddenly in front of BOYER's car to retrieve a ball. The court also ruled there was no negligence on the motorist's part in driving close to the curb and that, even had he observed the lad standing upon the sidewalk, he was under no obligation to sound his horn as a warning signal. The accident occurred on October 2, 1934, on St. Lawrence boulevard near Beaubien. The boy sustained serious injury and was confined to hospital for almost a year. In taking suit against BOYER, COUTURE invoked the presumption of fault created by law against the motorist. Mr. Justice McDUGALL declared, in rejecting the claim, that "the presumption of law against a defendant from whom damages are claimed for personal injury in a running-down case may be displaced and repelled by proof that the victim of the accident was the author of his own injury, as, for instance, when he places himself in the path of defendant's automobile, in such a way that the defendant could not reasonably avoid striking him." The court agreed with LEO L'ESPERANCE, attorney for the defence, that such was the case in the present instance, and dismissed the claim with costs.

Notes by the Way

With the war mentality everywhere, with treaties turned into scraps of paper, and the pledges of governments treated with brutal cynicism, what is Britain to do? No answer comes; no safe or sane answer but that which Britain now gives. A thousand years of tradition, all that men know of her island story, tell her to prepare—to stand on guard, for she did not know it could be a work for peace to have Britain in such a world disarmed. A weak Britain today, a Britain who could not speak with her old authority, would be a disservice to peace, a disservice to civilization itself.—O'tawa Journal.

We all carry about us the colourings of endless influences—from people, from books, from nature, from everything in life. In fact, all life is a crazy-quilt of influences, contributed by a multitude of sources. We are influenced by our environment, by our parents, by our friends, by health, by illness, by our misfortunes and successes. By what are we not influenced?—Ex.

At the corner of Monkwell Street and Silver Street (London), opposite the derelict churchyard of St. O'ave, is a public-house called the Coopers Arms, with a greater claim to fame than many a more pretentious building, for here, for ten years from 1598, lived William Shakespeare as lodger to Christopher Mountjoy, a serruier. A model lodger, too, entering wholeheartedly into the life of the family, even to the extent of helping on the marriage of Mountjoy's only daughter with Stephen Bello't. In 1612, when Bello't sued his father-in-law to recover the promised but unpaid dowry of 50 pounds, Shakespeare as lodger, claims the following: This deponent says that the said defendant's wife did solicit and entreat this deponent to move and persuade the said complainant to effect the said marriage and according to this deponent did move and persuade the complainant thereunto. Notwithstanding such distractions, the poet wrote many of his finest plays while living there, including Henry V, Hamlet, and MacBeth.—C.P. in the National Review, London.

It is a hopeful Budget, Mr. Chamberlain's estimates are based on a rising market. He tells how his present 3,000,000 pounds surplus was attained after meeting many unexpected items. But the contingent needs of defence, he says, might have made really remarkable remissions of taxation. With his high hopes of future prosperity the Chancellor mingles the solemn warning: unless agreement to limit arms can be made between the nations the cost of defence will rise still more steeply. In fact, the most extensive item in any Budget in the world can be written in one word, "Fear."—London Daily Express.

Someone once said that almost any modern slang word already has been used by Shakespeare and with the same slangy twist to its meaning. Probably that is an exaggeration. But certainly it is difficult to find a new slang word unless it is based on inventions or scientific discoveries unknown to our forebears.—Edmonton Journal.

Elon A. Stowater is a Kentucky man, 74 years of age. Recently the apartment in which he lived caught fire and he slid down a rope from the fourth floor. As he was walking away a reporter stopped him and asked him where he found the rope. "I didn't find it," replied Stowater. "I had it I've kept a rope under my bed for thirty years because I have always been afraid of being trapped in a fire." Probably Stowater has been joshed many times for lagging his rope around wherever he went, but he must be glad today that his foresight has been rewarded. Evidently he is a man who believes in being prepared for emergencies.—Stratford-Bacon Herald.

Although its mentors have long labored to make it so, meteorology is still far from being an exact science. The meteorologist aspires, even months ahead, yet misses sometimes a 12-hour prediction. Were the scientists of the weather map and barometer able to explain and trace the source of the great barometric changes, one of nature's deepest mysteries would be solved and long range forecasting becomes practicable. Easy as that scientific problem seems to the lay mind, science with its equipment, brains and resources has been unable as yet to do more than guess at it. For many decades, weather bureaus have sought an answer, and more lately foundations have been endowed to carry on the work; but the solution is not yet in hand.—Kingston Wing Standard.

Let no one withhold a measure of sympathy for Mr. Thomas himself and the family concerned. This untoward ending of a great public career does not obliterate his record of patriotism and courage and should not make the nation forget the eminent services he has rendered. As a trade union leader he fought stoutly and honorably to better the conditions of his followers. He faced the emergency of war without flinching. Afterwards, he did more than most to show the fitness of men of humble beginnings to bear the responsibilities of high office in the new world, and in the crisis of 1931 he was one of only two or three men who stood firm in the midst of political chaos and made possible the National Government which staved off disaster.—London Times.

Speed in these days is everywhere taking its yearly toll of thousands of lives. If tolerance or leniency were displayed toward drunken drivers of the powerful

That Body of Hours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

THE METHOD OF TRYING TO RESTORE THE APPARENTLY DROWNED CAN BE LEARNED IN TWO MINUTES

During the cool or cold weather the number of individuals who are suffocated by smoke or gas in the home, or from the exhaust gas from a closed garage naturally increases. With the warm weather outdoors the number of cases of drowning during swimming or falling from docks or piers greatly increases. Fortunately the method used to resuscitate or "bring back to life" the nearly suffocated or the nearly drowned is the same, and is so simple that once practised it will not likely be forgotten.

In the old days in our school text books we were taught the Sylvester method of resuscitation which required about four assistants. Today the Schafer method is used practically everywhere, and one lone individual can give this first aid treatment. Talk about this method at least twice a year because it is really an all the year round necessity.

If an alarm can be sent a doctor a pulmonologist should be sent, but no delay should occur in beginning the Schafer method.

Place the patient face downward on the ground the face turned slightly to one side, and without removing clothing commence the artificial breathing. Put yourself astride or at one side of the patient's body in a kneeling position, facing his head. Flaving your hands flat in the small of his back, with thumbs nearly touching the fingers spread out on each side of the body over the lower ribcage, and steadily allow the weight of your body to fall over upon them (your hands) and so produce a firm downward pressure, which must not be violent. By this means the air (and weater, if there be any) is driven out of the patient's lungs. Immediately thereafter swing back ward, rapidly releasing the pressure, but with the hands flat across the patient's body. Repeat this forward and backward movement (pressure and re-axing of pressure) every 4 or 5 seconds.

Keep this up until breathing occurs; if breathing stops start the pressure and relaxing movements again. If others are present, rubbing hands and feet toward the heart, will promote warmth and circulation. No restoratives should be given by mouth until natural breathing has recommenced. Once breathing starts the pressure and relaxing movements should be stopped.

Double Memorial To King George V Is Planned

(Exchange)

There will be a widespread and hearty response to Premier Baldwin's appeal for funds for the erection of a permanent memorial to King George the Fifth. The devotedness of His Majesty to his peoples throughout the Empire and to the cause of good throughout the world led a profound impression which still remains, comments an Upper Canada exchange, which adds that for twenty-five years of the most turbulent period in the world's history he not only set a fine example of noble living but he was able over and over again, through the immense prestige of his personality and office, to exert a helpful influence upon his own ministers, in intra-Imperial relationships, and in world affairs. It was owing largely to his spotless character and spirit of service that the throne became more firmly fixed than ever in the people's affections while other thrones were toppling one after another.

The memorial will include a statue of His Majesty to be erected between Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament. It will mark both the spiritual and the legislative centre of an Empire which embraces a quarter of the world and a quarter of the world's population. The second portion of the memorial will consist of Great Britain's playing fields throughout Old Britain. For these, said Mr. Baldwin, there is increasing need. Landowners can give land, the rich can give wealth but I want to see a real offering of all people, a complete realization of all classes of the country, possibly of the Empire, that we are all members of one family. It may be taken for granted, says our exchange, that the flow of funds for the double memorial will be universal and that it will be contributed to by all classes of His Majesty's loving subjects, Canadians doing more than their full share in raising the necessary money.

machines in operation, it would not be long before the highroads would be avoided as any other zone of death, taxpayers with the West reasons would protest against paying for their maintenance and the thriving motor industry would suffer. Citizens in their own interests must insist upon their rights to have his menace removed, and the authorities are deserving of every support in dealing with such offenders vigilantly, sternly and indiscriminately.—St. John's Telegram.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of the questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

HEALTH FIRST

Str.—If the famous Dr. Barton is right, when he says, that the bite from the mosquito can transfer malaria from one individual to another, is it not time that our "City Fathers" did something about "Deadman's Pond", in Victoria Park?

With a little dredging, this could be made a charming resting place, strewn with water lilies and other floral beauties. If this is impractical, the health authorities should have it filled in and so prevent this far-reaching source of disease and discomfort.

I am, Sir, etc., "BOBBY".

Adult Education

"You in the back of the room, what was the date of the signing of the Magna Carta?" "I dunno." "You don't, eh? Well, let's try something else. Who was Bonny Prince Charley?" "I dunno." "Well, then, can you tell me what the Tennis Court Oath was?" "I dunno." "You don't! I assigned this stuff last Friday. What were you doing last night?" "I was out drinking beer with some friends." "You were! What audacity to stand there and tell me a thing like that! How do you ever expect to pass this course?" "Wal, I don't mister. Ye see, I just come in to fix the radiator."

Whither McGeer?

(Judith Robinson in Toronto Saturday Night)

The Prime Minister of Canada has a patent pencil. The Prime Minister of Canada has small plump hands with cushiony palms and tapered fingers. When debate is dull in the House the pencil stays in its pocket and the hands lie at ease, fingers lightly clasped across the prime ministerial waistcoat. When debate warms the fingers unclasp and start to fiddle. When it warms further, the pencil comes out and begins to revolve and the gallery above keeps an eye on its revolutions. For the faster the patent pencil turns between the plump and tapering fingers the merrier is Mr. King. On the night when Mayor Gerry McGeer, M.P. of Vancouver, put on his one-man Bank of Canada revolt the pencil touched its all-time record in r.p.m.'s. It went around so fast it nearly got a hotbox. There was, in fact, a distinct smell of scorching when the eloquent and temerarious Mr. McGeer came to the bit about the Liberal party "plucking its footstools on the trail of broken promises which leads not only through the valley of humiliation but down deep into the abyssal depths of eternal oblivion."

They say that if Gerry had only detoured the Valley of Humiliation all e's might have been forgiven, even the nasty accusation that the "fulsome promises of the then Opposition" are being forgotten by the new government. Governments get hardened to reminders of their broken promises. They have to; they break so many of them. But Mr. King never gets hardened to being taken on free return trips through the valley of humiliation. It makes him just as sick now as it did five years ago when his friend Dr. Provost Lamer McDougald parked him there with a couple of receipted hotel bills.

Local signs do not indicate a great future inside the old Liberal party for the new Liberal Member for Vancouver-Burrard. Geographical references aside, Mr. McGeer's party stock must have slipped. For fact is essential to a rising party politician, and the moment, the ally and the subject of the Member for Vancouver-Burrard's revolt were no more tactfully chosen than his verbiage. A politician who calls himself a Liberal and can't keep quiet about Liberal failures to deliver promised goods coming in his own neck expect no sympathy from need party men. Mr. McGeer is getting none. And if prophets are right in foretelling that the ammunition Gerry supplied in the House will

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