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Racial Freedom

The unfortunate race riots in Britain—probably started, certainly encouraged, by fascist elements—have led to speculation that the British Government might adopt some sort of restrictive legislation regarding the entry of people from certain parts of the Commonwealth.

The problem of economic and social irritations, resulting from free and unlimited immigration, is, of course, one that has to be considered. There is no use pretending that it does not exist.

Whatever course events may take, the whole free world will look to Britain to maintain its traditional sense of racial freedom and equality.

Lay Opinion

Many persons have long maintained that nuclear tests have had a bad effect on weather conditions. The increasing frequency of hurricanes, in the North Atlantic, particularly, have been linked with the explosions.

Professor W.N. Parker, lecturer in geography at the University of Manitoba, says he is of the opinion that there is something to the theory. "Although I have no scientific proof," he told a gathering recently, "I am convinced that the extraordinary bad weather over the whole of the Northern Hemisphere since 1954 has largely been caused by nuclear tests."

If Professor Parker is right in his views—further research will reveal whether he is or not—it won't be the first time that lay opinion, based on nothing but casual observation, proved to be the precursor of scientific pronouncement. The irritating thing is that whenever people express an opinion on matters which are supposed to be outside their purview, most scientists throw up their hands in righteous indignation at what they consider lay effrontery.

Inconsistent

That was an interesting letter that Premier Khrushchev sent to President Eisenhower on the subject of the trouble in the Far East. In places it was bitterly and purposely blunt with no sign of diplomatic finesse. For example: "The only thing I want to do in this letter is to speak my mind and to emphasize the full gravity of the situation which has developed in the area of Taiwan and China's offshore islands. If we were to clothe our thought in outwardly courteous diplomatic wording, we would find it, I think, more difficult to see each other's point."

In other places Mr. Khrushchev was gentleness itself, as when he wrote: "Nothing could be more erroneous than to try to read in this message of mine any intention to put it on thick, let alone any threats. We want to find a common language with

you so as to end the present movement, so the U.S.S.R., the United States and the People's Republic of China and other countries should join efforts in removing the tensions...."

But perhaps the most interesting thing about Mr. Khrushchev's letter was its inconsistency. In one paragraph he denounced the "movement of navies and air forces from one end of the world to the other" and suggested that this was a subject for discussion in the U.N. General Assembly. "It is a legitimate question to ask," he wrote, "whether the United Nations should not consider this and take a decision forbidding the powers to undertake such movements of their naval and air forces for the purposes of blackmail and intimidation and obliging them to keep these forces within their national frontiers."

In the very next paragraph, however, he reminded the President that "in the age of nuclear and rocket weapons these once formidable warships are fit, in fact, for nothing but courtesy calls and gun salutes and can serve as targets for the right kind of rockets." Why should Mr. Khrushchev condemn the "movements of naval forces" if they are fit only for courtesy calls and gun salutes?

Again, Mr. Khrushchev said nothing about the movements of armies and tanks, such as those he sent against Hungarian patriots in the fall of 1956.

EDITORIAL NOTES

This year's International Tuna Tournament at Wedgeport, N.S. appears to have been almost a total failure. Another year it may have to be moved to Conception Bay, Nfld., where several large fish were taken during the summer.

Sir Robert Watson-Watt, the British scientist who invented radar, says that "spacism is merely a slightly scrambled version of escapism." "I really think it is monstrous that, having mismanaged our own planet, we should now attempt management of another planet in space," he told reporters on arrival home after his trip to Canada. Many will agree with him.

Iceland wants the fishing dispute with Britain to be aired in the U.N. General Assembly. If the matter does come before that body, Iceland can expect wide support; for at the International Conference on the Law of the Sea held in Geneva most of the smaller nations favoured a 12 mile territorial limit.

A Liberal official has referred to Prime Minister Diefenbaker as "the most radical Prime Minister this country has ever had." He meant it, of course, as a derogatory appellation. There is a sense, however, in which it could be regarded as a compliment. A "radical" is one who tries to get down to the root (radix) of problems, need for reform, etc. An extremely non-radical politician is a rather colourless individual.

Business men who are tired of being thought of as selfish individuals, interested only in material gain, will welcome an appraisal by the Rev. Leo R. Ward, Professor of Philosophy at Notre Dame University. Addressing a Catholic Social Action conference Father Ward said: "The business man may be in fact materialistic and economically determined, but at least he sees himself as doing a great and mighty work for God and man."

U.N. Secretary-General Hammarskjold says he will have a report on the results of his mission to the Middle East ready for the General Assembly of the U.N. as soon as possible after the meeting gets under way. He does not have much to report. Judging by dispatches from the area about the only thing he has been able to accomplish is to obtain from the disputing parties a half-promise that they will not start fighting one another until he has arrived back in New York.

Gradually, the barriers to a boy's peace of mind are being broken down. Not long ago an expert dietitian declared that spinach was a much over-rated food—no more healthful than any other vegetable, in fact. Now comes another expert, Dr. Harvey Flack, editor of a British medical journal, to say that "a high-water mark around a boy's neck is a sign of good health". According to Dr. Flack, "boys seem to know instinctively a profound dermatological truth—that an important element in health is the skin's own protective layer of grease, and this should not be disturbed too frequently by washing".



EBB AND FLOW

OTTAWA REPORT

Uninspiring Legislation

By Patrick Nicholson, Special Correspondent for The Guardian

Ottawa: To a man who admires beautiful language as Prime Minister Diefenbaker does—and who in fact can roll off his tongue phrases as appealing as any to be found in the speeches of our greatest orators—it must be galling to see his pet ewe-lamb presented to public gaze in the strictly utilitarian and unadorned homeliness of a hog.

For that is how Mr. Diefenbaker's long-fought-for Bill of Rights has now appeared: a strictly utilitarian and unadorned hog of a piece of English, which is an ugly, uninspiring and unimaginative tract of legalese unable to look history's other great bills of rights squarely in the eye.

Our neighbours are especially fortunate in the beauty and warm appeal of their great historic documents. Those express deep beliefs sincerely held, brought forth from the heart in times of stress after great human suffering.

Their range from the Mayflower Compact of 1620, through the Declaration of Independence of 1776 and the Constitution of the United States of America of 1787 to President Lincoln's Gettysburg address of 1863.

THE FIRST SMALL SHIP After a terrible storm-tossed and scurvy-ridden voyage of sixty-six days in a ship little bigger than a modern air-liner, 101 Pilgrims landed on the inhospitable shore which Samuel de Champlain had been the first white man to explore a mere eleven years before. The forty-

one men in that band of devout adventurers drew up and signed the Mayflower Compact. A century and a half later, the descendants of those and other immigrants from England gave us those familiar words from the Declaration of Independence: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed..."

The leaders gathered after their War of Independence, and in convention drafted a Constitution for their country. This begins with the oft-quoted Preamble: "We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Speaking at the dedication of the national cemetery on the civil war battlefield of Gettysburg, President Lincoln delivered the most-quoted speech in the English-speaking world. "Four score and seven years ago our Fathers brought forth on this Continent a new Nation, conceived in Liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal..."

With modest inaccuracy, the President predicted: "The World will little note nor long remember what we say here..." And he ended: "This Nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth."

HUMDRUM LEGAL PHRASES What a contrast is the verbiage concocted by legal draftsmen for our Bill of Rights in this year 1958. The world will truly not long remember what they wrote; schoolchildren will never recite their stilted phrases which were conceived in working hours and dedicated to the proposition that no provincial toes shall be trodden upon.

"Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows: 1. This part may be cited as the Canadian Bill of Rights. 2. It is hereby recognized and declared that in Canada there shall exist the following human rights and fundamental freedoms, namely the right of the individual to life, liberty security of the person and enjoyment of property and the right not to be deprived thereof except by due process of law. 4. The Minister of Justice shall, in accordance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council, examine every proposed regulation submitted in draft form to the Clerk of the Privy Council pursuant to the Regulations Act..."

What a long way we have come from the sincere Pilgrim Fathers to the meticulous civil servants of 1958. kind of work they want to do, so that they may become self-sufficient and responsible citizens. The process is a long one. They must be told about the peculiar limitations of their type of hearing. They must learn that, because of the effort of listening, their fatigue rate is much higher than a normal person's; and that their hearing may depreciate as much as 25 per cent because of fatigue.

At the Hearing Conservation centre the therapist accomplishes this in the course of the children's development up to grade nine. Every day at noon all the hard-of-hearing come to her classroom to eat their lunch. Like any family group the little ones listen to the older ones whose speech is clear, who hardly know that they are lip-reading who often get high marks in class and who are full of life and confidence in the future. So the little ones gain confidence too, as they feel that they are part of a pattern. But none, except the therapist, sees that they are participating in the miracle of a growing acceptance of their place in normal, everyday life.

Helium, The Sun Gas

National Geographic News Bulletin

Helium, the sun gas with a history as strange as its properties, has become a valuable tool in the search for the basic secrets of matter. It is also a key element in satellite launchers and large military rockets.

Helium's importance comes not so much from what it has, but from what it lacks, the National Geographic Society says. The gas is odorless, tasteless, colorless, inert. It will not normally combine with other elements. It will not burn or explode. It will change into a liquid only at extremely low temperatures.

But in one liquid state helium defies some of the laws of nature. It will flow uphill. It transmits heat phenomenally well. It acts so strangely that some scientists declare there are four kinds of matter in the world: solids, liquids, gases and superfluid helium.

As demand for the gas grows, the Department of Interior—the only producer in the United States and the major world producer—has announced a \$25 million program to build 12 recovery plants beside natural gas pipelines. Helium occurs in natural gas in concentrations up to 7 per cent. There are four plants in operation: at Otis, Kansas; Shiprock, New Mexico; and Amarillo and Ewell, Texas.

Parents Must Be Vigilant

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

MOST all diseases have symptoms of one kind or another. Recognizing these symptoms usually means that treatment can be started while the disease still is in the early stages. As parents, you owe it to your children to be able to recognize anything which might be an indication of an illness. Moreover, you should report it to your doctor promptly.

Let's take rheumatic fever as an example. LIST FOR PARENTS The American Academy of Pediatrics' School Health and Rheumatic Fever Committees have prepared the following list of signs and symptoms that both parents and teachers should consider as an indication that something is wrong with a child:

- 1. Failure to gain weight poor appetite, pallor, fatigue. 2. Frequent colds and sore throats, unexplained fever or unexplained nosebleeds. 3. Pain in the joints of the arms or legs. (I'd like to interject here that pains that occur during the day are more apt to be associated with rheumatic fever than those that occur during the night.) 4. Unusual restlessness, irritability, twitching or jerky motion (St. Vitus' dance) or a history of previous rheumatic fever.

Any personality changes also should be noted as should decreasing accomplishment in school work by a child who previously has done well.

As always when listing symptoms of any disease or disorder, I want to emphasize that these signs do not necessarily mean that a child has rheumatic fever. They do indicate he needs a checkup by a physician to find out just what is wrong.

DIFFICULT TO DIAGNOSE At times it is difficult even for a physician to recognize rheumatic fever and make an accurate diagnosis. Repeated tests and prolonged examination sometimes are required before a doctor can be positive.

What if your child is found to have a rheumatic fever? Well, while as yet we have no miracle drug to cure him, we generally can suppress the symptoms and often prevent them from recurring.

We have salicylate drugs, such as aspirin, and hormone substances, such as cortisone, metacortandracin and ACTH, which are very helpful.

QUESTION AND ANSWER T.D. I have been told I am becoming deaf in both ears. Can shaving with an electric shaver cause this?

Answer: It is not likely that shaving with an electric shaver can cause any ear damage or produce deafness.

MAXIMS

Humility is the better part of wisdom, and is most becoming in men. But let no one discourage self-reliance: it is of all the rest, the greatest quality of true manliness.

"The radioactive elements are in a sense explosive...but such explosions surpass in degree, to an almost inconceivable extent, the molecular explosions with which we are familiar," he wrote. "Could we induce a fragment of radium to evolve all its energy at once, the result would be terrific, for in the energy with which it parts during its change, it surpasses in explosive power our most potent gunpowder by millions of times."

LABORATORY CURIOSITY Until World War I helium remained a laboratory curiosity costing about \$2,500 a cubic foot. Demand for a noninflammable lifting gas for wartime blimps encouraged development of production techniques which eventually knocked down the price to less than 2 cents.

In peacetime, helium was assigned several tasks. One of the most exciting was the lifting of the huge balloon Explorer II to record heights in the stratosphere in 1935—a project sponsored by the National Geographic Society and the Army Air Corps.

Used in "handmade air" as an oxygen carrier to replace the nitrogen in normal air, helium helps safeguard sandhogs and divers from the bends. Its ability to penetrate tiny crevices also helps asthmatics breathe more easily.

It is an important agent in joining magnesium and other metals that tend to oxidize at welding temperatures. A curtain of flowing helium seals the weld from the air.

Liquid helium is employed in physics laboratories in studies of extreme cold and the nature of atoms.

To convert the gas into a liquid requires a temperature of minus 268 degrees Centigrade. The temperature is within five degrees of absolute zero, theoretically the lowest possible.

In large rockets, liquid helium is used as a pressurizing agent to help control liquid oxygen and other volatile fuel components and to force them into the combustion chambers.

And its customary liquid temperatures, helium does not act too differently from other liquids. But when cooled to 2.2 degrees above absolute zero, it becomes "superfluid," and the fun begins. Placed in a cup it will flow up the sides and out. If an empty cup is placed in a saucer full of superfluid helium, the liquid will flow up the outside of the cup and fill it.

It will transmit heat faster than any other known substance. Certain metals become superconductors of electricity when placed in superfluid helium. Electric currents can move through them indefinitely without loss of power.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The Royal Canadian Air Force has emphasized a point being brought home to many young people since the days of easy employment during and after the war. There are no trades left in the RCAF for men without good educational background or for men who cannot be trained intensively in technical subjects. In other words competition has returned for young people looking for particular vocations. The choice jobs are no longer available for the asking. — Victoria Times.

The Ulster Railway's first service was between Belfast and Lisburn. It was opened almost 120 years ago, and the Company's first locomotives were called "Express", "Fury" and "Spitfire". The press, "Fury" and "Spitfire". The press is reported to have declared that the Ulster Railway Company's business was "sending souls to the devil at 6d apiece," and that "every sound of the railway steam engine is answered by a shout in Hell!"—Ulster Commentary

THE OLD FORT, MOMBASA. The rose-gate walls still rise from coral rock; Thin towers dream above the Indian sea; A thousand pigeons dwell where once the shock Of siege rumbled the moat; I hear the drum, Weird pipes, and while I know it cannot be, Now merge the gentlest sounds to far-off hum Of turbaned armies closing in—but stay! These fruit trees flourish in cool shadows, once Piled high with bleeding flesh, the quiet day Tiger but with bougainvillea's fiery red; Blue-tailed beneath a tier of weary guns, I see a lizard rouse her golden head. John Ackerson In the New York Times.

THE AGE OLD STORY Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps. FOOD FISH Codfish of the North Atlantic may reach four or five feet in length, weighing up to 100 pounds.

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With the world now a neighborhood commerce the study of languages has taken on new importance. In this connection the United States Office of Education—it might well be considered by our Canadian educational authorities—has made available a report which it hopes will encourage more extensive language study on the elementary school level. There is much to commend the suggestion. It proposes that every child study a modern foreign language at least from the third through and up to the sixth grades. — The Lethbridge Herald

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) (The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Sept. 16, 1933) The formal unveiling of a bronze tablet placed in front of the Provincial Building to commemorate the laying of the first submarine telegraph cable in America will take place on September 20th. This cable, laid by Frederick Newton Gisborne, on November 22, 1852, extended from Carleton Head, P.E.I. to Cape Tormentine, N.B.

Representations made by the Fish and Game Association that the shooting season begin on September 15th rather than September 1st did not meet with any action, it was reported by the president, Mr. Gilbert Gaudet, at the annual meeting held last evening. County representatives stated that there would be no opposition in their areas to the proposed change, and felt that the later date would give the ducks a chance to become more fully developed.

TEN YEARS AGO

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The Age Old Story

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FOOD FISH

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Y.P.C. CONVENTION

Young Progressive Conservatives of Prince Edward Island attending the forthcoming convention in Charlottetown will be delighted to know that Mr. Thomas Bell, Past President Dominion-wide P.C.'s, will be the principal speaker for 500 delegates attending the convention. Mr. Bell is well known to Y.P.C.'s on P.E.I., having met and spoken before Y.P.C. rallies in former years. As a member of parliament Mr. Bell has distinguished himself by introducing and debating many subjects of importance to the Maritime provinces.

Join with your fellow Y.P.C. members to hear Mr. Bell and other prominent speakers at the Young Progressive Conservatives' Convention September 17th, commencing at 9 a.m. at the Community Centre, Charlottetown.

EVENING CLASSES

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Beginning October 1, 1958

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