

reason for the delays about which we have complained in the past. Our representatives have worked hard on this project and we think they deserve more than abuse for being unable to give us all the answers at this time.

Neighborly Decision

As Leslie Wilson writes from Ottawa in the Financial Post, most of Canada's future exports to China will move down the St. Lawrence Seaway, thence through the Panama Canal across the Pacific.

This country's long standing right to ship goods in bond through the United States without interference must be preserved, in the Government's judgement, for much larger business in the future.

This regulation, among others, is designed to prevent any trade between the United States and China but its implications for legal trade between Canada and China may not have been foreseen in Washington.

If the international traffic of the Seaway was overlooked at Washington it was not overlooked at Ottawa. Mr. Diefenbaker protested the American shrimp order from the beginning because he realized that a matter trivial in itself and almost ludicrous could have damaging long-run results.

Happily no such issue arose because the United States, while insisting on its legal jurisdiction in the shrimp case, decided not to enforce its authority "in the interests of international amity."

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Liberals have an easy way of bringing their demands for an investigation of the conduct of Mr. Pallett, Government Whip in the House of Commons, to a head. They can bring a specific charge against him.

Millions throughout the world will feel a sense of personal loss in the death of Miss Ethel Barrymore. Famous star of stage and screen, she brought great artistry to her parts and was as much at home in Shakespearean drama as in modern social comedy.

A preliminary DBS estimate places the index of farm prices for Canada at 237.4 for March (1935-39=100), 2.3 points below the revised estimate of 239.7 for February, and 3.9 points lower than the March, 1958 index.

For our own part, we are inclined to give credence to a statement by a Public Works official, quoted in Saturday's Guardian, that to date the reports "are reasonably optimistic, but not as much as we would like."



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OTTAWA REPORT

CBC Investigation

M.P.'s sitting on the Broadcasting Committee have expressed their opinion that the first witness to be questioned by them, E. Bushnell, acting president of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, has been unco-operative in his replies to their questioning.

The M.P.'s who criticize him however consider that they were chosen by us, their fellow Canadians, to represent our interests in Parliament, and especially to ensure that waste and extravagance in the spending of our tax money should be eliminated.

Signposts At Geneva

Many signs point to a "summit" conference—but not the one Premier Khrushchev has been demanding for so long.

The Western Big Three seemed to be edging toward a summit of their own even before the Geneva announcement Friday that the East-West conference of foreign ministers is to be recessed in deadlock until July 13.

Prime Minister Macmillan had indicated he was ready for such talks and President Eisenhower spoke in similar vein. It is thought that President de Gaulle would welcome a chance to outline his views to his Anglo-American partners face to face.

With Khrushchev again on the attack and no progress at Geneva, the Western leaders may consider it all the more desirable to meet, possibly in consultation with Chancellor Adenauer of West Germany as well.

VARYING VIEWS

It's no secret that the Western chiefs hold varying views about a future summit meeting with Khrushchev. Macmillan sees in this the best chance of easing world tensions, but Eisenhower refuses to go without some development at Geneva that would give hope of positive results.

The only apparent headway at Geneva has been made not at the foreign ministers' talks but at separate, parallel negotiations about the control of nuclear tests. Eisenhower has implied that such progress might become acceptable as the basis of a future East-West meeting.

But France, which would be a party to a summit meeting with Russia, is not a nuclear power yet — although it wants to be — and, in fact, de Gaulle has been raising a rumpus in NATO on the question.

De Gaulle has refused to allow locating of nuclear warhead stockpiles on French territory unless France has a voice in their control. He has also withdrawn the French Mediterranean fleet from the forces formerly earmarked for NATO command in case of war and taken other actions embarrassing to the NATO command.

Misconceptions About Epilepsy

By Herman N. Sandness, M.D. I DOUBT that any illness is surrounded with as many misconceptions and taboos as is epilepsy.

Probably the most damaging misconception is that epilepsy is entirely a disease of the nervous system and that the victims have a below normal mentality.

Naturally, a widespread public belief such as this can have a very bad effect upon the victims of epilepsy, and all too frequently these persons develop psychoses an wind up as social cripples.

Moreover, you yourself may have had a minor attack of epilepsy and never even realized it. Most cases occur before the age of 21.

Perhaps you experienced only a momentary loss of memory; maybe you failed to hear something said to you, or you might have made a few involuntary motions or wandered aimlessly for a brief time.

These occurrences could have been the result of a mild psychomotor form of epilepsy. The causes of epilepsy are many and varied. Certain blood diseases, kidney disturbances, tumors or a severe shortage of calcium or oxygen might be blamed for some cases.

And, of course, there are some cases for which we can find no organic or structural basis. With some 15 or so drugs which we have available, we can control the vast majority of cases.

Most epileptic children can go to school, most epileptic adults can work. They are, for all practical purposes, just like everybody else.

W.B.: In 1945 I was discharged from the Army because of symptoms of neurocirculatory asthenia. This condition is slowly becoming worse.

OUR YESTERDAYS

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (June 22, 1924) Thus far this spring 600,000 trout fingerlings and 800,000 young salmon have been distributed in the streams of the province from the fish hatchery at Southport.

TEN YEARS AGO

Dr. Robert G.D. Steel, son of Dr. and Mrs. G.D. Steel, Charlottetown, received his Ph. D. degree in Statistics at the graduation exercises of Iowa State University on Friday. He was also awarded a membership in the society of Sigma Xi at a special honors convocation held in May. Dr. Steel will join the faculty of the University of Regina.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

A Melbourne Australia magistrate's ruling that a man convicted of reckless driving must work two hours for several nights in the casualty ward of a hospital has the ring of poetic justice about it.—Ottawa Journal

The Ontario Liberal Party says it is cutting down on its TV election programs because it is short of money. Many viewers of TV election programs doubt that curtailment would lose any party any votes.—Ottawa Journal

The pained look on the hitchhiker's face as you drive past may make you feel a bit of a heel. He may be an honest citizen or a young student. But then, you never know. It is better to feel a heel than to feel a knife or gun in your ribs.—Brockville Recorder and Times

Bill: "I understand Harry has a cold. What did they do for him?" Phil: "They prescribed a jigger of brandy and two pills every night. His wife told me this morning that he's three days behind on the pills and three years ahead on the brandy."—Gait Reporter

The Poets Corner

COUNTRY GENTLEMAN My travels are over, and I've settled down; No longer a rover, Nor slave in a town.

No buses to rush by, No crowds to jostle; Of green fields 'neath blue sky, A fervent apostle.

I revel in birdsong, I cultivate flowers; I adjudge nothing wrong In loafing for hours.

In Winter by log fire I may read or dream, When urban friends inquire, Contented, gay, I seem.

If narrow my range, I look not for pity— What choice I for change? A day in the city!

—Oliver Sanborn Rubens in the Montreal Star

The Age Old Story

It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.

Advertisement for Niagara Loans, featuring a cartoon character and the text 'Bills piling up? You're always welcome at NIAGARA LOANS'.

HOSPITAL INSURANCE DISCUSSIONS

Members and staff of the Hospital Services Commission of P.E.I. will attend the meetings listed below.

The forthcoming Province Insurance Plan will be discussed and questions regarding operation of the plan will be answered. All adults are urged to attend these meetings, which will be held in the hall of each District.

MONDAY, JUNE 22— White Sands School Abney School

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