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Consultation Not Enough

However hard the Federal Government might try to cover up the unfortunate situation, there is no doubt that American official opposition was a factor in the rejection by a large Canadian firm of an order for goods from Communist China.

Some months ago, after Prime Minister Diefenbaker and President Eisenhower had talked over the problem of United States control of American subsidiaries doing business in this country, it was announced—a little timidly, we thought at the time—that henceforth the United States' Government would "consult" with the Canadian Government before interfering with the export of Canadian manufactured goods to China or to any other country.

This, clearly, is most unsatisfactory. What is needed is an unequivocal agreement to insure Canadian control over all firms, wherever their head offices may be, doing business in Canada.

Timely Remarks

A few days ago United States Vice-President Richard N. Nixon delivered an address before the Fordham College Alumni Association. Some of the observations he made were so timely and so well marked by common sense that we feel that our readers would be interested in the following excerpts from the speech:

"We can be the strongest military power in the world and still lose the struggle without a missile being launched, if we don't have the vision to counter the massive Communist offensive in the economic, propaganda and political areas. In recognizing the necessity to counter the Communist economic offensive, let us not make the mistake of letting them always select the battleground that suits them best."

"Material achievements, while necessary, do not meet the deeper needs of mankind. Man needs the higher freedoms: freedom to know, to debate freely, to express his views. He needs the freedom that law and justice guarantee to every individual, so that neither privilege nor power may make any man subservient before the law. He wants freedom of worship. Let us speak less of the threat of Communism and more of the promise of freedom. Let us adopt as our primary objective not the defeat of Communism but the victory of plenty over want, of health over disease, of freedom over tyranny."

"I think there is one final lesson which we can learn from Mr. Mikoyan which is perhaps more important than all the rest. No matter how repugnant the Communist philosophy is to us, we must recognize the fact that those who subscribe to it are believers. And this, rather than the military or econo-

mic power of the Communist empire, is the major source of its strength and its insatiable drive toward world domination. In Mr. Mikoyan we saw a man small in physical stature, but a man of iron determination, fanatical dedication and superb mental discipline. The soft, the flabby, the naive, the lazy will not win in a struggle with men like this. It is not enough that our cause is just. We must have people who are worthy of that cause.

"That is why our great institutions of learning have such a tremendous responsibility today. We have heard a great deal about the need of America for scientists and engineers, and I would not underestimate it. But America above all today needs in all walks of life the finest leadership our nation can produce—men of courage, dedication and moral fortitude; men who have faith in God, a sense of discipline, a belief in American ideals and willingness to sacrifice for a just cause."

New Parole Board

The newly-created National Parole Board started work on February 1, taking over from the Remissions Service the job of supervising and administering Canada's parole system.

The new board is one of the most important results of the recommendations made in 1956 by the Fautoux Committee on penal reform. As the report recommended, authority to parole prisoners from federal penitentiaries will now be vested not in a cabinet Minister but in a quasi-judicial body. The board's duties will involve active supervision of all aspects of parole, from reviewing applications to the rehabilitation of ex-prisoners. Working as an independent body, it will be entirely free from pressures of any kind, and there is every reason for confidence that it will be able to base its judgments purely on the merits of individual cases.

The board hopes in time to have its own parole supervisors to help with and to expand the rehabilitation work that is now done by voluntary organizations. In the meantime, it has been launched with the good wishes of Canadians generally, and with the prospect of achieving marked improvement in our present penal system.

EDITORIAL NOTES

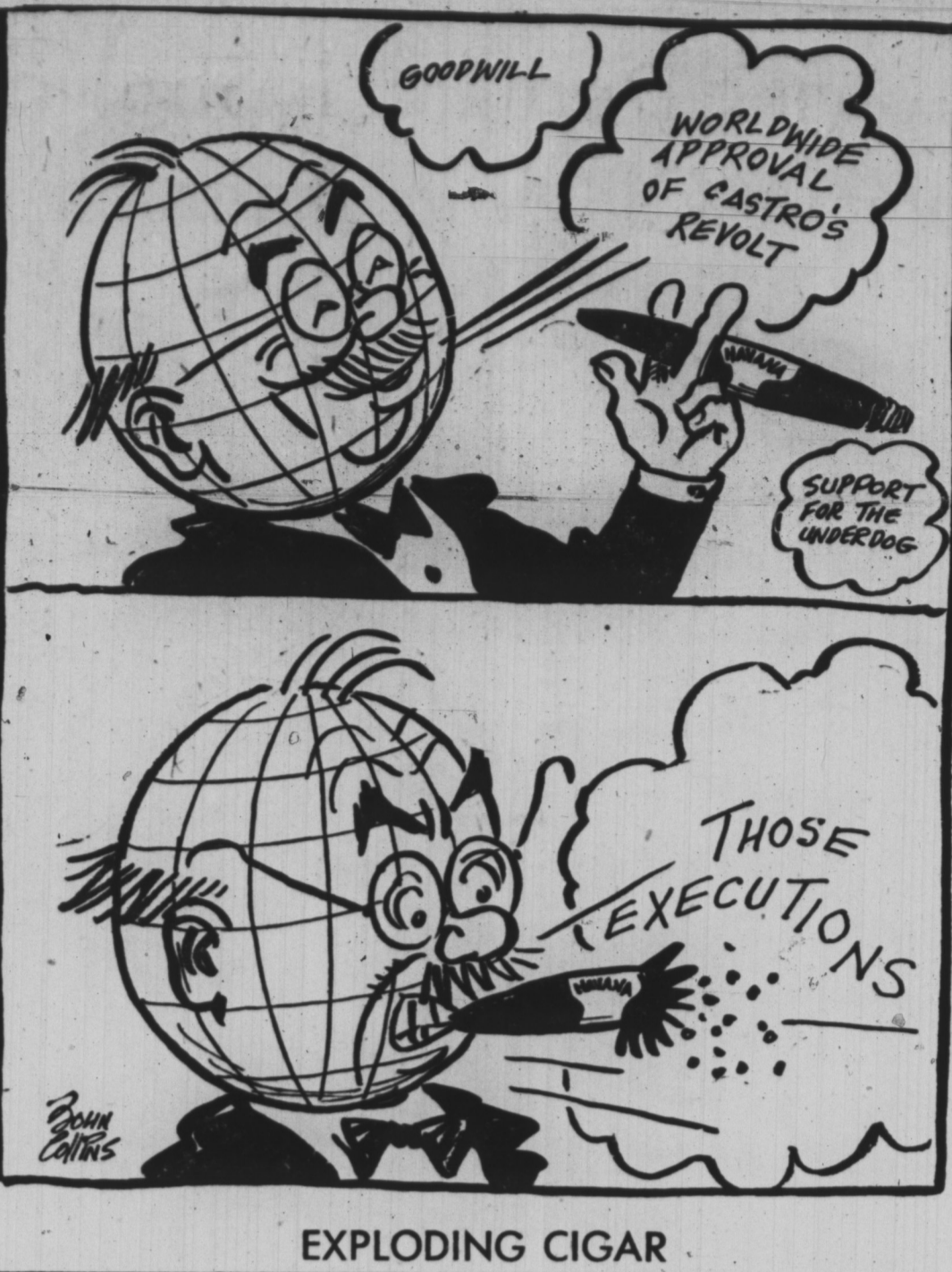
Has anyone here seen Kelly—not the one with the red necktie, but the one who wants to purchase Killarney for \$200,000 or more?

We note that our King's County representative, Mr. John A. Macdonald, spoke in both English and French in supporting a motion in the House of Commons urging establishment of an agriculture and fisheries development bank. It would be an advantage if all our members could do likewise.

The Soviet Union has come up with an original and comical idea in the matter of a proposed ban on nuclear testings. The idea is for each country to watch over its own control posts. The British and Americans, of course, are asking that control posts be watched by outsiders, the only way to make control effective.

Applications for the agricultural short course which opens on February 9 at the Vocational School are coming in very satisfactorily. 16 applications are reported as of yesterday. A few more students can be handled and no time should be lost, by those desiring to enroll, in sending in their names to Mr. Edward MacPhail, the school principal.

The ratepayers of Parkdale have evidently no doubt as to the value of fluoridating their water supply for dental health purposes. At their annual meeting on Tuesday night they empowered their village commissioners to investigate the cost of installing the equipment, and to install it if economically feasible. We venture to predict that they will find, on full inquiry, the cost to be more than offset by the benefits their children will derive from fluoridation, and in that case they will be the first community in the Province to adopt this modern treatment.



EXPLODING CIGAR

OTTAWA REPORT

Senate Again At Work

By Patrick Nicholson

Mr. M.J. Coldwell, the national leader of the C.C.F., recently repeated that old cry—almost as old as Confederation itself—that our Senate should be reformed.

Like the House of Commons, the Senate is once again at work here; it is already giving proof of the great contribution which it is capable of making to our democratic process of government. As a typical example, Senator Wishart Robertson, who having passed through high parliamentary office now ranks as an Opposition pawn, last week delivered a constructive and thought-provoking speech on Canada's future trade opportunities. As non-partisan and brilliantly novel advocacy, in our two Houses' mediocre back-biting Throne Speech debates, this speech was only by that delivered in the Commons by the rising Conservative back-bencher, David Walker.

Senator Robertson is nearing his 68th birthday. Now, in full possession of his faculties, with 20 years of legislative experience behind him, with a century of Nova Scotian legislative tradition in his family, he can undoubtedly make an increasingly valuable contribution to Canada's federal affairs. Yet we hear talk of compulsory retirement for Senators. There is no compulsory retire-

ment age in our House of Commons, yet we have had doddering octogenarians there. Why then should there be a compulsory retirement age in our Upper House? Its purpose is intended to be a chamber of sober second thoughts associated with more mature minds, acting as a break upon excited and politically-motivated legislation. We must not throw out sober and mature minds which are capable of serving Canada.

WHY DODDERS MOST? There is of course one great difference between the attitude to retirement in our two Houses. The Commons who has served his time and suffers failing health can resign and draw his parliamentary pension. The Senator who suffers failing health is offered no compensation on retirement. (This grave omission by the former Liberal Government, which introduced Canada's most generous pension plan to benefit Commons members, contrives to retain even the incurable bedridden in our Senate.)

Provision should be made to pay a retirement allowance to former Senators; this might be made contributory, at the rate of 4 per cent of one year's pay for each year of service in the Senate, up to a maximum of 17 years ranking for pension as in Charlottetown citizens. Touristry has made steady though not spectacular progress since Judge Arsenault and other men of vision and foresight started it over 30 years ago. If we could convene a conference of "deep thinkers" (a la Cyrus Eaton at Pugwash) and devise ways and means to attract "big shot" industrial moguls with the eyes of the world on them, the great "hoi polloi" would follow. We had Lord and Lady Alexander some years ago, but they were shy and exclusive; the fact of their being here didn't start a stampede. We should raise the Macedonian cry for another fast boat to the Capes right away, causeway or no causeway. We shouldn't be humbugged for five or six years till a causeway is built. We should devise more special and unique attractions. Others are doing it. If we become static we lose. Pipers on our boats would be a pleasurable and spectacular innovation. The beneficiaries of the tourist dollar might open their "iron vests" and put up four thousand dollars in prizes for a "Strait" swim—throw a sprat to catch a mackerel! It would focus the eyes of U.S. and Canada on P.E.I. "Beautification", initiated by Lieut. Colonel E. W. Johnstone and Ex-Governor Bernard is growing and flourishing. More prizes for several different items are offered. Col. Johnstone's home at Long River is one of the show places of the Province—visited by thousands. His historical hobby is replicas of famous buildings. He is now building a replica of Burns' cottage at Ayr, Scotland. A photo of Glamis Castle, her home, was sent to the Queen Mother some years ago, which she graciously acknowledged. Our roadsides and farm fronts in some places would stand a bit of embellishment. Collective effort by the proprietors to eliminate scraggy bushes and noxious weeds would beautify the terrain and bring down a "blessing" on the community. Many years ago the writer saw a Kikora man cutting roadside weeds with a scythe. Those few lugubrious and dilapidated old houses which may have sheltered some potential "village Hampdens" or Churchills, could be at least whitewashed even by the Tourist Association, in liaison with the proprietors. The government's "sloper" beautifies the roadside banks quickly. Often those easily and cheaply performed accessories add to the general ensemble beyond all proportion to the cost and effort. Grass seed sown on those roadside gravel pits will take root and flourish even among "tars and rocks." The hills will be levelled and the

the Commons. A retiring Senator should be entitled to retain for life the designation "Honourable" but not the prefix "Senator". With these provisions, there is no doubt that many who now become absentees through old age or failing health would opt to retire in future.

AND REFORM THE WORK

While that provision would certainly uphold the prestige of the Senate by eliminating the handicap of the absentee Senators, two more positive steps could with advantage be taken to improve the usefulness of the Senate.

First, our Red Chamber should be given more work to do more early in each session, so that it would cease being compelled to be a Tuesday to Thursday Club, or sometimes under four weeks adjournment, because the Government does not send it enough work.

Second, it should be linked more closely with the departmental work of the Government, through the appointment of the Leader of the Senate to the Cabinet, and through the appointment of three or four Senators as Associate Ministers, or Ministers without Portfolio, or as Parliamentary Secretaries to Cabinet Ministers. Thus there would be a nucleus of Senators who could speak authoritatively on government policy, and make the Senate feel that it was more closely identified with the current problems of the country.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion of correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of our correspondents.

OUR ROAD TO RESOURCES

Sir—"It's later than we think."—Spring and summer will soon be here, and we must be prepared. Thomas D'Arcy Magee, the great Irish-Canadian statesman, epitomized it well in his poem on Jacques Cartier:

"When the winter causeway broken, is drifted out to sea, And the rills and rivers sing with pride the anthems of the free."

The general consensus of our increasing number of tourists, is that our Island is on Elysium for jaded nerves caused by the eternal scramble for material wealth. A combination of factors contribute to this state of mind. The contrast of dark red soil, green grass and evergreen trees is most striking. There is also the azure blue of the adjacent Gulf waters. (Sky blue is conceded to be the most restful of the seven prismatic colors.) Also the decorum of our people. ("The people make the place.") Salubrious variable zephyrs fan the fevered brows. There are the green fields festooned with flocks of cattle—reminiscent of the "loving herds" in Gray's elegy, and incidentally boosting the economy of the "cornucopia" (horn of plenty).

Our roads, at which tourists hurled vile epithets 30 years ago, have advanced from the ridiculous to the sublime, and now have few equals and fewer superiors. The Federal Government has been generous in outfitting our National Park, and it appears to be crowded in summer. It would seem appropriate that there should be some smaller units of bathing beaches established on the eastern, southern and western shores, where the water is 3 or 4 degrees warmer and the grade of littoral is more gradual, with little or no undertow. The beautiful "drives" along shore roads may be capitalized on in time. The shore road from West Point to North Cape presents a view of the cerulean blue Gulf almost entirely. Miminegash has a crescent-shaped beach 1 1/2 miles long with a better grade than at Revere, Mass., accessible by three roads. Facilities for salt water fishing will be an added attraction at Miminegash fishing port. The lay-out at Rocky Point is a harbinger, and most appropriate for

Suez Settlement

New York Times

President Nasser of the United Arab Republic has completed a settlement of the rival financial claims resulting from his seizure of the Suez Canal and the consequent Anglo-French invasion. The settlement leaves him in undisputed control of this vital waterway at bargain prices. He agreed last year to pay off the stockholders of the Universal Suez Canal Company over a five-year period. He reached agreement with the French government under which he returned for substantial French property in return sequestered French credits, which his spokesmen represent as payment for war damage claims. Now he has reached a similar agreement with Britain under which he obtains release of his assets frozen in Britain to relieve the strain of a mounting trade deficit.

These agreements, in which World Bank President Black played the role of mediator, are regarded as satisfactory by the parties concerned and as first steps toward the restoration of normal trade and diplomatic relations. Under the circumstances they may, in fact represent the best attainable. They may even be welcomed if they help Nasser to keep the jaws of the Soviet trap open for further maneuvering. But the financial settlement, important as it is, was never the main issue. The main issue was and is the international guarantee of the freedom of the canal under the Suez Canal Convention which Nasser has in effect abrogated. He has pledged himself to observe the terms of the convention, and has indeed operated the canal better than was expected. But the fact remains that the freedom of the canal now rests on Nasser's own unsupported word, that under his pledge he can interpret the terms of the convention as he pleases, and that he has shown by his continued blockade against Israel that he is determined to make the canal serve his own interests, irrespective of the rights of the users of international obligations. This issue must still be resolved.

Care Of Teeth Always Matters

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. ABOUT three per cent of our population appears to be immune to dental cavities. What a lucky three per cent!

Why these persons don't get cavities and toothaches is a question we have not as yet been able to answer specifically. Apparently, something in the mouths of these individuals is lethal to acid-producing bacteria. These persons probably eat just as much sweets as you and I, but it does not bother their teeth.

BUFFER ACTION

Actually, your saliva furnishes a buffer action against ordinary amounts of sugar taken to the mouth at mealtimes. It's that extra piece of cake or pie that you sneak every once in a while contributes to dental decay.

A piece of chocolate cake, for example, contains about 15 teaspoons of hidden sugar, a piece of pie from 10 to 15 spoonfuls.

For those of you who must eat this extra sweet pie, cake and other sweets, I suggest that you brush your teeth immediately afterwards. At least rinse your mouth with water to assist the saliva in getting rid of the sugar.

FALSE TEETH

Even if you have false teeth, you should brush them after every meal. You don't have to worry about cavities, but you should guard against dental breath. And frequent brushing is the best way of doing it.

Incidentally, artificial dentures are made so well and so artistically these days that it is virtually impossible to tell them apart from the teeth they replace.

Artificial teeth can be made with broken corners, if the real teeth had such defects; they can be stained to match the old teeth and they can even be made with spaces between the teeth, if the wearer wishes.

WELL-KEPT SECRET

So cleverly can they be produced that even a patient's family is not likely to know the difference.

As a matter of fact, it is now possible to have your upper teeth removed during your lunch hour and for you to return to work with artificial dentures in your mouth. Of course, it takes a little previous preparation, but it can be done so that no one knows your secret.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q: Is it dangerous to take medication to get rid of tape worm? Answer: Medication for tape worm might be dangerous if it is not prescribed by a physician.

valleys filled up. Verdure will flourish on the roadsides like the green bay tree, and present a phantasmagoria satisfying to the most whimsical aesthete. We must forget our insular inferiority complex and be courteous to the strangers within our gates. They are very human and like to be addressed. I am, Sir, etc. J. PENDERGAST

Charlottetown.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Texas pianist Van Cliburn, 18, is reported, will tour Siberia—and he'd better make sure he has an exit permit.

With imports of primitive sculpture coming into this country from Africa and Peru, will our Eskimos petition the Tariff Board for duties to protect their soapstone carvings?—Ottawa Journal.

Instead of heating their factories, some Japanese now provide their workmen (for a price) with electrically heated pants. Those whose jobs are mostly stationary simply plug in to the nearest outlet. Added to these are a host of other devices for keeping warm, ranging from electric heaters to electric slippers.—Globe and Mail.

For his brilliant defense of Leopold and Loeb in the "thrill murder" of little Bobbie Franks, Clarence Darrow was paid \$33,000. For enacting the Darrow role in a film shortly to be issued, Orson Welles will receive \$75,000. Some of these days, somebody may be paid \$100,000 for playing the role of Orson Welles.—Stratford Beacon Herald.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(Feb. 5, 1934)

One of the bronze medals to be awarded by the Royal Canadian Humane Society for bravery in saving human life goes to James MacNeill of Summerside, who earned it for the rescue of Florence Bogart, aged 11, after she had fallen through the ice on the pond near the Electric Light Station at Summerside Dec. 29, 1932.

Last week's thaw left the harbour ice in prime condition for skating and on Sunday many enjoyed a spin over the glassy surface. Yesterday a large number took advantage of the weather for another skate on the harbour ice. It is also understood that several hockey matches were held.

TEN YEARS AGO

(Feb. 5, 1949)

Two local officers of the Royal Canadian Navy Reserve returned from a month-long extensive training cruise in West Indies waters and the Caribbean Sea. The officers, Surgeon Lt-Commander L. E. Frowse and Lt-Commander J. W. McAndrew, were among the complement of three ships, 450 men and 50 officers, which took part in navy exercises.

Reefer cars, so necessary to the shipment of field crops, are here in abundance this year, it was learned yesterday from C. N. R. officials. The number of cars of potatoes shipped to date shows a decrease from that of last season and the season before, partly on account of the late start due to the inclement weather.

A man visiting the zoo stood looking at the camel for a long time. He noticed a lot of straw on the ground. He searched through it looking for a straw to his liking. He found one. Cautiously he approached the camel and put the straw on the animal's back. Then he stood back and watched—for hours. Nothing happened. "Wrong straw," muttered the man, and went away.—Irish Digest.

Yesterday Castro's government announced a new stamp, showing a rebel soldier with a rifle raised and the word "liberty." But due process of law is at the heart of secure liberty, and there is no due process when a court of three members, their average age twenty-one, without legal training and without benefit of jury, can condemn a man to death and have the sentence carried out without appeal.—New York Herald-Tribune.

The Age Old Story

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable.

The Poets Corner

HOPE

At dawn he stands beside the gate to scar The sky, that even early, looks like brass, Searching vainly in the heaven's wide span For one single wisp of cloud to pass.

Across the burning sun. He feels the surge Of rising winds and sees along the field The swirls of dust where drought has been the scourge To rob his fertile acres of their yield. He sees his wife come slowly up the slope From watering the chickens, pause to pour Water around her one remaining hope.

A young green pine that grows beside the door, And he knows that she, too, is grounded here. In these wide acres where her roots are deep, Each day she tells him that soon they will hear Roll of thunder when gentle wind will sweep Across the land, then green the grass will grow And wheat will clothe the land in golden flow.

—Alma Robison Higbee, In the New York Times.

MAXIMS

Where life is more terrible than death, it is then the truest valor to want to live.

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