

often young men, prominent in their constituencies.

Premier Lloyd's main argument with the electorate was the prosperous condition of Saskatchewan. And even though the wheat sales to Russia and China had not been brought about by the CCF, the party stood to gain advantages in a province that was feeling the benefits of rising income. But Mr. Thatcher claimed this prosperity as not nearly what it might be, if Saskatchewan had not been weighed down through the years by the liabilities of socialist doctrine and practice.

He effectively advanced the argument that Saskatchewan is far behind Alberta and Manitoba in new capital investment, the number of workers in manufacturing jobs, the value of factory shipments, and in other ways. Also he claimed that socialist policies had led to the "exodus" of 272,000 people out of Saskatchewan's natural population since 1944, the year the CCF took power.

Evidence of the public reaction to this appeal was noted at the attendance at Mr. Thatcher's meetings. His rally at Regina on April 15, for example, brought a turnout of 6,000—bigger than the turnout for Mr. Diefenbaker in the federal campaign last year, which returned solid Conservative support from Saskatchewan—and said to be, in fact, the biggest in Saskatchewan's history.

The 12-Mile Limit

The federal Minister of Fisheries, Mr. Robichaud, sees no difficulty in enforcing the new 12-mile limit off Canada's coast that the Government intends to proclaim. "We will use the means at our disposal," he says. "We have an enforcement fleet now."

Canada has already notified the U.S. that fishery rights, protected by tradition and treaty, would not be curbed by Canadian extension of territorial waters. Mr. Robichaud has told the Commons that there was no indication that any measure of retaliation would be taken by the U.S. when the limit is extended on May 15. But, as the Montreal Gazette points out, the matter may not prove so easy.

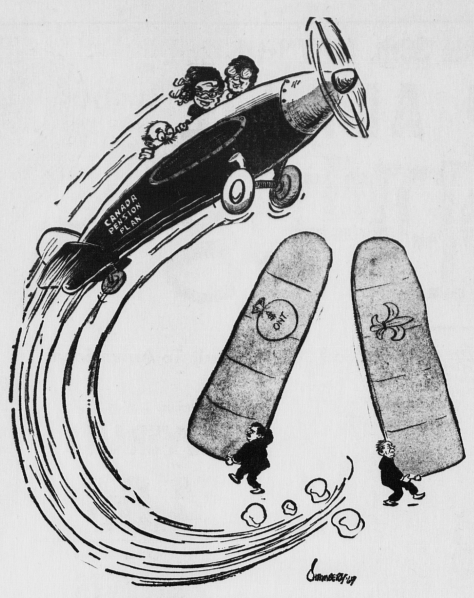
It is one thing to enforce a law that has international recognition; it may prove quite another to enforce a law that Canada has herself proclaimed. The Canadian Government has fallen back upon its own proclamation because it failed to win international recognition for the 12-mile limit from the United Nations in 1960. Canada and the United States combined to sponsor a qualified 12-mile limit for all nations, but it failed by a single vote to win the two-thirds majority that was needed.

Canada's three-mile limit has been generally respected. But in the distance between three and 12 miles a great number of nations have been active, including Russia, and Russia's interest is not confined to fish. Despite Mr. Robichaud's assurance that there is no indication of any U.S. retaliatory measure, it is very difficult even for Washington to recognize Canada's claim—as the late President Kennedy asserted.

It is easy, as The Gazette says, to understand the importance of exercising control over the fishing areas off the Canadian coast, as these are in danger of being exhausted, especially with modern scientific fishing methods. But an international agreement (discouraging as it may now seem) would still be far preferable to trying to enforce a new regulation with the sort of fleet that Canada has at her command, supposing that a powerful nation chose not to recognize Canada's new claim.

EDITORIAL NOTE

Now being carefully reviewed by the U.S. federal food and drug administration is a petroleum product known as "mulch," that can be sprayed over crops or garden plants to form a protective film which reduces soil evaporation, protect against erosion and warm the soil by absorbing solar radiation. Seedlings easily break through the film, and it can be plowed back into the soil once its work is done. So far it has been found to have no detrimental effect on people, animals, crops and soil.



WINGS? WHO NEEDS WINGS?

AN HONEST RETURN

Making Out That Tax Return

Bruce Hutchinson In The Winnipeg Free Press

These new computing machines in Ottawa are now grappling with the only honest income tax return filed by a Canadian citizen. The author of this unique document is my neighbor, Mr. Horace Snifkin, who admits that he has long been defrauding the department of national revenue. In former years he reported only his visible cash income of \$8,000 but, as he now realizes, this sum represents a minor fraction of his wealth, or the wealth of any normal Canadian. Resolving to tell the whole truth, Mr. Snifkin put down a return of \$10,000 for the year, with fairly good health, at his advanced age. Actually, he thought the figure rather low considering that the survival of the human species has become so improbable and modern life thus so interesting.

On second thought, he inserted another million as a kind of reasonable surcharge for the prerogative of living in Canada instead of anywhere else on earth, and the supplementary right to denounce the Canadian experiment as a total failure. Many other items of solid income usually omitted by the taxpayer in our present system of childless returns, including a rough estimate of \$100,000 for air, sun, and sea, and the occasional loss of children; a similar amount for a brief view of the Rocky Mountains seen from horseback.

Uninsured Motorists

The Manitoba government has served notice of its intention to crack down on the car drivers who do not carry public liability and property damage insurance.

PUBLIC FORUM

SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION Sir, I wish to reply to the Hon. S. H. Heston's recent letter to school consolidation. It is obvious he did not receive my early education in a one room school, and it might have been very different had, as his letter shows he does not know the meaning of truth and honesty. I would like to see some other pen-name would be available for him. "Chip on the Shoulder" might be more becoming to him.

First of all, we would say the Kensington Regional High School has a radius of 10 miles, much the same as suggested for elementary regional schools by our critic of Dandus. Upon consulting two bus operators, we find their route takes one hour each way or two hours travelling time per day as suggested by our critic. I am sure you may see that "Truth and Honesty" what type of transportation we would suggest, whereby his time could be cut to one-half hour travelling time per day. It should be remembered that speed and safety regulations must be enforced and that modern vehicles make a large number of time-consuming stops to discourage speeding.

Our group realizes the seriousness of the alcoholic situation, but we do not make the contribution to it. On the other hand, we have always opposed it. For getting in road jobs we recognize a strong drink to the people of our province, and are very loathe to lessen the loosening of our liquor laws.

In regard to young people leaving the Province, we doubt if any city of 100,000 population with the best of educational facilities as compared to our population and facilities has turned out as many capable and trustworthy citizens. Prince Edward Island is sometimes spoken of as "an exporter of brains," and young people going to Central Canada or the Eastern States have usually very little difficulty in getting good jobs. We recognize of our citizens, who's names will go down in the history of our Province and Dominion as making an outstanding contribution, and who received

Lung Cancer On Increase

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

Cancer of the lung causes more deaths than any other form of cancer. The evidence is overwhelming that cigarette smoking is responsible but this information is of little value when it comes to solving the problem. Smoking is here to stay for economic and political reasons. Removing the cause of this disease is more rewarding than any treatment, no matter how good. This puts all of us on the spot, when it comes to reducing the death rate from cancer of the lung. Millions do not want to quit smoking. They are willing to take their chance, believing the cancer will not be fatal. The malignancy. Surgery is the best remedy but it is of little value after cancer cells have extended beyond the confines of the original tumor.

Can a man have his cake and eat it too? No, but he can become so lung cancer conscious the disease will be discovered early enough to be cured via surgery. A chest X-ray every three months is advisable for every heavy smoker. Any man older than 40, who has been a heavy smoker and who develops unexplained or persistent chest discomfort, should get a chest X-ray. Other suspicious symptoms include localized wheezing, uncontrollable coughing, sudden breathlessness and blood in the sputum. Lung cancers are tricky and have been found to be responsible for the joint pain and even difficulty in shaking a cold.

If the X-ray shows a shadow on the next step is to determine whether infection or tumor is responsible. This means special studies on the sputum or a bronchoscopic examination. Now and then removal of a gland in the neck tells the story. If these tests are negative, exploratory operation must be done for verification. In six out of 10 lung cancers, the primary cancer can be made only through this type of surgery.

TISSUE RESPONSE

M. R. writes: What is the cause of rheumatic fever in children?

REPLY This disease is the result of a streptococcal response of the body to a streptococcal infection.

CHILDREN ARE SUSCEPTIBLE

J. T. A. writes: My 3 1/2 year old son just broke out with pityriasis rosea. I have had it myself. Do you think this child has unusually sensitive skin?

REPLY No. Both these conditions are relatively common in the young. PITYRIASIS ROSEA is a skin disease that causes a rash of small, pink, scaly spots.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

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Why is it that the generations can't understand one another when they all make the same mistakes?—Calgary Herald.

Some people will fight at the drop of a hat; others, at the drop of the suggestion that the local water supply be fluoridated.—Tinnius Press.

A local young couple are worried. If they quit smoking, what will they do with all the ashtrays they got as wedding presents?—Toronto Star.

4 Weeks To Clean A Coat

As Soviet propagandists see it, East Germany's economic advance since the war has been nothing short of phenomenal. Most objective observers agree that East Germany now enjoys a standard of living at least equal to any other socialist bloc country. People earn relatively good wages. There is a health service comparable with Britain's. Many other "cradle to grave" services are provided by the state in the case near the long rows of brick apartments are rising out of bombed ruins.

Beneath this veneer of well-being, however, remain formidable economic problems and much discontent. A correspondent from London Economics who spent the last few years in East Germany, told recently of some of the little frustrations consumers face there: Razor blades are nearly always blunt, but point pens do not work, envelopes will not seal and matches often do not light.

"People are well fed," he reported, "but quality, choice and selection compare unfavorably with what is available in the West. Many essentials, from a toilet paper to onions, are nearly always missing. People naturally hoard, and this increases the shortages."

It can take four weeks to get a coat cleaned. And a plumber is usually obtained only after a strongly worded complaint to central authorities and perhaps a bribe.

"Two fundamental problems now face the East German regime," the correspondent concluded. "The difficulties created by shortages and inadequate services must be overcome, and on a political plane, the people must be allowed more personal freedom."

These are problems which East Germany as well as the entire communist world are struggling to solve.

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