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Decision Under Fire

The Liberals have laid down a heavy barrage of criticism against the Government's choice of American designed F-104G Starfighter planes...

The Starfighter holds the world's altitude record for airplanes of 91,243 feet; the world's speed record of 1,040.9 miles an hour...

Its enormous power means that it no longer needs wings to lift it into the air; the jet engine does that. It does need them for control and for landing...

The A and C versions of the Starfighter are already in service with the United States Air Force. The G is being developed for the new NATO role...

According to the Gazette, the Starfighter seems the best available for the RCAF's new role in Europe. This statement, of course, does not rule out the validity of the Opposition criticism...

The Inflation Problem

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce has presented the Senate finance committee with an arresting analysis of the factors underlying the current problem of inflation. Thus, the estimated federal budgetary expenditure in the current year stands at \$5.6 billions, or about 165 percent higher than the total of \$2.1 billions ten years ago...

"Another significant fact," says the Chamber of Commerce brief, "is that the federal Government expenditures during the past ten years have increased at double the rate of corporate profits (165 percent as against 79 percent) although to a significant extent the federal Government relies upon corporate taxes to finance its activities..."

ticular than those segments of the economy which represent the major tax support for government outlays."

How does public spending of itself help to push up prices? In three ways, mainly, according to the Chamber of Commerce. First, high taxes to finance high expenditures are translated directly into the price of many goods. Secondly, it is unrealistic to expect management and labor to restrain their demands for profits and wages "if the largest economic units in the country, governments, do not balance their fiscal accounts or, as they should, operate budget surpluses during periods of great economic strength."

Thirdly, huge deficits compel the Government, as it did last year, to pay part of its bills by printing extra money in crude monetary inflation which must eventually work its way through the price structure.

Moreover, federal expenditures have not only risen greatly of late but have become virtually permanent. Instead of temporary capital spending being used to stimulate business in a time of recession there is a continuing and, inevitably, accelerating commitment in expenditures for fixed overhead. Government deficits, with all their various effects, currently form the core and central generator of the inflationary spiral, both statistical and psychological. "The prompt and assured closing of the cash deficit gap," says the brief, "would dissipate a great deal of the inflationary psychology that is becoming prevalent in Canada."

How this "generator" of deficits is to be brought under control is, of course, another question. Our heaviest expenditures have been for national defense and social services, neither of which can be curtailed without serious consequences. Higher taxes would doubtless bring the deficits under control, but they might also put many industries out of business altogether. And we imagine this is not the cure which the Chamber of Commerce would prescribe for a government living beyond its means.

EDITORIAL NOTES

\$9,000,000 to be spent in the present fiscal year toward building thermal power plants in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick indicates that the Diefenbaker Government hasn't forgotten its Maritime pledges.

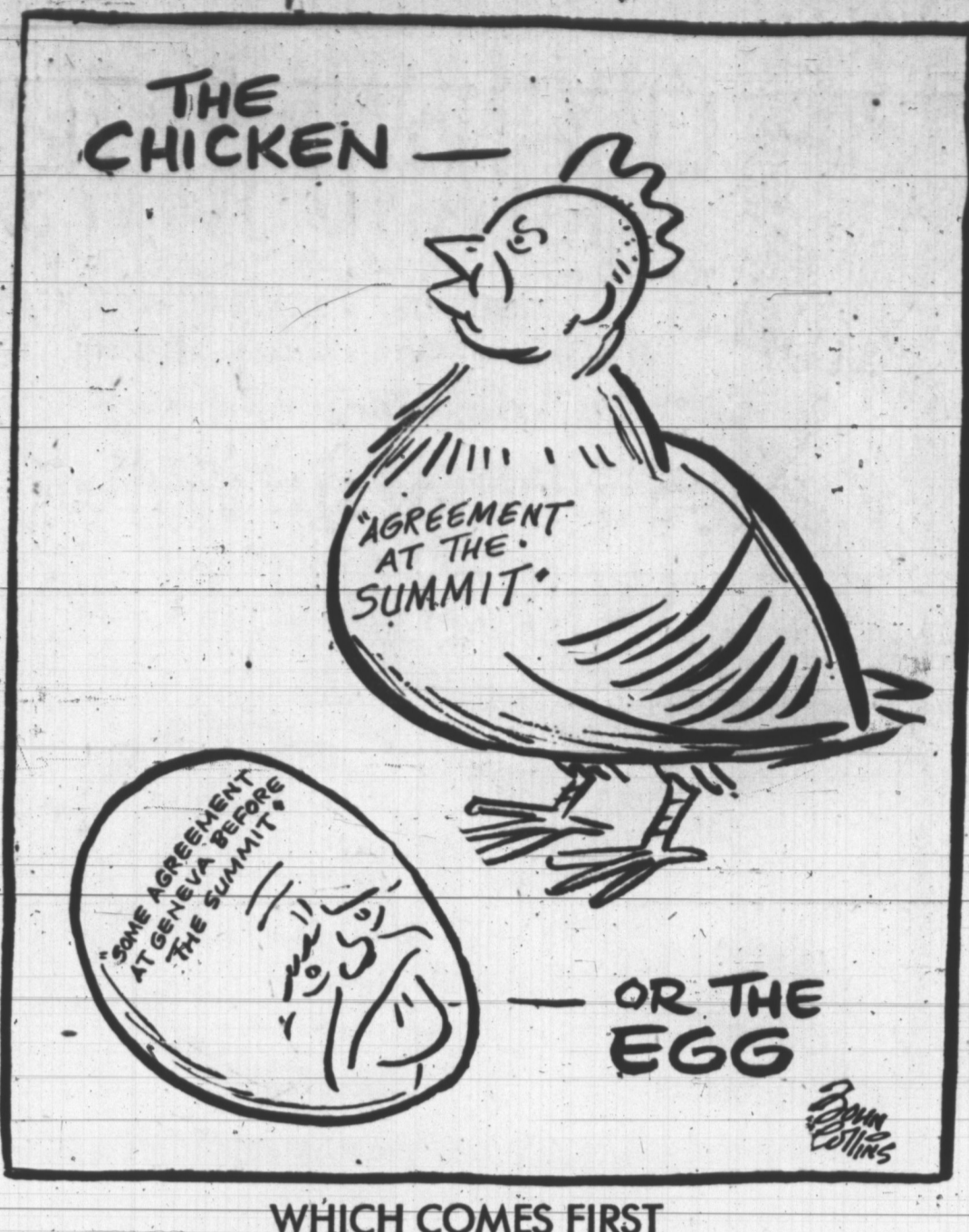
After the rabbit the animal pest Australian sheep farmers hate most is the kangaroo, also a vegetarian. The President of the New South Wales Graziers' Association says that since the war kangaroos have cost Australia \$335,375,000.

According to a press report, the Queen and Prince Philip had to leave the Montreal civic ball after two dances because spectators crowded too close and didn't give the Queen a chance to enjoy her own party. "Until we grow up a bit," comments the Ottawa Citizen, "this is going to be one of the obstacles to the popular goal of having the Queen 'meet the people'."

A Stradivarius violin has been sold at auction in London for \$22,932, more than double the previous record for a Stradivarius at a public sale. Like other famous instruments made by Antonio Stradivari of Cremona, who lived from 1644 to 1737, this violin had its own name, "The Dancla," after the French violinist, Charles Dancla, who played it at the Paris conservatory in the 13th century.

In his first encyclical since his coronation eight months ago, Pope John has made a powerful plea for peace within and among nations. He rejects the doctrine of class struggle, but advocates that working people should "share more and more in the fruits of their labor." For the achievement of harmony and peace among mankind, he preaches, in a word, charity.

According to a Halifax report, Premier Stanfield continues "mum" on the possibility of a fall election in Nova Scotia. His government has been in power since October 30, 1956. In earlier years, fall elections were held in 1941 and 1945. The Premier says only that the election date will be announced in the regular manner. That, come to think of it, is about all that Premier Matheson has said about the election date in this Province.



OTTAWA REPORT

Deputy Speaker Sevigny

By Patrick Nicholson

Visitors may notice a heavily built youngish man sometimes presiding over the House of Commons from the Speaker's Chair. Wearing the traditional long black embroidered coat and white cravat, his high forehead, white flecked hair and military bearing lend him an impressively patrician air, albeit he hobbles to the chair on a man-made leg.

Deputy Speaker Pierre Sevigny is one of the figures to be watched in Ottawa. He seems to be a born leader of men; others cluster around him. He is as yet politically untried in Ottawa, since his present job demands neutrality. But he should rise as a star in our political sky, where his character, presence and capabilities may achieve the lustre reserved for the few.

He is the 41 year old son of Hon. Albert Sevigny, who was himself appointed Deputy Speaker when only 35. He rose to be Speaker, then to a Minister in Sir Robert Borden's Cabinet, before being appointed to the Quebec Bench where he is now Chief Justice.

14 years ago, Pierre Sevigny was one of the youngest lieutenant colonels and one of the most highly decorated men in the Canadian Army. Since then his battles have been political; after two crushing defeats, he last year overthrew a "safe" Liberal majority to win the different Montreal suburb of Longueuil. Today his French-Canadian colleagues, even of Cabinet rank, from the western half of the province of Quebec look up to him for a lead.

The recent visit of Queen Elizabeth to Montreal afforded an unusual but impressive sight; we saw a "fruit salad" of rich and rare decorations upon the breast of that man whom we normally see clad in a "monkey suit" lugubriously calling "Orr-derr!" to unruly back-benchers in the Commons.

In August 1944, he gave the more stirring order "Charge!" to the gallant remnant of allied soldiers entirely surrounded by teeming Nazis, and himself led the attack to success and safety. Following the break-out from the Normandy beach-head that summer, the allied commanders were trying to snare the trap of the Falaise pocket, from which 90,000 Nazis were desperately fighting to escape.

Capitan Sevigny, Royal Canadian Artillery, had just been appointed as artillery observation officer with a Polish Armoured Division. He was attached to a forward brigade which was ordered to capture a small hill right in the neck of the Falaise pocket.

With the "death or glory" Poles, who had been warned by their commander that it was useless for any Pole to surrender to the Nazis, Sevigny stormed successfully to the crest of the little hill. Along one side snaked a road out of the Falaise pocket; along the other was the only other exit.

Both roads were commanded by Sevigny's guns. FIGHT TO DEATH For two desperate days and two nightmarish nights, two of Hitler's crack S.S. divisions were hurled against this hill, in a desperate attempt to remove the Polish obstacle to the escape of the cream of Rommel's army. So intense was the concentration of Nazi troops, that neither the Canadian nor American forces could get within five miles of the hill.

Wave after wave of fanatical Nazis, singing "Deutschland über alles," climbed over their own dead to charge the hill. The Poles fired until their rifles were white hot and alas empty. "All is lost. My captain, you now have the command," the stricken Polish commander declared to Sevigny. So down to 70 men, no ammunition, and only one officer, that gallant remnant was led to a bayonet charge by Sevigny. They broke through, linked up with the Canadians, and the Falaise pocket was closed.

"I found that thrilling story, as well as many belly-laughs about the funny side of war, in a slim book in our Parliamentary Library. There is no mention of the award of the Polish Victoria Cross, and of French, Belgian, Czech and Greek decorations for valour; no mention of the recommendation for the Victoria Cross perhaps because the author's name is Pierre Sevigny. But one award he did get was the "Ferrieres" literary prize for that book. And one day he will most likely again cover himself with glory as an officer in the political army in which he now serves.

China's Birthrate Problem

By John Roderick Canadian Press Staff Writer

Twin explosions—an expanding economy and a skyrocketing population—are shaking mainland China. The shocks appear to have staggered the Communist rulers. The Reds are pushing an already overworked population close to the breaking point in their drive to overtake Britain industrially before 1972. The stark is a major enemy of the Communist planner.

Each year there are at least 13,000,000 more mouths to feed. The Chinese Nationalists claim that last year alone there were an overwhelming 24,000,000 births in a country which already leads the world with a population of about 640,000,000.

LOSING RACE In recent weeks, the Communists themselves have given suggestions that they may be losing the race with the stark. The clues: 1. A serious shortage of food in the country's 37 big cities.

2. An admission that the 525,000,000-ton grain quota for 1959 may not be achieved. 3. A slash in the already minute income of commune workers from the U.S. equivalent of \$2.17 a month to \$1.15.

4. A break-down in the handicraft industry. 5. A sudden slump in the big southeast Asia trade drive.

The workers in the newly formed communes appear to have fallen down on the herculean job of feeding the increasing population of the big cities. WORKERS ARMY Besides growing crops, tending farm animals and doing country chores, the peasants have in recent months been impressed into a bob-tail workers army. They tend home blast furnaces and scavenge for scrap metal as their contribution to the 18,000-ton steel quota for 1959.

Fear that they will not turn out their quota of pig iron from these unfamiliar ovens appears to have brought about widespread neglect of the farms and a consequent drop in food production.

Worse still, the pig iron thus produced in a thousand sections of the country have clogged rail and shipping transportation, leaving food to pile up in the warehouses.

Half of this mountain of amateurishly-created pig iron is of poor or unusable quality, the government now says. Chairmen Mao Tse-tung

Time To Discuss Chills And Fever

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. THIS SEEMS like an appropriate time to discuss cold and heat—chills and fever.

While a bit of a chill during these hot summer months might appear to be a welcome relief, it really wouldn't be, of course. For chills are generally followed by fever and that would only make you much warmer than you already are.

Medically defined, a chill is an attack of involuntary shivering accompanied by a sense of coldness and pallor of the skin. As a rule, a chill will occur about one hour after some foreign substance such as bacteria or parasites, enters the bloodstream. After this, it isn't long before your temperature begins to rise.

Well, in persons confined to their beds, an oral body temperature above 98.6 degrees is a fever. For those of you who are moderately active, it is any temperature above 99 degrees. Remember, rectal temperatures usually are from 5 to 1 degree higher than oral readings.

Depending upon the cause, some fevers may hover at a certain point for some length of time, while others may drop to normal or even below and then climb again.

Seldom do temperatures soar above 106 degrees. When they do, it is almost always the result of a head injury or a brain hemorrhage. An extremely high fever may be fatal.

Basically, we treat a fever by treating its cause. Sometimes, however, we must use therapy directly against the fever, particularly when it is 105 degrees or so, or even when it has remained at 102 or 103 degrees for a prolonged period.

As a direct method of reducing fever in many cases some doctors recommend application of cold head compresses, an ice-tap or an ice water enema. General sponging with cold water might do the trick.

Heat stroke, always a possible problem during the summer, might require rather drastic measures. In such cases, a doctor might advise placing the victim's trunk and arms and legs in a tub of ice water.

The patient should be massaged steadily and the ice water should be stirred. Ordinarily the rectal temperature will fall to about 103 degrees within 10 to 40 minutes after immersion in ice water. In the case of heat stroke, this is low enough. Any further reduction might bring on shock.

Mrs. G. B.: My two-year-old eats plaster and has been having trouble with his bowels, which I feel is the result of this peculiarity, although the pediatrician claims this is not so. His appetite also becomes poor after he has eaten plaster.

Can you tell me what makes him do this and what can be done to stop it? Answer: The tendency of some children to eat peculiar things such as plaster is often an indication of some dietary deficiency. This child may need more calcium, than is supplied by his diet.

He should be taking adequate quantities of milk and may need mineral and vitamin supplements. Your pediatrician can advise you on this matter.

\$435,000,000 pump - priming for communes and a cut in their taxes. But neither appears to have lifted them out of the red. The Communists now concede that it is taking more food to feed commune workers than it did individual farmers.

Disastrous floods in south and central China, which have de-

NOTES BY THE WAY

Maybe the virtuous look that way because their halo is pinching—Brandon Sun

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (July 8, 1933)

Something of the tourist attraction of Prince Edward Island was seen yesterday by two distinguished visitors, Hon. L.P. Tilley, Premier of New Brunswick and Hon. Angus MacDonald, Premier of Nova Scotia, who arrived here Saturday to confer with Premier MacMillan concerning the presentation of the Maritime Subsidy claims before a committee of the Dominion Cabinet.

The village of Richmond was the scene of a disastrous fire on Saturday morning which consumed twenty-six buildings. The principal buildings destroyed were Arsenal and Gaudet's store, the Post Office, Railway Station and Freight Shed; W.B. Larkin's sawmill, warehouse and large new dance hall and residence besides two other dwelling houses. Other buildings included store houses and barns.

TEN YEARS AGO (July 8, 1948)

Rodger Heath, six-year-old son of Sgt. D.J. Heath, R.C.M.P. and Mrs. Heath of Summerside, met with a serious accident yesterday morning when he was struck by a car at the corner of Summer and Water Streets. He was immediately rushed to the hospital where it was found that he had suffered two breaks below the right knee.

Appointment to the Senate of Hon. George Barbour, Minister of Public Works and Highways in the Prince Edward Island Government, was ratified yesterday by the Governor General on the recommendation of the council. Senator Barbour fills the lone vacancy among the four P.E.I. seats in the Upper Chamber.

stroyed valuable food crops, and the revolution in Tibet requiring new and expensive military outlays, have added to the problems of Communist planners.

Hard times on the farm have touched off a huge migration to the cities. On July 1, the Communists reported that Changhai, despite attempts to discourage its expansion, now has a population of 7,000,000 or 2,500,000 more than before they took it over in 1949.

For years the Reds have met the population challenge by a vigorous campaign of birth control. Travellers from the mainland now report this has been shelved.

The new Red line: Marry later.

Every time we open a can of sardines or eat a lobster sandwich, we should remember the fishermen. To give us these things they brave the sea, and face hardships that would be unendurable to most of us. And sometimes they must die. Their sacrifice will not have been in vain if it reminds us of what we should do for the fishing industry. We owe much.—Frederick Gleason

The Age Old Story

Whoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me.

The Poet's Corner

WHEN I'M IN CHURCH

Though I walk with God in the garden And worship Him under a star; Though His voice resounds through my being Or whispers its tones from afar; Though I fell His hand on my shoulder When surcease from care is my search; There isn't a place I'm as near Him As when I am with Him in Church.

I may hear God's steps on the hillside Or mingled with throngs on the street; I may see His smile in the rapture Of lovers and friends when they meet; I may know the balm of His blessing Pour over me 'most anywhere, But sweetest of all is the blessing That comes in His own House of Prayer.

God may touch the heart of a stranger To answer my cry for a friend; He may move the hands of my fellows To my every lacking attend; He may bring me close to His children And keep us in gladness accord, But somehow I feel nearer to them When I'm in the House of the Lord.

—S. Barlow Bird

Freetown, P.E.I.

MAXIMS

If I lose mine honor, I lose myself.

ATTENTION

Potato Growers and Shippers

Arrangements have been made with the Weights and Measures Department to have scales used for weighing produce, inspected during the month of July. The following Potato Dealers have offered their warehouses as points of assembly on the dates shown.

Table with columns: Date, Warehouse, Location. Lists potato dealers and their inspection dates from July 6 to August 6.

We ask the cooperation of all concerned in order to assure correct weights for both producer and consumer. Regular inspection fees will be charged by Weights and Measures Department.

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