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The Wrong Attitude

Further evidence of the apathy with which the Canadian public is facing an unwanted election is given in the report of Chief Electoral Officer Nelson Castonguay on the findings of the 70,000 enumerators who polled the country late in September.

Perhaps, as a Toronto paper suggests, this is the main reason why the election lists this year contain the names of only 10,191,825 voters, about 250,000 less than had been expected.

But it would be unfortunate if, for whatever reason, a substantial number of our citizens should purposedly disfranchise themselves. After all, it is a citizen's duty as well as privilege to exercise the right to free elections on every level of government.

As Seen By Pierre

It has been said that Pierre Seigny's book, "This Game of Politics," was hurried through publication to take advantage of the current election campaign.

The disillusionment continued when Mr. Seigny failed to receive the cabinet status he felt his prestige in Quebec entitled him to.

As such, one may accept it in the right spirit and even wish that he had said more. Who, for example, was that cabinet colleague who "never entered Diefenbaker's office without fortifying himself with tranquilizing pills," and what became of him?

One of his political idols was the late Maurice Duplessis, whom he credits with having "started Quebec on its way to greatness" and with practically winning Mr. Diefenbaker's first campaign for him in Quebec.

to the full" the new symbol in Quebec circles, "and quietly reassure the fanatical Loyalists that nothing would be done to jeopardize their cherished traditions or break with the past."

Mr. Seigny's contention that there was "no co-ordinated plot against the Diefenbaker leadership within cabinet ranks" has been disproved by other writers.

Purifying The Hudson The Milwaukee Journal recalls that when Rip van Winkle went to sleep for 20 years, he awoke to find life on the Hudson River changed almost beyond recognition.

Both Washington and Albany ask the New York voters to approve a one billion dollar bond issue, one of whose prime targets will be the purification of Hudson River water.

Of course, there is no program to suck the Hudson dry. But the utilization of a small percentage of river water would bring a major improvement in New York City's problem and that of other streamside cities and towns.

New York State's bond issue is a clear warning that a solution to this continent's growing water problem will not come cheaply.

Ottawa and Ontario have already undertaken an assessment of water resources. This is but the first step in a whole series that will have to be taken, nationally and internationally.

The Only Way

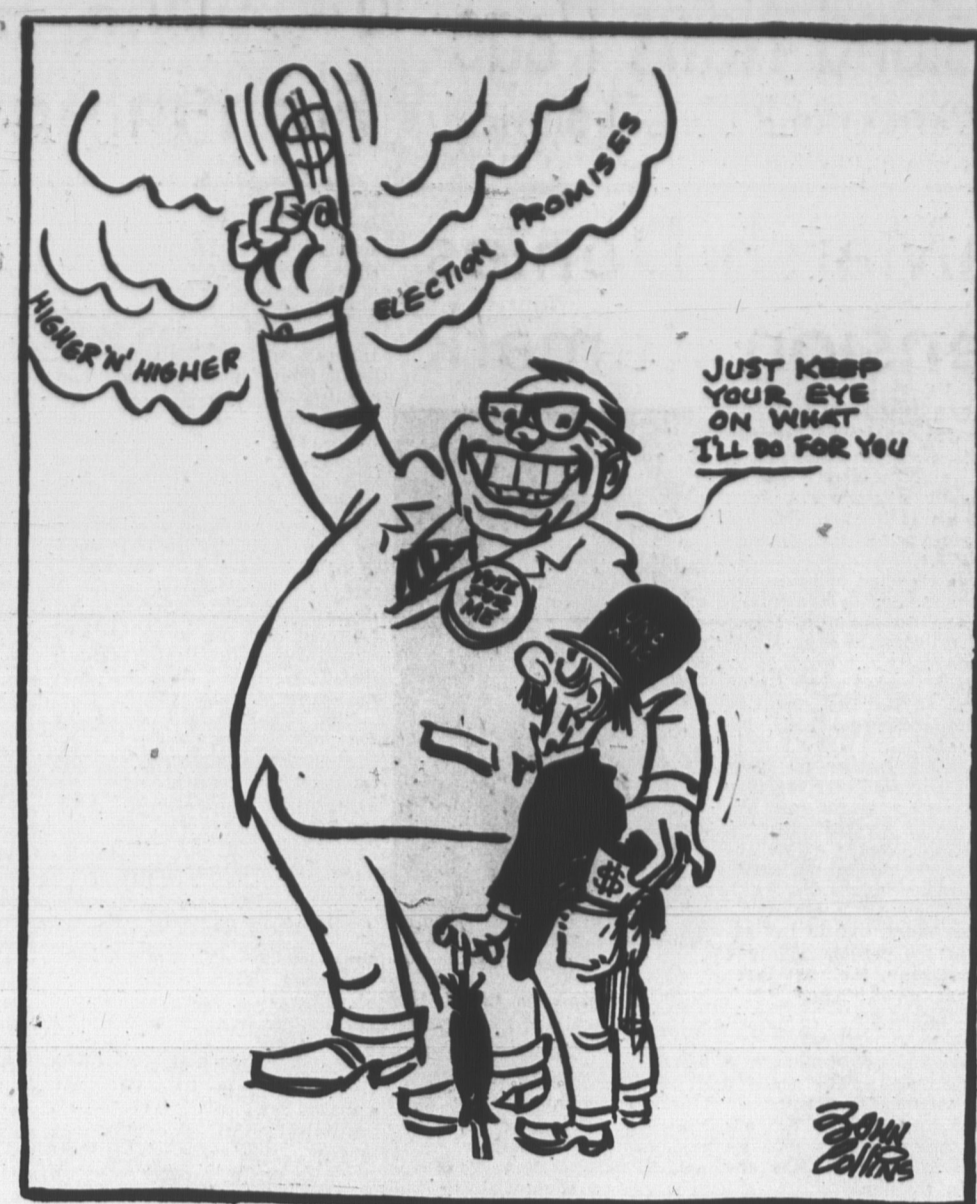
When disarmament talks are resumed at Geneva next January, they are likely to prove as meaningless as they have been in the past if there is no chair at the table for Communist China.

The question now resolves itself into this major one: Would any nation agree to ban bombs if Red China remained outside the fence with bombs? Does anyone really believe that the Chinese will somehow become more docile by being kept on the outside?

If Washington comes round to this way of thinking, it could mark a big step in future disarmament planning.

EDITORIAL NOTE

The Parliament Hill heating plant is being changed to natural gas from coal. "Parliamentarians," comments the Ottawa Journal, "are braced for the crack that the hot air they produce in debate will be just the same."



GOLDFINGER

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

The Same Urgency Exists In Canada

"I hope 1965 will be regarded as the year when this country began to earnest a thorough, intelligent and effective war against crime." The present wave of violence and the staggering property losses inflicted upon the nation must be arrested.

What are the basic causes of crime and delinquency? How can we increase respect for law and order? What are the optimum methods for preventing crime? Fundamental though these questions are, we have never sought comprehensive answers.

OUR PROBLEM TOO More than 2,500,000 serious crimes were committed in U.S.A. last year, an increase of 13 per cent over the previous year. Of these, 2,290,000 were property offences, and 330,000 crimes of violence including 9,249 willful murders.

Approximately, the President's Crime Commission, set up to advise on this number one problem, consists of 19 outstanding citizens. Its chairman is the attorney general of the U.S.A.

Our Yesterdays

From The Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (October 21, 1940) Prime Minister Churchill told the French people Hitler would stop at nothing short of the "complete wiping out of the French nation," and assured them they will share in a British victory.

The Earl of Athlone, arriving in New York after a weekend stay with President Roosevelt at Hyde Park, went for a long stroll through Manhattan's crowded thoroughfares during a visit marked by the strictest formality.

Working Mothers

Perhaps working mothers have ceased to cringe every time somebody says they should stay home and mind their children. But when the more than 7,000 doctors of the Ontario Medical Association say it, as they did the other day, a working mother must take notice.

The appointment of that commission was quickly followed by the launching of a \$2.5 million campaign against public apathy in the nation's war on crime. This will be undertaken by the voluntary National Council on Crime and Delinquency, and will be financed by private contributions, including a grant of \$1.25 million by the Ford Foundation.

When Johnny was six years old he was with his father when they were caught speeding. His father handed the officer a five-dollar bill with his driver's licence. "It's OK, son," his father said as they drove off. "Everybody does it."

When he was eight, he was admitted to a family council, presided over by Uncle George, on the surest means to shave off the income tax return. "It's OK, kid," his uncle said. "Everybody does it."

When he was nine, his mother took him to his first theatre production. The box office man couldn't find any seats until his mother discovered an extra two dollars in her purse. "It's OK, son," she said. "Everybody does it."

When he was 12, he broke his glasses on the way to school. His aunt, Francine persuaded the insurance company that they had been stolen and they collected \$27. "It's OK, son," she said. "Everybody does it."

When he was 16, he took his first summer job at the big market. His assignment was to put the over-ripe tomatoes in the bottom of the boxes and the good ones on top where they would show. "It's OK, kid," the manager said. "Everybody does it."

When he was 19 and in college, he was approached by an upper classman who offered the test answers for three dollars. "It's OK, kid," he said. "Everybody does it."

Johnny was caught and sent home in disgrace. "How could you do this to your mother and me?" his father said. "You never learned anything like this at home." His aunt and uncle were shocked. If there's one thing the adult world can't stand, it's a kid who cheats.

Sub Incident Recalled

The providentially unnecessary plan of early 1965 to evacuate coastal parts of Vancouver Island which was drafted when a tidal wave from an earthquake in the Aleutians was feared recalls that only a little more than 20 years ago there were plans to move all islanders to the mainland.

Night Leg Cramps

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Night cramps in the lower extremities are as miserable as they are common. Fifty per cent of the people have them at some time. Stretching the legs in bed usually precipitate the spasm.

The agonizing pain awakens the victim and nothing can be done except to jump out of bed, knead or massage the calf muscle, and try to force the heel to the floor. Walking about also encourages relaxation of contracted muscles.

Nocturnal cramps are prevalent in those with poor circulation, but we do not know whether this is coincidental or whether the conditions are related. Cramping of the legs is common during pregnancy and when a calcium deficiency exists. It also occurs when the body loses too much sodium as a result of excessive sweating or following the use of diuretic pills.

Calcium also is used for relieving leg cramps because it lessens the irritability of the nerve-muscle connection. Quinine does the same and is helpful when spasms recur at night. Less popular preparations include vitamin D, aluminum vasodilating drugs, and muscle relaxants.

TYPHUS FROM MITES V. J. A. writes: What is a scrub typhus? REPLY A severe illness caused by a rickettsial organism transmitted to man through mites.

WEAK OLDSER V. W. writes: What causes weakness in a man of 62 whose blood count, heart, and urine are all right? REPLY Age, poor diet, boredom, and insomnia are but a few possibilities.

VIRAL HEPATITIS W. K. writes: Is infectious hepatitis contagious? REPLY Yes. The causative virus reaches the intestinal tract through contaminated hands, water, milk, or food.

ALFALFA IN ARTHRITIS M. W. writes: In your recent article on arthritis, you failed to mention the alfalfa treatment. Are you acquainted with it? REPLY Yes, but I'm not impressed.

ULCER AND CANCER Mrs. D. writes: Is there a possibility of developing cancer from duodenal ulcer? REPLY Duodenal ulcer rarely, if ever, becomes cancerous.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT Stay at home when a cold develops.

Quiet Period For Washington

WASHINGTON (CP) — President Johnson's recuperation from his gall-bladder operation seems to coincide with something of a lull at home and abroad.

The only recent jarring note has been the demonstrations in the U.S. against American policy in Viet Nam. In Washington, Congress is tired and crosses after sustained labor and hopes to be gone next week.

POLL SEEMS DISTANT The off-year elections of 1966 still seem distant and so does the capacity of the Republican party to heal itself completely after the strains imposed on it by former Senator Barry Goldwater and his followers.

CHORUS GIRLS ROUTED LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—A touring team of Canadian tag-of-war women vanquished their weight in chorus girls during a visit here. The Bramalea Bulldogs, from Bramalea, a Toronto suburb, have been taking on other women's tug-of-war teams as part of a campaign to raise funds for a non-denominational church in Canada.

Steaks From Zakems Go To The West Coast Far from home and hungry for the sight and taste of Island food, two former Charlottetown people got exactly what they wanted when a package of "steak" bought from Zakem's store, here, was shipped to Dr. Kenneth MacKenzie and Mrs. MacKenzie who are now residing on the Queen Charlotte Islands, about 75 miles west of Prince Rupert, British Columbia.

Dr. MacKenzie reported that the steaks, shipped unfrozen on October 9, arrived by airmail on the 10th and "were tender and delicious." He is the son of Dr. Wendell MacKenzie and Mrs. MacKenzie of this city.

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