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Ontario Election

As anticipated by almost everybody, the Conservatives had little trouble in getting re-elected in Ontario yesterday, though with a reduced majority. The campaign, by all accounts, was a dull affair—'quietly pedestrian', the Ottawa Journal called it—the quietest and the most pedestrian of any Ontario campaign in the past three decades.

The Frost Government, of course, was strongly entrenched. It had been returned four years ago by a landslide, with most of the 84 successful Conservative candidates winning their seats by a majority of 1,000 or more votes. Since then it had received an infusion of new blood and embarked on an impressive program of extended public services.

Mr. Wintermeyer appears to have waged an able campaign despite lack of experience as Liberal leader and an apparent lack of cohesion among his followers. There was a great deal of talk about national Liberal participation, but it didn't materialize.

In the closing days the Liberals pleaded poverty. Campaign funds were reported to be exhausted. As the Conservatives were not slow in pointing out, it was a poor recommendation for a party seeking to control the money of Ontario to say that it couldn't handle its own funds through sound budget control.

Strangely enough the CCFers, who normally complain that they cannot find enough money for their campaigns because they have to depend on small voluntary offerings, seemed on this occasion to be fairly well healed.

The election will be hailed by Conservatives as evidence of the continued confidence which the party enjoys federally as well as in Ontario. That is a boast its opponents will find easier to scoff at than to refute.

Municipalities' Plight

The appeal of the municipalities for a review of all three levels of government of the present tax jurisdictions has not made much progress at Ottawa. Yet the arguments advanced for fiscal reform seem fair and reasonable, and cannot be ignored indefinitely.

Plans were laid recently for the World Conference on Adult Education to be held in Canada at the end of August, 1960. The main theme of the conference, as recommended by the consultative committee, will be the "role, content and structure of adult education in relation to the adaptation of men and women to the accelerating rate of technological change."

Named after the Isle of Iona, off the west coast of Scotland, where St. Columba and his followers once landed, a new edition of the Bible has recently been published in Glasgow. A presentation of the "Iona Bible" has been given to the Right Rev. George F. MacLeod, leader of the Iona Community and a former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Instead of receiving more revenue to meet these demands, the municipalities are receiving proportionately less. Mr. Lowther pointed out that in the last quarter century local taxes in Canada have dropped from 40 per cent to 13 1/2 per cent of all taxes. In constant dollars per capita, local taxes since 1934 have risen less than one-third while real incomes have more than doubled. The revenue sources of

the municipalities are almost exclusively the property-owners and the business proprietor. Local expenditures for social services, education, etc., can only be increased by raising the mill-rate or assessments, and this, very often, penalizes the citizen who, from his income, has saved to provide a home for himself and family.

Manufacturers' Visit

Though an agricultural Province, we have several smaller industries here and would like to have more. Perhaps the Canadian Manufacturers' Association members can help with a few suggestions when they visit us briefly on Saturday, after attending their annual meeting at St. Andrews, N.B. The delegates have been touring several parts of the Maritimes since June 6, and their visit to the Island is a courteous gesture which we appreciate.

Heading the Association is Mr. Ian F. McRae, whose presidential address at St. Andrews provoked a good deal of controversy. Chiefly he has been criticized for advocating a tariff policy "which puts Canadian interests first"; and we must confess that the statement leaves much to be explained. It all depends on which Canadian interests the speaker had in mind. Some of the most important Canadian enterprises depend on export markets, and the kind of protective policy for which the Association has stood in the past would strike at them by reducing the buying ability of foreign customers.

However, we have not invited the St. Andrews convention delegates over here to quarrel with them. There was much to be commended in Mr. McRae's remarks as reported, particularly his emphasis on the need for greater efficiency in domestic manufacturing. We can apply that to industry generally, including those on which our own provincial economy is based.

We have already heard this week from Mr. A. C. Ashforth, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and of the Toronto-Dominion Bank, whose forecast of new peaks in volume of output, total employment and national income for the current year was most encouraging. No doubt, too, we shall hear something worthwhile from the manufacturers' spokesmen at the government luncheon on Saturday. In any case we shall welcome their visit, and trust that it will prove relaxing and enjoyable.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Air League of the British Empire, which is celebrating its jubilee year, announces the creation of a flying scholarship for tuition in Scotland, to be awarded annually to the winner of an essay competition. The award is open to any British Commonwealth subject, boy or girl, under the age of 21. The winner will be given six weeks flying and ground tuition.

Scotland's rapidly growing table poultry industry recently held its first conference in Edinburgh. Nearly 300 poultry farmers, students and dealers from all parts of the country attended. The conference was organized in collaboration with the National Farmer's Union of Scotland, where the production of poultry meat is now said to be running at a level of 11,000 tons a year, at a value of £3 million.

WEST FACES PROBLEMS It coincides with a number of problems, large and small, bedeviling relationships within the Western alliance. The West Germans are squabbling over Chancellor Adenauer's insistence on remaining in office. France is demanding possession of nuclear secrets. Selwyn Lloyd's future has been a subject of controversy and, most important of all, John Foster Dulles is dead.

Not for the first time, the Russians have intervened at a crucial moment with a jolt that must inevitably restore the West's sense of perspective. Fear of Soviet power is the old, reliable comest which has always had a magical effect on spits in the alliance. In the face of the new threat to its occupancy of West Berlin the West can be reasonably expected to work out temporary compromises on all subsidiary issues and exhilarating attitude of collective defiance.

There appears to be no obvious explanation for the Russian move to frighten the West into unity at a time when a gentler approach would have appeared to offer greater opportunities. If there are urgent reasons why Nikita Khrushchev wants the Berlin problem settled in a hurry, they are not evident to the outside world. Up to now, the chief



THE EXAMPLE

OTTAWA REPORT

Times Editorial Misread

By Patrick Nicholson

It is astonishing how often adult brains are too lazy to comprehend what the eyes read. A vivid example of this was the worldwide diplomatic storm created in the tea-cup of England's "Auntie Times" newspaper last week. Diplomats and newspapers in many countries were thrown into a tizzy by a mere speculation in "The Times" concerning Mr. Selwyn Lloyd's durability as Britain's foreign minister.

Now The Times urged that "A prime minister must not ask too much from his ministerial galleys. Lloyd's four years are drawing to a close; yet after suggesting he should be transferred to another and easier post, The Times asserts: 'It seems certain that Mr. Lloyd could scarcely be dispensed with in his present post until after the dissolution of this Parliament (which is expected this Fall).'

So it is obvious that those who criticized The Times did so without cause, through their own lazy thinking. For "Auntie Times" was not suggesting Lloyd's instant removal; nor was she suggesting a dismissal in disgrace, but rather a transfer to easier work out of compassion.

We can draw a parallel in Canada. Lester Pearson served as our Foreign Minister, and carried the job lightly because the work was already fully familiar to him. After eight years, political defeat ended his job, and he still had the rosy visage and carefree laugh of a healthy schoolboy. Sidney Smith then held the post for 18 difficult months, in which he was overworked learning so many new fields at the same time, in diplomacy, in departmental administration and in Parliament.

Now Howard Green, three years older than the late Sidney Smith when he started, has become our Foreign Minister.

come our Foreign Minister. But he has embarked on a quadruple role, that job being added to his previous tasks as Minister of Public Works, House Leader, and caucus chairman. Only a man with the constitution of an ox could carry such a load for long. Which present Cabinet Minister is free to take the surplus load off his shoulders?

AGE CANNOT BE BUCKED

Of course, as the case of Selwyn Lloyd shows, no man in Britain or Canada or elsewhere can continue indefinitely to pull his weight as a Minister. Life's burden ultimately exacts the price of undermined health, and each of us in turn must recognize that inevitable fact.

I have just re-read the Journals of Captain Scott, written during his ill-fated expedition to the South Pole in 1911-12. In it, he described the heroic self-sacrifice of Captain Oates a member of the small group which accompanied Scott actually to the Pole.

Oates was weakened by malnutrition and frostbite; he could no longer pull his share of the sled. He recognized that his disability was throwing a crippling load on his gallant comrades, already facing the death which finally struck them down. So one morning Captain Oates staggered out of the tent into the blizzard—and was never seen again. He freed his colleagues of the burden of his useless body. Captain Scott paid tribute to his self-sacrifice in the historic phrase: "A very gallant gentleman."

So too occasions sometimes arise when a Cabinet member, although undefeated by his political foes, gracefully decides to sacrifice his own Ministerial life, making for his colleagues' sake the gesture of a very gallant gentleman.

By internal troubles unknown to the West, it would appear that he is simply following the established Russian diplomatic pattern.

If the form holds true, Western statesmen can look forward to a few welcome days, weeks or months of relief from their troubles with one another until the pendulum swings back.

Indian Lauds Kipling

Manchester Guardian

Kipling's novels and short stories about India came to be regarded by many of a later generation as reactionary and imperialist. An appreciation of his work is therefore all the more interesting, and in a recent talk in English for Asia broadcast in the BBC's General Overseas Service the distinguished India writer Nirad Chaudhuri spoke of the "Jungle Books" and "Kim" in particular as "the finest products of the impact of the Hindu East on English literature."

"I have always wondered," Mr. Chaudhuri said, "how so English a temperament as Kipling's could become so susceptible to the Hindu influences. The English mind and the Hindu mind usually repel each other. But in his case the two seem to have fused, through an explosion of genius, to create imperishable literary masterpieces." The permanent quality in Kipling's Indian writings did not come from long familiarity with the country and its people, Mr. Chaudhuri said, for he only lived in India as a child (he was born in Bombay in 1865) and again, for about seven years only, from the age of 17 to 24. "He got his amazing insight into things Indian and his equally amazing knowledge of them through the nature of his surrender to India, sensuous and spiritual at the same time, but decidedly not intellectual. Kipling is anti-intellectual, and if not a mystic, he is at least a follower of the mystic expansion concerning India. This is what drew him to the Hindu way of life, for Hin-

Development Of Child's Speech

By Herman N. Sanderson, M. D. IT TAKES two persons to make a stutterer. There must be a listener as well as a speaker.

It might seem strange, but it is a fact that when a person who stutters speaks where no one else can hear him, he seldom stutters. It is also a fact that a so-called stutterer usually stutters more when speaking to certain persons than when conversing with others.

STUDY MADE

In a recent publication, "To-Ward Understanding Stuttering," Dr. Wendell Johnson reports that one study of several children showed that where one parent believed his youngster's speech was hampered seriously, the spouse did not.

And Dr. Johnson, professor of speech pathology and psychology at the University of Iowa, places the blame for many so-called cases of childhood stuttering or stammering—they mean the same thing—directly on the parents.

Probably the most critical period for speech development is around the age of three.

BETTER CHANCES AFTER

If a youngster isn't classified as a stutterer by his third birthday, his chances of escaping such trouble improve with each passing week. And if he passes his fourth birthday without a speech difficulty, there remains only one more possible major obstacle—enrollment in school.

Some teachers, like many parents, apply inappropriate standards in evaluating a child's speech, according to Dr. Johnson. But if a youngster passes this mark without trouble, the odds are overwhelmingly against his ever becoming a stutterer.

ADULT STANDARDS

The fault with some parents and some teachers is that they judge a child's speech by adult standards they have. Usually such standards are too demanding. Don't be in any hurry to compare your youngster's speaking ability with your own. It isn't so important that he speak fluently and with correct grammar. It is important that he likes to talk.

ENCOURAGE TALKING

Encourage your child to talk and don't make him begin a sentence again if he stumbles a bit. In other words, don't focus attention on his speaking ability. Be patient about refinements. And remember that it is a common thing for children to hesitate when speaking by inserting a lot of "ahs" and "uhs."

If a youngster persists in making glaring errors in articulation, see your doctor or a speech specialist.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Mrs. H. L.: I would like to know if severe coughing by a pregnant woman would injure the child.

Answer: It is unlikely that severe coughing by a pregnant woman will injure the child. However, it could possibly cause premature labor.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(June 12, 1934) The 13th annual meeting of the Registered Nurses Association of P.E.I. was held in the ladies parlour of the Clifton Hotel, Summerside, yesterday afternoon with an attendance of 35 delegates. President, Miss Lillian Pidgeon occupied the chair. The new slate of officers include Miss Anna A. Mair, president; Miss Mae King, vice-president; Miss Edna L. Green, treasurer and registrar.

The annual inspection of the Cadet Corps of West Kent and Queen Square Schools took place yesterday afternoon at Victoria Park. The units were inspected by Captain Belanger of Quebec. The West Kent Corps was commanded by Ian Scarth and the Queen Square Corps was commanded by John Smith.

TEN YEARS AGO

In a C.N.R. derailment at Royalty Junction at about 10 a.m. Saturday, Mr. James Leightizer suffered slight head lacerations when the engine which he was driving on the Summerside train was sideswiped by the second, third and fourth cars of a freight "extra" from Charlottetown. The accident was believed caused by a defective point.

Mr. Phillip Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry, has returned from Yellowknife, N.W.T. to his home in Miscouche. Mr. Perry is employed with the Trans-American Mining Co. as diesel engineer and his company is one which engages in extensive gold mining operations in the far north.

Immediately underwent in the tropical East, he can do no better than read the Jungle Books." His own people, the Bengalis, were humorously caricatured as the Bandar Log, "the Monkey People, clever and fickle, without leaders, without sustained purpose, without strength of character and always boastful," yet he preferred Kipling's angry dislike to Mr. Forster's compassion. "In any case," he concluded, "as a Bengali I am now having my revenge on him, for the proud Englishman that he was would not have welcomed praise from a Bengali."

"I give it to him, not only for telling us unpleasant truths about ourselves, but also because he wrote a story like 'The Miracle of Purun Bhagat' and gave us one of the finest interpretations of Hindu renunciation. It is a miracle in itself."

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NOTES BY THE WAY

A Tennessee man changed his will 10 times and now his relatives don't know whether to be nice to him or not.—Sherbrooke Daily Record

A woman visitor to New York was fined for ringing a fire alarm to save her husband from thugs. The man was not fined for bleeding on a public sidewalk.—Brandon Sun

Foreign trawlers are said to be encroaching on Canada's coastal fishing limits and causing damage to Canadian fishermen's gear, but unlike the situation in Iceland, the problem can be settled without gunfire.—Ottawa Journal

There will be widespread agreement with the opinion of the Ontario Traffic Conference that automobile "subspiners" with protruding vanes are items "solely to satisfy the vanity of juvenile drivers." We might go further and use the word "motorist" for they are also dangerous.—Ottawa Journal

Men's pocket watches are again in fashion, to the special delight of watchmakers throughout West Germany. The pocket-watch sales curve has taken a sharp and unexpected upward swing recently, thus helping to counteract a drop in sales experienced in the clock branch of the industry.—German Bulletin

The shadow of the Hungarian uprising three years ago plainly hung over the Austrian elections. For the first time since World War II not one Communist was elected. The three seats which the Reds had held disappeared in an anti-Moscow avalanche—out of a total of 4,000,000 ballots cast the Reds received just over 140,000. By and large, a neutral state, this lovely land continues to give unmistakable signs of pro-Western sympathies.—Montreal Star

Canadians, whose national pride is bruised by having to depend on defence weapons from the United States, may be consoled by the news that Britain is installing a U.S. nuclear power plant in its first atomic submarine. The project has been under consideration for some time, but the British apparently feel that it would be too expensive to develop a purely British power plant. National pride can come high for the taxpayers, and it is probably just as well if reality is faced.—London Free Press

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Assistance to other nations of the Commonwealth is all very well. But we must question a Government policy which gives aid to India priority over the development of a region of our own country which has been neglected in the past, and to the building up of which the present Government is specially pledged.—Fredericton Gleamer

That "it's an ill wind that blows nobody any good" was proven literally true in south-western Saskatchewan recently where drifting topsoil has laid bare many long-buried artifacts—including arrow-heads and spear-points—of considerable archaeological value. However, although the findings are described as a "rich harvest", we have some doubt that farmers in the area are nearly as delighted as the archaeologists.—Calgary Albertan

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The Poets Corner

ESSENCE OF THE CAT

We meet on equal terms, take swift delight In mutual respect. Each in his own And separate orbit tastes the dark and bright Of daily life—together yet alone. We walk the same earth, are together warmed By an impartial sun. Yet you enclose Yourself in dignified aloofness, formed To warn me not to trespass nor impose Upon your place as the aristocrat— For I am only human, you a cat!

—Mildred Lescarboursa Greene in the Christian Science Monitor

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