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questions, and they still get asked. The catch is that a question must be asked before it can be ruled out of order—and by then it's too late; the damage is done. This was an obvious flaw in the program of the reformers, and it hasn't taken the Opposition experts long to discover it.

This reports an Ottawa correspondent in the Fort William Times-Journal, who cites Quebec Conservative MP Louis Joseph Pigeon, for example, as popping up and asking Forestry Minister Maurice Sauve if it's "decent and proper" for his wife, Jan Sauve, to continue on the CBC payroll when he's one of the Cabinet bosses by broadcasting.

And Ontario Conservative Whip Eric Winkler as asking the Prime Minister is he's accepting the resignation that Health Minister Judy LaMarsh promised if her Canada Pension Plan was rejected or even altered. And Saskatchewan Conservative Ed Nassen, as asking Mr. Pearson how much further he thinks he can go in appeasing Quebec before the whole country comes apart at its provincial seams.

These and other questions—asked for the sole purpose of working up Cabinet tempers and wearing down ministerial resistance—still get asked. But now they don't get answered. The suggestion is made. An idea is planted. A doubt is sown. And these suggestions, these ideas and doubts live and grow in the silence. "Reform," if that's the way Mr. Stanley Knowles and the Government figured it, has boomeranged.

Tracking Down Pesticides  
According to a Washington dispatch, a sensitive method for detecting the presence of minute amounts of chemicals promises increased public protection against pesticide residues in food—and increased profits for the food producer.

As a result of this kind of analysis, called gas chromatography, have just been poured down the drain in the Washington area. Samples of milk tested in recent months disclosed the unsuspected presence of a minute residue of heptachlor, a pesticide used on alfalfa. It was not possible to detect such a small residue of this pesticide under previously used, less sensitive testing systems.

As a result, hundreds of gallons of milk had to be banned from the market by the District of Columbia Health Department. Milk producers suffered substantial losses through no conscious fault of their own. The pesticide had been used in accordance with directions. Its presence in unusually high quantities in the alfalfa feed is under investigation. Even though the residue was only 25 parts per billion, or one million parts of butterfat, the milk was ruled unfit for human consumption.

It was gas chromatography that also uncovered the presence of the pesticide endrin in dying fish recently taken from the Mississippi River, and is being used now on all kinds of foods, both processed and fresh. It is regarded as one of the most important tools available for protecting the public against the misuse of pesticides and especially on endrin and dieldrin, described by the specialists as "persistent pesticides"—that is, they do not degrade; they stay in the body and remain toxic.

So far there is no indication that humans are taking in DDT in harmful quantities; but it is felt that some use of pesticides, such as DDT, should have clear, more specific label warnings.

EDITORIAL NOTE

With the business of the House of Commons bogged down in party bickering, Prime Minister Pearson has indicated that, if necessary, MPs will be kept sitting through the long, hot summer instead of taking the customary lengthy vacation. "And why not?" says The Globe and Mail. "Most people earning a lot less than the MPs' \$18,000 a year expect as a matter of course to work through the hot months and count themselves lucky to get two or three weeks away from their tasks. What makes parliamentarians a special class?"

SURE DOESN'T SOUND LIKE 'HOME ON THE RANGE'...



ONE MAN BAND  
OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

Killing Pace As One Gets Older  
How long is the job as chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Canada's government?

Well, for his \$45,000 per year plus fringe benefits, a Prime Minister has his mind on the job for at least 12 hours every day, and he has the job on his mind even longer—sometimes in his dreams.

One of the little foibles of our top politicians is their belief that it is kindly and necessary to put their aged brothers out to pasture on pension while they consider themselves indispensable and not victim to the normal human downhill slide in old age. Thus while our votes are soured by promises of a big retirement pension at age 65, our two most prominent promoters place themselves in a superior category which superficially suggests to retire at the common age.

What do we know about the real health and degree of vigor of our top politicians? Not much, except what we can observe. And that suggests that it is no less amusing for both those old men.

Meaningless suggestions that even a one-time athlete such as Mike Pearson with a waistline still larger than that of a D.C. task as Prime Minister in his 68th year. When his political career in the cabinet ended in his 68th year, his obvious 113 pounds and 5-foot-10-inch frame were still described in newspaper and radio.

One observer, believed to be a confidant of the D.C. chief of Mr. D., reported in the press at that time that "the spirit of the age is that it is to be expected that the government's" secretary of state, Mr. D., mentioned the sort of trembling and shivering which he experienced in the Prime Minister during the last election campaign; he explained that such afflictions sometimes need treatment, and can be minimized by certain anti-sedative drugs which calm the muscles and inhibit the nervous system. "In recent years," he added, "these drugs diminish the facilities." He added that Mr. D. required more rest and time is not known; what is known is that now, on the occasion of his visit to M.P. instead of as P.M., he seems to be in improved health.

ASK MIKE MELANCHOLLO

Meaningless suggestions that even a one-time athlete still is asking Mike Melanchollo Hill is asking. What has happened to the charming and smiling Mike Melanchollo? He also has developed the prime minister's affliction of trembling and shivering which he has only to mention in magazine, redistribution, pen and ink, and in the House of Commons, for which an Ottawa newspaper has just chided.

In the House also, he shows a faint tremor in his hand and he blushes vividly when annoyed, such as when one of his colleagues puts a foot on his leg. He is a one-time robust sportsman seen newly subdued by minor sickness and more than one occasion recently he has stayed home, reportedly suffering from a cold. He is only the intimate circle has been worried.

Painful Leg After Stroke

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen  
Leg pain may follow a stroke involving the left side. The victim usually has trouble walking. Pain may be so severe it interferes with sleep and leads to severe depression.

Disturbance of the body image is common. The individual is conscious of a disagreeable sensation. The individual is conscious of a disagreeable sensation. The individual is conscious of a disagreeable sensation.

Many neurologists believe the sensation when the stroke involves the brain but Dr. R.F. Butterworth, an Australian physician believes arthritis could be responsible for the discomfort.

He came to this conclusion after studying 200 consecutive stroke patients who were admitted to the hospital for rehabilitation of the group. 23 had sufficient pain in the lower limb to cause restlessness.

In his opinion, the cause is a twisting stress of the ligaments of the knee. The knee is protected from this type of trauma by the surrounding muscles. But muscles tend to atrophy after paralysis ensues. The involved foot usually is turned outward when the patient is in bed; this increases the twisting force of the knee. In some instances, pain is caused by changes in the hamstring muscles, which become tense or spastic. This causes them to pull on the back of the thigh. The hip or ankle may be affected to a lesser degree.

Dr. Butterworth injected a steroid into the knee of a patient who had severe pain in the knee joint and into the sole of the foot. The patient's pain was better than when this hormone is used to treat rheumatoid arthritis.

The effect of this therapy is noteworthy. Many paralyzed patients who have had a stroke and refuse to co-operate because moving the joint hurts him. But when the discomfort is eased, these patients become more cheerful and enthusiastic about rehabilitation.

INFLAMED EYE  
D.S. writes: My daughter is suffering from a chronic eye condition due to an infection.

REPLY  
Uveitis is inflammation of the uvea, which consists of the iris and ciliary muscles. It is often associated with other eye conditions such as glaucoma, cataracts, and retinal detachment.

STURBORN CYST  
J.S. writes: Three attempts have been made to remove my cyst. Do you think I should give up the idea of successful surgery?

REPLY  
No, it might be advisable to consider another approach to the removal of a large part of the stomach.

GASTROSTOMY  
M.S. writes: My mother never regain lost weight after removal of a large part of the stomach.

REPLY  
Yes, but it is a long and difficult operation.

AFTER DINNER WALK  
Take a walk, especially after consuming a fatty meal.

Where Does It End?  
Toronto Telegram

South Africa's racist policy of apartheid is brutal, stupid and short-sighted.

In the blind pursuit of this policy, South Africa has trampled the rights of white men and black men alike.

Nevertheless, it is not the place of the United Nations to interfere where it is still an internal matter for South Africa, as a group of UN experts has recommended in a 15-page report to Secretary General U Thant.

Apartheid is not, and cannot be, a matter for the UN unless it becomes a real and present threat to world peace.

What economic pressure the Soviet Union is free to subject people? Or is UN action confined to the smaller nations?

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Once Canada has found a way to harmonious biculturalism it will be time to see a route to friendly understanding between motorists and pedestrians. — Ottawa Journal

As a rule, if there's any food in the press, you'll find it when her spending money or driving a car. — Galt Report

We dislike people who talk behind our back, especially at a movie. — St. Thomas Times-Journal

Andre Laurendeau, co-chairman of the bicultural commission, told a Toronto audience that if provincialism continues "Canada will eventually fall apart." It was a good speech but it would have been even better if Mr. Laurendeau had delivered it in his own province of Quebec. — Post Arthur New Brunswick

The accelerator is that part of a car that enables a man to die with his boots on. — Galt Report

The Republicans in the United States are becoming so desperate for an issue to use against the President that they are attacking him for being too economy-minded in printing the dollar. — Ottawa Journal

In San Jose, Calif., a gunman robbed a service station of \$78.30 and then demanded that the attendant give him \$100. The attendant refused, indicating that the station had already attained some of the status of a bank. — Ottawa Journal

The French government has already made clear it doesn't want to take the lead in the Vietnam war, but the U.S. is not taking the lead. — Ottawa Journal

This aid would seem to be especially encouraging for the U.S. and its allies. — Ottawa Journal

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