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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

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Justifiable Grievance

Aided by one "closure" after another, the controversial gas-pipe line bill is taking its turbulent and predestined course to parliamentary approval. Government ministers appear to be taking the view that the country would virtually fall apart economically if the June 7th deadline, agreed upon by the government and the company which is to get the \$80 million, were not met.

That, of course, was no answer at all to Mr. Brooks' comment. But, perhaps unwittingly, the Finance Minister put his finger on a real Maritime grievance and one that is fully justified. The \$80 million loan that is to go to Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd. is an expense to all Canadians, and not only to those in any particular section.

When all is said and done, it may fairly be asked whether the Government's action in this instance is, in fact, and primarily, for the benefit of Ontario's industrial requirements or simply for the financial gain of a firm which, according to all accounts, is controlled by American interests.

Maritime Trends Noted

Note is taken by the Financial Post of the fact that trends under way in the Maritime Provinces today will soon be felt by the nation's food processing and farming industries. It calls attention to the prospect of a number of new quick-freeze food firms being established in these Provinces, following which may be expected expansion of cold storage and the appearance of canning companies on a large scale.

"These things," says the Post writer, "mean that food processors and producers in the rest of Canada are going to have to fight hard to hold markets in the Maritimes. And they also mean that Maritimes' food products are going to be more competitive in export and other Canadian markets."

possibly 1,300 miles. That this costs money is apparent on food-store tags. Lack of up-to-date facilities plus high transportation cost means the cost of refrigerated foods in Saint John is 10 per cent higher than in other major Canadian cities; in Halifax as much as 20 per cent higher.

It is noted that once adequate meat processing facilities are provided, there seems no reason why Maritime growers cannot supply a far greater proportion of meat needs. "Current low prices for hogs and cattle, however, discourage the setting up of new livestock operations.

These statements from a Toronto financial paper show that Maritime trends are being watched closely, and that our efforts at economic self-improvement are being taken seriously. Let us hope that there will be no letup in this forward movement. Farmers and consumers will both benefit, and the Maritimes generally will have greatly improved their competitive position so far as food is concerned.

Man Of Distinction

Most Communist Party heads outside Soviet confines are mere robots manipulated by the master minds in the Kremlin. They say words which have been put in their mouths; they praise, blame, love, and hate according to the instructions they receive. Evidence of this is the readiness with which party bosses in many lands have echoed Mr. Khrushchev's denunciation of the once glorified Stalin.

Judging by reports, Mr. Pollit thus becomes the first Communist leader anywhere in the world to show independence of mind. He is, therefore, a man of distinction. Perhaps when the inevitable happens, and the pendulum swings back, he (if he is still alive and a Communist) will be acclaimed as a hero. Meanwhile, wherever the spirit of Stalin happens to be, he (or it) can find some little consolation in the knowledge that one friend—only one, and that one an Englishman—has remained constant despite frowns from on high.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The issuing of guns to London's uniformed police, as a safeguard against possible attack by Cypriot terrorists, shows that the danger is considered imminent. It is most unusual for "bobbies" to carry arms.

Some Chinese residents of Hong Kong are reported to be half-scared of the British Deputy Commander in that colony. And no wonder! The distinguished soldier wears a moustache which is black on one side and white on the other.

One of the great scholars of America, Dr. Judah D. Eisenstein, died the other day at the age of 101. A native of Poland he came to the United States as an immigrant in 1872, worked in a shirt factory and read and studied in his spare time. When he was 40 he took up literary work on a full time basis.



OUT AMONG THE BIG ONES.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

PRINCE COUNTY HOSPITAL

Sir.—The annual meeting of the Prince County Hospital is to be held in the Nurses' Residence on Friday, May 25, at 8:00 p.m. It is my desire, as President of the Hospital, and the desire of the various members of the Board of Trustees, that the citizens of the Town of Summerside and those of the various other communities of Prince County be well represented at the meeting.

We, as citizens, though not requiring hospital care today, may require it badly tomorrow. Because of this, if for no other reason, it is important that each of us do our part to see that the Hospital can care for us as well as for others if and when that tomorrow comes. Each of us can assist to some degree by attending the annual meeting, taking part in the discussions and offering criticisms when necessary.

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OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 24, 1931) The Golden Cross of Merit with star was conferred upon the Rt. Rev. Francis Kelley, Bishop of Oklahoma City and Tulsa, a former native of Prince Edward Island, at a ceremony held at the Austrian Legation, Washington, Saturday afternoon.

At St. Anne's Church, Tyron, Lot 5, Rev. P.P. Condy will be ordained today, to the holy priesthood, by the Rt. Rev. J.A. O'Sullivan, Bishop of Charlottetown.

Mr. H.H. Miller is in the City in connection with the Acadia University Motor Library, which is making its first run of the season. The library carries some 2,000 books and will visit the larger centres of the Province.

TEN YEARS AGO

(May 24, 1946) The Provincial Government has paid \$3,500 for the maintenance of the Maple Hills project in conformity with its agreement with the City of Charlottetown. No further sums will be expended either by the Government or the City after May 31.

The Fraser Air Line made their second flight from Charlottetown today with over 5,000 pounds of live lobsters for New York. Captain E. "Red" O'Mara, a Yankee pilot with the R.C.A.F. for five years was at the controls.

Eighteen young men will receive their Bachelor of Arts degree at the 92nd annual Commencement exercises being held at St. Dunstan's College this afternoon. Seven are from the Province of Quebec and the remaining eleven are natives of this Province.

Emerson Still Speaks

By Harold Garnet Black

Through the mail a few days ago came a 32-page pamphlet containing selected material from Ralph Waldo Emerson's writings, which a friend of mine thought I might enjoy reading.

My first impulse was to consign it to the waste basket, but on second thought I decided to glance through it. The result was I began with the first page of a biographical sketch and did not lay the pamphlet down till I had read every last word of it. Why?

I had once studied Emerson and had later attempted to teach some of his more notable essays. Furthermore, my personal interest in him had been heightened by the fact that many years ago Bliss Perry, the scholarly editor of Emerson's works had taken a number of us Harvard students from Cambridge to visit Emerson's home in nearby Concord, not far from that rude bridge where "once the embattled farmers stood, and fired the shot heard round the world."

There we had the rare privilege of meeting his only living son, Dr. Edward W. Emerson, who graciously showed us through the house made famous by his distinguished father.

It takes many kinds to make up the Arab world. Many people think most Arabs are nomads for desert dwellers. Actually, the camel-riding wanderer of the desert represents a tiny fraction of the world's total Arab population.

What is an Arab? Take a few examples. A fair-haired, blue-eyed young man in Beirut operates a small shop selling electric shavers, radios and refrigerators. He speaks English as well as Arabic. He reads American novels and magazines, plays a good game of tennis. Both he and his wife wear Western clothes.

Their religion—Presbyterian. A man in the Nile delta of Egypt wanders through his cotton field carrying on his shoulder a primitive hoe. He tills the same soil his ancestors tilled 5,000 years ago. He looks like the pictures carved on the walls of ancient Egyptian tombs.

BAREFOOT CHRISTIAN

This man lives in a mud hut, sharing it with his wife, children and animals. He wears a skull cap, a cotton robe and generally goes barefoot. His religion is Coptic, an ancient Christian faith supposedly brought to Egypt by St. Mark.

A thousand miles up the Nile a black man does a frenzied ritual dance to the beat of tom-toms under a full moon. He hears the rars of tribal drums backed on his cheeks when he was an infant. This man wears a white cloak and turban and lives in a conical hut. His religion is Islam, of an Africa type emphasizing wild derish dances.

Thousands of Arabs spend as much time on the sea as on land. Since the days of Sinbad the sailor, Arabs have sailed their "dhows" from Aden, Hadramaut and Muscat to ports as distant as Bombay and Zanzibar. Sailing is still a proud profession among the Arabs.

The "Marsh Arab" of southern Iraq spends his life in swamplands of the Tigris and Euphrates, cleaning his living from fishing, building his house on stilts rising from the water.

POLITICAL TERM "Arab," as used today, is neither a racial nor a religious designation. It is political and cultural. If it were a racial term, the Semitic population of central Arabia would be among the only ones to qualify. Egypt, largest of the Arab states today, would not be considered Arab. Its population is largely non-Semitic.

If the term were religious and related to Moslems, it would mean elimination of more than 1,000,000 Christian Egyptians and more than half the population of Lebanon. And this would expand the term to include countries like Pakistan and Indonesia.

The Arab World

By Wilton Wynn

Associated Press, Cairo

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D.

OF DIABETIC'S INSULIN Use of insulin while travelling sometimes presents a few problems to a diabetic. Since many of you soon will be taking off on vacations, I think you'll find the following advice timely.

You don't need bulky insulin equipment. You can readily get handy kits containing a needle, syringe and receptacles for cotton and alcohol in a compact carrying case.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLY

It's probably a good idea to take along an additional supply of cotton, an extra eight-ounce bottle of alcohol and a reserve syringe and needles to guard against breakage. An additional supply of insulin might come in handy, also.

While you can carry these reserve supplies in your luggage, you'd better keep your regular equipment on your person. You can't heat your insulin and your suitcases might be separated.

Transporting insulin itself presents virtually no problem. It's quite stable and refrigeration is necessary only if you're traveling in very hot climates. In such cases, you can insulate the reserve insulin by placing it in the center of a suitcase full of clothes.

OVERNIGHT STOPS

When the weather is really hot, you can refrigerate the insulin during your overnight stops. You've got to expect delayed meals on occasions. Perhaps the railroad dining car won't be crowded or maybe you'll have to drive another 50 miles to find a restaurant you like.

Now don't get caught in such a predicament after you've already taken your insulin in anticipation of eating. This could lead to an insulin reaction.

GENERAL RULE

As a general rule, you should not take insulin until the next meal definitely is in sight. However, if you are sure breakfast will be delayed several hours, and you are a severe diabetic, it might be best for you to take a portion of your usual dose.

Omission of insulin for too long a time might lead to loss of control and development of acidosis. So before starting on your vacation, ask your physician what you should do in the event you're unable to take insulin.

QUESTION AND ANSWER R.C.: I have been working in a uranium mine. I wonder if there is any danger from the radioactive substance?

Answer: The amount of radioactivity in the ore being mined is very low. Therefore, the chances of injury to you would be slight.

One of Emerson's crowning statements is particularly applicable to our day, when two great ideologies are in violent conflict across the world.

It is found in a passage in which he speaks of "love," by which he means what Harry Emerson Fosdick would call "inextinguishable goodwill."

"Love," says Emerson, "would put a new face on this weary old world, in which we dwell as pagans and enemies too long; and it would warm the heart to see how fast the vain di-omacy of statesmen and navies and lines of defense, would be superseded by this unarmed child."

How tragically true! (Dr. Black, writer of the above article, is a brother of Mr. Charles Black, Charlottetown. He resides in California.)

NOTES BY THE WAY

Religious tolerance is at its best when you can forgive the member of another denomination for blocking your driveway so that you can't get your car out to go to your own church.—Sarnia Observer

Something that motorists need to learn in a hurry is the fact that there's no such thing as a traffic accident. For every so-called accident there is a human cause, and it should be every motorist's concern of every motorist to eliminate that human cause.—Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph

The World Council of Churches is urging that Whitsunday, which falls on this weekend, be set aside as a day of special prayer for Christians alike. It is a thought that merits no little attention, and at the same time, the prayers may well include thanksgiving for the large measure of unity to be found in the many branches of the Christian Church today.—Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph

There are means of defence against peaceful conquest by Communism. The West must learn to apply them. It will require patience. The Russians, if they are sincere in their present "deeds" of goodwill must be patient also. Habits of suspicion such as the West has acquired can't be outgrown in a day. The Russians must adopt the golden rule and apply it continuously.—Vancouver Sun

Scientists sometimes can be pretty slow. For centuries every one has known that this is a small world and getting smaller every day. Now the scientists have at last got their newest tape measures around the middle of things and discovered that it's true. The equatorial circumference (this is the way scientists talk when they are embarrassed) is fully a half a mile less than they had always supposed. We won't say we told you so.—Detroit News

If all the useless commas used in a day's printing by the newspapers of Canada, including this one, were put side by side in a curly-tailed line they would stretch from here to a far-distant there. Now the comma is a necessary bit of furniture in literary construction but much abused by those who practise putting words together in the hope of making sense. It is a sound rule of punctuation that there should be no unnecessary obstruction to the reader's eyes. Where there is a natural pause, as at this point in this sentence, then drop in a comma. But if you would read the sentence aloud without any pause or hesitation for another day.—Ottawa Journal

An old-timer is one who remembers when people gathered to give thanks for a bounteous harvest, rather than to decide whom to blame it on.—Stratford Beacon-Herald

Charlie Chaplin's well earned reputation as an entertainer was built on a foundation of drollery. He was the little man whose ineptitudes won the warm response of millions of the warm blunderers. It was a different Charlie Chaplin who recently revealed in the glory of meeting and chatting in England with that rising comedy team, Nikita Khrushchev and Nikolai Bulganin. These fellows, said Charlie of emerging from a reception, are "inspiring" and "charming men." Commenting on this, the Portland Oregonian has this to say: "We prefer the little character with the cane, the baggy pants and the sad smile, who knew how to deal with the heavy in the piece, who was usually as pudgy and as arrogant and as cruel as the typical Soviet chieftain. The earlier Charlie never found in such gentlemen inspiration except perhaps for the tossing of a custard pie. And they always had it coming."—Galt Reporter

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