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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink."

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Submarine Reports

Reports of submarines in Maritime waters have become so numerous as to become ridiculous. They recall the countless "sightings" of flying saucers...

The effort wasted in tracking down false reports or rumors can ill be spared when the country is making hasty efforts to take its share in opposing aggression.

The answer is not, of course, to neglect to report such sightings, but to observe suspicious objects with care and reasonable scepticism. Immediate investigation is almost always easier than later inquiry...

Mr. Garson On Freedom

Justice Minister Garson says that in the present war of ideas victory will go to the side "which is able to occupy with its thoughts the minds of the greatest number of able human beings."

Few, if any, Canadians will quarrel with Mr. Garson's timely observations. For it is more than apparent that no country in the world today enjoys such a high standard of living, such freedom of thought and expression...

If the understanding of freedom is to occupy the minds of more and still more people, it must be more than the political freedom so familiar to all Canadians if this country is to thrive and prosper...

Freedom to work must mean more than freedom from the haunting fear of unemployment. Rather, it must have a positive, dynamic significance under which every Canadian will have equal opportunity to start his own enterprise...

Tell It To The Eskimos!

A peep over the rim of the Arctic circle offers political possibilities now that the Eskimos of Canada have been granted the right to vote. The Financial Post goes so far as to suggest that the day may not be far distant when the constituency of Yukon-Mackenzie River will send an Eskimo M.P. to the House of Commons at Ottawa.

This bit of Torontonian whimsey may not be nearly so fanciful as it at first appears. It would only take a week or so of rubbing noses with paleface politicians peddling the "made-in-Ottawa" brand of social security to awaken even the most phlegmatic Eskimo...

In politics, as in business, pleasing the customer is the key to success. When the customer happens to be so self-sufficient a sort as the Eskimo is reputed to be, the political wares offered by various parties today are not the kind of thing likely to set the dog-teams in motion en route to the polling booth in Aklavik.

Old age pensions? Eskimos, like generals, don't die in bed. Life is too hazardous for that. Baby bonuses? Well, maybe. But where would they cash the cheques? A housing project, perhaps? But Eskimos prefer to live in Igloos. State ownership of the means of production? The Eskimos may be communally inclined, but try telling them that Ottawa ought to own their fishing gear, their dog-sleds, and their water craft!

Eskimo economics in Ottawa would make more sense than party politics in Aklavik. Either way, the prospects for making an impression are pretty bleak.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Evangelical services at Trinity Church tonight.

Summerside is the Mecca for yachtsmen starting today.

More Blood Donors needed immediately. Who will volunteer?

Mr. Jackson Dodds, now at Dalvey, is entitled to double congratulations on being advised on the same day of honours conferred on him by France and Britain.

After the masterly oration of the Rotary Chief Lagueux here on Wednesday, Rotarians individually and collectively should now be wearing halos instead of hats.

There is no question as to the stand of any of the major political parties on the need for bringing this country to maximum preparedness. The C. C. F., however, have the advantage of meeting in National Convention and can speak with authority.

Reports of deliberate sabotage naturally arouse indignation. We should all remember that panic buying is also a form of sabotage which can effectually disrupt the nation's economy.

Died this date 200 years ago, Johann Sebastian Bach, at Leipzig, rated by many critics as the greatest musical genius of all time. In Europe and America his anniversary is being widely celebrated.

Before Pearl Harbour there was a stream of American youths hurrying to enlist in Canadian and other Commonwealth forces. Today the tide has turned, and it is Canadians who are enlisting in numbers for Uncle Sam's aid in Korea.

An English doctor has announced his intention of running for Parliament as a Labour candidate for the purpose of getting medical hypnosis introduced into hospitals. In another age his method of doing so would have been to try to convince his medical colleagues of the soundness of his treatment.

A Bombay newspaper publisher stated on leaving this country that of all the countries he had visited, he hadn't seen one with so much to offer as Canada. He particularly mentioned food and, being a publisher, newsprint. "That is the dream of every newspaper publisher in our country," he declared, "lots of newsprint."

We need not worry about who are to be fortunate in obtaining the vacant Senatorship or the prospective vacancy for Lieut.-Governor until after the Federal-Provincial Conference at Ottawa. The Government needs no Senator to add to its majority there; while Lieut.-Governor Bernard is quite prepared to carry on till the powers-that-be appoint a successor.

Bermuda, British Crown Colony, discovered this date 1609. It is the oldest colonial representative government in the British Empire, and consists of a number of small islands, including Bain, St. George and Ireland. On the last named is an important naval dockyard. It is a favourite health and winter resort. It is known in Canada and the U. S. for its early vegetables which supply the market until Southern States begin to produce. The capital is Hamilton, and the area of the island is 19 square miles with a population of approximately 25,000.

About 20 fluid milk producers serving Prince Albert have organized Saskatchewan's first fodder co-operative, the department of co-operation has announced. Six quarter-sections of land will be secured from the provincial government on a 33-year lease. The co-operative will clear, break and grass this land, selling the hay to members. Members are investing equally in the project and will divide the hay equally. In development of the project the co-operative will apply for the agriculture department's earned assistance policy, under which half the cost will be borne by the department up to a maximum of \$5,000.

The best news that Canadian resort men find in the U. S. tourist boom is that Americans are budget-minded this year, says Business Week. "The reason is that you can have a cheaper vacation in Canada than almost anywhere away from your own home. The Canadian Government is spending \$1.2 million this year in U. S. advertising to get that point across. Canada expects several million tourists to spend \$300 million. That would make it the biggest year yet—and Canada is counting on it to help gather in valuable U. S. dollars. Vacations and sales of newsprint in the U. S. are Canada's biggest source of American dollars."



Dear Friends - Looking forward to seeing you here again on August 10th. And happy holidays to all of you. Yours sincerely, M. J. DODDS (at all times).

WILL MOVE UP TO FILL IN 'TILL WE'RE BACK.

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

BENEFITING FROM CRITICISM Sir.—Each year about this time, and during the tourist season, we receive gratuitously, complimentary remarks from visitors, expressive of impressions they've gained during their brief sojourn among us.

Some of these visitors, on occasions, also express surprise at our lack of enthusiasm for this collective heritage that is ours, and which, at times, we almost appear to spurn. We appear to fail, too frequently, to capitalize upon such opportunities, preferring to bask indolently in the sunshine of compliments paid, rather than harness them to our advantage.

There is some doubt as to the exact date 300 years ago on which the regiment was formed, but historians believe it to have been about August 12 or 13. Cromwell had decided to confer a command on an able officer of his time, the winter of 1659-60, and the new regiment was formed from two north country units and began service in Scotland and on the border.

With the exception of the Indian Mutiny, the regiment has taken part in every major campaign in which the British Army has been involved.

Clover and the Bees (New York Times) Keadsides are sweet now with honeysuckle and clover, the warm, sweet fragrance of summer at its peak.

One thing about clover: it takes the soil as it finds it, sends down eager roots, spends the whole season at a complex chemical job and gives a new supply of fresh nitrates to the soil it occupies. Clover rebuilds the soil, and is constantly reaching out for new soil to reclaim. Give it half a chance and it will take over a gravelly roadside or a worn-out field where few other plants will grow, and in a few seasons the clover has given it new life.

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.) ON EVIL DAYS The following item of English news, dated London, Aug. 4, 1949, appeared in Island newspapers of the period.

"At Maidstone, County Court, Sir Henry Vere Huntley, Knight, was heard as an insolvent debtor on Friday. He had been Lieutenant Governor of Gambia, and afterwards of Prince Edward Island, and he attributed his insolvency to the allowance made him as Lieutenant Governor being wholly inadequate to meet his expenses while abroad. Mr. Duncan appeared as counsel for some creditors with the view of obtaining an apportionment of his income for the body of creditors. It appeared that Sir Henry, Commander in the Navy, had 3s. 6d. a day, and he stated that Huntley had no income. Mr. Duncan declined to ask the Court to set aside a part of the half-pay for the creditors, and the learned judge (Mr. Espinasse) ordered the insolvent, who had been in custody at the Maidstone Gaol, to be discharged forthwith."

Cromwell Formed Coldstreams (London Daily Mail) This is a great year for the Coldstream Guards, proud of their double distinction of being the oldest corps by continuous existence and lineal descent of the first regular army, raised and organized by Cromwell under the title of the "new model."

Just how much Monk's heart was in land fighting may be gathered by the way, from the fact that when he was later one of three admirals leading the British fleet against the Dutch, he gave to his ships the rather unorthodox command: "Wheel to the right—charge!"

The name of Coldstream Guards dates from the time when, stationed at Coldstream, Berwickshire, in the winter of 1659-60, they marched to London to restore Charles II to the throne. In 1661 they laid down their arms on Tower Hill in the name of the Commonwealth and immediately took them up in the name of the King. From that moment they start in every major campaign in which the British Army has been involved.

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The Poet's Corner FARMER His face is a copper coin that Time has denuded. With fingers of ice, with breath of scorching fire; Yet down through seasons mild and blossom-scented He has pursued the course of his desire.

Rough are Time's hands upon his flesh and spirit. But something in his face makes townmen stand And envy him, and all he must inherit. His pride and wonder in his hard-earned land. Unconquerable and brave, he proudly shakes A fist at Fate, and then starts in again. Seeing beyond the rows the narrow breaks A wide and golden ocean of ripe grain. While in his eyes a look of serene weather Affirms that he and peace wait close together.

The Age-Old Story Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the Lord, and He shall save thee. And thus enable it to reseed itself. On the other hand, take away the clover and the bees would be hard put to fill their hives. Clover honey outweighs all other varieties, year after year.

FLOOD RELIEF Contributions to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund, which officially closed its appeal July 15, totalled \$7,537,000 on that date, with donations still coming in.

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Notes By The Way

Eighteen-year-old Sheila Wiseman, from Middlesex, England, has wanted to come to Canada ever since she was 15. Twice she refused permission by a magistrate's court to undertake the journey without her father's consent, she was nevertheless determined to make it some day. To that end she worked all day at a radio factory, and all evening at a cinema attendant, putting in 67 hours a week. She managed to save over \$300 in one year and now, with her father's blessing, she is on her way. — UK Information Office.

The Korean war is not yet a month old and already a dramatic tale of the death of a chaplain has reached us. It is the story of a Roman Catholic priest who was deliberately killed by North Korean guerrillas as he administered last rites to a little band of wounded American soldiers trapped on a hillside in faraway Korea. The name of the priest is not yet known, nor is the name of the Protestant chaplain who also was with the distressed group and who escaped only after he had been wounded. When the names of these two men, heroes in every sense of the word, become known, appropriate tribute will be forthcoming.

The only thing attractive about the city manager idea is its name. It sounds good. It conjures up visions of a perfectly managed city—even among people who have no good grounds of complaint about the work of the present heads of departments. No system is any better than the men who operate it and no democratic government is better than the democracy back of it. So long as city councils are representative of the people and can be sustained or dismissed by popular vote, there can't be very much wrong that isn't a reflection on the people themselves. It should be borne in mind, first, last and all the time, that a city manager is an employee, who must do as he is told by the city council or lose his job. — Vancouver News-Herald.

The Children's Aid Society, holding its annual freckle contest to decide who is to reign in the city's freckledom for the next twelve months, picked a ten-year-old boy and a twelve-year-old girl, both from Staten Island. We are glad to see the Children's Aid Society thus keeping up a metropolitan interest in freckles. Freckles have for too long been considered a sort of James Whitcomb Riley commodity. Indigenous to Indiana and like states of tall corn, sparmint, and populus swimming holes. This tradition has been deepened by contests held in Middle Western states where freckles have been dealt

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