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What Now Of Term 29?

Premier Smallwood, as expected, has been completely victorious at the polls—in an election that need never have been called.

Mr. Smallwood burst through the open door with such determined force that door and frame have carried away.

It has been demonstrated that Premier Smallwood has the confidence of the people of Newfoundland.

It has been demonstrated that Newfoundland wants financial assistance.

With the sounds of electoral battle sinking, Premier Smallwood can now go back to the interrupted task of negotiating financial terms with Ottawa.

There is good grounds for considering that the cost to Newfoundland in terms of sound parliamentary government will be more than any "better terms" can compensate for.

The day may or may not come when Mr. Smallwood will regret his steam-rolling of opposition.

Prince Edward Island had the experience of doing without a proper Opposition, with the consequences that parliamentary democracy suffered a very real decline which it has taken years to get over.

Student Potential

Atlantic Province high school students have more academic aptitude but trail their United States counterparts in mathematics and English.

These facts highlighted the report of the Central Advisory Committee High School Testing Project.

Director of the project is John Ross, of Dartmouth, on leave of absence from the Nova Scotia Department of Education to conduct the study.

Here are some of the key facts contained in the report:

Atlantic Province students lead U.S. students on the "School and College Ability Test" (SCAT), which measures readiness to pursue the next higher level of schooling.

U.S. students lead Atlantic Province students on the Co-operative English Test and the College Entrance Examination Board's Intermediate Mathematics Test.

The occupational classification of the father influences the students' survival in school.

There is a greater degree of academic selectivity in the Atlantic Provinces than in the U.S. because there is a higher percentage of students who leave school in the earlier grades.

The purpose of the survey was threefold: (1) to compare the scores of the pupils in the Atlantic provinces with scores obtained from the same tests in the U.S.;

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The English test used was the Co-operative English Test, yielding 7 scores, on 6 of which Atlantic Province students scored significantly below U.S. High School students.

The investigation was made possible by a substantial grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York and by the assistance of the departments of education and universities of the Atlantic Provinces.

Sinews Of Freedom

It has become a commonplace that free countries find their principles taken advantage of to destroy that freedom.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker has suggested at the recent Junior Red Cross International Study Centre that a larger amount of literature be distributed by the West among the uncommitted nations.

On the face of it the free nations are at a decided disadvantage in any such competition. A totalitarian regime, by its very nature, is capable of selecting the kind of propaganda it wants to put across;

The essence of freedom, on the other hand is the right to choose to read, or not to read, as the individual wishes.

The only approach is to make it as easy as possible for the peoples of the world to grasp the significance of personal freedom but resolutely refraining from restricting that freedom to examine other ideas.

Perhaps the best kind of propaganda is example. If we are ever alert to see that minority groups of every kind are treated with consideration, however little—we may have for their opinions, it is bound to make an impression.

This is a small-world, after all. Travel and communications being what they are everyone knows pretty accurately how everyone else lives.

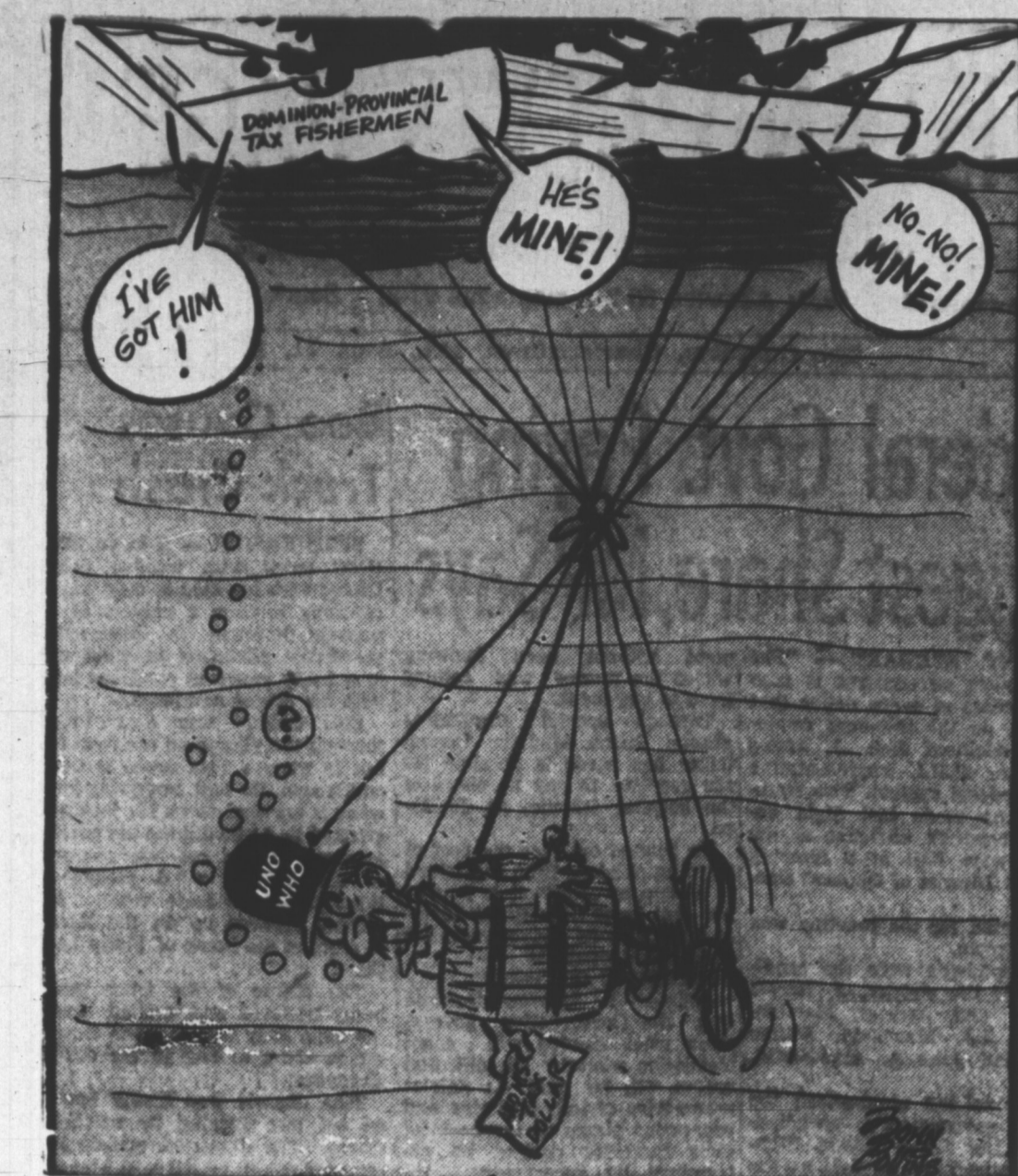
EDITORIAL NOTES

Boston born J. Ernest Kerr, who is married to an Islander, has written highlights of the lives of 100 interesting Americans whose roots are in the Atlantic Provinces.

Wallace G. Kerr, writing from Toronto, rather than Scotland, places an additional stamp on the envelope, not required by the postal authorities.

A Stamp for Robbie Burns The British Empire wadna prent A stamp to be his monument It didna rate him worth a cent Or farthin' bit; Although his poems represent The best of it!

But now I'll tell ye of a plan To circumvent this wicked ban And thwart "the best-laid schemes" o' man To-skelp our doups; I'll sen' his portrait owre the lan' On envelopes!



TANGLED LINES

OTTAWA REPORT

Re-equipping Our Fighters

By Patrick Nicholson

With the initial awards of contracts on the \$420,000,000 program to re-equip our eight air squadrons stationed in Europe.

In brief, the Minister of Defence Production has skillfully softened the tailing off of our military aircraft industry.

Although work will begin almost at once, it will take 18 months for the program to hit full stride; then the planes will roll off the assembly lines in Montreal at the rate of ten per month.

He told me that Canadair Ltd. in Montreal will employ 3,500 workers at its peak in building the airframes on its \$91,500,000 contract; Orenda Engines, an associate company of Avro, will employ up to 3,000 workers on its \$80,000,000 contract for the engines; and 3,000 additional jobs will be provided on sub-contracts

and lesser contracts. Mr. O'Hurley even arranged reciprocity for any orders placed at U.S. plants for this program, under the new Canada-U.S. defence production sharing agreement.

Mr. O'Hurley will no doubt hear loud cries of anguish from Toronto, making the unjustifiable demand that, although at higher cost to the taxpayers, this contract should have been given to Avro.

East and the recognition of China. Once this is done and you persuade your allies to go along it, is a matter of no concern to me whether we "talk" or "converse" or "negotiate."

MAXIMS All the strength and force of a man comes from his faith in things unseen.

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THE AGE OLD STORY That he would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man.

Habit Poses Dental Problem

By Herman N. Hennessey, M.D. MANY PARENTS are more worried about why their youngster sucks his thumb than they are about the possible results of thumb-sucking.

So they consult their pediatricians and child psychiatrists to help them determine the cause of the problem.

"WHY" IMPORTANT That's fine as far as it goes. Certainly the "why" is extremely important in trying to cope with the situation.

But don't overlook the possible results of a long-standing habit of thumb-sucking.

Dr. Robert E. Hennessey of Clayton, Mo., recently reminded parents, in a television program, of the serious damage thumb-sucking can cause.

GOOD POINT Although I didn't see the program, I understand Dr. Hennessey brought home a good point.

In the old days, he said, parents used to worry about buck teeth. Now they read articles saying that finger-sucking is just emotional insecurity or that thumb-suckers make better babies.

DENTAL PROBLEM Many parents fail to realize it, yet the fact remains that thumb-sucking also is a dental problem.

The seemingly innocent habit of popping a thumb into the mouth can lead to abnormal breathing, malformation of the facial structure, possible defects and, of course, the emotional effects of an unattractive appearance.

DEFORMED MOUTH Dr. Hennessey is able to produce several hundred photographs and models of children's mouths which were deformed directly as a result of prolonged finger or thumb-sucking.

Perhaps the automatic voluntary habit of thumb-sucking may not cause a pediatrician or psychiatrist too much concern, but problems can and do develop in many cases.

Dr. Hennessey suggests that the earlier corrective measures are taken, the better, although all cases do not require correction.

VARIED DETERRENENTS Up to the age of five, he says, such varied deterrents as sleepers and simple medication on the thumb have been successful.

Very often all a child needs is a little assistance of this nature, since the original cause of the thumb-sucking may long ago have given way to mere habit.

But the important thing to remember is that thumb-sucking is a dental problem, too.

QUESTION AND ANSWER Mrs. G. N.: I have been told that I have Meniere's disease. Medicine and diet have helped but can you tell me if there is any cure for this disease?

OUR YESTERDAYS (From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (August 21, 1934)

In an early morning fire twenty-six stalls of the horse stables at the Exhibition Grounds were completely destroyed shortly after 2 a.m.

The president of the Charlotte-lawn Y.M.C.A. received a telegram yesterday from Mr. Norville E. Luck of Toronto ac-

NOTES BY THE WAY

With scarcely a breathing-space after the Geneva Foreign Ministers Conference, U.S. Secretary of State Christian Herter is off to Chile on a mission of peace and tension-relieving in South America—in the true Dulles tradition.

A policeman named Odu was assigned to the village of Maniari in New Guinea to signal any unlawful events. There was an incident, but Odu was not able to report it.

Researchers at the University of Alberta are reported attempting to develop ice-cold butter that will spread easily on fresh bread.

The welcome novelty of having Americans of Japanese and Chinese descent in Congress stole the spotlight on the initial reports from the Hawaiian election.

The star studded heavens above me Arched over the far waving wheat— Stretching out to the magic horizon Where the earth and the heavens would meet.

The stretches of spaces inspired me And filled me with wonder and awe— About the colossal creation That none, but its God—ever saw.

In the full universal arrangement Set forth in their orbits and flight— By the power of the mighty Creator That circled the heavens that night.

Where the sky was a glowing bright-temple That lighted in brilliance — a dome— There, I worshipped the God of Creation In the far Templed Space—on His Throne.

Frank Gallant, a partner with his brother, Harry Gallant, in the West End Filling Station, Summerside, is a patient in the Prince County Hospital with a broken leg following an accident Saturday afternoon.

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

by Freedom

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And no less important body than the P. E. I. Teachers' Federation unanimously adopted this statement made by their president at the annual meeting of the Federation in Charlottetown last Spring.

Mr. Shaw's proposal to pay teachers' supplements will not eliminate school taxes and that competition to get the better teachers will be still as keen as ever.

Although he has not told you, all Mr. Shaw intends to pay is the minimum supplement required by legislation at the present time.

Summerside and Charlottetown would be the districts to gain most by such a plan and the inequities which Mr. Shaw claims now exist in rural areas would not be solved.

Did you know that Keir Clark had legislation passed at the last session of the Legislature which will give an equalization grant to the district with low tax potentials and that he has made arrangements for a complete survey of educational facilities on the Island by Dr. M. E. La Zerte, one of the greatest authorities on this subject in Canada?

A half truth is worse than a lie... (Adv.)

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