

Covers Prince Edward Island Like the Dew
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Signs Of Spring

If one looks carefully these days along the flower border at the sunny side of the house, one can see the crocuses, the daffodills and the hyacinths peeping through the ground.

The birds who thought it well to take the risk and stay on despite the wintry weather rather than fly to uncertainties unknown are already showing a little less interest in the food which they have been receiving from friendly larders.

Yes, winter is gradually surrendering its hold and "in green underwood and cover, blossom by blossom the Spring begins."

Medically Speaking

The Liberals have an able spokesman in Mr. J. O. C. Campbell, whose brief address at Mr. Pearson's meeting in Charlottetown was a highlight of the evening.

The "patient" in this case was under treatment by Liberal physicians for twenty-two years, during which time he went from bad to worse. His moribund condition was well described in the harrowing terms of the Gordon Report.

Tunnel Agitation Recalled

With the Northumberland Strait Causeway survey now definitely under way, it is worth recalling the long agitation for other means of linking this Province with the mainland.

In 1891 the tunnel idea popped up again, this time as a result of a detailed survey and report made by Sir Douglas Fox. He gave specifications and considered that a tunnel 18 feet in diameter could be built for \$11-262,500.

reawakened after the loss of the S.S. Charlottetown and the long delay in getting work started on her successor. The tunnel possibility was freely discussed at the 1943 and 1944 sessions of the Legislature and on April 10, 1944, Transport Minister Michaud announced at Ottawa that engineers would make an on-the-spot survey in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick "to consider where the depth of a tunnel below highwater would be within practical engineering limitations."

A year later Mr. Michaud turned "thumbs down" to the whole idea when he announced, in an interview given at Halifax (March 9, 1945) that of the two proposals "the car ferry system seems to be the most practical."

There the matter seems to have rested until the agitation in recent years for a Causeway connection. As pointed out by Premier Matheson in the Legislature, this is now a much more feasible scheme. It is to be hoped that no further time will be lost in completing the survey and getting on with the work if the report should be favorable.

EDITORIAL NOTES

If the Christian Science Monitor says that a summit meeting will be held late this summer in Nova Scotia, we are inclined to think there is something in it, despite official denials from Washington.

In their joy at giving themselves a considerable boost in their pay cheques in the course of last year's session, Liberal members of the Legislature forgot to explain to the public the necessity for the increase or the arbitrary manner in which it was brought about.

The gist of the election campaign is thus summed up by the Winnipeg Tribune: "Mr. Diefenbaker is going around the country asking why the Liberals, who promised to cut taxes to relieve unemployment, didn't do so while in office. The answer, plainly, is that the country wasn't faced with the current serious unemployment situation when the Liberals were in office."

There is a difference of opinion between the U. S. Administration and the Congress on what measures would be more likely to ease unemployment. The Administration thinks a large-scale tax reduction would be the more appropriate, while the Congress favours a "massive" public works program.

"The most embarrassing thing we hear in a religious service", says the United Church Observer. "is when a well-meaning brother announces that those who give cheques or make donations in envelopes will get receipts for income tax purposes. We have no objection to claiming exemption for charitable and church contributions. We think receipts should be issued. We even wish the government would raise the exemption permitted. But it's bad taste to labor it in a service of worship. It's obvious, too, that church people generally are very well informed on the matter. Sometimes we think it's good for us to give something to the Lord without getting credit for it from Ottawa."



THE IDES OF MARCH

Canadian - Scottish Enterprise

By Patrick Nicholson
Special Correspondent for The Guardian

Glasgow, Scotland: It was no coincidence that the first Prime Minister of the Canadian confederation was a man of Scottish birth, who had emigrated to Canada as the proverbial "barefoot boy."

So it was with pride that I learn that this famous Clydeside port-city, which gave Canada Sir John A. Macdonald among many other welcome immigrants, has now received from Canada a contribution which is unique in the British Isles.

Unlike Canada, Britain enjoys private TV stations competing directly with those of the state-controlled British Broadcasting Corporation. So it must be with considerable satisfaction to the bawbee-conscious Scots, who have Mr. Thomson's STV, which the to pay a licence fee of \$8.50 per year to support the BBC they can alternatively tune in to station identification slide program is the "One o'clock Gang," which draws home-bodies to their sets five days a week, while huge out-of-town audiences are pulled to the Theatre Royal studio to watch the production.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

THE WESTERN ROAD

Sir,—On reading your paper today I noticed where a large delegation from the western part of the Island waited upon the Minister of Highways requesting that the proposed pavement between Alberton and Tignish take a course through Greenmount area rather than the Western Road.

In the first place the road is just as short, just as scenic, and I am personally convinced that there are just as many highly productive farms and potato warehouses being serviced by the Western Road as by the Greenmount route. It is also stated that all the market lobsters are trucked by Greenmount. This is utterly ridiculous. There are far more lobsters trucked by the Western Road because it is the centre route for all fishing produce to be trucked to market from Tignish run to Milmings Harbour.

In the second place I would like to point out that there are not seventy-three houses on that road. One would be lucky to find one-third of that number on it. The electric power line also follows the Western Road to St. Louis and Palmer Road (which we also hope to have paved soon). Finally when the Hon. George MacKay called for tenders for the paving of Alberton to Tignish via Montrose and Western Road, it certainly wasn't for private or selfish reasons. He was trying to give the best possible service to the most people at the least cost to the Government, as this road is already paved with a light pavement, that can't stand all the heavy trucking of the farmers and fishermen for Western Prince County.

I am, Sir, etc., A TRUCKER

Age No Bar To Exercise

By Herman N. Bundenen, M. D. No matter how old you are, you still need a certain amount of exercise. With the elderly, this should not present a real problem, if they do not overdo it or underdo it.

STAIRS NOT CROWDED My office is on the third floor. We have elevator service, of course, and most of our employees use it all the time, regardless of age. But we also have stairways. You would be surprised how uncrowded they are!

TAKE IT EASY But when I walk upstairs I go up but three steps, then hesitate just a second, place both feet on the one step, then continue upstairs.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

The only bill of rights which would do Canadians any good, would be a bill to prohibit minorities from controlling the activities of majorities. This should be the basic rule of all democracies, but it would be difficult to find any country in the world where a determined minority does not make the laws.—Saul Ste. 'arie Star

Canada last year welcomed some 475,000 babies — citizens of the Dominion by birth. Lovely years hence we shall be wondering where on earth to find classroom space for so many.—Ottawa Journal

When his jet stalls again in outer space. Will Earth yet beckon, Habba? him? —Eleanor H. Matherson in the New York Times

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The Poet's Corner

ODYSSSEUS Tamer of wild sea-horses, diving blind Under the poles, master of continents And clouds and the long high-ways of the mind,

Modern Odysseus, the far-traveler, seeks For newer pathways, bolder voyagings, In astral distances, up lunar peaks,

Astride Polaris, over Saturn's rim, When his jet stalls again in outer space. Will Earth yet beckon, Habba? him?

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Fast Relief FROM SNIFFLY, STUFFY, SNEEZY Head Colds

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ATTENTION CHARLOTTETOWN VOTERS

Voters' lists have been posted in your locality. A copy has been mailed to each registered voter. If your name does not appear on the list call— LIBERAL HEADQUARTERS 8433. Revision dates are March 13-14-15. Remember no names can be added after March 15.



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OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (March 13, 1933)

The distribution of unemployment relief was the subject of considerable discussion at the regular meeting of the City Council last evening, as the result of intimations made by the Provincial Government that relief bills were considered too high. Ways and means of effecting a saving were discussed.

A shipment of nine head of Jerseys has just arrived in Charlottetown from Lennoxville, Quebec, consigned to Dr. J. P. Lantz. The cattle are in charge of A. E. Aldrich, well known Quebec breeder who selected the cattle for Dr. Lantz.

TEN YEARS AGO

In a brief ceremony at Government House last night, Hon. Alex W. Matheson, K. C., took the oath of office as Minister of the Provincial Department of Public Health and Welfare. He succeeds Hon. William Hughes who has retired from that portfolio as well as from that of Provincial Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. Frank C. Casey, who has been associated with the American Can Company for the past twenty years, has been put in charge of the Company's interests in Charlottetown, where the

sickness is the improved advertising presentation. In Canada, we are afflicted with commercials running for as much as 90 seconds, like that tedious grinning youth who makes us reach for the blab-off by telling us interminably that "This is the car you would like your neighbor to see standing in your driveway."

STV commercial breaks consist largely of a series of punchy 7-second and 15-second advertisements. All round, our \$60,000,000 a year C.B.C. is not in the same league as that Scottish-Canadian "free television service."

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

- March 11—Afton Hall 8:30 p.m.
March 12—Vernon River 9:00 p.m.
March 14—Breadalbane Hall 8:30 p.m.

HEATH MacQUARRIE will address all meetings. Published by Queens County Conservative Assn.