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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest link"

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same problem. For sent researchers out in an endeavor to find just how well posted Canadian voters were on this kind of an election issue. The results:

What is socialism? 55 percent of those polled on this leading question replied that they couldn't say. 16 percent suspected that it might have something to do with "government control" or "state control of industry." 6 percent took the happy view that it was "a fight for the common man." 5 percent were sure it meant "government ownership" of some kind or other. Another 9 percent suspected that the word meant something pretty nasty, like Communism, while 6 percent regarded it as meaning that "the government does everything for the people."

And what about free enterprise? The Gallup people reported that 51 percent couldn't or wouldn't attempt to define this term. 20 percent believed it was connected in some way with private ownership, individual initiative, or a better deal for small business, 15 percent saw it as meaning freedom "to do as you want," and 3 percent viewed it with alarm as meaning big business and monopolies. 2 percent vaguely believed that whatever it was, it was something Canada now had, and another 2 percent were convinced, for some reason, that it had to do with free trade.

Both sides, it would seem, will have a job ahead explaining what they're defending and what they're against.

Peace Research Program

Some time ago we drew attention to a scientific convention in the United States, at which a far-reaching program for peace research was proposed. We note now that a Canadian Peace Research Institute is being launched in the first week of February, and that support is being solicited from Canadians everywhere.

The idea of an institute was developed by Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, an Ontario physicist who has impressive achievements to his credit in radar development and nuclear fission, and who left a well-paid position to devote himself to peace research. His philosophy is set out in a booklet, "The Bridge of Reason", which has the support of many prominent Canadians who are behind the campaign to set the Alcock program in motion.

He now has six organizations fully behind him, together with some pretty impressive personnel. His board of directors includes such people as Dr. Franc Joubin, the geologist who discovered uranium in Algoma; Dr. Kenneth Boulding, once head of McGill's Economic Department; Dr. Brock Chisholm, former director of the World Health Organization, and Dr. James Thomson, former moderator of the United Church of Canada.

It is hoped to raise four million dollars this winter, and open the first Peace Research Institute in Canada with a staff of 55 full time scientific researchers and auxiliary help this spring. "The trouble," says Dr. Alcock in his booklet, "is that we have to solve this thing in five or ten years—not fifty. We can't treat it as a leisurely research project. We're fifteen years late as it is and every month counts." Heretofore, the aims of peace workers have seemed vague and diffuse to many. The Alcock program of concentrated research into the international causes of war and tension, has given them a focus.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It was a shock to all our citizens to learn of the serious injuries sustained by Mrs. Heath Macquarrie in an automobile accident in Ottawa while her husband was attending the opening of the parliamentary session. Further news of her condition will be awaited anxiously.

Best wishes to Mr. B. Earle MacDonald who is retiring from his flourishing grocery business, and to his successor Mr. Wilfred Cudmore who has purchased it. As former Mayor of Charlottetown, former Legislative member and Cabinet minister, Mr. MacDonald has had an active public life apart from his commercial activities, and it is one to which he can look back with pride and satisfaction. Best of all, however, is the value he places on the many warm friendships he made in the course of his career, among all classes of our people, of all political creeds. He will not be relinquishing these, by any means, in his retirement.



THE P.M.'s PET

HOXHA'S OVERTURES

Globe and Mail, Toronto

Free World Stake In Albania

PUBLIC FORUM

COMMENT ON TEACHERS: Sir—What we need in this province at present is more competent school inspectors, men or women very closely screened who would have the ability to recognize a school teacher when they see one at work and who would have the necessary time at their disposal to devote themselves to peace research.

TIME TO CO-OPERATE: Sir—If one were to take a plane at Victoria on the eighth of December last and fly under the clouds, zig-zag from the Pacific to the Atlantic, feeding on luscious green pastures, where would be found sparkling streams of pure water, where would be found the most homelike appealing farmsteads, where would one find the most natural beauty? There is only one possible answer.

POTATO PACKAGING: Sir—May I be permitted space in your paper to discuss some aspects of our export trade in potatoes especially as regards packaging. Warnings have been issued for the past several years, that shipments will be refused if packed in soiled bags and yet we see a great many in poor shape.

COVERED HEAD: M. L. writes: During cold weather I like to sleep with bedclothes over my head. Am I likely to suffocate?

The New Kennedy Approach: By Harold Morrison, Canadian Press Staff Writer. The United States has quietly and subtly initiated a softer approach to the cold war crisis, apparently hoping to awaken a similar response from the Kremlin.

Body Adjusts To Cold Air

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen. MANY elderly persons have told me they feel much better spending their winters in the south. They escape the hazards of ice and snow, along with the usual discomforts brought on by inclement weather.

But our weather bureau has a different story to tell. No matter how cold it is, winter is less lethal than a heat wave. Extremely hot weather is associated with a higher death rate than extremely cold weather.

Clothing and heating give the northerner a break because they help the body compensate for the cold. We could hardly expect to survive zero weather in the nude or without adequate shelter.

This demonstrates that the ailing heart finds it difficult to function properly during heat spells. It must work harder to play its role in aiding the cooling mechanisms of the body.

It will be interesting to see what happens when air conditioning is used as a therapy for older people with heart disease—not only in hospitals but at home.

DRINKING AND SLEEPING: C. T. R. writes: Is my husband an alcoholic? He is 59 and all he does is drink and sleep all day. He takes two shots in the afternoon and sleeps four or five hours.

HUNGRY AFTER EATING: J. C. writes: What makes me feel empty in the stomach an hour after I eat?

COVERED HEAD: M. L. writes: During cold weather I like to sleep with bedclothes over my head. Am I likely to suffocate?

REPLY: I doubt it. Enough oxygen is being drawn in through the sheet and blanket.

REPLY: Half empty stomach. You need foods that will "stick to your ribs" as the old timers said. This includes fat and protein—turkey, stuffing and gravy.

REPLY: Do not dread old age.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Bank robbers must be a frustrated lot. So often all they get is cash, which in these credit-conscious days is awfully hard to pass. — Vancouver Province

Out of the mouth of a babe, aged four, comes this explanation of baldness: "His face has grown right up through his hair." — Ottawa Journal

If the non-operating railway employees are really concerned about employment for life, they would do well to demonstrate this interest by helping to ensure that there will still be railways a generation hence. — Lethbridge Herald

Making her first solo flight as a student airplane pilot, a young woman in Norfolk, England, said that she had no problems except that a mouse ran up her knee during the flight and she was so occupied with flying the plane that she was unable to do anything about it. — Windsor Star

OUR YESTERDAYS From the Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (January 20, 1937) A large number of hockey fans narrowly escaped serious injury when the truck they were riding in from New Perth to Montague, to attend a hockey match, suddenly stalled on a steep, icy hill on the Union Road.

Col. U.G. Dawson, president of the Army and Navy Club gave a most instructive address on the duties of the militia when called out in aid to the civil power. The address was followed by a lengthy discussion by the members, and a vote of thanks was extended the guest speaker.

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