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Calls For Reassessment

It was by the slimmest margin of this session—seven votes—that the minority Liberal government at Ottawa survived a Conservative non-confidence motion on Tuesday, calling attention to the acute shortage of mortgage money for home-building purposes and scoring the government's tight money policy as constituting "a negative approach to the problem facing our economy and seriously impeding the development of the nation."

In presenting the Conservative motion, Mr. Hees urged a four-point program of more National Housing Act mortgage money being directed to average-priced homes, instead of the "middle or executive type," Canada-wide insurance companies to be forced to invest in mortgage funds in towns and rural areas; reduction of the NHA interest rate to six per cent from the present 6 3/4 per cent to enable banks to participate; and the government to set aside a sufficient mortgage fund each year to meet estimated housing needs.

Just the policies, in short, that our local Liberals would need, if elected, to implement their promised "crash program" to meet our urgent housing requirements! Their program, as outlined, would spell "Action Now" and would take care of our farmers and fishermen as well as urban dwellers. And it would be arranged under the NHA through Labor Minister Nicholson so that neither "farm capital nor business capital" would be tied up. But since the Tory motion didn't pass, and Mr. Nicholson's negative reply to the Hees proposal is now on record, surely it is time for a reassessment of the situation.

Mr. Nicholson is quoted as saying, in his reply, that if Canadian house-builders are feeling the pinch they should go to the traditional financing institutions rather than the government. "Instead of coming to the government for help, I suggest that they do a little 'self-searching,'" he declared. Let them "go to the financial institutions in their own ridings, including insurance companies, mortgage companies and others, and try their luck there." Later he added, in rather scornful terms: "Is anyone sufficiently childish to suggest that because for the first time there is pressure during the summer months of the year to build houses, that the government should step in?"

A New Viet Weapon

United States marines in Viet Nam are credited with having a new war weapon—hogs. Upping the porker population has become a by-product of the marines' efforts to get Vietnamese villagers, displaced by war, helping themselves again in the "new life" villages the government has established.

It all began last year, reports a war correspondent in the Christian Science Monitor, when the First Marine Division moved into the Chu Lai area in order to build an airstrip. During clearing operations, numbers of farmers had to be evacuated and, as a result, the Chu Lai New Life Village was formed—combining four hamlets and 3,600 people. In an effort to get the displaced villagers on their feet, several marine units got together, built a big farm, and organized 55 families into a hog cooperative. A marine flew down to Saigon, pur-

chased 21 American-bred hogs, and brought the sucklings—"squealing all the way"—back to Chu Lai. In their new home the pigs apparently have been a huge success. They are star attractions of the village and, to hear the marines tell it, are fussed over and primped like prima donnas. So devoted are the Vietnamese to their grunting charges, they wash them three times a day with soap and water. The hogs—now five months old—are thriving under this tender regime of affection and attention. Now the marines' concern is that the farmers will become so attached to the pigs that they will not want to sell them to other villages. If they don't, there'll soon be more pigs than people.

But the point to the story is more than the raising of a few hogs. It illustrates that this is basically a political war and that it is not enough to search and clear a hamlet of Viet Cong and then leave the impoverished and terrorized peasants to salvage their former meager lives. In the Chu Lai area, working with the local officials, the marines are putting up 10 concrete-block schools. The funds for them—\$1,500 per classroom—have been collected in the United States by the Marine Reserve and CARE.

This is the best kind of news we could get from the Viet Nam war front. We forgot to add that the marines have also helped the farmers get started with duck and fish farms. Whatever its future, Chu Lai New Life Village won't be the same when they leave. And the population will have grown—by quite a few hogs, ducks and carp.

Play It Safe

The Dominion Automobile Association does well to remind us that the Victoria Day weekend, May 21-23, marks the unofficial opening of the summer holiday season with the highways and byways thronged with vehicles making their first excursion of the year. In their enthusiasm there is a temptation to drivers to try to crowd a week's travel into a three-day period.

The association's records indicate that normal hazards are multiplied threefold as compared with the average non-holiday weekend on these occasions. They always portend a sharp increase in motor injuries and deaths. One of the prime factors in such mishaps can be found in the urge to travel too far in the time available. To reach their destination, such motorists must travel at speeds and uninterrupted driving periods which are inconsistent with safe driving practice; and impatience with momentary traffic tie-ups causes them to attempt passing in situations potentially very dangerous.

The peak highway traffic load in a weekend holiday occurs on the Monday evening during the last hours of the day. Safety conscious drivers start for home early and avoid this congestion with its heightened accident frequency.

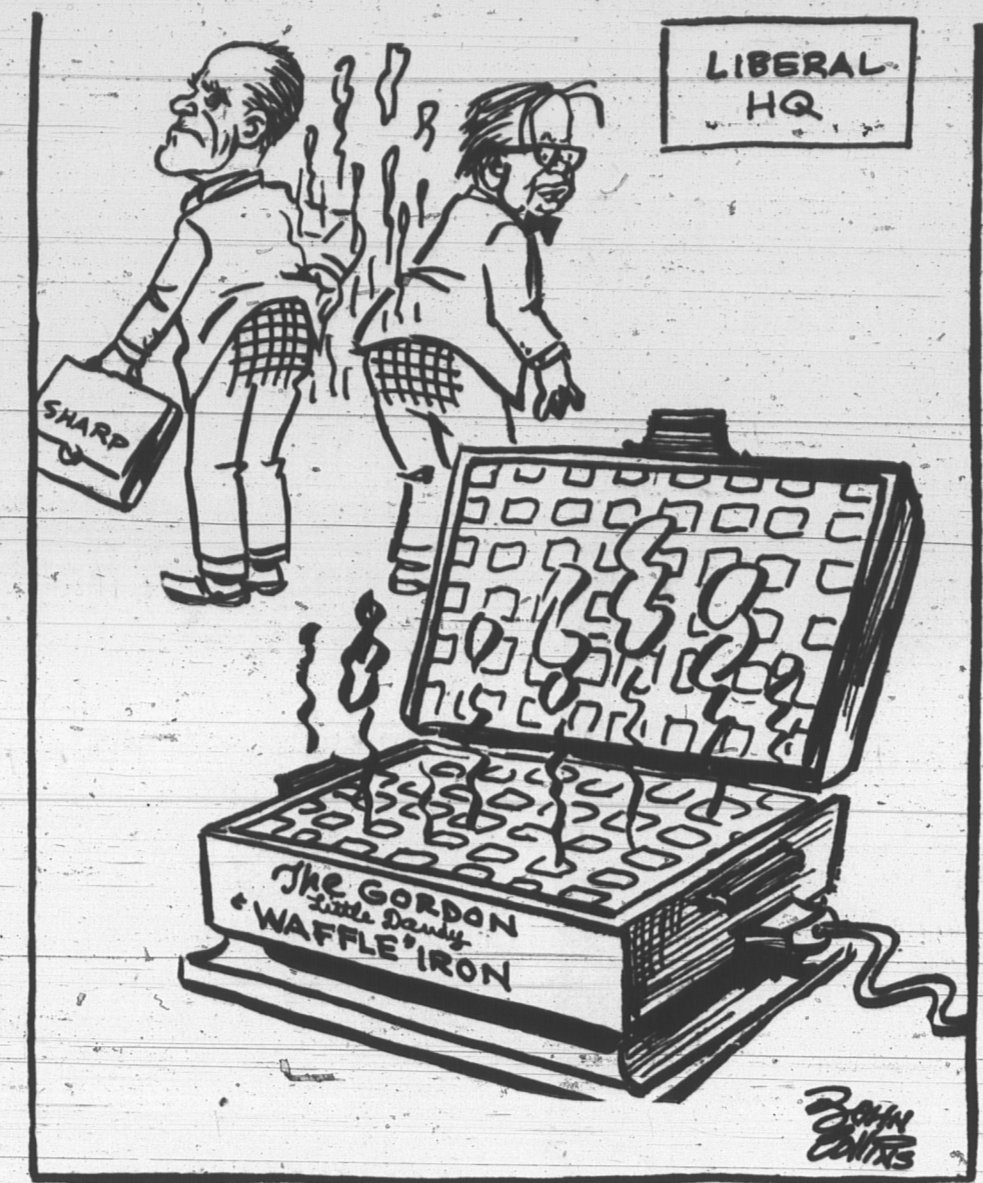
Association President R.W. Trollope offers another good hint for the enjoyment of a safe, sane travelling Victoria Day weekend. Besides not trying to squeeze a week's travel into three days, and starting home in time to make it at a reasonable speed, he says, "Never for a minute lose sight of the fact that accidents only happen to the 'other fellow'—and who, but you, is the other fellow's 'other fellow'?"

In Chinook Shorthand

From Nelson, B.C., comes word that a complete set of one of the most unusual newspapers ever published has been donated to Notre Dame University there. The paper, called "The Wawa," is not only printed in shorthand but in the Chinook language of the British Columbia Indians. "Wawa" is a Chinook word meaning to speak, talk or echo. The donation was made by Kay Cronin, author of the book "Cross in the Wilderness," which recounts the deeds of early Oblate Fathers in the British Columbia bush country.

One of the Oblate priests, Fr. Jean Marie Le Jeune, was the originator of the Wawa. He created it by adapting phonetics to the Chinook jargon in order to instruct the Indians in easy phonetic writing. In the first issue, which came out in Kamloops in May, 1891, and in the next eight monthly issues, Fr. Le Jeune presented the rudiments of phonetic writing. These issues comprised the first Chinook reader. The last regular edition of the Wawa came out in December, 1904, but Fr. Le Jeune continued to publish issues from time to time until 1917.

Something unique in the annals of journalism, surely.



A HOT TIME IN THE OLD TOWN AT ABU SIMBEL

Engineers Race Salvage Deadline

Engineers are winning a race with the Nile to save the ancient temples at Abu Simbel. Status and temples are being cut into sections as big as 19 tons for reassembly in a natural safe setting on a plateau 212 feet above the doomed site. The move must be completed by August 15, when impounded waters from the Aswan High Dam to the north are expected to flood the riverside.

HONORED RAMESSES

The two temples in Egypt's Nubia region near the Sud a border were hewn out of a sandstone bluff 3,200 years ago to honor Rameses II, god-king of Egypt, and his favorite consort, Queen Nefertari. Four seated colossi of Rameses, each 67 feet high and weighing 1,200 tons, guarded the entrance to the Great Temple. Six giant statues of Queen Nefertari and Rameses stood vigil before an adjacent Small Temple.

DRILLS AND DYNAMITE

A massive layer of iron-rich sandstone around the Great Temple presented further complications. Engineers removed 142,000 cubic yards with dynamite. Another 29,000 cubic yards were painstakingly unroofed by pneumatic drill and excavated by hand.

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. All letters published are subject to editing and condensation where necessary. The Guardian is unable to enter correspondence regarding letters submitted.

UNSIGHTLY CONDITION

Sir,—On a recent visit to my home province, I was greatly disturbed to see such unsightly conditions along some of the highways. The one in point, probably because it is so near my home and I passed it so many times during my visit, is the deplorable mess at Poole's Corner, Roseneath, Kings Co. With spring clean-up time here, and the tourist season fast approaching, would it not be in the best interest of tourist promotion to beautify this corner which has traffic approaching from four directions? It is a great distraction from the beauty around it. The recently built, cleanly kept motel directly across from this corner and the few nearby homes are a credit to the owners. Why do these old rusted-out car-bodies have to be left so conspicuously near the highway? Could they not be carried away or hidden behind a fence built along the property? I am, Sir, etc. MRS. HOWARD SMITH Halifax, N.S.

Treating Emphysema

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Emphysema can be obviated, but I doubt if our suggestions will ever be taken seriously enough to make it possible. Most of the research on this pulmonary disorder has been done during the end stage of the disease when the victim is disabled by a chronic cough, wheezing, and shortness of breath. True prevention means going back 20 to 30 years when the lungs are first subjected to abuse from smoking, air pollution, and respiratory infection. Avoid these and the chance of becoming a respiratory cripple is practically nil.

In its early stages, the disease can be halted by avoiding all respiratory irritants, exposure to inclement weather, sudden temperature changes, and chest infections. The influenza vaccine helps to immunize against one of the great offenders of emphysema. The regular use of antibiotics does the same. Fresh air, sunshine, and adequate nutrition build up resistance.

The emphysematous person should stop smoking and treat every respiratory infection immediately. There are many drugs that dilate the bronchi. These inhalants are most helpful because they reduce the bronchial spasm and obstruction that are so disabling. The blockage prevents stagnant air from being exhaled and encourages dilation and loss of elasticity of the air sacs. Special breathing exercises also help to force the stale air out of the lungs. Lie on the back and practice pushing out the abdomen during inhalation which forces the diaphragm down. Pull in the abdomen during expiration to force up the diaphragm and empty the lungs. This should be done for 30 minutes twice a day. It helps to place a weighted bag on the abdomen. Exercise increases walking capacity and is best done by inhaling oxygen from a three-pound cylinder that is carried while the individual walks or climbs stairs. This should be done for 10 or more minutes twice a day.

Liquefying agents aid in bringing up plugs of mucus. Now and then it is necessary to wash out the lungs (bronchovag) to eliminate obstructive encrustations. Surgery is helpful when the emphysema is confined to a single lobe.

DURATION OF SHINGLES

Mrs. A.S. writes: How long do shingles usually last? REPLY: The lesions usually subside after neuralgia pain persists for within a few weeks but occasionally months or years. This complication usually occurs in older persons.

MENOPAUSE AND PREGNANCY

Mrs. P. writes: Can a woman become pregnant during the change of life? REPLY: Yes, the menopause is of indefinite length and it is difficult to tell, therefore, when sterility occurs.

PRESSURE AND WINE

J.V. writes: Will drinking a glass of wine every day raise low blood pressure? REPLY: Wine does not affect the blood pressure in this way unless it overstimulates or excites the individual.

INFANT BALDNESS

Mrs. G.W. writes: My baby was born with a full head of hair, two inches long. Now, at three months, she is losing it all. Will a new growth begin? REPLY: Yes, I have never known of a child who remained bald. (NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.)

Our Yesterdays

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO (May 21, 1941) An entire French regiment in Syria deserted to join the ranks of Free French forces, advancing into Syria from Palestine.

TEN YEARS AGO

(May 21, 1956) George Edward Lund, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lund of Charlottetown, graduated from Dalhousie University as a Doctor of Medicine.

Among the graduates in Medicine at Dalhousie was Philip Bent Jardine, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.S.P. Jardine, Charlottetown.

New Approach To China

By Boris Mlakar Canadian Press Staff, United Nations UNITED NATIONS (CP) — The United States is becoming increasingly aware that the isolation of China from the world community was not such a good idea after all.

Instead of bringing about a capitulation of the Peking government and the reinstatement of Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek on the Chinese mainland, the blacklisting of the world's most populous nation merely angered the Chinese leadership to the point where it now has become a threat to world peace. The trouble between the United States and China began in 1949 when the American fleet was used to prevent Peking from occupying Formosa, soon after the end of the successful Communist campaign on the mainland.

CHANGE IN ATTITUDE

But all signs now point to a change in the attitude of Washington, and for that matter Ottawa, toward the Peking government and has supported the U.S. determination in the United Nations to keep Peking out of the world organization. Canada has echoed that plea in the UN and elsewhere but so far has not agreed openly to the outright admission of Peking into the UN. However, Prime Minister Pearson said recently in New York the "whole question of Chinese admission" remains urgent and we cannot continue to shelve it much longer. Calling for better communication between the West and China, Pearson warned Peking's fear the U.S. is determined to destroy the Communist regime in China "might be based on a genuine, but dan-

Stars of the Dance Festival Concert

Saturday, May 21 - 7:30 P.M. CONFEDERATION CENTRE THEATRE

- 1. Folk Dancing Grades 1-4 Sherwood School. 2. Scottish Ballroom Dancing 12 and under Shirley's Celtic Ballroom Dancers. 3. Grades 2-4 Square Dancing Parkdale Elementary School. 4. Step Dance 6 and under Janice Dowling. 5. Solo—Marilyn MacDonald—Solo Novelty Dance. 6. Solo Dance—Patricia MacLean. 7. Group National Dance 12 and under—Shirley's Dutch Tiny Tots. 8. Solo Tap Clog—Valerie Beer. 9. Group Rhythm Tap—Shirley's Easy Stepping Rhythm Rockers. 10. Folk Dancing, Grades 5-7—Parkdale Junior High. 11. Solo Dance—Ann Fraser. 12. Solo Dance—Janet Farrar. 13. Scottish Reels—Shirley's Celtic Lads and Lassies; Shirley's Celtic Dancers; Shirley's Senior Celtic Lassies. 14. Scottish Reels—Shirley's Wee Celtic Lassies. 15. Solo—Marilyn MacQuarrie. 16. Solo—Marilyn MacDougall. 17. Solo Soft Shoe—Shirley Bevan. 18. Group Tap Clog—Charlottetown Silvertones. 19. Solo Tap Clog—Johnnie Augustine. 20. Solo—June Harper. 21. Group Tap School of the Deaf—Shirley's Happy Tappers. 22. Flora MacDonald's Fancy—Judy Harper. 23. Sword Dance—Jacqueline Howatt. 24. Solo—Mary Jane MacEachern. 25. Solo Tap Clog—Kevin Hogan. 26. Solo Tap Clog—Marlene MacCormac. 27. Group Rhythm Tap—Shirley's Tiny Tots. 28. Group National Dance—Shirley's Celtic Dancers. 29. Group Novelty—Shirley's Silver Rockets. 30. Solo—Patricia MacLellan. 31. Step Dance—Mary Murphy. 32. Solo—Paul Smith. 33. Marching—Through Georgia—St. Jean's, Grade 4. 34. Solo Rhythm Tap—Joyce Landry. 35. Solo Dance—Marilyn Wood. 36. Step Dance—Brenda Bernard. 37. Scottish Ballroom (open)—Shirley's Celtic Dance Studio. 38. Junior Square Dancing—St. Jean's Elementary. 39. Solo Step Dance—David Hennessey. 40. Solo—Ruthie MacKay. 41. Group Novelty—Charlottetown Irish Steppers. 42. Solo—Debbie Rhynes. 43. Group Novelty—Summerside Presbyterian Highland Society. 44. Solo—Larry Brazel. 45. Grades 5-7 Square Dancing—School of the Deaf. 46. Solo—Heather Burke. 47. Group National Dance—Shirley's Celtic Sailors. 48. Irish Jig—Louise Sanderson. 49. Group Tap Clog—Charlottetown Four. 50. Solo Tap—School of the Deaf—Eline Campbell. 51. Solo Tap—School of the Deaf—Linda Worth. 52. Group Rhythm Tap—Shirley's Starlets. 53. Solo—Betty Linkletter. 54. Argyle Broadwords—Ross Highlanders Jr. Ross Highlanders Sr. 55. Step Dancing (open)—Frank Ross. 56. Group Tap Clog—Shirley's Easy Steppers. 57. Group Dance—Shirley's Dancing Dominos. 58. Junior Farmers and 4-H Club Square Dance—Scottford 4-H Club Group A. 59. Group Rhythm Tap—Charlottetown Goldenettes. 60. Argyle Broadwords—Shirley's Celtic Lassies.

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