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The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink.

Lost and Found

For many years in South Bradon, England, there has been a local tradition to the effect that around the middle of the 18th century a church in the village disappeared from view.

All along, South Bradon has been virtually a deserted village. Now, according to the postmistress in a nearby town, "the dead village is beginning to live again."

One of these days someone will find the answer, and it will have to be a reassuring one if any large number of persons are to be encouraged to make South Bradon their permanent dwelling place.

Russia's Master Plan

A far-reaching shift in Russia's economic policy is announced by Communist leaders in Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Starting in 1956, the five-year plans of all the eastern European satellites will be integrated with the master plan of Russia.

Actually, notes the Winnipeg Free Press, it was begun immediately after the war and pushed so fast that the satellites soon found themselves becoming mere colonial appendages to Russia, mainly producers of raw materials or mechanical parts for the Russian factories.

Now this policy is to be reversed in the interests of greater efficiency. The five-year plans of the satellites are to be meshed with those of Mother Russia. The new over-all plan of industrial colonialism is necessitated by Russia's increased need of consumer goods to satisfy its own people and, in addition, to supply the voracious demands of Russia's greatest ally, China.

But the great economic plan involves great political risks. How long will the satellites be content to act as producers of raw materials and parts for the central machine? Russia evidently feels strong enough to run these risks including the possibility of Titoism spreading beyond Yugoslavia.

The fact that the United States has finally sold some \$6,000,000 worth of surplus butterfat to the United Kingdom poses problems for Canada, which also has surplus butter, and for other Commonwealth and European countries that have been supplying the British market, says the Ottawa Journal.

Canada also has some surplus butter which it would like to see off the domestic market, but to meet the U. S. or world export price would result in huge losses to the Canadian treasury.

This whole business of selling surpluses at distress prices by countries not normally in that particular line of trade can have disastrous results on world trade.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow, the 5th Sunday after Trinity, the 6th after Pentecost.

A Federal Health Department survey shows that 2,400,000 Canadians were covered under 14 major non-profit medical care insurance plans at the end of 1953.

A record for claim-staking in Ontario was set last year, 29,019 plots being staked out over the wide expanse of the Province's north.

A bronze statue of the late King George VI is to stand in Carleton House Gardens overlooking the Mall in London. It is hoped that the statue will be ready for unveiling by October 1955.

Isaac Watts, English divine and hymn-writer, was born this date 1674. Of Non-conformist parents, he took up an Independent pastorate in London but had to retire because of ill health.

The 1950 British Empire and Commonwealth Games held in New Zealand were notable for the record number of countries taking part. That record of fourteen will be far surpassed in Vancouver this year.

Benzedrine, rapidly becoming popular as a "jack-up" and taken by athletes before games, is dangerous, habit forming, and many people are allergic to it.

In Connecticut a law requiring dating of milk bottle caps was repealed in 1953, but public opinion stirred up such a controversy that the law was re-drafted and put into effect on July 1.



Possible Unforeseen Developments

The Poet's Corner

Behold, now, where the pageant of high June Halls in the glowing noon! The trailing shadows rest on plain and hill: The banners hoisted are still.

Charms Of Birds

The hobby of bird-watching may not appeal to all, but it has its points of superiority to several other non-utilitarian methods of consuming time.

The Age Old Story

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The Passing Scene

Islands are Christians in their faith as well as in their manner of living. On Erromanga itself, where the Gordons paid the price of their faith, there are particularly strong missions manned by Roman Catholics and Presbyterians.

Old Charlottetown

Our Island poet, Mr. Lepage, is having some fun at the expense of the Colonial Delegates, who while on a visit to Stanhope, previous to their departure for Halifax, wished to enjoy some sport in shooting plover.

WELCOME REDUCTION

MONTREAL, (CP)—A 50-per-cent reduction in all-day parking meter rates — from \$1 to 50 cents — has been approved by the city's executive committee as a result of a flood of protests from citizens.

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THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL

Before the Edinburgh International Festival of Music and Drama is finished each year preparations are well ahead for the next festival. The Scottish Capital is again ready to be "at home" to visitors from all parts of the world during the three weeks from August 22 to September 11 and bookings already indicate that there will be a new attendance record.

What is the secret of the fresh lustre which has been added to a city steeped in the history of past centuries? On the whole, it is the Festival Society has never wavered from the policy of making it a truly international occasion.

The city itself can be said to have given birth to the idea of the Festival. Mr. Rudolf Bing, who became its first artistic director, and the Metropolitan Opera, New York, was in Edinburgh during the first year of the second world war with the Glyndebourne Opera.

The inspiring idea behind the Festival, when the shadows cast by the devastation of five years of war still lay over the world, was that through the medium of the arts something new and constructive could be better understood and to help to re-establish human rights and happiness.

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