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weapons, and able to function as a self-sufficient fighting organization. General Ridgway is convinced that this new type of ground force will discourage Russia and China from starting local wars just as America's lead in atomic weapons discourages them from giving the signal for world conflict.

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Atlantic Provinces Unlimited

The 12-member Atlantic Provinces Economic Council meets at Halifax today for the first time, fortified by the presence of four Premiers, a Premier designate and representatives of the regional Board of Trades.

The present meeting is held, of course, in the spotlight of publicity but the Council will have to accomplish herculean labours, much of which the public will never be aware of, to gain an adequate picture of the economic potential of these surprisingly variegated Provinces.

Even a study of the present economy would be formidable enough, but the real task of the Council will be to determine practical ways in which that economy can be developed to the greater prosperity of this region which has contributed so much to the development of the rest of Canada and the United States.

Not least of its tasks will be to stimulate the enthusiasm of our own people for investment and development. At the present time much of the capital being invested and the plans being made for the development of our industry originates at a distance.

The Potato Meeting

The meeting called by the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture appears to be mainly for the purpose of explaining the policy of the Potato Marketing Board and the reasons for its adoption.

It will be recalled that when the plebiscite on the continued operation of the Potato Board was concluded on June 5th there were 5,140 ballots for the Board and 1,845 against. That is to say 75 per cent of all producers voted and 64 per cent of the vote was for the continuation of the Board.

The Federation of Agriculture itself proposed a number of changes to the Potato Board's original statement of policy, including the division of the crop into five time pools rather than four.

The crucial point, however, is the existence of a sole selling agency. The proponents of the Potato Board are firmly convinced that such exclusive power is essential to the Board's operation.

New U. S. Combat Methods

Next month the United States Army will hold exercises in the South to test new combat methods that have been under experiment for nearly two years.

General Ridgway plans to supplement this firing power with a new flexibility and mobility in the use of infantry troops.

The strength of General Ridgway's case, notes the Winnipeg Free Press, rests upon his recognition that atomic weapons, guided missiles, jet planes, and atomic submarines have transformed the art of war.

Last June Mr. Wilson, U. S. Secretary of Defence, planned to eliminate two infantry divisions while re-creating one armored division. The United States has only nineteen active divisions now, one less than last year, and the army's personnel is much smaller than in 1953.

Ming Sung Sailings

Canadians, notes the Ottawa Journal, have a bitter sip of Chinese tea in the report of Freedom Front, published in Hong Kong, on the seven Ming Sung ships the Communists took over.

The Canadian taxpayer has paid some \$3,000,000 on this bill while the Communists have used the freighters for their own purposes. Freedom Front notes a Communist report that two now are undergoing repair at Hong Kong.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It is predicted that within two years 80 per cent of all long-distance calls in this country will be dialed directly by the operator to requested numbers, making, in effect, the whole continent a single exchange.

Canadian music should receive a much-needed stimulus from the proposed fund to help young composers have their work performed. The proposed establishment of the fund has been announced by the dean of McGill University's conservatory of music.

"Keep the out in Scouting" is the motto of the movement in this Province as elsewhere. It is not always easy to do under conditions here. Troops are apt to be disrupted during the best camping weather, so that it is a real achievement that 452 boys should have been under canvas at Camp Buchan.

The Canadian Tourist Association has honoured one of the real pioneers of the tourist industry in conferring a life membership upon Mr. Justice A. E. Arsenault. The retired Island judge was a one-man tourist bureau before Boards of Trade or Governments began to take an interest in the matter.

Louis Pasteur, French chemist and scientist, died this date 1895, honoured by the whole world and held in affection and reverence by those who knew him. He divided his efforts between research and teaching. He made many discoveries, including the fact that in fermentation penicillium glaucum destroyed only the right-handed portion of the inactive tartaric acid.



The Poet's Corner

FROM A FOREST HYMN
The groves were God's first temples. Ere man learned To hew the shaft, and lay the architrave...

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The Passing Scene

By Observer
FACTS AND FIGURES
I have been looking over an abridged copy of a booklet which was put out recently by the United Nations Educational, Social, and Cultural Organization. For those who put any trust in statistics, the booklet will be interesting reading, since it gives all manner of interesting information related to the educational and entertainment-producing media in the various countries mentioned in the review.

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NOTES BY THE WAY
The Canadian dollar is reputed to be the strongest in the world. In any event it's a wonderful aid when it comes to lifting a mortgage. —Ottawa Citizen.
Some men are so careful of their health that they will only smoke a cigaret with a filter tip—and then light it while driving at 60 miles an hour. —Edmonton Journal.
Irritable husbands now have an excuse. Biologists say that if there is no irritability, there is no life and the higher in the scale of life the greater the response to irritation. —The Ottawa Journal.
In the football season, the diplomatic cab-driver is the one who limits himself to asking: "How do you like the way those fellows are going against those guys?" —Hamilton Spectator.
—Visitors to Egypt this Fall may be able to look five thousand years into the past, gazing through a glass window at the "spirit ship" built for the great Pharaoh Cheops. This strange ship was found three months ago by archaeologists exploring the royal tomb. —London Free Press.
A Calgary man has telephoned to tell us about his six-year-old's comment on the first day of school. It seems that after the little fellow had returned from the classroom, his father, like fathers everywhere, asked him what he thought of school. "Oh, it was fine," the youngster replied. "I'd like to go again some time." —Calgary Herald.
We were sympathetic to the Scots who protested at clan tartans being used in women's underwear but we were floored by the indignant woman who said: "It's just like wearing an old school tie to which one is not entitled." The cheats give trouble in public and we trust the tartan underwear will not. —The Ottawa Journal.
An issue of the British Medical Journal reports that a surgical glove was found in a man's lung during a chest operation which had been absent-mindedly left there 12 years ago. When it was removed the patient recovered. Which reminds us of the patient who got the jitters coming out of the ether when he heard the surgeon say to the nurse: "Where did I leave my hat?" —St. Thomas Times-Journal.
In Barietta, Italy, a child of three fell from an upstairs window, bounced off telephone wires and landed on a passer-by's head. The child then walked back upstairs to summon help for the passerby who was taken to hospital with a severely sprained back. It must be the leading candidate this season for the title of bouncing baby. —Peterborough Examiner.
The sight of a row of cows reposing in the straw at the county fair, is an instructive sight. As busy as any beings alive, even in repose as they chew and busy manufacturing milk and cream, each bovine mouth operating like a factory that works around the clock. Oh, there will be some prizes awarded, and for the best of reasons. Sydney Post-Record.

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