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The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink

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As Parliament Meets

With Canada's 27th Parliament about to meet, let's all hope that it will settle down to business and plow through a lot of work.

Of course there will be controversial issues, and no one expects opposition members to be lax in their duty of expressing their views on them.

It has been suggested that the stand-or-fall votes should be limited to major money bills or direct votes of no-confidence.

An Ottawa correspondent in the Financial Post notes that this problem was largely met in the last Parliament by abstentions by individuals in opposition.

This would be a proper way of showing its acceptance of the fact that having called an election to get a majority—and failed—it has no right to hold the threat of another election over the House.

The Western Liberals

Almost as badly off as Prince Edward Island for representation on the "right" side of the house in the Canadian Parliament will be the Prairie provinces.

These were the men and women who paid the price of what we are, and from whom we can still learn lessons in nation building, tolerance, and statesmanship.

EDITORIAL NOTES

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The Prairies solidly and was still invulnerable there in the election of 1965. The Liberal managers had regarded the West as a peripheral consideration, confident that they would win a majority without it.

The Winnipeg paper concedes that all the blame does not rest with the government. "Much of it rests with our Prairie Liberals.

Sentiments which may, we suggest, have some application to the situation in this part of Canada as well.

The Right Approach

We keep hoping that the next Bi-and-Bi Commission report, when it comes out, will not add more fuel to the French-English family quarrel about which we have heard too much already.

The Bank letter takes us back to a question which is very pertinent in this connection: "Who are our ancestors?"

"Not only the people on our individual family trees, but all who have preceded us in building this nation, whether they came with Champlain's first settlers or among the century's immigrants; whether they spoke English, French, Italian, German, Ukrainian or some other language; whether they were Jewish, Catholic or Protestant; whether they were black, brown, yellow or white in color of their skin; whether they were free traders or protectionists; whether they were grand seigniors lordling it over hundreds of acres or hard-working crofters wrestling their precarious living from a patch of stony hillside; whether they were skillful craftsmen felling trees or splitting them and working the wood into chairs and pulpits and farm wagons, or proprietors of water-mills which were the first touch of industrialization brought to the wilderness.

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What with the rasping of jobsters, the clicks of whales, the whistles of porpoises and the cheers of octopus, parts of the sea have an average noise level comparable to that of a large busy office, according to scientists of the American Museum of National History, who are carrying on a study of sea noises.



PRACTICE SLOPE

OTTAWA REPORT By Patrick Nicholson

Hamilton's Views On Agricultural Problems

Alvin Hamilton is the enthroned king of the prairie wheatlands. But talking to him in his Parliament Hill office just before the opening of the new parliament, I could sense his acquired mastery of political strategy and his great interest in government programs.

His concept of how the new session could be got off to a workmanlike start is practical and non-partisan as he outlined it to me.

First comes a matter which concerns all rural areas, but especially the prairies: the proposed abandonment of more railway branch lines.

The railroad legislation should be moved quickly into committee, where it might be thrashed over for three or four months," he said.

LETTING OFF STEAM
Second priority, he believes, should be to start combing over government spending estimates in committee.

PUBLIC FORUM
This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

WEST PRINCE POTENTIAL
Sir.—You recently reported that a group of officials toured Western Prince County for an on-the-spot look over the industrial potential of the area.

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Our Yesterdays
(From The Guardian Files)
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
(January 18, 1941)
Hundreds of Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Wolf Cubs and Brownies attended memorial services in Charlottetown in honor of their leader, the late Chief Scout Rt. Hon. Lord Baden-Powell.

TEN YEARS AGO
(January 18, 1956)
Mr. Frank Chester, Commissioner of the Canadian Farm Loan Board announced the appointment of Mr. J.A. Lawson as manager of the P.E.I. branch.

Our Yesterdays
Mr. Grant MacEwen, BSA, M.Sc., M.E.A. in the Alberta Legislature and an Alderman of the City of Calgary was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Canadian Club of P.E.I. held in the Charlottetown Hotel.

Shopping Centres Old Hat
Niagara Falls Review
Archaeology is a wonderful science. It uncovers the past to the eyes of the present.

Milk And The Bowel

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen
The irritable colon syndrome (gas, abdominal pain, or diarrhea) is common in high-strung, tense, or overworked individuals.

Between 25 and 50 per cent of supposedly normal individuals do not absorb the carbohydrate. We know this occurs because the amount in the blood does not increase after the individual drinks a lactose solution or milk.

Some of these normal individuals do not have symptoms after ingesting lactose or milk. A proportion shy away from milk because they do not like it or have found that it does not agree with them.

In contrast, others in the group suffer from cramps, gas, abdominal distention, or diarrhea. This takes place because the lactose remains in the intestine where it draws fluid into the bowel and encourages fermentation.

Dr. Elliot Weger and his colleagues from Cornell university medical college decided to study the effect of lactose on 27 individuals who suffered from the irritable colon syndrome from two to three years.

THREE TIMES AND OUT
D. R. writes: I have been told that after three attacks of strep throat the poison can kill a person. Is this true?

REPLY
Most of us have suffered several attacks of this common infection and have lived to tell the tale. But I don't mean to belittle streptococcus, a dangerous organism. It is responsible for many maladies such as scarlet fever, rheumatic fever, Bright's disease, subacute bacterial endocarditis, and erysipelas.

PAIN AND STIFFNESS
W.O. writes: What is the shoulder-arm-hand syndrome? REPLY
A condition in which pain and stiffness of the shoulder and hand occur. The skin of the hand on the involved side becomes taut and shiny.

ALLERGIC REACTION
B. N. D. writes: Can a person be allergic to smallpox vaccine? REPLY
Now and then a generalized rash develops seven to eight days after the child is vaccinated. This reaction is thought to be due to allergy to the smallpox virus.

UNDEVELOPED
D. P. writes: Can a woman with an infantile womb become pregnant? REPLY
Yes, if ovarian function is normal. The pregnancy may not go to term in these circumstances.

LIGHT
L. W. J. writes: Is artificial light better than natural daylight for working conditions? REPLY
I doubt that it makes much difference if both are adequate.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—Happiness comes from within. (NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago Illinois.)

FIRE COSTS MUCH
A record total of 940 people died by fire in Japan in 1964, in blazes which caused 29,170,000,000 yen worth of damage.

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Thursday, January 29, 1966—8:00 p.m.
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Tuesday, January 25, 1966—8:00 p.m.
Kings County
Fortune Hall
A meeting of growers for growers to discuss disease control, protection of the industry and development of a strong organization. Discussion rather than speeches will be the pattern.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Jim: "You know, the life of a politician isn't so easy." Bill: "Why not?" Jim: "You try standing on a fence and keeping both ears to the ground."—Hamilton Spectator.

"My dear," said the politician's young wife to her husband, "the baby was trying to talk again." "What was he talking about?" "I think it must have been politics. He started very calmly, but in a few minutes he was as angry and red as the face as he could be. It is perfectly wonderful how he takes after you."—Windsor Star.

A lot of people think they're prosperous, as long as they can borrow money enough to pay their debts.—Guelph Mercury.

Those contaminated plastic freezers must have proved a boon to some. One man phoned his boss after Christmas to say he couldn't come to work because he got a bad ice ball in his drink.—Edmonton Journal.

A Japanese astronomer is still convinced there is life on Mars. The recent photos failed to show any trace of life, but there is always the chance that the inhabitants were taking their siesta. St. Chaterines Standard.

Meeting In Luxembourg

LUXEMBOURG (AP)—President de Gaulle is sending France's foreign minister to a meeting of the Common Market he turned his back on nearly seven months ago.

Until then there will be no progress toward European union. The idea of Britain joining, recently revived after de Gaulle's veto three years ago, cannot come up.

AWAIT TERMS
All will be waiting to hear de Gaulle's terms for resuming full co-operation in the Common Market. He is expected to insist on two major conditions:

1. A binding agreement to maintain the veto of each member country over Common Market decisions. Under the treaty of Rome, the constitution of the Common Market, this veto was to have ended Jan. 1.

2. A curb on the powers of the Common market commission and its West German chairman, Walter Hallstein. This nine-man executive is not responsible to the individual governments and is the biggest supra-national element in the Common Market.

France Stresses Fecundity
Windsor Star
Many parts of the world want to reduce their birth rates. France is an exception. She is a naturally rich country which could support more than her approximately 50,000,000 people.

These laws were enacted after World War I, in which France was bled white by losses in battle. Their purpose was to build up the population.

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