

OTTAWA JOTTINGS

Common Market Issue Sparks House Exchange

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The end of each week brings the problem of choosing outstanding features to report. It is natural that a country as widespread geographically as Canada, a federal government with as many departments, and 263 varied individuals give unlimited opportunity for comment.

This is even more clear when sensitivities are exaggerated in a pre-election season. As always, there are good speeches and poor speeches in the House of Commons. Several cabinet ministers have been particularly outstanding and have raised their reputation as our best speakers.

Hon. Donald Fleming, minister of finance, dealt thoroughly with the Common Market. Hon. Davie Fulton, minister of justice, gave a broad coverage of government accomplishment, complimenting his fellow ministers on their efforts and results.

Hon. Gordon Churchill, minister of veterans affairs, made a rousing "off the cuff" speech in defence of Canada's position in world affairs. Much of the Common Market talks have been premature and accordingly confused and ill-founded. It was timely that Mr. Fleming early in the session, should speak on this. Everyone recognizes that Canada's economy will be affected by the steps taken by Great Britain and the United States, but the fact remains that these steps have not yet been taken and it is useless to insist on Canadian government decisions, not only before the facts are known, but before there are any facts. So far the government has been doing all it can do in assessing the various alternatives.

Mr. Fleming spoke forcefully on this point: "The Leader of the Opposition and some newspapers were saying long ago that the United Kingdom was going into the Common Market. They were saying this even before the U.K. had decided to negotiate. Their statement has been contradicted by the United Kingdom government itself, and I think they know their own business better than the leader of the Opposition knows it for them. We are, of course, fully aware of the possibility of the United Kingdom joining the Common Market and our planning takes this possibility into account. In the present stage, current interest is concentrated on the terms which are under negotiation."

The minister further expressed his faith in the United Kingdom: "If the United Kingdom were to enter the Common Market without taking steps to protect Commonwealth interests, including Canadian interests, the results could be very grave for Canada and for the Commonwealth. Our trade, both in agriculture and industry, could suffer enormous losses and dislocation.

In the course of our discussions with the United Kingdom we have received assurances that they will safeguard the vital interests of the Commonwealth or they will not go into the Common Market. We value those assurances and we appreciate them. We recognize the difficulties which confront the United Kingdom and the heavy responsibilities which they bear in these negotiations."

From time to time as issues appear, I am grasping and absorbing the work and the character of certain cabinet ministers.

One that may not be frequently enough mentioned in newspaper articles generally is the hard working minister of justice, Hon. Davie Fulton. Davie, his mother's family name and not a nickname; comes from a political family. His father was successively provincial secretary, attorney general, and minister of lands and works in the provincial government of Sir Richard McBride, 1901-1909, and was elected as MP for Cariboo, British Columbia, in 1917-1921 as a Conservative unionist. His grandfather, A.E.D. Davie and his great uncle Theodore Davie were premiers of British Columbia, the latter being appointed Chief Justice of British Columbia in 1896.

Davie is a Rhodes Scholar and attended St. John's College, Oxford in 1937-1939, and then served during the war in the Canadian Army Overseas as company commander with the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada and as D.A.A.G. 1st Canadian Infantry Division 1940-45 including both the Italian and Northwest Europe campaigns; mentioned in despatches. He was transferred to the reserve of officers with the rank of major.

He was first elected to the House of Commons on June 11, 1945. Immediately his studious and legally trained mind observed the minute exceptions and little used rules of the House of Commons. Consequently, he has been invaluable to the Conserva-

tion, he has often won a point for one of his colleagues and made it so self-evident as to be completely accepted.

Davie is an excellent speaker and a generous one, not only in expending his energy to travel long distances, but in the credit he always bestows on his colleagues, particularly his cabinet colleagues.

Combined with this, Davie's vast knowledge of past and present legislation makes him in-

teresting and educational on most subjects. It can be very thrilling when this minister, with the authority of his position commands, with his simple, effective vocabulary, speaks of those principles we all share.

HONORED ARCHITECT
The gold medal of the Royal Institute of British Architects for 1962 has been awarded the Swedish expert Professor Sven Markelius.

Steelworkers Union To Build Controversial Health Centre

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont. (CP)—The United Steelworkers of America (USWA) has announced construction of its controversial health centre will begin next summer. Construction would save the way for the union to open its proposed health clinic, first of its kind to be run by a union in Canada. The plan calls for the clinic to be staffed by doctors, and this has met with opposition from the medical association here.

The doctors say they are opposed to a closed panel system of medical care as the union proposes, because it has "pitfalls" for patients and doctors. Patients should have full freedom to choose their own doctors.

John Barker, head of Local 2251's committee on the centre, said that a young prize-winning Toronto architect, Jerome Markson, will design the building. Mr. Barker said: "An intensive search is under way to find an outstanding medical director to head the group health centre program. It is expected that a final decision will be made on the medical director in the next several months so that work can begin soon on recruiting a qualified staff of physicians."

He said the centre will start operations early in 1963. Financing of the plan was assured by the recent contract signed by the union with Algoma Steel Corporation. A clause in this pact states that

plant employees will have the option of receiving medical or surgical benefits from the health centre or from their personal physicians as at present. On this, Mr. Barker commented: "Steel workers have negotiated a sufficient increase from the company to pay the monthly premium cost for operation of the group health centre, so that no increase is necessary in the members' premium cost."



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