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Hallowe'en

Hallowe'en festivities are almost universal at this season, and stem from beliefs and customs of very ancient times.

What cannot be tolerated is rowdyism, which on some past occasions has been indulged in by youths with a bent for boisterous rampaging and causing damage to property not their own.

Mr. Duncan's Views

In an address before the Canadian Council of the International Chamber of Commerce Mr. James S. Duncan, retired chairman of Massey-Harris-Ferguson Ltd., had some things to say which should be taken to heart by all Canadians.

Leadership is what counts, however, and evidently Mr. Stanfield has what it takes to bring his party into combat trim.

Threat To World Peace

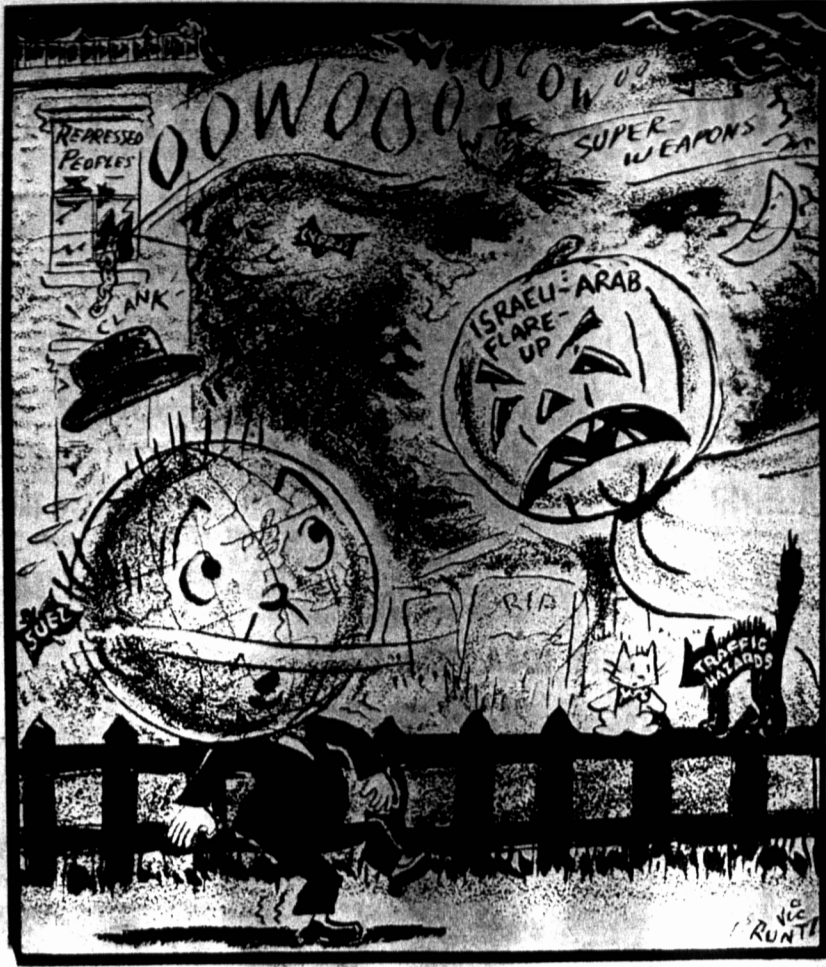
Israel's misguided invasion of Egypt has brought worldwide repercussions, fully justified by the danger which may result from this explosive incident.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A petition signed by a large number of Poles has asked the new head of the Communist Party in that country to reinstate Cardinal Wyszynski who was removed from his office in 1953.

Bela Varga, speaker of the Hungarian Parliament before the Communists took over control, is a man whose opinions will be listened to with great respect from now on.

According to a report just issued by the United States Public Health Service, one-fourth of the people using public water supplies now have fluoridated water, to protect children's teeth from decay.



PERPETUAL HALLOWE'EN

Poland And Hungary

By Ernest Marsh Reuters Service, London

Hungary and Poland, now in ferment after moves aimed at turning from Moscow-dominated to national communism became Communist states in the impoverished years immediately after the Second World War.

With the Red Army, which swept the Germans from Eastern Europe in the closing stages of the war, on, plying Hungary and Poland from 1945 on, the Communists there worked relentlessly to gain power.

And, as in all East European states, the pattern that brought success was, roughly the same, though the timing differed.

The infiltration of trade unions, key organizations and vital government posts, the formation of coalitions with democratic parties followed by the disappearance of opposition groups and elections with a single list of candidates.

Two principal personalities in the present upheavals—Imre Nagy in Hungary and Wladyslaw Gomulka in Poland—held vital posts in their parties climbed to power.

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Conflict In Palestine

The Associated Press

Israel has had nearly a decade of violent strife with her Arab neighbors since she became an independent state in Palestine.

The war that began in 1948 has never stopped despite the armistice agreements made by the United Nations in 1949.

Reported Israeli thrusts across Egypt's Sinai Peninsula Monday are an extension of the violence which accompanied Israel's birth as a nation May 15, 1948, and her growth since.

Israel's entry into the Palestine picture came after years of Zionist Jewish Agency moved to take as the promised land of the Bible.

The British government, in its 1917 Balfour Declaration, supported the Zionist cause, but Arab opposition caused hesitation in Britain in carrying out the declaration.

When the British mandate over the area expired May 15, 1948, both Arabs and the Zionist Jewish Agency moved to take over the vacuum.

The UN had voted in November, 1947, to partition Palestine into two states—one Arab, one Jewish—with Jerusalem under international control.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Editor does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

VACANT HOMES

Sir,—As one whose work has taken me several thousand miles over the country roads and highways this summer, I have noted the scores and scores of vacant homes, some ready to tumble down, others never finished, and still others in very good condition.

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Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Rudessa, M. D.

HOLDING BOOK AT ANGLE MAKES READING EASIER

Want to be able to read more easily and at the same time guard against eyestrain? Then read this.

Recent tests have proved that the angle at which you hold the reading matter has considerable effect upon both the visibility of the words and the speed at which you read. The size of type also is an important factor.

SOME 300 university sophomores took part in the tests. A headrest kept their eyes a specific distance from the reading copy.

It was proved conclusively that these students could read more quickly when the copy was held at a 45 degree angle. Laying the reading matter flat on a table greatly reduced the speed and ease with which they read.

The students also found that it was much easier to read 10-point type than the smaller 8-point type.

Many newspapers, incidentally, are now using type larger than 8 point. They are using more white space around the type which also makes for easier reading.

If you have normal sight, I think you'll find it best to hold this newspaper or whatever else you may read about 17 inches from your eyes.

If you can't read well at this distance, I suggest you have an eye examination.

A good rule to follow when reading is to hold the copy on a 45-degree angle from the vertical and just under a foot and a half from your eyes.

If you wear bifocals, here's another tip: Don't tilt your head forward when reading. Instead, lower your eyes. And when reading a newspaper fold it in half and hold it low.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

A.G.: I had a baby two years ago and breast-fed her for eight months. However, my breasts will not dry up. What would you suggest that I do?

Answer: It would be well for you to have a complete physical examination to determine whether there is some hormone difficulty causing the breasts to discharge.

In such cases, the cause often is not found and the discharge usually stops by itself if given time...

The Age Old Story

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Another objection to the school of experience is, that just as are about to graduate it adds a post-graduate course. — Edmont Journal

There has been so much emphasis on the level of political campaigning in the United States this year, it would seem that Ike, in accusing the opposition of indulging in bunk, should stipulate whether he means upper or lower bunk. — Orillia Packet and Time

When he was in Winnipeg the other day, C. D. Howe made it official: the Western section of the natural gas pipeline will not be completed this year. This admission wiped out the final shroud of excuse for ramming the pipeline loan measure through Parliament last Spring.—Winnipeg Free Press

There is a dog in Toronto which waits for the postman at a corner, and accompanies him on his daily rounds. What a sissy this animal must appear to be in the eyes of other dogs in the neighborhood which prefer the company of a postman. Just long enough to get a piece of his trousers. — Fort William Times-Journal

A new York weekly describes Quebec's Mr. Duplessis as "premier of Canada". Reminds us of a "quiz" program on an American television station in which a contestant missed a rich prize by naming New Zealand as one of Canada's Maritime Provinces. — Ottawa Journal

A snail, we read, travels about 15 feet in an hour. With our well-known mathematical wizardry we deduce from this that if a snail were a six-foot man he would travel about one-fifth of a mile in an hour. So now you know what a snail's pace is. If a snail were a telegraph boy it would move a little slower. — Peterborough Examiner

In all Newfoundland in 1956 there were not more than a thousand motor vehicles. The total for the island today is nearly 42,000 and St. John's alone has 12,639 cars and 2,813 trucks and vans. And since few roads have been widened in the intervening period, it is small wonder we have congestion on the city streets and the main highways of Avalon. — St. John's News

The curse of the Commons is the uproar created by the desk-top lids members can bang. A member whose angry voice is so more formidable than that of a courting dove can make himself a veritable North Star with four motors all out when he slams his desk lid. Often it appears the most inarticulate members are the best bangers. — Ottawa Journal

If often shows a fine command of language to say nothing. Guelph Mercury

It's too bad vandals could not be caught in the act. These sneaky type perverts always do their work at night, when no one is around, and the damage they do is not revealed until daylight. They are among the most cowardly of criminals, and senseless as well. Destruction of property gives them a sense of power, we suppose, and in their warped outlook, they think they have achieved stature if they have destroyed or broken something. — North Bay Nugget

If, as predicted, we are headed for a four-day work week, there's going to be an awful lot of overtime piled up by ambulance drivers on one of our long weekends. — Brandon Sun

There is an engaging little story going around about two caterpillars who were munching on a blade of grass. As they ate a butterfly came fluttering along. One caterpillar looked up, nudged the other and said: "You'll never get me up in one of those things!" — Fort William Times-Journal

"Yes—this NEW Star Weekly is really something! How do you like its compact tabloid size, isn't it so convenient?"

"Indeed it is—and say the Picture section is a real treat—Those colorings and sequence arrangements of the pictures are beautiful!"

"The articles and stories in the magazine sections also appeal to me and you should hear the wife rave about the fashions and recipes and the complete Novel."

"I'll bet you went for the comic too—I did. There are four more pages, you know."

"I'm sure did—but of course the kids got to them first."

"Well, the new Star Weekly is a swell job."

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