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The Liberal Convention

The leadership race at the Liberal national convention this week is between two seasoned veterans, Hon. Lester B. Pearson and Hon. Paul Martin...

Such a policy, says the Free Press, should not be excessively detailed. Circumstances change too quickly. What seems sensible now may be entirely inappropriate a year or two hence...

So good an authority as Winston Churchill once gave a British Conservative gathering much the same advice. But the Free Press was doubtless thinking of an example nearer home...

The Ottawa Journal (Conservative) concedes that Conservative platforms have not been much better. Actually, it suggests, our political parties when they hold their national conventions put the cart before the horse...

Perhaps this week's Liberal convention at Ottawa will set a better precedent. Whether it would bring the Party out of the doldrums in which it is now languishing is another question...

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even though the chance of coming to an agreement on outstanding problems may be no greater than it was at the last meeting of heads of Governments...

Perhaps none of these things would ease international tensions; but they could do no harm, and they might even have a slight beneficial effect—provided that care be taken to let the Russians know in advance that any willingness on the part of the West to go the extra mile is not motivated by weakness nor by fear of Soviet might...

Mineral Production

1957 was a good year for the Canadian mining industry as a whole—the best in its history, in fact. The Dominion Board of Statistics reports that production rose to \$2,133,941,087...

Coal showed a sharp reduction to \$89,892,750 from \$95,344,763 in 1956. Tonnage produced fell to 13,183,175 from 14,915,610. Less Canadian coal was shipped abroad in 1957 than in any other year since 1933...

Crude petroleum continued as the leading commodity with a value of nearly \$455 million. Nickel was in second place with a value of approximately \$261 million, and third place was taken by copper (which was in second place in 1956) with a value of \$199½ million...

EDITORIAL NOTES

Geologists from 15 Asian countries met in Calcutta last month to put the final touches to the draft of the first geological map of Asia, which is to be published next year. The map is of considerable importance, as a detailed and accurate knowledge of geological structure is a prerequisite for Asian countries in the exploitation of their mineral resources to create new industries...

Evidently, Prime Minister Diefenbaker agrees with Premier Matheson that extension of thermal power facilities to this Province is covered in the arrangement made some months ago with Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. It now remains for the Provincial Government to name the specific projects for which Federal assistance is required...

A little thing like the Suez crisis is not enough to keep the British out of Middle East trade. Recently, 70 delegates from the Arab world attended a trade conference in Beirut sponsored by a group of British electrical and engineering firms. It was the largest commercial conference ever held by British industrialists in the Middle East; and, according to the London Times, it was a successful one from the British point of view.



JUNE IN JANUARY

OTTAWA REPORT

Two Significant Gatherings

By Patrick Nicholson, Special Correspondent for The Guardian

Ottawa: The National Convention of the Liberal Party opening here tomorrow is one of two very significant gatherings to be staged by the two big political parties in this capital early in the new year.

More Liberal delegates than ever before have been invited to this, the fourth, National Liberal Convention. Their task will be to select a new leader for their party, and to revise and redraft their party's programme...

What has caused this swing? Among a wide variety of causes, the two most obvious ones might be the release of the Conservative Party from the control by the old Toronto fuddy-duddies, and the natural revulsion of idealistic youth against the dictatorial tendencies of the previous Liberal government.

UNIVERSITY SWEEP Not every boy and girl can go to college; and not every college student takes an interest in politics. But among the small group of politically-minded undergraduates, the trend to Progressive Conservatism is vividly marked.

In the recent university elections, Conservatives won for the first time over in three western universities, British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba. And they won for the second time only in Saskatchewan.

What is remarkable about this western sweep is that in no one of those provinces do the Conservatives form the local government. Many of these students who gave top place to the Conservatives in their university polls are too young to have a vote in our federal elections.

But when former Justice Minister Stuart Carson, an ex-Liberal Cabinet Minister, acted as "Governor-General" to read the clause pattern long enough to assure good profit. But in the small Canadian market, it is not possible to produce these cloths. Canadian mills have to have volume to make a profit and therefore must stay with staple patterns.

A Critical Tariff Case

Grant Dexter in the Winnipeg Free Press

The application of the Canadian woollen manufacturers for higher tariff was resisted by the clothing and dress manufacturers the logging and lumber industry, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, the Interprovincial Farm Union, Council and the Consumers Association.

The most important of these are the clothing and dress manufacturers. They regretted their appearance because they are part of the Canadian textile industry. But in their view higher tariffs could not help the Canadian mills but would injure the clothing industry and the general public. Every one who buys clothes — men, women and children — will be keenly interested in the case of the clothing and dress industry.

The clothing manufacturers showed that they cannot meet the present requirements of the public if they are restricted to the products of Canadian mills. Style changes are becoming more rapid each year. The clothing manufacturers are now sending their own experts to the United States for styling and to the United Kingdom for exclusive cloth patterns. The United Kingdom woollen industry is a very large one and it specializes in exclusive style patterns for the United States market. There is enough business of this kind available to a British mill to keep it running on an ex-

PUBLIC FORUM

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

NEEDLESS DAMAGE

Sir,—I would like to bring to the attention of the public the apparent loss of one of the beauty spots of Charlottetown. I refer to that lot of land located between Grafton Street and the old Post Office Building.

It is through the preservation and care of such locations as this that the city of Charlottetown gets its beauty, particularly in the summer months. I would suggest that efforts should be made by the proper authorities to have the cars parked elsewhere to close off the lawn to all vehicles, and try to restore it to its former state before it is too late to do so.

The City Council and citizens of Charlottetown are making a fine effort to keep our city in beautiful shape. But it requires the co-operation of everybody to make the task easy.

Thank you, Mr. Editor, for this valuable space in your paper. I am, Sir, etc., INTERESTED CITIZEN.

BIRD FEEDER

It was in October's amber haze that we set the feeder plank in place. Upon the window's sunlit sill. "They must be familiar with it," we said, "They must find some crumbs and suet there."

Before the snow falls thickly down To cover the boughs and the berries hedge. Now, with whiteness all about, A junco has fluttered up from the ground. And tasting approved our proffered fare. A chickadee shrills his keen delight. And a tailored titmouse shyly flies.

Awake to open his captured seed In a secret nook; the mottled brown Of a song sparrow perches upon the pine. That sways above the feeding space; And now in arrowed, crimson flight. The cardinals seek this known retreat. et wgs. From cold and stormy voyagings And the snow is kindled by scarlet wings.

Bertha Wilcox Smith In the Christian Science Monitor.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) (Jan. 13, 1933) Dr. J. A. Clark was elected President of the Charlottetown Board of Trade at the annual meeting held last night. Other officers are T. E. McNutt, vice-president; W. K. Higgins, secretary-treasurer; Council, R. L. Cotton, R. L. McLure, S. A. MacLeod, P. W. Turner, G. J. Tweedy, Samuel Kennedy, F. W. Clarkin, A. L. Wright.

Mr. C. M. Robertson, eastern traffic manager of Canadian Airways Limited, said last evening that although he was optimistic over the prospective development of air routes in the Maritimes, he was of the opinion that lines now being operated could not be extended until the Government was able to give more financial assistance.

TEN YEARS AGO (Jan. 13, 1948) A plan for the proposed erection on Orlebar and Birchwood streets of twenty-nine apartment units by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation was produced by Councillor M.

BISHOP ARRESTED HONG KONG (AP)—Red China has re-arrested Bishop Joseph Hu of Taichow and sentenced him and two other clerics to long prison terms, the Catholic Sunday Examiner reported Friday. The 75-year-old bishop, who was imprisoned in 1955 and later released, was seized again recently on a charge of being a counter-revolutionary, the weekly church paper said. The three clergymen were sentenced to terms ranging from 10 to 20 years.

On The Way To Extinction

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. THAT age-old bugaboo, the common cold, might be well on its way to extinction.

I don't mean that you won't be sneezing and coughing any more. We aren't going to be that lucky. The illnesses will still be a threat, at least to some degree, but you won't be able to blame them on that all-inclusive phrase, the common cold.

ONE OUT OF FOUR One out of every four working adults in the United States will suffer from what we now call "a cold" during January and February.

But this probably won't be the case in the days of our great-grandchildren. Scientists, you see, are now hard at work probing the mysteries of various types of respiratory diseases.

All of you, I'm sure, know the symptoms of a cold — irritable cough, watery eyes, swollen and congested mucous membranes and a dry and scratchy throat.

OTHER AGENTS However, these symptoms are not necessarily caused by the same agents. Such things as irritating gases, pollen and dust-laden air and even sudden temperature changes might bring on one or all of the symptoms of a cold.

On the other hand, biological agents — virus and bacteria — also cause acute respiratory infection. These are infectious diseases and they can be passed on from one person to another. Simply for the lack of some more specific designation, we have been lumping all these illnesses with similar symptoms into a single classification—the common cold — although their reactions upon the human body vary greatly.

But, one by one, our scientific experts are discovering the causes of these various types of illnesses. As each one is given a more scientific designation, the field of the common cold is narrowed.

The influenza virus is a prime example. While the symptoms may be similar to those of an ordinary cold, the illness itself is not classified as a common cold by the doctor.

IMMUNIZING AGENTS Not only does this continuous investigation come up with specific causes and names for cold-type diseases, it might also provide immunizing agents for them.

At any rate, while each year may bring about the same amount of sneezes and wheezes, fewer of them can be blamed upon the common cold.

QUESTION AND ANSWER D.F.: My womb is in the wrong position and is pushed against my back. Will it require surgery to correct this?

Answer: Most cases require surgery, particularly if backache, stomach pains, painful menstruation and severe discharge are present.

The Age Old Story

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MAXIMS

The aim of education should be to convert the mind into a living fountain, and not a reservoir. That which is filled by merely pumping in, will be emptied by pumping out.

BILL PRESENTED

OTTAWA (CP)—The government asked Parliament Friday to approve January expenditures of \$272,000,000. Finance Minister Donald Fleming said that if approval is given, Parliament will have approved expenditures totaling \$2,913,253,431 in the 1957-58 fiscal year which ends March 31. Total federal spending for the year has been estimated at \$5,400,000,000.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Propaganda is predisgested pap prepared for puerile people. —Kitchener-Waterloo Record

If a pedestrian, walk carefully. Don't be done of the first to be knocked down by a new 1958 automobile. —St. Catharines Standard

In a Montreal court a man who has spent 12 of the past 15 years in prison was sent back for another 10 years for his share in a robbery. Certainly he would be able to argue that crime does not pay. Or maybe he likes security! —Ottawa Journal

One boy goes to the Lachead Exhibition with one main thought in mind — to get to the Midway with his rides and shows as fast as his feet can carry him. Another lad comes in from the farm to tend his entry in the livestock judging. We contend the latter gets greater satisfaction out of his visit to the Exhibition than the fun-seeking youngster. —Fort William Times-Journal

The West will not win the struggle for uncommitted minds by building bigger rockets and lobbing into space more complex satellites — which is to say competing with the Soviet Union on Soviet terms. It will win them by competing on its own terms, which are the terms of freedom and decency and which the Soviet Union — as Hungary proves — is not yet able to meet. —Vancouver Province

In the 30 years he served on the Supreme Court, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes made many wise observations. To one of his many statements we may, in these tensioned times, be tempted to make caustic interpolation. Nevertheless, the sentiment was at the time arresting, and remains basically sound — "Taxes are what we pay for civilized society." Buhl (Idaho) Herald

A. Farmer for inspection of the monthly meeting of the City Council last night. The City's share of the cost would be \$17,400. A committee was appointed to look into the plan.

The re-organization of the Island Division of the Navy League of Canada got away to an encouraging and enthusiastic start at a meeting held yesterday afternoon in the office of Mr. Justice George J. Tweedy. Mr. Tweedy who was elected President gave a brief talk on the aims and objects of the League.

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An Editor's Prayer — "Oh Lord let my words be soft and sweet, for tomorrow I may have to eat them." —The Anamosa (Ia.) Journal

It looks like the Russian Sputnik has accomplished in a few days what conservative educators in the United States have been trying unsuccessfully to do for the past 20 years — to halt the trend away from solid class — room subjects to frills in education. —Fullerton (Nebraska) Journal

Anyone who has ever gambled on the probability of a cow crossing the highway in safety will appreciate the action of the Pennsylvania Legislature in authorizing construction and maintenance of cattle subways for new road projects. The measure, however, applies to future construction and relocation and not to existing highways. —Saint John Telegraph-Journal

Many readers were intrigued to read that one of the topics for a sermon at John Street United Church would be: "Wanted — A Pou Sto for 1958." We heartily agree with its title particularly from an ideological point of view, in our battle against communism. What is a Pou Sto? Literally a place to stand on, a basis of operation, in the Greek of Archimedes, a "firm spot on which to stand." —Sault Ste. Marie Star



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