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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink."

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The Korean Crisis

News of the prorogation of Parliament over the week-end was overshadowed by fighting in Korea, in which Canada, as a member of the United Nations, is gravely concerned. Prime Minister St. Laurent's assurance that Canadian warships are being moved to Pearl Harbour to be closer to the scene if needed for action, and that Parliament will be reconvened in the event of the situation deteriorating, indicates that the Dominion is prepared to shoulder its full responsibility.

As yet this is all that is required. The U. N. Security Council has made no specific call upon Member States for military or other action, although it has invited voluntary assistance. Its first directive was an order to cease fire, presented to all Korean authorities, which was ignored by North Korea. Its second directive branded North Korea as the aggressor and expressed the hope that U. N. Members would "furnish such assistance to the republic of Korea as may be necessary to repel the armed attack and to restore international peace and security in the area."

At Ottawa the Government's assurance that Canada is in close contact with other members, particularly the United States whose forces are already in action, and that we are prepared to render any aid required, would seem to meet the situation at present.

It is noteworthy that there was no suggestion on this occasion of a plebiscite being necessary to determine the Government's attitude. As for the Opposition, they were concerned only in obtaining assurances that the naval forces to be supplied would be enough, and that more would follow swiftly if needed. Parliament has rarely been so unanimous in thus indicating that it means business.

Fishing Contests Not Lotteries

Last February the U. S. Post Office Department shocked disciples of Isaac Walton by ruling that a fishing contest is a lottery if the contestant puts up money to enter it and there is a prize for the biggest fish caught. Reaction in Washington, if not swift, has been decisive. A House committee has approved amendments to the Federal anti-lottery laws making it clear that such contests are legal if approved by a state for the development of recreational resources and not for profit.

Necessity for the legislation should never, of course, have arisen. That fishing, which consists of studying the ways of the finny tribe; seeking out favourable spots for the lure; selecting the time after judiciously consulting calendar, thermometer, barometer and the heavens; choosing from an almost infinite variety of the lure which will prove as dear to the heart of the fish as to the fisherman; dexteriously handling the gear to the perfection of which generation after generation of enthusiastic fishermen has contributed; that all this should be considered in the same class with buying a ticket on an unknown horse in a sweepstake passes comprehension. It is true, of course, that skill is not invariably rewarded. But that is so in any pursuit. A duffer may score a bull's eye on the range, but that does not make a rifle shoot a game of chance. A novice may win a prize for the largest fish, but his chances of doing so are increased by every bit of fisherman's lore he can learn and make use of.

Lo, The Poor Indian!

It isn't necessary to dip into the nightmare novels of Buck Rogers politics, says the Financial Post, to discover what would become of us as individuals under any visionary welfare state. Just imagine the case of the North American Indian, living his secure, government-guaranteed life on the reservation. It's clear enough.

Here's what an Indian missionary on the Owyhee reservation in Nevada recently wrote: "One of the surest consequences of a government of 'welfare' and 'security' is the rapid decline and death of responsibility and character.

"Whatever the pre-reservation Indian was, and his faults were real, he was able to take care of himself and had a character becoming to his culture and religion. He was a responsible person. Today he is far from that. The wretched security he has had, beginning with the food and clothing dole of early years, designed to enforce the reservation system and destroy Indian

resistance, has sapped him of character."

The missionary, Rev. R. J. Rushdoony, goes on to predict that the result would be no better for the best hundred or thousand persons selected from any society and subjected to a generation or more of the same kind of welfare and security government.

"Those Indians who have become progressive and independent apparently have done so because of personal and religious factors totally unrelated to the government program," he concludes.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Independence Day, U. S. A.

Revival services will be the order of the day for the next month.

Sunday partly compensated for the deluge of Dominion Day.

H. R. H. Prince Michael George Charles Franklin, second son of the late H. R. H. the Duke of Kent, born this date 1942.

Everybody, besides the members of Parliament, will be delighted if the Government finds it unnecessary to call a special Session over the Korea situation.

Canada has celebrated her own birthday, and now looks on, a little enviously, as the United States proceeds to demonstrate how it should be put over.

Camp means fun and health for youngsters. It should not be forgotten that for the leaders it frequently means the sacrifice of holidays which they could have spent with their families or taking a much wanted trip.

The proposed amalgamation of suburbs with Toronto proper has been the subject of not a little barbed comment across the country. The consensus of opinion seems to be a bigger Toronto could not be an improvement.

Our convention tourists are more than satisfied with their visit here—"a little glimpse of heaven" "where every prospect pleases", and "the people so friendly and hospitable." Such are some of the tributes left behind.

Mr. McLure, M.P., and the Prime Minister are agreed on at least two subjects, the beauty of Rustico and the deliciousness of lobsters. Dining together in the Parliamentary restaurant at Ottawa, they found them common ground on which to dilate.

The thirteen hour time differential between Tokyo and the Maritimes contributes not a little to the confusion over war dispatches. When it is eleven at night here, it is already noon the next day in General MacArthur's headquarters.

The Commission to enquire into the operations of the Fishermen's Loan Act commences its hearings today. Although asked for by the official Opposition there is no indication that the Progressive-Conservative Party, as such, will be represented by counsel.

Many Scotsmen are resentful of some leaders of the Home Rule for Scotland Party visiting the U. S. A. and Canada on a begging mission to further their cause. Novelist Eric Linklater has asked that his signature be erased from the covenant seeking a separate Scottish parliament because he says to beg American money for a Scottish cause seems undignified. It is worse, it is an insult to Scotland's independence.

They breed an unusual type of Premier in the Prairies who attract Canadian-wide attention. Social Credit Premier Ernest C. Manning is a Gideonite, and he and his wife travel 20,000 miles a year preaching its gospel in addition to advocating Social Credit. On the other hand, C. C. F. Premier Reverend T. C. Douglas is being sued for \$100,000 for the alleged slander of the Liberal Opposition Leader. The case is likely to be heard by seven judges in the Supreme Court at Ottawa. Our Maritime Premiers have attained no such distinction.

The National Film Board was described as a "useless" Government agency by Senator Jacob Nicol (L-Quebec) in the Senate on its closing night. Speaking during second reading of legislation to reorganize the National Film Board, Senator Nicol said the Senate repeatedly heard pleas for economy, yet it was asked to approve expenditures for such agencies as the Film Board. "I may be wrong, but I think one of the most useless boards is the National Film Board." A number of employees had been "turned out" as untrustworthy, he said, and if "that is the condition", then why should the board be continued. The necessity of such boards should be studied before involving the country in needless expenditure to provide jobs for more or less deserving politicians.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

HISTORIC SITES

Sir—The Royal Commission on National Development in Arts, Letters and Sciences, of which Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey is Chairman, has set up a sub-committee to deal with historic sites and monuments in Canada.

The sub-committee has requested a complete list of all historic sites which have been permanently marked in this Province. I have been able to furnish the sub-committee with a list of those sites of national interest which have been marked by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, but I have not any official, or complete, list of historic sites in the Province which have been marked by other groups or individuals.

In order that the sub-committee of the Royal Commission may have the fullest possible information on this subject, I am taking the liberty of addressing your readers through your valued columns and asking them to let me know of any historic sites or events which have been permanently marked in their communities. Information in each case should contain a brief outline of the event commemorated, the nature of the monument or tablet, and the name of the person or group who erected the monument, if available.

I am, Sir, etc. THANE A. CAMPBELL, Member, Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, Charlottetown.

The Poet's Corner

PITY ME NOT

Pity me not because the light of day At close of day no longer walks the sky; Pity me not for beauties passed away From field and thicket as the year goes by; Pity me not the waning of the Nor that the ebbing tide goes out to sea, Nor that a man's desire is hushed so soon, And you no longer look with love on me. This have I known always: love is no more Than the wide blossom which the wind assails, Than the great tide that treats the shifting shore, Strewing fresh wreckage gathered in the gales; Pity me that the heart is slow to learn What the swift mind beholds at every turn. —Edna St. Vincent Millay.

Old Charlottetown

(And P. E. I.)

SUBMARINE CABLE SPLICED

Letter from Henry Palmer, Esq., agent for the Electric Telegraph Company, to the editor of the Haszard's Gazette, July 4, 1855:

"I have much pleasure in informing you that the public successful in taking up and relaying the submarine cable in a position clear of the rocks, which had much injured that portion of it lying on them, by the action of the ice. Although the distance across the Gulf, where it now lies, is two miles longer, yet, by having it laid in a direct or straight line, we found that we had over half a mile of cable to spare, which clearly showed how imprudently it was laid in the first instance. We have had a great portion of the injured part taken out, and the remainder well spliced and secured, and it now works admirably.

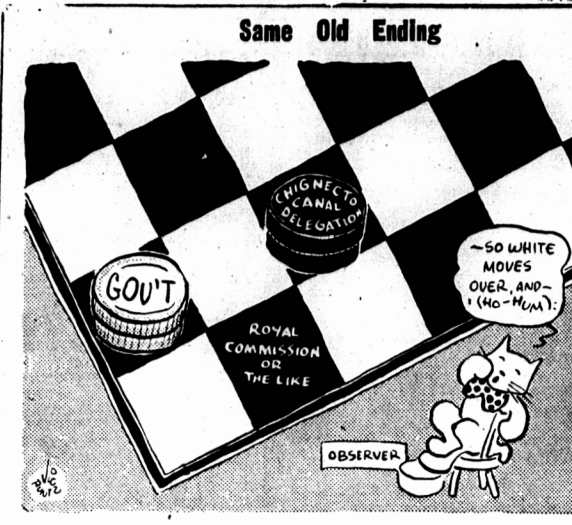
This affords me much more satisfaction on account of the great doubt existing in the minds of many (and I believe among some of the Company) as to whether we could splice it, and preserve perfect insulation. Mr. Gisbourne, who is so celebrated in these matters, told me he would not undertake to raise the cable and relay it for less than \$100,000, and offered to bet me \$100 to \$1 that if we took it up and re-laid it, it would not work! I have done it for less than half the sum, and although spliced in several places, it works as perfect as ever. Much credit is due Mr. Quinlan, the operator, in this undertaking; he always felt satisfied it could be done.

Although it may be usual, it is the first instance of splicing submarine cable we have heard of. I am now putting the line in working order from Cape Traverse to Cape Amherst, and in the course of six or eight days feel confident we will be prepared to send messages to any part of the States, Canada, &c. The Company are getting on rapidly with the line through Newfoundland, and hope to have it completed early this autumn."

The Age-Old Story

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace.

LONDON—(CP)—Motorists passing through a Thames river tunnel emerged somewhat soiled. A truck carrying bags of soot had dropped part of its load.



Crown Agencies Lose Special Status

(Montreal Gazette)

The remaining core of an outworn and now impractical tradition was considerably reduced in Parliament recently by approval, without dissent, of the Government measure to end the statutory immunity from court action of Crown agencies operating on a corporate basis. This protected status, stemming from the ancient dictum that "the King can do no wrong," has become anomalous and iniquitous by the modern extension of government functions and activities into many fields, once regarded as outside the proper sphere of state jurisdiction and left to private enterprises.

It was explained by Hon. Stuart Garson, Minister of Justice, in submitting the bill, that in recent years legislation setting up various special Crown agencies had expressly provided that they could sue and be sued by normal court procedures on matters arising out of their operations. Such agencies included the Industrial Development Bank, the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the Polymer Corporation and the Canadian Commercial Corporation. There remained, however, various boards, commissions and other Crown bodies set up in previous years such as the CBC, which enjoyed the traditional immunity from regular suit, and could not be sued without a fiat from the Attorney-General of Canada.

Mr. Garson emphasized that such fiat could be obtained by a relatively simple procedure and at nominal cost, and had rarely been refused in cases of legitimate grievance or dispute. Nevertheless the requirement constituted a definite impediment to free redress of wrong against a citizen and vested an arbitrary power in the hands of the Government, especially in regard to the wide assortment of agencies carrying out special responsibilities as "emanations of the Crown."

It is gratifying to see one more vestige of this anachronistic practice removed, but the Government has still preserved it in regard to regular departments and the Government as a whole. Question was raised in Parliament as to the validity of maintaining this last bulwark of special protection, and it is worth noting that steps were taken in Britain several years ago substantially to curtail such immunity, not only for Crown agencies but for state departments as well. While it was felt in London that certain safeguards and limitations should be kept, the general principle was laid down that Government entities should be just as subject to court jurisdiction and litigation as private individuals or corporations.

It may be hoped that further consideration will be given to ending or at least reducing the special and artificial status enjoyed by Government divisions, not only in regard to court action but as to local taxation.

Barn Desigining

(Windsor Star)

Down in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, a new barn is being built at the Experimental Farm. Except in its purposes, it will be really different from most barns. It is intended for milking cows and young cattle. There will be no stalls, as the cattle will run loose. There will be no daily cleaning of the stables, but straw will be scattered over the stable area daily, and the accumulation will add heat to the stable. In the spring all will be cleaned out once.

Nor will there be the laborious work of pitching hay and other fodder down out of the mows and then below to a feed room, thence to the mangers. The mows will extend to the floor level of the stable, on either end, and the cattle will be able to feed themselves

Re-registration No Longer Needed

(Telegraph Journal)

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Headquarters here have announced that registration of revolvers and pistols which has been required every five years since 1935, is no longer necessary. Parliament recently passed an amendment to the Criminal Code which now eliminates the necessity for this.

When the last re-registration of revolvers and pistols was made between March 1 and July 1, 1945, the certificates issued bore a notation to the effect that the weapon must be re-registered during a similar period in 1950. Because of this, many persons are bringing their weapons to police officers throughout the province, sometimes at considerable inconvenience to themselves. New Brunswick headquarters of the R. C. M. P. have accordingly made public the following information.

"The certificates issued to cover the registration of revolvers and pistols since March 1, 1945, will continue valid indefinitely unless the owner sells, gives or transfers the revolver or pistol to another person.

"In such instances, it will be required that the person who sells the weapon obtains a permit to do so, and that the purchaser also obtains a permit if he is buying it for resale. The new owner must also have it registered in his name.

"An owner who is retaining his own weapon, however, need no longer appear with it every five years for re-registration."

Up In The Air

(Hamilton Spectator)

It was such an unobtrusive Ottawa item that only a senator seemed curious about it. He wondered—and asked a Federal Finance Department official—why there was so little attention paid to the way civil service salaries had soared from \$77,000,000 in 1939 to \$133,000,000 this year.

Put in another way it might sound even more curious. For it means that every person employed in Canada today pays \$60 to Dominion civil servants alone, many of them administering the "free" services that loom so large in pre-election speeches.

Drugged to sleep by massive indirect or "hidden" taxes—of which the most murderous is the dollar-slashing process of inflation—we can easily miss the effects of public spending. The small radio licence fee, because it is direct, causes a blaze of anger. Millions taken from the householder through sales tax on the things he buys for daily use; or supporting agricultural prices which are his food costs, and for pump-priming through alleged welfare spending—these millions are ignored. But it must come back in the end to the individual, no matter how circuitous the collection route. He pays; only usually every one is the goat but government, with its gigantic debt something "we owe ourselves."

A counter bellow can be anticipated. These enormous annual outlays by government means redistribution; soaking big incomes and big profits, and taking the proceeds to increase lower incomes and jump purchasing power. Innocent people who inquire if this has anything to do with their dol-

out of long mangers. There will be a fence-like device in the mows to keep the fodder pushed up to the mangers.

This type of barn is called a "loafing barn". In some places the style also has been used for milk cows, with the addition of a "milk-cow" parlor, a clean, tidy part where they can be taken for the milking.

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Agents Throughout The Province

Notes By The Way

A far-outré little girl presented a problem at a local hospital. Of course had it been a boy it might have been possible to wall-paper the tar out of him. — London Free Press.

Fourteen baboons that escaped from the Detroit Zoo have returned of their own accord. Apparently one look at the outside world was enough to convince them the monkey house is preferable. — Windsor Star.

Women's Auxiliary to BC Command of Canadian Legion, meeting in Trail, went on record opposing the old idea that married women should not work for pay outside the home. This is as it should be. The women of the legion are to be commended for their wisdom and leadership. A married woman is an individual as much as anyone else. She should be allowed to use her talents in the business or professional world as she sees fit, provided her family isn't hurt. — Vancouver News Herald.

There are people in Kingston and in other Canadian communities still ready to play the shell game or three-card monte, as operated by professional gamblers accompanying circuses. This can hardly be described as gambling, although patterned after a form of gambling, but it nevertheless indicates how deeply ingrained is the desire to "take a chance." It prevails even when reason intimates that no chance exists. It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that Phineas Barnum was right about the birth rate of the gullible. — (Kingston Whig-Standard.)

lar being worth only half of what it was in 1939 are of course quite out of touch with the latest political-economic theory which reduces the water level by pumping in more water. Isaac Newton should have anticipated that to throw a ball into the air in 1950 would mean that it could keep on going upwards in defiance of gravity. You can now easily make your cloth bigger by reducing the length of the yardstick. That's what has happened with the dollar bill.

While it is true that unusually high money profits and incomes have contributed heavily to government coffers in the post-war inflation, the taxes from these sources are almost certain to decline, while the hidden taxes (now running at around a billion dollars a year) are certain to go up. The little man for whom the politician weeps is soaked by inflation and hidden taxes now, but the weight of increased public spending will certainly land on his shoulders with ever-increasing force. The savage taxation of English Socialism is a stiff enough warning of that.

Canadian ships on the Great Lakes will be able to operate between two American ports as they did under a wartime order. Permission was forthcoming from Washington last week. Behind the decision is the extreme shortage of United States Great Lakes shipping, which is hitting at the steel industry. U. S. ships are not able to carry enough iron ore to keep foundries operating, and shutdowns are imminent unless relief is obtained. Canadian boat owners are said to be welcoming the decision. But the Lakeshead would welcome another idea—the construction of more ships for United States owners in the Lakeshead shipbuilding yards. — Fort William Times-Journal.

A New Jersey fisherman who crawled into the surf to grab a broken line, after he had fractured ankle, is described in an Associated Press despatch as a real fisherman. He had hooked a striped bass while fishing from an 18-foot sea wall. It was a big one, nineteen and three-quarter pounds, when the line broke. Then followed the jump and the crawl. He and his fish were finally hauled out of the water. Taken to hospital, he learned he would be laid up from three to six months. All "real fishermen" no doubt will acclaim the New Jersey man's dogged determination not to let the big one get away. Those who are not so "real" are apt to conclude there was a big bass on either end of the line, but a bigger sucker on the other! — Edmonton Journal.

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