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CHARLOTTETOWN, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17, 1952 Investment in Men

Probably no one considered the matter when plans were being made for veterans' rehabilitation on their return from Second World War service, but the educational benefits provided by the Government have proved to be a good investment from the taxpayers' point of view.

The \$17,000,000 spent on training flows back to the Government in the form of income tax on the higher earnings of the men and women trained so that in the long run there is no burden imposed on the general taxpayer.

There is a lesson to be learned here in the matter of expenditures on education generally. Dollars put into education and training are invested in our greatest natural resource, the Canadian people.

Voluntary Compensation

One of the most remarkable transactions in human history, notes the Globe and Mail, is an agreement just reached between Western Germany and Israel.

The Jews, as a people, have a grievance against Germany which no cash consideration could redress. Chancellor Adenauer has recognized this.

The payment actually to be made is described as compensation for material losses inflicted on Jews during the Nazi regime.

The point of special interest is that the payment by the Bonn Republic is voluntary. World opinion certainly backed Israel's claim but neither the World Court nor any other tribunal has passed upon it or fixed the assessment.

More Production Needed

Fish may be the food hope of world populations in the future, according to the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, as quoted in Market Bulletin No. 6 of the Canadian Department of Fisheries.

FAO points out that world food supplies can be increased to a larger extent by expanding fish production than in any other way. It is estimated that the world's catch of fish and shellfish in 1949 was some 55 billion pounds, more than 23 pounds per head of world population.

Canada, one of the ten great fishing nations in the world, has not yet sold this food to her people up to market possibilities; probably because of the hitherto abundance of all other foods.

More than 50 per cent of the world's fish catch is taken in Asia, about 15 per cent in North and Central America while the rest of the world, South America, Oceania and Africa account for only about 5 per cent.

In Canada, 1952 is expected to be less of a "seller's year" than 1951. The product of Canada's commercial fisheries in 1951 had a marketed value of about \$200 million, an increase of \$20 million over 1950.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Constitution Day in the United States. After four months of deliberation, the constitutional convention of 55 delegates at Philadelphia completed the constitution of the United States of America, 1787.

If the vastly more costly Don Jail in Toronto had not proved to be not escape proof, the Prince County Jail would certainly have come in for a heavier share of criticism.

Many people achieve fame by qualities of aggressiveness. Mr. Cyrus Ching, native of Red Point in this Province, became one of the most important citizens of his adopted country by helping labour and management to be friends.

All sorts of advice is given to aspiring orators. Lady Violet Bonham Carter, speaking on the BBC, quoted some unorthodox early advice given her by Mr. Churchill, one of the greatest orators Britain has ever known.

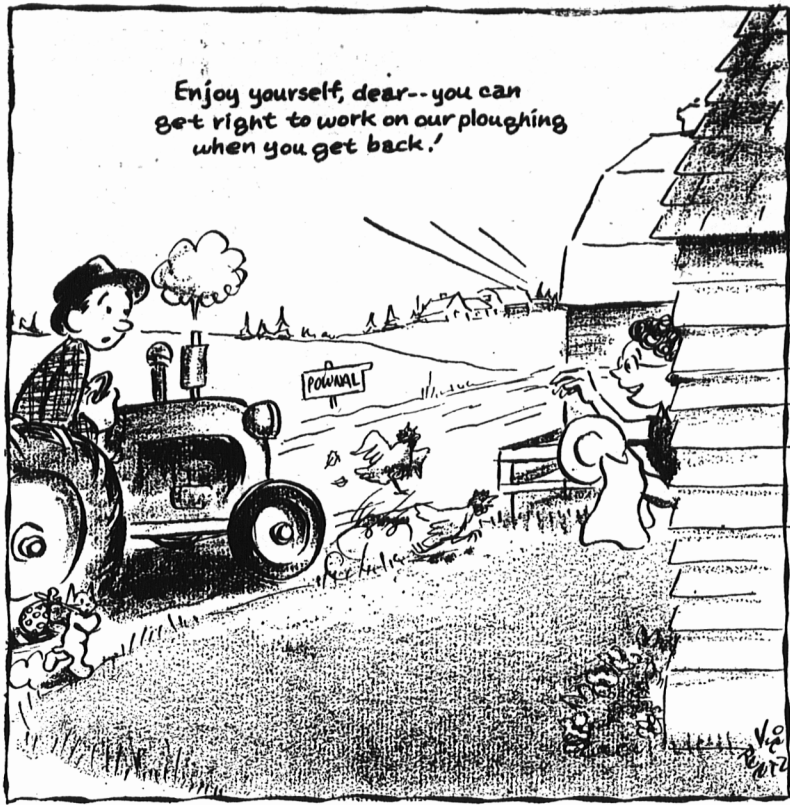
The health insurance scheme for all Canada has not proved popular with the Provincial Governments. Only Alberta and Saskatchewan have recommended immediate adoption of the scheme.

Keen interest is being taken in the Queen's County Plowing Match at Pownal today, which is being supplemented by sporting events and by the achievement day programmes of the Garden Clubs of Mount Mellick and Pownal, and the Alexander Calf Club.

Inclusion of a Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment in the Coronation procession is under consideration, says the London Daily Telegraph. "The Mounties' popularity here apart," says the English paper, "their presence would be especially welcome because they are one of the few remaining mounted detachments."

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Disenchantment



The Poet's Corner

INSPIRATION If with light head erect I sing, Though all the muses lend their force, From my poor love of anything, The verse is weak and shallow as its source.

But if with bended neck I grope Listening behind me for my wit, With faith superior to hope, More anxious to keep back than forward it,

Making my soul accomplice there Unto the flame my heart hath lit, Then will the verse forever wear,— 'Time cannot bend the line which God hath writ.

—Henry David Thoreau.

Human Rights

(Exchange) The concluding paragraphs of an article by Dr. Charles Malik, of Lebanon, Chairman of the Commission of Human Rights of the United Nations is of interest as showing how our ideas of such rights have changed in recent years.

Today the emphasis has shifted. Economic, social and cultural rights have come to their own, and indeed with a vengeance. The paradigm today is "the adequate standard of living."

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Notes By The Way

Armored cars seem to have the same fascination for the underworld that Spanish galleons once did for the pirates of the Spanish Main.

Two hundred years ago calendar reform was adopted in England and the Gregorian style adopted. Those who went to sleep on September 2, woke up on September 14, dates having been switched to eliminate the "Old Style" calendar accumulated error of eleven days.

One of these days, if business and the people keep moving to British Columbia, governments and prime ministers will have to pay more attention to us.

An Ohio Judge has set some sort of precedent by refusing to excuse public school teachers from jury duty. He not only insists that having teachers on juries will be good for the courts; he also suggests that it will be good for the teachers.

Moscow Radio has claimed just about everything for Russia. In that nation everything is firstest and fastest, biggest and best.

The Age-Old Story

For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

Old Charlottetown

BEARS "On Thursday last, the notice of Mr. James Gurney, of Glass-look settlement, Lot 51, was attracted to a place at the back of his house, by an unusual noise among his pigs.

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The Public Forum

WESTVILLE HO! Sir—As a close and interested observer of the recent controversy in respect to alternate routes proposed for the Trans-Canada Highway from Cornwall to Bonshaw, I beg to express through the Forum my firm convictions on this important matter.

First: This section, like other sections of the highway should be of service to as many people as possible; — people not only of Prince Edward Island, but likewise of all Canada.

Second: It should be the most direct and straightforward route that the various demands for the road will admit of.

Third: It should, likewise, be the most economic route in respect to future and permanent service.

Fourth: It should be the most possible in respect to grades.

Fifth: It should be the safest in respect to curves, deep ditches, and other danger points.

Sixth: It should avoid as much as possible bisection of farms and villages.

Finally: The selected route should afford relief from present geographical disadvantages to as many localities as possible.

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