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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink"

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ference will be to decide officially on the new location for the various command elements of NATO's armed forces. SHAPE is to leave Paris...

Pending also is the question whether the two French divisions now in West Germany will remain there after July 1. They will be no longer under NATO command from that date...

French withdrawal is based on the assumption that the time for any Soviet invasion is over and that an organization designed to meet that danger is now obsolete...

This vital conference will be taking place at a time when Washington is too preoccupied in Viet Nam to be able to devote much thought or energy to Europe...

Passed Without Fanfare

Amid the spate of election promises to which we were subjected recently, we didn't notice much emphasis being placed on the interests of the consumer...

It authorizes the appointment of a Registrar of Credit to administer all phases of the legislation. All lenders, including department stores and finance companies, must be registered...

Before the agreement is signed, every lender must show the buyer a written statement showing the amount expressed as one sum in dollars and cents—actually received in cash by the borrower...

Those who extend variable credit—revolving-credit or budget accounts—must also express the cost of borrowing in writing, both in dollars and cents as a percentage of the principal sum...

Calling The Tune

NATO foreign ministers meet next Monday in Brussels to redraft the terms of their alliance. For most of them it is an unwelcome task...



THE LITTLE GUY IN THE CENTRE

OTTAWA REPORT By Patrick Nicholson

Fine Finish To A Fine Career

Senator Thomas Alexander Crerar, a native of Molesworth-west of Guelph - will celebrate his 90th birthday on 17th of this month...

Ottawa which the Fowler Report damned. But perhaps his most important criticism was for the present leadership of our two big political parties...

They have served Canada, he admitted, "but I offer no comment on failures." There are no finer people anywhere in the world than 80 percent of the Canadian people...

Whoopers Arrive

Three of the world's last live flock of 44 whooping cranes have reached Canada, en route to the North West Territories. Reports from Regina, say that these big, beautiful birds—two adults and a baby—spent several days in Southern Saskatchewan, when grounded by stormy weather...

The cranes spent their winters at an Arkansas wildlife refuge, on the Texas Gulf coast, and nest near Canada's Great Slave Lake during the summer. It wasn't many years ago that there were less than 25 cranes known to be in existence...

States and Canada are co-operating. No longer do hunters try to shoot the cranes. Whoopers' nests, when discovered, are not disturbed. This is the way it should be. Ornithologists estimate that the whooping crane population at no time was large, possibly 5,000 at most...

Geese Over Gotham

To those fortunate enough to live in a land of seasons, spring represents far more than a softening of the climate. It is a reaffirmation of life. Even for city dwellers the sooty drabness of the parks give way to fresh green...

Jersey coast and the shores of Long Island Sound. To their ancestors Manhattan was as much a wilderness as the islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Now they skirt the smog-decked city, but suburbanites glance aloft at the unmistakable sound of their honking...

Canada geese are valiant survivors. When they are late, they tear as for a tardy loved one. Their passage is a noble testimony to life's springtime renewal.

Hong Kong Veterans

It is admittedly very difficult for the Government to discriminate between one set of veterans and another; there are so many deserving cases. But it is only right that the Government make a serious reappraisal of Canada's veterans who were prisoners in Hong Kong...

Most every year for the last 20 years a deputation of Hong Kong veterans has gone to Ottawa to ask for a better deal. They are not asking for preferential treatment. All they are asking is that their present state of health be considered in relation to what they went through in the service of their country...

But this yardstick, while sound enough for the cases to which it is ordinarily applied, may be based on an inadequate medical knowledge of the after-effects of the type of imprisonment the majority of the Hong Kong veterans underwent. A two-year medical study, recently completed by Dr. H.J. Richardson, medical adviser to the Pension Commission, would result in increased pensions for almost all Hong Kong veterans...

SAYS STUDENTS RESTLESS

TORONTO (CP) — A mood of "restlessness and even frustration" can be detected on the University of Toronto campus, says Morely Hodder, campus chaplain, said at the Toronto conference of the United Church. He blamed the complexity and impersonality of the university and the desire of some students for a more active role in university, social and political action. He said many have little interest in the church because they feel it is wedded to the status quo and equivocal on major issues.

FEAR NO COMETS

The earth can pass through a comet's tail with no ill effects and without people being aware of the event.

Health Forecast

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen — Medical forecasting is not easy because the course of an illness may be as unpredictable as the weather. Expert knows the usual course of most diseases and the types that do and do not respond to treatment. Other disorders follow a specific pattern, provide complications do not ensue. In such instances the physician appears to hedge and rightly so...

Insurance companies are more interested in the long-term estimation of health and longevity. These medical departments study progress scientifically and many of the questions asked on insurance forms are aimed at obtaining data that are useful for this purpose. The longer the policy-holder lives to pay premiums, the greater is the revenue of the company. In addition, the rates are calculated upon life expectancy and marked alterations such as a catastrophe could break the company overnight...

They are interested in heredity because some diseases favor certain families. Physique and body build also play a role. The obese, for example, have a progressively worse mortality rate as they grow older. They are more susceptible to diabetes, high blood pressure, or arteriosclerosis. Smoking, drinking, and eating habits also affect the outcome when considered in terms of large numbers of persons. The same can be said of the financial status and working conditions. The physical examination offers the insurance company additional information on pulse and blood pressure rates and the presence of heart murmur. These firms have found through these years that alterations in these departments affect mortality statistics...

CURLED TOES

Mrs. I.V. writes: My nine-year-old girl has a defect in which her toes curl under instead of lying flat. Would you know why?

MONKEY BITE

S.G. writes: What harm, illness, or complications could occur as a result of being bitten by a monkey?

NO CALORIES IN VITAMINS

S.C. writes: Do vitamin capsules contain calories?

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT

A brisk walk revitalizes. (NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.)

Our Yesterdays

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO (June 2, 1941) Syria shut herself off from communication with Egypt suddenly and without explanation amid growing signs that the Viceroy ruled Middle East state might be the next battleground of the war vespene eastward from the Mediterranean.

TEN YEARS AGO

(June 2, 1956) The Charlotteville Camera Club met at the YCMA for the closing meeting of the '55-56' season. Entries for Class B competition "Animals or Pets" were judged by Roland Taylor who placed the winners as follows: 1st, Edith Hume; 2nd, Lois MacDonad; 3rd, Helen Duffy.

HONOR LONG SERVICE

REGINA (CP) — Bessie Barker, divisional registrar of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and secretary for Saskatchewan, was honored after 25 years service with the CNIB. She was a typist and bookkeeper for 20 years before reaching her present post in 1961.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Salesman to boss on the phone asking when he will be back at work following a recent car accident. "My doctor says I'm ready now, but my lawyer says I'm not." — Financial Post. The New Pastor—"I'm very glad to have your husband's good opinion." Sister Hardshell — "Oh! he's quite satisfied. He says, 'What can we expect a such a salary?'" — Hamilton Spectator. Fortunately, statues are mainly being blown up for political reasons. There would be no end to it if it were to be done on aesthetic grounds. — Galt Reporter. Wild animals, birds and fish will decorate Canadian coinage next year. How about the whooping crane to symbolize the vanishing value of the Canadian dollar? — Edmonton Journal. A new book called "Human Sexual Response" is selling well. How would a book called "Human Sexual Responsibility" sell? — Ottawa Journal. The reason you don't see any little tykes hanging on to their mother's skirts nowadays is because they can't reach them. —

They Buy Cars In Europe

Western European countries profit from the tourist trade in one important way which Canada does not. That is by the sale of cars to visitors and tourists. Visitors travelling through Europe often prefer to do it by car. They can rent these, or they can buy them. Purchase can be the least expensive. A tourist buys a European car of his choice, uses it for the weeks or months of his trip, and then it is shipped home. Some concept of how popular this idea has become is the experience of Britain. During the past 12 months such sales by the "Big Five" automotive producers there numbered 25,800 or about 70 per day. After using the car it is serviced and then it is shipped to his home, wherever it may be. Probably most tourists, especially from the U.S., wouldn't think of buying a British car in their own country. But they will buy one when overseas, so this is found money for the British automotive industry and the country. Canada cannot avail itself of this tourist revenue simply because of our close proximity to the U.S., source of most of our visitors. They drive their own cars across the border. And, in any case, because our cars are identical with those in their own country (where they can buy them cheaper) there is no impetus for them to purchase a car in Canada. But it is a tidy source of trade for European countries.

For Those Who Wonder

Those who wonder why Americans seem able to live the good life better than Canadianians would do well to study statistics issued recently by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development. The annual figures compiled by the 21-nation OECD show that while Canada's productivity is substantially below that of the United States, Canadian government spending is relatively higher than U.S. government spending. In U.S. dollars the Canadian gross national product, the sum of all goods and services produced, worked out to \$2,260 per capita in 1964. The American figure for the same year was \$3,300 per capita. Canada was the third highest among OECD nations, running slightly behind Sweden's \$2,280 per capita. American productivity is thus higher than Canadian, with the natural result that Americans have an edge in comparative standards of living. But another set of OECD statistics provides another reason for the disparity. Government expenditures in Canada in 1964 represented 27.4 per cent of the Gross National Product. In the U.S. despite a heavy spending for defence and foreign aid, government spending represented only 25.7 per cent of the GNP. In other words, Americans seem to have turned the trick of having your cake and eating it too.

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