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is an affirmation of Ottawa's confidence in our prospects for traffic expansion on a big scale, and of the important part which the Canadian National Railways will play in this development. It just doesn't make sense to undermine the efficiency of the service at this stage, by transferring experienced dispatchers and other officials who are in fulltime employment here, and whose duties are vitally connected with maintaining our car ferry operation. We all know the difficulty of reestablishing such services once they are discontinued. And we know that, if the process is allowed to go on much further, it will make the rail connections on our causeway, when it comes, a hollow mockery.

Calling Their Bluff

The Pearson government insists that the Opposition, in opposing second reading of the defense forces unification bill before it is submitted to the defense committee, is holding up the civil servants' pay cheques. As noted in a Canadian Press report, there is no information available as to how many pay cheques are under threat of being held up. Finance officers in all departments have been instructed not to discuss this matter with the press, or even to say what departments are hit by the threatened salary delays. The government is mum on the subject too, but it keeps harping on the irresponsibility of the Opposition in treating the civil service in this manner, leaving it to be imagined that repercussions will result politically.

Determined not to be blackmailed by this threat, the Opposition called the government's bluff yesterday. It suggested that the money bill be split so that civil servants could be paid while debate on the controversial unification bill continued. But this proposal was rejected out of hand by Mr. Pearson, who seems to have fallen completely under the sway of his stubborn colleague, Mr. Hellyer.

The civil servants who can't see through this pettifogging maneuver must be naive indeed.

The Planchette Probe

Though we have not heard of any people being victimized in this province, last year some \$1,000,000 in counterfeit money was produced by criminals in Canada and the frequency with which such bills are being passed in Toronto and other large centres is causing considerable concern. As a safeguard to the public in this matter the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has published a booklet entitled "The Counterfeit Detector," which carries the comforting assurance that even the most deceptive notes can be detected—if we look at them the right way.

The advice offered is that the suspected bill be compared with one known to be genuine. The planchettes, those small colored dots which appear on notes, hold the key to their true identity. The bogus ones cannot be picked off like the genuine ones.

This all seems quite straightforward on paper, at least, comments an exchange. But what happens when we're confronted with a counterfeit? The police state specifically that a suspected note should not be returned to the passer. Rather he or she should be delayed while a constable is called to begin an official investigation.

To recommend such a routine police must have found counterfeiters to be cool customers indeed. They attempt to pass the bill, wait patiently while we probe the planchettes, then at our request delay their departure further while we endeavor to summon the gendarmes.

It's hardly possibly they'd be so accommodating. About the best we can hope to do is spot the bill, report to the police and then leave it to them to "get their man." And the chances are that the fellow we get the phoney bill from isn't the counterfeiter anyway—he's more likely to have gotten it honestly from someone else, who in turn may have received it from another innocent victim.

EDITORIAL NOTE

Let's not forget that the sale of Poppies of Remembrance is not on behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion or its members. Poppies are sold on behalf of all ex-service men and women and their dependents who are in need. The Legion has been charged with the responsibility of the collection and administration of the Poppy Fund, and it does not become part of the funds of the Legion. It is a trust fund which is administered by the Legion for the benefit of ex-service personnel in need of assistance.



"THEY SHALL GROW NOT OLD..."

CUT THEM DOWN

Needed: A Permanent Voters List

Election weary Canadians will applaud any suggestion that would shorten the length of the federal campaigns that come upon us so frequently these days. Thus it is that this recommendation recently published by the federal committee on election expenses will draw praise: "Parties and candidates be prohibited from campaigning on radio and television, and from using paid print media... except during the last four weeks immediately preceding polling day."

A four week, 28 day, election campaign would be a merciful release from the confusing eight-week haranguing sessions we had to endure in 1962, 1963, and 1965. It would bring us closer to the much more civilized British model—a campaign of just over three weeks duration. Unfortunately, while it would control much of the ranting and flounder with its advertising limitations, such limitations are in themselves repugnant to a free society and could have been avoided had the committee delved deeply enough into the election apparatus.

As matters now stand the election date cannot be less than 50 days after the writ has been issued. The only reason for this long delay is technical. Before each vote all of Canada's more than 10 million electors must be enumerated—a time consuming process indeed. While the country is really waiting only for the compilation of a list the politicians naturally fill in the time by campaigning.

It would be unrealistic to slap on the four week limitation and still leave an eight week hiatus. It is quite contrary to human nature to expect politicians to be quiet for four weeks in anticipation of a noisy four at the end of the campaign. They would make as much noise as ever, confuse the voters just as much, and busy themselves with thinking up ways to beat the regulations during the initial four week silent period.

It would be far better to evolve a permanent voters list, which would be kept up to date each year and thus enable elections to be called four weeks after issuance of the writ. A permanent list would be more expensive than the existing procedure but it would be money well spent.

Wild Willy Strikes Again

Willy has absolutely no regard for rank and officialdom, or even people. Willy is a musk ox, and among the latest to discover the cantankerous disposition of the shaggy beast is Brig. Gen. Archie M. Burke, chief of NORAD's 37th Division at Goose Air Base, Labrador. Touring the Sondrestrom, Greenland, Air Base, area recently with Col. Leo J. Moffett, Sondrestrom commander, General Burke spotted Willy, placidly munching grass, and raised his camera for a rare close-up of a wild musk ox.

The sight of a one-star general so temptingly close was too much for Willy. He pawed the ground with heavy hooves, lowered his massive horned head and launched a head-on charge—all 900 pounds of him.

Willy's action spurred a retreat on the part of the two officers. Back at Sondrestrom, Colonel Moffett reaffirmed a policy that says, "leave Willy alone." That policy stems from the fact that the animal likes to charge people and things. Willy recently kept two airmen imprisoned in a maintenance shack for more than an hour, and he counts among his latest trophies an air-policer truck grille and a staff sedan head light.

Invasion Of Privacy

An American has patented a birdhouse with a one-way back window to let people watch the birds without the birds seeing the people. Made of translucent plastic, it can be attached outside a window for easy observation by humans.

There is something inherently wrong about this. Bird-watching until now, has been a two-way street: while the bird-watcher is watching the bird, the bird can watch the bird-watcher. Let no one say it is an unequal contest because the bird-watcher can use glasses. The bird, to watch the bird-watcher effectively, doesn't need them. Now, however, the bird is to be put at a disadvantage.

There is another aspect of this invention that intrigues us and which we view with a certain skepticism. The inventor regards his birdhouse as particularly suitable for wrens, which commonly build their nests with twigs. He has designed the entrance wide enough for twigs but not big enough to admit a squirrel.

Wanna bet the squirrel won't get in?

Through Prison Walls

All work has been stopped in the radio workshop at Wormwood Scrubs prison in Britain—and no wonder.

Bladder Infections

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Bladder inflammation (cystitis) is not so common as it was in the past. The widespread use of penicillin and other antibiotics in the treatment of colds and other infections is responsible. These products subdue the micro-organisms long before they have a chance to invade the bladder or its neighboring organs. Ear and mastoid infections also are less prevalent for the same reason.

Cystitis rarely escapes detection because the discomfort it produces can hardly be ignored. The victim urinates more frequently than usual and there may be burning or bleeding during this time. Occasionally the desire to void is so insistent, the individual is forced to stop whatever he is doing and respond to the urge.

Cystitis favors women for anatomical reasons and older men with prostate trouble. The gland is a focus of infection and when enlarged, obstructs the outflow of urine. The ensuing stagnation invites infection. By correcting this blockage, many unpleasant symptoms may be alleviated.

During an acute attack of cystitis, the wall of the bladder becomes just as red and swollen as do the membranes of the nose and throat in the presence of inflammation. Furthermore, a discharge appears but the pus is masked because it is mixed with urine.

We now have hundreds of remedies. Best results are obtained when the proper agent is pitted against the causative organism. In order to prescribe the most effective compound, a specimen of urine is sent to the laboratory and when the invader is identified, it is subjected to a series of tests to find out how sensitive it is to this or that antibiotic.

The patient is then given the drug that is known to do the best job and cure usually follows. Exceptions occur when the causative germ is a real toughy that resists all modern antibiotics. In addition the medication should be taken for a long enough time to eradicate the organism completely. Follow-up urinalysis demonstrates whether the condition is cured.

GALL BLADDER REMOVAL Mrs. W.B. writes: I have a nonfunctioning gall bladder and my physician advises removal. Please tell me why something that does not work should be removed.

REPLY Most nonfunctioning gall bladders are filled with non-opaque stones that do not show on the film. In addition, the wall is thickened and inflamed. Why were the X-rays taken?

DEFECTIVE HEART O. B. S. writes: Are blue alleles hereditary?

REPLY No. The defect is congenital but not hereditary. These babies look blue because a developmental defect of the heart causes the blood in the veins to mix with the blood in the arteries before it has a chance to be purified by the lungs.

INVESTIGATE CHANGES F. W. writes: For years I have had a brown spot on my abdomen. Within the last few months it has turned black and itches constantly. Could this be something serious?

REPLY Yes. See your physician—change moles and birthmarks that change color should be removed. DON'T BLAME CANDY Mrs. L. F. writes: Could eating a lot of sweets cause nervousness in a child?

REPLY No. More likely causes are a nervous mama, frustration, fear or insecurity. TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—Emotional fatigue can be disabling.

(NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.) MEETING CANCELLED OTTAWA (CP)—A Commons public accounts committee meeting was cancelled Thursday when the committee could not gather the required quorum of 10 members. Only six members of the 24-man committee turned up for the meeting which was to consider sections of the auditor-general's 1965 report.

Canadian training programs to fit prisoners for employment after release have radio workshops like that in Wormwood Scrubs and a start has been made in training prisoners in the intricacies of color television repairs. Officials have no doubt that ingenious and determined men could make two-way sets in Canada, too, but they declare every possible check is made to prevent it. They contend that the greater good of the greater number makes it undesirable to stop a training program in which there is some risk of messages going through the walls.

Well, all right; but look sharp, men, for our jails are getting leaky.

REPORTS DENIED TOKYO (AFP)—Takezo Shimoda, Japan's vice-minister of foreign affairs, Thursday denied reports that Japan and the United States plan to make a two-China proposal in the United Nations. Shimoda told reporters Japan has not changed its basic policy of treating Communist China representation at the UN as a matter requiring two-thirds of the members to approve its discussion. The matter is to come up in the General Assembly Nov. 18.

A Signal To Hanoi

WASHINGTON (CP)—Viet Nam wasn't the issue it once appeared it would be, but a clear message emerges from the moderate-republican resurgence in Tuesday's U.S. elections: The war is going to continue; it may be waged more forcefully than ever.

Despite some fears here that North Viet Nam and China might mistakenly be banking on the voting results to indicate that the Viet Nam war is unpopular with U.S. citizens, a pre-election statement from Hanoi candidly repudiated such a suggestion and said simply the North will continue to fight on for as long as necessary because it feels it can win.

President Johnson had warned the Communists not to misread the election results. So had Republican spokesman Richard Nixon, who said a Republican comeback would strengthen demands for ending the war more quickly rather than "a noisy dissatisfaction about U.S. involvement."

Gerald Ford, Republican leader in the House of Representatives, called the election results a "clear signal to Hanoi that the house will take a much stronger stand on prosecuting the war."

MORE HAWKS ELECTED One analysis says that despite defeats handed prowar candidates in two contests a where Viet Nam was somewhat of an issue, the 435-seat House of Representatives at its next session will have 12 more advocates of escalating the war than it had before.

Only two new "doves"—favoring de-escalation—were elected, the analysis says. In Oregon, in a campaign given national attention, Republican Mark Hatfield, espousing a gentler policy on Viet Nam and all-out efforts to negotiate, defeated hard-line Democrat Robert Duncan.

Duncan called the contest a referendum on Viet Nam but Hatfield said a lot of other issues were involved, too, and softened his war criticism when he found himself lagging behind Duncan at one point. In New Hampshire, former Air Force General Harrison Thyng, a Republican, advocated virtually blowing North Viet Nam off the map and the sooner the better. But he lost his fight to unseat Democrat Senator Thomas McIntyre.

In Dearborn, Mich., residents were asked their views on a ceasefire in Viet Nam and withdrawal of all American troops there, now in excess of 345,000. A total of 30,667 voters rejected such steps and 14,124 supported them.

The Crows Take Over

New York Times almost anything they can do, low, hunting, pilfering, scavenging. Only the bitterness of winter weather limits their excursions. Despite man's smug, they persist and thrive. They probably are more crowded today than there were a hundred years ago. One reason is that the crow is a very bright bird, full of cunning and wisdom. He can spot an enemy as far as he can see, and his eyesight is keen. He gets up early. He can out-thieve all his competitors. He lives by his wits, and they are first-class wits. That is why the crows now talk like tyrants. They are in command of the winter countryside, and they know it.

Electric Automobiles

Will electric automobiles eventually break through the popularity of our gasoline driven vehicles? There is a strong possibility they will, Ford and General Motors are working energetically to develop battery power sufficient to propel vehicles at fast speeds, and to lengthen lasting power of the batteries. Small companies have made many efforts to produce electric passenger models. But the problems that originally killed electric auto—limited range, low speed, short battery life—have remained unsolved. The widespread use of electric vehicles these days is as delivery vans in England and golf cars in the United States.

Snag In The Yukon

An era has passed. The department of transport has removed its weather station from Snag in the Yukon. For years the very name has been synonymous with arid temperatures. No place in North America registered official temperatures that were as low as those at Snag. On the coldest of mornings there was a measure of comfort to be gained from learning how much colder it was at Snag.

Of course, local pride may have been wounded on occasion when records of 50 or 60 below were compared with the continent's all-time record—81.4 below at Snag on February 3, 1947. But this was an easy price to pay for the insulation provided against our cold by the knowledge that men at Snag were facing much worse and surviving.

Gone, too, will be the fabulous legends that grew out of Snag's reputation for incredible cold. One told of a wolf, unable to gain on the caribou it was chasing through the deep snow, which climbed its head onto the solidly frozen vapor trail left by the caribou and quickly overtook his prey.

It remains to be seen whether the new location of the weather station can produce temperatures to excite the imagination like those of Snag.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11th
ATTENTION
KENSINGTON AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS
All members and Veterans please assemble at Legion Home at 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 11th—Dress—berets and medals for the purpose of a Joint Church Service to be held in the Legion Auditorium at 9:45 a.m.
Public cordially invited to attend. Then parade to Kensington War Memorial at 10:45 a.m., for the laying of wreaths.
AFTERNOON SERVICES
Laying of wreath at Malpeque War Memorial at 2 p.m.
—Geddie War Memorial at 3 p.m.
EVENING
Banquet and Dance at Legion Home. Banquet commencing at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Open to all Legion members, veterans and wives.
Tickets must be purchased on or before Friday, November 4th at Legion Home.