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their time and drove more than 145,000 miles for their many services.

Only one "major disaster" occurred during the year—the flooding of Beauveville, Quebec. There were many "minor disasters", however, such as fires, which required an expenditure of \$157,164.

The report contains a long list of humanitarian services both at home and abroad. The one disturbing factor is the deficit; and it shows the necessity of even greater public co-operation with the Society's work than has been the case hitherto.

The Main Purpose

There is no question but that the Prime Minister acted wisely when he decided to put before Parliament the Canada-United States agreement on continental air defence.

That the agreement will be ratified goes without saying. For one thing, the Government's majority in the Commons is so large that any other course would be out of the question.

Is This The Answer?

The depths of Loch Ness will be explored in June by a party of Scottish divers equipped with underwater cameras and, later, by the BBC using naval radar.

The Manchester Guardian comments: "If the searchers reveal no sign of the alleged 'monster', which for a quarter of a century has riveted the attention of the public and baffled all attempts at identification, there still remains the intriguing though less grisly possibility that the supposed aquatic serpent may be no more than an optical illusion caused by a special kind of squally wind disturbing patches of water on the otherwise smooth surface of the loch.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Some members of the Commons are poking fun at Prime Minister Diefenbaker's northern development "vision". Nothing strange about that. Every venture of importance was attacked in its beginning by men of little faith.

The United States Ambassador to Canada, Mr. Livingston Merchant, is certainly doing what he can to improve Canada's position in trade with the United States.

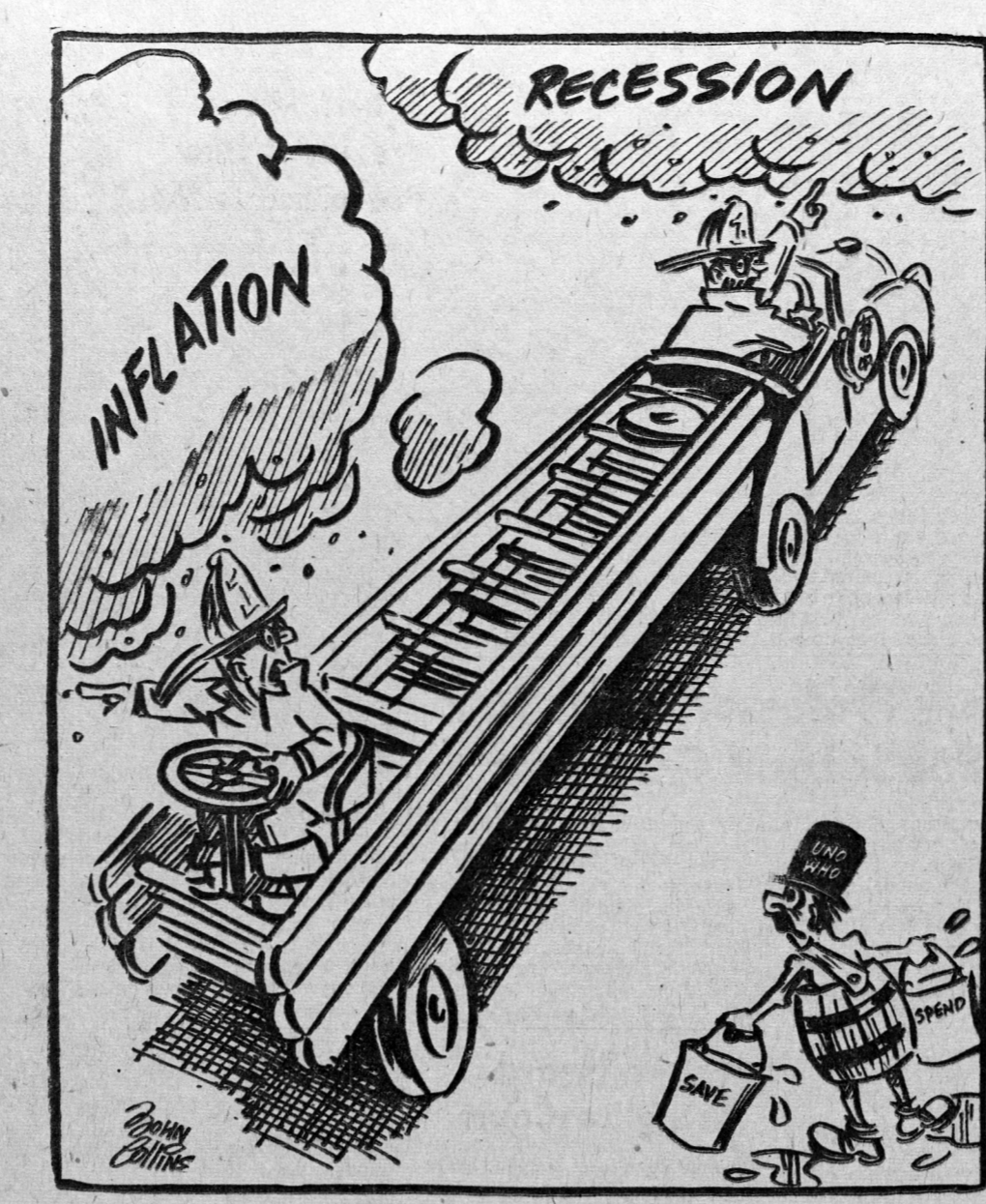
Red Cross In Debt

Public response to Red Cross annual appeals is generous, but it is not generous enough to meet the bills. This was revealed at the annual meeting of the central council of the Society held in Toronto.

The report, tabled by Mr. Bruce Shaw, honorary treasurer, showed that in 1957 the humanitarian work of the agency cost \$256,880 more than was received in donations.

There's a new sensation in old Ireland. Some time ago a bachelor in Gowra, County Cavan, declared that "men are just as good as women when it comes to making bread."

In so far as Canada's farm situation resembles that of the United States, the outlook for the immediate future is not particularly bright, though it could be gloomier.



THE OTTAWA FIRE DEPARTMENT

OTTAWA REPORT Next Governor-General

By Patrick Nicholson Special Correspondent for The Guardian Ottawa: The Right Honourable Charles Vincent Massey, 18th Governor-General of Canada, will complete seven years in that office next February.

Although he is now in his 72nd year, His Excellency has set a very high standard in his devotion to duty. He has travelled more miles around Canada, by plane, train, car, boat and even dog-sled, than any other "G.G."

As Mr. Massey is our first native-born Governor-General, the choice of his successor poses a difficult problem indeed. All sorts of suggestions have been heard here, including the Queen Mother, Earl Mountbatten, and Ceylon's distinguished ex-Premier.

THE ACADIANS OF P.E.I.

Founding Of Port Lajoie

By J. Henri Blanchard, LL.D. An account of Isle Saint-Jean at the time of the founding of Port Lajoie was sent to the Regent of France by Sieur de Gouville, commandant in charge of the settlement.

In 1752, five parishes had been organized and secular priests took charge. These parishes were: The parish of St. John the Evangelist at Port Lajoie, pastor, Gratien Raou; the parish of the Holy Family at Malpeque, pastor, Joseph-Sylvestre Desque; the parish of St. Paul at Point Prim, pastor, l'abbé Girard; the parish of St. Louis (at Scotchfort), pastor, Pierre Cassel; and the parish of St-Pierre (at St. Peter's Harbour), pastor, Jean Biscarat, assistant priest, l'abbé Perronnel.

ACADIANS ARRIVE As soon as Port Lajoie was founded, Acadians from Acadia began to arrive and take up residence in Isle Saint-Jean. During the autumn of 1720, carpenters were secured from the Acadian settlements at Baie Verte and Beauharnois (Amherst) and the building of ships began.

On November 6, 1721, an official of the government at Port Lajoie wrote to the Regent of France as follows: "We are here at port/LaJoie, one of the most beautiful harbours that the eye can behold. There is also harbour of Tranchemontagne (South Lake) a league south of East Point, a harbour suitable for boats only; Saint-Pierre, 14 leagues west of East Point, capable of admitting vessels of 60 tons; Savage Harbour, three leagues farther west, suitable for boats; Tracadie, 3 leagues farther west, capable of receiving vessels of 100 tons; Quibouqout (Rustico) a harbour for boats only; Malpeque for vessels of 200 tons, and Cascumpeque for vessels of 200 or 300 tons. All these harbours are good for fishing.

Good Rule When Going Swimming

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D. NOW HEAR this, as they say in the Navy: Get the wax out of your ears before you go swimming this summer.

This may seem like silly advice for swimmers. You probably expected me to caution you not to go swimming for at least an hour after eating, and not to swim when overheated.

This is valuable advice, of course, but most of you already are well aware of these dangers. SERIOUS PROBLEM This wax business is something else again. You probably never gave it a thought.

It's practically impossible, as you well know, to keep water out of your ears while swimming. The cold water can easily reach the labyrinth of the unclogged ear, but it cannot reach that of the wax-blocked ear.

Thus, two different unbalanced reactions are set up. The result is apt to be dizziness and inability to tell the position of the body because the sense of equilibrium is controlled in the ears' labyrinths.

It's fairly easy to see that under such conditions a swimmer might panic and even drown.

This is just one more reason why all swimmers should follow the example set by the Boy Scouts of America and recommended by the National Safety Council.

The "buddy system," developed and fostered by the Boy Scouts, can do a great deal toward helping to reduce the 6,000 drownings that occur annually in the United States.

It's a simple system: swim no farther than 15 feet from a companion.

Keep in close contact with your companion and every so often—the Boy Scouts do it every five to eight minutes—look around for your friend and make sure he is safe.

QUESTION AND ANSWER P. D.: What is sclera derma? Answer: Sclera derma is a disease of the skin, the cause of which is unknown.

Until recently, no treatment has proved of too great value. However, the new hormones ACTH and cortisone have helped some cases.

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.

FORMER TEACHER WRITES

Sir:—To the graduates who received diplomas at P.W.C. and who look forward to experiences, I guarantee you will not be disappointed.

Now I watch a girl /aledictorian, Jean McPherson, daughter of a neighbor pioneer in Peace River. At Wolfville I met Angus Elderkin. Thirty-five years ago I took the school he was leaving, for Miss Paulson contracted to be his mate. I was treated royally by them among their grand-children.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 28, 1933) A proclamation has been issued by the Executive Council putting into effect in this province the beef grading regulations under the Dominion Livestock Act.

The Water Commissioners of the Town of Summerside held a meeting on Monday night at which they decided to dig the well for the extra water supply on a lot on Market Street. The work will begin on Tuesday under the direction of Trask and Co., Amherst, and on its completion a new pumping station will be erected on the lot.

TEN YEARS AGO

New problems arising from the enlargement of the Prince Edward Island Hospital facilities and new nursing school were discussed last night at the annual meeting of the Hospital Board of Trustees held in the new nurses residence. Mr. Justice George Tweedy was re-elected Board Chairman; Dr. J. P. Lantz, vice-chairman and Mr. N. D. MacLean, secretary.

A resolution favoring the establishment of a bus terminal for the Island Motor Transport Company in the basement of the Market Building was adopted at last night's monthly meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade.

MAXIMS

Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves or we know where we can find information upon it.

wolves of great size abounded, but the elk and the moose had been exterminated by the Indians. Wild fowl were very plentiful. (To be Continued)

NOTES BY THE WAY

The amount of sleep actually needed by the average man is just five minutes more.—Brand-on Sun

An informal poll of the younger set in the neighborhood—reveals that the moon and Mars, as places to visit, run well behind Disneyland.—Winnipeg Tribune.

"It's funny. A mother always thinks her teen-aged daughter is more intelligent than anyone else and sillier than anyone else.—Vancouver Province

Legally, the pedestrian has the right of way at a crossing. But his difficulty is that too many car drivers are not aware of that fact.—Oshawa Times-Gazette

A first prize for intentional ambiguity in reporting goes to the fashion commentator who wrote that this year there is going to be more material in swimsuits.—Kingston Whig-Standard

"I'm going to kiss you before you go," said a young man who had outstayed his welcome. "Do it now, while I'm still young," replied the girl, wearily.—Galt Reporter

The survey conducted by a research organization for the province of Nova Scotia has turned up a piece of interesting information. Newspapers continue as the most effective advertising medium.—Timmons Daily News

One of the attractions of the teaching profession is that it offers a political and intellectual freedom that is sometimes not so readily available to people employed in private concerns.—Calgary Herald

A Detroit motor car designer predicts the wheel-less car will be with us in 20 years. It will be propelled by ducted fans and glide about two feet above the ground. Shucks, some drivers seem to do that now with today's car.—Fort William Times-Journal

The pilot of an airliner handed over to his co-pilot and wandered through the plane. Said an old lady: "I do hope you will bring us all down safely, young man."

"Madam," replied the pilot. "I have never left anyone up here yet."—Galt Reporter

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, the great philanthropist who is also an accomplished organist, and his music-loving helpers in Lambaré (Africa), have just been given by a group of his Brunswick friends a special piano, immune against the destructive factors of tropical environment, built of teakwood and joined by a waterproof gluing process.—West German Bulletin

"Bats in the belfry" is a purely figurative phrase nowadays. Belfries have given way to electric chimneys and bats are chiefly known as the inventors of radar. However, in England, that shrine of tradition the past lives on in innumerable ways. And so we learn that a clergyman in Worcestershire, Dr. P. C. Moore, really did discover bats in the belfry of his church the other day. Briskly, Dr. Moore, appealed to his parishioners for stuffed owls to frighten away the bats.—New York Herald-Tribune

not only to save ourselves from the Communist yoke, but to answer our Lord's Prayer in St. John's Gospel: "that the world may believe that thou hast sent Me." Chap. 17.

J. A. MacKENZIE Kensington.

The Poets Corner

THE QUIET MAN What sunlight is to sun, or light to birds; Or mountainside beautified by words; Or finding is, to losing; or the space Of ocean is to wave; or face to face; Or doors that open where there is no plea; Or bee to ripened hive; or leaf to tree; So silence is to him the quiet man.

The man who is the total of the perfect speech, The most enclosure and the widest reach. —Ruth Wilson In the New York Herald-Tribune

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