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Important Meeting

The annual meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture is always an important event, since it deals with all phases of the nation's agricultural economy and makes recommendations for strengthening it.

In its present form the legislation doesn't go quite as far in setting parity prices (a formula which in the United States is used to try and provide farmers with prices for their products equivalent to production costs) as the Federation would like.

Liberal criticism of the bill can be taken lightly—as the Liberals themselves have taken it in the Commons, judging by their failure to vote against it!

Restoration Of St. Paul's

Word from London is that the work of restoring St. Paul's Cathedral, severely damaged by German bombs in World War Two, is nearing completion. A special service to be attended by Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness Prince Philip will be held on May 7th.

A second special service will be held on June 5th as the annual Festival of the Friends of St. Paul's. This organization was formed in 1952 by the St. Paul's Watch, a group of fire-fighters who saved the Cathedral in the great fire raids in 1940 and 1941.

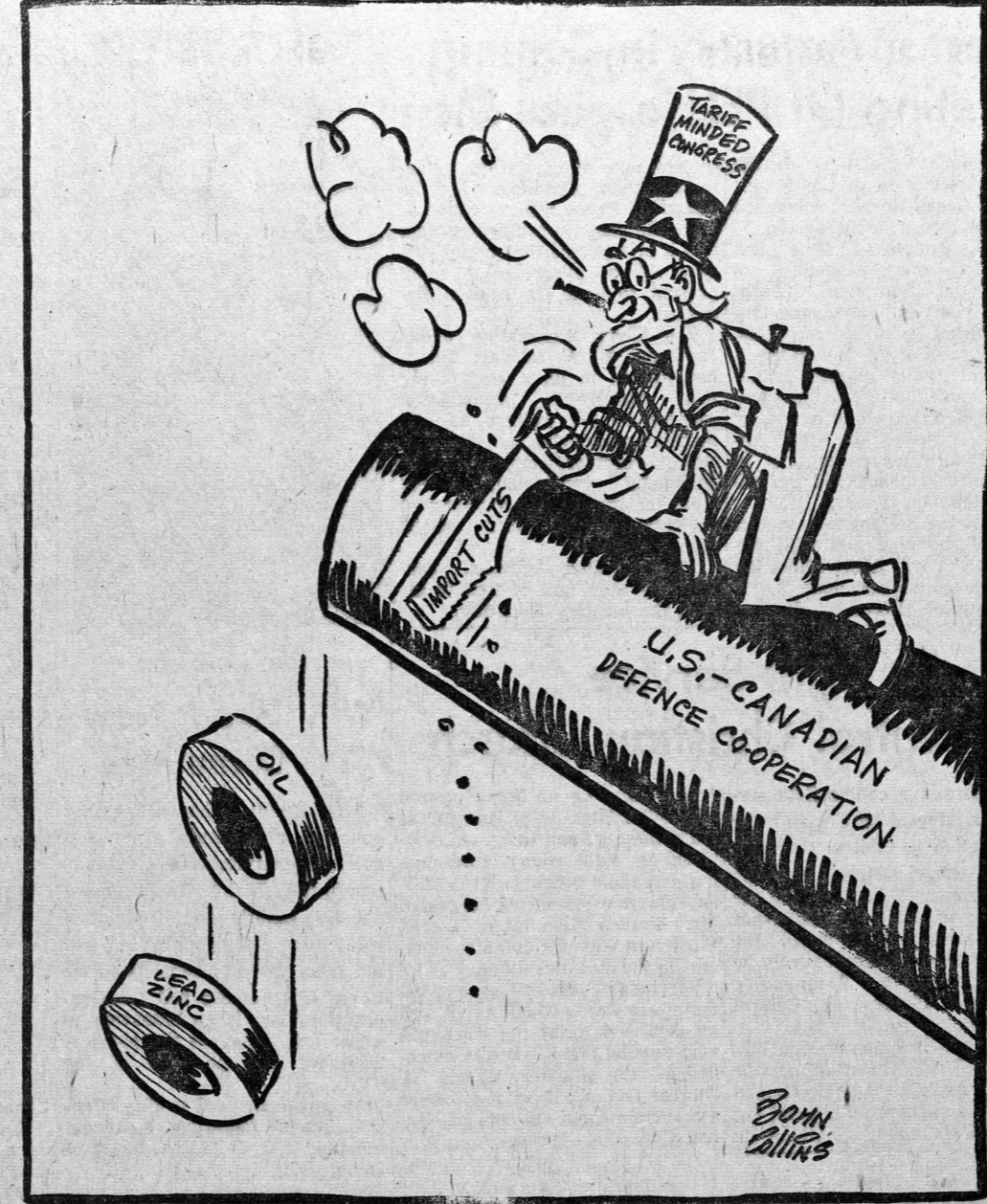
On Nov. 26, the day before the American Thanksgiving Day, a third special service will be held to dedicate the new American Memorial Chapel, built in memory of 28,000 members of the United States' armed forces, based in Britain, who died in World War Two.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Now we can all relax. Scientists have decided that the zebra is a light-colored animal with dark stripes—not, as was supposed, a dark one with light stripes.

The City of Quebec will celebrate its 350th anniversary this summer. It goes without saying that it will be a colourful event, as it deserves to be.

Doctors at Tulane University in New Orleans say they are on the track of a vaccine which will give protection, against colds, flu and polio. The common cold is one of the more baffling ailments. It is possible that persons now living will see the day when a cold will be a rarity—as rare, perhaps, as smallpox is now.



AUSTERITY DEFENCE

OTTAWA REPORT

Spring Election Prospects

By Patrick Nicholson
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OTTAWA—Far from scotching speculation of a spring General Election, the failure of the Liberal Opposition to try genuinely to defeat the Conservative Government seems to have brought the election nearer.

At their Convention, and later in Parliament, leading Liberals showed clearly in their speeches that their claim for public support would be based on the slogan that "Tory times are tough times."

Prime Minister John Diefenbaker himself destroyed that argument by pulling the rug out from under the Liberals. He dismayed the Liberals by proving in Parliament that top civil service advisers had warned the Liberal Government, more than three months before last June's general election, that the national economy was slipping, and would slide into a recession unless vigorous preventive action was taken.

In spite of that warning, the Liberals took no steps at all. They concealed from Parliament and from the people this dire warning from the top economists in the civil service. On the contrary, they tried to lull Canadians

tened by their tight money policy, the new Conservative government has taken quick vigorous action to diminish unemployment and to lighten its hardship where seasonal conditions make it unavoidable.

Throughout the country, the revelations of the Sharp Economic Survey have strengthened the widespread belief that the current high level of economic activity throughout the coming year and the prediction that "the momentum of expansion will continue."

REWRITING HISTORY

Defeated at the polls last June the Liberals remembered this secret warning, and were not unhappy to hand government over to the Conservatives. Still they did not reveal this warning, and they were smug in the belief that they would be able once again, as in 1935, to chuck off onto the Conservatives the blame for the tough times which their own policies had spawned and their own inactivity had hatched.

But in 1953, unlike 1935, the Conservatives discovered undeniable proof which enabled them to pin the blame exactly where it should lie, namely onto the previous Liberal government.

This proof was the Sharp Economic Survey, dated March 1957, which Prime Minister Diefenbaker quoted with such devastating effect in Parliament. This was the chief of the warnings which our most brilliant civil servants had passed to the Liberal Cabinet.

Whereas the Liberals took no steps to lessen or avert the pending recession, and in fact has-

ON PARLIAMENT HILL

Tension And Excitement

By Heath Macquarrie, M. P.

Monday and Tuesday of last week were exciting and tense days on Parliament Hill. Often the workings of the House of Commons appear to be dull and routine. Many members are in their offices or at committees rather than in their seats on the floor of the chamber and the public galleries are almost empty.

Mr. Pearson took over as Leader of the Opposition, a post which Mr. Coldwell described as the third most important position in the House, next only to the Speaker and the Prime Minister. But before Mr. Pearson spoke there were expressions of tribute and affection to the retiring leader, Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent, Prime Minister Diefenbaker and the leaders of the C.C.F. and Social Credit Party, Mr. Coldwell and Mr. Low, were united in their good wishes to the man who led the government of Canada from 1949 until his defeat in the election of last June.

Mr. Pearson was followed by the Prime Minister who spoke for two and a half hours in a blistering attack upon the official opposition party. He heaped scorn and derision upon the ramshackle "caricature of an amendment." Those who have heard Mr. Diefenbaker in action over years declare that he was never in better form.

At the conclusion of his speech when the House rose he was surrounded by his enthusiastic followers while Mr. Pearson walked out alone—obviously shaken and discomfited. Interested and independent observers in press and radio have described the opening encounter as a great triumph for the Prime Minister.

But beyond the clash and clamor of party warfare the process of legislating must go on. Great attention was paid to the Agricultural Ice Support Bill on which the C.C.F. and Social Credit parties have had much criticism to offer. With one or two exceptions, the Liberal party has supported the governments bill.

Another very important development is the government's announcement that it is arranging to have an early and thorough study made of the American system of social security. The Prime Minister revealed that the gov-

ernment wants no leisurely survey made but a prompt one with findings available in a few months. The prospects of even greater social security legislation for needy Canadians seem bright indeed.

All in all, this has been one of our busiest and most exciting weeks since the opening of Parliament and has demonstrated the essence of the two party system.

DEEPER THAN COLD

Deeper than dust, deeper than grass that grows, deeper than cold that thickens through the ground, is nature building wonder without sound, setting the stage for all her blossoming shows. In secret, circumscribed by slopes of white, by quilts of ice, by rain and wretched wind, by twisted trees pathetically thinned, she works in winter silence and in night.

The bursting spring, the lavish summer days; The brazen - painted autumn — all are there, in quiet fury at the core of things; And in our thoughtful, warm imaginings, The inward eye sees, deep and everywhere, The patient perseverance of her ways.

—Jacob C. Solovay in the Christian Science Monitor.

MAXIMS

No race can prosper till it learns that there is as much dignity in tilling a field as in writing a poem.

SKI LIFT FAILS

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. (AP)—Governor Averell Harriman of New York dangled 60 feet above ground for more than a half hour Saturday when a ski lift failed on Whiteface mountain in the Adirondacks. He joked and laughed about his predicament while repairs were being made. Harriman, an accomplished skier, finished the trip on the 6,200-foot lift and skied down.

Early Care Best Remedy

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. SINCE we produced a vaccine for Asian flu so quickly, why haven't we come up with one to protect us from virus pneumonia? Even though virus pneumonia is seldom fatal, it usually does put its victim in bed with subsequent loss of time from work.

Why, then, hasn't medical science developed protective measures? VARIETY OF VIRUSES Well, there are at least 17 different viruses which may cause pneumonia. These viruses are extremely difficult to identify. Generally, by the time we could identify the virus which has struck an individual, he would be either well or dead.

Therefore, one of the best protections against virus pneumonia still is the age-old advice: go to bed and call your doctor. COLD COMES FIRST Virus pneumonia begins insidiously about the fourth or fifth day of a simple cold.

You probably will have a general sensation of chilliness, a severe headache and a fever varying from 100 to 103 degrees. You will lose your appetite. After a few more days, you probably will develop a dry, hacking cough which usually will be worse at night.

DRY AND TIGHT For several days, the cough will remain dry and tight. Finally, the coughing will produce a thin, watery sputum which may be streaked with blood.

Long before your illness reaches this stage, you should have called your doctor. He may want to prescribe codeine in severe cases to get rid of your cough, and other medicines to soothe your throat.

VALUABLE DRUGS Chloromycetin and aureomycin are valuable drugs in treating virus pneumonia. And penicillin, of course, might come in handy in case of a secondary infection.

Most attacks of the disease will run their course in about 10 days to two weeks. But even after this, you will be bothered considerably by the after-effects. POOR APPETITE For several days, maybe even weeks, you will have a poor appetite, become extremely fatigued and have little energy.

The easiest way to avoid all this is to get to bed the moment you feel a cold coming on. And stay there until your doctor tells you to get up.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

H. D.: I have heard that a woman can have male hormones. Is this true? Answer: Normally, there is some production of male hormones in the female.

However, this is usually too minute to make any great difference.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Jan. 28, 1933)

The annual meeting of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association was held yesterday afternoon in the agriculture hall, presided over by the President, Senator J. E. Sinclair. The activities of the year

NOTES BY THE WAY

A contemporary wonders how grandma ever got her clothes to look so clean and fresh without any of the miracle preparations in use today. The answer is that she used plenty of elbow grease on a wash-board with lots of old-fashioned soap.—St. Thomas Times-Journal

The National Federation of Canadian University Students is calling for a system of scholarships for all students who pass university entrance examinations, or similar requirements, but cannot afford to attend university classes. This is a timely appeal which deserves a hearing from every citizen of this country, where the proportion of younger people going on to higher education is far below those of several other Western nations and that of Russia.—Edmonton Journal

were reviewed by members of the executive and a committee chairman giving indication of a successful year. Major MacRae was elected President for the forthcoming term and Mr. Keith Boswell was elected vice-president.

According to information gathered during the year, twenty-four vessels entered port at Montague from foreign ports and thirty-four cleared for foreign ports. Besides these eighty-two coastwise vessels entered and seventy-one cleared for coastwise ports.

TEN YEARS AGO

(Jan. 28, 1943) Injury to the reputation of Prince Edward Island potatoes in the Boston market due to the commercial sale of inferior stock was predicted by Mr. John M. MacKenzie of Cardigan, who returned from a visit to the New England states this week. Mr. MacKenzie said that bags purporting to contain certified Green Mountain potatoes, bearing the mark of P.E.I. Potato Growers' Association, but without identification cards, are being sold and that these potatoes are of inferior quality.

The home of Mr. Dan MacLeod at Victoria was completely destroyed by fire yesterday. The fire is believed to have originated around a stove and spread so rapidly that nothing could be saved. Mr. MacLeod and two small children escaped, and by the time neighbors gathered, the fire had progressed so rapidly that they were unable to do anything.

Home is where a man can do just as he pleases if he doesn't mind getting into arguments.—Kitchener - Waterloo Record

There may be no way to get people to take their Salt shots, short of inventing and spreading a rumor that they are scarce.—Hamilton Spectator

The trouble with safety signs along the highway is that the people they are aimed at are going too fast to understand them. It's sort of like putting up posters urging illiterates to join a class in how to read.—Winnipeg Tribune

Burma's spokesman at the recent Unesco conference had the discouraging name of U. Thant, but the Republic of Korea cheered by sending us Ambassador Yang, the rest of whose name is U. Chan. Whether we Chan U. Thant, Burma concedes us the victory. Her ambassador to the United States is U. Win.—Redwood City, Cal., Tribune

Since the last war 15 new nations have come into being, most of them as a result of wise British colonial policy. It is a record of which the British people might well be proud and it is a sharp contrast to the policies of the Soviet Union which has denied self-determination of millions of human beings.—Hamilton Spectator

The Age Old Story

The Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear.

The High Cost Of Hurt Feelings

Do you lie awake nights and 'keep remembering' old humiliations? Are you 'burned up' over something someone did to you? Stop and think what might be accomplished if the time and energy spent in nursing your hurt feelings were put to profitable use!

February Reader's Digest shows you how old grievances can harm you, gives helpful advice on how to overcome them. Get your February Reader's Digest today. \$3 articles of lasting interest, condensed to save your time.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Progressive Conservative Association of the Fifth District of Queens (Charlottetown and Royalty) will be held in the Clover Club on Tuesday, February 4th at 8 p.m. Each poll is entitled to send five accredited voting delegates. M. A. FARMER, President.

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