

Lunenburg, observed that foreign ships fishing on the east coast are superior to most Canadian ships. The big improvement in fishery ships is due to the realization that world fishing is world feeding. Canadian industry is privately owned, while foreign ships are mostly state-owned, and only recently have steps been taken in Canada to encourage the building of better ships by government subsidy for shipbuilding "to bring our costs more in line with other shipbuilding nations."

It seems that there are many sides to this question. It is all part of the problem of national fisheries development which provincial ministers will be asked to discuss with Ottawa at a conference shortly to be called. Mr. Robichaud says he wants all the data he can get from provincial sources, as an aid to his department in preparing "a full and comprehensive plan of action" to be submitted to the federal cabinet for approval.

Mental Health Week

From a bulletin received from the Canadian Mental Health Association we note that there are more patients in mental hospitals than in all other hospitals combined. This is an arresting statement indeed. Mental illness is thus the nation's greatest health problem, requiring much study and research.

The cheering aspect of the situation is that mental illness is no longer hopeless. Today, more than ever in the past, there is prospect for the return to health of many Canadians who have been treated for mental illness in hospital.

The Association has fostered many important research projects financed by public funds. Current Dominion-Provincial mental health grants for research now approach a million dollars annually. The organization itself provides substantial sustaining grants to research workers to allow them freedom to direct their investigations in the most productive way.

It is surely incumbent upon each of us to give what aid and encouragement we can in bringing the mentally ill back into the community as contributing members of society. This is the work to which the C.M.H.A. is dedicated, and we wish it every success in its endeavors.

Too Many Of Them

Within the past two years, notes the Toronto Globe and Mail, the provincial Premiers of British Columbia, Manitoba, Newfoundland, Quebec and New Brunswick have called elections which it was not constitutionally necessary to call. For some reason it omits Prince Edward Island, which falls into the same category. In any case, our Toronto contemporary's point is that it is time a halt was called to this irregular procedure.

"In no instance," it says, "had the government's term run out or had it been defeated in the Legislature. The Premiers were using elections as political tools, or as the means of passing on to the electorate the responsibility for making a decision they ought to have made themselves, or as a smokescreen, or—as in the case of Mr. Joseph Smallwood of Newfoundland—simply as an escape from the boredom of government."

Fishery Problems

One of the Liberal pledges in the federal campaign was for a 12-mile exclusive fishing limit, protecting Canada's inshore fisheries on both coasts from exploitation. The new fisheries minister, Hon. H. J. Robichaud, in a statement this week conceded "the international complexity which such action could involve." However, he was convinced that an understanding with interested nations—whether or not such nations are already protected by historic fishing treaties—can be arrived at after proper consultations and discussions.

Long-range fishing by other countries, Mr. Robichaud said, is reaching major proportions along Canadian coasts with a growing threat of over-fishing. The coastal fish stocks were in dire need of additional protection. This has been known for some time. It does not minimize the difficulties in the way of enforcing a 12-mile limit.

We note that at a meeting this week of the Fisheries Council of Canada, two American spokesmen were present. They opposed unilateral action, calling instead for "an all out attack by Canada and the U.S. on distant fishing grounds."

They cited the case of Japan, Russia, Western Europe and other nations which are modernizing their vessels and gear and "feverishly increasing their fleets and actively fishing the waters of the world." Canada and the U.S. must expand their fishing efforts to all world areas soon or they would be "disqualified by the abstention principle of their own making."



SPRINGTIME IN OTTAWA FROM BIBLICAL TIMES

Lebanon Restores Its Famous Cedars

Devotees of scripture have read much of the cedars of Lebanon but in these days, even in Lebanon itself, the famous cedars are hard to find. Today, Lebanon's forestry department is planting millions of trees to make the landscape bloom again with the cedars famous when Solomon was king.

Pakistan Capital Rising

Pakistan is building a new national capital with a working day neighbor or an ethereal view.

Public Forum

How long the city will exist without me, I am, Sir, etc.

A COUNTRY WOMAN. Suffox, P.E.I.

TOO MUCH NAME-CALLING Sir—How many readers of this paper had a feeling of revulsion, as I had, on reading accounts of recent meetings of our county of the party members of the Legislature?

PARKING DIFFICULTY Sir—What is our Charlottetown coming to? No place to park our cars and if you should be lucky enough to find a parking place after driving for blocks around the town because of no parking spaces?

EDITORIAL NOTE The Italian general elections, which will be held on Sunday, are regarded as of crucial importance not only to Italy but to the Western Alliance generally.

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Do Dainty Noises Cause Deafness?

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

Do everyday noises lead ultimately to the loss of hearing? It is a question that has troubled many of us. Hearing loss in the aging is known as presbycusis (presbutele). Dr. Samuel H. Gelfand of the University of Toronto has been studying the hearing of the tribes in Africa. He was struck by the fact that the elderly in these tribes have no hearing loss. He has followed up on this line—at least, more less than a those of the same age in the United States.

Rosen's theory gained support from the fact that there is more noise in the lives of men than in women, presumably because males are exposed to more noise. Industries live in areas where the sound levels are much higher than they are in the cities.

Dr. A.J. Philippon of Amsterdam had an opportunity to test his theory. He was contacted by an 82-year-old man who complained of poor hearing. It had reached the point where hearing aid was needed because of the noise in his life. According to a report on this case in the Journal of Laryngology and Otology, the man had been in the military for 32 years previously and the family doctor must have left the patient with deafness.

When Dr. Philippon attempted to remove the "wax" it proved to be pieces of cotton wool that had obstructed the ear completely. The plug had been moved by fiber. When asked about it, the patient became angry and said he had never trouble 32 years previously and the family doctor must have left the patient with deafness.

The Dutch ear specialist then conducted hearing tests and was surprised to find a marked increase in hearing. There was normal hearing in both ears. The right ear had had a mixed type of hearing loss. The change was not permanent, suggesting that the plug of cotton served as an ear defender.

Mrs. J. M. writes: My husband had fever and a loss of hearing. He was diagnosed as having a diagnosis of actinomycosis was made. Is drainage from the abscess which was contiguous to the nose in the household?

REPLY No, but your doctor's care is needed in changing and disposing of the dressings from the abscess. The drainage of the abscess is frequently found in the mouth of normal persons. The abscess is treated with antibiotics.

ON-THE-JOB BURPING I have been burping for a long time. I have been burping for a long time. I have been burping for a long time. I have been burping for a long time.

POOR LEG CIRCULATION I have been having trouble with my legs. I have been having trouble with my legs. I have been having trouble with my legs. I have been having trouble with my legs.

EATING AND ANXIETY G. L. F. writes: Are anxiety attacks related to eating? I have been having anxiety attacks. I have been having anxiety attacks. I have been having anxiety attacks.

TO-day's Health Hint—Give yourself a chance to improve your appearance.

Our Yesterday's (From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO Passenger traffic on the Charlottetown-Summerdale-Moncton line was down last week because of soft runways at airports here and at Summerside.

CITIZENS MEET The striking and familiar face of the town clock tower in the Court House building damaged the four dials, and its mechanism was pretty well "smoked up" by the fire.

TEEN YEARS AGO The Charlottetown Kinsmen Club will sponsor a three-day clinic for the young people of the town at the Charlottetown Club on Friday night at the meeting of the club at the Charlottetown Club on Friday night.

Method of increasing the construction of fast and expanding present subjects for debate when the external political situation is annual meeting in Ottawa last week. Attending from the province were Eugene Cullen, Minister of Industry and National Resources, and E.M. King, Minister of Fisheries and the Department.

TO make the "Pindi Run" the American Express 1000 feet down to the plateau. Their first winter in Murree, the Foreign Service Journal reported, proved "an adventurous one, highlighted by a serious fire, a wild-geese hunt, and a usually heavy snowstorm."

Signs of Improvement The Hon. G. F. (AP) President of the House of Commons may be some signs of improvement in East-West relations. The Hon. G. F. (AP) President of the House of Commons may be some signs of improvement in East-West relations.

THE FLYING BUTCHER "Your Island Secret House"

Speakup for Myself

A Sissy Seeks Rest from Politics

On the basis of recent stands taken by many readers, I have thought it time public concern is developing over the state of my courage. The public concern is developing over the state of my courage. The public concern is developing over the state of my courage.

Each of them, I have no doubt, would blame the other for the situation. But, in talking to a coward, I have no doubt, would blame the other for the situation. But, in talking to a coward, I have no doubt, would blame the other for the situation.

Running Sore Perhaps it is unfair (or another instance of cowardice) to state the case in that way, for when they meet who are not content with the guilty. Really, though, it is only the temporary nature of the membership list in picking each other's pockets.

What developed struck me as being the result of too much politicking, spread over a long period, at both the federal and provincial levels. A point was reached where it became almost impossible to have a political opinion without having a political implication built out of it.

When they burn "in reason," as part of a political strategy, they are not in full flame for month after month, as has seemed to be the case in the past few years now—I suspect that they become largely destructive to the country.

Just now, Ottawa seems in a mood to proceed peacefully with Canada's affairs in a non-crisis atmosphere. For some time to come, that'll be enough for me. Ultimately, it will be replaced periodically, as the opposition performs its function, and that should be fine, too.

Ahead of that, though, I want to make a point of saying "Yes, but what you said before April 8 was..." "What Mr. Diefenbaker said in 1958 was..." "Why didn't the St. Laurent government...?"

CHEAPNESS OF TONE The trouble with continuous political fires, as distinguished from occasional furio us whippersnap by horn in a fire, is that they keep alive a hate, many of which have outlived their usefulness, rather than new fervors.

At the moment, too, I have become tired of hearing about what Premier Shaw thinks of the present attitude.

It is by any chance isn't cowardice that's wrong with me, when I am in a room with a politician that controls my present attitude.

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