

for Better Transportation

It is encouraging to note that the new Prince Nova, under construction at Pictou for the Wood Islands-Caribou route, will be launched on December 3 and that it is planned to have the ship ready for service early next year. This is more than we had hoped for, and we can appreciate the satisfaction expressed by Captain Hunter, president of Northumberland Ferries Limited, in making the announcement.

It means that the new boat—named after the original one acquired by the company for this service—will be available in time for the biggest traffic season in the history of this Province, when our Confederation Conference centennial celebrations get under way.

The new ferry will have the same carrying capacity as the Lord Selkirk, but will be considerably faster and will be able to make one trip a day more than the Selkirk. Let's hope, now that everything goes according to schedule and that there will be no disappointing last-minute holdups.

Meantime we note that over-water drilling has been completed on our Causeway survey project, and that the seismic survey is under way. The consulting engineers say it will take approximately two years to complete the causeway design—which is what we were told more than a year ago when the original announcement as to the feasibility of the project was made. Well, at least we're holding our own! We are assured now that we are in the final survey stage, though we don't definitely know as yet whether it is to be a bridge-causeway, a tunnel-causeway, or a combination of all three.

In any case, we are to have a new ice-breaker on the Borden-Tormentine route to tide us over until we get our permanent link with the mainland. And with the prospects of improved service at Wood Islands next summer, we can look to have more assurance to the future than we have had reason to do in the past.

A Poor Solution

Efforts are still being made in Parliament to legalize a national sweepstake, it being claimed that this would solve all the problems of this country's hospitals. The Canadian Hospital Association has consistently refused to support the sweepstake idea; but its reasons for doing so, on practical grounds, have perhaps not been as widely understood as they should be. The Financial Post devotes an editorial to this matter in its current issue, in which the following points are made:

From the 107 Irish sweepstakes run since 1930, the Irish Hospital Fund has received \$61,809,974. Out of this the government has lifted 25 per cent as a stamp tax in lieu of income tax which these hospitals would have been expected to pay as a profit-making business. This means that the annual average take for Ireland's hospitals from 1930 to 1962 has been about £1,423,214 or only \$4,270,000.

How far would this sort of money go in keeping Canada's hospitals operating? It costs about \$800,000,000 a year to do so. Another \$80,000,000 to \$110,000,000 is spent annually on hospital construction and renovation. Actually, if a Canadian sweepstake equal to that created by Ireland in 33 years were set up, it would keep Canada's hospitals going for only four days, assuming that not a cent toward new construction.

For these figures, the Financial Post cites a well-known management expert, Dr. Harvey Agnew of Agnew, Peckham and Associates, who has spent the past 40 years telling Canadian hospitals how they can best use the facilities and the funds available to them.

Only one-fifth of what is collected in Irish sweepstakes actually goes to the hospitals. Under the same system we would have to raise \$4,000,000,000 annually by sweepstakes to keep Canadian hospitals running. And, since Eire depends on other countries for major contributions, we would have to take the world market away from her—which would take some doing!

Steps Down, But Not Out

News reports from Bonn state that Economics Minister Ludwig Erhard has been formally elected to succeed Konrad Adenauer as Chancellor of West Germany. But "succeed" is hardly the word. Dr. Adenauer has surrendered with reluctance his position as head of the government, but not his claim to possess the decisive voice on issues of grave national policy. The central question now is whether the indomitable old man will be able to make good that claim.

He remains the Deputy from Bonn in Parliament, and national chairman of the governing Christian Democratic Party. As such he will preside over the national party executive, which is the court of highest instance on issues of party policy.

Even before leaving office, Dr. Adenauer personally sought to perpetuate his personal authority by raising what he called a vital issue of national policy. The question had to do with Bonn's response to the effort of the United States to ease its relations with the Soviet Union. Adenauer believes President Kennedy's relaxation policy is mistaken and mortally dangerous to Germany. The end of the road, he insists, is the Soviet-United States confirmation of the "status quo" in Central Europe, meaning the permanent partition of Germany.

As a New York Times correspondent points out, if Adenauer stood alone as the last cold-warrior in his position would be weak. But his good friend, General de Gaulle, is offering an alternative policy of Europe first and stiff anti-Communism, which is attracting new adherents in West Germany.

At the moment, the Gaullists lack a hard issue. No significant East-West agreements are in sight. Dr. Adenauer's move to force a showdown on the sale of wheat to the Soviet Union was made too late on an issue of little concern to Germany. He failed to evoke strong reaction. But he will unquestionably try again when an opportunity arises to wave the red flag dramatically.

If that chance comes soon, before Professor Erhard has had time to consolidate his new Government, a major political crisis will result. And the world will then know whether the Adenauer era is really over.

EDITORIAL NOTES

California last year claimed first rank among the states of the U.S. in population, and New York was ready to concede. Then last week the Bureau of the Census reported that as of July 1 New York, with a population of 17,709,000, still led California, some 118,000 behind with 17,590,000.

A grand plan to build a new tower of Babel would be at the University of Chicago, where no fewer than 54 languages are now being studied or taught. The list starts with Akkadian—spoken 3,500 years ago and taught today in its cuneiform derivatives by a Hungarian lady. It ends with Yoruba, a Nigerian tongue.

A new APEC report has been produced, this time on factors affecting the trade pattern between the Atlantic Provinces and the Caribbean. The report says that serious consideration should be given to encouraging the location in these provinces of new enterprises which are capable of producing efficiently for the combined domestic and Caribbean market.



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MAJOR CHANGES ANNOUNCED

Ten-year Plan For Canadian Defense

The Minister of National Defence, Hon. Paul Hellyer, announced in a recent speech that major changes will soon be made in this country's method of planning for defence.

Defence policy will be elaborated in a five-year plan, rather than an annual basis. The intent will be to have a long-range defence policy suited to Canada's size and responsibilities, and to buy the best equipment for the least money possible.

It may seem unfortunate that this should be necessary. Weapons design and production can be a matter of national pride, and of industrial progress. But Canada can no longer afford to carry out that policy.

Even the purchase of such stock as the cancellation of the Arrow aircraft, by a more searching examination of proposed equipment projects, to see if the country can really afford to carry them through to completion. And it should be possible to avoid such shocks as the cancellation of the Arrow aircraft, by a more searching examination of proposed equipment projects, to see if the country can really afford to carry them through to completion.

Division Over South Africa

By Gurnee Cumming, Canadian Press Staff Writer

The United Nations has reached a new level of agreement in condemning South Africa's race separation system—but still can't agree on what to do about it.

Even the Africans themselves can't agree on tactics although they are unanimous in demanding that South Africa should be cut off from the world and forced to abandon apartheid. In a speech Monday Tanganyika's Justice Minister Kaluta said it was incredible that the UN didn't have the courage or ability to throw out South Africa.

Two weeks before, Nigeria's Foreign Minister Jaja Wachuku said and insisted that there was no concerted plan for expulsion. KEEP WHIPPING THEM

Wachuku, a colorful figure who commands considerable respect in the African group, said it was better to keep South Africa in the UN and "keep on whipping them until they learn some lessons."

Western delegates meanwhile were asking soberly whether either course of action would give any hope to those most vitally concerned—the people of South Africa.

They pointed out that the "whipping" while steadily increasing in intensity, has done nothing so far except drive South Africa farther into its shell and rally more white support for Premier Hendrik Verwoerd.

A group of five Nordic countries—Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland—has agreed on a tentative attempt for a new kind of approach.

In essence, their plan is to get the Afro-Asians and the white South Africans to work together to help South Africa out of its dilemma; to help it build a multiracial society with guarantees for all.

This would involve, on the one hand, persuading the Africans to tone down their attack and above all to avoid outright force. On the other hand, it would mean talking the Westerners into using trade as a lever to convince South Africa it must change direction.

Pityriasis Rosea Easy To Treat

By Dr. Theodore B. Vardellen

Select pityriasis rosea if you must develop a skin disease. It is the most satisfactory of all because it is easy to diagnose and treat. In addition, the condition is mild, seldom recurs, and it kills its victims fast.

Begin with a red scaling area approximately an inch in diameter. This initial lesion (herald) or mother patch may appear anywhere on the body but the trunk and thighs are the most likely areas. It resembles and is often treated for ringworm. After a week or more, a generalized eruption begins, with lesions crop out at a time and continue to do so for the next three weeks.

These new patches are oval and smaller than the herald spot; they are pinkish, salmon, or clammy colored. There is itching which soon disappears. The face usually escapes and the outbreak seldom appears below the elbows and knees. While there are exceptions, this is mentioned to emphasize how factual the disease can be in the sites it chooses.

The cause of pityriasis is not known. It is mildly contagious, which suggests that it is virus which suggests that it is virus which suggests that it is virus which suggests that it is virus which suggests that it is virus.

The disorder favors young adults and in 99 per cent of all cases it never recurs. The condition may be aborted by exposing the herald spot to ultraviolet light or ordinary sun during the first two weeks. The good effects of Old Sol may explain why the exposed parts of the body escape.

Treatment seldom is necessary. Calamine lotion containing menthol or camphor relieves itching. Soap and water may aggravate the eruption but there is no need to go dirty unless marked inflammation exists. Avoid the excessive use of highly seasoned foods, alcohol, and coffee.

HOARSE SINGER

P.M. writes: I sing in a group and many times I use my voice quite a bit and get hoarse. Different lozenges have not helped. Do you know of anything that will help?

REPLY: Give your voice a rest for several months. Many singers develop hoarseness when the voice is overused. Examination is suggested. The excessive use of small nodules on your vocal cords.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Letter from a teenager at boarding school: "Send food packages! All they serve here is breakfast, lunch and dinner." — Galt Reporter.

Life is becoming an issue, these days, that a lot of people have to take tranquilizers in order to sleep in church. — Chatham News.

Peterborough Examiner — "For what human life does not dawn seem to be an alleviation?" asked Thornton Wilder. Well, here's insomnia for a start. — Peterborough Examiner.

Arthur Conte, politician and writer, has reported that the first great enemy of parliamentary government was the safety razor. "It emptied the barber shops which for centuries had been the most living centres for daily political discussions," he explained at the party for his new book, La Succession. — Journal, Montreal.

TORTOISES DYING The giant tortoises of the Galapagos Islands, are headed for extinction.

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