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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

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New England Markets

Remarks made by Mr. Frank B. Clark, an official of the Canadian Consulate in Boston, are of such great importance to the development of our Maritime economy that they deserve every bit of publicity that can possibly be given them, hence our quoting them just as they were reported in a Canadian Press dispatch.

"New England is crying for practically all the products that are so abundant in Canada.

"The plain and unvarnished truth is that New England has been fished out and Canadian fishermen have golden opportunities to reap harvests here with lobsters, clams and fresh and frozen fish.

"The New England market also presents a golden chance for farmers and growers in Canada. Canadian apples, if they could be transported to Boston in a steady volume would take over the New England market.

"Dried woods (whatever they are), so plentiful in the Atlantic Provinces, are needed desperately here.

"The major difficulty in the past to trade between the Atlantic Provinces and New England has been the inability of Maritime manufacturers and farmers to supply a constant flow of material.

"While the New England market has admired the fine quality of Canadian fish, fruit, farm products and lumber the supply has not been constant."

If Mr. Clark's diagnosis of the situation is accurate—and certainly he ought to know what he is talking about—the trouble facing the Maritimes is not lack of markets but inability to supply them in quantity and steady volume. Surely, that ought to present no great difficulty. Doubtless, the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council and its participating bodies will get busy on it without undue delay.

Carrying Mr. Speaker

In most legislatures the election of a Speaker is a simple procedure. Usually, perhaps always, the selection is made beforehand by the Premier in consultation with his colleagues and, perhaps the Leader of the Opposition. He is then on the appointed day elected by unanimous vote of the Legislature, and that is all there is to it. He assumes his duties as presiding officer of the House and arbitrator of parliamentary disputes; and, theoretically at any rate, he has no political affiliation during his term of office.

In Newfoundland, however, where traditions are venerated to an extraordinary extent, the event is not allowed to pass in so mild a fashion. This is made clear in a report carried by the St. John's Daily News regarding the election of Mr. John R. Courage to the exalted office for the life of the present Legislature which convened a few days ago. The first thing that Mr. Courage did on being formally informed of his election (doubtless, he knew weeks ago that he had been selected for the office) was to decline it on the ground of unworthiness. Whereupon, without entering into controversy respecting Mr. Courage's fitness, the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition took him by force to the chair and placed him in it, Mr. Courage giving token resistance all the way. Once he was in the chair, however, his opposition subsided, and he was proclaimed "First Citizen of Newfoundland." Flowery speeches by the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition followed, their tenor being that although Mr. Courage had tried his best to refuse the post he would undoubtedly fill it with honour and distinction.

An unnecessary formality? Yes, of course. But legislative sessions have their share of routine drabness; and perhaps it does no harm to start them off with a bit of colourful, if somewhat useless, ritual which is rooted in the right of the citizenry, as represented by the Legislature,

to honour whom they will as first in dignity, with or without his consent, and is entirely separate from the more familiar opening-day pageantry which symbolizes the dignity and the rights of the Crown.

The Exiles

During and immediately following the Second World War many thousands of Russians fled their homeland for more hospitable dwelling places abroad. This of course was not a good advertisement for the social and political system which its advocates believe to be "paradise enow." In the intervening years Soviet leaders have tried to make out that the voluntary exiles had been offered bribes and special inducements by foreign governments in order to discredit the Soviet way of life. As long as Stalin lived return usually meant only one thing; punishment, which sometimes took the extreme form of execution by firing squad. Naturally, when this word got around, there was no rush to return to the homeland. Since Stalin's unlamented decrease, however, Government officials have tried new ways of encouraging repatriation, including promises of a warm welcome and forgiveness for past errors, albeit with little success.

Now, according to a report from Moscow, the services of the Russian Orthodox Church, once the established Church of Russia, have been enlisted. The new appeal is for a return to the "fold of the mother Church" rather than to a social paradise. The official view, as published in the Government newspaper Izvestia, is that most of the exiles "undoubtedly" would like to return but are not quite sure what they would run up against. Who can blame them for harbouring doubts? They know, as all the world knows, what happened to the Hungarians who coveted a bit of freedom. And the fact that the Church has lined up with the politicians can hardly be expected to make them any more trustful, since the Church itself is not free except in so far as it keeps silent on political persecution.

Easter Seals Campaign

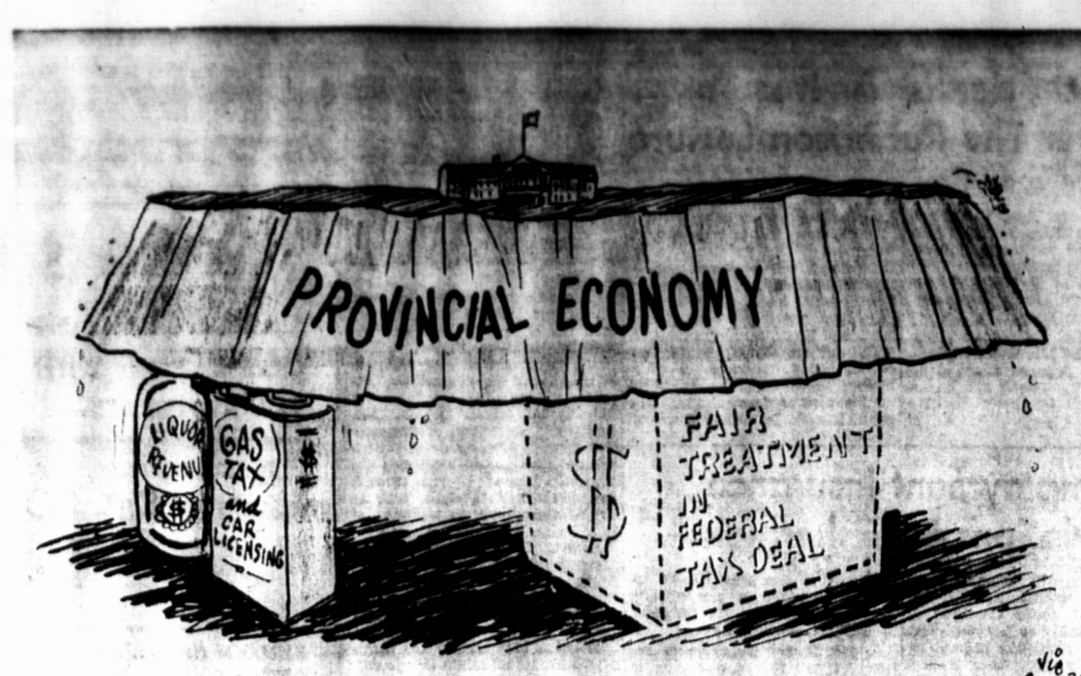
The Easter Seals campaign for crippled children has been officially opened under the sponsorship of the Rotary Clubs of the Province. This worthwhile drive is deserving of full support. The rehabilitation program is necessarily an expensive one, because the majority of these patients require long hospitalization and readjustment mentally as well as physically to their disability. With the exception of a very few, it is impossible for the individual to carry such a financial burden and the responsibility rests, therefore, with the government and community.

The objective of this campaign is to restore physical health to handicapped children. Some steps have already been taken by our provincial government, the local chapter of the Polio Foundation and the Red Cross in the rehabilitation of some of our crippled children, polio patients, and those suffering from tuberculosis and mental illnesses. There are many others who require help and it is hoped that very soon a rehabilitation centre will be provided, which will make it possible for all afflicted to look forward to a bright future. In the meantime, all who subscribe to the Easter Seals campaign may be assured that every cent contributed to this cause will be worthily expended.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Earthworms three feet long have been discovered in Columbia. One would almost last a trout fisherman of the non-purist variety all summer.

"The Formation of Borden's First Cabinet" is the title of an interesting study in Canadian politics, which originally appeared in the Canadian Journal of Economics and Political Science and has been republished by the University of Toronto Press. The author, Professor Heath N. Macquarrie, is a native Prince Edward Islander and one of the Conservative candidates in the federal field in this Province. The article is outstanding for its wealth of information and for its complete objectivity. It illustrates the difficulties faced by a national leader in forming a new cabinet, in keeping warring interests in balance and charting a course productive of unity and harmony. It is a scholarly work and as such should prove of permanent value for reference purposes.



A VITAL NEED: ONE STURDY SUPPORT

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.

NATIONAL SHRINE

Sir.—The proposal of Mr. Neil A. Matheson in the House of Commons on the 22nd instant to have the Dominion Government take over our Provincial Buildings as the birthplace of Confederation for perpetual preservation as a national shrine is a splendid one and should have the support of all our citizens.

The Legislative Chamber should be retained for its present purpose, as it has a historic significance of its own, but the departmental offices could be moved elsewhere and consequent available space used for the preservation of many of our archives and historical relics now awaiting permanent placement.

The P.E.I. Historical Society heartily endorses Mr. Matheson's proposal.

I am, Sir, etc.,
H.L. PALMER
President P.E.I. Historical Society

"MISS CANADA" PAGEANT

Sir.—We know some of your readers will be interested in our problem. Not a single young lady from Prince Edward Island has, to date, been registered to participate in the Miss Canada Pageant. It will be held in Hamilton, Ontario during Dominion Week, July 1st to 6th.

At a recent "Supervision Panel Meeting" we discussed the situation and the result of our efforts is ours. We do not know the man or organization in Charlottetown to contact.

That, Mr. Editor, is the reason for our request for help. Will you allow us just a little space in The Guardian to draw the Miss Canada Pageant to the attention of your civic, cultural and social leaders.

Your aid will mean so much to our education program. Miss Canada will receive a \$1,000 Scholarship, and each entrant in the National Finals will be awarded a minimum Scholarship of \$100.

If any one of your thousands of loyal readers is interested in making sure Prince Edward Island is represented in our great national event he is definitely invited to write for further details and promotion data.

I am, Sir, etc.,
MARGARET M. ELLISON
Convener, Dept. Research Council "Miss Canada Pageant"
118 King Street East
Hamilton, Ontario.

LIQUOR AND HIGHWAYS

Sir.—I have read with much interest the many letters in your paper on the liquor question. I cannot understand any well educated man advocating more liquor and beer as I think there is enough drinking going on now. They seem to get all the rum they want if they have the money to pay for it. Why make it any easier for them to get more and to ruin more young men and women?

If some of these men who are wanting freer beer and liquor had a son or daughter or wife killed in the highway because some driver got more liquor than he should have had, I wonder what he would think, or would he give it a second thought? Perhaps it would take something like that to wake him up and bring him to a better way of thinking. As to what more liquor could do, ninety per cent of the accidents on our highways are caused by over-drinking, causing more broken homes, broken hearts, and more people killed. So why not make our beautiful Island as dry as possible, an example to others; for if it is the best place on the map to live.

I am, Sir, etc.,
P.N. TUCKER
Ross Corner, P.E.I.

WHY MORE LIQUOR SALES?

Sir.—I have read in your paper with great concern a speech made in the House by A. A. MacIsaac, recommending more outlets for the sale of beer, wine, and liquor. This speech was followed by some letters in the Public Forum supporting Mr. MacIsaac's ideas. I cannot understand any conscientious, intelligent men advocating the sale of more liquor, when we already have the enormous sale of around three million dollars worth. These men remind me of a person posing as a carpenter, offering to tear down an old building and build a new one, with nothing to show for it.

There seems to be lots of money for everything else, so I think that they should help out the farm-help as well as the rest of the people. Just about everybody else is getting unemployment relief but the farmers' help. If they got unemployment insurance for three or four months in the winter it would be a big help for they get about the smallest wages paid in the summer, and they have to eat in the winter the same as the rest of the people. I think the system should be something like the same as the Fisherman's stamps, for in the Spring some of the men go to fish for a

A Livelier Commons

Ottawa Journal

A Journal writer recently in London reports his regret that the Canadian House of Commons has not adopted the system of benches instead of desks and chairs in the Chamber. The dark-green benches in Westminster allow an air of informality with members crowded together in small space when the debate is interesting and relaxed with room to spare when business is dull. The United Kingdom achieves an air of informality, the atmosphere of a club rather than a church.

The United Kingdom chamber is more square than oblong and the acoustics—perhaps the public-address system—permit a chattier style of delivery by speakers. An address by an Ottawa member involves effort discouraging to the conversational type of discussion and the desk before him invites the use of notes.

WITHOUT THE CRUTCH

The United Kingdom orator, unless he places his notes on the head of the member before him,

ing to work with but a wrecking bar.

I wouldn't like to call these men wreckers of society, but they come dangerously close when they recommend and promote increased sales of stuff which, if sold and consumed in sufficient quantity, would completely wreck society. I am quite sure if we farmers were trying to sell large quantities of food which was known to contain a marocotic poison, we would soon get into trouble and be charged in court under the provisions of the Pure Foods Act.

Now why not work on the positive side, and promote programs that we know will build a stronger, happier and more Christian society? We sometimes hear a lot of idle talk about democracy and truly democratic, free member of society is the person who continues to make the right choice.

I am, Sir, etc.,
R. A. PROFITT
Freelance, P.E.I.

SNOW REMOVAL

Sir.—Permit me space in your Public Forum. This is what I think of the Government opening the clay roads in P.E.I.

This program of roads is costing the Government too much money, which only benefits a few of the taxpayers. After each snowstorm you see the government plows making a long narrow track through the centre of the road and leaving huge banks of snow on the side to obstruct the running water, and evidently you have the water cutting out the middle of the road.

In this province we had one month, April, with bad roads when there is practically no travelling. Today with the snow plows we get the month of March with bad roads for either sleighs or wheels. Back in the thirties, in the month of March we had good sleighing and we would see some of sleighs with produce hanging into our towns. Today one only sees the poor mail man wending his way through the mud and water.

I think that the Government should discontinue opening up the clay roads after January for three months, and this would protect the roads, both clay and paved. And the money the Government is spending would go a considerable distance in building paved roads.

I am, Sir, etc.,
READER,
Kensington, R.R.

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

Sir.—I would like to remind our Members about unemployment for Farmers' help again. I wonder what will be their excuse this year. Two years ago they appointed some members to look into this matter and then they said the ones that were appointed were not there last year. Surely there are some of them there this year. As far as they have gone yet, I think only Mr. Ramsay spoke a better word.

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must give the appearance of speaking extemporaneously and, in fact, the art of speaking without the truth of the written word is much more esteemed in London.

When relaxing the Westminster backbencher can put his feet on the narrow top of the bench ahead without drawing the Speaker's frown. And nothing is more cherished than the front-bencher's privilege of putting their feet on the table of the House when in listening posture.

The United Kingdom, in a drowsy debate, gives the impression of a few amiable men chatting away at a common; the Canadian House, on a full day, resembles a school-room from which the few remaining pupils intend to flee as soon as they have recited their lines and done their duty.

Formality is desirable in any legislative assembly but rigidity can breed dullness and extinguish the sparks of wit and easy exchange of opinions which make parliament lively as well as useful.

Medically Speaking

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By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

UNCONSCIOUS FEARS SAID TO KEEP MANY SINGLE

Some persons have an unconscious fear of marriage. While to all outward appearances they seem to have valid reasons for not marrying, a number of single persons actually have an unrecognized marriage phobia. PSYCHIATRIST'S VIEW

This, at least, is the view of a leading psychiatrist, Dr. Jacob H. Friedman, director of the Neuro-psychiatric Service of Fordham Hospital and chief of the Mental Hygiene Clinic at Lebanon Hospital.

Physical health, it seems has little to do with it in most cases factors are frequently to blame. NINE REASONS

Writing in a recent issue of the Journal of the Hillsdale Hospital, Glen Oaks, New York, Dr. Friedman reports that the nine most common female rationalizations for not marrying are:

Fear of pregnancy, fear of infidelity of the future husband, guilt in relation to a childhood sexual activity.

Desire for a wealthy husband, fear of marital relations, fear that a husband will possess undesirable traits of father or brother, a feeling that being jilted by one man means that all men are no good.

Most common relationships for men not marrying include:

Marriage entails too much responsibility, marriage means loss of liberty, the feeling that being deceived by one woman means all women are no good, an aggressive feeling toward the mother with the resulting belief that "all women are like mothers."

TOO MUCH OF A GAMBLE

Marriage is too much a gamble as shown by the divorce rate, women are untrustworthy, married women are too demanding and want too much, fear of inheritance of mental illness.

Men also often set too high a standard in seeking a wife. Sometimes these may be the real reasons why persons remain single. Sometimes there are other reasons. For a large number of

OUR YESTERDAYS

From the Guardian Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(March 28, 1932)

The Customs Excise Preventive service will be taken over by the R.C.M.P. Friday next. Staff Sergeant Howard who has been here for the past month will have charge of the Mounties here. It is expected that their office will be located in the Post Office Building. The change will effect some eight men now on the force.

A delegation from the Summerside School Board, Town Council and the Board of Trade waited on the Government yesterday with the request that two extra grades be added at Summerside High School. The delegation stated that the Town Council would build the extra rooms for grades 11 and 12 provided that the Government would pay the Teachers' salaries.

TEN YEARS AGO

(March 28, 1947)

The first Trans Canada Air-lines aircraft carrying passengers from the Maritime Provinces landed at Boston airport yesterday, this inaugurating the new Moncton-Halifax-Boston air service. Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell thanked the officials on behalf of the party for the trip and the banquet.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Love is blind, but marriage is a good eye tonic.—Calgary Herald

Restricted diet is what we hear on the day before payday.—Sarnia Canadian Observer

Women in business "have more fun, stay younger and look better than women who stay at home," according to Mary G. Roebing, America's first woman bank president. May we enquire softly: "But how does the Old Man look?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer

The sea still has its mysteries and its perils. The cargo ship Nordic Star, with a crew of 36, disappeared in mid-Atlantic on December 27 in a violent gale and now officially is given up for lost. There are more such cases than one would expect—a ship going down so suddenly that there is no time to make wireless signal of distress.—Ottawa Journal

A new way for women to reduce has been discovered — but it's mighty rugged. A team of six British women mountain climbers, after scaling six Himalayan peaks, found the lost an average of two inches around their waists. Having to climb three mountains to reduce one inch in the waistline seems like mighty tall order.—St. Catherine's Standard

The corrosion of an assembly line education that makes a cult of the mediocre, a fetish of the "average," and martyr of the so-called delinquent, is an complete a distortion of democracy and its so-called rights as any one of the comic books.—Hamilton Spectator

Officials of a safe-driving course at Owen Sound Collegiate Institute report the course has resulted in a 100 per cent no-accident record. The course is now in its sixth year and has resulted in driving licenses being given to 365 teen-agers... not one of whom has been involved in an interesting angle. It is well known that many of the younger automobile drivers, if properly trained in safety, are much better drivers, than their parents.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review

unmarried persons, however, a psychiatrist may be of some help. QUESTION AND ANSWER

R.F.: Is mucus in the bowels dangerous and what is the cure? Answer: The presence of a small amount of mucus in the bowel movement, as a rule, is normal. Excessive mucus may indicate that there is inflammation or malfunction of the bowel. Better consult a doctor if excessive mucus is present.

The Poet's Corner

SEED CATALOGUE

Looking to gardens out beyond the snow.

To fragrant-pleated furrows of the field Or sifting seeds in grooves along a row.

This catalogue provides an early yield.

White winter takes the colored print of spring—

Each page is bright with pattern, scent and taste;

These are delights a memory can bring.

Planned harvests that can never go to waste.

Librarians have nothing that will take My eyes away from this adventure book—

Already drowsing spring is wide awake.

The story is not finished as I look Beyond the season held within my hand

Southward across another season's land.

—William Vincent Sieller, in the New York Herald-Tribune.

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