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CIRCULATION
"Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew"
"The strongest memory is weaker than
the weakest ink".

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Red Cross Activities

From a Christmas gift to each Canadian serviceman in hospital in Japan and Korea to a special denture for an Island child the annual report of the Red Cross Society reflects manifold efforts to relieve individual ills and mass disaster. Although organized on an international scale, the Red Cross depends upon the youthful members of the Junior Red Cross in the schools, the Women's Work Committee, activity by the members of the Nursing Committee, members of the various corps, First Aid workers, swimming instructors, the Blood Donor Committee and the many workers in the campaign committees to carry on work in our midst.

The audited statement of the senior account shows expenditures exceeding revenue by almost \$9000 but certainly no one would say that the Red Cross operated here at a loss. Its operations are altogether on the credit side and the lives that have been saved, the disabilities removed, the comforts provided, are the true profit of a realistic profit and loss account.

A vital source of strength of the organization is the Junior Red Cross which now comprises 630 branches in the Province, having an enrollment of 15,600 members. This activity indicates that teachers and principals are taking very seriously their opportunity to guide the younger generation in one of the most important aspects of good citizenship.

School Requirements

For those municipalities which are already finding the burden of education costs tough enough, there will be little comfort in figures published in a picture chart in the Financial Post. In the next 12 years, it is officially estimated, the high school attendance in Canada will have doubled. That will mean a very substantial increase in school buildings, equipment and teachers.

"Our school population," comments the Post, "is growing at a much faster rate than our total population and for quite a few years at least, it will keep on growing fast regardless of almost any other factor because of the present and recent high birth-rate. Most of the youngsters who will be entering high school 12 years from now are already here. We might as well make up our minds that we are going to have to provide schools and teachers for a lot more students in the next dozen years and this service is going to cost a great deal of money. Facing such facts we had better go easy on some of the expensive buildings and fancy fads that have been tempting some of our school boards."

As the Calgary Herald observes: "Construction on that scale is obviously out of the question. What the objective should be, we suggest, is a good, serviceable kind of high school capable of providing adequate instruction in fundamentals and without some of the expensive and unnecessary frills. Heaven knows it will be costly enough to provide even that."

Trade With Cuba

Trade and Commerce Minister Howe, just back from a 20,000 mile trip to Latin American countries, took the first opportunity on his return to assure Parliament that the Government has no intention of adopting import quotas against Cuba for the benefit of Canadian sugar refineries. He said an intensive pressure campaign had been launched in this connection, and on visiting Cuba he had found the sugar industry there greatly disturbed. They wanted to know whether Canada intended breaking off trade relations. Mr. Howe explained that Canada was glad to have their raw sugar but that refined sugar imports presented an economic problem in some quarters. On explaining the matter to the Sugar Institute, the body that controls all matters affecting sugar in the island of Cuba, they very reasonably said: "You have a duty on refined sugar of \$1.89 per 100 pounds, which is a duty of more than 25 per cent at present prices; if our sugar can come in over that duty, your refineries are getting too much profit." They also pointed out some exceedingly bad buying practices on the part of the Canadian trade. The whole question was discussed amicably and as a result Mr. Howe said he could assure the House that refined sugar would not be shipped directly from Cuba into our beet-growing markets. There was no intention,

however, of imposing import restrictions of any kind.

Mr. Howe went on to point out that the balance of trade with Cuba is very much in our favor, and that Cuba is a very important market to the Maritime Provinces. "It has always been so and always will be," he said. "The Cuban agreement on raw sugar was made as a means of stimulating that market and of protecting the market we had. It has had that effect. There has been a very sharp growth in imports from the Maritime Provinces, and in talking to the people of Cuba I may say that they believe that market can be stimulated a great deal more."

The Minister mentioned particularly the trade in fish, potatoes and wheat, as well as a wide variety of manufactured products which the Cubans themselves would like to buy from us in larger quantities. "It would surely be irrational," he said, "to endanger these markets and at the same time to increase the cost of living and the cost of production throughout Canada in order to safeguard one industry against all possible competition."

Moose For Labrador

The Newfoundland Fish and Game division is engaged in capturing moose with the object of stocking Labrador with these animals. The hope is that, multiplying there, they will prove a source of meat supply to the residents in substitution for the herds of caribou which have diminished.

The authorities appear to be satisfied that food for the moose is available. Unlike the caribou which finds in the lichen on the rocks and barrens the food to sustain it, the moose feeds upon the leaves and twigs of deciduous trees, or bark from the stems, according to the U.S. Wildlife Service which adds that it eats the fir or spruce foliage only when nothing else is available.

The pamphlet, showing the distribution of the moose illustrates the area in which it is found extending from Alaska to the Quebec Province, as well as in parts of the United States. Ranging over such a wide stretch of the continent of North America, the moose does not appear to have moved into the Ungava peninsula or Labrador. There is no geographic obstacle to this movement eastward, and the question is why they have not spread into the area, or, if they have, why they do not appear to have survived.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow, first day of Lent.

Prime Minister St. Laurent's warning to Canadians to be vigilant against bigots or false prophets is not to be taken lightly. No government can legislate a feeling of brotherhood, yet without it no government can be expected to insist on just laws.

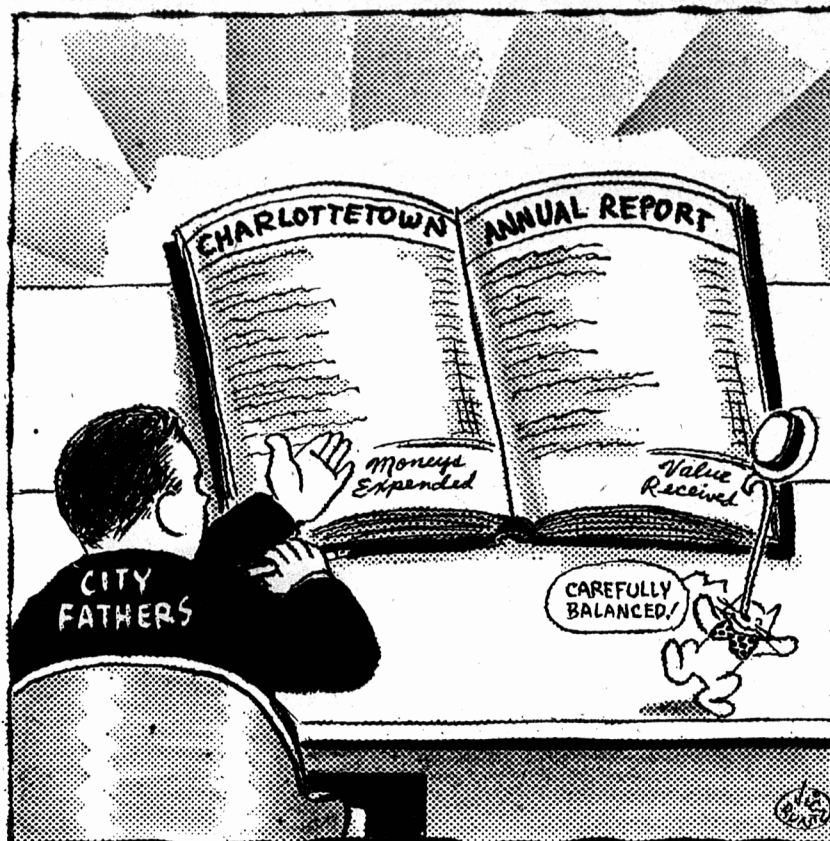
A report of the numerous services provided by the recently opened Health Centre in Summerside is impressive, so much so in fact that the Federal grant of \$5,700 for equipment and supplies seems remarkably little. It would be otherwise, of course, if the clinic were faced with the necessity of raising that additional amount.

The new store which will be opened Thursday by the O'Leary Farmers' Cooperative is a visible indication of the potentialities of the co-op idea. From an original investment of \$420, mostly in promissory notes, in 1940, assets have been increased to \$175,000, a rate of growth which would have been envied by a young Carnegie.

Arcangelo Corelli, Italian musician, was born this date 1653. He is best remembered as the musician who elevated the violin to its honoured place in music, instead of a homely instrument just good enough to stimulate dancing. His popularity was tremendous. He and his students brought about a revival of chamber music in Italy, Germany, France and England. His concertos and particularly the sonatas, greatly influenced Vivaldi, Handel and Bach.

As indicated in today's news columns, Premier Jones, at the request of the Canadian National European Flood Relief Committee, will organize a central committee to coordinate and channel the various fund raising efforts in this Province, details of which will be announced later. As the Premier emphasizes, this is not a Red Cross appeal, although the Red Cross will cooperate with the National Committee in arrangements for purchases, transportation and distribution of items for the stricken areas. There is no doubt that our citizens will welcome this opportunity of contributing to the relief of the flood victims whose condition has been so graphically described in press releases during the past few weeks. This disaster has been described as the worst of its kind to visit Europe in the past six hundred years, and calls for coordinated relief measures on an extraordinary scale.

Good Bookkeeping



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.

NORTHUMBERLAND FERRIES

Sir—Are we to understand that the Federal Government is going to build and give this company a new boat for use on the Wood Islands-Caribou service? In your issue of Dec. 16, 1952, there is an item which says this company was paid over one million dollars in subsidies alone for running a few months in the summer.

During the war was told the Prince Nova was paying her way from the money received from truck, car and passenger fares. "If so quite a gold mine." How many hundred years do they hold the franchise for this service? I have yet to hear of the Government buying new machinery and boats for the farmers or fishermen when their equipment becomes obsolete. I expect this applies to the Scripps where it says "Up to them that have shall be given."

I am, Sir, etc.
PERCY JOHNSTON
Montague, R.R.

(In announcing on Jan. 15 that the Government would build an automobile ferry for the Prince Edward Island-Nova Scotia service, Transport Minister Chevrier said that no decision had been made as to which agency would operate it. The reference in The Guardian of Dec. 16 to the amount of subsidy paid the operating company stated that this covered a period of eleven years.—Ed. G.)

THE KILLING CONTINUES

Sir,—In the last 30 months more people have been killed on the highways of the United States than have been killed in the Korean war. The same is true as applied to Canada. Here in the Province in this past year the slaughter has been alarming. Here in Canada for every one sober driver who has an accident, 55 accidents are made by drunken drivers.

We have been greatly disturbed over the war in Korea. Countless articles have been written deploring the slaughter and the waste. The Christian Century, a periodical that represents all the Protestant Churches of America, is now asking: "Can nothing be done to stop this war?" and inviting outstanding Christian writers to give their opinions. But every day this killing goes on on our roads and there is no great outcry. Weekly, there is a broadcast of the number killed. Wrecked cars, broken bodies, sorrowing homes. It can't be helped, is the feeling.

But can it not be helped? 75 per cent of the killing is due to drink. Guesseous signs are set up along our roads, but the slaughter continues. The drunken driver is hard to isolate. It is almost impossible to prove in a court of law that the driver was drunk. In one case last fall, the police testified "the accused was staggering drunk and smelled strongly of liquor." Right after that a witness testified, under oath: "The accused did not smell of liquor and he walked normally."

Now here is a strange thing. The blood examination which is a sure test cannot be applied except with the consent of the accused. He is at liberty to kill, but the law has no authority to bring him to justice. The drunken driver can bleed a man to death, but the law cannot take a drop of blood from him for testing. This situation would be funny if it were not so tragic. Why is the whole church stirred up over this condition? On a recent Sunday in the U.S. over 500 clergymen of the Roman Catholic, Jewish and Protestant religions preached sermons on this subject taking as their text "Thou shalt not kill." A sermon from that text would be very appropriate in this Province. It might do some good. It would, at least, show that the Christian Church is interested in this problem. When

Notes By The Way

The Minister of Justice, the Hon. Stuart Garson, said in a speech recently that the Conservative party is "as dead as the dinosaurs in the Alberta badlands." If he's right, there are some uncommonly active dinosaurs in this part of Ontario. — Peterborough Examiner.

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.) ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Royal Gazette, June, 1843:

Israel Fellows, formerly of St. John, N. B., begs leave to notify the inhabitants of Prince Edward Island, the neighboring Provinces, and the public generally, that he has removed to Charlottetown and taken "that large and pleasantly situated house on Water Street, near the Queen's Wharf, which he has furnished in a neat style, and hopes, by unremitting attention, to obtain a share of public support. An excellent Stable and Coach house attached to the premises."

Robert Hutchinson, Mayor, having been appointed by the Lieutenant Governor to collect subscriptions towards making the intended wharf at the foot of Power Street, gives notice to all concerned that he will call forthwith on the respective subscribers for the amount of their subscription, and will also receive the same at his store in Charlottetown.

Under the heading "Drugs and Medicines," William R. Watson announces that he has "commenced in the above line in the store adjoining the late Mr. Donald Macdonald's, and next to Mr. P. Macgowan's, where he will keep constantly on hand a general supply of Drugs, Medicines, Chemical Apparatus and Tests, Seidlitz, Soda and Ginger Beer products, Medicinal and Culinary Herbs, French and English Perfumery, Robertson's patent Groats and Barley; also a few thousand Cuba Company Cigars; Bone, Hobson & Co's. celebrated Soda Water, Ginger Beer and Lemon Syrup, all imported from approved sources, and at moderate prices for Cash."

The Age-Old Story

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. . . . Let us therefore come boldly into the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

I am, Sir, etc.
W. I. GREEN.
Stanley Bridge.

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The Passing Scene

By Observer
SAY WHAT YOU THINK?

The speaker at a luncheon meeting of a certain service club recently said that a good rule of life is "always to say what you think." He was of course pleading for more honesty and straightforwardness in all departments of life. And, no doubt, he was right, theoretically. I must say, however, that in the few instances that I have heard of where this "say what you think" plan was tried out it did not seem to work very well.

The instance that stands out most clearly in my mind involved an itinerant photographer and a dish of potatoes. Now, I think it is commonly agreed that, philosophically speaking the potato occupies a somewhat humble place in the general scheme of things, but in the story I am thinking of it is important. In fact, if there had been no potatoes around at the time there would not be any story. But perhaps I had better start at the beginning.

I do not know all the details but it seems that this photographer (from now on I will call him Mr. Smith, although his real name wasn't quite so common as that) was commissioned by a certain magazine to visit different parts of the country and take pictures of "anything and anybody that might strike his fancy." (Incidentally, this is what every professional photographer dreams about.) At the same time he was asked to write down any comments he might care to make about the places on his itinerary. This second commission was where the trouble originated.

I should say here, though, that Mr. Smith was generally regarded as a first-class artist in his field. He had taken photographs of hundreds of celebrities including Mr. Churchill, Mr. Smalwood, and the Shah of Persia. In fact, "Photo by Smith" (I repeat that this was not his real name) had long since become the trade-mark of good taste in photography. More than one intractable youngster had been quieted by his mother's saying: "If you're a good boy I'll get Mr. Smith to take your picture some day."

But while Mr. Smith had done a lot of travelling abroad, he had not done much at home. This new assignment was therefore doubly welcome. He would be rendering a good service to his fellow citizens and seeing the country at the same time. And, because he appreciated the assignment so much, he resolved to do the very best he could both with his camera and with his typewriter. In his comments he would describe things just as he saw them. He would neither add nor subtract from anything he might see or experience. In other words, he would adhere faithfully to the maxim: "Say what you think."

In due time Mr. Smith started out, light-heartedly as aforesaid, and soon he arrived at one of the places on his list which I will call Fairville though again this bears no resemblance to the right name. A few words about Fairville may be in order here.

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