

Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew
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very broad. For example, it may include medical and surgical services, nursing, dental and optical care, drugs and prosthetic appliances. Federal sharing of expenses will continue in these areas until there is a federal-provincial program available covering the general population.

Eligibility for assistance will be determined by the needs test which takes into account requirements as well as resources, rather than the means test. There will be no ceiling on the amount of federal sharing in assistance and no exclusions in respect to the groups of persons for whom assistance may be required.

This, of course, is quite apart from Ottawa's proposed universal medicare plan. The two programs tend to get confused in the heat of election campaigning. It would be well for all concerned to keep the distinction clearly in mind.

Change In Command
Superintendent A. S. McNeil, who retired yesterday as officer commanding L Division, RCMP, had the misfortune of not being born in Prince Edward Island, but he has striven mightily to make-up for this defect during his years of residence here, and there is no question about where he stands in the high regard of all our citizens.

Since his transfer to Charlottetown in 1959 he has been an asset, not only to the force which he has so capably commanded in this part of the Dominion, but to the whole community, associating himself as he has done with our service, church and welfare organizations and giving leadership in many worthwhile movements. We feel now that we have a right to claim him as one of our own, and Mr. McNeil himself—despite his wide experience in many other parts of the world—claims that this is by far the most delectable spot under the sun, the most congenial to his disposition, and the place where friendly contacts are ties that really bind and give enduring value to one's activities here below.

We note that he plans some extensive travelling for his retirement; but like the homing pigeon we're sure he won't forget his way back. We take this opportunity of telling him how much pleasure this thought gives to all his friends locally and throughout the province.

To Superintendent R. P. Harrison who succeeds him as commanding officer of L Division we extend our warmest best wishes. Nor need we remind him that he is filling the shoes of a mighty fine man.

Another New Nation
Today British Guiana, a British dependency for over 150 years, will become the independent state of Guyana under the leadership of its Prime Minister, Forbes Burnham. The new state, which will then be eligible for sovereign membership in international organizations, is expected to become the 118th member of the United Nations and the 23rd member of the Commonwealth—the only independent Commonwealth country in South America. It will continue to remain a monarchy—the queen being represented by a Governor-General—until January 1, 1969, when the Guyana Parliament may if it so decides establish a republic.

Comparable in area to Britain, Guyana is located on the northeast coast of South America and shares frontiers with Venezuela, Brazil and Surinam. Will it be able to make good on its own, with all the responsibilities of nationhood? Canadians, with their own problem of biculturalism, will appreciate the difficulties. Its multi-racial population is heavily concentrated in a narrow, intensely cultivated strip of coastal land which forms only 4 per cent of the total land area. The population of about 640,000 is approximately 50 per cent East Indian, one-third African, one-seventh mixed, and includes numbers of Americans, Portuguese, Chinese and Europeans.

To assess the country's needs for new roads, bridges, hydro projects, etc., Guyana has imported a group of Swedish, British and Canadian economic experts to blueprint an ambitious five-year plan. It is felt that much of the plan's emphasis should be placed on agricultural developments which could later be diverted to processing industries.

The fact that independence talks in London last November ended in agreement shows that the Burnham government has convinced Britain it is on the way to solving some of Guyana's problems.



CRISIS AT CBC HEADQUARTERS
OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

A Red Letter Week On The Hill

That was a week, that was on Parliament Hill. Its quiet start was highlighted by Health Minister Allan MacEachen announcing that the Liberal government would, on 1st July next, launch the national medical care plan. Older Canadians may remember that that was promised at the Liberal Convention held 48—repeat 48—years ago.

On Wednesday morning John Diefenbaker and E. D. Fulton informed a press conference that they had instructed their counsel to withdraw from the Munsinger inquiry, on the grounds that it was nothing but an instrument of "political assassination." Naturally an Ottawa afternoon newspaper played that as a front page story, headlining it "Out to get me," Dief.

Brushed aside by these events was the narrow escape which the Liberal government had on Tuesday evening, when it survived a vote of confidence by only 118 votes to 111. Two MPs were paired with absent colleagues; among the 33 others who were absent from that close vote were 11 Conservatives: 3 from Quebec, 3 from the Maritimes; 3 from the Prairies and 3 from Ontario.

U. S. NEWSMEN IN CANADA
The next day, while Parliament buzzed with speculation about tightening security—which is now non-existent—Mike and Dief were far away in Montreal. Each addressed the annual meeting of the American Society of Newspaper Editors in U. S. A. The Prime Minister delivered a soothing speech, stressing that his government would not follow the Walter Gordon policy of economic nationalism. Dief made a terrific speech, deservedly rewarded by a 5-minute standing ovation. He was expected to refer to the Munsinger inquiry, and he did. "Sex has reared its ugly head in Ottawa," he said. "So I am glad you have brought Ann Landers here with you. She will solve all our problems." That quip fetched them, as the saying is.

In the four-and-a-half months that the Canada Pension Plan has been in operation, the federal Government has been unable to find a way of eliminating one of its built-in injustices: the overpayments which may not be recovered. This occurs chiefly in situations where a man chooses to change jobs in mid-year. He starts contributions again with his second employer, but there is provision in the plan for him to get back his overpayment. Employers, however, are unable to recover overpayments.

In the absence of any Government initiative to devise appropriate amendments to the legislation, some attention should be paid to suggested solutions in a submission prepared by major Canadian trade associations and presented recently to the Government. Their plan proposes that all employers who have made contributions for an employee should certify the total amount when the employee leaves. The benefit employer would stop making contributions when the total amount of deductions (by both employers) reached the maximum contribution. An official contribution record card would be maintained for each employee.

Our Yesterdays
(From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
(May 26, 1941)
For the first time in its history St. Dunstan's University affixed her own seals to the Bachelor of Arts diplomas which were awarded to 15 students; and for the first time also a woman was a member of the graduating class. She was Sister Mary Peter, C.S.M., and had the distinction of not only being the first to receive a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Dunstan's but also won this degree "summa cum laude."

Cites Tragic Example
Peterborough Examiner

Stephen Lewis, New Democratic member for Scarborough, speaking in the Ontario Legislature in support of a bill asking for the establishment of special classes for children with learning disabilities, has made a moving and valid case in favor of such action. The bill in question has been proposed by Robert Nixon, Liberal member for Brant and it asks for government financing of such classes throughout Ontario. The government now permits school boards to establish special classes but does not require them.

Our Yesterdays
(May 29, 1956)

Miss Carol Ann McNeill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McNeill, North Rustico, graduated with her BA degree from the ML St. Vincent's College, Halifax.

TEN YEARS AGO
(May 29, 1956)

Miss Mary Elizabeth Harris of Charlottetown qualified for the degree of Bachelor of Library Science at the University of Toronto. She had previously received her BA from King's College, Halifax.

Difficult Patients

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen
Physicians have problems too. Passive aggressive patients can be hostile, fault finding, suspicious, nasty, and impossible to please. They are passive because they vent their spleen with words instead of fists and knives. The majority misconstrue every word, action, and bit of advice to the point of distraction. At the end of a long consultation (it takes at least an hour) her remark "Is that all?" annoys and frustrates the physician. The subtle criticism is uncalled for considering the time spent trying to help her. The wise doctor recognizes the problem and keeps quiet, but the novice, short-tempered, or intolerant medico is likely to "blow off steam." The patient's mission is accomplished and she leaves in a huff. Many behave in the same manner at work and get by with it because they are overly hostile. In time their passive obstructionism is too much for the others to take and something "gives."

The tired housewife with family problems galore may hold her tongue when in need of help. Instead of bringing these up, she discusses her minor headaches, indigestion and insomnia believing that the doctor is more interested in the body than the mind. A physical ailment becomes the ticket of admission to his office. It is surprising how clear the air becomes when all the facts are known. When the physician switches the conversation to home conditions she relaxes and begins to discuss her real problem.

INTRUERT
Mrs. R. L. writes: My sister never participates in any form of entertainment because she gets a smothering sensation when in crowds. Can you explain this feeling?
REPLY
Phobias of this type usually are of nervous origin and your sister may need the guidance of a psychiatrist to overcome her anxiety and introverted tendencies.

BREAKING A HABIT
A. Q. writes: Is there any way to stop or lessen excessive expectation? On waking up mornings I do this for about three hours and sometimes I keep spitting all day long.
REPLY
Expectation can become a habit. Do what the rest of us do and let the excess flow into the stomach.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—
Store perishable items in the refrigerator until needed.

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. All letters published are subject to editing and condensation where necessary. The Guardian is unable to enter into any correspondence regarding letters submitted.

FREIGHT SUBSIDY AND FERTILIZER ASSISTANCE

Sir—We notice that Premier Walter Shaw is paying the farmers 20 per cent of their fertilizer tolls that should be used for grain and pastures, also the Liberals are promising assistance on this line but don't say to what amount. Nova Scotia is doing the same thing to a larger extent. I would like to explain further on this subject of freight subsidy on western grains coming into the Province that farmers and even our politicians may have a better understanding of what they are talking about.

During the war, 1942, Canada and Europe was threatened with a dire shortage of food due partly to the menace of the German submarines which prowled the Atlantic Ocean and other waters as well. So our Federal Government subsidized the freight on western grain to the tune of \$375 per car to encourage food production. It worked. We were not hungry. But why should this policy be in effect today? According to figures, Ottawa would spend around \$750,000 on the 1965 crop year on P.E.I. alone. Our Western provinces today have markets for all they can grow and more, minus P.E.I. trade. What we need today is one-half this freight subsidy money to finance P.E.I. farmers in fertilizer (grain and pasture only) and Ottawa will still be in pocket \$375,000. Besides, this set-up won't cost our local government one dollar.

Not only the fertilizer question and extra grain, but officially speaking, we are dropping back 2,000 acres a year for 20 years past in grain production. If the present policy continues one-half P.E.I. soil in 20 years will be grown up in scrub forest. Not worth one dollar. I don't like election promises unless we know why they are made and if they are a worthy cause and to the benefit of every P.E.I. citizen. I must not close without thanking Mr. Shaw for taking the step he has in this direction.

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Trouble In Uganda

By Joseph MacSwiney
Canadian Press Staff Writer
Uganda's President Milton Obote has gambled that he can break the power of King Freddie without tearing asunder their fascinating country, the "pearl of Africa."

That appears to be the meaning of the military action Tuesday in which Uganda troops attacked the palace of His Highness Kabaka (king) Mutesa II of Buganda, largest of the country's four kingdoms. The clash marks the culmination of a long rivalry between Obote, who herded goats as a boy, and the kabaka, also known as Sir Edward Mutesa. The kabaka is even better known in England as King Freddie, a tag he earned while serving in the Grenadier Guards. Obote and the kabaka are both 41.

Uganda's political setup is an eye-popper even for Africa, where the colonial powers left a hodge-podge of strangely patched together countries in the sweep of post-war independence movements. UNIQUE SYSTEM
The federal state includes four autonomous kingdoms, each with its own traditional monarch and regional council, one territory and 11 administrative districts. It adds up to a complicated three-tier federal system in which the biggest and by far the most important unit is Buganda.

Yet the attractive East African land of 7,000,000 enjoyed considerable peace and progress after winning independence from Britain in October 1962. It took in more than 150,000 refugees from less-happy neighbors such as The Congo and the Sudan.

Grist Mills Of The Past
Windsor Star

Many early settlements in Ontario were centred on the log or grist mill. Some enterprising pioneer established a mill to which lumber was brought to be sawn or grain to be ground. Some of these place names remain, such as Don Mills, Mono Mills, Horning's Mills, Edy's Mills, etc., while others just disappeared when their time expired.

Most of the first grist mills were established on streams, to take advantage of the water to turn the wheels. Each had its mill pond to store up the water, so enough would always be available. Almost all these mills and ponds have disappeared from rural Ontario.

It's a pity because these ponds would now have been valuable in preventing spring floods and for conservation of our water resources. This wasn't their original purpose but they could have been of great modern benefit. There are few grist mills of any sort now. Most modern farmers who grow their own feed grains have power-driven choppers in their own barns. They no longer have to learn their grain to town or the nearest village to be ground into meal for livestock. Many old mill ponds were in lovely settings, where the waters tumbled down over rocks, with willows or other trees on the banks. The mills were solid structures, usually of stone. Progress passed them by but, in now out-of-way places, the contours of the old ponds still can be seen, often with the skeleton of the old stone mill still there.

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