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Petitions in Nfld

There is one practice in the Newfoundland Legislature which is not followed in any of the other Provincial Assemblies, as far as we know.

Looking over a recent list of petitions, we noted one asking for a relocation of the inhabitants of a small community to a larger one.

A part of each day is set aside for the presenting of petitions and ensuing discussion. It may be no more serviceable than taking up requests with the responsible departmental head.

Beef Production

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What applies to Nova Scotia applies equally—or perhaps to a greater extent on a per capita basis—to this Province. It has been established that beef cattle of very high quality, equal to the best in Canada, can be raised here.

streets with shorter runs and T-intersections.

The difficulty is a familiar one in human experience. Men in all ages have recognized the truth behind Homer's tale of Scylla and Charybdis, those monstrous rocks which threatened on either hand. In fact the Greeks built it into a philosophy of life to always avoid extremes and seek the golden mean.

In the matter of simple survival the question comes up again and again whether it is better to be prepared for emergencies or to make a point of avoiding them.

A Difficult Position

A Harvard University professor—a psychologist—has berated Church leaders at Little Rock, Arkansas, for not coming out boldly in favour of racial integration in the schools.

There is, no doubt, some theoretical justification for the criticism. While it is probably true to say that most—but not all—of the ministers in Arkansas and, indeed, all over the South are personally opposed to segregation, very few of them have taken a stand in favour of the Supreme Court ruling and against the lawlessness of Governor Faubus and other Southern politicians.

It is all very well for a psychologist, living within the sheltered walls of an Eastern university, to talk about principles, constitutional freedoms and the equality of all men under the law.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

A Montreal museum director has accused younger abstract artists of the "sin of fashionable banality" Why pick on the younger ones?

This has been a good year for tourists in Britain. Up to the end of June, 498,000 had entered the country—8 per cent more than in the same period of 1957.

There are really only 44 "States" (45, counting Alaska) in the United States. Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Virginia are officially known as "Commonwealths".

Save His Life

It is surprising, although perhaps it should not be, to find a child safety official warning against over-protection of school children from traffic. The reasoning of Dr. Fred W. Jeffrey, chairman of the committee on child safety of the Ontario Medical Association, is that, as shown by a Los Angeles study, if children are over-protected from traffic hazards at school, that would make them less safety conscious in areas where there was no protection from traffic.

The finding indicates that more traffic controls may not produce a further reduction in urban accidents. The picture would be that of areas made safe and therefore with fewer accidents but with larger numbers of accidents outside the special areas.

That Dr. Jeffrey is not himself convinced by the argument is shown by his further proposals for diverting traffic from local streets to through arteries; and laying out residential



OTTAWA REPORT

Government Needs Brains

By Patrick Nicholson
Special Correspondent For The Guardian

When Prime Minister John Diefenbaker announced to Parliament his proposal of aid to western grain growers, Opposition Leader Lester Pearson followed him with a concise and comprehensive ten-minute comment which was as brilliant as it was extemporaneous.

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.

ROCKY POINT FERRY

Sir—A few days ago articles appeared in both the daily papers regarding the boat service between Charlottetown and Rocky Point. It is stated that owing to the indispositions suffered by the Captains, that the service has been discontinued, and resumption is indefinite.

This service as a matter of fact has been indefinite and unsatisfactory for years, and this condition has not been caused by the illness of any officer of the boat, but rather by the neglect of the needs of the people particularly in the Rocky Point section.

Now according to despatches it is the intention to abandon the service completely, possibly this fall, or next year when the projected road from the New causeway to Rocky Point has been completed.

It is fortunate indeed that due to grants coming through from the Diefenbaker Government, and the influence of some parties, not in Provincial Government activities or favor, that a system of roadways is now to be established south of the West River. It does seem strange of course that this area is now receiving such particular attention after the complete neglect of years and the explanation of course is well known to all.

But a paved road from the causeway to Rocky Point and adjacent areas, is by no means going to solve the problem.

It is expected that a new National Park and Historic Site will be undertaken at the mouth of the Harbour. This area will become one of the most popular in the province. It will be particularly valuable to thousands of people, men, women and children in Charlottetown.

It will be the nearest and safest and practically the only location near the city to which whole family groups may spend their week ends and an extended weekend vacation. These thousands have no cars they are the working people, and it is suggested they reach this area, via the causeway where pavement goes in a distance of about 21 miles Surely a long walk.

The cost of this ferry is stated to be up to \$45,000. What is it. Is not the establishment of this Health and Recreation Center to which thousands of citizens may be accommodated of prime importance. How much money is being expended in picnic grounds and other accommodations for tourists, who have cars. Why not some consideration for those not so privileged.

What do you think about the people on the Rocky Point side, certainly the causeway has not materially shortened the distance to Charlottetown and there are many residents of this area without cars. It has cut off only about 4 miles, so it is stated if this boat service is abandoned it will constitute a great disservice to the people of both Charlottetown and Rocky Point, and will just be another proof of an unfortunate undertaking at the New Dominion Meadowbank shores. It is to be sincerely trusted, that the Boat Service may receive favorable consideration from leaders in both political parties, and be maintained in the interests of both rural and urban citizens.

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and national principles which should form the background to such a programme. Yet Mr. Pearson son made his remarks off the cuff.

Action of this kind, which assists one element of our producers, should be kept in equitable balance with the other primary producers in the country, he urged. There should be a sound long-range principle behind any such step.

Without being as harsh as to say that this was a single step of expediency, not related to the economy of the country as a whole, Mr. Pearson appeared to be inspired by an underlying doubt which must disturb many Canadians who ponder about our future.

"Where are we going and why? Has our government drawn up a long-range plan for Canada's future development, for the managing of our currency, for expanding our trade, for co-ordinating our incomes? Of course not, it has not had time. The Diefenbaker Government has only been in power fourteen months. The preceding Liberal Government was in power for twenty-two years and even in that time it never got around to this basic task.

Most of our present economic problems are caused by the total lack of any study of where we are today and what possible course we might follow in the years ahead, either under ideal conditions or under foreseeable emergencies. To have such plans, detailed and ready in a neat little row of filing cabinets, a government first needs studies of Canada and of the world background with forecasts.

That would call for a continuing study by experienced and brilliant men from many fields. Such wise men are not found in the civil service, partly because they must work under conditions of practical competition to develop their wisdom, experience and adaptability; partly because the higher rewards of private en-

terprise attract them away from the easy bureaucratic life.

To place the untrained and desirable abilities of these ideal wise men at the service of the state and of their fellow-citizens, some entirely novel approach is needed. No present formula would achieve the result. A royal commission, for example, is too limited in scope and too short in duration to do this task.

One possibility would be to call on the patriotism of employers. Many a company engaged in private enterprise makes profits of many millions of dollars a year, which it would not make under the worst conditions, but which it might double under the best conditions. Yet every such private company plays ostrich to public affairs—except once every four years when the fund-raisers of political parties ask for campaign contributions.

Why should not the government, between election years, ask such companies to contribute not cash but service? For a period of two or three years, they would contribute, at no cost to the country, the full time services on loan of a senior executive, or brilliant scientist, or other specialist.

Thus could the brains and experience of commerce be put at the service of the state. Thus could the state enjoy the advantages now restricted to those who market soap, and other articles.

Such men all together would form a huge study group, to define and constantly revise the condition and future potentialities of our country. Over the years, the resultant improvement in our economic conditions would yield enhanced profits which would amply repay the patriotic employers.

The time is past when the free world can afford the luxury of amateur dabbling. Our politicians must have expert information and advice, the best available. Helped by that advice, our politicians could best perform their appointed task of devising our national policies; and our civil servants could then best perform their appointed task of administering those policies.

We should be under no delusion today that our politicians can any longer operate by crystal ball, or even by such ivory tower advice as our admirable but in many respects inexperienced bureaucrats are able to tender.

Cruise Of The New Beagle

By Alvin Steinkopf, Associated Press

From London, half a dozen men are getting set for something rare in the austere world of science—a sentimental journey into the past.

They plan to retrace important sections of the historic trail Charles Darwin covered 125 years ago during his five-year, round-the-world voyage on the ship Beagle. The cruise gave him much of the material for his monumental work on evolution, The Origin of Species, a book which advanced the theories of natural selection and survival of the fittest.

The six-man expedition will be headed by Dr. Martin Holdgate, a 27-year-old British zoologist. He leaves next week for Santiago, Chile, where he will join other members of the group who have been in New Zealand and Chile.

They will explore islands thousands of miles from the southern tip of South America, and in New Zealand and Tasmania? How did they make the big jump? Over a bridge of land which may have existed long ago? Over Antarctica when it was a warm continent? Or did they ride on a log carried along by ocean currents?

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"The southern end of Chile has some very old and deep peat bogs, and peat bogs abound with clues to scientific mysteries. A granule of pollen is a very durable object, even resisting the corrosive powers of mild acids. "There is pollen at the very bottom of some bogs, and some of it is of plants which no longer grow in Chile. It can be identified. So there is a botanical history of the land concealed in the muck of the bogs, and if we are wise enough we should be able to read it. The geologists should help us estimate the age of the bogs, and perhaps throw some

New Drugs In Great Variety

By Herman N. Bundsen, M. D.
OUR REGULAR monthly review of medical advances this month concerns new drugs designed to help persons eat and digest a greater variety of foods, get rid of coughs and combat tuberculosis.

There also is a new shampoo which eliminates head lice. INSUFFICIENT BILE ProBilagal is the liquid compound aimed at helping from 1,000,000 to 3,000,000 persons who have difficulty eating and digesting fats, eggs, chocolate and similar foods because they suffer from an insufficient flow of bile from the gall bladder.

Certain investigators say the drug not only aids the digestion of these foods, it also allows the body to absorb vitamin B-12 and the fat-soluble vitamins more efficiently.

I'd like to explain that bile is a body fluid which is produced by the liver and stored in the gall bladder. It is essential in breaking down fats and aids in absorption of fats and fat-soluble vitamins and vitamins of the B group.

MORE EFFECTIVE The new cough medication is Tessalon. The manufacturers report that it is two and one-half times as effective as codeine in clinical tests.

The drug is issued, by prescription only, in the form of oral pearls—soft round gelatin capsules which are swallowed whole. This permits immediate release of medication and rapid transmission to the blood stream.

The drug inhibits the cough reflex both in the lungs and the brain. Thioban is the new oral anti-tuberculosis compound. Doctors report that activity of the drug is "unique" and that the compound at low doses effected "favorable changes."

FURTHER STUDY PLANNED It is well tolerated by TB patients and a more extensive study of the drug is planned.

A Long Beach, California, public health official reports a new shampoo that is capable of completely eliminating head lice with a single application.

In a test study of 47 children, Dr. John Gardner reported, in a recent issue of "The Journal of Pediatrics," that a single shampoo obtained excellent results, eliminating all lice and eggs from the hair of 83 per cent of the children.

One of two additional washings, he said, cleared up the other eight cases.

QUESTION AND ANSWER H. M.: I have been gaining weight steadily although I eat no more than before. I seem very tired, usually in the afternoons, and my hair is thinning. Can you help me?

Answer: From the symptoms you describe you are probably suffering from a lack of thyroid secretion. I would suggest that you consult your physician.

OUR YESTERDAYS (From The Guardian Files)

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NOTES BY THE WAY

A judge rules that poker-playing by women isn't criminal but the way they play it is.—Winnipeg Tribune

"The man who married for money can't afford to bite the hand that's feeding him," says a marriage counsellor. And he had better refrain from gnawing at the thumb he's under.—Stratford Beacon-Herald

A study of childhood accidents reported in the Canadian Medical Association Journal found that the "frequency of accidents increases directly in proportion to the elevation of the temperature," except in cases of poisoning and more boys than girls suffer accidents. Nearly half the mishaps occur between 12 noon and 5 p.m. and up to 80 percent, especially among the toddlers are injured while playing at home under the supervision of the mother.—North Bay Nugget

Trees representing an investment of time and money must be given more care than is generally realized. In the Ottawa area it takes 60 to 90 years to grow it an elm tree similar to those presently existing on the driveway in the Experimental Farm. It is difficult to establish a dollar and cents value for a fine tree specimen but in the larger cities of the United States a value of \$25 per inch of diameter has been established for parkland trees.—Recreation and Parks Record

Word in British medical circles is that Indian scientists have announced an advance in leukemia treatment which may offer some promise of success. The India studies use chemicals in a new way to attack the diseased cells—substances called anti-metabolites (because they interfere with some metabolic process in the cancer cell). However, the method is to direct the attack on a metabolic process which is not paralleled in the normal cell so that there should be little danger of destroying health tissue.—N. Y. Herald Tribune

Tribute by her native Ontario has been paid to Pauline Johnson poetess of the Six Nations and one of the best public relations figures the Indian has had in Canada. A plaque has been unveiled at Chiefswood, the family home of the Indian reserve southeast of Brantford. The plaque may be contrary to the wishes of the poetess who wanted no monument but only to be remembered "in the hearts of my people and my public." Her desire had already been thwarted for a cairn was placed in Stanley Park, Vancouver.—London Free Press

MAXIMS

Life is a garment; when it is dirty, we must brush it; when it is ragged, it must be patched; but we keep it as long as we can.

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Police in an Oregon town suspect a woman of stealing a clothes dummy from a department store basement. Maybe for a fourth of a bridge.—London Free Press

On North American highways last year, 1,500,000 motorists ran out of gas. But no back seat driver ran out of gas!—Ottawa Citizen

Testimony heard in Calgary by the Cameron Royal Commission on Education indicates that a good many educationists have gone the full cycle of progressivism and have got back to the starting point, which criterion people never left. Now educationists say the need is for hard work and more discipline.—Calgary Reporter

The Poets Corner

SOUBRETTE She always chose to play the lucky one, To trot around her little ring of days With quick light footfall and electric smile; A tender odyssey touched in a common run. We stood for hours to watch her pretty ways; She almost lent banality a style.

And these uncomplicated charming postures, Built to endure as they had been arranged. Ought to have lasted her the lifelong day. For she became so practised in the gestures, It hardly mattered that the words had changed. When she was acting in a different play.

Yet she has somehow come to hate the curtain, To fear expectancies the show can't reach; And one bad night she dreamt that she had died, Found herself playing in an unknown scene, Stock-still and voiceless, half way through a speech. A sad lost stranger weeping at her side.

—Graham Hough in The Listener

The Age Old Story

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In one hemorrhoid case after another, "very striking improvement" was reported and verified by doctors' observations.

Pain was promptly relieved. And while gently relieving pain, actual reduction or retraction (shrinking) took place.

And most amazing of all—this improvement was maintained in cases where doctors' observations were continued over a period of many months!

In fact, results were so thorough

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Tignish O'Leary Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 8-9
Mt. Stewart Souris Thursday & Friday, Sept. 11-12
Hunter River Summerside Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 15-16
Charlottetown Rural Montague Thursday & Friday, Sept. 18-19
Addresses by:— Local Presidents, Supervisors, Director of Education, Provincial President.
French Pronunciation: Mrs. Richard, Messrs Pineau and LeClair.
Demonstration and Discussion: Use of Filmstrip in the classroom—Mr. S. M. McInnis.
Morning Sessions begin at 9:30 Afternoon Sessions begin at 1:30.