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more than a billion of current money, a device for charging off current expenditures to the future and leaving the bill—with interest—for another generation of taxpayers."

Well, isn't this precisely a "national emergency" according to the Free Press' definition of the term? At least it is a time when revival of the "sluggish economy" is most urgent, and when deficits can thereby be justified. The critics can't have it both ways, and their statements here are conflicting.

Among the chief reasons for the deficit are the growing costs of defense, the vastly increased sums paid to the provinces, the heavy outlays for housing, hospital care, university grants, pensions, national works for jobs, etc. Which of these expenditures would the critics see curtailed? They miss also the point of Mr. Fleming's remark that the gross national product is today but 35.9 compared to 41.6 in 1956, and that controllable expenditures have been held to an annual increase of but 4 per cent.

The budget, in short, is proving a harder nut to crack than the P.O. position had expected, and there is confusion of tongues among them as to how to go about the job.

A Worthy Measure

One piece of legislation over which there has been no bickering at Ottawa will have the effect of increasing financial assistance, and extending the period during which it may be paid, under the Children of War Dead (Education Assists) Act. The bill provides for allowances of \$79 a month to students over 21 years of age, instead of \$70 as has been the case since the Act was last amended in 1958.

For those under 21 the allowance is still \$25 per month, but pensions paid on their behalf under the Pension Act may be continued to that age, provided the recipients are making satisfactory progress in their studies. The combination has resulted in most cases in an effective income of \$79 per student since the present pension rates came into effect on March 1, 1961. Since that date students have found their incomes reduced by \$19 at age 21, and this situation is now to be corrected.

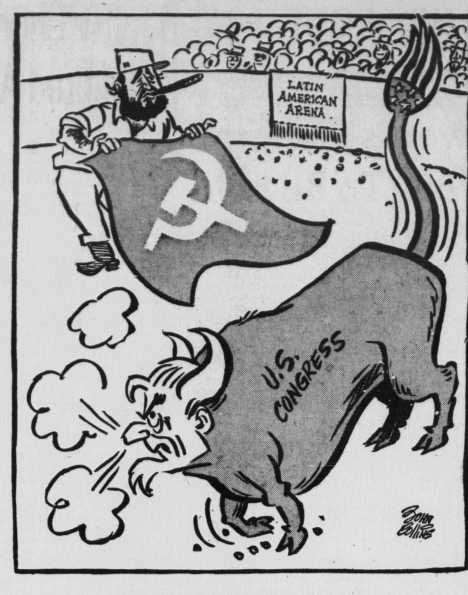
The bill contains a clause giving the minister discretionary authority to extend the period during which allowances and fees may be paid, and to pay them up to the end of the academic year in which a student reaches age 30. It also extends, or clarifies, the eligibility requirements to include a few students who, through technicalities, have been excluded from the benefits of the Act.

The legislation is commended editorially by The Legion, official organ of the Royal Canadian Legion, which notes that since the Act came into effect, applications from 2,541 students have been approved. About 700 of these have completed their courses and approximately 1,000 are now in training.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It seems that implementation of the report of the Royal Commission on Transportation, which recommended full freedom for railways to set rates and run trains, will have to wait until after the election. Finance Minister Fleming has announced that a further \$50,000,000 government subsidy will be paid to the railways this year as an interim measure pending a decision on the commission's proposals. No government action on its findings, he added, need be expected "in the near future."

The revelation that Jacqueline Kennedy wears a 10-A shoe has elicited, from the experts, the information that 10-A is not a large foot any more. Women's feet have grown larger as the women have grown taller. Whereas 7½ once was considered the average shoe size for women, the average now runs quite a bit larger. Vitamins and other body building diet ingredients are said to be responsible for this. To which the Portogalian adds the opinion that if women did not have such pointed toes on their shoes, 10-A would still be regarded as a large size. These are like the fins automobile manufacturers put on our cars a few years ago. They don't add anything to the efficiency but they take up a lot of space.



RED FLAG AND THE BULL

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

The Little Old Lady Liked It

The speaker on the platform was describing to the overflow audience how, just five years ago, the liberals had declared that our old folks should be able to live on \$46 a month; that they had given an increase of only six bucks in pensions.

"That rich country can afford adequate dignity and comfort to those who have worked hard all their lives," said the speaker. "So my government has added six bucks but \$19 to the pension for old folks."

A little old lady, her head cocked on one side, had never taken her eyes off the speaker; like the whole overflow audience she had hardly moved a muscle in her wrinkled face. But now a warm smile showed her appreciation.

She had been interested in Canada's great statesmen all her long life. She remembered when Sir Robert Borden was our prime minister; she recalled Sir Wilfrid Laurier. But she had never heard of anyone as long as that of John Diefenbaker when he had visited her home town, and he was coming back to Stratroy town.

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Allice's Dreams Seem Parallel To Epilepsy

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen The dreams of Allice in Wonderland are duplicated to a certain extent by the content of developing a convulsion, and individual facts is changing in size or floating like a feather through space. Epileptic and migraine equivalents, especially when they occur in periods with a family history of these diseases.

An English psychiatrist told of a 24-year-old woman who said that "the ground comes up and I go down or vice versa, that sometimes I feel myself to be six inches tall and sometimes 12 feet." At other times her feet feel as though they were a yard long and walking on the level gave her a sensation of going up down.

Sometimes her head seemed divided into two, with one slightly behind the other. Brain wave tracings were abnormal and the attacks were regarded as migraine equivalents.

When Lewis Carroll wrote Alice in Wonderland he was the tale imaginative or had the author experienced those fantastic dream-like her own. Carroll was a victim of migraine and many authorities believe he suffered from these symptoms.

At any rate, people who develop illness similar to that said to be suffering from Alice in Wonderland syndrome. She had her bedroom changed from a cubicle to a long hall. And she experienced distortions of body length similar to those of the parabolic mirrors at a fun house.

Dr. Van Dellen will answer questions on medical topics if requested, self-addressed envelope accompanied by return address.

EXCESS SCAR TISSUE F. H. Wrenn, M.D., has had a keloid on one leg for some seven years. It would like some information on its condition.

REPLY Skin repairs itself with a scar tissue. It is a natural process that repairs the damage it stops growing. But in some, scar tissue forms in a pile until it protrudes beyond the level of the skin (keloid). We do not know of any persons, a rare surgical problem is possible but developing a keloid runs the risk of developing a keloid.

FATTY TUMORS H. W. writes: I do not like or eat fatty foods but I have had five fatty tumors removed. Now I have four more. What is the cause of these nasty growths?

REPLY We do not know. Fatty tumors (lipomas) are common and rarely become malignant. They are usually more than one or two tumors but some surpass the average.

BONES LOSE CALCIUM F. P. writes: What would cause osteoporosis of the spine in a man of 54?

REPLY Loss of calcium from the bones. This may stem from the aging process, disease of the lungs, or deficiency of vitamin D. Stamped, self-addressed envelope for leaflet on osteoporosis.

REGULAR MEALS W. A. H. writes: What would regain strength after a bout of influenza? A normal diet, provide the gastrointestinal tract is in a receptive mood.

OUR YESTERDAYS From the Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (April 14, 1937) Harold Wright, P.E.I. Division Director, was in charge of Carriers. Saskatchewan, where he will be in charge of the coming summer. Mr. Wright conducted a successful summer's work in Ontario, where he was spending the past two weeks in Charlottetown with his partner, Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Wright.

An address on "the origin of the Canadian Pacific Railway" was given by Y's man William MacKenzie at the meeting of the Y. Club held last night. Frank Small presided. Three new members were inducted. A charge being read by Y's man Edwin Johnston.

TREASURY (April 14, 1937) A truck owned by Lee Taylor of Nine Mile Creek was left off the Rock Point Ferry, Saturday afternoon, as the ferry was crossing the water. The truck was on the back of the ferry and it slipped backwards over the side. The truck was made about one quarter of the trip. It was unoccupied.

Major Arthur H. Peake, a member of the firm of Matthews Peake & Co., has been appointed legal counsel for Charlottetown branch of the Y. Club. He will be working with the official appointment to help with the next few days.

THE LIFE OF A POTHOLE

This is the geology of a pothole. In the beginning is either old pavement or an inadequate base. As asphalt ages it loses its resiliency. In warm weather it may still hold together because the warmth makes the molecules move rapidly about amongst one another. Among molecules less intermingled and less close in among them. Interstices, hairline cracks, begin to form. The sun runs into cracks and there is a fissure from top to bottom of the asphalt. Then the wheel of a car or truck hits a section of badly cracked pavement and out comes a chunk of it. More wheels pounding over it break the edges and the pothole grows.

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One Man Can Only Bounce So Far

It sounded vaguely familiar recently when reader, objecting to something I said in connection with Opposition Leader Pearson's visit to the Island, wound up his anonymous call by declaring, "You too had you didn't stay in the West Indies, for we certainly don't want you on the island."

It was his declared opinion that the West Indies could get along without me just fine if Canada could be persuaded to welcome me home.

As a general policy, though, I don't make a habit of bouncing around between places just to satisfy his critics, so I lingered for a while in Jamaica; and have some hopes, without any enforced delay, to return from the island.

Anyways, before I left Jamaica, my relations with Bustamante (this was a long time before I was "brightened," became "rehabilitated" and was a charmer of a kind I'd never met before) were the best of the greatest force of magnetism, the greatest power, and the greatest force, I've ever seen at work.

It is out of these memories that I find it easy to do my Tuesday comeback election victory—he'd been out of the things he said since winning Jamaica, as it enters nationhood, is likely to have only a short time to find the answer to its problems. If it is to avoid lurching in the direction of the United States.

Behind the picture-postcard look of Jamaica, there is a frightening selfishness at work among its people. It is a product of the way in which the few wealthy persons in the island ostentatiously flaunt their wealth, the placing of luxury resorts for tourists in areas where the natives have no interest want.

CAUSES FOR CONCERN It is a situation in which there has been little development of a middle-class society, and there is scarcely any buffer between the very rich and the very poor.

It does not cure selfishness to repress it, which seems to be the policy of the immediate past. It could build over into something that would shock us all.

TERRIFYING PROBLEM It is a lovely yet most unhappy land, with the most serious problem of unemployment to be found in a Y's British Island in the Caribbean. In recent years it has gained many new industries without achieving matching social and economic advances.

REPLY It is for its place on the map, Cuba, Haiti and Dominican Republic. The latter offer the greatest threat to the survival of the democratic concept.

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WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Charlottetown has passed a resolution proclaiming advanced Summer hours for the City, effective midnight Saturday, April 28th to midnight Saturday, October 27th, 1962.

HEREBY PROCLAIM Advanced Summer Hours for the City of Charlottetown during the above dates, and urge all our citizens to adopt such advanced time, with the individual decision of advancing clocks and watches by them being left to their discretion. A. WALTEN GAUDET, Mayor of Charlottetown.