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

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## What, No Kilt?

Reading about all the glamor at the wedding of Princess Alexandra and Angus Ogilvy, son of the Earl and Countess of Airlie, at Westminster Abbey on Wednesday, one is struck by the fact that the groom wore drab morning clothes instead of a braw tartan kilt. The explanation, as given in the London press, is that Scots don't wear the kilt south of the border; but this is likely to touch off a hot argument. Many Scots, both in England and across the world, regularly don the kilt. In would not have occurred to them that propriety was involved, and in this case there emerge some Highland undercurrents that are worth noting.

Not long ago the Duke of Argyll (head of the Clan Campbell) presided as chieftain of the day at a Highland games gathering some 30 miles from London wearing a formal suit, a raincoat, and a black hat. Since most of the competitors and a goodly proportion of the spectators were in the kilt, this caused quite a stir. Now—say the commentators—by siding against the commonality on this issue the aristocracy has allied the Ogilvys to the Campbells. What then? Hoot, mon! In Highland history did not the Campbells oppose the '45 rising of Prince Charles Edward?

The bride in this case, however, was graciously tactful to the bridegroom's compatriots. The five-feet-high wedding cake had icing replicas of bagpipes in the Ogilvy tartan. So the amenities were preserved. The Scots, being not without a streak of contentiousness, may feel this gesture to have been inadequate, but they will no doubt accept it with good grace. And they will be further mollified by the fact that at the wedding the Abbey's dean, Dr. Eric Abbott, wore the crimson and gold cape made more than 300 years ago for the coronation of King Charles II. That was something to stir proud memories!

## Regional Distribution

Prime Minister Pearson will have with him the best wishes of all his countrymen in seeking to heal the strains and tensions that have arisen in French Canada, marked by the recent growth of separatist movements and, in recent weeks, by bombings and other outrages. If a stronger cabinet representation for Quebec can achieve this end, the policy would seem to be justified.

Perhaps at this juncture, however, Mr. Pearson would be wise to have refrained from commenting, as he is reported by Canadian Press to have done, that the Confederation problem was "aggravated during the period of Progressive Conservative administration." It would be better, surely, to let his own policies speak for themselves. It may be true, as he says, that Mr. Diefenbaker in his 6 years of office never had more than six French-speaking ministers in his cabinet, whereas Mr. Pearson has seven; but the obvious reason for that is that the former Conservative Prime Minister didn't have the support from Quebec that Mr. Pearson enjoys.

If such comparisons were in order, it could be noted that while the Central Provinces have been given the largest cabinet representation they ever had in a national government, the situation with respect to some other provinces is not so satisfactory. While there are three representatives from the erstwhile Tory Toronto and no fewer than six from greater Montreal, Saskatchewan has no representation at all. The only province other than Quebec and Ontario to secure more than a single seat is British Columbia, which has two.

In the case of Saskatchewan, of course, the Liberals failed to elect a member. But Prime Minister Mackenzie King was in a similar position in 1921, when he had no member from Alberta. He solved this problem in a different way, by appointing a Liberal who was the first former premier of Alberta, Charles Stewart, and opening up a seat for him in another province.

We have no complaint in this Province, where the Conservative precedent of giving us a cabinet representative was followed in the well-merited appointment of Mr. MacNaught. But in general the regional distribution of the new Pearson cabinet gives the Central Provinces the greatest power they ever enjoyed in policy making at Ottawa. The vote in the less industrialized areas, generally, has been weakened to a corresponding extent.

"This concentration of members from the two Central Provinces," says the Montreal Gazette, "recognizes the sources of existing strength, rather than of potential strength." It would be truer to say that it recognizes the sources of strength that elected the Pearson Government to power. In any case, it is a fact to be faced, and to be watched with close interest.

## Moscow's Predicament

The new eruption of fighting in Laos is regarded seriously by both the United States and Great Britain. For one thing, it jeopardizes the Geneva agreement that ended the Laotian civil war last July. This 14-nation pact was intended to take the country out of the cold war and was hailed at the time as a triumph for diplomacy in East-West relations. Red China was among the signers, and it is Red China that is causing the trouble now.

If the Western powers are uneasy at the present turn of events, it is safe to say that the Soviet Union is also disturbed. There is no reason to doubt that Moscow has tried to obtain a cease-fire, followed by a supervised truce. But the more it does to aid Western policy in this respect, the more it comes into open conflict with Peking. At the moment the Russians would appear to be more concerned with holding their own against Communist China than with seeking fresh causes of friction.

Moscow's failure to prevent further trouble in Laos recalls the fact that it once staked out this field for Soviet exploitation. This is regarded as a striking manifestation of its shortened range of power. Its writ once ranged deep into Africa and Asia; but it has been almost expelled from Africa and has no major effect today anywhere in Southeast Asia. Moscow's real problem now may be to find the point where this process can be checked and a new line held.

The best Western appraisal of the situation seems to be that Premier Khrushchev would prefer to avoid another international crisis over Laos. He has sought quietly to discourage it, but he is not prepared to make a louder noise which would serve only to reopen the raw wound of the controversy with China over the proper strategy of Communism in this present phase of events.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

The National Geographic Society says that some Monarch butterflies travel more than 1,000 miles on their Spring migration northward. They cruise at about 10 miles an hour but can race along at 30.

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According to Prof. Robert W. Nero of the University of Saskatchewan, the climate in that province is getting warmer. He bases his assumption on a careful study of birds. The kinds of birds found in the north differ distinctly from those in the south, but in the north today there are southern species not found there 40 years ago. This, Prof. Nero says, suggests a warming trend.

BATTER UP

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

## Davie Fulton Hits The Western Trail

Davie Fulton has left this field of federal politics, and has returned to his native British Columbia to lead the Conservative Party in the provincial field.

He has been at Ottawa after a stay of seventeen years. But he took a return ticket - mentally.

Edmund Davie Fulton, just back from the war, took his seat in Parliament for the first time in our first post - war session, in September 1945. The 29 year old Major of the Seaforth Highlanders had won Kamloops from the Liberals by the narrow margin of 177 votes.

Before the war, "Davie" had won a Rhodes scolarship to England's Oxford University. This genuine hallmark of great intellectual capability won him growing repute among the handful of Conservative MPs in his salad days; later it made him a stand-out among the so many cerebral virgins included in the Diefenbaker cabinet.

**RISE IN STATURE**

Fulton built Kamloops into a Conservative citadel, giving him progressively larger majorities. He built himself into a challenger for the leadership of his Party, and bravely aimed for that position shortly after his 40th birthday. But the New Frontier accent on youth in leadership had not yet swept North America, and he ran only third, behind his older parliamentary rivals J. Diefenbaker and D. Fleming.

Nevertheless, six months later he drew a very flattering consolation prize. His conqueror became prime minister, and appointed the young Kamloops lawyer to the prestige - laden portfolio of Minister of Justice.

From that point, Fulton ceased to climb. He suffered his quota of unhappy experiences in Commons, like all his cabinet colleagues. Indeed his outstanding ability brought him into more trouble than some others, because it would not permit him to "be seen but not heard" as a member of cabinet. The young army veteran on the Opposition back - bench had grown into a political veteran on the government front bench; but the parliamentary baby with the shock of red hair and a promising future had become a heavily built and lantern jawed ministerial pundit without much future beckoning.

For he had initiated a private poll, to ascertain his prospects of winning the next leadership convention. His enquiries shattering revealed that he could not beat George Hees.

"If you can't buck the line, try an end run." That is a good adage on the football field; Fulton determined to try it on the political gridiron.

Siren songs had wooed him for several years from BC, where the provincial castle of his Party lay in rubble. He finally responded. To his surprise and pleasure, he was able to announce in Cabinet his retirement from the federal scene, because his somewhat stiff conditions had unexpectedly been met by the BC Tories; reportedly, a five year contract as provincial leader at $20,000 per year, plus generous travel and entertainment allowances, plus a home rent free.

**OTTAWA FUTURE BRIGHTENS**

The money had been subscribed privately by party supporters, and was in the bank. The signatures were on the agreement. Fulton was the new leader in the provincial field of BC's smallest party.

Then suddenly the line ahead in Ottawa seemed to crumble, perhaps eliminating the need for that end run through BC. Was the federal leaders hip coming close to his grasp, and sooner than expected, through unforeseen developments in Ottawa?

To tantalize Fulton further, a swing through BC showed him clearly that he could not expect to lead his party into better than third place in the next provincial election.

The greener grass on the other side of the fence proved not so green.

So when Davie Fulton left Ottawa this week, the man who had arrived 17 years earlier as a young Major left as "The Honourable" - and mentally took a return ticket.

## 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.**

**FUNERAL HOME SITE**

Sir,—You would oblige me by publishing the following in reference to Mr. W.J. Brown, funeral director, who has served his country well during the Second World War and deserves the consideration of the City Council regarding the Aitken property on Longworth Avenue for a funeral home.

On the border of Longworth Avenue there is a non-commercial club known as the Charlottetown Curling Club. On the other corner of the same street there is a grocery store. They anticipate tearing down the old hospital building on Longworth Avenue to make a parking lot for the new church on Cumberland Street. Next there is Birchwood High School, then two apartment houses across from each other which have parking space for their cars, in off the street. We have a lumber establishment, two transfer lines, coal company, oil company, dry cleaning plant, service station, grocery store, woodworking plant, milk plant, livestock plant, heavy machinery plant, and jail all within a half a mile.

As a past City Councillor I would like to ask His Worship the Mayor and his fellow Councillors why they would wish to kick this home around when we are obliged to bury the dead?

I am told the Roman Catholic Church would be willing to advance the funeral services one hour so as not to interfere with the pupils going to school at Birchwood High.

I do not know of any finer place in Charlottetown to have a funeral home than on the Aitken property.

I am Sir, etc.,
PERCY G. GAY
Owner and Manager Sunshine Island Dairy.

## Good Market For Canada

**Department of Trade and Commerce**

During 1962, Canadian exporters sold to Latin America goods to the value of $220 million and sales generally rose throughout the year, with the notable exception of Cuba, where the value of our exports dropped from $31.1 million in 1961 to $10.9 million in 1962. This is reported in a recent issue of "Foreign Trade" summarizing Canada's trade throughout the world.

Canadian exporters slightly increased their share of the Latin American import market which tended to contract during 1962, following decreases in foreign exchange of many of the primary export commodities from this area.

Imports by all 20 Latin American countries are estimated at about $8 billion a year, says "Foreign Trade," with four of them — Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and Venezuela — in the class of billion - dollar importers. Canada's share of the market in 1961 and 1962 was three per cent in earlier years. In contrast, the United States' share has dropped in recent years to approximately 45 per cent from over 60 per cent in 1958.

Trade with Latin America has assumed increasing importance in recent years, reports "Foreign Trade," and these countries should continue to provide valuable markets for Canadian raw materials and foodstuffs, as well as highly manufactured products. Most Latin American countries are vigorously implementing industrial development programs, thus creating a big demand for capital equipment.

A number of sales to Latin America by Canadian exporters of capital goods are being assisted by the long - term financing facilities recently established by the Export Credits Insurance Corporation

## The Power Of Electricity

**Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph**

What is the most popular amenity our civilization has to offer? Judging by a report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, it is electric power.

The latest report on household facilities and equipment shows that last year 97 per cent of the households in Canada had electric lighting. And because electricity was available, it enabled 93 per cent of the homes to operate refrigerators. Next most desirable amenity, if we can judge from the number possessing it, is running water, with 90 per cent thus equipped.

A quite striking comparison results when the statistics for 1961 are compared with what were reported for 1951. Electricity, for instance, rose from 88 to 97 per cent. The refrigerators shot up from 48 per cent to 93 per cent. The running water, gained from 75 to 90 per cent.

Every aspect of the report, showed gain, pointing to the increased standard of living being enjoyed by a greater number of Canadians. It has been a happy period of progress.

Outstanding in the list of statistics is the fact that television is to be found in 87 per cent of Canadian homes. Back in 1951, since this country had not embarked on its picture broadcasting, the number was negligible. It is amazing to think how this medium of communication has caught on, and virtually outstripped every other household appliance in popularity.

The sudden growth of this industry traces back to the availability of electric power. Indeed, there are few of the appliances which are offered to the public that do not require electricity. Most of the central heating available today depends in some way on electricity. So too do the vacuum cleaners, the washing machines and electric stoves. It is probably true that it is the availability of electric power that has made our high standard possible.

There remains a sizeable market for many of these amenities, and helping to upgrade Canada's standard of living should be instrumental in adding to the general level of prosperity that we now enjoy.

**NAME WHIP**

OTTAWA (CP)—Appointment of Eric Winkler, 43, MP for Grey-Bruce, as chief opposition whip in the 26th Parliament was announced Thursday by Opposition Leader Diefenbaker. Mr. Diefenbaker also announced that Louis-Joseph Pigeon, 40, MP for Joliet - L'Assomption-Montcalm, will be deputy whip of the 94-member Progressive Conservative opposition group in the Commons.

## Humidity Like Eases Dry Skin

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

MANY individuals have found that increasing the humidity relieves dry skin. This common condition is prevalent during the winter, especially in the north where homes, apartments, and offices, are heated. Steam is the main offender but other types of heating systems also steal moisture from the air.

Winter itch is more likely to occur in the elderly. Women usually blame dishpan hands on soaps and detergents but, in many instances, too little humidity in the air is at fault. We know a lack of moisture in the outer layers of the skin is responsible for dryness. Applying oils or fatty salves helps by keeping in the moisture.

In the past, victims of dryness were advised to use cleansing creams or oils instead of bathing. There usually is a basis for many of these old beliefs and this is true of the ideas about soap and water. Washing removes the natural oils of the skin and allows the water to evaporate, making the skin dry.

All this can be avoided by bathing (soaking is wonderful) or showering and applying a greasy preparation immediately to lock in the moisture. Several bath oils and other emollient products are available to combine the method. The main hazard of this bath-oil mixture, especially for the elderly, is climbing out of a slippery tub. Be careful. Meanwhile, making the home more humid will lessen the evaporation of moisture from the skin.

Ordinary dryness should not be confused with the scaling, redness, and itching associated with skin diseases. This is a troublesome feature of many forms of dermatitis. The symptom may be part of the skin condition and correcting the dryness is helpful but not curative.

In others, treating the dryness leads to cure of the dermatitis. Examples include sheet dermatitis in bedfast persons and the dry scaling and redness that develop after long exposure to hot air from a register on the car heater.

**THE CRANBERRY REMEDY**

Mrs. M.S. writes: Would drinking cranberry juice help a urinary tract infection?

**REPLY**

This has been a favorite home remedy for years but there are better urinary antiseptics on the market. On the other hand, cranberry juice increases the benzoic acid content of the urine. This acid kills bacteria if taken in large concentrations. Cranberries rarely contain enough of this acid to have this antiseptic effect.

**MORNING CLUMSINESS**

N. S. writes: When I first get up in the morning my fingers are clumsy and trouble handling bobby pins and getting coins out of a change purse. Later in the day I'm more nimble. Is this due to poor circulation or arthritis?

**REPLY**

These symptoms have the earmarks of arthritis. The joints usually limber up after they have been used.

**BEDTIME SNACK**

J. R. writes: I eat two hard boiled eggs five nights a week two or three hours before going to bed. My wife says this is not good for me but I always wake up in the morning feeling fine. Should I keep on eating eggs or give them up?

**REPLY**

Keep on eating them if it makes you feel this way.

**KIDNEY GROWTHS**

M. W. writes: Is it possible to tell before operation whether a kidney tumor is malignant?

**REPLY**

Some kidney tumors always are malignant and the diagnosis can be made before surgery. Others require a biopsy.

**TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—**

Is your home safe?

## Our Yesterday's

**(From the Guardian Files)**

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO**

**April 26, 1938**

W.J. Monaghan was elected president of the Charlottetown Gyro Club at the annual meeting of the organization, held in the Canadian National Hotel last night. The past year's activities included summer dances at Beach Grove Inn, the sale of Christmas seals, arranging for Santa to visit both orphanages, and sending several girls to CGIT camp.

C.I. Bacon, who severed his connections with the town of Summerside, as Manager of the Electric Light Plant, leaves early this week for Cornwall, Ont., where a lucrative position awaits him.

**TEN YEARS AGO**

**April 26, 1953**

Ottawa, (CP) — The Commons has given final passage to legislation abolishing the annual $2.50 licence fee on private radio receiving sets in Canada.

Miss Maureen Blake was guest artist at the weekly supper meeting of the Centennial Y's Men's Club held in the banquet room of the YMCA last evening. Miss Blake sang several well-known numbers and also rendered a variety of piano selections.

**BUILD MILK PLANT**

New Zealand, British and West Indies interests are cooperating in establishing a milk processing plant in Barbados.

## NOTES BY THE WAY

"I don't like the look of your husband," said the doctor. "Neither do I", said the patient's wife. "But he's good to the children." — Financial Post.

In a wedding, the groom is far more intuitive than the bride. She is elated and he is scared within an inch of his life. — Galt Reporter.

A British naturalist believes the Loch Ness monster may be a big fish and he has even taken picture of it. Maybe this mean we have to believe all fishermen's tares in future? — Port Arthur News-Chronicle.

Henry: Hi, Jim. Haven't seen you in years. Who are you working for now? Jim: Same outfit, Missus and five children. — Hamilton Spectator.

Teacher: "But, Johnny, this essay on "Our Dog" is exactly the same as your brother's." Johnny: "Yes'm. It's the same dog." — Vancouver Sun.

Internal revenue investigator: Did Mr. Smith actually make a $1,000 donation to your church fund? Minister: No, but he will. — Guelph Mercury.

Social Credit, as it is represented in Quebec, is not a political party, a monetary theory or even a philosophy. It is merely a frame of mind that has nothing to contribute to national development save a talent for focusing on itself some kinds of dissatisfaction. — Sherbrooke Record.

For those that think nothing in this world can be counted on we pass on the intelligence from marine life authorities that the horseshoe crab looks the same now as it did 200,000,000 years ago. — Ottawa Journal.

I am glad to say that in my own country it is regarded as not only wrong but — what is even more compelling in England — as downright unfashionable to be a bigot. — Dr. Heenan, Archbishop of Liverpool.

The dour pianist Oscar Levant is said to have muttered to his wife as they left a White House social gathering, "Well, now I guess we'll have to have them over." — Baltimore Evening Sun.

"How can I ever repay you for your kindness to me during my recent illness?" gushed the dowager. Said the doctor brashly: "By cash, ma'am, cheque or money order." — Hamilton Spectator.

A young woman was dialing a record store. Her finger slipped in the dial and she got a wrong number. However, thinking she had the record shop, she asked the man who answered, "Do you have 'Eyes of Blue, and Heart That's True?" "No," said the man, "but I've got a wife and nine children, including four sets of twins." "Is that a record?" gasped the astonished young woman. "Well, now ma'am," was the answer, "we're not sure, but we think it is." — Montreal Star.

## Adenauer's Plans

**By Joseph MacSween**
**Canadian Press Staff Writer**

It appears Konrad Adenauer is at last going to release power in West Germany to Ludwig Erhard but there persists an odd attitude of I'll-believe-it-when-I-see-it.

The 87-year-old chancellor — the oldest major political chief in the world—has so long and steadfastly bucked Erhard's succession that some sources still doubt he has really admitted defeat.

It is observed that the changeover would, when the time comes, still involve the resignation of Adenauer, or a vote against him, and election of his successor by the whole Bundestag.

However, Adenauer seems to have accepted with grace the vote of his Christian Democratic party—despite his doubts about the ability of the 66-year-old economics minister—when he said:

"Absolutely nothing, Herr Erhard, stands in the way by my giving you my whole support for the benefit of the German people."

**LIKED IN BRITAIN**

In Britain, Adenauer has frequently been criticized but newspaper comments on the developments at Bonn show admiration of the old man's character and respect for his political judgment. The Guardian says:

"Whatever one may think of Dr. Adenauer's aims, no one can dispute the toughness and skill with which he has pursued them. . . . Compared with this wily and resourceful politician, Dr. Erhard looks a mere technician — popular with the German people because his technique has delivered the goods, but with no proved ability to withstand the strains of highest office.

"This, more than alleged differences of policy, seems to be the main reason for Dr. Adenauer's low opinion of him."

Few observers in West Germany or elsewhere believe that Adenauer plans to retire from the political scene regardless of the outcome of the current moves.

There has been comment on two Adenauers—the "morning" chancellor who is full of vigor despite his great age and the "afternoon" chancellor who wilts under the burdens of his job as the day wears on.

**FEW OTHER INTERESTS**

But German observers stress that Adenauer is essentially a political person with few other interests—and can be expected to continue using his still-strong political influence in whatever position he finds himself.

It is suggested half-seriously that Sir Winston Churchill, for instance, could fall back on his interests as painting bricklaying and yachting on leaving high office. But Adenauer would probably find his greatest enjoyment in haunting his successor.

## NATO's Nuclear Force

**New York Times**

The strange malady of negativism afflicting Washington these days is jeopardizing a vital project in defense of the Western World—the proposed nuclear force for the North Atlantic alliance.

Such a force is essential to keep the alliance together and to prevent its fragmentation into separate national forces, each with its own aims and objectives.

Washington is now emitting such sounds of despair about the NATO project that it conveys the impression of wanting to kill the whole enterprise despite endorsement of the NATO nuclear force by the majority of our Atlantic allies. There can in fact be no real progress until the United States itself makes the crucial decision whether it is willing to share control of the nuclear warheads it wants over to a NATO force. Such control would apply to the multinational force in which the United States would participate and which could be established immediately. It would apply even more emphatically to a multilateral force with mixed crews, whether of surface ships or submarines.

The sharing of nuclear control cannot be restricted merely to sharing with our allies a veto on the use of nuclear warheads. We must also be willing to share control in a firing command. Any such sharing would require Congressional amendments to the Atomic Energy Act, which now reserves control to the President. The amendments will be difficult to obtain. But they will be impossible unless President Kennedy takes his courage in his hands and calls on Congress to approve them.

These amendments would not affect American control of our own national nuclear force, which will always be the decisive bulwark of American defense. But unless the President acts, we stand in danger of losing by default the supplementary NATO force that is an integral part of the whole Atlantic concept.


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