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stages of negotiation with the Russians for construction of a \$60 million state-owned complex of medicinal chemical plants.

Mr. Powers said several thousand Russian technicians are currently working in underdeveloped areas, assisting on more than 100 industrial projects.

Beaverbrook At Eighty

Maritimers will take special pleasure in tendering congratulations today to Lord Beaverbrook, on the occasion of his eightieth birthday.

Few men have had such an amazing career, or retained so many warm human traits after climbing to such dizzy heights on the ladder of success.

Selling newspapers was Max Aitken's first job, and publishing his own weekly (The Leader, in Newcastle) his first ambition.

His Lordship, who thought himself an old man at fifty, with his ambitions satisfied and not much left to live for, has never really aged in spirit at all.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The high price of beef has even affected the art of healing. A report says that in Baltimore drug stores are doing a good business in leeches.

Farm surpluses are continuing to mount in the United States. They are now valued at roughly \$9 billion.

A plan for harnessing the Indus to benefit India and Pakistan has just been spelled out to Mr. Nehru and Mr. Ayub Khan in their respective capitals.

Mr. Powers told of encountering Russian offers to build state-owned chemical and pharmaceutical plants on a recent business trip to India and the Middle East.



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OTTAWA REPORT

Losing War Of Words

By Patrick Nicholson

Is the Diefenbaker Government on the skids?

This is the question which clamorously poses itself in the light of latest survey of public opinion, which was published on—appropriately for the Conservative Party—the unlucky 13th day of this month.

That survey shows an accelerating decline in the popular support for the present Government. At the March 1958 election, 54 per cent of the voters backed Tory candidates.

While many Canadians feel a vague disquiet about international affairs beyond the control of our government, domestic criticism is little more than disappointment that a record parliamentary majority has not yet produced a government strong to act.

QUEBEC LEADS DECLINE

The most severe slump is in the Province of Quebec, where a huge one-third has been slashed off the popular support for the Tories—a trend which was accurately forecast in this column.

Using this poll of public opinion as the basis for an arbitrary exercise in political arithmetic, we see that, if an election were to be held today, the government would lose a shattering 39 seats in Quebec alone.

Germany Resurgent

By Joseph MacSweeney Canadian Press Staff Writer

One thing that is quietly recognized by all the Geneva conference of foreign ministers is the resurgent power of Germany, especially West Germany.

West Germany holds what amounts almost to veto power over important Western policy decisions not only because it will be directly affected by the decisions but also because of its independent strength.

This was reflected at a Friday press conference when Heinrich von Brentano, the West German foreign minister, said bluntly that the United States, Britain and France should refuse any summit meeting unless their rights in Berlin are guaranteed by Russia beforehand.

It wasn't the first time that von Brentano got his view across in a strong way at Geneva, although he is operating on the sidelines. West and East Germany are represented only as advisers at the conference, not as full-fledged delegations.

HISTORIC RECOVERY

All this follows from historic developments: The post-war recovery of the West German Republic to a position as the strong economic country in West Europe; and West Germany's new close friendship with a traditional foe, France.

By 1962, it's expected that the West German military force will be the strongest European element in NATO.

While these factors have enhanced the prestige of West Germany at the Geneva meeting, East Germany has also climbed up a rung or two on the international diplomatic ladder.

Not Always In Childhood

By Herman N. Sundness, M.D. CONTRARY to popular belief, leukemia is not necessarily a disease of childhood.

Admittedly, though, we still can't cure the disease. Even so, the outlook for some victims is very good.

As an example, let's say a person in his late 50s or early 60s is found to have chronic lymphocytic leukemia.

He probably won't know about it until he begins to feel sort of punk and decides to go to a doctor with his complaints. The physician might have a difficult time convincing this patient that he probably can look forward to a normal life span.

PERIODIC CHECK-UPS

Naturally, he will have to check with his doctor from time to time. The physician will want to make sure there has been no change; we never know about this. But even if there is, it may not occur for many years.

EMPHATIC TREATMENT

Should chronic myelocytic leukemia, or chronic granulocytic leukemia, as it is sometimes called, strike a person of the same age, the treatment must be more emphatic. The outlook isn't too good.

And a diagnosis of acute leukemia at any age is very serious indeed.

DIFFERENT REACTION

Each type of leukemia reacts differently and requires specific types of treatment.

For example, acute leukemia in an adult must be handled differently from acute leukemia in a child.

In childhood, most of the acute leukemias are lymphocytic and in adulthood most of the lymphocytic cases are chronic. Usually, these lymphocytic leukemias are relatively mild in adult life.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Mrs. B.: Is there any other method besides electrolysis to remove superfluous hair?

Answer: Various creams may be of help—but it is best to consult your family physician or a dermatologist (skin specialist).

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 25, 1934)

The first graduates of Prince of Wales Junior College will receive their diplomas at the annual convocation to be held at 9.30 at the assembly hall.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Every husband at one time or other has forgotten the little woman's birthday anniversary. Here is a comment that may just save the day for you the next time.

Simply tell her: "How do you expect me to remember your birthday when you never look any older?"—Amery Free Press

The president of the Massachusetts Dental society says his group is offering music "to have your teeth pulled by."

Receivers are put over the patients ears and they select their own music from a tape recorder. No doubt the selection includes such appropriate numbers as "The Yanks Are Coming" and "I've Got That Old Filling."—Kitchener-Waterloo Record

Canadian coal and Canadian iron ore are both being shipped across the Pacific to provide the essentials of Japan's steel industry.

It is one of the ironies of Canadian life and the hard facts of its economics that Canada has the resources but it still cannot support an industry of this kind itself.—Calgary Herald

Parachutists in East Germany are being told not to pray before making their jumps. They are ordered to depend on their own ability and equipment instead of an "unknown God."

The Communist magazine, Fluegel Der Heimat, tells them: "Besides, if your parachute doesn't open, no prayer is going to help you."—Die Welt, Hamburg

A Libyan government official has a curious complaint about United States economic aid operations here: Too much time is spent arguing about their economic soundness.

It isn't that this official objects to sensible economics. His point is simply that the matter isn't worth arguing about in Libya because so little about Libya makes economic sense.—Wall Street Journal

Chinese astronomers in 1954 recorded the appearance of a star so bright that it shone by day. It blazed for a few months, then disappeared. What the Chinese saw was Nature's rarest and most awesome fireworks, a supernova.

Erupting with the brightness of a hundred million suns, the star ejected a cloud of gas which has been expanding 70 million miles a day ever since.—National Geographic

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IT'S HOLMAN'S FOODLAND

—Grace E. Smith in The Spokane Daily Chronicle

The Age Old Story

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

The Poets Corner

MEDITATION

This morning I awoke to wild birds' song.

The rising sun had painted clouds a golden hue.

I thought of yesterday and all eternity.

A voice within me said, "This day belongs to you."

Take it and mold it gently with a master's touch.

Turn grief and fear away; let love and happiness abide.

Man's greatest treasures are his moments filled with love.

Man's greatest epitaph, "He lived before he died."

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