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Democratic Strength

It is believed in Western diplomatic circles that Premier Khrushchev wants the summit meeting—if there is to be one—held in the United States...

Democratic institutions have nothing to fear from the lies and wiles of men like Khrushchev, as long as they are true to themselves and respectful of the good sense which, in general, characterizes the public conscience.

It would be a mistake, of course, to underestimate his political sagacity; he is by all accounts a master of deceit and guile.

The Hospital Plan

There is something to be said for the suggestion made in the Commons by Opposition speakers that provision be made for deduction from taxable income of hospital bills paid by governments under the National Hospital Insurance Plan.

It is a little difficult to understand why persons covered by the Federal-Provincial plan should not be able to claim hospital bills as deductible expenses, while persons covered by private plans are permitted to do so.

It is a fine arrangement to be sure, and it will be of inestimable value to many Canadians. But it is being paid for by the people themselves, partly through direct levies in one form or another and partly through general taxes.

Freedom's Charter

Sir Harold Anthony Caccia, the British Ambassador to the United States, spoke the other day at Jamestown in a meeting sponsored by the Virginia State Bar to mark the coming of English common law to what is now the United States in 1607.

pageantry of history. Commenting on these incidents, a writer in the Winnipeg Free Press recalls a striking example of this "pageantry of history" in comparatively recent times.

In 1939, when Britain braced herself for the embattled years, the authorities in London decided to send the Magna Carta for safety to the U.S. Library of Congress, lest the document be destroyed in an air raid.

For many generations now the Charter, glorified by generous error, has become the shield of liberty and the sword of outraged justice.

In one of those inspired decisions which make the actions of governments tolerable to sensitive minds, the British and American authorities agreed to find a place of refuge for Magna Carta in the same library that holds the American protest of the Declaration of Independence.

Weather Phenomena

Over the last ten years specialists have noted a marked change in meteorological phenomena. Generally speaking, the average temperature is rising both in the northern and southern hemispheres—a fact which fits in well with the observed melting of the Polar ice-caps.

But while the winters are getting warmer, the summers are now cooler. One result is that some of the fast-flowing glaciers are extending their surface; but there are other consequences.

Ever since the present series of bad summers began, public opinion has put the blame on nuclear and thermonuclear explosions. Most meteorologists, however, state that this accusation is completely groundless.

Even a small local thunderstorm would require almost as much energy as that liberated by about fifteen hydrogen bombs. Scientists state that the average storm at sea is equal to the energy of hundreds or thousands of atomic explosions.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The P.E.I. Musical Festival Association holds its annual meeting at Prince of Wales College on Tuesday evening. In view of the phenomenal success achieved by the organization in our music festivals held in recent years, the attendance should be large and representative.

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It was a fine gesture on the part of the Post Office Department to issue a special stamp in tribute to the world-wide organizations of rural women. Particular honor thus is accorded to the Canadian, Mrs. Adelaide Hoodless of Hamilton, who, in 1897, conceived the idea of women's institutes.



NO MATTER HOW YOU SPELL IT

OTTAWA REPORT

New Saskatchewan Dam

By Patrick Nicholson

Prime Minister John Diefenbaker plunged the detonator to set off a dynamite blast symbolizing the commencement of work on the South Saskatchewan Dam last month.

That was 56 years after he had first come to the Prairies, when as the sub-teen son of a home-staying family he had seen the sloughs filled to overflowing as late as August, with duck and wildfowl everywhere in an area which did not anticipate the oncoming of drought.

But between those years had come the barren times, when dust was piled high against the fences; when only the tumbling tumbleweed yielded a bumper crop; when, in the Prime Minister's own words, darkened fields told the story of blasted hopes.

Then in 1940, Mr. Diefenbaker was elected to Parliament; and continuously in Ottawa ever since, the "Golden Voice of the Prairies" fought for this irrigation project, which would ensure that there would be less heartbreak and surer hope in future years in that courageously settled area in which Captain Palliser proclaimed 100 years ago would never be suitable for settlement.

Letter's words so heartfelt, ensure less heartbreak for the courageous farmers.

POSSIBLE BENEFITS FORECAST

When the dam is completed, the first of the half-million acres of surrounding farmland will be lush with water gushing down canals, instead of only scattered raindrops.

Farmland now worth only \$30 an acre will be valued at \$200 when irrigated; the yield of \$15 of crops per acre from dryland farming could rise to \$400 when artificial watering permits as many as three crops of alfalfa each year.

On the basis of these interesting speculations by Judge Pope we see that the increased yield of all the planned irrigation area could exceed the \$184,000,000 cost of the dam in one good year.

ne established in Zealand if the dykes can be used, for example, to furnish hydro-electric power.

Holland's Delta Plan

Pierre Luent in UNESCO Features

Every schoolboy today knows that Holland is a country created not entirely by nature but also by man, for the greatest part of its surface has been conquered from the sea.

These efforts are still continuing, for Holland is extremely vulnerable to the attacks of her hereditary enemy, the sea. Most of the country is below sea level, and this area supports more than five million people.

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Spuds With Jackets On

Toronto Telegram

Senator Ralph Horner, of Saskatchewan, is something of an expert on the art of cooking potatoes. But like most experts nowadays, he tends to specialize—potatoes with their jackets on.

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Help By Using Common Sense
By Herman N. Bundenes, M.D.
EVEN if you don't know a thing about first aid, you can be of help in the event you witness a serious accident on the streets or highways this summer.

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Dispatch somebody to get a doctor or an ambulance. Stress the fact that this messenger must give the doctor the location of the accident, the cause, the nature of and possible extent of the injury, what supplies are available at the scene and what type of first aid, if any, is being given.

QUIET VICTIM'S FEARS

If the victim is conscious, do your best to quiet his fears. Don't let him see his injury or know how badly he is hurt unless, of course, the wound is a minor one.

WRAP HIM UP

If the weather is wet or cool, it might be a good idea to wrap him in a blanket or even newspaper. Place the covering underneath him as well as on top of him.

MIGHT STRANGLE

There is another reason, also, why this shouldn't be done. The victim might enter the windpipe of an unconscious person and strangle him.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

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The Poets Corner

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NOTES BY THE WAY
All this talk of producing a small, inexpensive car reminds us that we had them 80 years ago.—Brantford Expositor
"A woman's vocal cords are shorter than those of a man." But they last longer.—Brandon Sun

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