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CIRCULATION "Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew" "The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

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Federal Grants To Municipalities

The forecast in the speech from the throne that an amendment to the Municipal Grants Act is to be considered has given renewed hope to the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities.

The Act requires the government to pay a grant on federal properties valued at more than four per cent of a municipal assessment.

In the past 15 years an increasing burden has been placed on the municipalities, but no new sources of revenue have been made available to them.

Enterprise Still In Demand

In a revealing survey of this nation's resources in Quebec last week, Mr. Maxwell W. Mackenzie, former Deputy Minister of Defence Production and for six years Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce, warned that if the resources of Canada are to be properly developed, it will mean risk of capital on a large scale.

"Few people would advocate a return to those days, but there is danger that we are now swinging too far in the other direction—that in our desire to even things up a bit we are in danger of discouraging the risk taker."

"Apart from defence expenditures, which are in a special category, social security payments are the biggest single factor in determining levels of taxation. In Canada this is now about a quarter of the gross national product, and is raised in very large measure by taxes on income—first by taking about half of the profits that are made by a corporation, and then by a graduated tax ranging up to 40, 50 and 60 per cent on what is distributed to the shareholders."

Canada's buoyant 15-year boom has been due largely to a demand for our pro-

ducts stimulated by war or fear of war. We cannot, as Mr. Mackenzie stressed, expect these inducements to continue forever.

British Farm Prices

The British Government has now found a solution to the major domestic problem with which it has been wrestling for many months: the marketing arrangements for farm products.

According to a London correspondent for the Winnipeg Free Press, these plans cannot be treated as a logical whole. For milk, potatoes, bacon, pigs and wool, the Government is giving the farmers permission to restore marketing boards.

The important case in which competition will be restored next year is in the marketing of beef, mutton and pork. But the free markets will be considerably circumscribed, by methods going far beyond the simple price support principle already adopted for grain marketing.

In the case of fat stock, market prices for individual beasts may at various times and places differ greatly from the annual, national average. This is, of course, the natural reflection of seasonal and other variations in demand and supply.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Things are getting easier for R. C. M. P. horses reports the Ottawa Journal with apparent relief. It seems that there are now only 25 men to a horse today rather than 37 per mount of previous reports.

The Australian Minister for the Navy and Minister for Air believes that flying saucers are a problem for psychologists rather than defence authorities. In this day, however, the two are not necessarily distinct.

The finding of quantities of small herring suitable for sardine pack in Souris harbour is another indication, as pointed out by a packer, that there are fishing possibilities around our shores of which we are not aware.

After the First World War Finland achieved great popularity and esteem by paying her war debts when every other country was in default. Now Russia has paid off the Canadian account resulting from the taking over of the Finnish-Russian Petsamo nickel mine.

Richard Hakluyk, English geographer and press agent of Elizabethan merchant adventure, died this date 1616. He took Holy orders but devoted his time and effort to publicising the voyages of English seamen and the opportunities for colonisation.

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The Present Gardener's Policy



Indialogue

By Gerald Steele 4th Year S.D.U. Student

INDIALOGUE INAUGURAL

Our Inaugural Ceremony was a very special occasion from many aspects. Judged by its color it was lacking nothing associated with Indian tradition. Held in the quadrangle of the University of Mysore, and graced by the presence of His Highness the Rajapramukh of Mysore, the event took on a festive air with His Highness's Palace Band and a flower-bedecked pavilion.

In the inaugural speech of His Highness, great emphasis was placed on the role of the university in international understanding, because in it is found that knowledge which is the basis of wisdom and that tolerance which is the foundation of peace and brotherly feeling.

In the realm of philosophy and religion, we have always considered them as two phases of the human spirit: one to explore the universe, the other to make people at home in it.

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The Poets' Corner

TIME

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Atlantic Standard Time

CANADIAN NATIONAL

Notes By The Way

Canadian post offices are to be equipped with "thinking machines" which will sort and speed mail to its destination. Much more important is the need for a machine of that kind as standard equipment for husbands, that the mail shall pass speedily from their wives to the post offices. (Fort William Times-Journal.)

Perhaps never in this world is anything unquestioned. And now the question has been raised about the originality of Abraham Lincoln's celebrated Gettysburg speech. The question concerns the most memorable lines: "It is for us, the living... to be dedicated here... that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

No longer can Canada's prairies be thought of only as one of the world's greatest bread baskets. Its food-producing capacity still is by far the most important, and probably always will be so. But industrialization is making its imprint. The new \$13,500,000 plastics plant has commenced operations at Edmonton, being described as a fine addition to that city's "sprawling industrial row".

An age of conformity is catching up with Sweden. That country now is contemplating a change from left to right-hand traffic, a move which was suggested there some eight years ago, but which was defeated. Usually it is islands which hold out longest against change. In the British Isles and Iceland, for example, motorists still drive to the left, as they do also in Japan. And in this part of the world Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland were the last to adopt drive-to-the-right legislation.

long against a popular trend. Certainly, the longer the country waits the more expensive will the change become. It has been estimated that if the reform had been carried out as projected eight years ago, it could have been undertaken for a fifth of the projected, present expenditure. (Halifax Chronicle-Herald.)

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.)

LENGTHY PETITION

From the reports of the Legislative Assembly, Feb. 5, 1935: "Mr. Brennan presented to the House a Petition from the King's County, measuring fourteen feet in length, setting forth the injury which the County had sustained in consequence of the non-fulfillment of the conditions of the original grants of Township lands in this Island, also setting forth the happy effects which have resulted from the escheat and settlement of one Township (Lot 55), a great part of which had been subsequently granted in small lots, at the moderate price of five pounds the hundred acres, subject to an annual quit rent of two shillings sterling, while the tenantry in the Townships immediately adjoining, which Townships were equally liable to forfeiture, were bound to pay a yearly rent of five pounds for the same quantity of land, over and above quit rents, land taxes, etc."

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