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Need For Vigilance

The announcement that the American Secretary of State will confer with Prime Minister Diefenbaker in the near future is proof that the latter's admonitions and warnings in the matter of American-Canadian trade issues have been taken seriously in Washington.

It is still too early to suggest what good, if any, will come out of the impending meeting. But, judging by Mr. Dulles' everything-is-for-the-best philosophy, which he seems to cherish beyond measure, Mr. Diefenbaker and his advisors will have to be on their guard if anything is to be done to protect Canada's trade interests in face of the United States' current policy of disposing of agricultural surpluses on almost any terms.

It is almost certain that Mr. Dulles will try to make out that, in some mysterious manner, everything that the United States is doing in this field is of great benefit to Canada. He will probably argue that giving away wheat at fire-sale prices and in exchange for non-dollar currencies of every conceivable type is the best thing that ever happened for Canadian producers.

Yes, there is no doubt about it, Mr. Diefenbaker will have to be on guard—and there is reason to think he will be—when Mr. Dulles comes to visit.

Distinguished Visitor

At present the Most Rev. Giovanni Panico, Apostolic Delegate to Canada, is making a tour of the Atlantic Provinces and Eastern Canada and is arriving in Charlottetown today. He will remain in the Province until Friday, visiting various parts of the Diocese. As the personal representative in Canada of His Holiness the Pope, his visit is naturally a matter of great interest and religious significance to our Roman Catholic citizens.

Archbishop Panico has had a long and distinguished career prior to assuming his present post on March 2, 1954. Born in the village of Tricasse, Italy, he was ordained on March 14, 1919, by Cardinal Pompili in Rome and later followed canon and civil law lectures at the Apollinaris University which brought him a doctorate in both laws in 1922. His first appointment in 1923, took him as attache to the Apostolic Nunciature in Bogota where he served for three years. In 1926 he went to Buenos Aires as the new secretary of the Nunciature of the Argentine. He became Auditor to the Nunciature at Prague in May, 1931. In 1934 he was appointed as observer for the Holy See at the Saar, and the next year became Charge D'Affaires at Munich, Germany. He returned to Prague

shortly after he was appointed Apostolic Delegate to Australia. On December 8, 1935 he was consecrated Archbishop of the Titular See of Justiniana. In 1948 he was appointed Papal Nuncio to Peru and remained there until named to Canada on December 2, 1953.

This will be the first visit of the new Apostolic Delegate to the Charlottetown Diocese where Most Rev. Malcolm A. MacEachern, the first Bishop to be consecrated by Archbishop Panico, is head of the Diocese.

Summerside Carnival

This will be a big week in Summerside, where the second annual lobster carnival opens this afternoon with a grand parade headed by the St. Ann's Gaelic College pipe band. The success of last year's four-day carnival was outstanding, and this year it will be "bigger and better" in every respect. Many new features have been added, including the holding of the first reunion of the Prince Edward Island Highlanders on Wednesday and the R.C.A.F. air and ground show on Saturday afternoon. R.C.A.F. Station Summerside arranged to have the annual Air Force Day program, held normally in June, postponed this year so that it could be held as part of the carnival program. His Honour Lieutenant Governor Prowse will officially open the carnival this evening, and the speakers will include Premier Matheson, Fisheries Minister J. Angus MacLean, Dr. Phillips, M.P., Mayor Currie and Mr. Clyde MacLaggan, president of the Summerside Board of Trade.

The carnival is a combined project of the Board of Trade and six service clubs, each of which is responsible for holding certain features of the program. The arrangements are in capable hands and there is no doubt but that the carnival will be very largely attended and enjoyed. The Summerside Journal-Pioneer has put out an excellent special Carnival issue, replete with program details and other features of interest.

EDITORIAL NOTES

School construction and the training of teachers are the main subjects being discussed at the 20th International Conference on Public Education in session at Geneva.

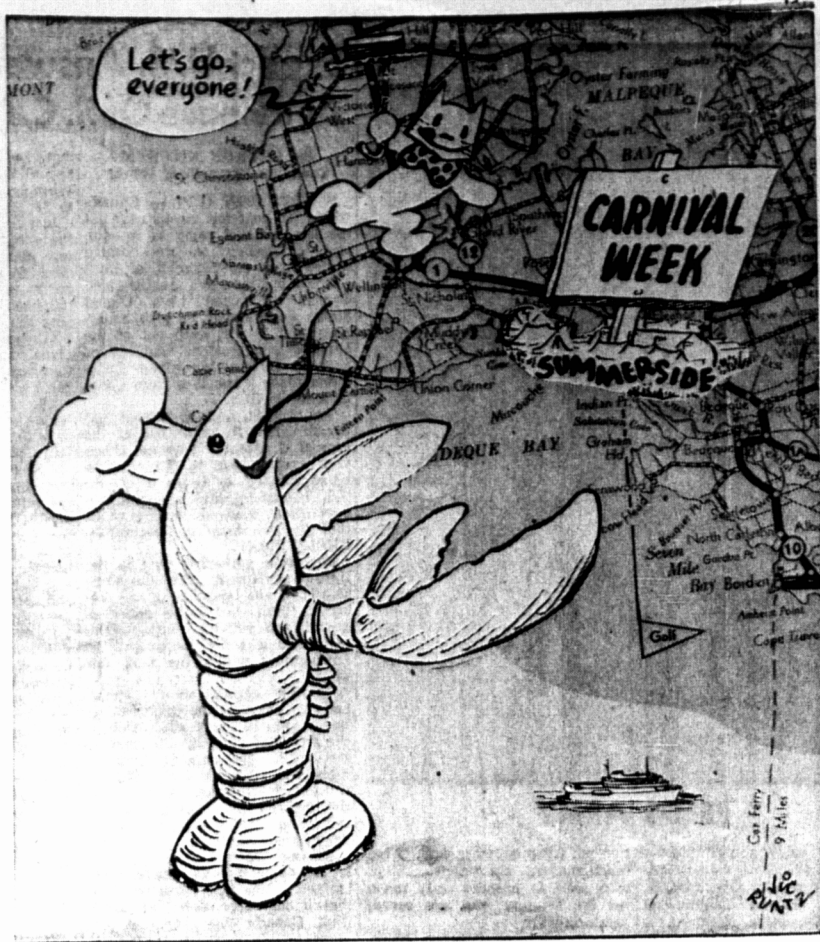
On his return to Ottawa from the Commonwealth Conference in London, Mr. Diefenbaker did something which no Canadian Prime Minister before him had ever done. He went directly from the airport to the parliamentary press gallery and held a press conference.

Communist China and Nationalist Formosa have at least one thing in common: respect for ancient methods of writing. Authorities in both countries have ruled that pupils must continue to use brushes instead of pens. They have also abandoned a proposal to do away with the Chinese style of writing which consists of ideographs and pictographs.

Public health officials are evidently going ahead with immunization plans on the assumption that the Asian flu will not arrive here until mid-autumn. They may be right; but to be on the safe side it would be well to have the vaccine made available just as soon as possible. Epidemics do not always follow customary courses.

"We're not angels", said Nikita Khrushchev some months ago, referring to himself and his colleagues in the Soviet leadership. By the gentle way he has been treating his ousted comrades, however, one would almost gather that he is a man of unbounded charity—unless, of course, he is beginning to wonder whether he did the right thing politically when he threw the rascals out.

The new way laid down by Mao Tse Tung for the development of free discussion in China—"let a hundred flowers grow"—is evidently not meant to be taken seriously. The "People's Daily", the official organ of the party in Peiping, has warned dissidents that they must repent of their former faults if they hope to be forgiven. "The struggle against bourgeois rightists is just beginning to be developed", the paper added.



POINTING THE WAY TO FUN

OTTAWA REPORT

The P. M.'s Press Conference

By Patrick Nicholson

Ottawa: The parliamentary press corps could hardly believe their eyes. Nothing like it had happened in living memory.

There was the Prime Minister, sitting in the comfortable press gallery lounge, where he had come to hold a press conference. And around him sat members of the press gallery, making notes, asking questions, and some smoking in the informal atmosphere.

Less than one hour earlier, Hon. John Diefenbaker had landed at Ottawa's airport, after the overnight flight from England, where he had been attending the 12-day conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers. Already he was reporting to the people of Canada, through the newspapers, about the topics discussed in London, and Canada's position.

After the press conference, he was to meet his Cabinet colleagues, and give them an even fuller report, touching no doubt on confidential points which he could not reveal to the press.

What a change this was: WAIT AND WHATTLE

We in the press gallery here have always been at the fickle mercy of the old "wait and whattle" system—waiting in the hot dark crowded corridor outside the Cabinet council chamber; and wondering what will be able to ask the Prime Minister briefly as he hurries away, and what'll he design to answer.

The waiting was for long periods, until the unannounced time when the Cabinet meeting of unspecified length would break up; not daring to arrive late, last one miss the hurried departure. And at the end of the vigil, one would perhaps get a curt brush-off: "When

I have an announcement to make. I will make it without being asked. During the post-election crisis week in June, when the defeated Liberal Cabinet was in frequent session, Ottawa was suffering one of our heat waves.

"It's not the heat, it's the humidity," we always complain.

The corridor outside the Cabinet council chamber was a good inflation of the Black Hole of Calcutta. Eighty or more newsmen and cameramen and television crews used to wait, perhaps for an hour and a half, until the Prime Minister came out. One afternoon, from the fringe of the sweating throng, I heard Mr. St-Laurent make two remarks: "Haven't you taken enough photos recently?" and "There are many other people who want to know the answer to that question too."

Those eighty discomforted newsmen represented sixteen million Canadians; anxious to learn the outcome of the government crisis.

On that occasion as frequently over many years, it would have been easy and kindly for the Prime Minister to say that his secretary would notify the press gallery when the Cabinet meeting was about to break up. Newsmen could then hasten over to the East Block in time to buttonhole the Prime Minister, and would have been saved the long and unnecessary wait. But no; the little act of consideration was consistently overlooked by kindly Uncle Louie. The "wait and whattle" technique was necessary and unpleasant practice.

NOW THE NEW DEAL

But here was something different: a Prime Minister sending a message that he would come to

the press gallery lounge for a press conference. Further, he told us there would be no need to waste our time waiting outside the Cabinet's meeting place; if there was to be any newsworthy announcement, he would always send word over a summon us. And as for the Cabinet meeting to be held later that day, why this was a Saturday holiday for most Canadians, and he was sure none of us wanted to wait around while our fellow-citizens were enjoying leisure with their families. Nothing would be announced that afternoon after the Cabinet meeting, and we could all go home with a clear conscience.

Of course this new deal earned criticism from some of the sourpusses which a free press always fosters. It was improper, those said, for the Prime Minister to talk to the press about the London conference before he had reported to his cabinet. But these critics overlooked the important point that newsmen in Britain had already interviewed Mr. Diefenbaker and most other Prime Ministers at the end of their conference the previous day. Mr. Diefenbaker was merely giving to Canadian newspapers the information which British newspapers had already had the opportunity of publishing. And he was also spelling out his plans for the future, his intention to utilize the Fourth Estate to keep all Canadians fully informed as to the deliberations of their servants the government; and his kindly consideration to give it to us the sensible way rather than through the "wait and whattle" method.

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Giants And Pigmies

National Geographic Society

In the heart of equatorial Africa some of the continent's tallest and smallest tribesmen—the Watutsi and Batwa—are joining at this time in a jubilee. The occasion: the 25th anniversary of the reign of their king, the Mwami of Ruanda.

The Mwami, Mutara III Charles Leon Pierre Rudahigwa, is a descendant of dynasty that claims an unbroken line from the 11th century. His country lies directly north of another small kingdom, Urundi. Together the two states form the Ruanda-Urundi Territory administered by Belgium under the United Nations Trust system.

Towering nearly seven feet, the Mwami heads the long-ruling Watutsi group, many of whose members are even taller. But the Ruanda people display an Alice-in-Wonderland size range, including the medium height Bahutu who make up the bulk of the population, and the minority Batwa, some of whom stand no more than four and a half feet.

Ruanda is a scenic lake and mountain country a little larger than Maryland, says the National Geographic Society. Its more than 2,270,000 people make it one of Africa's most densely settled regions. Yet it is only within the last century that Europeans have penetrated the mysteries of this and neighboring interior lands.

To the north rise the mist-shrouded Mountains of the Moon, named Ruvenzori or "Rain Maker," by explorer-author Sir Henry Stanley. South, beyond Urundi, stretches Lake Tanganyika, where Stanley, in 1871, concluded his search-and-rescue expedition with the historic phrase, "Dr. Livingstone, I presume."

Ruanda's royal jubilee points up the changes that "Darkest Africa" has seen since the Stanley-Livingstone age of discovery.

The Mwami wears smart, Western sports attire and speaks excellent French. Living in a modern palace at his capital, Nyanza, he drives American made cars built to allow room for his long legs.

He is particularly proud of the progress his people are making

in cooperation with Belgian authorities. Scheduled among the jubilee's features are school parades and displays of increasing educational facilities.

DANCING AND HIGH JUMPS

Traditional Watutsi dancing, high jumping, and javelin throwing will add color to the celebrations. In their vivid skirts, leopard skins, and monkey-hair headdress, performers are both spectacular and graceful as they leap and stamp to the beat of sacred drums and tinkle of ankle bells.

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10 Downing Street

By Jack Melco Reuters Agency, London

Prime Minister Macmillan has appointed a committee to consider what to do about a structurally decrepit building his predecessors have been complaining about off more than 200 years—10 Downing Street.

Macmillan, whose lot it is to live in the building, told Parliament this week that the drafty old place suffered from dry rot, decay of timber supports and irregular settlement. These are the same complaints William Pitt made in the time of Napoleon.

Everybody knows the building is about the poorest home for a first minister of any major country in the world. Britons freely admit the interior layout puts it far below present-day standards.

Despite efforts by prime ministers' wives, it remains a labyrinth of dingy corridors and dark rooms. No modern hostess would look at it twice.

Its sole merit is that it stands close to the Houses of Parliament and other government buildings.

PM HAS NO KEY

Some prime ministers have so disliked it that they used it only for emergency purposes. Benjamin Disraeli for many years of his two prime ministerships wouldn't have anything to do with it at all.

got a key to the place

The prime minister hasn't even got a key to the place because many years ago Parliament decided it didn't want him locking himself in at crucial times.

It was built by Sir George Downing, Diarist Samuel Pepys called him "a pertentious rogue" and Sir Winston Churchill termed him "a profiteering contractor."

RELUCTANT TO CHANGE

But even though the old place is held together mostly by thick coats of paint, Britons are reluctant to see it changed. It has become too historical. Its black door, with wrought iron gates and a white 10, is famous.

Architects considering an ovation are stumped by the cramped area and cultural tradition. To give the building the floor space it needs to fit present-day needs, they talk of building it 10 storeys high. And they are agreed they will have to knock out a lot of walls inside, and maybe convert the outside from brick to stone.

The British public, which doesn't have to live in the house, might not be happy to have its tradition tinkered with.

Whatever the architects do, they will have to leave the black ebony door with the white number just exactly as it is.

STARTED AS MESSENGER

SYDNEY, Australia (AP)—Hubert Lawrence Anthony, 50, who started work at 14 as a telegraph messenger in a 44 became postmaster-general at 52, died Friday night. Anthony was postmaster general from 1945 to 1956, when he retired because of ill health.

Placebo Therapy And Its Benefits

By Herman N. Bandesen, M.D. There is an old saying which states that "all that glitters is not gold." So, too, all that is given a patient by a doctor is not necessarily of medicinal value.

I am referring to placebos, of course, the value of which, in certain cases, cannot be disputed. However, ethics of administering placebos in clinical medicine have been argued for more years than I can remember, and I am no Johnny-come-lately in this field. NO MEDICAL VALUE

Simply defined, placebos are injections, tablets or liquids given a patient despite the fact they have no medicinal value. A "pure" placebo—a saline solution is an example—has no pharmacologic action whatever. An adulterated placebo does not contain some medication, but not enough to affect the disease of the person to whom it is given.

They do not mean placebos have no value at all. On the contrary, they do. They are invaluable in checking the effects of new drugs by serving as inert preparations for control groups.

FREQUENTLY HELPFUL

However, believe it or not, they frequently are very helpful in treating disease. In fact, most patients will react at least occasionally when placebos are given instead of actual medication.

There have been many instances where patients have been given only placebos and have reported relief from pain or some other improvement in their illness. Many patients also report side reactions such as itching, diarrhea and even extreme weakness when given just a "blank" preparation.

Neither sex nor intelligence appears to have anything to do with a patient's reaction.

REPORTED IMPROVEMENT

One study of 1,082 patients disclosed that about one-third of them were decidedly improved after placebo therapy. Conditions helped by administration of these non-drug drugs included headaches, tension, wound pain and even the common cold.

One place where placebos appear to be used to some extent is in aiding persons with incurable diseases. Giving them something—even though the doctor knows nothing can cure their disease—helps allay their fears.

The fact that a patient is being aided by placebo therapy does not mean the doctor should stop seeking some medication that might be of more physical help.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Mrs. F. H.: Does the physical health of the mother have anything to do with whether the baby will be a boy or girl?

Answer: The physical health of the mother does not determine the sex of a baby.



A CENTURY OF WEALTH

The man who owns this tree Owns a million leaves.

And half-a-mile of bark (If you count each branch and twig)

And glowing light streaming through boughs.

As well as shadowed dark

And sixty fledglings, until they fly—

And probably a billion grubs for woodpeckers.

Plus sprangled roots

Of anchors clutching the solid ground.

The man who owns this tree

Is rich, and he will be

Quite safe from thieves.

He will feel warm and big

Inside of him, whenever he looks up high to watch the teasing wind

worrying with gusty tides

The swing of new and tender

shoots;

He'll own a century

Of spreading wealth and wonder—

A rich man, he!

—Martha Banning Thomas

In the Christian Science Monitor.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From the Guardian Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(July 15, 1912)

A joint session of the Women's Institute and the Central Farmer's Institutes was held last evening in the Rochford Square Hall.

Mrs. S. J. Rose, Provincial president of the Women's Institute, presided, Miss H. Dykeman, Director of Public Health, New Brunswick, was guest speaker and delivered an interesting address on public health and child welfare.

The biggest and best boys camp came to a close yesterday. There were eleven leaders and seventy-six boys from all over the Province. In general the weather was ideal and a full-time healthful program was carried out.

TEN YEARS AGO

(July 15, 1947)

Dissatisfaction with the lack of information furnished by the Water Commission on the recent break in the city's pipe main line was expressed last night by His Worship, Mayor B. Earle MacDonald. A resolution was moved asking the water commissioners to furnish the council with full details concerning the mishap.

The 1947 annual general meeting and convention of the Canadian Association of Tourist and Publicity Bureaus will be held in Charlottetown, September 23-25. The P.E.I. Tourist authorities are co-operating closely with C.A.T.P.B. in all conference planning which will include a civic luncheon and a Government banquet.

PACIFISTS JAILED

NEW YORK (CP)—Ten persons who said they are pacifists refused to take shelter during operation alert here Friday. A magistrate sentenced them to 30 days in jail for refusing to co-operate in the air raid drill.

NOTES BY THE WAY

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