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A Sorry Record

We could well have dispensed with the comments on the freight rate situation made by Mr. Clarence D. Shepard following his retirement...

Well, the question was argued before Mr. Shepard as Board chairman on many occasions since his appointment to that job in 1957...

Mr. Shepard, of course, is aware that the Transport Board, as far back as April, 1948, was specifically charged with the responsibility of resolving this very question.

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leave it, as at present, a burden shouldered chiefly by the less prosperous Provinces.

Now the railways are back before the Transport Board, asking it to set a date for another rates hearing, when they will probably demand a further boost of 15 to 20 per cent. Whether they will get it, we do not know.

The Board's record in this matter is not a creditable one. It has grossly shirked its responsibility for remedying freight rate inequalities; and its attitude could not be more plainly revealed than in the comments its former chairman now chooses to make from the sidelines.

Generals As Privates

From Hong Kong comes a report that during the last four months 10,000 officers of the Chinese Communist Army, including 70 generals, have gone into the ranks to serve temporarily as privates.

The arrangement is part of a comprehensive policy inaugurated in Communist China last year, under which the directing personnel and intellectuals in all fields have had to do service as manual labourers.

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OTTAWA REPORT

CBC In The Press Gallery

By Patrick Nicholson

It is estimated that the bill for feed for that Trojan Horse called the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation will amount to nearly \$100,000,000 this year.

In return, the average Canadian home will be filled with programs which consist partly of what comes naturally from a pink Trojan Horse, and partly of American programs which our American neighbours are simultaneously enjoying for free.

The season always advanced in attempted justification of our costly and extravagant C.B.C. is that it fosters Canadian culture by hiring Canadian artists and so on.

Just how valid is this double-talk is now being questioned by many members of the Parliamentary Press Gallery here, who have a yardstick to measure the achievements of the C.B.C. in a field which is very familiar to them.

NOT IMPARTIAL The treatment of news on the C.B.C. is not impartial. It is not only slanted, either in the selection of subjects for talks, or in the choice of commentators, or in the proportion of time given to various points, personalities and parties.

WHERE ARE THE STARS? Nor are the heavyweights of the reporting field seen on C.B.C. programs.

Ferment In The Congo

Ottawa Citizen

Comparatively high living standards offer no immunity in the world-wide drive of underdeveloped peoples for independence.

The Belgians deliberately set out to reach these goals, apparently believing this sort of economic progress would reduce pressures for freedom.

But all this careful planning apparently went away with the eruption of rioting by a dissident faction of the Abako political party.

Lost City Of Maya

National Geographic Society

The ruins of a lost metropolis of the Maya Indians are emerging from a sun-beaten, thorny wilderness in Mexico.

Dzibilchaltun in northern Yucatan is the only known Maya city that existed from prehistoric times until after the Spanish conquest.

The National Geographic Society and Tulane University are carrying out extensive excavations at the site.

3,000-YEARS AGO The findings we have made there, the pottery, artifacts, and architecture, all show that this amazing city was founded between 2000 and 1000 B.C., if not

Winter Hard On The Heart

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. DURING the warm days of last summer, you may recall, I advised you to take it easy and not do too much.

Well, cold weather is even harder on heart than warm weather. And the advice I passed on to you during last summer's heat is just as timely today.

Each year I caution those of you over 40—and many of you who are younger, too—not to tax yourself by shoveling too much snow, walking too briskly or performing any strenuous activities during the chilly weather of winter.

Yet there are more deaths from heart diseases during the months of December through March than at any other time of year. During January—the worst month for heart attacks—there are more than 11,000 more heart deaths than during the worst summer month.

SEVERE cold weather, in itself, causes a strain on the heart and the circulatory system. Then when you go out and try to shovel snow like a kid of 20, you make a bad situation even worse.

BE SENSIBLE If you feel that you must shovel snow, be sensible about it. Don't try to finish the job all at once.

TAKE NO CHANCES Chances are that it won't be serious, and your physician will make an appointment for you to come in and see him.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS M.J.C.: Is there anything new in the treatment of conjunctivitis and blepharitis?

ANSWER: Culture of the eye secretion may reveal the responsible bacteria against which a suitable antibiotic may be effective.

excavations at the Palace. The shards include items that were obviously imported from Guatemala—a discovery that helps archeologists, for the first time, to cross-date architecture in Yucatan with that of the southern area.

Burials also have been found at the Palace. One elderly man had been equipped for the afterlife with plates and jars of food.

Not a few of Dzibilchaltun's treasures lie on or in the ground. Many are submerged in the huge cenote, Exploration of this well is being directed by Luis Marden, the National Geographic Society writer-photographer.

Although the Belgian plan for the Congo has much to recommend it, events show that the government was shortsighted in not fostering at the same time some sort of gradual evolution toward freedom.

Excavation of a jungle-tangled pyramid at one end of the causeway has proved it to be a major archeological find.

INFLTRATOR KILLED JERUSALEM (Reuters)—One Egyptian infiltrator was killed and two others escaped back over the border into the Gaza Strip after an incident in Southern Israel Friday night.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Still the best labor-saving device is money. — St. Thomas Times-Journal

There's still room for ingenuity in the automobile business. So far no one has invented a device to melt the snow on the part of today's car that protrudes beyond yesterday's garage.

One of the few disadvantages of living in a small town is that when your cat goes up into a tree and decides to stay there, you have to get it down yourself.

Among the good things predicted for 1957 by a group of U.S. industrial and business leaders is bread that never goes stale.

WE are for a Canadian flag which takes account of our past and our ancestry, as well as our future hopes.

OUR YESTERDAYS (From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Jan. 13, 1934)

W.A. McLaggan was elected president of the Montague Branch of the Canadian Legion at the annual meeting held in the Montague Memorial School last night.

A survey in the field of Adult Education in the Maritime Provinces is being conducted by Professor L.W. Shaw, of Prince of Wales College.

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