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"Mob Rule" Threatens Ontario

Dissatisfaction over relief disbursements in Ontario is seen in a growing disposition of the unemployed to force their demands on municipalities. The Council of York Township recently yielded to a mob which stormed relief headquarters and held the officials as prisoners until their demands were granted.

The Toronto Male and Empire, while upholding the authorities in this regard, takes occasion to remind both the HEBBURN and MACKENZIE KING Governments that they are partly to blame for the present trend of those in receipt of public relief. "The Reds amongst the unemployed," it says, "have never forgotten Attorney-General ROEBUCK's harangue to the Communist-led hunger marchers, in the course of which he told them to go back home and organize till they were strong enough to force any government to do their will."

The Potato Situation

The potato situation is thus reviewed in the July monthly letter of the Royal Bank of Canada:

A shortage in the supplies of potatoes in central Canada caused sharp advances in the price during June. In one week the wholesale price at Toronto increased nearly 50 per cent, and supplies in the Maritime Provinces commanded the highest price in more than twelve years.

In 1934, the production of potatoes in Canada exceeded 48 million hundredweight. This was greater than normal domestic requirements and without adequate export outlets for the surplus, great difficulty was experienced in marketing the crops and returns to growers were unremunerative.

Maritime growers had been particularly unfortunate in the returns from their 1934 crop and the reduction in this section of the Dominion was most pronounced—15 per cent. The growing season last year was unfavourable and the crop did not do well, the average yield per acre falling from 122 to 97 cwt.—approximately 20 per cent. The combined result of the smaller acreage and average yield was a decrease in the production of potatoes in the Maritime Provinces to 9,514,000 cwt. as compared with 14,215,000 cwt. in 1934 or approximately one-third.

In other parts of eastern Canada, acreage was reduced by about 10 per cent and yields were also lower. Production in Quebec fell from 14,244,000 in 1934, to 11,338,000 cwt. in 1935, and in Ontario from 11,830,000 to 7,878,000 cwt.

In the Prairie Provinces, on the other hand, the acreage planted to potatoes was reduced but growing conditions were much more favourable than in 1934. The average yield per acre increased from 44 to 71 cwt. and the total crop in the three Prairie Provinces from 5,506,000 cwt. in 1934 to 8,035,000 cwt. in 1935.

The trade agreement with the United States reduced the duty on "seed" potatoes but no concession was made on table varieties. Supplies were short in that country, however, and in spite of the tariff, shipments of Maritime potatoes for table use have been made in considerable quantities. Flood conditions in some potato areas in the United States hindered the planting of early varieties and these have not been available in the usual quantities. In addition, late frosts in Ontario seriously damaged potato plants and these supplies were not available this year as early as usual.

The higher returns received by farmers for their 1935 potato crop has had a beneficial effect on the whole agricultural situation, particularly in the Maritimes. While many growers disposed of their supplies early in the season, others were able to hold their stocks over and enjoyed the advantage of the increase in price. Greater optimism now exists among potato growers and some increase is expected in the acreage planted to this crop this season.

Hudson Bay & "Hudson's Bay"

A long-standing puzzle in Canadian nomenclature has been the curious discrepancy between the Hudson Bay of the official Canadian maps and the "Hudson's Bay" of the great fur trading company's title. This discrepancy is explained by a writer of the Geographical Board of Canada in the current issue of "The Beaver," the Hudson's Bay Company's magazine. The change to the name "Hudson Bay," he says this

authority, the most notable application of one of the Geographical Board's rules of nomenclature; to wit, that the possessive form is to be avoided whenever possible. This rule has been made to accord with what seems to be modern usage. A century or so ago the possessive was customarily used: when an explorer discovered something new and important, his name in the possessive was attached to it; e.g., Vancouver's Island, the original form. But within the last hundred years there seems to have been a change in the language, and we now feel that in attaching the name of the explorer or other honored person to a feature we should not use the possessive, because, after all, he does not own it. Old Henry did not own the bay, and Captain Vancouver did not own the Island. This argument may seem pedantic, but it is supported by usage in other spheres. Boyle's law, Halley's Comet, and Newton's rings were the names science used to give, and still uses; but now we speak of the Einstein theory, the Keenley-Heavside layer, and the Dirac equation. This is the board's principle: in practice it is often found that Canadians refuse to be deprived of the apostrophes in their local names. Some years ago a daring attempt of the board to abstract the "s" from Smith's Falls was repulsed, and there have been numerous other cases where the possessive has been retained though the features involved have usually been small.

Editorial Notes

"The Glorious Twelfth" tomorrow.

Haying is now the order of the day.

The Law Courts have been a big centre of attraction this week.

Professor Coady of St. Francis Xavier University is booked to speak on Adult Education in P. W. C. Hall on Wednesday.

The King Government has turned down the Churches' plea for a mid-week Thanksgiving in favour of a Monday holiday.

The home of the League of Nations, the country to which the world looks as the ideal of pacifism, Switzerland, is now spending \$80,000,000 along her borders for defence purposes.

What may be Lord Tweedsmuir's gain in health by his enforced stay at home, will be his loss in pleasure, for never did the Maritimes look more glorious than they do now. They would have made an irresistible appeal to his artistic nature.

On the eve of the Election, the Quebec Government is putting the old age pension scheme into effect. Citizens intending to come under the law are asked to produce birth certificates to facilitate handling their cases. Any person 70 or over, whose annual revenue does not exceed \$365, is entitled to a pension, which is established at \$240 a year, if the pensioner's other revenues are not in excess of \$125 a year.

Danzig manners are execrable; it was particularly rude to rub salt in the League's wounds at just the painful moment when it was confessing the failure of sanctions; and the whole episode is a melancholy commentary upon the fatal coil in which the League powers involved themselves by professing to set up Europe upon principles in which none of them, with the exception of Britain, really believed, under an abstract rule of law which none, with the exception of Britain, really intended to observe.

Manufacturing production in the Maritime Province was materially stimulated in 1934, amounting to a value of \$118,205,014, an increase of \$17,398,913 or more than 17 per cent. over 1933. There were 29,656 employees who were paid \$24,369,166 in salaries and wages, as against 26,319 persons and \$21,176,859 in salaries and wages in 1933. The only decline was in the capital investment which fell from \$249,162,629 to \$246,058,149, this decrease being in part due to current charges for depreciation. The value of the manufacturing production in Prince Edward Island was \$3,302,586.

Imports of farm implements and machinery were of the value of \$1,231,174 in May compared with \$662,064 in May, 1935. The import from the United States was worth \$1,160,292. There were 84 internal combustion traction engines valued at \$708,609 from the United States. Other loading items were: 1,822 cream separators at \$49,251, coming mainly from Sweden, 149 harvesters and parts at \$41,821 from the United States, ploughs and parts \$18,805, and parts for internal combustion traction engines at \$190,800.

Chicago is not the only city with a heat wave. Nome is only a matter of 145 miles below the Arctic Circle, but whites and natives plunged into Bering Sea Sunday and Monday to escape the heat—and the mosquitoes which followed a week of almost constant rain. The mercury touched 81.4 degrees above zero, hottest in the 30 years of weather records, and the natives started turning their fur parkas inside out. In cold weather Eskimos wear the parkas with the fur next their bodies. Whites went hatless and coatless.

Yesterday we gave King GEORGE'S motto. Today we repeat King GEORGE'S creed: "Teach me to observe the rules of the game."

"Teach me neither to cry for the moon nor for spilt milk."

"Help me to distinguish between sentiment and sentimentality, cleaving to one and despising the other."

"Help me neither to proffer nor to receive cheap praise."

"If I am called upon to suffer, let me be like the well-bred beast which goes away and suffers in silence."

"Teach me to win when I may, and if I may not win, then above all else, I pray, make me a good loser."

Notes by the Way

Here's something new and surely worth while. The University of Western Ontario will not only teach its students this summer how to play musical instruments and sing, but it will also teach them how to appreciate the musical artistry of others. On the assumption that few are geniuses but everyone has an inherent ability to enjoy good music, the university has initiated a course of "appreciation of music." It is all part of the general movement to develop means of utilizing leisure time, according to Dr. Kingston, director of Western's summer school. School teachers of the province will be taught how to enjoy music and they in turn will give the instruction next winter to the pupils of public and high schools. It is a new course added to the regular courses in music provided each year in Western University's summer school program.—St. Mary's Journal Argus.

Disturbances in Palestine continue to cause considerable anxiety in British official circles and it becomes increasingly clear that the riots of the last few weeks are more serious than mere sporadic outbursts of race feeling between Arabs and Jews. It has been suggested in some quarters that agitators working at Italy's behest have had a hand in stirring up the strife, but whether due to this cause or another, the trouble is not only present but plentiful. The Arab mentality has its peculiarities and while the tribesmen are not particularly easy to arouse, once their injured religious fanaticism is fanned to flame, the fire is apt to grow to a conflagration unless adequate measures are taken to quell it.—Brantford Expositor.

Are British races becoming soft? Or is it the fozzling way we handle things? Lord Bledisloe almost took the words out of our mouth. The ex-Governor-General of Australia told the Aussies that if the British didn't fill up the vacant territory they control somebody else would. His Lordship may be assured that he had stated the fact which already exists. Not alone in Australia but to many parts of British territory, including Northern Ontario. Here in this richly endowed area there are only 16,000 Anglo-Saxons and 200,000 of other races.—Sault Star.

The storm about the bilingual bank bill will blow over. There is something peculiar about the violent objections to the French language by some persons in Canada. Why do some Canadians insist on being one-language individuals when the most educated persons throughout the world try to master two or three? The English language will not be swamped in Canada unless in the course of half a century the French stock outnumber the others. If it does, the language will be what the majority may decide. What is needed in Canada is tolerance among all races and especially a cordial understanding between the English-speaking and French-speaking peoples as to the permanence of both peoples in the Dominion of Canada, and a full recognition of the fact that the great objective should be to live together in good will and understanding.—Regina Leader Post.

A group of three Moscow and Leningrad chain store executive, headed by T. E. Gumitski of the commissariat for internal trade, left Moscow last week for the United States, and is undoubtedly authorized to purchase equipment just as the recent group which visited the United States to study restaurant methods brought home \$1,000,000 worth of modern American equipment. The group will be abroad for six months, most of it in the United States. Numerous huge department stores and thousands of chain stores directed from Soviets as a part of their drive to provide Russians with adequate supplies of consumer goods of every description.—Brandon Daily Sun.

The increasing temperature is sending the people to the rivers and to the lakes as well as to the seashore. The more resorts are patronized the greater the chance of drownings. The price of human life in this instance is the most likely of eternal vigilance. Knowledge of swimming is of the utmost value and instruction in this should be given wherever possible. In addition to employment of ordinary common sense, the avoidance of sky larking under circumstances of risk should be practiced.—Fredericton Gleaser.

Attention is being directed to the plight of men who served in a war largely forgotten by Canadians. The South African Veterans Association through its officers, stated that several Nova Scotians who fought on the southern continent in the years 1899-1902 are in distressed circumstances. These veterans of the Great War are given special allowance and the association assert that no reason is apparent why Boer War survivors should not be placed on an equal footing. The claim seems well-founded.—Ex.

The great men of culture are those who have had a passion for diffusing, for making prevail, for carrying from one end of society to the other, the best knowledge, the best ideas of their time; who have labored to divest knowledge of all that was harsh, uncouth, difficult, abstract, professional, exclusive; to humanize it, to make it efficient outside the clique of the cultivated and learned, yet still retaining the best knowledge and thought of the time.—Matthew Arnold.

That Body of Yours

By James D. Borton, M.D.

KEEPING BLOOD PRESSURE DOWN BY CUTTING DOWN ON FOOD INTAKE

Man must eat to live and yet if he didn't eat there are a number of ailments that he would escape. Some years ago 10 epileptic patients were kept without food for 10 days during which time not a single one had an epileptic attack. Some of these patients had been having a number of seizures daily and others at least one attack every day. Thus food seems to be the match that lights the fire in epilepsy.

A few months ago Dr. J. Hartell in the British Medical Journal reported results in treating 48 cases of high blood pressure by a greatly reduced food intake; in fact it was called a semistarvation diet.

8.30 a.m.—I cup of hot water or lemon water and sugar; juice or liquor from stewed or tinned fruit; 9.30-10 a.m.—Orange or grapefruit juice; 1.00 p.m.—Hot vegetable soup (1 pint); 3.00 p.m.—Hot water or lemonade or grape-juice 90 p.m.—Orange juice hot or cold; 7.30 p.m.—Vegetable soup. No meat extract and no bones should be used in preparing the vegetable soup. Use boiled potato water. Choose any of the following for flavoring, using a dessertspoonful of the dried vegetable when the fresh are not available; turnip and onion, celery, carrot, peas and shells, beans. Boil, thicken and add soaked dry beans or peas. Strain off solids. Salt and pepper to taste.

The patient remains on this diet for six days; on the seventh he eats what he likes. This diet is repeated each week so long as the symptoms—headaches, sleeplessness, giddiness, and breathlessness—improve, until the blood pressure gets near to normal, or there are signs of increasing weakness. Whenever the patient feels weak, tea or stimulant is permitted. If the pangs of hunger are too hard to bear, green vegetables and tomatoes may be eaten and the soup need not be strained.

The patient usually sees enough improvement at the end of the first week to be willing to continue the diet. Six to eight weeks is usually all that is necessary.

Though the blood pressure may go up again when the ordinary diet is resumed, many patients can, by resuming the diet from time to time, keep fairly free from symptoms, so long as they are able to work part and even full time. This method gets results as does also the milk diet suggested by Dr. Bernard Fanstus, Chicago.

One week's milk diet, taking every two hours either milk, buttermilk, or cream and seltzer water, equals parts, generally reduces the patient's weight by five pounds, lowers blood pressure, and relieves symptoms due to high blood pressure.

The Poets' Corner

FROM "PRAISE OF POETRY"

'Tis not a pyramid of marble stone, Though high as our ambition; 'Tis not a tomb cut out in brass which can be the ashes of a man; But Verses only! They shall fresh appear, Whilst there are men to read, or hear!

Old Timers

(Hamilton Spectator) In Canada, possibly due to extreme climatic conditions, the venerable gentlemen known as "old-timers" have for long held an enviable, if somewhat embarrassing, prestige. The shivering moderns who suffer under the strain of sub-zero weather, is promptly put in his place by one of the men who went west to fight Louis Riel, or south to battle the Fenians. Compared to the winters of the past, we are told, the present ones are mild and spring-like. Now, in the summers, sweats their hottest, at all comparable with the sizzling effect of mercury leaps back in the eighties.

But of late the old-timers have completely stolen the spotlight. The ninety-six-year-old American civil war veteran who was recently a proud father almost threatened a fine to back the quintuplets off the front pages, and write another illustrious chapter in the annals of modern civilization. And close on his heels was Monsieur Jeanette, the ninety-nine-year-old Canadian, who was jilted on the eve of his wedding after reaching a hundred "after he became set in his ways." He promptly received some thirty proposals by mail.

It is to be hoped that some members of the present generation can survive the hustle of modern life and attain the glamor of advanced years. No one can compete with the old-timer who gains prominence. And it would be a pity if he became merely a relic of the past.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

THAT BONSHAW MEETING

Sir,—Expressions made at political meetings should not be understood too literally. The person who stood at the Park meeting in Bonshaw that at certain points in the North there were past, such as "snakes, and fleas, as big as chickens, and mosquitoes as large as pups", only meant that such pests were comparatively large. At meetings of this kind there is usually no limit to "freedom of expression" which need not find its way into "print". Observer tries to make the statement worse by stating "as big as hens" and indulge in greater exaggeration with reference to our site for the National Park. These things of which he speaks never existed only in the imagination of some.

I am, Sir, etc., M. M. W.

THE U. S. SITUATION

Sir,—This is Sunday of the July 4th week end. A severe thunder and electrical storm has broken over the city. It means a grand spectacle for the road and home, and accidents, and the death rate has been lower this 4th than last year, the noon news reports listed over a score of deaths. This is only the first reports, others will come in which will run the national total up to the thousands in deaths. The injury list will be much greater and the results in many cases worse than death itself.

The death toll from autos last year was 33,000. The maimed list over the 48 states is less impressive to the casual observer. When it is localized it would compare with one-third the population of Prince Edward Island. This seems a big tribute to king alcohol and demon speed and their cohorts, carelessness. These deaths are referred to as "just another automobile accident." Many verge on murder and manslaughter in their nature, but owing to the absence of motive proof, they are not legally listed as such. The result is just as deadly and the broken hearts and total up to the thousands in deaths. The injury list will be much greater and the results in many cases worse than death itself.

This is not peculiar to the United States. A visitor from Ottawa, Ontario, tells of the Prescott, Highway in that city, where three deaths occurred in rapid succession recently. Human nature is much the same wherever found, the chief difference being that more of it obtains in some places than in others. As a result of human relationships, faster cars and stronger run make it more noticeable on the highways. When king alcohol has his foot on the gas and demon run his hand on the wheel, death rides the highway, high, wide and fearful.

The whole Republican setup has a good chance of winning this year. With a 30 billion dollar deficit, it is hard for the Democrats to convince the majority of the voters of their platform sincerity. Approximately 11 millions are unemployed and other 20 millions are in the federal role rolls. Almost 5 billion dollars have been spent in the last year, 80 per cent of this was dissipated in administration, and payments to corporations for not producing and for destroying their commodities. Some individual payments ran over the million dollar mark.

This, and the fact that their plan of forced scarcity and the burning of millions of bushels of wheat and corn and the plowing under of cotton and the slaughter of cattle and pigs to cause a scarcity in the market in contradiction and defiance of God's law, together with the resultant droughts of the last two years, when livestock perished on the plains and the crops perished in the soil and ever the soil itself was drawn into the clouds and scattered into the Atlantic ocean. At this moment, the plains of the Middle, North and Southwest are blistering beneath the blazing sun and rainless sky, as though God Himself were fulfilling His promise of visiting vengeance on those who kick Him. In this case it is the millions who suffer for the sins of the wicked, who sit in the high place of government and affluence.

The feeling that now permeates the people is liable to wreak its vengeance on those who are responsible for this waste and extravagance. Many think the New Deal has turned into a raw deal and are anxious to turn it into the limbo of evil things. Many former supporters are now against the present administration. Some are very prominent in the nation's politics. Among these are such men as Al. Smith of the famous walkathon fame. Also Rascoe, Davis, Beckin-

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For Vitality always use BRAHMIN ORANGE PEKOE TEA ridge, and DuPont. In Massachusetts there is a noticeable falling away headed by former Governor Ely. The most harm may be caused by Father Coughlin, who has a tremendous following throughout the nation. He is adamant in his stand against the New Dealers and their methods. While his Union Party will pull from both the major parties, it will draw most heavily on the Democrats. This is because of a religious and political fact. Any Republicans that will desert will be rebels for economic reasons. Inasmuch as Landon is a type of candidate who appeals to the human mind, regular of the voters' imagination, few Republicans will take a walk and many who voted for Roosevelt in 1932 will return to their own political fold. The broken promises of Roosevelt and the disillusionment of rainbow chasers, will cut deeply into Democratic vote this year. The Republican leaders may offset this by bad campaign tactics. They will have to be careful in their handling of the relief problem. Economic fear will control many votes. The emphasis should be laid on dollar rolls instead of present business is being castigated by Roosevelt and considerable fear is manifested in its operation. If this class war were abandoned by the Democrats, many of the now unemployed would be absorbed into gainful occupation in legitimate business. As it is, a bare overhead business is being conducted. This leaves the vast army of idle workers on the government payroll and dole-roll. The increased circulation of billions of dollars has not correspondingly increased employment. In fact, it has decreased. Another peculiar phase of our government is its foreign situation. The New Dealers are destroying our own commodities and importing their equivalent from foreign countries. Our importations have jumped tremendously in the last three years. This overabundance of fact our own industries are idle. We are allowing foreign trade to compete with home industry, with a age differential that is appalling. Our foreign markets have almost wholly disappeared. Our domestic markets are in a state of competition with importations. Treaties are signed which appear to hurt domestic conditions. Prices to the consumer have advanced far in excess of the buying power. Unrest and insecurity seems to be the aim of the vote machine that seems to be making political pawns out of human misery victims. The policy seems to be dependence vs. independence. The cry of dictatorship and regimentation has gone up from a substantial portion of the population. All this is disturbing to the true American spirit of independence and any self sufficiency inherent in the old spirit of patriotism and nationalism. Many claim their New Deal braintrusters are exceedingly international in their views and acts. Some seem to lean strongly toward centralized control and governmental totalitarianism, which put all power and control into the federal government. This is the opposite to State's rights and individualism. The whole thing is of European and Asiatic origin. Some accuse them of writing the national abbreviation thus: US (SR). They say their eagle was blue but their flag is Red. One hears and sees the following epigrams: Boondoggles; destroy and grow rich; turn 'lefts' and go wrong; plow under and burn over; spend here and hereafter; spend with us and pay with your grand children; Our 'A's' and 'S's' are Red; Our meritmen are Spolismen; Americans detour,—others enter; the politicians primrose pathway;

Too Much To Do (Edinburgh Scotsman.) The complaint of the passengers on the Queen Mary that there was too much to do in the time at their disposal is a common one wherever one turns. With all the different methods of disposing of time that were at the passengers' service it might not seem extraordinary if there were not an old moment and in every walk of life, old and young alike, voicing the same plea. While, undoubtedly, it is a good thing to be fully occupied as opposed to the desperate case of those with time to kill, it seems a pity on the Queen Mary, as elsewhere, to have no time left to wonder over the unique position in which we sometimes find ourselves. Or is the sense of wonder like many other gifts, fast being lost in this breathless age?

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