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Another Party?

The Canadian Political Science Association has been told that Canada needs another political party "for genuinely creative political thought and action." What the man had in mind, apparently, was a sort of leftist organization which might combine English-speaking and French-speaking socialists in a way which the CCF, whose socialistic views were imported from England, appears unable to do.

In a doctrinaire fashion the suggestion may have merit. But from the standpoint of practical politics it would seem that there are too many parties already. Perhaps it is idle—certainly it is unprofitable—to speculate on what would have happened on June 10 if only the Liberals and the Conservatives had been in the running. But, assuming that those who voted for the CCF would in that case have supported the Liberals and that those who supported the Social Credit Party would have cast their ballots for the Conservatives, it is reasonable to suppose that one or the other of the parties would now be in a position to form a stable government. This calculation, of course, does not allow for the half-dozen or so independents who were elected. But since "independent" Liberals and "independent" Conservatives can usually be counted on to support their respective parent-bodies in a crisis, the few who were elected on these labels would not likely have hindered one party or the other from assuming the responsibilities of office.

As things are now there is no telling when this country will again settle down to political stability. A new election this fall or next spring conceivably could remove the stalemate that now exists. But this is by no means certain. Indeed, it is possible that this country faces a situation not unlike that which France has had to contend with for more than a decade. It is to be hoped that we shall be spared that confusion; but it would be foolish to say that it can't happen here.

This is not to suggest that the two-party system is the only democratic one. Doubtless, each party that exists or that might arise in the future can claim to satisfy some democratic need. But there is no denying that, for practical purposes, the dual system is much the better one. Four parties, as we have seen, mean confusion. Five would mean bedlam. One suggests it would be too high a price to pay for a purely hypothetical expansion of "genuinely creative political thought and action."

A Liberal Post-Mortem

The Winnipeg Free Press, which played its customary vigorous role in supporting the St. Laurent Government in the election campaign, has given the results very grave consideration. In an editorial headed "The Morning After" and addressed to the Liberal leaders, it has some frank advice to offer. Reminding them that "a Liberal is a democrat first and a party man afterwards", it urges that they take their defeat with good grace and draw the correct conclusions therefrom. "Mr. Diefenbaker's success," it says, "was not derived from his promises. His success—and it is a great success, for which he deserves generous personal congratulations—was in appealing to the ordinary man's sense of democracy. This was the theme that was constant in his speeches in every part of the country. Across all the polling booths of English-speaking Canada on June 10 there lay the shadow of the pipeline debate. The debate occurred a year ago, and many people who underestimated the Canadian people thought that it had been a storm in a teacup, that it would be forgotten in the material satisfaction of 'getting things done', of having the pipeline built. They were wrong. In fact, the harsh brusqueness of the Government's use of closure had firmly established in the public mind a feel-

ing that men so long accustomed to power had grown arrogant in their use of it."

It was this feeling, says the Free Press, that Mr. Diefenbaker turned so successfully to advantage. He managed to identify himself with "we" as opposed to "they"—the over-confident "they", regarding themselves as indispensable. Probably few things did the Liberal party do so much harm as its own argument that no one else could form a Government anyway. It positively invited the marginal voter to turn against it, and at least strengthen the Opposition.

While it might be possible for the Liberals to stay in office temporarily through some arrangement with the splinter groups, the Free Press thinks this would be a great mistake. "First, it would be a defiance of public opinion. There is no blinking the fact that the Government has suffered a sharp moral defeat. True, it has only a handful of seats less than the Conservatives. But in a situation like this it is not so much the absolute figures as the size of the change that counts. The Government has fallen so far from its previous great strength that it must regard itself as defeated. To appear to be clinging to office by its fingernails, after outliving its welcome with the public, would now do far more harm to the Liberal party than has yet been done."

The second reason for the resignation of the St. Laurent Government is the general interest in restoring the two-party system. It is true that both the splinter parties picked up a few seats on Monday, but beside the Conservative party's gains these are trivial. Relatively, they have lost much ground. Splinter groups of 22 and 15 (the CCF and Social Credit strengths in the last Parliament) were significant when the main Opposition had only 50 seats. Splinter groups of 25 and 19 mean very little indeed when they stand beside two main parties both of which have more than a hundred seats.

"This," says our Winnipeg contemporary, "is a wholly healthy development. The way to underline and encourage it is to recognize that the larger of the two main parties is entitled to govern even though it does not command an overall majority. For the Liberals to stay in office would be to emphasize unnecessarily the role of the splinters."

EDITORIAL NOTES

According to an American columnist, a mother is a woman who hopes her son will become what she once thought her husband was.

Mr. Solon Low, leader of the Social Creditors, says that he would "co-operate in every way possible with Mr. Diefenbaker" if the latter is given the opportunity of forming a government. That assurance, however, would not prevent his jumping on the Government the first time legislation not in accordance with Mr. Low's views was brought forward.

Seemingly, the only difference between the new French Government and the one it displaced is that under M. Bourges-Maunoury French shipping will go back to the Suez Canal, something which M. Molet did not think he could authorize without losing face. Whether it will prove to be a wise step remains to be seen. Certainly, Egypt has shown no inclination to co-operate in Suez matters any better than before last fall's crisis.

Mr. Pickersgill is quoted as suggesting—facetiously, no doubt—that his re-election in Bonavista-Twillin-gate with such a whooping majority must have been due to his personal popularity. The explanation for his popularity, which doubtless was a factor, is to be found in the public works which he was instrumental in bringing to Newfoundland. It may not be far wrong to say that in the four-year period these amounted to more than the total in the other three Atlantic Provinces combined. Even his opponents admit that Mr. Pickersgill was a good friend to Newfoundland in this respect. But, as the St. John's Daily News pointed out in a recent issue, public works should be placed where they are needed, and in places where they are not needed they should never be authorized for any political reason whatsoever.



BEFORE TAKING THE PLUNGE

OTTAWA REPORT

When The Returns Came In

By Patrick Nicholson

Ottawa: Justice Minister Stuart Garson, formerly premier of Manitoba, confessed after his electoral defeat last week that he had no plans for the future, because he had not expected to be defeated.

For the past thirty years, the 53-year-old Minister has been an elected member of a legislative assembly: first the Manitoba provincial house, then the federal Commons. Yet in spite of this continuous political career, he was taken completely by surprise by the reverse to himself and to his party.

In this, he is in good company. His Cabinet colleagues were all so completely out of touch with the feelings of the voters that they had no premonition of the magnitude of the calamity that was about to overtake the Liberal party. And this was a widespread situation: first the Manitoba provincial politicians and some seasoned observers who sensed that "There was something in the wind," to use a phrase that one encountered in all parts of the country. One Press Gallery star, Warren Baldwin, of the Southern News, predicted that the Conservatives might well sweep the ridings of metropolitan Toronto; they actually gained eight to ten seats out of the eighteen ridings.

UNEXPECTED VICTORY

This column carried the prediction four and a half years ago that the Conservatives would win with Diefenbaker in 1957. But two

Croll. The former was heard by the Liberal hierarchy, with disbelief. Largely based on his estimate, it was anticipated that the Conservatives would win a mere 78 seats. Even this was bad news which most Liberals would not consider as likely. Yet a former President of the National Liberal Federation, Senator Wishart Robertson, was openly telling the world that his party colleagues were underestimating the strength of the swing to the Conservatives.

WHAT THE TORIES GUESSED

Conservative party workers compiled two forecasts: one which they regarded as a certain minimum, the other which they might attain if everything went their way on election day. As events turned out, everything — or almost everything — did go their way on "PC Day."

These forecasts are listed below. In the first column the Chubby Power estimate totalling 78 seats for the Conservatives; in the second column the Conservatives' own minimum guess; in the third column possible guess; own maximum fourth column the present party standing, with one "independent Conservative" in Quebec included; the details are listed by provinces.

	Lib Guess	Cons Min	Cons Max	Result
Nfld	2	2	3	2
N.S.	3	6	8	10
N.B.	6	7	8	8
P.E.I.	2	3	4	4
Que.	5	8	12	9
Ont.	49	54	60	60
Man.	6	5	7	8
Sask.	1	2	2	2
Alta.	2	3	4	3
B.C.	3	6	8	7
N.W.T.	-	-	-	1
	78	95	115	111

et-book, which, from its wear and tear, must have been used by him for a lifetime.

The studio had originally been a drawing room, and through two large windows streamed a strong north light — the same light in which he had worked and which now shone over the things he had abandoned.

What is the source of the strangely profound meaning that becomes attached to a person's belongings? Perhaps it is best expressed in the words of the philosopher, Alfred North Whitehead: "Life is an internal fact for its own sake, before it becomes an external, fact relating itself to others. . . The internal life is the self-realization of experience."

A person's own belongings, of all external things, are nearest to his inner life, and come to share, before all other things, the secret quality of his existence.

MAXIMS

A bad manner spoils everything, even justice and reason. There is certain command in the manner of speaking and acting which makes itself felt everywhere, and which gains, in advance, consideration and respect.

POPE RECEIVES CARDINAL

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Pius Thursday received Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński, Roman Catholic primate of Communist-ruled Poland, in a private, farewell audience. The cardinal and three Polish bishops who accompanied him on his first journey to Rome since 1951 were closeted with the Pope for more than an hour. There was no word on what they discussed.

PROJECTILE MISSES TARGET

ERICA, Va. (AP) — A huge projectile, fired from the Dahlgren naval proving ground, dived to earth near a community of summer cottages Wednesday, 50 yards from a group of children. No one was hurt. The projectile, believed to be a non-explosive shell, apparently missed its Potomac River island target.

Animal Tests & Heart Surgery

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

We can learn a lot from animals. One thing medical science certainly would like to know is how some of them can hibernate and go without food for months.

HOPEFUL CLUES

Although this secret has eluded medical investigators for more than a century, recent probing has turned up a couple of hopeful clues. Knowledge of what makes hibernation possible would prove of special value in the field of heart surgery.

130 OPERATIONS

Surgeons already are using hypothermia, or artificial hibernation, in certain types of heart operations. One surgical team recently completed more than 130 such cardiac operations.

In hypothermia, the patient's body is cooled. This reduces the rate of metabolism and therefore the body's need for oxygen.

Under such conditions it is possible to interrupt the heart's blood circulation for as long as nine minutes while it is opened for necessary repairs.

RESUMES NORMAL BEAT

As the cooled patient is gradually warmed, the slowed heart resumes its normal beat, about 70 beats per minute.

Some of the questions surgeons would like answered are:

Upon what chemical does the heart draw for this increased heart action? Could high energy phosphates be used to restore action if necessary?

Maybe the work of doctors, will help us find out. Dr. W. G. Bigelow, of the University of Toronto has found a brown-colored fat in hibernating animals.

LOW TEMPERATURES

An extract of this material would appear to improve the ability of test animals to tolerate low body temperatures, but the work is not yet completed.

Dr. Marilyn L. Simny, of Louisiana State University Medical School, has noted that as far as animals are concerned, the starch stored in liver and cardiac muscle provides the extra surge of energy needed for arousal from hibernation.

All of these facts might prove very valuable in our search for better operating methods. Only time will tell.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

J. S. M.: I awake during the night with numbness in my hands and fingertips. I also have soreness in the arms and shoulders. Would the numbness be caused by rheumatism or is it due to poor circulation?

Answer: It is impossible to tell what disturbance is causing the numbness in your hands and fingers and soreness in your arms and shoulders. This might be due to a circulatory disturbance, to arthritis or to some nervous disorder.

Thorough study by your physician is needed to find the cause and proper treatment.



BILLY AND ME

Where the pools are bright and deep,  
Where the grey trout lies asleep,  
Up the river and over the lea,  
That's the way for Billy and me.

Where the blackbird sings the latest,  
Where the hawthorn blooms the sweetest,  
Where the nestlings chirp and flee,  
That's the way for Billy and me.

Where the movers mow the cleanest,  
Where the hay lies thickest and greenest,  
There to trace the homeward bee,  
That's the way for Billy and me.

Where the hazel bank is steepest,  
Where the shadow falls the deepest,  
Where the clustering nuts fall free,  
That's the way for Billy and me.

There let us walk, and let us play,  
Through the meadow among the hay,  
Up the water and over the lea,  
That's the way for Billy and me.

—James Hogg.

The Age Old Story

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion . . . he shall set me up upon a rock.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From the Guardian Files  
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO  
(June 17, 1932)

An event outstanding in the history of Notre Dame Academy was brought to a close last evening with the final addresses delivered at the 75th anniversary of the institution. About 160 guests were present including His Excellency Bishop O'Sullivan and His Honor Lieutenant Governor Dalton.

The catches of lobsters along the North Shore of Prince Edward Island fell off heavily last week due to rough weather which prevented many fishermen from lifting their traps. On Saturday and Sunday, however, the fishermen had better success and supplies at shipping depots are being augmented.

TEN YEARS AGO

(June 17, 1947)

The first day of the annual meeting of the Canadian National Fox Breeders Association concluded with a banquet yesterday evening at the Charlottetown Hotel. Directors of the Association from various parts of the Dominion were present for the opening session of the two-day meeting.

The work of sub-grading the road to Wood Islands Ferry has been given to Warren Paving Company. It was learned from Mr. George Barbour, Minister of Highways, Mr. Barbour also stated that the work being done at Tryon by Curran and Briggs was progressing favorably, as was also the work between Cornwall and Bonshaw.

NOTES BY THE WAY

For sheer cold courage there is the case of the crew of a British bomber who dropped an H-bomb and had just 90 seconds to get out of its reach before it exploded. —Ottawa Journal

A man may be a genius at mathematics or an outstanding engineer but, if he is unable to muster a sufficient command of the English language to make himself clearly understood, his usefulness is limited. —Calgary Herald

The \$94,129,000 third tube of the Lincoln Tunnel is now open to traffic from the Hudson river. The first vehicular tunnel, the Holland, was opened in 1927 and cost about \$50,000,000. Then came a surface crossing, the George Washington bridge, opened in 1961, and costing nearly \$40,000,000. Originally Lincoln tunnel south tube opened in 1937, the north tube in 1945, the New York Times

We are sorry to read that doctors injure their health by overwork. But who is in a better position than a proven fact that work endangers health, and when a holiday is needed? If they do not go to bed when they are ill, and rest when they are tired, most of the blame must rest upon themselves. They should take their own medicine — unless, by experience, they have convinced themselves that medicine is strictly for laymen. —Peterborough Examiner

The man who has won a mile race or come first in a golf tournament, or pitched a shut-out in baseball, spent some time in getting the hang of it. The juggler who keeps six balls in the air while standing on a tight-rope puts in long hours of practice. The executive who handles in a forenoon a mountain of mail, a torrent of telephone calls, a spate of visitors, and a constant stream of subordinates seeking instructions: He does it with apparent ease because he is experienced in it. —Royal Bank Letter

At 20 m.p.h. it takes an average driver 22 ft. just to get his foot off the accelerator and on to the brake. It is also a proven fact that the distance required to stop increases as the square of the speed. That is, it takes four times as far to top at 30 m.p.h. as it does at 15. This being so, the logical way to cut down traffic accidents is to slow all drivers down. —Guelph Mercury

An Eastern exchange notes the arrival of the crowds and says a wise old crow knows more about future weather than any silly robin. Don't you believe it. The probabilities are that neither knows anything about the weather in a temperature sense. They come and go by instinct which in turn is made operative by the length of daylight. —Port Arthur News-Chronicle

The fellow who lives near us is marked the other day that his front lawn looks like Elvis Presley in spots and Yul Brynner in others. —Brandon Sun

A Paris dress designer says his lady's kneecap will be visible for the first time in 20 years. And there are many that should still be kept hidden. —Oshawa Times-Gazette

A Fox Terrier, 10 months old, knew where to go to for help. His fan for the first timetogatanam for the first time to get an antirabies shot. Later, the dog was hit by a car. He promptly limped away from home — straight to the veterinarian's office. —Cape Breton Post

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