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Reassuring Statements

It is encouraging to note that Premier Matheson does not share the view, widely expressed, that the Dominion-Provincial conference was largely a failure...

This is a much better prospect than we had reason to expect from the tentative proposals at the opening of the conference...

We have already noted the able manner in which our case was handled by the Premier and his colleagues at the conference...

The Great Desideratum

There are many thoughtful persons who feel that one important trouble in the field of education these days is found in the large and ever increasing number of students going in for higher education...

In a recent address on the educational situation, its strengths and weaknesses, Dr. Nathan M. Pusey President of Harvard University gave it as his opinion that, regard less of methods, facilities, or any other mechanical aid to learning, the teacher is still the centre of any school system...

Commendable Act

Further heartening evidence that the moderate section of British Labour is holding the ascendancy over the left-wing extremists is found in a report from Margate which says that the annual meeting of the party has rejected a proposal which would

require Britain to go it alone with respect to coming to an understanding with the Soviet Union and Red China, in case a mutual arrangement to that end cannot be made with the United States...

To mention one specific point of difference, recognition of Red China, and even the matter of her admission to the United Nations, do not have the sinister implications in Britain that these issues appear to have in the United States...

EDITORIAL NOTES

More and more, Health Minister Martin, Canada's chief delegate to the United Nations, is making his influence felt in deliberations of the world organization...

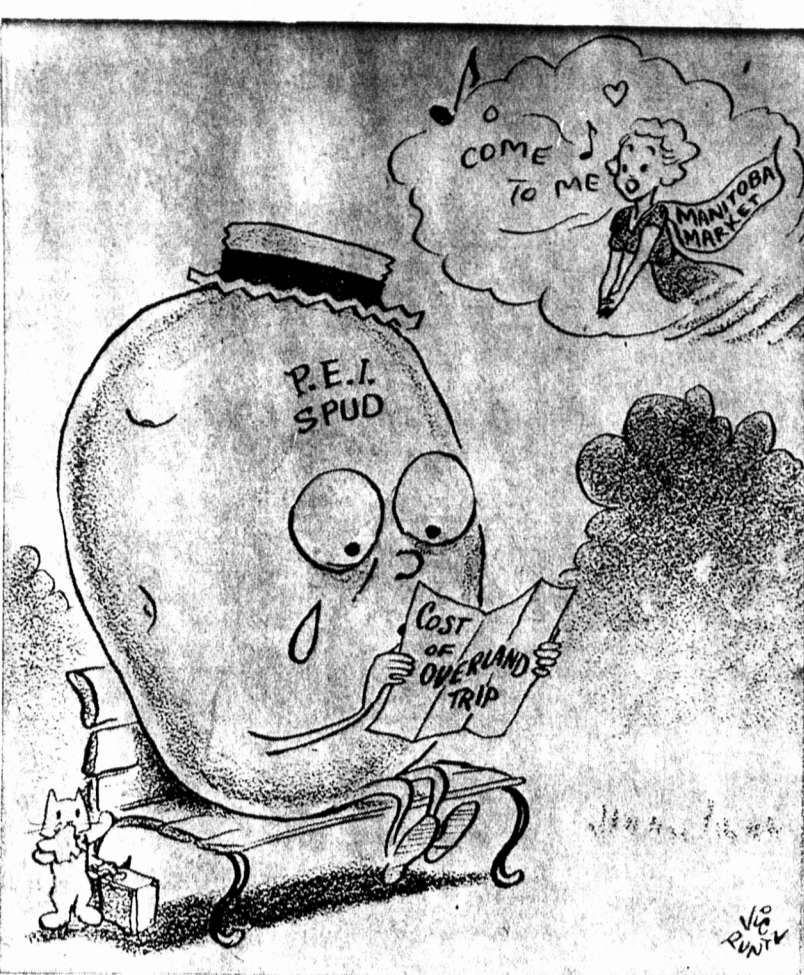
Evangelist Billy Graham says he doesn't believe in "last moment" confessions. No doubt, they are far from ideal. Yet, there is excellent authority for their validity...

The services performed by the Y. M. C. A. are recognized by all our citizens as a community asset, well worth maintaining and developing...

A Russian newspaper reports that External Affairs Minister Pearson and his Russian hosts exchanged sallies about a "co-existence cocktail", a mixture half Russian vodka and half Canadian rye...

There has always been a certain amount of coolness between the Argentinians and the Paraguayans; and it is going to be accentuated by Juan Peron's presence in Paraguay...

Thank goodness, the General Assembly of the U.N. has turned down a Russian proposal to compel political and religious refugees to return to their native lands...



Somewhere A Voice Is Calling

A ROUND-WORLD DIARY

Moscow And Karachi

By Norman Smith
Associate Editor, Ottawa Journal

Mr. Smith is a member of the official party accompanying External Affairs Minister Pearson to Russia and on to Singapore...

MOSCOW October 5. (Delayed) It was perhaps a good omen when the Russian navigator and radio operator who joined the RCAF crew of Mr. Pearson's plane at Berlin Airport proved smiling, good natured fellows, willing to photograph and chin, but they hadn't much work to do for we flew over a well travelled route to Moscow...

And then suddenly below us lay a vast metropolis with a dozen or more gigantic buildings reaching proudly into the sky. But our rubber-necking was interrupted when the giant C5 aircraft which had glided smoothly all the way from Ottawa suddenly took what seemed an agonizingly abrupt U turn at a mad angle and not so far from tree tops that we had any spare height to drop in. Wing Commander Miller told me afterwards he had never had an approach an airport that way in his life...

And there was Molotov, his hat at his customary square angle, his right hand in his coat as if in Napoleon, his face in the unsmiling expression that suits the meaning of his name: The Hammer. But the stern look quickly vanished and with handshakes all around and flowers in the ladies and pleasant little speeches and the Red flag and the Canadian ensign flapping overhead we had arrived. And right away I got one thing straight: Those granite-faced dark anomalies whom we have seen in San Francisco at U. N. or Geneva guarding Russian dignitaries all look forbidding and unattractively alike; their heavy blue coats almost to their feet, their dark blue or black hats low on their forehead; but they stand out in Russia as much as elsewhere and bear no resemblance to the run of mill of Russian people whom we met at the airport or were about to see in Moscow...

At THE BOLSHOI THEATRE One walked the few blocks to the nearby Bolshoi theatre, along with a seeming million of the town-folks out for a stroll. On this first venture out one was on guard against doing the wrong thing, against being offensive in any way. But shortly this was obvious nonsense. The people were having their own outing and a couple of Canadians walking along the street mattered not a farthing to them...

During the intermission I had located a bar (for there had not been time for supper before the 7:30 curtain) but not a soul who spoke English or French, and my basic dozen or so words in German and Italian rang no bell. But somehow I gestured out what I needed and the man beside me who tried to help was so enchanted he pulled out his own rubles and insisted upon paying the shot.

Perhaps the reader notices I have skirted about the ballet itself. Out of sheer incapacity. I could say, and do, that it was the finest ballet I have ever seen, but where does that get you? Or if I describe the six layers of galleries reaching to the dizzy heights of the cheering students who buy their tickets for the price to them of two ice cream cones...

HEART OF THE CITY And here, as we got into the heart of this seven or eight million city, were the familiar continental posters of the opera, the concert, the cinema: Here too were the multitudinous parks, large and small, which European cities so cherish and which Canadian cities convert into housing developments...

A KNOWING AUDIENCE And to all that add a 100 piece orchestra playing superbly to the conception of a director who was evoking them to this will every moment of the time — well, one is overwhelmed. And not least is one overwhelmed by the rapture of the audience: not the seeming noisy exhibitionism of the French and Latin audiences who so delight to demand encores that I've seen ballets and opera lose all sense of direction because of them...

And there the car stopped, across the traffic from the Red Square and the Kremlin and we entered the National Hotel, its large and old-fashioned halls and staircases and bedrooms dated to an earlier age of grandeur now disparaged. But it was clean, and the both tub was immense when full of hot water and one was reluctant to get out of it after a chase across a hemisphere — even to go to the toilet which was "programmed" for this our first evening.

AT KARACHI KARACHI, PAKISTAN, Oct. 13, External Affairs Minister Pearson said this morning in the Iraq city of Basra, our first stop out of Russia, that he genuinely felt some good had been accomplished in his visit to Moscow and then to the Black Sea summerhouse of Communist Party Chief Khrushchev. Premier Bulganin had flown to Khrushchev's house for the talk, from his own cottage in the Caucasus. That, together with the fact that the two leaders showed themselves fully aware of all that had transpired in the Moscow meetings

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D.

DRY ICE CAN BE HARMFUL Since dry ice is becoming more widely used around the home for storing ice cream and frozen foods, to say nothing of preserving fish en route home from those Fall fishing trips, I think a few words of warning are in order. In the hands of inexperienced individuals, dry ice can be very dangerous.

IN SOLID FORM Dry ice is pure carbon dioxide in solid form. It is extremely cold, with a temperature of 109 degrees below zero. It is so cold, in fact, that it can cause severe burns if it comes in contact with your skin. But that isn't the only danger. As a gas, carbon dioxide has about 800 times the bulk it has as a solid. Therefore, there is a tremendous rate of expansion when it evaporates and returns to its gaseous form.

There's another danger, too. Dry ice is a heavy gas. If you store or discard it in an unventilated area, it may collect and cause suffocation. You've got to be especially careful in discarding dry ice. Probably one of the safest ways is to place it in a covered rubbish can where children are not likely to find it. Generally, the lids of these cans are loose enough to permit the gas to escape. But you had better make sure about this.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

A. P.: Is it unhealthy to eat high protein foods and high starchy foods at the same meal? Answer: We know of no evidence that eating foods rich in proteins and starches at the same meal would be unhealthy.

From Jakarta, Indonesia, comes a report that the women of Indonesia are flocking to a new national election. Most Indonesians are Moslems. As such, the male of the species is permitted to have four wives. If any males in monogamic lands have sighed wistfully when reading of this custom, let them now survey the terrible results. It is bad enough, in Canada, to have the little woman kill your vote. But in Indonesia, your vote is not only killed, but buried four votes down. Ontario Intelligencer.

The Age Old Story

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

at which they had not been present, seemed a valid proof of real Russian interest. Indeed their interest was so specific that during the summer-house talks, just a few miles from Yalta, Khrushchev sought to amend the Moscow-prepared communique which was then to be approved. He would have liked it a little more resounding with some purple language about common desire for peace and the relaxed atmosphere since Geneva. Mr. Pearson, however, not without much discussion, clung closely to the draft he and Molotov had adopted and which was Canada's in the first place.

It rather soberly states: (1) peace is desirable, (2) disarmament is desirable, (3) world tension should be relaxed if many remaining problems are to be solved, (4) a trade treaty between the two countries is clearly in the making, (5) cultural, scientific, industrial, agricultural, air transport and arctic weather information should be exchanged, (6) that exchange of parliamentary delegations might help understanding, (7) the Geneva agreements on Indochina should be implemented.

That is the skeleton of the communique. The most important achievement, however, is the vague paragraph which states that the delegates discussed domestic and world relations cordially and over a wide field and gained clearer understanding of each other's point of view which should assist in the promotion of good relations between the two countries.

A realistic paragraph brought the communique to a close. It recognized that differences of approach to political and economic problems should not be a hindrance to cooperation on many practical subjects on the basis of mutual interest and the desire to promote peace; in short, coexistence. Obviously such a communique won't change the state of the world, but Mr. Pearson's considerable satisfaction at the visit — expressed to me early this morning — and the unlikely surroundings of date palms and the muddy Euphrates River and under a hot desert sun, is based on the rather shattering honesty and frankness of the meeting. Certainly if differences remain now or even develop it should not be due to misunderstanding. And many authorities say the two great wars might thus have been avoided. "I did not know it was loaded" is the most tragic and pitiful of reasons to start a war.

WORRIED ABOUT NATO

The conversations in Moscow, lasting over five days, were blunt enough, but it was the blunt Khrushchev — who boasts "I am a peasant and don't know much about your culture", it was Khrushchev who crashed at the essentials. "What are you doing in Nato?" He demanded almost before Mr. Pearson reached the top steps of the summerhouse and before all the introductions were Continued on page 5

Woman—a creature who locks the car door for fear of losing an eighteen cent can of beans off the back seat, but thinks nothing of risking an expensive husband on a tall ladder putting up storm screens Hall Spectator.

—Police chiefs, responding to a poll, report they have never known a pipe-smoking criminal. The thing is that a pipe can get a man into enough trouble right around his own house without his going out and breaking laws.—Winnipeg Tribune.

Two sea gulls, killed by a plane, are serving to keep other sea gulls off the runway of the airport at Block Island, off the New England coast. Airport attendants staked the two dead birds, one on each side of the runway to keep live gulls away. And the warning is keeping the live birds away. Pilots no longer are bothered by the numerous birds in the vicinity.—Sydney Post-Record.

Here's dramatic evidence of how tense the East-West power struggle over the Middle East is getting: During a thirty-day period this fall, state visits will be paid to Egypt by Premier Bulganin of Russia, Premier Chou En-lai of Communist China, and Vice-President Nixon of the United States. India's Nehru and Yugoslavia's Tito have already been feted. Newsweek.

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This Summer four Manitoba born young men completed their dental training and passed the examinations set by the Dental Examining Board of Canada. Of the four, one has left to practice in Alberta and another has gone to Chicago. This leaves—so far—two new dentists to serve in Manitoba. Unfortunately, during the past month and a half, three Manitoba dentists have died. Even if the two new graduates decide to remain in Manitoba, there will be a net loss. Replacements are not meeting wage. Small wonder there is increasing anxiety about availability of dental care in this province.—Winnipeg Tribune.

It now transpires that Peron, fleeing from Argentina, left behind him a "bobby-soxer" mistress, fabulous jewels and \$200,000. Where would the \$200,000 come from? No one could know. And the reason for this, of course, is that the accounts of dictators are never audited; there are no partitions to fix their salaries or examine their accounts—no watchdog to see that they are not dipping into the public cash box. Peron was a shoddy mountebank, a cheap charlatan, undoubtedly a thief. Yet under a dictatorship system a great and intelligent people like him get away with his rascalities.—Ottawa Journal.

Increased fares won't solve the shipping revenue problem of the street cars and busses. Some assistance must come from the general taxpayer. After all it is something to the man who may not use a streetcar or bus twice a year to have that service available on any occasion when his private transportation fails him.—Ottawa Journal.

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