

Still Very Timely

Your attention has been called to an address prepared a quarter of century ago by the late Hon. Cyrus J. Macmillan, Ph.D., one of our parliamentary members for Queens and an educationist of nation-wide repute. It was given on the 75th anniversary of the Confederation Conference in Charlottetown, and it contains many thoughts that are of timely interest today.

One of the points which impressed us relates to the glowing prospects held out to the Maritimes at Confederation, in the development of interprovincial trade, exchange and barter, to atone for the loss of foreign markets. Our products "of mine and farm and sea and forest" would find a welcome and boundless market in the Central Provinces. The balance of trade between us would be a real balance, not an adverse balance to the Maritimes of many millions as the record, unfortunately, discloses.

The products of Central and Western Canada were to pour in an endless and ever-swelling stream through our Atlantic ports and transportation system and service with the rest of Canada were to be abundantly adequate and efficient for all the Maritime Provinces. The makers of Confederation believed with Aristotle that "justice is the interest of all," and planned accordingly. But we know that their sanguinary expectations fell far short of achievement in this part of Canada.

"Perhaps," said Dr. Macmillan in 1939, "the Maritime Provinces themselves have not been sufficiently insistent on this fact. Their voices have at times been subdued even to the note of the apologetic and have not always been in harmony. And too often they have kindled ineffectual fires. But with all the doubts and disappointments, Confederation has proved the wisdom of its makers seventy-five years ago. The path of progress has not always been easy, but it has stood many a strain. It has justified its founders' faith and will endure. To create it, each of its parts had to sacrifice much and to risk much, but the result values have been worth the cost."

This is still our Prince Edward Island credo. Would that its implications could sink into the minds of the more clamorous apostles of nationalism, separatism and what-not in other parts of the country at this time!

Ominous Resurgence

The Ku Klux Klan has been getting wide attention in American newspapers of late, and it is reported that U.S. federal and state officials are becoming increasingly concerned over the resurgence of the organization in the south. It is one of three extremist groups which moderate Republicans sought unsuccessfully to have disbanded by name in their party's platform at the San Francisco convention.

In the past, the klans have been fragmented groups competing against each other. There were occasional outrages committed by individual klansmen and generally directed by klans leaders. The hooded and grotesque appearances at ritualistic rallies were almost comic. But today, there is nothing funny about them.

They are still fragmented, but there is evidence of co-operation and growth and a "power grab" by more violent leaders. And according to a Washington Post correspondent,

ent, there are other more ominous signs. The klans are becoming more bellicose, more militant. Many klansmen are armed to the teeth. Leaders have directed engagements against civil rights demonstrators and others. For the first time in years, there is a real feeling that the klans is becoming a terrorist movement.

History records that the original clan was started at Pulaski, Tennessee, in 1865 at a social club and the hoods and ritual were a sort of joke. But it branched out quickly into a terrorist organization against reconstruction governments. It helped turn the south back to white control through intimidation and worse. It lapsed into dormancy when whites, through legal expedients that have begun to crumble only in the recent years of this century, closed the polls and political offices to Negroes.

The klans tried to "save" the nation again in the 1920's, embracing a broad range of prejudices that included hate campaigns against Negroes, Jews, Catholics and aliens. It was strongest in Colorado, Indiana, Ohio, Oregon, Texas, West Virginia and Alabama and, at its zenith, controlled many public offices. But again it seemed to die out. Following World War Two, the klans enjoyed a small revival when the Supreme Court outlawed white primaries and segregation in interstate travel. Today, sources that have infiltrated the klans discount the flamboyant estimates of membership now of about 75,000. But the klans is reportedly recruiting intensely, not only in the south but in some northern states.

It represents something that our American neighbors have a right to view with grave misgivings.

Tokyo Prepares

With the Olympic games less than three months away, excitement in Tokyo is said to be mounting to fever pitch. The Japanese are determined to make this the biggest event of its kind in history.

The fruits of almost two billion dollars of spending for improvements are starting to show. New highways are beginning to alleviate traffic jams. Graceful buildings have arisen from unsightly construction sites. Attractive plazas and parks are appearing where piles of rubble and earth stood only recently. Many new hotels, including a 17-story, 1,100-room structure, will open in September. A record number of 130,000 foreign visitors, as well as 10,000 athletes and games officials, is expected.

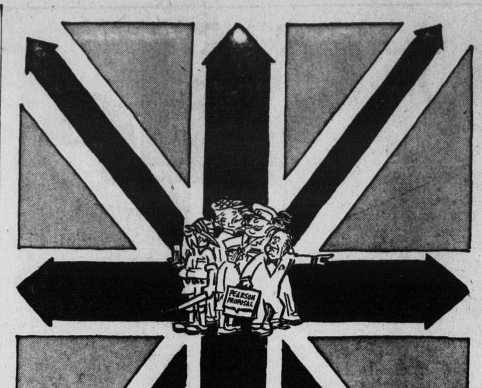
Tokyo was originally scheduled to become the first Asian city to stage the Olympics in 1940. But World War Two intervened and it has taken 24 years more for the Japanese dream to materialize. Now it is planned to put the whole country on show. Special stamps and medals already have been issued, and the Olympic theme is dominant.

Hundreds of thousands of Japanese are studying English and other languages so they can help foreign visitors. Stores are preparing elaborate programs to lure shoppers. Industries have vied with one another in supplying products to be used in staging the games, housing the athletes or decorating the capital. There is a lesson to be learned from the enthusiasm with which the Japanese tackle every undertaking, and this is a striking case in point.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The catch of sea fish and shellfish in the Atlantic Provinces decreased 12.3 per cent in June to 108,761,000 pounds from 226,619,000 pounds in the corresponding month last year, according to an Ottawa report. The landed value eased down 1.1 per cent to \$12,685,000 from \$12,822,000.

To be commended is the special inquiry to be set up by the end of the month in the House of Commons, to recommend ways of limiting election campaign spending by political parties. The study, forecast in the Throne Speech at the opening of Parliament last February, will mean postponing further action on proposed changes to the Canada Elections Act until a report is made to the state secretary. Even so, it will be worth waiting for.



ing the matter to the attention of the public because he believes his competence and reputation had been brought into question, nothing would have been heard of it.

COMMONWEALTH CROSSROADS

OTTAWA REPORT

The CBC And The Glasco Commission

Patrick Nicholson's great estimate today is Hon. Dennis Harkness, Minister of National Defence in the former Conservative government.

On June 18 I moved in the Public Accounts Committee of the House of Commons that the accounts of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and the report to which that corporation had implemented the recommendations of the Glasco Commission, be investigated by the Committee. This motion was accepted and the investigation will go forward.

The reaction of the CBC, as reported in the press, was that they were the world's most investigated agency and had been subjected to some 20,000 Parliamentary Committees, Royal Commissions, etc. The implication is that no further investigation is necessary. I would take the opposite view and point out that the numerous investigations which have been held on the CBC have been due to widespread continuing opinion that their organization and business administration has not been as satisfactory as it should be.

The general opinion in Canada is that the CBC puts out a large number of very excellent programs and is providing a very great and worthwhile national service. As a result of this it has, to some extent, become a "sacred cow" and governments and individuals have been loath to, or afraid to criticize it.

SHOULD BE IMPROVED I think a distinction has to be made between the programs produced and the service thus rendered, on the one hand, and the organization and business administration on the other, and particularly need to be improved.

The Glasco Commission made some very serious criticisms of the CBC's status, amongst other things, in that concluding paragraph: "There can be no doubt but that the Corporation is in need of extensive reorganization to secure efficiency and economy in its operations. It is apparent that substantial savings can be effected through the application of tried and proven principles governing the development of authority and by establishing the accountability of management in its various functions."

As this report was released nearly a year and a half ago, I think that by this time the CBC should be called before the Parliamentary body, which can examine it to determine what changes it has made in accordance with the recommendations. This is particularly the case, as the CBC was provided with well over \$80 million in 1963 and while we have not the figures for 1964 as yet, we know that the increase amount will be requested, which means that it is making for heavier demands on the taxpayer than any other Crown Corporation.

Nikita's Successor

The reorganization of the hierarchy of the Russian government, replacement of Leonid I. Brezhnev as Soviet president by Old Bolshevik Anastas Mikoyan, reveals Premier Khrushchev's real position. From the honorary top post President Brezhnev becomes a full-time worker in the Communist Party, a post where he will enhance his chance of being Nikita's successor.

To the Russian the presidency is an honorary office but fails to hold rank with the premier. Mikoyan, the former Communist Party, to this post Deputy Premier Mikoyan was reported to have an alert mind similar to that which carried Mr. Khrushchev to his top ranking post. This mind was not idle even while in the formal presidential job; he continued his active party work and moved up from No. 3 or 4 post to No. 2 in Russian accession.

Diamonds And Politics

There is a "man bites dog" quality about the news that the De Beers diamond interests have ceased selling Soviet diamonds in the West as retaliation for Moscow's backing of a trade boycott against South Africa.

The world is accustomed to the Kremlin using economic levers to exert pressure upon or to punish those with whom it has political differences.

For the Soviet Union, the De Beers affair has come as an awkward moment. Moscow needs all the convertible Western

De Beers diamond interests

currency it can get these days to pay for its grain and other purchases, a fact shown by the substantial level of its gold sales so far this year.

These diamonds are sold as a means of earning foreign exchange, were undoubtedly persuaded the Kremlin to make the huge capital investments needed to develop the diamond fields in remote Yakutia in northeastern Siberia.

This decision was opposed by those who argued that the new Soviet process for making industrial diamonds synthetically would meet the country's main needs at less cost. Now Moscow will have to examine the question in the light of this unexpected — and from its point of view unwelcome — development.

Detrimental To Maritimes

The plan of the federal Department of Agriculture, revealed two months ago, to move the seed laboratory to Agriculture in Sackville to Ottawa is now reported by Agriculture Minister Hays to be under reappraisal, with particular emphasis being placed on the proposed move.

While this planned move has been termed a "minor" adjustment of economic, and to provide improved services from the central laboratory, it is a major economic loss to the Sackville through the major as well as the Board of Trade local and provincial economic laws authorities against taking such action.

It was quite a natural course for the local bodies to initiate for the removal of the federal agency would mean a considerable economic loss to the community where it has been located for many years, and in what has been a major loss to the Sackville through the major as well as the Board of Trade local and provincial economic laws authorities against taking such action.

This plant products division at Sackville is seen as a valuable asset to agriculture in the Atlantic Provinces. It has played a major role in the past in improving this important segment of the general economy of the region and, that being the case, it would be a retrograde

Erythematous Complex Disease

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Systemic lupus erythematosis is becoming a more common disease and is a difficult condition to bear. It is a complex condition and difficult to describe because it may affect almost any part of the body and it mimics a variety of illnesses. The connective tissue of the body is involved in most of the symptoms, stem from the skin, muscles, joints, and the blood vessels as well as the kidneys, heart, and other internal organs.

The disease usually is affected initially. The typical eruption over the bridge of the nose is the shape of a butterfly with open wings. When it is present, a diagnosis of lupus erythematosis is suggested; but this rash appears in less than half the cases. Symmetrically distributed purplish lesions may be noted elsewhere on the body.

When the musculoskeletal system is affected, arthritic-like pains occur in the hands, wrists, shoulders, knees, and ankles. A number of precipitating factors resemble those of Bright's disease. The heart, spleen, and gastrointestinal tract are involved in a smaller percentage. Enlargement of the lymph nodes is found in more than 50 per cent of the cases.

The disease usually is diagnosed through blood tests. These blood changes also suggest a possible cause — abnormal immunologic reactions. Mucous biopsy is another diagnostic aid. A number of precipitating factors make the physicians suspect lupus. Exposure to sunlight may produce a violent skin reaction, followed by more generalized symptoms. Many victims tell of being overly sensitive to ultraviolet. Other triggering agents include infections and emotional stress. More recently, the onset has followed the use of certain medications such as gold, penicillin, the sulfonamides, and some of the drugs used in treating high blood pressure, epilepsy, and tuberculosis.

Aspirin, bed rest, and the corticosteroids are the best remedies. The antimalarial drug also are used, especially when the condition is confined to the skin. Researchers continue to probe the role of the thymus gland, more so because it is a cause centers about abnormalities in the body's immune mechanism.

CANDY AND ARTHRITIS V. K. writes: Will giving up sweets cure arthritis?

REPLY No. There is little relationship between diet and arthritis unless the victim has gout, or is under- or overweight.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The John Birch Society is deeply in debt according to its annual financial report. It must be embarrassing for its members to be in the red. — Peterborough Examiner.

The Beatles are now said to be in wax. Better they were on the wane, some say. — Ottawa Journal.

Politicians seem to be their most indignant when accusing other politicians of playing politics. — Ottawa Journal.

Audiences sometimes show feeling when a speaker talks too long — they start feeling for their hats and coats. — St. Catharines Standard.

The toughest test a manufacturer could give a car would be for a week — Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

In the part of Spain inhabited by the Basques, a traveller came on a man building a house. The house had three front doors of varying sizes. "At home," the traveller said, "we have only one front door." The builder replied, "In this country we have a proverb: 'Never put all your Basques in one cart.'" — Moose Jaw Times Herald.

Well, there's one thing every man can do better than anyone else: Read his own handwriting. — Wall Street Journal.

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