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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."
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What Next?

A man of distinction these days is a Communist leader who can find it in his heart to say a kind word for "capitalism". If, in addition to this, he can admit that not all capitalists are evil men, bent on impoverishing the deified "proletariat", he can claim to be one of the wonders of the world. One such rare person is the Frenchman Pierre Herve, an editorial writer for the French Communist organ "L'Humanite". In a pamphlet entitled "Revolution and Fetishes" he makes such startling statements as these: Not everything American is necessarily bad; there is, for example, some very good bonded whiskey; and the works of a man by the name of Hemingway can compare favourably with the best in Soviet literature. American jazz has some commendable features. The Soviet Union is not to be regarded as a sacrosanct institution that can do no wrong. While class opposition is a good thing, it does not imply that one particular class has all the virtues, and another all the faults. Capitalists, like all other human beings, ought not to be judged as a class, but by what they do, or fail to do, as individuals, to uplift society. Socialism may be (note the "may") be the best political system, but it has its limitations, just like other human creations. It is just possible that Soviet Communism is on the wrong.

What next are we going to hear? And it will be interesting to learn what new position M. Herve is about to take up, for it is clear that his usefulness to doctrinaire Communism is on the wane. It may be, of course, his unusual approach is a new propaganda device of the French Communists to strengthen their position which, admittedly, was given a lift by the results of the recent election.

Disgraceful

No thinking person believes that the deeply rooted racial antagonisms which feature society in the Southern United States can be removed overnight, or even in a year or two, by a Supreme Court anti-segregation ruling. It will take time. All that the court expects is that the States which are involved will proceed towards integration, at least in the public schools, as rapidly as good sense, local requirements, and a readiness to obey the law of the land, will allow. The problem is of tremendous magnitude. But there is no excuse for such acts of violence and inhuman conduct as have been going on for the last week or so in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, where mobs have been making life almost unbearable for a young Negro woman, Artherine Lucy.

By order of a Federal Court, the University of Alabama, which is situated in Tuscaloosa, was obliged to admit Miss Lucy as a student. Immediately, the university authorities gave orders that she should not be permitted to take part in any extra-class activities or even eat with the other students in the school's cafeteria. Then came the mob demonstrations — encouraged and, some say, instigated, by State politicians — which included every indignity short of actual bodily assault, and this latter was prevented only by the protection of escorting (Federal) police. In his press conference a day or two ago President Eisenhower called the whole thing "deplorable". If he had said "disgraceful" he would have been nearer the mark. Nor does it concern Americans alone. It is, in fact, the business of all free people the world over, since the United States professes to be the leader of all free nations in their resistance to the tyranny which Communism seeks to spread across the face of the world.

How, in the name of Heaven, can Asiatics and Africans be expected to pay heed to the preachments of freedom and justice which are being dinned into their ears hourly by United States spokesmen, when a young American citizen is being bul-

led and tortured and pilloried for no reason at all except that her skin happens to be black? It is no use to say that such conduct is not sanctioned by the United States Government. The fact that it could take place anywhere in the United States is a blot on the whole free world. Incidentally, it provides the best piece of propaganda the Communists have had for many a day; and — let us make no mistake about it, — they will use it for all it is worth.

Irish Seaweed Exports

What has become of the plans for processing Irish moss in this Province? We are reminded of the opportunity here in a recent report from the Department of External Affairs for Ireland. Despite fears by U. S. and European importers of Irish seaweed that increased demand might exhaust supplies, says the report, a considerable and profitable expansion is being carried on in this export trade, particularly in carrageen moss. Seaweed and seaweeds for processing into alginates for foodstuffs and rubber production are being shipped to Scotland. Dried and ground into fine meal, the seaweed is being sent to England and Norway. Gaeltacht Services — a section of the Irish Department of Lands — is taking a keen interest in the products, and the institute for Industrial Research and Standards, Dublin, is co-operating with a new state-aided company, Arrannara Teo, which has a factory at Kilkieran, County Galway. In grading and improving carrageen moss. Considerable quantities of this product find their way to the United States, where it is used in the food and beverage industry, and to England, where it is used as an agent in printing calico and in clarifying beer.

Refreshing Contrast

The importunate ways of so many Republican politicians as they try to persuade President Eisenhower into seeking a second term, seemingly without concern for anything but the re-election of a Republican administration, are sickening. It is doubtful if any similar campaign of bad taste has ever tainted another political party anywhere in the world. It is, therefore, like a breath of fresh air to read what Republican Representative W. Sterling Cole had to say on the subject the other day: "It is not fair to the President to appeal to his sense of duty and it is not in the best interest of the country that he attempt a second term. It is all very well to speak of the return to a normal life of those who have suffered heart attacks, but there is nothing normal about the presidency, and there is nothing normal about the times." Representative Cole is to be honoured for his forthright statement, which is a well deserved rebuke to those heartless politicians who would use Mr. Eisenhower for their own selfish purposes without the slightest regard to his health.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A thorough survey of the possibilities of the proposed Northumberland Strait causeway has been urged by the Charlottetown Board of Trade as the first step in discussing the project intelligently. This makes sound common sense. It is to be hoped that our politicians and all concerned will press for action along this line, and reserve their criticism, if they have any, until they know what they are talking about.

The motor vehicle is still the leading killer in accidents in the U.S.A. According to statistics just released by the National Safety Council, 92,000 persons were killed in all forms of accidents last year. 9,200,000 were injured. Financial loss due to accidents amounted to more than \$10 billion. Traffic accidents cost 38,300 lives, only 1669 under the record established in 1941.

The potato tariff situation is to be given consideration by the Federal Government this week-end, and invitations are being extended to the Ministers of Agriculture of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture and the Canadian Horticultural Council to discuss the matter with the Finance Minister at Ottawa. It is felt that there is ground for optimism with regard to this conference. Certainly our potato producers have a good case, and it is to be hoped that there will be the fullest unanimity in presenting



LOOKS LIKE AN EXCITING FUTURE

The Big Rock Off Spain

By Stephen Scott
Canadian Press, London

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

MORE ABOUT MAILMEN

Sir,—Quite a few letters have appeared in The Guardian for and against our mailmen on the rural routes. As one who was brought up in the country I have seen a lot of mailmen on the routes, but in my home district of Bristol, I believe, we have a record for the only known walking rural mailman. This gentleman is Mr. Lester McVarish, who served on the Bristol routes here from Bristol Post Office, West St. Peter's, West St. Peter's Lake and West St. Peter's Harbour, some fourteen miles daily for very small pay. Mr. McVarish, was known as the walking mailman, and it can be said that neither cold nor heat, snow or rain or gloom of night stayed him from his appointed rounds daily, on time. He was known as the greatest of all mail drivers, the walking mailman with the mails on his back. As one who has made the rounds with the mailmen in summer and winter, on routes short and long, I would say the mail driver's life is the last flickering light of the horse and buggy age, and the days of the frozen slaves. Going along the routes to see what this life was like I noticed scores of boxes with no names on them, and old cans and nail legs for the receipt of mail. I saw the mailmen asked to bring groceries and bags of feed from the stores on the "tomorrow rounds," and how many times in walking rain has the mail driver gone up the lane with a parcel to the door! In my home district where I have spent the summers for many years, there is the longest and hardest route one could see, especially in winter. But the poor mailman does not go hungry or his horse does not starve on the all-day round. Despite all this kindness I would say the mail drivers are poorly paid and they don't just sit up in winter and draw unemployment.

I am, Sir, etc.,
W. A. O'BRIEN
Charlottetown.

Neighborhood Warning

(Christian Science Monitor)
Ontario thus far has prohibited beer and liquor manufacturers from placing any but "institutional" (non-appeal) advertising in newspapers and other publications. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, advertising on the air without approval of the several provinces. But Canadian producers of beer have been placing their advertising with American stations which beam the American stations across the border. Such ads also reach Canadians via American publications. Doubtless this has put Canadian publishers and broadcasters under some economic pressure as well as temptation to protest a policy which would protect Canadians from Canadian-sponsored propaganda but not from propaganda from the United States. The Americans get the income from which they are barred. Canadian "drys" have asked and have received cooperation from "drys" across the border in protesting the practice in particular of American broadcasters. That this has not yet been successful is hinted by news from Toronto. The Ontario Government is said to be giving "favorable" consideration to "some kind" of liquor advertising in publications and to beer and liquor sponsorship of TV and radio programs.

The province liquor commissioner has expressed immediate opposition. But it is not yet clear whether he objects to liquor advertising or just to the type of programs that are beamed in from the United States. We would join in even such a limited objection. But as a friendly and appreciative neighbor we would go further and say: Don't let down the barriers at all anywhere. It is far easier to keep them standing than to put them back once they are breached. That's been the American experience. And we are sure many Americans are not proud of their radio stations' part in evading a neighbor's laws.

THE AGE OLD STORY

Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(February 10, 1931)

A bad fire was averted yesterday morning at Ellerslie Station, when section men on going to work about 7.30 discovered the station building on fire. Part of the floor and door were burned. It is thought that the stove had exploded during the night.

Passenger trains and the car ferry were running behind schedule yesterday, delayed by the storm. At a late hour last night the ferry had not disembarked her passengers, but was waiting for the train to break its way to the pier. The ferry left Borden at 11.20 yesterday morning arriving at Tormentine at 3.45. Trains on all sections of the Island division were carrying snow plows.

Approximately 3,500,000 new taxpayers may be added to England's source of revenue, if the drive to tax bachelors now being made is successful. Such a tax, it is felt, besides adding to the treasury would reduce unemployment by removing many young women job holders via the altar.

TEN YEARS AGO

(February 10, 1946)

Disappointed at the Dominion-Provincial conference, not being able to reach satisfactory agreement on financial matters, Premier Jones, on his return to the city Saturday evening, said that nothing now remains but for the various Provincial Government departments to practice the strictest economy.

Mr. W. M. MacDonald of Sydney, N. S., owner of several steamers, and coastal vessels, before leaving the city Saturday evening after attending a meeting of the directors of Northumberland Ferries Limited, said that transportation facilities of the ferry service would be taxed to the utmost during the coming season, and stressed the need of a second ferry.

ARCHBISHOP DIES

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Archbishop Luis Maria Martinez of Mexico died Thursday. He was 74. In failing health for a year, the Roman Catholic prelate had been in a coma since Monday. The archbishop, born in Michoacan state which later was a centre of Mexico's anti-church feeling, died during his tenure to smooth friction between church and state and to ease opposition from anti-clerical forces.

The Poet's Corner

TRACKS AT DAWN

Something had frightened the deer who ran in long leaps through the snow. I could follow his tracks where he began To gather distance, to go through yards of air without leaving a trace Of footprints under him any place. The tracks of the deer led into the

Perhaps straight up the hill, In long legged leaps a wild deer could Race upward with great skill. But the footprints came to an abrupt halt. By an alder bush, and then I saw his flight was nobody's fault. For he left the wood again And the light I thought he was taking took A casual turn, a browsing look. So it was just his own delight That sped the deer through the wintry night.

—Elizabeth Jane Asley.

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Suedesen, M. D.

ANTIBIOTICS ASSUME NEW RESPONSIBILITY

Researchers have come up with a new use for antibiotics. Aureomycin, they report, soon may be used to help bring fresher meats, fish and poultry into your home. Tests show that the antibiotic will help hold the fresh-killed taste and appearance of these foods all the way from the slaughterer or packer right to the consumer.

For example, the researchers report poultry dipped in an aureomycin solution, then packaged and stored under commercial refrigeration, could not be distinguished from fresh-killed birds even after 14 days.

Only minute or "trace" amounts of the antibiotic are required in the process. And, in the case of fish, the antibiotic can be applied in a dip usually handled with the rinse or pre-chill process. What little of the antibiotic might remain after processing is destroyed in cooking. None of it is consumed by eating the food, the researchers emphasize.

RETARDS SPOILAGE

Use of the antibiotic retards the growth of spoilage bacteria. Healthy animals, you see, have a built-in mechanism to keep such bacteria in check.

Killing the animal, however, leaves nothing to fight off these spore-bearers, so aureomycin takes up where the body defense stopped. It keeps the product fresh by holding back bacterial contamination on the way to your neighborhood grocery or meat market.

COMBINED FACTORS

While both refrigeration and antibiotics retard the growth of bacteria already in food, refrigeration and antibiotics combined can do a lot more for preserving perishable foods than either can alone.

Well, it means that these perishable products can be shipped longer distances. Animals can be killed 500 miles from the point of consumption and trucked to market as carcasses. And fish caught off the coast of Washington can be shipped cross-country and still be fresh more than two weeks later.

Eventually, it might mean cheaper meat for many of us.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Mr. E. T. K.: Is there anything except ulcers that would cause indigestion and a burning in the stomach?

Answer: Indigestion and burning of the stomach may come from excessive acid in the stomach, also from bad eating habits, such as overeating or eating too fast, gall bladder disease and from certain nervous disorders.

Careful study by your physician will be necessary to find the cause before proper treatment could be prescribed.

The Age Old Story

Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

Our activities in 1955

Over \$240,000,000 of Investment Security Transactions in the past year.

We were either the sole underwriters or were among the members of underwriting Syndicates for the following issues:

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- Librairie Beauchemin Limited
- Lower St. Lawrence Power Company
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Notes By The Way

Rich people miss one of life's best thrills—the payment of the last instalment.—Niagara Falls Review.

One of the peculiarities of Canadian life is that you get a different view of everything when you look at it from Ottawa.—Edmonton Journal.

The Christmas tree trade was worth one and a quarter millions of dollars to Nova Scotia tree farmers, last December. That may be very nice for the Maritimers but did they think of the conservation caused by trying to clean up all the needles after the trees were shed of their tinsel and tossed out for the sanitation trucks?—Sarnia Observer.

Parking meters in London, Ont., produced a revenue of \$135,000 in 1955, an all-time record. We have meters on seven and a half miles of streets and it takes two full-time civic employees to harvest the cash crop. Out of the total the city deducts about \$20,000 in salaries and maintenance costs. In 1953 total revenue was \$101,000.—London Free Press.

It is a well known half truth among the half-baked that everything in the world is always going up. The professional grouser looks around him and sees prices, divorce rates, and population figures, all on the up-and-up. His more enterprising colleagues, however, are on their way up, and even if he looks beyond his immediate horizon he sees the fateful prospect of the whole world going up in radioactive smoke. There is a brighter side to this general upward trend. If prices are going up so are wages. If population is going up, so is productivity. Whether one is a pessimist or an optimist, however, it is undoubtedly true that what distinguishes our age from its predecessors is that events instead of just happening have an insidious upward tendency.—London Times.

Alberta oil celebrated the new year with a novel advance of potentially great significance. It made its debut on tidewater. The substance of the event was that an ocean-going tanker took 118,000 barrels of Alberta crude aboard at Vancouver and transported it to a refinery on San Francisco Bay. To be sure, this was a spot movement and not the beginning of regular shipments; but it demonstrated that this province's oil, carried to the Canadian Pacific coast pipeline, could be competitive in California with oil from other sources, or, alternatively, that it could find a hole in the California supply system and under favorable conditions fill that hole.—Edmonton Journal.

A hold-up man ran into big trouble in Phoenix, Arizona, the other day. He failed to protect his flanks and line of retreat while sticking up a barkeeper. As a result of this tactical carelessness he was in quick succession hit on the head with a chair by a waitress, slugged by the barkeeper with a blackjack, conked with a bottle, jumped on, and hit with a telephone by customers. During the fracas someone called the cops. We imagine that when they arrived the unhappy stick-up artist was very glad to see them.—Vancouver Sun.

The horrible list of traffic casualties over the festive holidays makes most people realize that they belong to one of the two classes, the quick and not the other.—Moose Jaw Times-Herald.