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Bill Of Rights

Prime Minister Diefenbaker has declared his intention to introduce a Bill of Rights in the coming session of Parliament.

In principle, no doubt, a Bill of Rights would help to strengthen the Canadian concept of freedom under the law.

Every Canadian is, of course, entitled to these rights and freedoms. But are they not already guaranteed by our legal processes?

Electronic Interpretation

Those of our readers who have followed the Dead Sea Scrolls controversy will be interested to learn that their interpretation has been hastened by the printing of the first complete index of a major portion of the 2000-year-old documents by an I.B.M. electronic computer.

I.B.M. machines were first used for literary purposes in 1949 to help compile the first concordance of the complete works of St. Thomas Aquinas.

Reporting an interview with Dr. James Muilenburg of Union Theological Seminary, the "Living Church," a religious periodical published in Milwaukee, has this to say about the way the machine works: "The scholar's task in studying the Dead Sea Scrolls is unusually difficult due to their deterioration. Not only are many words missing, but entire sections have crumbled to dust.

By transposing prose into a series of mathematical relationships, the machine is capable of making a qualified guess as to what words were originally written in the hundreds of mutilated sections.

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picture of different styles of writing, detecting additions by another hand foreign to the original author.

"The index includes all non-Biblical scrolls published up to December, 1957, plus the 'Habakkuk Commentary.' They are Manual of Discipline, War of the Sons of Light with the Sons of Darkness, Thanksgiving Hymns and Zadokite Document.

A Closed Library

No one will find fault with Library officials for keeping the place closed "until warmer weather sets in".

At the same time, it is unfortunate that a fire in the Market Building should have caused the closing of the Library which, apart from the churches and schools, is the most important building in the city.

It is to be hoped that before autumn sets in a proper system will have been installed. It would never do to have the Library opened only on warm days.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Canadian Boy Scout Association seems to be doing pretty well. A report from headquarters says that membership has increased 129 per cent since 1948.

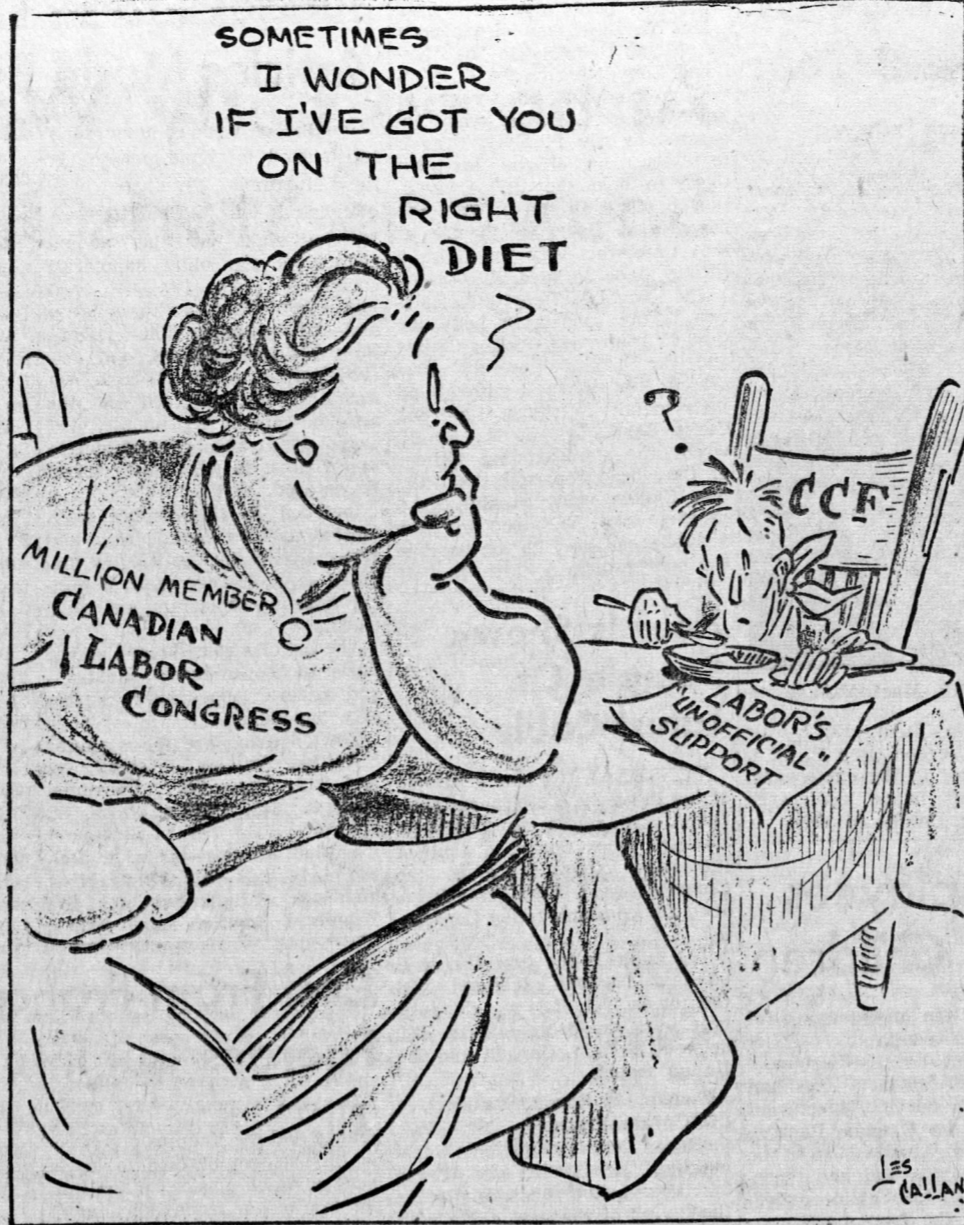
The Galt Reporter cites this notice on an industrial plant bulletin board: "Please don't miss any more days from work. We can afford it, but the government can't afford the loss of the deduction from your paycheck."

The Newfoundland Government certainly seems to be doing everything possible to encourage young people to improve their education. For the next academic year, according to a report from the Department of Education, 1250 scholarships and bursaries will be made available at a total cost of more than a half-million dollars.

Commonwealth Day is the new nomenclature given by the Ontario Department of Education for what has long been known as Empire Day. It will be observed in the schools of the province on May 16, the Friday prior to the observance of the Victoria Day holiday, which this year falls on Monday, May 19.

We didn't think it would ever come to this. Officers of a British territorial infantry brigade have put sex appeal into their routine Spring manoeuvres. They announced that a buxom Staffordshire lass will be the central figure in a week-end military exercise.

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U.S.-Canada Relations

From a report to the foreign affairs committee of the U.S. House of Representatives

Just as the appearance of a gully on the side of a hill demands immediate attention by the farmer, and just as a gully is a portent of more serious problems, so is the erosion of our relations with Canada an ominous sign of more serious difficulties to come.

Militarily, the United States and Canada share the most pressing mutual need for the geography, the personnel, the natural resources, and the research and production of each other.

Diplomatically, Canada is in a uniquely strategic position in world affairs so far as the United States is concerned. It is not only a member of NATO, the United Nations, and other organizations in which the United States is a member; it also has historic and deep-rooted ties with the British Commonwealth.

Economically, high and stable levels of prosperity for both countries, in the long run, rest upon the sensible use of natural resources on both sides of the border, the fullest possible development of markets in Canada and the United States, and upon the maximum integration of communication and transportation.

Culturally, scientifically, and educationally, Canada's intellectual and cultural growth holds great promise for enrichment of life south of the border. The day is coming to an end, if it ever existed, when culture and knowledge flow only northward.

Governmentally, Canada's problems and its approach to them are of intense interest to the United States. In a sense it is another laboratory of federal government.

When an American citizen visits Canada, almost every Canadian is fully aware of current problems in the United States. On other hand, when the Canadian visits the United States, there is usually a total ignorance of any Canadian matters. This is obviously irritating, particularly when it is coupled with the naive assumptions that the Canadian should know everything about the United States and that Canadian affairs are really somewhat similar to domestic matters in any one of the United States.

Eyes On The Arctic

Manchester Guardian

Russia complains about American bomber flights over the Arctic; the United States replies by bringing up again its proposal of last August for an international inspection zone covering the whole Arctic. Is the American proposal a piece of Dullesmanship or a genuine attempt to allay fear, ease tension, and move towards a disarmament agreement? It is hard to tell, if only because the Arctic inspection plan has never been expounded in detail; but at least it is conceivable that the proposal could prove helpful.

Both sides at present fear surprise attack across the Arctic and each at present watches through a radar chain on its own most northerly fringe of land. (The Americans have said publicly that they do, and much is known of the "Dewline"; that the Russians have a similar system is a reasonable supposition.)

The international boundary. There is indeed mutual respect and mutual understanding between the two northern neighbors in the Western Hemisphere. Achievements of United States - Canadian friendship and cooperation are impressive.

On the other side of the ledger, however, the friendship has been subjected during the past few years to ever-increasing strains, and there has been a rising tide of resentment against the United States on the other side of the border. To one who visits Canada, this resentment is apparent on every side, in conversation with private citizens in conversation with Government officials and in press. Fundamental to this resentment and to the antagonism to the United States has been the lack in the United States of understanding and knowledge of Canada's proud heritage, its economic and political problems and its special relationship with the United Kingdom. Even worse, it appears to our Canadian cousins that Americans do not desire to learn anything more concerning Canada and its problems.

We also need an Art Gallery. We need it for showing travelling exhibitions, better than the Grade C available to this date—Grade C, because we had no fire proof, humidified Art Gallery—We, in our backward condition regarding art, need better than that.

We also need an Art Gallery to house a permanent collection ranging from the old to the new, that all interested may have the opportunity to study good painting. What is a good painting? The number of those Islanders who could say what constitutes a good painting, measures our need. But even if all we know of a painting is whether or not we like it, still would we benefit.

Both the city and the Government have been approached concerning the desirability of reserving the Market Building site for a Civic Centre.

It is hoped the Federal Government will see fit to assist with the building costs, in commemoration of the fact that it was here that the idea for Confederation was conceived. It seems only fitting that Canada's Centennial might be partially celebrated in such a worthy manner.

However, in any event—if we need a thing badly enough, and work for it hard enough—through concerted action our hopes should bear fruit. It is hoped that these points will be thoroughly considered before any unnecessary expense is incurred.

A closing thought. When Governor General Massey, expounder and advocator of the Arts, makes his visit here, and asks the inevitable question—What do you plan to build here?—would it not be a happy moment to be able to reply—"That will be the site of our new Civic Centre we plan to have in operation by 1964."

Feel pity for the one who has no recourse, but to make answer, "That will be a parking lot."

I am, Sir, etc. AN ISLAND VOICE Charlottetown.

Finally, there is the fact that ever with such inspection both sides will remain poised ready for instant counterattack. The fear that one or other may fire its terrible weapons without cause will remain. The same men will be waiting to take the same suicidal decisions in Omaha and Chelyabinsk as at present. Shall we, in short, have any more reason to sleep quietly at night?

More Than One Type Of Colic

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. MOST parents believe that once a child reaches the age of three or four months, he will never be bothered by colic again. While intestinal colic generally does not persist beyond this age, there are other types of colic which can cause trouble at just about any age.

Probably the most common is umbilical colic. About its only similarity to intestinal colic is the pain.

It usually occurs in girls between the ages of five to 12. Apparently, it is entirely of nervous origin. The attacks can occur at any time of the day, usually without any definite indication of the cause.

Sometimes it may follow moderate excitement; sometimes it may occur during a meal while the youngster is still at the table. Obviously, indigestion or swallowing air cannot be the source of the trouble since it occurs before the meal is even finished.

NERVOUS DISORDER We believe that such cases are caused by nervous anticipation. In other words, the youngster anticipates and fears the pain, thus actually causing the pain.

USUAL SIGNS Usually it will cause the child to cry, possibly turn pale and to draw his or her thighs up in an effort to relieve the pain. The youngster will probably press both arms against the abdomen in an attempt to ease the symptoms.

These attacks may last only a few minutes or may continue for several hours with frequent respites from the pain. They can occur every day or at irregular periods. Sometimes these attacks will continue for months or even years.

Unfortunately, one of the best remedies for these cases is a complete change of surroundings. The parents of a youngster who has become a victim of umbilical colic, naturally, discuss the case very frequently. Such discussions in the presence of the child only act to perpetuate the condition.

Drugs such as atropine and pilocarpine generally are helpful. QUESTION AND ANSWER T.P.: I have a persistent itching around the rectum. Everything I have tried has failed. Have you any recommendations for treatment?

Answer: Usually itching of the rectum is relieved by a bland diet and the use of soft toilet tissue. The new antihistamine creams are often helpful in the treatment of this disorder. If these methods do not help, surgery sometimes may clear it up. Better see your doctor.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 9, 1948)

A meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade last evening, the Board was requested by resolution to protest to the Federal Government against the injustice being done by their imposition of a 12 1/2 per cent tax on small local corporations which is not exacted from competitive business conducted by individuals or partnerships.

Mr. W. C. Robertson, Mr. Albin, had the misfortune to lose his two large barns by fire Saturday morning. The barns and their contents of hay and oats were destroyed, and with difficulty the fire was prevented from spreading to the house.

TEN YEARS AGO (May 9, 1948)

The Timber Control division of the Department of Trade has approved the issuing of export permits to Island lumber men for the exporting of 10,000 cords of pulpwood to American paper manufacturers. It is understood that orders for a much greater quantity than 10,000 cords could be secured if the pulp wood were available. It is understood that the average price at point of shipment is \$12.00 per cord.

On Saturday afternoon the staff of the Guardian met in the News Room under the chairmanship of President Ian A. Burnett, to honour four members who had attained long service records. The four so honoured were Miss Katherine C. Irving, Miss Nina Keenan, Mr. Andrew Martin and Mr. Edward Arsenault.

NOTES BY THE WAY

A Kansas university professor says we know virtually nothing about the human brain. And even when we understand it, there is still the feminine brain to challenge us.—Winnipeg Tribune

A scientist has reportedly clocked the speed of a squirrel at 119 miles per hour — no doubt while the squirrel was chasing one of the nuts on our highways.—Lethbridge Herald

During the celebration of the 1960 Olympic Games, the beautiful Apian Way (begun by Aulus Claudius in 312 BC) will be the scene of two most significant events. The torch-bearer carrying the Olympic Flame will travel along this road which was the oldest channel for the spreading of Roman civilization. This "Regina Viarum," still retaining the romantic charm which has inspired many poets and painters, will also form part of the Marathon course.—The Apian Way.

The news item says that 180 pounds of prehistoric ice from the Tasman Glacier on Mount Cook, New Zealand, has been flown to New York to chill the cocktails or the champagne at a dinner given by Sir Leslie Munro, New Zealand's Ambassador. This is an interesting contrast of the miracles of modern flight to the slow-moving and enduring qualities of an ancient glacier. We wish we could look at it only in that light. But somehow it stirs unwelcome thoughts of certain Roman feasts for which the wine was chilled by snow laboriously transported from the Alps.—Victoria Times

The Police Magistrate, Alipore, on April 8 rejected a petition by a resident of Calcutta praying for an order restraining the U.K. and U.S. governments from carrying out nuclear tests in the Pacific Ocean. Petitioner said radioactive fallout from these projected tests would affect the whole human race, including petitioner, "with disastrous consequences."

The Age Old Story

The Lord your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if ye return unto him.

In a Civil Service beauty contest, Miss Beverley Ann Craig was chosen as Miss Taxation. A rightful label to pin on a good-looking girl. —Journal

Princess Victoria-Louise of Brunswick, mother of Queen Fredrika of Greece, suffered a broken ankle while skiing in the Austrian Alps last week. Well, that is the chance all skiers must take, regardless of their place in life. But the thing which interests us most is not the accident. It is Her Highness. Imagine, skiing at 62 years of age!—Belleville Intelligence

The Poets Corner

THE BEARS You, too, have known them, Bears marching in a broken line Among the rocks, eyes browsing indolently But quick in their lacklustre grace Among the faces, lips, the up-grace, Questions of those locked outside. In summer they are turned to action Brooding in a dark and friendly arrogance As if they yearned for us, as we, Incapable of their demeanor Yearn to march within their widely honeyed Coals, to brood Among the high rocks, lingering In dreams of other summers, and the bees.

—George Moore In the Montreal Star

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