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The New Cabinet

The new Shaw Government assumed office yesterday, and with promising prospects for sound and conscientious administration of the Province's affairs.

As announced in our news columns, Mr. Shaw has taken over, temporarily, the portfolio of Agriculture as well as that of Premier and President of the Executive Council.

Due to the restricted number of cabinet seats permissible under the present statute, it was impossible to arrange for the new portfolio of Municipal Affairs and Town Planning, or for an additional minister without portfolio.

The present setup, therefore, is of a temporary nature. It provides for a pretty fair division on religious grounds, and for three portfolios for Prince County, four for Queens and two for Kings.

Other considerations, of course, are of importance in cabinet appointments. First and foremost is fitness of the appointees, in ability and experience, for their jobs.

A Time For Prayer

One of the best comments we have seen on Premier Khrushchev's visit to President Eisenhower, and on the latter's contemplated return visit to Moscow, comes from an editorial page article in that worthy newspaper, the Christian Science Monitor.

"The most disturbing element in the opposition to the visits," says the article, "is not our expressed distaste for the Russians but our unexpressed distrust of ourselves."

The Monitor writer sees no good reason for this distrust. "The realities

of the nuclear and missile age are such that we have no more than two choices; either we shall live with the Russians or we shall die with them.

The talks should be used "to extend to Mr. Khrushchev and his people a friendship which minimizes neither the Russians' past sins nor our own; which promises neither credulity in the face of deception nor animosity in the presence of candor; and which neither undermines our own rights nor overlooks the possibility that all injustice may not be on the side of the Soviet Union."

President Eisenhower, says the Monitor, needs the prayers of all Christian people at this time. But it must not be the kind of prayer that is little more than a polite substitute for sticks and stones.

That Causeway Report

The Party of the Causeway should now get busy and find out what this delay of "another couple of months" in the survey report is all about. Nor should it have to depend, as our Ottawa correspondent has had to do, on statements of departmental officials.

It is pleasing to note that the deputy minister isn't too much worried, "at the moment," about rock fill. If there is a lack of this material nearby, it can always be got from somewhere else.

We cannot understand why, in view of the importance of this undertaking, official progress reports are not released from time to time by the responsible minister.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Governor General Vanier entered upon his responsible duties this week "with a prayer for divine help and a firm assertion that Canadians are united regardless of their national origin."

That grand old warrior, Sir Winston Churchill, is going to run again in the British general election. He is not expecting or looking for an acclamation, but it is going to be difficult for any opponent to unseat him, even though at the age of 84 he is in semi-retirement.



"FLEXIBILITY"

UNSOLVED MYSTERY

Stalin's Death Still A Puzzle

Marcel Wallenstein in the Kansas City Star

The intelligence services of the United States, Great Britain and France, working independently, have failed to discover the truth about Josef Stalin's death.

There are several different versions of the time, place and cause of the old Russian dictator's death. Completely different versions have been related in Moscow by high officials of the Soviet government, who should know the truth.

When former New York Gov. Averell Harriman visited Russia, he asked Premier Khrushchev the details concerning the death of Stalin.

RUSSIAN EYES ON KHRUSHCHEV

The danger in Khrushchev's visit to the United States—aside from any fear that he may be in personal danger during the jaunt—is its effect on the Russian people.

Reports from Moscow indicate that hopes are higher there than in most other places that the premier's trip and Eisenhower's return visit will lead to greater peace and friendship.

PRODUCTION RATE

Khrushchev boasts that Russia will overtake the United States in the production of many industrial and consumer items.

Pugwash & Elsie The Cow

Who would ever expect Elsie the Cow to pop up in a high brow discussion at this "thinkers' meeting for college deans."

Formula For Keeping Well

By Herman N. Sundesen, M. D.

HOW CAN you stay healthy? This is a tremendously important question to everyone, men, women and children.

It would be wonderful if I could guarantee all of you perfect health for the rest of your lives. I can't, of course. But I can give you a few tips on how to safeguard your health as much as possible.

So let me give you a formula for good health. Basically, it is a pattern of periodic medical examinations.

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I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy sin.

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OUR YESTERDAYS

(From the Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Sept 17, 1934)

Three fishermen had a narrow escape from death at Borden yesterday when their lobster boat caught fire.

TEN YEARS AGO (Sept 17, 1949)

Mr. Joseph Arsenault, Summerside, narrowly escaped death by electrocution last evening when he came in contact with a high tension wire leading from the light plant to the Summerside Airport.

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173 Great George St. Charlottetown Ed's Slogan: "To maintain the goodwill of those whom we serve - is the goal for which we strive!"