

The Ontario Campaign

The elections go to the polls in Ontario today, following a campaign which deteriorated into a bitter exchange of abuse on both sides. The Conservatives, who have been in power provincially for 20 years, claim to be still on top, and able to obtain 65 or 70 seats with a clear majority over the Liberal and NDP opposition. The Liberals, too, of course, are predicting victory, basing their hopes largely on their closer political tie with the party in power at Ottawa.

According to one non-partisan estimate, Premier Robarts may just about make the magic total of 55 seats required for a majority. The Liberals should almost double their present total of 24 seats. A few months ago a poll showed that Ontario residents preferred Robarts to Liberal Leader Wintermeyer three to one. This possibly would hold true today if it were a straight contest between the two leaders; but of course it is more than that.

There were obviously thousands of voters who supported the Conservatives in the federal elections of 1957 and 1958, and then switched to Liberal in the federal elections of 1962 and 1963. How will they vote provincially on this occasion may well determine the fate of the government.

The Liberal leader managed to inflate the Canada Pension Plan into a major campaign issue with flat statements that Mr. Robarts was out to torpedo it, and that he was in league with the private insurance carriers. Mr. Wintermeyer's only proof of this was that the Tory Premier was once an insurance company lawyer, and had failed to come out flatly in support of the federal scheme. Even with an "assist" from the federal health minister, Miss Judy LaMarsh, it is doubtful how far the Wintermeyer campaign will go over on this point.

The Liberal leader's contention that the province needs to get "in line" with Ottawa is, according to Conservatives, exactly opposite to that held by his party in the last provincial election in 1959. At that time Ontario Liberals said they would win seats because the electors wanted to keep the federal Tory government in check by putting in a sort of opposition at Queen's Park. The answer to that, we suppose, is that circumstances alter cases.

Wheat Deal Repercussions

It has been suggested that perhaps the main reason for American acceptance of Canada's big wheat sale to Russia is the belief that it will confer indirect benefits upon U.S. wheat growers. This is in line with a New York Times report that some U.S. officials figured the U.S. could boost its wheat sales very considerably in the next year as a replacement for Canadian wheat.

It would be unwise, certainly, for Canada to leave other markets too open. Like the Chinese sale, this one is in the nature of a windfall, dictated by internal conditions in the purchasing country—in this case bad weather which reduced the harvest. Nobody counts on selling this much wheat, or anything like it, to Russia in a normal year, although it is possible that future grain sales might be larger than they have been in the past.

Nor can it be overlooked that the wheat deal is part of a new three-year trade agreement between Canada and the Soviet Union, and that trade is a two-way street. If

we expect to see much to assess on a long-term basis we must be willing to let Russia export to Canada. Canadian purchases from the Soviet Union have exceeded \$2 billion a year. Last year this country bought only \$1.7 million worth of Soviet products; in the same period our purchases from the United States totalled \$4,299 million.

Mr. Drew's Future

The resignation of Hon. George Drew as Canada's High Commissioner in London has prompted rumors that the former national Conservative leader—lawyer, soldier, public servant, politician and diplomat—may become our next Governor General. According to a New York despatch in the Ottawa Journal, however, there is no foundation for this; and the authority given for the denial is Prime Minister Pearson.

The Prime Minister said he had read a report of the rumors, and was surprised "because I had thought it was accepted, as it should be, that George is most anxious to retire." "That is what he is going to do," he added. "He has had a long, distinguished and extremely useful and valuable career in the public service of Canada, and very much wants to take his leave."

Mr. Pearson and Mr. Drew are friends of long standing, and it was doubtless the affectionate regard they had for each other that prompted speculation that the latter might become Governor General following General Georges Vanier's coming retirement. Mr. Drew had earlier addressed his resignation to "My Dear Mike", and had received a "Dear George" letter of acceptance. It was at the Prime Minister's request that he is remaining at his Canada House post in London until the year end.

But private life will not mean inactivity for George Alexander Drew. He plans to write and travel and to do some other things that he had little time for when he was in the thick of political war or serving in his present position. He is said to be more mellow than when he was in his political heyday—still a handsome, soldierly figure, and a great Canadian. Good luck to him, wherever he goes!

Following Pope John

The Second Vatican Council is due to convene again on Sunday, and Pope Paul VI has named Cardinals Siemens, Lercaro, Doepfner and Agagianian to a new executive committee responsible to him, for directing the proceedings. As the Frederick Gleaner notes in this connection, the first three are leaders of the ultra-progressive wing of the Roman Catholic Church, strong advocates of Christian unity and a restatement of church doctrine in modern terms. Armenian-born Cardinal Agagianian, head of the church's missionary activities, is regarded as holding a moderate or middle-of-the-road position.

Pope Paul has also announced that the number of observers from other Christian churches invited to the Vatican will be increased, and that a number of Roman Catholic lay delegates, with speaking but not voting powers, will join the cardinals, archbishops and bishops at the council.

This clear indication of Pope Paul's intention to follow the course of his predecessor, Pope John XXIII, will be hailed with appreciation in many parts of the world. Perhaps the most striking announcement of all expresses a desire for closer relation with the non-Christian religions. This, as the Gleaner well says, is an amazing concept, seemingly ahead of its time, involving some form of unity of all those who proclaim, though in widely varying language, the supreme place of the spirit in human affairs.

EDITORIAL NOTE

Premier Shaw looked as if he meant it in the picture in yesterday's Guardian in which he is shown congratulating the brilliant Mont Carmel student, Frederick J. Arsenault, on being the choice of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick for a Rhodes Scholarship. This is a high distinction indeed—a credit to the Province as well as to Mr. Arsenault personally—and we wish him every success as he leaves today for Montreal to join 11 other Canadian scholarship winners on their way to Oxford, England.



PILING UP

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

Plays Increasing Role In Labor Force

The Canadian labour force is taller more than seven million this summer, for the first time in our history. The count of our labour force on July 20 showed 7,033,000 workers.

Of these, 27% per cent were women, 4% per cent were with out jobs, and nearly 4% per cent of those with jobs were students and other teenagers who had flocked onto the labour market in June and July.

Service and recreation occupations" sees the sexes in almost exact balance. Large numbers of able-bodied men are employed as firemen, policemen, watchmen and in the armed services; many are employed as janitors. And, believe it or not, they outnumber women in jobs as "cooks". Women are employed in large numbers, and on regular wage-paying jobs, as domestic maids, waitresses and building cleaners.

As automation brings a gradual shift from jobs requiring muscle to jobs requiring a nimble finger or quick eye, in some fields women are preferred to men. But there are still plenty of classifications in which man is superior.

BOSS-MAN IS MALE In the whole field of commerce and industry, man predominates in the role of manager, outnumbering women 9 to 1. But in professional and technical occupations, woman is creeping up fast. She is outnumbered only by men in the range of such jobs as engineers, scientists, religion, law, the arts, social welfare and health professionals. Surprisingly, Canada does have 17 female judges and magistrates.

The reason why woman is moving out of the home into office and workshop is complex. In some cases the result of the increasing higher education and household chores unrelieved are a killer for a graduate of high school and university. In many cases the impelling motive is to keep up with the Joneses: the mortgage and the installment payments on the car and the TV and the deep-freeze, not to mention the monthly cost of a 1st summer's "play now, pay later" holiday travel—all these impose a burden which even the record high pay packet of the husband cannot carry.

Those Old Wives' Tales

Kitchener - Waterloo Record

One of the strange things about modern life, which is becoming more and more scientifically organized and less and less personal and folksy, is the way in which we have come to confuse modern life.

For years men said the story of the walls of Jericho was myth until they were uncovered in a flattened position. Troy was a Homeric legend until Heinrich Schliemann uncovered its ruins.

PUBLIC FORUM

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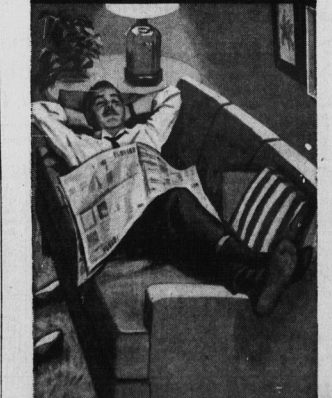
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TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO

September 25, 1938

Roderic Ems Smith, Summerdale left his mortal coil for Montreal where he will attend a farewell banquet of Canadian Rhodes scholars sailing on the Empress of Britain from Quebec for England to enter Trinity College at Oxford University. Mr. Smith won the Rhodes Scholarship for Nova Scotia last year.

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Heart Attack And Exercise

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

Ten men who had recovered satisfactorily from a heart attack volunteered to exercise on a treadmill in the same way as 20 presumably healthy persons. The exercise did just as well as the others, with no strain on the heart, suggesting that they should be able to perform their normal jobs. The machine was set for the amount of work that 60 per cent of the male population is capable of doing.

The cardiac muscle usually heals completely after coronary thrombosis. On the other hand, the basic cause remains, and is much different from what existed months or years prior to the attack in question. What do we mean?

The underlying cause of the usual heart attack is hardening of the arteries. These vessels supply the heart muscle with blood, and as such, represent the most vital pipelines any of us possess. When fatty substance such as cholesterol adhere to the inner lining of the vessel, the vessel is reduced gradually. Suddenly one segment is plugged and the heart attack is in the making.

Some victims describe the ensuing distress from the fibres are soft and weak. From this time on, the healing takes place and the dead muscle fibres are replaced by scar tissue. By the end of 12 weeks, the area is as solid as before.

The artery continues to be obstructed but new connections are made with other vessels to bring nourishment into the bloodless area. In some instances, the occluded segment is bridged by a new vessel. The exception is when a large branch of a coronary artery becomes plugged, depriving a sizable part of the heart muscle of blood. This is a more serious situation and those who survive may not be able to exert at a later date without developing chest distress.

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"For Sale: Pet Skunk, very affectionate." - Classified ad. If we wanted a pet skunk, which we don't, we'd prefer this one. It is demure and unobtrusive. - Timmins Press

During a storm in Alabama, lightning struck the same place three times. Even the venerable old proverb is being debunked these days. - Fort Arthur News Chronicle.

McNamara's New Mission

By Harold Morrison

Canadian Press Staff Writer

President Kennedy has dispatched Defense Secretary Robert McNamara on a mission which not only involves reappraisal of the military effort against the Communist Viet Cong but an attempt to end long-standing discussion within American ranks in Saigon.

Reports indicate the U.S. diplomatic and military leaders in South Viet Nam do not see eye to eye on how to handle the unpopular and dictatorial Diem regime. And there is some indication the Central Intelligence Agency is within the role of informer to top Diem and his brother Nhu on Western attempts to stage a coup within the family operation.

On top of this plotting and counter-plotting, certain right-wing commentators are attempting to beloud and cast suspicion on the Saigon news reports, hinting that the same "progressive" thinking that led to Fidel Castro's overthrow of the Batista regime in Cuba is being hornet's nest in the Saigon news-gathering forces.

HORNETS' NEST McNamara and General Maxwell Taylor, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, therefore appear to be stepping into a hornets' nest in their week-long reappraisal effort and one or both may be stung.

Ever since Diem's brutal treatment of the Buddhist priests and nuns became a matter of wide public knowledge, the anti-Communist war in South Viet Nam has been going badly. The Communist-led Viet Cong has stepped up operations. Principally in the key Mekong Delta, the rice bowl just south of Saigon, and reports indicate the Vietnamese army, supported by American troops, arms and money, is taking a beating.

This may lead to more effective pressure to reform the Diem government. And it may be that when Diem sees the U.S. is united, that he cannot play one group against another, that he will be forced into more generous understanding of the needs of his people.

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