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CIRCULATION "Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew"

"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink"

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Atlantic Fisheries

Most encouraging is the fishery products section of the report submitted to President Eisenhower by the U. S. Public Advisory Board for Mutual Security.

It recognizes, reports the Fisheries Council of Canada, that the fisheries of foreign North Atlantic nations have certain advantages in supplying frozen fillets.

Noting that in 1951, three-fourths of total imports of frozen fillets paid the higher rate of duty, 2 1/2 cents a pound rather than the reduced duty on the quota amount.

This policy, if adopted, would indeed benefit all concerned; the American fishing industry, the American consumer, and of course the Canadian and other North Atlantic fishermen.

The number of accidents to Federal Government employees for which Workmen's Compensation is applicable runs between eight and nine per cent.

Larger Lobsters

Two years ago Dr. A. W. H. Needler recommended to the Prince Edward Island Fisheries Development Committee that it advocate increasing the minimum size of lobsters for canning from seven inches.

Presumably enforcement is now sufficiently effective, for Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Sinclair, has announced that the 2 3/8 inch limit is being raised to 2 1/2 inches.

There is no doubt, of course, that taking a given number of lobsters annually it would be much more profitable for them to be of a large size.

It is going to take a lot of restraint on the part of fishermen to leave the small lobsters to grow. They probably realize that is small consolation for putting up with relatively short commons in the meantime.

Compulsory Car Inspection

A New York exchange estimates that compulsory inspection of the 4,000,000 cars on New York State's roads could save 1,000 lives a year.

In New Jersey, highway deaths were running as high as 1,300 a year. As soon as state-operated inspection stations were opened the figure dropped to 865 and it has never since risen anywhere near the old rate.

Quoting the above statements, the Hamilton Spectator observes that a compulsory system of thorough inspection at properly equipped testing stations has two results: First, it weeds out the outright jalopies which have no place on the road anyway.

In the United States it is estimated that compulsory testing will cost the motorist between \$2 and \$3 a year, whether as a direct inspection fee or as an extra charge on the licence.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Cleanliness is proverbially next to godliness and Summerside's Community Planning Association recognizes that it is an essential to community improvement.

The forthright statement of Justice Minister Garson that the Government is not seeking power to pass secret Orders-in-Council would at one time have ended the matter.

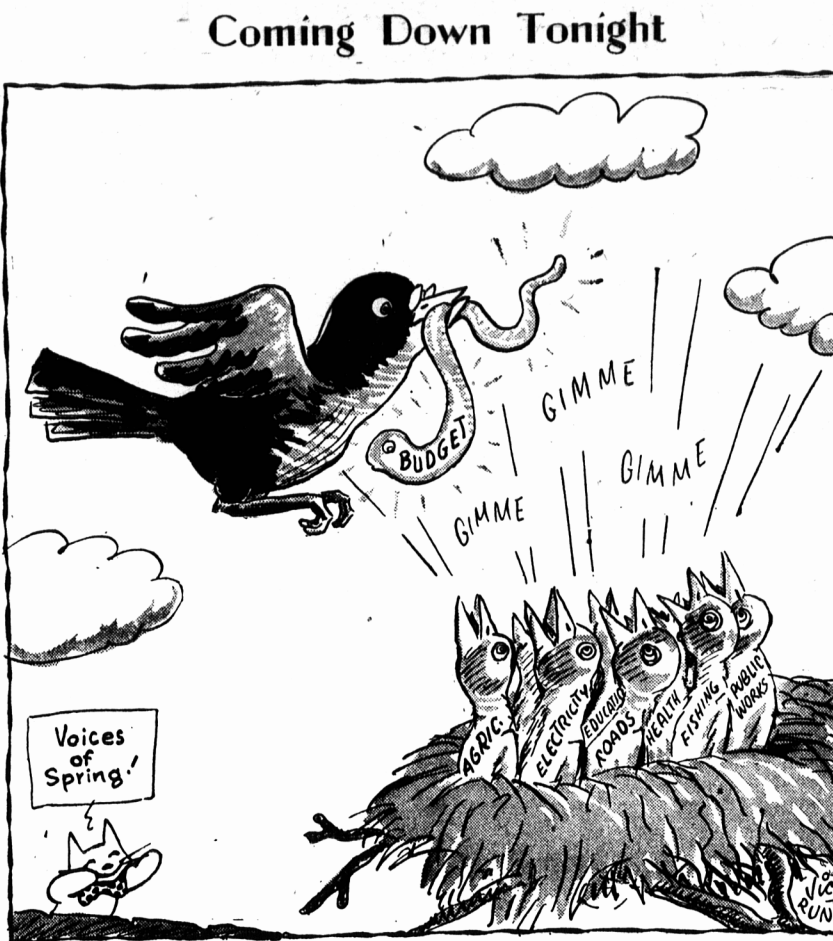
The farmer doesn't work by a clock exactly. He works from sun-up to sundown—twelve and fifteen hours per day. He doesn't start to work on Monday at 7 or 8 o'clock in the morning and quit at 3 or 4 in the evening.

Sarah Bernhardt, French actress, died this date 1923. She was born and had her first successes in Paris but toured Europe, the United States, South America and Australia.

The passage of the Civil Service Act recalls a rather peculiar Quebec legal decision. In ancient days being in the service of the Queen or King was military or naval and the non-military office holder was designated a civil servant.

Big business is not necessarily sound business. An exchange quotes the findings of Brookings Institution that of the 100 largest U. S. corporations at the beginning of the century only 38 were in existence forty years later.

In less than sixty pages, a Unesco publication takes in national statistics on adults able to read and write, primary education, higher education, libraries, museums, book production, daily newspaper circulation, film production, and attendance.



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.

THE FARMER'S STATUS

Sir.—Let us thank our stars for farmers. If the farmers should go on strike and not send any of his products to the market, I wonder what would happen to the ones who don't know where their bread and butter comes from.

LABOR AND TRADE UNIONS

Sir.—Being a railway worker I would appreciate it if you would publish an excerpt from a letter signed Frank Eliason, of Saskatoon, which appeared in the Family Herald of March 19. The excerpt is as follows:

"There was a time when I could accept the opposition to Trade Union tactics so often voiced in Herald editorials, but since retiring and having more time to study these matters, I confess that I had been misled. Trade Unions do not hold the pistol to the head of any nation as you have stated. I find that the railway workers tried for a year to negotiate a contract and were finally forced to set a date for the strike. Then and only then did the company bosses realize that the unions meant business."

I am, Sir, etc. Borden, P. E. I.

FOR SALE AT VICTORIA

Orient Hotel. A well established tourist and transient hotel. Compelled to sell because of illness. H. R. PROFFIT, Victoria, P. E. I.

The Poet's Corner

SONG OF THE DAWN

Awake! awake! the stars are pale, the east is russet gray; They fade, behold the phantoms fade, that keep the gates of day.

The Age-Old Story

And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians.

Old Charlottetown

(And P. E. I.)

THE PHOENIX FOUNDRY

"We beg to call public attention to an advertisement published in this day's Gazette, announcing the establishment of a Foundry in Charlottetown. It has been for a considerable time a matter of surprise that a Foundry had not long ago been started, and we now rejoice to observe that one is about being commenced."

WHY HAVE SORE FEET?

JUST RUB IN MINARD'S 'KING OF PAIN' LINIMENT

Advertisement for G. H. Taylor Jewellers. Features a diamond ring and text: 'TANORED SOLITAIRE 14 karat gold setting 62.50 VALUE depends on what you get - for what you pay! The size of the diamond you get for what you pay is how you determine value. Your satisfaction is guaranteed here. G. H. TAYLOR Jewellers For Four Generations'

The Passing Scene

By Observer BOOKS FOR A DESERT ISLAND

A correspondent suggests that I name the three books I would take with me to a desert island and give my reasons for the selections. As I understand it, the Bible would not be included in the three as any one with any literary sense to say nothing of anything else, would take one with him anyway.

Hence, my first selection for the hypothetical journey to a desert island: "WALDEN", by Henry David Thoreau.

Now, I am well aware that in his day Thoreau was considered a bit of a misanthrope and, at best, an incurable eccentric. Later critics, however, have decided that he did not hate mankind but only the pretences and shams which somehow have always managed to cling to human society.

Perhaps every man past forty (by which time he is likely to be settled in his dogmatism) should spend a few months on a desert island or deep in the woods and try to evaluate his knowledge or better still, his ignorance, in unaccustomed solitude.

Thoreau's account of how he set out to accomplish these purposes would, I fancy, be required reading for me as a desert islander, for as long as I stayed on the island I should be obliged to get along without many of the artificialities of what we are pleased to call civilization.

Professional Cards section listing various professionals: Chas. R. McQuaid (Barrister, Solicitor, Notary), Dr. W. R. Carson (Chiropractor), J. A. Carruthers, R.O. (Optometrist), Allison M. Gillis, LL.B. (Barrister), Byron J. Grant, O.D. (Optometrist), H. R. Doane & Company (Chartered Accountants), Matheson, Peake & Nicholson (Barristers), Dr. K. A. MacEachern (Dentist), Dr. A. L. MacIsaac (Dentist), Bell, Mathieson & Foster (Barristers), Erma P. MacPherson, C.A. (Chartered Accountant), McDonald, Currie & Co. (Chartered Accountants).