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is the ready market for prime quality farm products.

Here, certainly, is opportunity knocking at the door, and no time is to be lost in making the necessary business contacts. One thing we must be prepared to do, of course, is guarantee quality and continuity of supply. As Dr. MacKinnon emphasized, "it is not only important that we get our share of the present market but that we be on the ground floor when the inevitable expansion takes place." This was the key thought which he left with his hearers, and the response at the meeting was enthusiastic.

But this enthusiasm must be converted into action. Our Boards of Trade can serve a useful purpose in this connection, and so can our farm organizations. If Dr. MacKinnon can be spared from his other onerous duties, it would be an excellent idea to have him speak at various centres throughout the Province, giving, in his own dynamic words, this vision that he has caught of the Canadian North as our last frontier, and of the part that we can play in its amazing development.

Uranium For Japan

By an agreement signed in Vienna last month, Japan became the first country to buy nuclear fuel for research purposes from the International Atomic Energy Agency, and the Agency assumed its major role as a supplier of such material for peaceful activities. Canada is particularly interested in this project, for the uranium supplied is being furnished by this country free of charge to the Agency, as part of its contribution to the IAEA program.

Japan is buying three tons of natural uranium for use in a low power research reactor, and special safeguards are being drawn up by the IAEA to ensure that the fuel, and any fissionable material produced from it, shall not be used in such a way as to further any military purpose. These safeguards will include the submission by Japan of regular reports, and the periodic visits of IAEA representatives to Japan.

The material will be ready for delivery to Japan within three months of the entry into force of the agreement between Canada and the IAEA. Truly we—and Japan—have come a long way since August, 1945, when the dreadful effects of atomic bombs were first felt at Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the nuclear age was ominously ushered in.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Those slow Britishers again. An export order to supply Yugoslavia with £3,700,000 of agricultural machinery has been secured by a firm in war-battered Coventry, England. The order is for 5,000 tractors and a wide range of implements, accessories and spare parts. All the tractors will be fitted with engines made in Peterborough, England. Deliveries are to start at once and the order will be completed within twelve months.

The U. S. House of Representatives has passed legislation to create a 24-member Congressional Committee to act as "liaison" with the Canadian Parliament. If approved by the Senate, the group will work with a similar Canadian group at the legislative level on common problems and interests. It follows up a Canadian-American meeting in Washington last January.

One of the more reassuring aspects of the Dulles-to-Herter change-over at the U.S. State Department has been the performance of Mr. Dulles at the meeting confirming him as foreign policy adviser to President Eisenhower. Mr. Dulles is reported to have warned his successor, Secretary of State Herter, against "interlopers" between him and the President—and then to have added that he, Mr. Dulles, would take care himself not to be an interloper.

An American Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Stephen Bayne, Bishop of Olympia, Wash., has been named by the Archbishop of Canterbury executive officer of the world-wide Anglican Communion. This is a new post created at last year's Lambeth Conference. The main responsibility of Bishop Bayne will be the administration of the communion's central planning organization for missionary work around the world and the consultative body of Lambeth, an interim agency that functions between the decennial Lambeth Conferences. Bishop Bayne will live in London.



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OTTAWA REPORT

An Added Deterrent

By Patrick Nicholson

An unwritten headline was the most newsworthy item in an otherwise undistinguished Budget debate.

"Women should only smoke cigars." That sensational advice was the headline news which, although unreported and although unspoken in those words, lay behind the thoughtful speech delivered by Dr. P.B. Rynard, the popular surgeon and physician who represents Orillia in our House of Commons.

Dr. Rynard spoke of Finance Minister Fleming's increase of the excise tax on cigarettes by two cents per package. "I am not sure that this increase should not have been greater," declared the Doctor, "because that would serve as an added deterrent." He was, of course, speaking medically and not fiscally. He was not advocating higher taxes as such. The clue, which few of his listeners picked up, was that word "deterrent". As a doctor, he explained to me afterwards, he would welcome any step which would deter Canadians from cutting short their lives by heavy smoking of cigarettes.

Tobacco, he explained to me, burns with the greatest heat when in contact with paper, such as a cigarette wrapper. This heat is probably intensified by the salt-petre or other ingredient with which the wrapper is impregnated to keep it smouldering. When tobacco burns at such a high temperature, the heat creates a dangerous rosin, which is a cancer-producing factor. The danger lies in the temperature at which the tobacco is burned; it has nothing to do with the temperature at which the tobacco smoke enters the human body, so the use of a long cigarette holder—which cools the smoke—does not eliminate the danger. Some filters may reduce the quantity of the carcinogenic rosin which is carried into the body by the smoke. Not being in contact with paper, tobacco burns at a lower temperature when packed into a pipe or rolled into a cigar. This does not create the killing rosin, so medical circles believe that pipe-smokers and cigar addicts do not contract lung cancer from the factor which kills so many cigarette smokers.

Dr. Rynard, who smokes only the occasional cigar himself, told me that the proportion of deaths from lung cancer is rising, especially among women who are becoming as heavy cigarette smokers as men. The conclusion which I sensed to be written between the lines, although not spelled out, in the Doctor's speech was simply this: there is no need to cut out tobacco, but it would be prudent to switch from cigarettes to pipes

The Search For The Key

Arthur Blakely in The Montreal Gazette

Ever since they lost the last general-election, the Liberals have been looking for ways and means of winning the next one. They have been accused, at times, of giving a rather dull performance in the House of Commons. But in some measure, at least, this has been due to a deliberate policy of watching, waiting and hoping for a new issue to arise.

"We are waiting," for Liberal strategists have been in the habit of saying, "for the Government to make its first major mistake." Past experience has indicated that an opposition stands to gain remarkably little by starting right after an election, to challenge the government anew on policies for which the government has just received a mandate. Anyway, the Liberals now believe that the period of watching and waiting is at an end.

FIRST SERIOUS ERROR The Diefenbaker Government they are persuaded, has committed its first serious error—on which could be exploited to advantage in the next election whenever it comes. Prime Minister Diefenbaker slipped badly, they think, in refusing bluntly to give special federal aid to Newfoundland under the terms of union, past 1962. This opinion is not the exclusive property of the Liberals, for that matter. There are Conservative M.P.'s, especially from Maritime ridings, who agree fundamentally with the position which the Government took, but who entertain grave doubts about the way in which that position was announced and explained on a kind of take-it-or-leave-it basis. But while the Conservatives who have mental reservations about Ottawa's stand in the matter are being scrupulously careful to do nothing designed to increase the Government's difficulties in this regard, the same can not be said, of course, of the delighted Liberals. They are working hard to turn the Government's difficulties in Newfoundland to their advantage.

PLUGGING / WAY They have contrived a campaign to keep the Newfoundland problem constantly before Par-

or cigars. More dramatically, his message is this: "Women should only smoke cigars."

THE WISE DUTCH GIRLS

Now before even the most charmingly feminine of the Doctor's pretty lady supporters in Orillia shudder at this advice—free to you, but well worth the five bucks which a visit to your doctor would cost—let us think of the mild little cigars, or cigarette-sized cigars, which are already so popular in the United States. Let us think of the women of the Netherlands, who have so long wisely been cigar smokers.

And above all, let us think of the women, and the men, who perhaps first notice a persistent cold, then perhaps appear to be suffering from virus pneumonia, and finally learn too late that they have come face to face with that merciless and painful killer, cancer of the lung.

There is as yet no scientific data concerning the extent of the danger of cigarettes, a any more than there is about those similar carcinogens, diesel oil fumes and industrial chemical fumes. Nor is there a fixed danger level in cigarette smoking which applies equally to every person; some are more susceptible than others, some are fortunately entirely immune.

But the message was here, a red flag in the middle of that unexpected scene, a Budget debate.

"If even one Canadian saves his life after reading my speech I shall be happy that I spoke those words," Doctor Rynard told me.

most hidden that issue from view. There is some reason to believe that Prime Minister Diefenbaker may be wondering if Ottawa's position was a little too rigid. In a recent telecast, he went out of his way to express regret that "some misunderstanding" and to promise that such differences would be resolved in a spirit of "understanding, commonsense and compromise." So some conciliatory gestures may be in the planning stage.

But in the meantime, the Liberals are still plugging away, convinced that they have Newfoundland solidly with them for a good many years and that other Maritime areas may be sympathetic.

TEN YEARS AGO (April 29, 1949) Mr. Ross McEwen retires as President of the Summerside Tennis Club at the annual meeting held Friday evening. Mr. Eric MacKay was elected vice-president and Mr. A.E. Harris, secretary-treasurer.

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Many Wearing Contact Lenses

By Herman N. Bundesen, M. D. APPROXIMATELY 90,000,000 Americans wear glasses. For a million of these use contact lenses. That's about one out of every 45 persons in the country. This year the figure should be about one out of every 35.

More women than men (59 per cent to 41 per cent) wear these invisible lenses. Strangely, the majority of these women are white-collar workers. Actresses and models seem to be in the minority.

Why do these women want contact lenses? Vanity, of course, but that's only part of the answer. RESULTS OF SURVEY

A careful survey revealed that the six most important reasons why women chose contact lenses are:

1. To improve the self image.
2. Vanity and better vision.
3. Social activities.
4. Increased acceptance of contact lenses by the general public.
5. Freedom from spectacle frames.
6. The influence of men.

Forty-seven per cent of the women who wear contact lenses are in the 15 to 25-year age bracket; 45 per cent are 25 to 40; and 8 per cent are 40 to 65. The number of wearers in the latter age group increased 6 per cent last year, apparently because of the introduction of bifocal contacts.

MEN'S MOTIVES Men wear contact lenses because:

1. They consider them less bothersome.
2. Masculine ego.
3. Better vision.
4. Athletic activities.
5. Influence of women.
6. They feel the contacts are a advisable for various occupations.

SOME TEENAGERS About 27 per cent of the contact wearers are teenagers or in their pre-teen years.

The reasons listed by adolescents for wearing contacts are:

1. Vanity, which is present to a much stronger degree in teenagers than in adults.
2. Emotions—vanity borders on the emotional.
3. They think removal of spectacles will make them more socially acceptable.
4. They want to see well.
5. They want to participate in athletics on a par with others.
6. They see adults using these lenses.

ADAPT QUICKLY Teenagers seem to adapt to contact lenses more quickly than adults. Generally, this is explained by their ability to accept changes more easily and their strong determination to hide their eye defects.

Basically, many persons who wear contact lenses are extroverts. Practitioners report that introverted patients usually develop marked out-going characteristics within the first six months after being fitted for contacts.

QUESTION AND ANSWER Q. E. S.: What are the symptoms of a diabetic? Answer: There are many symptoms, including frequency of urination, thirst, weight loss, and itching.

OUR YESTERDAYS (From the Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (April 29, 1934) Mrs. D.M. Gass, of Charlottetown, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.B. MacCulloch, has had a picture accepted at Montreal at the art exhibition of the Montreal Artists Association. Mrs. Gass studied art from the famous artist Dumont in New York and more recently at Margaree, N.S. his summer residence.

Mr. D.O. Stewart was re-elected president of the Summerside Tennis Club at the annual meeting held Friday evening. Mr. Eric MacKay was elected vice-president and Mr. A.E. Harris, secretary-treasurer.

NOTES BY THE WAY

A woman in Sydney, Australia, won a divorce after testifying that her husband preferred to sleep on the lawn. A grass widow, as it were.—St. Thomas Times-Journal

The optimistic notes uttered by the birds at dawn Monday were not repeated in the gloom of Tuesday a.m., but we can't say that snow in April is more than we have been led to expect in the experience of bygone seasons. And the birds have been through it before. They will chirp again more convincingly at sunup under a blue sky.—Cape Breton Post

Chief Train Despatcher at Charlottetown the last of this month after a period of service dating back some fifty years. Mr. McEwen commenced work with the old Anglo-American Telegraph Company as a messenger in 1899, and has since served under five superintendents of the Island Division of the C.N.R.

The Maritime Electric Company of Charlottetown were busy on Wednesday putting up electric light poles at O'Leary corner and along the Western Road towards West Devon to join the line which runs from Summerside to Mount Pleasant. It is understood that a private line will be constructed from O'Leary to the Corner. The owner will purchase electricity from the Maritime Electric Company.

Herter's First Task

By George Kitchin Canadian Press Staff Writer

With his own fellow-countrymen and the rest of the world looking on, Christian A. Herter this week meets the first great test of his abilities as secretary of state—the American foreign minister. Now firmly established in the job once held by ailing John Foster Dulles, he arrives in Paris by air today and to try to coordinate with the foreign ministers of Britain and France Allied strategy for the forthcoming East-West talks on Berlin and the future of Germany.

His first task will be to help hammer out some acceptable degree of unity among the Western big three—Britain, France and the United States—before they meet with the Eastern ministers in Geneva May 11 in critical talks that may lead to a summer summit meeting.

The degree of success the West hopes to achieve at Geneva may well depend upon how well Herter and his British and French allies do their job at Paris.

INSISTENT VIEWS In seeking a united front they will have to take into account the insistent views of the West German government, which stands fast on a firm policy of no concessions to Moscow in seeking a solution to the muddled problem of German reunification and European security.

While there is no real clash in Western viewpoints, major differences of opinion do exist. Britain, for example, apparently feels there is a real chance of reaching a practical agreement with the Soviet Union—on both sides are willing to make concessions. France and West Germany seem to be holding out for firmness and rigidity. The U.S. is reported to lean towards rigidity, though willing to attempt to reach some meeting of minds with the Russians. It will be up to Herter, representing the senior partner in the Western alliances, to attempt to reconcile those differences and

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