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The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink.

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Needed Advice

Admiral Radford, chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, has advised Americans, and the West generally, "not to assume that we are ahead of Soviet Russia and its allies in everything."

This is good and much needed advice, and the sooner it is taken to heart the better it will be for the common prestige of Western countries among non-Western peoples—and perhaps for their security.

There are, for instance, 3700 technical training schools in the Soviet Union at the present time, with an enrollment of more than 1 1/2 million students.

There is another matter to be considered, too. Almost every Western diplomat who visits Asia comes back impressed by the distaste with which public opinion views the American—and, to some extent, the general Western—practice of confusing bigness with worth.

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Butter Surplus Figures

So many apparently contradictory figures are being quoted to substantiate divergent points of view on the butter surplus problem that it is little wonder the average citizen is bewildered.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that butter stocks on January 1 this year were 100,030,000 pounds, up from 91,023,000 pounds on the same date a year ago.

March to meet Winter needs in this country. The deficiency is taken from storage, butter put away during flush production months.

Last year consumption in those three months was 66.5 million pounds, somewhere near average for recent years. Production was 34.3 million pounds. Unless there is some great change this year it would appear that around 32 million pounds would be required out of storage to meet normal consumer requirements.

However what the trade terms the "pipeline"—butter in transit and on retail shelves—requires several million pounds and it is over the size of this requirement that much of the controversy centres.

Soldier-Philanthropist

A lot of hard words are spoken from time to time about the alleged misbehaviour of soldiers stationed in foreign lands. A year or so ago, for instance, Canadian soldiers stationed in Germany came under considerable unenviable publicity, which quieted down only when inquiry revealed that most of the trouble had been caused by relatively few individuals.

The report goes on to say that at one time and another American soldiers in Korea have built 199 orphanages, 212 churches, and 269 schools, and spent almost \$3 million to help victims of war in Korea.

EDITORIAL NOTES

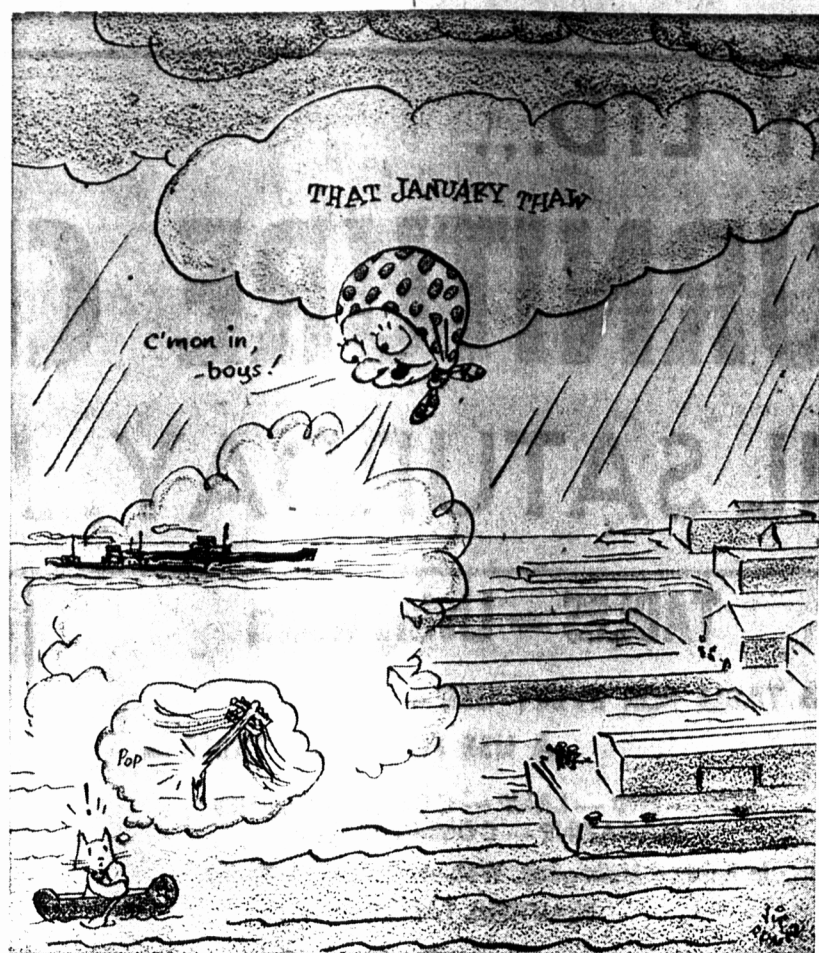
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ICE MAKER -- ICE BREAKER

OTTAWA REPORT

Mr. Drew Rejuvenated

By Patrick Nicholson

A new Drew grew in Ottawa. The national leader of the Progressive Conservative party made his first major public appearance of 1956 at its annual meeting here last week.

The leader who, two years ago, faced internal revolt, emerged this year as the leader unanimously endorsed with the confidence of all Conservatives.

Instead, he gave a hundred good reasons why Canadians should resist the present trend to dictatorship, which is largely the result of the Conservatives failure to provide an effective opposition in the past.

With every justification, Mr. Drew deplored the lengthening shadow of government which is falling across the lives of all of us. He criticised the secrecy with which the present government carries on the public business.

He complained that the government refuses to give information about public business to the men and women elected to Ottawa to supervise the spending of the public's money.

This was all very true. But constructive proposals rather than destructive criticism is what Canadians want. And the new Drew is capable of formulating these.

ten years has given Canada and the world a not very moving picture resembling the famous Dutch boy stopping the dyke - running from place to place to plug each little leak as it occurred. What the Conservatives need is a comprehensive program to lower those flood waters and rebuild the dyke.

If such a program was compiled behind the meeting's closed doors, George Drew did not reveal this in his speech.

That is the outstanding impression which Conservative delegates are taking back to their associations in ridings all over Canada. There is a new Drew in Ottawa. They have at long last a leader who can lead, and indeed a leader they are all willing to follow.

For Canadians everywhere, and regardless of their political beliefs, this is news of major importance. Weak leadership of any political party and dissension within it is bad news. For our democratic system of government - which means government by the people and for the people - to operate well and fairly, it is absolutely essential that we do not descend into the dark depths of dictatorship in a one-party state. This remained an especial danger when one of the two historic parties, itself the chief opposition to the present government, was torn by internal strife.

Perhaps the inspiration came from his signal triumph in Parliament last year; perhaps the confidence came from his realization that not only all Conservatives are now solidly behind him and discontented supporters of other parties turning towards him. Whatever it was, this year's meeting of the Conservative party here in Ottawa was a personal triumph for George Drew.

One hundred and nine new industries have located in Canada during a one and a half year period starting from August 1930. This now brings the capital employed to an amount close to the two billion dollar mark. The distribution of industry control is as follows: United States 68 per cent, Canada 17 per cent, Great Britain 14 per cent, and other countries one per cent.

A record for late plowing was established in Kingston, Ontario, today, when George Hland had the grounds of Queen's University prepared for seeding. He reported that the soil was in good shape and easily handled.

President Hoover today signed the bill which will create a \$2,000,000,000 reconstruction corporation to enliven business in the United States.

Tenders for the repairs to the Charlottetown Railway Wharf, which were submitted last week, were being considered by Public Works Department officials today. The lowest and other tenders will be placed on the minister's desk tomorrow for submission to the Cabinet within the next two or three days.

The first major test of the United Nations Organization's ability to smooth international friction, came in an attempt to settle amicably the Soviet protest against British policy in Greece and Java. The debate brought the comment from President Paul-Henri Spaak of Belgium, that there were no grounds for pessimism, and also a warning to guard against the errors of the League of Nations.

ARMY BAND PRAISED OTTAWA (CP)—The band of the Royal Canadian Brigade, has won the praise of Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, supreme commander. Allied powers in Europe. The army said Monday that Gen. Gruenther thanked the band for the "finest entertainment ever at SHAPE headquarters" following a three-hour concert of martial, classical and popular music.

RECORD TOTAL Birth registrations in Canada reached an all-time high of 45,142 in 1955, sixth consecutive annual increase.

The Age Old Story But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundesen, M. D.

EXPERTS CAN CORRECT CLEFT PALATE AND LIP

Cooperation of specialists in many fields is needed to correct the physical defects and speech impediment caused by cleft palate and cleft lip. Experts in plastic surgery, hearing, breathing, dentistry and speech re-education can work together to cure this mistake of nature.

A cleft palate or a harelip occurs when the tissues forming the lip and palate fail to grow together. A harelip generally occurs on the upper lip, either on one or both sides. In addition to disfiguring the appearance of a child, it also makes it difficult for him to breathe and speak.

The defects usually can be repaired completely by a plastic surgeon. A special dental device assists the patient in controlling sounds for speech as well as improving his appearance. Other specialists then contribute their efforts toward complete cure.

If your child is born handicapped with a cleft palate or lip, do not blame yourself. These malformations are an error of nature. Heredity does appear to play a part in their development, but we do not know the actual cause.

It is usually advisable to begin repairs fairly early in childhood, although each is an individual case. Sometimes a doctor might advise that closing of a cleft in the palate be delayed for months or even years.

But whether corrective steps are begun now or are postponed by your doctor, do not worry. Cleft palates and lips usually can be repaired.

ACTUAL CAUSE

QUESTION: ANSWER J. B.: Is fish a good source of proteins?

ANSWER: The proteins in fish are practically equal to those of meat and eggs. This is beneficial to those wanting to reduce, since the amount of fat as compared to other protein foods is less.

Fish is also a good food from the point of view of supplying certain minerals, such as calcium and iodine.



FADING JOY

Ah, fading joy! how quickly art thou past! Yet we thy ruin haste. As if the cares of human life were few.

We seek out new: And follow fate which would too fast pursue. See how on every bough the birds express

In their sweet notes their happiness. They all enjoy and nothing spare. But on their mother nature lay their care.

Why then should man, the lord of all below, Such troubles choose to know, As none of all his subjects undergo?

—John Dryden.

Monument To King's Vanity

National Geographic Society

Rameses II, Egyptian pharaoh who lived more than 3,000 years ago, would think well of a colossal statue of himself that was set up recently before Cairo's main railway station.

It was carved during his own reign (1298-1232 B.C.) as one of many that earned him the reputation of raising more monuments of self glorification than any other king in history.

Twenty-six feet high, with a separate 8 1/2-foot crown not yet in place, the Cairo statue is made of pink granite taken from the Nile's famous upriver quarry of Aswan, says the National Geographic Society.

Until recently, it was one of a pair of Rameses colossal lying amid the ruins of the ancient Egyptian capital, Memphis. A special truck for transporting tanks was lent by the British to haul the massive two-piece figure to Egypt's present capital.

APPROPRIATED OTHERS' WORK

Thanks to his vanity, Rameses II—sometimes called "the Great"—is one of the best known of early Egyptian rulers. Not only did he build new structures to himself, with accounts of his military and civilian triumphs; he also appropriated many works of predecessors who had so honored themselves.

"His name appears on almost every ancient building in Egypt, and on literally hundreds of lesser monuments," writes Egyptologist William Hayes in the National Geographic Society's "Everyday Life in Ancient Times."

As a warrior, Rameses II was less distinguished. "He did, however, notes Dr. Hayes, "conduct allegedly successful campaigns against the Nubians, the Libyans, the Syrians, and the Mediterranean islands; and managed to check the rising power of the Hittites of Asia Minor. Whatever else may be said of him, he did undoubtedly display great personal valor."

BACKACHE May Be Warning

Backache is often caused by lazy kidney action. When kidneys get out of order, excess acid and wastes remain in the system. Then backache, disturbed rest or that tired-out and heavy-headed feeling may soon follow. That's the time to take DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. Dodd's stimulates the kidneys to normal action. Then you feel better—sleep better—work better. Get Dodd's Kidney Pills now.

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Notes By The Way

Hurricanes this year still will carry the names of girls, but attempts will be made to divert them from dangerous courses by dry ice—the winds, of course, not the women. —Niagara Falls Review.

Scier's have found a way to make a car go 20,000 miles without a change of oil. And now, if someone will figure out a method to make every car go 100,000 miles without an accident, progress will have been accomplished. —Ottawa Citizen.

A sergeant-major of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry has been jumped to the rank of captain without the formality of "g" through the ranks of second and first lieutenant. He was said to be the most feared non-com in his regiment. He likely got the boost by popular vote of the acting lance corporals. —Sarnia Observer.

Mr. Elmore Philpott, a newspaper columnist who doubles as a Liberal member of Parliament—or perhaps it's the other way out—begins a message to his readers in the Vancouver Sun with these deathless words: "I am writing this piece just before taking off for Ottawa for another session of work at what the boys call the poor hearing."

The interesting word comes from Glasgow that the shipyards on the river Clyde in that area have had the best year of construction since the end of the war. During 1955 from 22 shipyards on the Clyde were launched 91 ships with a total tonnage of 486,827 and a value of more than 50,000,000 pounds. In the same 12 months contracts for new tonnage placed with those shipyards reached a total of 569,000 tons, and through present contracts and commitments the Clyde-side yards are assured of at least five years of continuous operation and employment. —Ottawa Journal.

Among the many honors which have been heaped upon President Eisenhower was the supreme accolade bestowed upon him by the British during the war. Like possesses the freedom of the City of London. And this means something very special indeed, a pair of privileges guaranteed by ancient and honorable statute. First, he cannot be arrested for drunkenness within the city limits and, second, were he to be convicted of murder he could be hanged in special robes. —Wall Street Journal.

While Alberta searches for a key to the immense wealth locked up in its northern oil lands, an eastern seaboard area gropes for a solution to a similar problem. Out there on the Maritime and Maine coast the object of recurring promise and frustration is the Passamaquoddy project, or tidal power. The search still goes on, which probably is reassurance enough that one day this power source will be tapped. The solution, doubtless, will come in a simple and uncomplicated way when it is reached, in Alberta's oil sands no less than on Fundy's tide-scurd shores. —Windsor Star.

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