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Our Winter Fair

Once more the "show window of the Maritimes" has been dressed and lighted. The Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst has established itself as the top agricultural exhibition in this part of the country.

It is not only by winning, however, that we can benefit by the Amherst fair. It is close enough to the Island for many of our farmers and others interested in agriculture to attend and meet their opposite numbers in the other Maritime Provinces.

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Threat To Fisheries

Canada's Atlantic Provinces are worrying more than any American about Nov. 6, date of the U.S. presidential election. By that day, as the Financial Post observes, they will know whether their vital exports of groundfish fillets to the U.S. are to have an extra tariff slapped on them.

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The new report, which was signed by all the commissioners, Democrats as well as Republicans, is in one respect better than their last one, which Mr. Eisenhower rejected in 1954. Last time they recommended a definite quota upon imports, limiting them to 37% of the previous five years consumption.

Bad as the tariff increase would be, says the Post, fisheries people agree it couldn't be anything like as bad as a quota. There would be at least a chance of passing on the increased duty to the U.S. consumer, provided it didn't raise fish prices above the level which would mean declining sales.

The Canadian Government earnestly hopes—and says it expects—that Mr. Eisenhower will reject the Tariff Commission recommendation. It recalls that its record in previous cases of a similar kind (under the escape clause in the U.S. tariff law) has been overwhelmingly against protection.

Iceland and Norway will probably take similar action; and Iceland's protest might be the most effective of all. This is because Russian influence there is very strong. U.S. troops on the island have a very insecure tenure, and Russia is solidifying its position by buying nearly all Iceland's fish.

If Mr. Eisenhower decides to stick to his principles and risk the votes, then presumably he will say nothing until after Nov. 6. The law gives him until Dec. 11 to reject, accept or modify the Tariff Commission's recommendation. But if he decides to accept the higher tariff, he will certainly do so before the election—especially since the sensitive State of Maine is one of those chiefly concerned.

Canada supplied last year three quarters of the groundfish fillets imported by the U.S. Total imports amounted to just under half the U.S. consumption last year of fresh and frozen fillets. But they accounted for 90% of the frozen blocks of fillets which are used to make fishsticks; and this is the growing part of the trade.

Mr. Benson's Answer

United States Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson has given the administration's answer to official Canadian complaints that sales of surplus farm products in exchange for the currencies of the receiving countries are damaging to normal international trade and especially to Canada's marketing practices. The answer is that agreements have been signed for the sale of \$2 1/2 billion worth of surpluses under the currency-exchange program as provided for in the Agricultural Trade Development Act of 1954.

In his report Mr. Benson makes no mention of the objections made by foreign governments (Canada is not the only country that has filed protests) but states merely that "this program has been extremely effective both in reducing our accumulated surpluses of agricultural commodities and in expanding markets abroad for such commodities".

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EDITORIAL NOTES

British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd has told the Commons that "the government does not maintain that international management of the Suez is the only method of protecting the interests of user countries". Perhaps not, now; but certainly that was the contention no longer than a month ago.

It is hard to understand Premier Duplessis' continued and vigorous opposition to federal financial aid to universities, especially in view of Prime Minister St. Laurent's definite assurance that no strings are attached to the grants. But, regardless of what Quebec may or may not do in the matter, it is to be hoped that there will be no undue delay in making the increased aid, which the Prime Minister has suggested, available to the other provinces.

Secretary of State Dulles, worried over foreign reaction to some of his recently expressed views, says he must reserve the right to edit reports of his news conferences before they get to the papers in order to make sure that any blunder he may have made in answering questions is corrected. Wouldn't it be better to avoid making blunders in the first place? A diplomat with the experience of Mr. Dulles ought to have no difficulty in finding the right words to express his thoughts. He certainly has no right to expect the press to cover up his mistakes.



TIME FOR ACTION

OTTAWA REPORT

A Search For A Seat

By Patrick Nicholson

OTTAWA—Moose Jaw's Member of Parliament, Ross Thatcher, has the knack, enviable in a politician, of making news. At present, he is making more news than all the other 150 back-bench Liberal M.P.'s combined.

In fact, the only other Liberal among Thatcher's fellows who has made the headlines recently is Hector Dupuis, a 60-year-old firebrand from Montreal. He has just been sentenced to a fine of \$400 and costs, or six months in jail after being convicted of illegally registering his wife as a voter in the June 20th Quebec provincial election.

The only previous occasions when Hector Dupuis has been especially noticeable around here is when he has made a superlative speech, on the borderline of parliamentary permissibility, attacking Quebec City's courageous Conservative representative, Wilfred Dufresne.

But to get back to Ross Thatcher, Moose Jaw's newly-liberalized M.P. is now in the position of being a Member in search of a seat. In 1953, he won Moose Jaw with a majority of 6,000 votes over his Liberal opponent—he was then running as a C.C.F. candidate. Neither he nor the Liberal strategists in Saskatchewan believe that he could win Moose Jaw as a Liberal. So he and they are now actively looking for a safe Liberal riding in which he could run.

THREE ALTERNATIVES The hunt has now narrowed down to three possible constituencies. First, there is Rosthern. In 1953, Liberal Walter Tucker won this by 2,000 votes from his C.C.F. opponent. Tucker has variously played two roles in politics. First he

was a federal M.P. for many years. He rose to be a Parliamentary Assistant to a Minister, which is regarded as a stepping-stone to Cabinet rank. Then he resigned to become leader of the Liberal Party in the Saskatchewan legislature, where he served as leader of the opposition. Now he is back in federal politics. His most likely appointment to the Senate, which would leave a fairly safe Rosthern open to Thatcher.

Second, there is Kindersley. In 1953, Merwyn Johnson, the 30 year old son-in-law of Conservative Walter Aseltine, beat the sitting Liberal representative, Fred Larson, by 141 votes. C. C. Fer Johnson is a very able and very popular member; Thatcher would have a tough fight against him.

INTO HORNET'S NEST Thirdly, there is Assiniboia. C. C. Fer Hazen Argue won his second victory there in 1953, with a majority increased to 3,400 over his Liberal opponent. Argue is an able, active and pugacious member, who succeeds in getting under C.D. Howe's skin in Commons more than any other opposition member. He is regarded in inner circles as a probable leader of his party in time—he is only 35 years old now. Thatcher, even with the full support of the Gardiner machine, would have a tough fight to beat Argue. Yet it is here that—at present report—he is most likely to run in next year's federal election.

The stakes are high. Victory would put Thatcher in direct line of succession to the federal leadership of the Saskatchewan Liberals. Given victory in the 1957 and future general elections, that position would automatically carry a seat in the federal cabinet. Thatcher would make a good Cabinet Minister, there can be no doubt about that. But the voters of Assiniboia and indeed the voters of Canada will have the decisive say on Thatcher's future political career.

Umbrella Covers Much

National Geographic News

A new twist in the age-old use of the umbrella has been thought up in Holland. There, travelers caught in sudden showers may now rent protective cover for a small sum from railway stations.

LESS EMPHASIS TODAY Today, with the decline of royal influence in the East, the showy trappings of sovereignty are less emphasized. But the state sunshade still casts an aura of dignity over national leaders and plays its old part in religious rituals, funerals, and weddings.

Many parts of Africa, too, cling to the prestige of the umbrella. The 1956 coronation costume of the Oba of Lagos, Nigeria, included one of blue and white silk with gold fringe. And several Gold Coast chiefs, in London for the crowning of Elizabeth II, brought their ceremonial umbrellas.

In Europe, on the other hand, the umbrella is known chiefly for utility. Though it early became part of Christian ceremonial, and signified the medieval power of the Doges at Venice, its tradition stems largely from practical life by Greek and Roman ladies against the Mediterranean sun.

Men of Greece and Rome avoided such shelter. Even when the umbrellas reached northern and wetter regions of Europe, it was rated merely as feminine frippery. An Englishman, Jonas Hanway, is credited with popularizing the modern umbrella by becoming a stubborn and constant carrier during the 1750's. Braving the jeers of his fellows and opposition from hackney coachmen who feared loss of business, Hanway set the style.

have been a colorful feature of processions and rituals. The Siamese king, among other titles, holds that of "Keeper of the 24 Golden Umbrellas."

Sculptures and paintings of ancient Egypt, Assyria, and Ethiopia depict many rulers under the emblem. King Darius, who died in 486 B.C., appears in Persian wall carvings with slaves carrying the imperial sunshade. Large white umbrellas sheltered priests in ceremonial parades of old Athens.

In China and India, the tradition of state umbrellas goes back many centuries. Burmese and Chinese kings, signing a treaty in 1789, were both referred to as "Lords over umbrella-bearing chiefs."

Thailand's many-tiered parasols, often richly jeweled, long

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundsten, M. D.

A "FOOD ADDICTION" MAY SPELL TROUBLE Cereals and other common foods used in the manufacture of liquor may be to blame, at least in part, for alcoholism.

This is the unique view of Dr. Theron G. Randolph, a Chicago internist and allergist, who has conducted a seven-year study of problem drinking.

He says that all alcoholic beverages carry the active principles of the constituent foods from which they are derived. In other words, if you are sensitive to one of the foods used in making alcohol, you might possibly become addicted to alcohol.

It's easy to determine whether you are sensitive to a particular food which you consume only occasionally. But if your trouble comes from wheat, corn, coffee or other common dietary items which you eat almost every day, it is a more difficult task to put your finger on the offender. Often the effects of such foods are hidden ones.

Dr. Randolph calls this adaptation to everyday foods "food addiction." In addictive eating and drinking, he explains, you simply take what you like as often as you desire. After each off-repeated dose, you are picked up. Later, a delayed reaction lets you down.

These delayed effects or hangovers actually are relieved immediately by consuming more of the specific food or drink, he says. If you are addicted to a common food the allergist explains you tend to like or even crave the actual cause of your chronic illness. You take it, or mixtures containing it, as often as necessary to maintain the immediate lift that it provides.

INCORPORATED FOODS Dr. Randolph suggests that a diet which completely avoids incriminated foods will materially reduce the craving for frequent eating in cases of obesity and frequent drinking in alcoholism.

This food addiction, it seems, is something like drug addiction except that, in the latter, the addict knows he's hooked.

The food addict, Dr. Randolph says, usually is not aware of the similar action of the food.

QUESTION AND ANSWER A Reader: What is Ludwig's angina?

Answer: Ludwig's angina is a severe type of infection of the roof of the mouth.

In this condition there is usually fever, swelling, redness and pain of the lower jaw and the area underneath the chin.

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (October 29, 1931)

Work is steadily progressing on the unemployment projects at Victoria Park and the Hillsboro Bridge. There are forty men working on the project with the prospect of ten more being taken on at Victoria Park where over 60 feet of breastwork is already completed.

A large number of men are also employed at the Hillsboro Bridge project where the work is proceeding rapidly.

Mr. George R. Earle, Federal Fisheries Promoter, left the city yesterday for Summerside. Mr. Earle reports that cod and mackerel have been selling well.

With approximately 1,300 cars of potatoes having been ferried across the Northumberland Strait this season compared with about 900 cars for the corresponding period last year, the local division of the Canadian National Railways is bending every effort to maintain the outward flow of produce, it was learned yesterday.

Fire yesterday evening levelled two large barns and several smaller buildings owned by John A. Campbell of Freetown, and also destroyed five graded carloads of potatoes, a complete crop of hay and oats and four pigs. The residence some distance from the blaze was saved through the efforts of volunteer fire fighters.

THROWING STICKS Boomerangs, the returning throwing stick of Australia, have been used at various times in Africa, America and Asia.

The Age Old Story The meek will be guide in judgment; and the meek will be teach his way.



FROM "FARE WELL"

When I lie where shades of darkness Shall no more assail mine eyes, Nor the rain make lamentation When the wind sighs, How will fare the world whose wonder Was the very proof of me? Memory fades, must the remembered Perishing be? . . .

Look thy last on all things lovely, Every hour, let no night Seal thy sense in deathly slumber Till to delight Thou have paid thy utmost blessing: Since that all things thou wouldst praise Beauty took from those who loved them In other days. —Walter de la Mare

Learned Esq.

(Christian Science Monitor) A recent decision by a British library regarding "Mr." and "Esq." seems almost to raise their use to a fine art.

There was a time when many people, and nearly all the "right people, could follow their instincts in this matter unchallenged. If an envelope was to be addressed to a "gentleman," the name of the "addressee" preceded the title "Esq." If the recipient-to-be was a "tradesman," then his name would be preceded by a mere "Mr."

Now from Britain comes a new twist, which tends to elevate "Esq." once more at the expense of "Mr." A public library in one British community now reserves the title of "Esq." for male readers who borrow serious books, and addresses male readers of light fiction as "Mr."

This a prevention of the original usage. But it may contain a jewel in its foaming. For by calling a certain type of reader "esquire" it may eventually increase the number who deserve to be called "Mister."

NEW SHIPS The Australian shipbuilding board will spend \$40,000,000 by 1960 on construction of coastal ships in Australian yards.

THIRD NEW WARSHIP OTTAWA (CP) — The anti-submarine destroyer escort HMCS Ottawa will be commissioned at Canadian Vickers Ltd., Montreal Nov. 10, the navy announced Thursday. The Ottawa will be the third of the new warships to enter Royal Canadian Navy service. The first was the St. Laurent Oct. 29 last year and the second the Assiniboine last Aug. 16.

for the sedate black-silk umbrella that was to become an emblem of the properly dressed British gentleman.

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Life is a copycat and can be killed into following the master artist who kills it come to hand.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Most insurance companies and safety experts say that luck stop when a run of accidents gets up to three. After one accident, they show caution. After two, they show suspicion. After three, they don't even investigate. Even if there is court evidence that each accident was somebody else's fault, they mark "accident-prone" on the file and close it.—Today's Health

In the U.S. they have come up with statistics to prove that directly or indirectly, the cow employs one-seventh of the people, furnishes more than 25 per cent. Of the food supply and earns one-fifth of the national farm income. Seems she has a right to be called "Bossy."—Niagara Falls, Review

Speed needs no emphasis, for the difficulty with most drivers today is their inability to hold a car down to what is safe and reasonable. The rattles and shakes which he told a driver years ago when he was going at a high rate are no longer present, and the smooth riding of the present car puts the speedometer about 50 ahead before the driver knows it.—Philadelphia Bulletin

BOW TO PUBLIC PROTEST ROME (AP)—The Italian government bowed to furious public protest Thursday and announced the suspension of plans to ship 40 priceless Renaissance paintings on a United States goodwill tour. The paintings were to have left next month for exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum in New York and in other art galleries in the U. S.

An article on fish says herring are the only purely vegetarians as they live entirely on plant life. Most other fish prey on other species, some of them actually being cannibals, eating their own family kind. Herring are preyed on by many others. What the same article might have said of interest hereabouts, but which was not mentioned was the habit of the herring with respect to its comings and goings between shallow water and the deep. As they come into Thunder Bay and other bays for spawning in the Fall, at which time they are taken in large numbers by the commercial fishermen, are coming back to their own birthplace, after the manner of the salmon of the sea, or are they just making it hit and miss? —Port Arthur News-Chronicle

Five Desperate Hours in Cabin 56

"My legs . . . they're caught," moaned Martha Peterson. Her husband, hurled from their cabin on the Andrea Doria by the crash, crawled back to find her trapped under a crumpled partition.

November Reader's Digest brings you the gripping drama of a man's futile 5-hour struggle to save his wife as the stricken liner slowly sank. Get your November Reader's Digest today: 41 articles of lasting interest including the best from current magazines and books, condensed to save your time.

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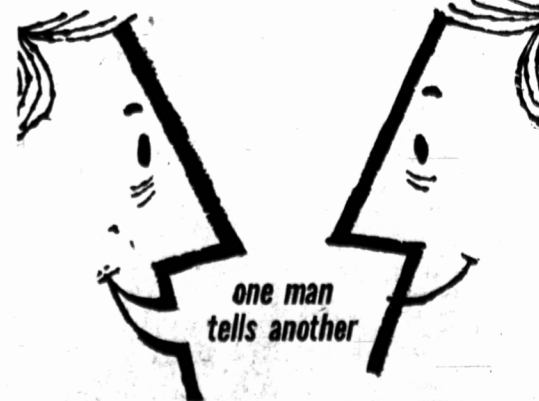
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