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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest link."

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Rural Beautification

The results of the tenth annual competition of the Prince Edward Island Rural Beautification Society are announced in today's issue.

Not only are all the winners to be congratulated, but the "losers" as well; for there are really no losers in this contest. Every farm family, school and community which entered as participants will have benefited in exact proportion to the efforts put forth under the rules.

The great Gothic cathedrals of Europe arose out of this passionate desire to achieve structural perfection; at first in massy and mountainous strength, axe-hewn and iron-bound, then with more slender pillars and lighter vaulted roof, soaring ever higher as the craftsmen's vision expanded.

Mr. Coldwell's Addresses

Now that Mr. M. J. Coldwell, national leader of the C.C.F., has fulfilled his speaking engagements in this Province, perhaps we may be permitted to add a few observations to those which have already appeared in these columns regarding his visit.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Many people think of Algeria as an out of the way, insignificant colonial territory distinguished only for tribal discontent. Actually, it has a population of over 9 millions and an area of almost 1 million square miles, four times more spacious than France itself.

Figures recently released show that Asia is still overwhelmingly non-Christian. In most of the countries Christians comprise only from 1/2 of 1% to 3% of the population.

this country; and the record shows plainly that Mr. Coldwell and his distinguished predecessor Mr. Woodsworth were second to none in their awareness of various social needs.

In his addresses Mr. Coldwell has made much of the need for federal assistance to education. He has stated the case for this principle well and lucidly. Some day—without any interference with provincial administrative rights—it will become a reality.

Hard Facts

Civilian control of government is so deeply rooted in the political concepts of free world nations that the utterances of military leaders on matters of security are often regarded with indifference, sometimes with suspicion.

United States Admiral Jervauld Wright, commander of Nato's Atlantic sea forces, told the Defence Ministers of the Atlantic Alliance meeting in Paris that at the present time the Russian submarine fleet is the largest in history, larger than the combined fleets of all the other nations, and many times stronger than the German fleet was in 1939.

A Name For New Zealand

New Zealand is a country without a name. Experts disagree as to exactly what it is today. Australia is officially a Commonwealth; South Africa a union; India a republic; Pakistan appears to be still officially a dominion until a constitution is adopted making it a republic.

Whatever the legal position, use of the term dominion has been dropped in official documents here as it has in Canada. Documents that used to refer to the "Dominion of New Zealand" now refer simply to "New Zealand."



Ever Lovelier

A Troubled Nation

The troubles in North Africa and the abrupt departure of French delegates from the General Assembly of the United Nations have focussed world attention upon divided, unhappy France.

England's Bell Ringers

England's bell ringers, masters of the musical maze known as change-ringing, are unconcerned by an American upstart in their craft—an electronic brain named SWAC.

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Declining Habit

Many people still refer to the country as "the dominion" in ordinary conversation, but this habit too is declining.

The Age Old Story

Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none like me; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure.

NOTES BY THE WAY

A lot of people who wouldn't come within ten feet of the parapet of a skyscraper will drive a car ninety miles an hour.

Another proof that Americans are a tolerant people is the fact that the inventor of the juke box recently died a natural death.

Larger population in Canada would depend less on exports. It would also enjoy the economics of large scale production.

The wheel has come full circle. Robin Hood and his beloved Sherwood Forest were imported (as a favorite theme) by Hollywood from the heart of England.

There are some who seem to think that a national health scheme is no problem. Unfortunately, as Mr. Frost points out, the thing is not that simple.

Excessive perspiration, for instance, might rob your body of needed salt. Then you may become dizzy, tired, lose your will to work and eventually become prostrated.

Ordinarily, your body will retain precisely enough sodium to fit your size and needs. If you're a man weighing 150 pounds, you'll retain about 35 grams of sodium or about three ounces of salt.

While a deficiency of salt usually is of a minor nature, it can result in a severe illness.

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When the peal begins, however, a different change must ring out at each pull of the ropes until the bells come back once again to rounds, or the peal ends, a "touch."

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