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ions in more than a dozen widely scattered places. Many members of the medical and nursing staffs were voluntarily for certain periods. Each summer sees an influx of young doctors and nurses, eager to work for no reward save the satisfaction of rendering a service in the great Grenfell tradition.

When Dr. Grenfell started his work the only means of transportation were by sailboat in summer and over wasteland and Arctic ice by dog-team in the long winter. Now, planes are available for winter service, and for emergency staffs sea-land, and radio communications link the several posts. The Federal Government recently made an allocation of \$20,000 to improve the latter facilities. The Newfoundland Government provides a grant of about \$200,000 annually. Other sums are raised by voluntary subscriptions in Britain, the United States and Canada.

It is a great work, indeed. And, although it is not as arduous and dangerous as it was in the old days, it is still a work which demands endurance and a sacrificial service from those who are engaged in it, especially in the winter months. As Dr. Paddon told the annual meeting, "present methods make the medical service available with speed impossible in the days of the dog-team. None the less, the challenge of the Labrador remains in spite of the improved services; and there is still need for the support and help of others, particularly of volunteer helpers."

That part of the legislation which prevents interchange of military atomic secrets between the United States and Britain was—the Christian Science Monitor pointed out in a recent editorial—a serious mistake which violated a war-time agreement between the two governments. It is now evident that for Soviet aims by causing duplication of British and American effort which has been costly not simply in money but in time. Today the serious lag in Western missile research is advertised across the heavens by the Soviet supniks.

Whether it is precisely in the field of research covered by the McMahon Act that the United States and Britain must speed up research—this is a secondary question. It is secondary to the need of infusing the Anglo-American partnership with the faith, loyalty and urgency which made it an unrequited favor for freedom in World War Two. President Eisenhower, suggests the Monitor, could make one dramatic and powerful move now to do this. He could assert publicly his intention to press immediately for revision of the McMahon Act. He could back this up by moving to organize bipartisan support to assure revision by Congress. Already Senator Mansfield, an influential voice on foreign affairs in the Democratic Party, has indicated that he has been thinking along the same lines as the President. It looks therefore as if this move is up to Eisenhower, for the next move is a stroke of leadership of tremendous importance to the whole free world.

A Great Work... The annual meeting of the International Grenfell Association at Government House in St. John's, Newfoundland, recalls one of the greatest humanitarian programs ever put into operation.

The work was commenced by Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell (later Sir Wilfred) who spent his early years in London, England, in 1880 to engage, first, in medical work among North Sea fishermen and later, about the turn of the century, in Northern Newfoundland and Labrador. He directed and supervised the work until his death in 1940, a period of about 40 years. The hospitals and nursing staffs which he founded are well equipped and well staffed. Two of them—one at St. Anthony on Newfoundland's northern shore, the other at St. Anthony, Labrador—are modern to be equal to any, as far as modern medical facilities are concerned.

The present superintendent of the work is Dr. Charles Curtis, C.B.E., who has been with the mission for many years. Dr. W. A. Paddon, who is now in charge of the hospital at North West River is a former student of the hospital at Carriewright, a post he held for twenty years or more. At the present time there are hospitals and nursing sta-



Charlotte Down

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Three-Stage Missile... Ottawa Report... Budgetary Perplexities... The Ottawa Conservative Government will introduce a new budget during this session of parliament. The chief objective of any new government taking office is to implement its election promises to the voters. It is especially important for Prime Minister Louis Diefenbaker to do this, as early as possible, because he must assure increased public support at a second general election within a few months.

EDITORIAL NOTES... Prince Edward Island grows again practically sequestered on the board at the Maritime Winter Fair in seed potato competition. Congratulations are extended to Messrs. Fred and Frank Coffin, Souris, on winning the grand championship with their Kathadin exhibits.

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The Pats Corner

WHEN TIME STOOD STILL... When last I looked it was an early hour with the sun just rising and a healthy breeze from the pale-faced clock. I am reminded mostly like a girl not yet plagued with revelations, I saw the sun and moon together. Peering down with sun-downer wisdom and vehemence. Before it was night, the boy went to bed. With understanding, loss and nostalgia, it was too stark for the boy to see the clock forbiddingly. Good still, nothing was toiled or effort was made to look westward or eastward for the revealing hour. Wake up and help him, locked a sleep-up clock of this man. But my mind kept reminding that of the boy's when he was a child. Plangently like a girl from the still companionable belief.

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Drug Reactions A Big Problem

By Herman N. Busden, M.D. Obviously, drugs can make you well but drugs also can make you sick. Serum sickness probably is the best example of this. The term used to apply to unfavorable reactions to drugs. MANY SUBSTANCES... Carefully a doctor that some patients react unfavorably to certain drugs. All told, the medical profession uses about 300,000 different substances or chemicals on patients. Actually, there are over 1,000 of these items are in common use. Even so a particular patient may be allergic to any one of these substances. Multiply the number of patients who are allergic to any one drug by the number of drugs we use. Now you'll be able to see the innumerable chances there are for allergic reactions.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

National Health Officials say that the flu is following a "pattern of mildness" but its victims are ready to give them an argument on that point — when they get better!—(Ottawa Journal). No husband is the eternal flame. If you would like him to remain the light of your life, you'd better let him go occasionally! — Dublin Irish Digest. A writer recalls that the grand old man of the Canadian press called his followers with the battle cry: "You have nothing to lose but your boots." He would not have rallied many in Bay Street! — Toronto Telegram.

Seventeen-year-old Princess Anastasia... London reports say, is learning the ways of a Canadian as she is to visit him to her Royal parents on their return to Britain. The girl is a happy one since the repertoire of Quebec folk songs is both gay and luring. — Hamilton Spectator. A U.S. Senate Committee is investigating the causes of juvenile delinquency has found, somewhat to the surprise of its members, that the vast and expensive sports programs of many U.S. communities are having little or no effect on the incidence of juvenile misbehavior and crime. — Ottawa Journal.

MAXIMS... Believe me, every man has his secret sorrows, which the world knows not, and whom times eases, who can understand when he is only sad.

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