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CIRCULATION "Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew"

"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink"

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Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian Association not only attracts young men, it keeps them young.

The special names canvass has been completed under the chairmanship of Mr. Gordon Avard and now citizens generally are being approached and given an opportunity to participate in providing the recreation, training and fellowship for which the Y. M. C. A. is so well known.

These and many other busy men who have at heart the welfare of youth are working hard to provide the Charlottetown Y. M. C. A. with the wherewithal to provide the multitude of services for young people.

Path Of Education

John Milton described the path of education as "laborious indeed at the first ascent, but else so smooth, so green, so full of goodly prospect and melodious sounds on every side, that the harp of Orpheus was not more charming."

Putting aside the matter of academic examinations which, after all, are only incidental tools in the development of the mind, it will be generally admitted that there is nothing to be gained from short-cut innovations in learning.

Whatever certainties or uncertainties are attached to particular methods, it is a disservice to any young person to encourage him (or her) in the belief that anything of permanent value in the academic field can be achieved with little or no difficulty.

The Kremlin Bourbons

Under the above heading the New York Times notes that the plan for Germany proposed by Mr. Molotov at the Berlin conference is identical with the one submitted by the Soviets to the Western Powers on March 10, 1952.

Like the French Bourbons of old, the Bourbons of the Kremlin have learned nothing and have forgotten nothing. History has passed them by. Their scheme is keyed to the slogan "Back to Potsdam," where they made their greatest gains in Europe.

The Soviet plan calls for a peace conference which, like the ill-fated conference of Versailles, would impose a peace treaty on a "united" Germany kept within the Potsdam demarcation lines and conditioned to become a "people's democracy" on the Soviet satellite model.

be forbidden to join any military alliance, which would mean the end of the European Defense Community and impairment to the whole North Atlantic Alliance.

Enemies Of Freedom

According to Sir Hartley Shawcross, former United Kingdom Attorney General, some 17,000 civil posts in Britain have been rated as involving a national security risk.

This, comments the Montreal Gazette, is a point that is sometimes forgotten in the cold war against Communism. It is tempting, because it simplifies things, to search only for Communist ties.

To forget that fact is to forget the Second World War and the millions who died in it. That war was fought against Fascism of three kinds, German, Italian and Japanese.

The danger is clearly seen by the level-headed in all the free countries of the world. It is not enough that a man be anti-Communist. Fascists are anti-Communist. A man, to be accepted as a true fighter for freedom, must be pro-freedom.

EDITORIAL NOTES

An evening of speech-making and music is being held in Moscow tonight to honour Soviet-Canadian friendship.

The proposed veterans' housing legislation does not, apparently, make the low-interest V. L. A. loans available for building on city lots in addition to two or three-acre holdings.

Ontario potato growers have organized along the lines pioneered by Prince Edward Island farmers. We may, therefore, expect a notable improvement in the quality of the Ontario product which means, in turn, that the quality of Prince Edward Island potatoes must be further improved in order to retain our preferred position.

The need of Summerside High School for additional accommodation, which has been brought to the attention of the Town Council by the trustees, should be a reminder to authorities in other growing centres of population to make provision not only for the present but for future expansion.

The possibility of another visit to this country by the Queen Mother is welcome news indeed. The many Canadians who met or saw her when she visited us with the late King were wholly charmed by her queenly bearing and friendly interest.

George Washington, first President of the United States of America, was born at Bridge's Creek, Virginia, this date 1732. Largely self-taught, he became a land surveyor but inherited the valuable Mount Vernon estate from his brother.

Better Late Than Never



The Poet's Corner

THE STABLE IS A ZONE OF TRUCE Where swallows nest among the eaves. The spider hangs her veil of lace. On claspboard roof the wood dove grieves.

Old Charlottetown

From The Examiner, Oct. 11, 1888: The huggy built by Large & Son, which took first prize for painting at the Provincial Exhibition, was sold to Father Gallant, of Hope River, for a handsome sum.

Visiting Hippo

At Kampala in Uganda, Africa, there is a large hydro-electric development which is to be opened officially in April by Queen Elizabeth. In preparation for the sovereign's visit, a royal retiring room had been prepared.

Canso Gets Its Causeway

(Dennis Forline in the OIL Oval)

Some historians tell you that Canada was settled in 1667; those in Newfoundland set the date at 1649. But any enlightened Cape Bretoner will let you know that Canada will not be truly united until the Canso Causeway is completed late in 1954.

At present, the mainland of Nova Scotia lacks a connecting link with the MacDonalds, MacNeills and MacAskills of Cape Breton by the less-than-mile-wide Strait of Canso.

With the announcement that a causeway was to be built across the strait, many Nova Scotians rose to shout that it couldn't be done. What of the coastal traffic using the strait for the run from Atlantic ports to the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes?

The provincial department of transport answered the first question with the announcement that a navigation lock would be built into the causeway near the Cape Breton shore, the second one by pointing out that with the causeway forming a dam across the strait, there would be no current through the narrow waterway.

The difference between the causeway length of 4,300 feet and the width of the strait at point of construction, 3,600 feet, is accounted for by its being constructed with a pronounced curve near each end to spread the water's pressure.

Notes By The Way

A woman asked for a divorce because her husband threw his dinner at her. Maybe it was in a couple of cans. -Sudbury Star

We now have the Queen Charlotte Islands off the West Coast, and the Queen Elizabeth Islands in the far north bordering on the upper reaches of Greenland.

During the 1890's it was customary to roll the baseball diamond before each game. The field was mostly grass as the dirt line for runners was very narrow.

The National Film Board has no intention of producing films of the Hollywood type, said Dr. A. W. Treuman, board chairman, who in his time has been president of two universities—Manitoba and New Brunswick.

Eventually will have from Mr. King's files is not the complete record but what his intimates think future history should use in judging him.

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