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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest link"

Mr. Green's Visit

If we were running in this campaign, we could wish for no better ally than External Affairs Minister Green, who spoke at Victoria last night in support of the Conservative candidates for Queens. Mr. Green is no orator, and his speech, as such, was no more effective than...

Since taking over his portfolio Mr. Green has devoted himself to the cause of world peace and disarmament. It's his obsession night and day. Even while he's here on a political mission, his representatives at Geneva have been urging that the United States and the Soviet Union begin direct negotiations on banning nuclear weapons from space.

Canada's insistence is likely to win wider support because of Mr. Green's outspoken attitude on prior occasions, both at Geneva and the United Nations. If this bid fails, he'll try again, and yet again.

Politics makes strange bedfellows; it also makes strange opponents. Mr. Green, Mr. Pearson, and Mr. Douglas could very well turn in harness on their nuclear arms views, and on disarmament policies generally. But they find themselves in different political camps, splitting straws over issues that divide them rather than working together on the one thing of most importance to humankind at this time. That's one of the things we can't guarantee in our democracy in normal times—a cabinet of kindred minds. In wartime it could be different; but when it's merely the threat of war that haunts thinking people today—war on a scale so monstrous as to be incredible even a decade ago—these men whose line of vision runs so closely parallel must get their separate ways.

We are fortunate, at least, in having such men in public life. Whether in or out of office, their influence counts; far beyond the realm of party shibboleths.

Left, Right, And Centre

The New Democratic Party leader, Hon. T. C. Douglas, will be visiting us again today and speaking in support of his party candidate in O'Leary. It is good to hear that he is in fighting trim once more, after a bout of stomach flu which incapacitated him for a few days. He has set a hard pace for this campaign, and we trust that he will be able to carry on to the end with his oldtime vigor and energy.

Mr. Douglas stands for the left-wing party in this contest. He has promised, among other things, full employment and more money for the provinces to provide health insurance and free education, to put farmers and fishermen on a sound economic basis; old age pensions of \$75 a month that would automatically rise with any advance in the cost of living, and a contributory retirement plan at 65 years of age.

The other party leaders have not been backward in making promises either; and it has been said, with some justice, that their most appealing planks have been borrowed from their socialist opponents. Liberal Leader Pearson,

for example, has promised, in a new form, the saying of his predecessor that members of the CCF were only Liberals in a hurry. He says that members of the New Party might find much of what they seek by voting Liberal; and they would have a better chance of being effective than in voting for a party that has no chance of being elected.

In the same way, but with a different tendency, Mr. Diefenbaker is offering a place within the middle way for the thousands of ordinary Canadians who have instinctive fears that too much government too quickly may create more problems than it solves. These people are not reactionaries; they accept the need for more government control but they also cherish personal freedom and independence, and are uneasy about the encroachments of state control upon either.

These gestures of the two major party leaders in seeking support tend to blur the distinctions which the extremists of both left and right are trying to maintain. But they are signs to be welcomed by the public at large. As the Montreal Gazette points out, the election will certainly not be decided by the extremists; at best they can only hope for a split between the two major parties that would give their own faction a precarious balance of power, such as the Progressive Party held briefly during the Mackenzie King regime.

Nor was there ever, in human affairs, an exact centre. The middle ground itself moves one way or the other, as decisions are made and measures follow. What Canadians will have to decide on June 18 is not the middle ground of the future will be like it. It is a very real decision. For though it may not involve drastic changes, or abrupt reversals, it will represent progress. And, as history has shown so often, gradual movements in the end have the most stable results.

Prince Philip Cautioned

Rival politicians here may be able to get away with describing opponents' arguments as "tripe," but it wouldn't pay them to do so in the Old Country. Britain's tripe dressers (skilled meat workers, not politicians or newspaper rewrite men) have strongly protested because Prince Philip has been publicly using the word in a derisive sense.

The past president of the National Association of Tripe Dressers complains, in fact, that the Prince has misused it "recently." "Tripe," says the past president, "is not a joke. It is a valuable foodstuff. And its standing is not helped by aliphath talk like this." He urges his organization to demand a change in the Prince's language.

Which prompts the Christian Science Monitor to remark sagely: "The tripe dressers obviously have a legitimate beef, and they oughtn't to be chicken about making their grouse public, even if this does lead to their hogging the headlines and being subjected to a lot of valuable publicity. Some people may suspect them of hamming it up. But after all, if they just floundered around like a lot of mutton-headed shrimps their industry would be a dead mackerel in no time. Surely Philip can find some euphemism to substitute—something like 'boloney.' Or would that arouse the Boloseme?"

EDITORIAL NOTES

If Canadian municipalities think they have problems, let them take a look at Tokyo. With 10,000,000 inhabitants now, Tokyo exceeds what was 15,000,000 in 1970.

It was a shocking accident toll over the weekend throughout Canada—37 highway deaths and 27 drownings. This, if anything, should awaken the national consciousness to the need for more drastic safety enforcement measures, both in water sports and on the highways.

The Montreal Symphony Orchestra has ended its eighth concert tour of Russia with a solid row of triumphs behind it. First in Moscow and then in Kiev and Leningrad its performances were applauded to the echo. The plaudits were a deserved tribute to the orchestra's musicianship; but, says the Montreal Star, the enthusiasm seems to have gone further than that. It represented, perhaps, the groping wish of the Russian people for contact with the world outside.



"... SCALPEL ... BAND-AID ..."

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PUBLIC FORUM

THE LATE MISS MACKENZIE Sir.—The death at Vancouver on May 18th of Mary Elizabeth Mackenzie was a genuine surprise to her many friends on Prince Edward Island. Her three sisters left Flat River many years ago to reside in the West. Miss Mackenzie had received her B.A. at Dalhousie University, and in Vancouver she was soon pursuing her education as a teacher. In 1928 she was appointed resident tutor in English at the Royal Victoria College, McGill University, a few years later she received her M.A. there, and progressed to assistant professor of English. She retired in 1947 and returned to her native island.

AN APPRECIATION Sir.—These few lines I trust may convey to some extent the appreciation we hundreds of Charlottetown and other Islanders feel for one who has made possible the privilege of touring the world in a modern motor-car, modern in every way for fast and comfortable travel, which she has made possible in all phases of endeavour today, even to farming.

PERSONALLY, I was disappointed that Mr. Wheatley's march on the government for demands of a farmers' abolition was the same day, as I know the business of the day. The group would have enjoyed this tour, along with the banquet in Charlottetown.

CONSIDERING we already have three other sources of selling our live stock and meat products, Co-op in Halifax, and Antares Sales in Montreal, what need do we have for a fourth? As an old-timer my suggestion would be, first, grow the grain, and then sell it to the processor. Next, finish the cattle to one of the higher grades. Last, but not least, get together and make up a truck load or car load and sell to the processor. This policy, as I see it, will outweigh and surpass the benefits of another abolition, which could cost one and one-half million dollars.

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Tension Brings Bowel Spasms

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen "DEAR Dr. Van Dellen: I have been suffering from bowel spasms for two years for what my doctor calls spastic colon. He says I should be more relaxed. I have been very nervous and I have been very tense. I have been very nervous and I have been very tense. I have been very nervous and I have been very tense.

Most victims of this condition are tense and nervous. We might say they are spastic as to their intestine. These tension states must be corrected if the disorder is to improve. How this can be done depends upon the background and temperament of the individual along with his ability to withstand the stress of ordinary living.

The reader must take stock of his daily activities and determine what is bothering him and what he is doing to prevent relaxation and the enjoyment of life. It is not enough to let off internal steam or tension. A long walk helps many who are tense, but swimming or playing golf or tennis.

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FOOT DROP C. R. writes: My otherwise healthy 14 year old son has developed a dropped foot. I am sure that the information on this condition...

THE TONGUE IS OUT J. D. V. writes: Years ago, when I was a young boy, I would say first thing, "Stick out your tongue." But in the past several years, my doctor has asked me to do this. Isn't the tongue considered important?

OUR YESTERDAYS (From The Guardian File) TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO (May 23, 1937) While one of James H. Johnson's jobs was to write a hailing his traps off the Governor Island Saturday, he was also writing a book on the traps with the lobster, a live shell clock. It was taken to shore and when shown to Mr. Johnson he advised that it be given its freedom, and the shell clock flew happily away, back to sea.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

One of the great divisions of mankind is between those who have their own views clearly expressed and those who have theirs imposed by the Fall. a d those who have it done after the grass is spring. — Ottawa Journal.

Europe And The Future

The alarm and dependency wrought by French President de Gaulle's latest vision of Europe may appear in retrospect to have been consistent evidence.

Many observers feel the time has come for West Germany to renounce the lost eastern territories, not harmoniously absorbed into Poland. Communist another British weekly, the Economist, has recently written that the federal republic comes to be a constant presence as an expert on Germany affairs.

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