

their views are more in accord with the Liberals than with those of either of the splinter parties. There was even talk before the election about a coalition between the Liberals and Conservatives. That is neither likely nor desirable. But there could be compromise, if the Conservatives are prepared to avoid the bad precedent which the Liberals themselves set in the last Parliament.

Their sole aim then seemed to be to upset the tottering Diefenbaker Government at all costs. They were prepared to support even a "funny money" amendment of the Social Credit group to attain their ends. But the electors are not interested in that now. The times demand a more constructive role for the Official Opposition to play in the next Parliament; and the Conservatives, we hope, will rise to the occasion.

They should endeavor, by all legitimate means, to go along with Mr. Pearson in achieving a some measure of political stability. Unless some very serious issue is raised—something that only a direct reference to the people could decide—their duty at this time will be to avoid harrassing the government with repeated and routine votes of want of confidence.

Indeed, as the Montreal Gazette suggests, this may well be their primary responsibility during the coming session. We are assuming now that Mr. Diefenbaker will shortly decide to resign, and let Mr. Pearson take over. There is no reason why the Conservatives would impair their independence and identity as a party by assuming the role suggested here. It is indeed the only role that seems open to them to fill with credit and dignity. By using their power to oppose with alertness but with restraint, and by meeting half-way any efforts at compromise that Mr. Pearson may sincerely make, they can safely afford to bide their time. Any other course would plainly be as harmful to their interests as it would be to the country's at large.

The Voting Age

Are today's teen-agers more mature in their judgment than were their parents or grandparents? The question is raised in a Toronto publication, Clip-Sheet, which says that most adults concede that high school studies are more advanced than they remember and that boys and girls in their late teens seem to have more information than the preceding generation. But does this signify a greater degree of self-reliance and experience?

Already, it is noted, there has been a trend to drop the voting age. A Liberal motion along this line was defeated in our own Legislature this week—not on the grounds of its merit, but because it came close confusion with the Federal Election Act, which retains the 21-year provision. The voting age is now 18 in Saskatchewan and 19 in British Columbia and Alberta; Quebec seems ready to extend the franchise to 18-year-olds, and perhaps Nova Scotia, too. In those areas, and elsewhere, there is support for a vote in federal elections at age 18. The states of the U.S. seem more conservative; in only four of the 50 states is there a vote before age 21.

One thing hardly in keeping with this is the recent election campaign offers by all parties to continue family allowance payments (up to 20 in one instance) for youngsters remaining in school. If that were to come about, probably the next campaign's offer would be to make it universal, in school or not. The question of reconciling the franchise with the baby bonus would then become of practical concern.

EDITORIAL NOTES

In referring on Thursday to Mr. St. Laurent's prompt resignation as Prime Minister after the June 10, 1957 federal election, we said erroneously that he did not even wait for the return from the service vote! Actually these returns—heavily Liberal—were announced on Saturday, June 15, and Mr. St. Laurent tendered his government's resignation on the following Monday. It was not formally accepted until June 21, prior to the swearing in of the Diefenbaker administration. In one Ontario riding (Wellington South) the voting was deferred until July 15.

Mr. Pearson proposes to honor what he claims is a commitment to arm Canada with nuclear weapons. Mr. Douglas made renunciation of nuclear arms the keystone of his election policy. Can the New Democratic Party now accept these arms, or the Liberals reject them? That wouldn't be compromise; it would be a plain sell-out on a stand which both leaders insisted was of major importance in their campaign. The Conservatives are not so strongly committed on this issue. On economic and other policies, too,

view exceeded the direct taxes which he pays. On \$17,000 worth of food, he pays about \$38 in taxes; on \$58 worth of clothing, he pays an estimated \$62 in taxes; on \$104 for cigarettes and tobacco, he pays \$27 in hidden taxes, while on \$42 worth of hard liquor he pays no less than \$49 in various taxes to obtain a commodity worth only \$8. His \$55 spent per year contains a proportionately lower 794 in hidden taxes.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

All Working Hard For The Government

Canada's average payer of federal income tax falls in the group earning between \$4,200 and \$4,289 per year. There are 89,270 taxpayers in this group, and of these many fall into the normal status as a family man with a wife and two children.

INCOME TAX LOW

His used car, costing perhaps \$1,000, contains an estimated \$5 in taxes, but it costs him \$17 in licenses each year, plus

"Speaking for myself," by Burton Lewis, the column which ordinarily appears on this page this Saturday, is missing this week due to the changeover to a holiday by the staff of The Guardian. It is expected that the column will return next week.

Puberty Brings Marked Changes In Youngsters

THE PHYSICAL performance of boys and girls is somewhat the same before puberty. Girls often outrun boys and swim better; and the boy can handle himself in any tuff. But after adolescence begins there are marked differences between the sexes in abilities along this line, as is shown by their physical strength, speed, and endurance.

Spring's Liveliest Whistler

Of the red-winged blackbird is a gentleman of strong personality. He is a member of a family that includes the bobolink and the chickadee, and birds with distinctive traits and colors. The red-wing has long legs and a long neck, and he is a very active bird.

PUBLIC FORUM

A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR—Among Canada's forgotten men and women are those between the ages of fifty and sixty who are suffering from some misfortune or, by their own folly, find themselves out of line so to speak. To this group of people the doors of industry are closed and locked fast.

Oyster Cloister

What many others, having "sunk" into the human sea, are open winter will not be fit for human consumption. On, on reading this, you will find a little lighter under his chin, can doubt that the oyster's place in the world is an interesting one.

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