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Atlantic Provinces Economy

On Tuesday the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council meets in Halifax, the Premiers, their executive assistants and representatives of industry joining in a common effort to better conditions in the four Provinces.

The key to successful competition is, of course, low costs. It is necessary to produce at the lowest possible cost even if it means the consolidation of individual plants which are too small to take advantage of the economies of mass production.

It is transportation, however, which will attract the main attention of anyone studying industry in these Provinces.

Renewed Hopes

It is too early yet for anyone to say with certainty what good effects, if any, the Salk vaccine against poliomyelitis will have on scientific research into the causes and control of that disease.

A tentative report presented at the recent International Poliomyelitis Conference in Rome gives the cheering information that all the scientists present at the meeting expressed the belief that the new vaccine will work.

"This Is A University!"

Dr. Sydney Smith, president of the University of Toronto, rarely speaks on educational matters without contributing something of value and inspiration.

"Every scholar," said Dr. Smith, "is at home here. The Commonwealth of Learning which you are entering transcends national boundaries. . . This is a University, an inheritor of the dialectic of the classical academies, the dedication of the medieval 'collegia generalia', the exhilaration of the Renaissance, the rationalism of the Cartesians, the revolutionary ferment of the 18th century, the scientific and technological learning of the last hundred years, and the development of social science in this present century.

"All of you, whatever your age may be, will be accorded the courtesy of being treated as reasonable, intelligent human beings. We expect from you, as from all members of the Commonwealth of Learning, a high standard of human relations—a particularly keen sensitivity in the domain of obedience to the Unenforceable.

Dr. Smith went on to show that this function of the University in developing human relations on a high standard is of paramount importance in world affairs.

"Courage imparts the spirit of adventure to men and nations. . . We applaud the spirit of physical courage, whether it be manifested in conquering Mount Everest or swimming across Lake Ontario.

"We will all need courage in order to cope with living. Our paths will not have all the bumps ironed out for us. Dangers and risks, conflicts and crises, tensions and frustrations cannot always be removed or resolved. They have to be faced and conquered. . ."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow, the 15th Sunday after Trinity, the 16th after Pentecost.

The annual Interscholastic track and field championships are scheduled to be held today at Memorial Field, the outstanding school sports event until the wind up of the football season.

There is no Rhodes scholarship allotted specifically to Prince Edward Island but Island students with two years of college have until the end of October to apply in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick.

Moscow reports that Russia has installed a microphone at the North Pole. Amongst other things that is the Canadian border and it will be interesting to hear what the CBC has to say about granting or refusing a licence.

The agreement between this Province and the Federal Government on pensions for the disabled would seem to leave practically no needy group unprovided for except, perhaps, those who are employed but lose their earning power through illness.

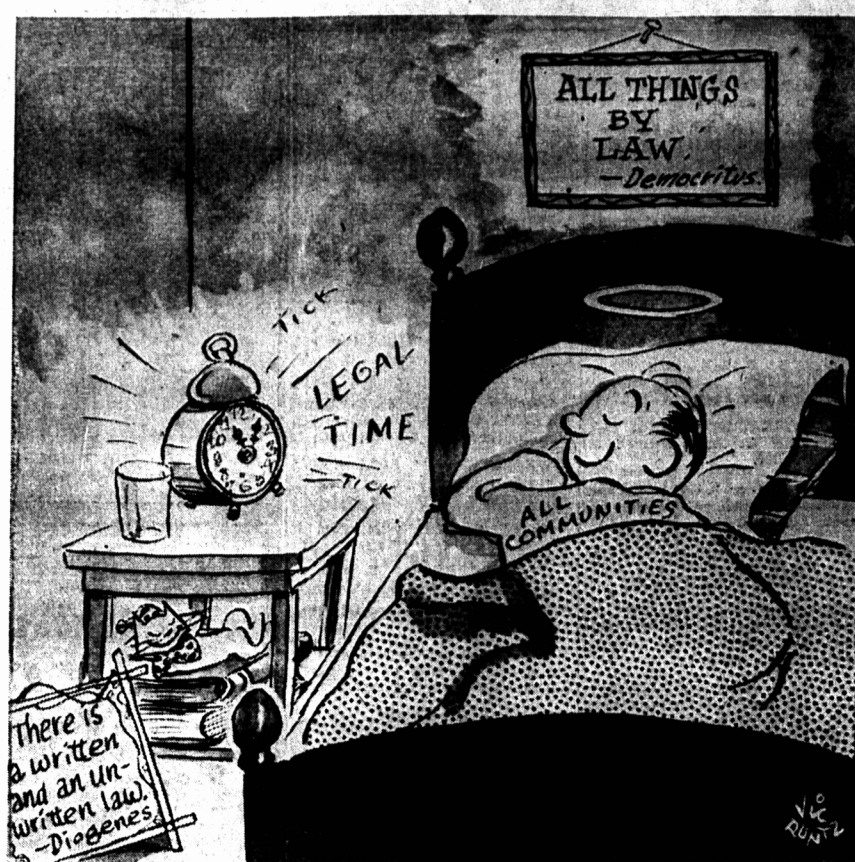
Canada's External Affairs Minister Pearson could with good grace support the U. N. proposal for an international agency to develop the peacetime uses of atomic energy. This country is a major factor in atomic energy production but has concentrated its attention on the civilian aspects of the new source of power.

Johann Strauss (the elder), Austrian dance-composer, died this date 1849. Born in Vienna in 1804, he founded his own orchestra in 1825. Both became famous abroad. He composed waltzes, marches, quadrilles and polkas and eventually had three sons in his orchestra, one of whom, his namesake, became the "waltz king."

As the result of a plebiscite held recently, the town of Dartmouth in Nova Scotia has decided to add fluoride to their water supply in order to reduce the amount of tooth decay in that town. Dartmouth is the third centre in Nova Scotia which has taken this action. Previously Halifax and Kentville had also approved this measure.

The meeting of the Maritime Wildlife Federation at Amherst on Monday will very properly emphasize safety in gun handling. In addition, however, there will be a paper on wildlife research in the Maritimes, a subject of outstanding importance both to hunters and others interested in maintaining the natural denizens of our countryside.

Many friends in this city and Province will be shocked to learn of the sudden death in Virginia of Mr. A. B. Cosh, retired chief assessor of the Income Tax Division, Department of National Revenue. A native of Scotland, Mr. Cosh resided in Charlottetown since 1913, except for his years of service overseas in the first world war, and was held in the highest esteem by all classes of our citizens. Sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved widow and son on this occasion.



There'll Be No Sleep Lost Tonight

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

LIGHTING FIRES IN COLD ROOMS

Sir—It was Earl Grey who said about his father that he had spent his life all over the British Empire lighting fires in cold rooms.

What is really terrifying is the head-on collision between two cars both doing 30 miles per hour or higher. At 30 miles the collision force of two cars is four times that of one against a stationary object.

Since fishing is a total experience, being alone on a quiet creek permits one to hear the noises of nature. A leaf sailing down the water can steer itself skillfully around the rocks and branches.

In Omaha, Nebraska, a night worker who had misplaced his house key rang the doorbell, then knocked on the back door, but got no answer. His wife was a sound sleeper. So, since it was 3 a.m. and he did not want to arouse the neighbors, he connected the lawn hose and sent a jet of water through the bedroom screen, whereupon his wife bounced out of bed.

The United States' already massive population continues to expand. Latest estimate of the Census Bureau places it at 162,870,000 as of August 1, for an increase of 2,782,000 in the year. It is interesting to compare this latter figure with Canada's population growth, which in the latest Bureau of Statistics estimate was placed at more than 400,000 annually.

Humility, a rare virtue, still has its uses. The earnest demonstration of it given by Mrs. Imogene Lakey of Vancouver the other day acquitted her of a charge of driving a car while her ability was impaired.

Stanley Bridge. W. I. GREEN

"I shot an arrow into the air, It fell to earth, I knew not where; For, so swiftly it flew, the sight Could not follow it in its flight."

"I breathed a song into the air, It fell to earth, I knew not where; For who has sight so keen and strong That it can follow the flight of song?"

"Long, long afterward, in an oak, I found the arrow, still unbroke; And the song, from beginning to end, I found again in the heart of a friend."

And thus it often happens that a kindly song sung in the night or a soothing word dropped with a friend will long be gratefully remembered.

I am, Sir, etc. W. I. GREEN Stanley Bridge.

"The brain is wider than the sky. For, put them side by side, The one the other will include - With ease, and you beside."

"The brain is deeper than the sea, For, hold them, blue to blue, The one the other will absorb, As sponges, buckets do."

"The brain is just the weight of God, For, lift them, pound by pound, And they will differ, if they do, As syllable from sound."

TOO REALISTIC VICTORIA (CP) - A firemen's rescue scene being filmed indoors for a television show resulted in some city firemen being sickened by fumes of smoke bombs employed to make the picture realistic. Fans were needed to clear the hall.

NOTES BY THE WAY

One place a tip is not welcome is in a canoe. - Windsor Star.

A new father calls his baby daughter a clamor girl. - Toronto Star.

Great minds have purposes; others have wishes. - Washington Irving.

About 669,000 people, comprising the entire population of Trinidad and Tobago, are to be vaccinated as a means of protection against yellow fever. This action follows the death of one hunter from that dread disease. The forward march of medical science is thus illustrated once more.

Perhaps 98 percent of the advice handed out all the time is received either by people who don't need it or those who won't need it. - Kitchener - Waterloo Record.

The weather in Europe has been so rainy, cold and generally miserable this year that it's possible the tourist who postcards from there, "Wish you were here," means instead of him. - Winnipeg Tribune.

One of the better known anomalies of our modern ways is that so many city people will fall over themselves to spend as much of the year as possible in the country, but that so few of them will work there. The Lindsay Watchman - Warrier surveyed this reluctance in its own district where it found 600 unemployed but not one man available for farm work. - Toronto Globe and Mail.

McGill University has not been slow to realize the vast potentialities of the Canadian Northland. Despite the quickening interest in the Arctic and Sub-Arctic areas, development, the average Canadian has little or no conception of the possibilities of territory north of the tree line or even lower latitudes. Expansion to the north, current and in prospect, presents a vital need for academic knowledge in all phases of conditions in areas in which Canada has lagged behind other countries in both exploration and development.

Russia, for instance, has established railways, cities, towns and successful agricultural ventures in latitudes which, in Canada, only a few white men have seen. They are credited with the growing of certain small fruits within the Arctic Circle. And what other developments there may be is known only to those behind the Iron Curtain. - Montreal Gazette.

Old Charlottetown and P. E. I.

From The Examiner, Sept. 13, 1882.

The Charlottetown Gas Light Company announce that they have imported a fresh supply of Bray's patent burners, especially made to consume only three feet of gas per hour with the tap full on. The burners are so scientifically made that they will give a light equal to about ten candles at a cost of three-quarters of one cent per hour.

Messrs. Coyle and McQuaid inform the public that they have opened a new tobacco factory on Richmond Street, in the establishment formerly occupied by Mr. Philip Coyle.

Henry Longworth, Esq., leaves tomorrow morning for the Dominion Exhibition at Kingston. He is commissioned by the Government to purchase young cattle and sheep for the Stock Farm.

At a meeting of the City Council last evening a resolution was passed to the effect that no articles shall hereafter be furnished by stores, keepers or others to any servant of the city without a requisition from the City Council. A resolution regarding the Canada Temperance Act was also passed. It appears that a petition has been sent to the Government, asking that half the fines collected under the Act be paid to the prosecutor. To this the Council objects, and hence they passed a resolution to employ a counsel—L. H. Davies, Esq.—who will see that the full fines collected under the Act are paid into the City treasury.

The Passing Scene

By Observer DR. OXNAM'S ADDRESS

The Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches has passed into history, and almost everything that could be written about it has been written. Recently, however, I received a copy of the text of the address delivered by Methodist Bishop Bromley Oxnam at the opening service, and it occurred to me that some of the readers of this column might be interested in some of its contents.

Dr. Oxnam, who is in charge of the Washington area of the Methodist Church, occupies a prominent place in American Church circles; he is considered to be an outstanding preacher and he is an author of some repute. He has been a member of the World Council Presidium since its formation in Amsterdam in 1948 and is generally regarded as a leader in the Ecumenical movement which concerns, directly or indirectly, every religious group in Christendom.

As was almost inevitable in such a gathering, Dr. Oxnam's address was concerned with social and political issues of the day; all related, of course, to the speaker's interpretation of Christian theology, which happens to be in the Liberal tradition. A good part of the address was devoted to the responsibility of Christians to resist totalitarianism whether of the Fascist or Communist variety. (It is becoming increasingly difficult to see much difference between the philosophy of Nazi Germany and that of modern Communist Russia.)

"As Christians," said Dr. Oxnam, "we must repudiate the assumption that the state has the right to determine the philosophy to which every individual must give assent. Together we reject once and for all those theories that command people to conform or die and that arrogantly claim that dissent is treason and deviation is disloyalty." That was an obvious slap at international Communism which, of course, allows no room for either dissent or deviation. But it was also a slap at that strange undemocratic political aberration which sometimes goes under the name of "McCarthyism" but which had taken root some time before Senator McCarthy appeared on the scene—the theory that any outspoken and sustained criticism of majority political opinion is a sign and token of disloyalty to the nation's constitution.

There is little doubt that Senator McCarthy, perhaps unintentionally, made this sentiment into a demagogic instrument; but most American political analysts now appear to believe that its real causes went much deeper than that gentleman's political ambitions. Perhaps it had its roots in the hysteria which came upon the American scene when it became clear that Communist intrigue had entered into the country's defense apparatus.

Anyway, reports now are that it is subsiding, that public opinion has begun to sense its potential danger to the whole concept of free and representative government; it is ever being suggested that Senator McCarthy himself is currently engaged in taking a new look at the strange process he helped to nourish if he did not, in fact, create it. If that is true he will do just as well, or even better, in his spirited campaign against Communist infiltration, and the United States will gain in respect among her friends and allies who have feared that Americans were bent on opposing totalitarianism abroad while encouraging it at home.

Concerning the oft repeated view that the Churches should "keep out of politics", Dr. Oxnam had this to say: "It is not enough for Christians to repudiate the atheism of Communism, reject a philosophy of materialism, and repel a fallacious theory of social development and an abhorrent concept of dictatorship; they must also renounce the practical atheism that lies in the affirmation that God is not relevant to all the activities of men." He appears to believe that, despite the inroads of materialism, greater moral advance has been made in business and industry. "Responsible leadership in business and labour, pledged to the moral principles that lie at the heart of the Christian faith, regard themselves as men upon whom heavy obligations have been placed," he said. "A man who would corner the wheat market today would not be called a genius; he would be called a gangster."

One does not have to accept any particular doctrine of the nature of the Church to appreciate this paragraph with which Dr. Oxnam concluded his address: "The Christian Gospel is not found in Adam Smith's 'Wealth of Nations' nor in Karl Marx's 'Das Kapital'. It is to be found in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, in the Acts of the Apostles, the Epistles of the New Testament, and in the vision of John in the Apocalypse. It is to be found in the Hebrew prophets, in the lives of saints and martyrs, in the service of faithful people, and in the continued revelation of God."

The Age Old Story

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee; and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

BOOMING CENTRE

KITIMAT, B.C. (CP) - This new aluminum industrial centre will have a 50-room \$500,000 hotel with coffee shop and accommodation for luncheon gatherings. Vancouver and Prince Rupert groups are building the hotel.

QUEER THEFT

VANCOUVER (CP) - Jock Watson's car was broken into and rifled. The loot: 18 summons from the small debts court which he was to have delivered.

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