

### Canadians Have "Inbuilt Austerity" About Education

By GAVIN SCOTT  
CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (CP) — Canadian universities, despite their great devotion to learning, have never had enough money, a Toronto-born historian and educationist at Harvard says.

"Tradition and resources make great institutions of learning," he says. "Canadian universities are generally hampered by the shortness of their history and the money they have to work with."

**FAMILY TRADITION**  
"Here at Harvard we have students whose families have attended for 11 generations. Canadian institutions haven't that kind of tradition—though of course, any traditions they develop must be their own, not copied ones."

Students from Canada who come to American universities are "astonished at the facilities they see. But Canadians are a pragmatic people — they adjust well—and they accept it."

"Americans, on the other hand, have learned to expect, not merely accept, the wealth of resources in universities," Conway observes. "But then, you have to realize this is the world's richest country."

Conway, who jokingly describes himself as "single, aging but hopeful," teaches Canadian history to Harvard undergraduates, and gives a survey course in "Freedom and Authority in the Modern World."

"People in the United States aren't really aware of Canada," he thinks. "Canadians are rather in the same position relative to the U.S. as Scotsmen were to England."

**SCHOLARLY MENTOR**  
Apart from his scholarly activities, Conway is in charge of some 350 students in Leverett House, a red-brick Georgian structure on the banks of the Charles River. A colleague describes him as "a scholar and teacher who sees no gulf between his life with books and his life with students."

After graduating from UBC, he attended Vancouver Law School and practised briefly before volunteering for overseas service in the Second World War.

As a captain in the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada, he fought in the Sicilian and Italian campaigns and lost his right forearm from wounds in the fighting at Cassino.

War turned Conway's interests from law to history. He got his PhD at Harvard in 1949 and was appointed assistant professor in 1954.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Conway, live in Vancouver.

"Canadian institutions lack the money to follow their aims to their final, logical, articulate end," he says.

**PROSPERITY MAY HELP**  
He believes that with Canada's post-war economic boom, the reluctance of Canadians to give education the proper resources may end.

Conway, 42-year-old expert in the history of Canada and the Commonwealth, says that because of sparse population Canadian universities speckle the map "as though they were thrown from a bag."

"Canada has been stereotyped both climatically and economically. Both the French and Scots influences were dim and Canadians lived in the shadows of the church and the kirk."

Conway, who graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1935, rates Laval University in Quebec and the University of Toronto as "great Canadian institutions."

### Broilers Are In Demand

The broiler industry has continued to expand. Up to October 18 this year 133.6 million pounds (dressed weight) of broilers were received at registered stations, one third more than the 99.3 million pounds, which were received during a similar period in 1957.

Throughout this year marketings were substantially larger in every month than in the corresponding month a year earlier. The general level of marketings continues the pattern of year-to-year increases which has been in evidence since separate data on broilers first became available.

As there is little export or storage movement, the larger volume of broilers produced had to be, and was, absorbed by increased consumption on the domestic market. Prices remained strong up to mid-summer, in spite of these heavily increased marketings.

### Cars Scarce In U.S. Market

By DAVID J. WILKIE  
DETROIT (AP) — Many U.S. car retailers — especially those handling General Motors cars — are in a situation that reminds them of early post-war days. They have a backlog of unfilled orders and few cars.

How closely this reflects an upsurge in new car demand still is to be determined. Work stoppages have resulted in a shortage of cars.

General Motors retailers were particularly hard hit. A national agreement between GM and the United Auto Workers had been reached but 1959 model output was halted by local disputes in scores of GM plant cities.

**BELOW NORMAL**  
For nearly three weeks not a car came from GM assembly plants. And today, nearly a month after the start of the 1959 model year, assembly lines still are far below normal operation.

Production will gain momentum, of course. Most local disputes have been settled. As soon as the supply lines can be filled many factories will swing into overtime operation.

Ford, Chrysler and American Motors were affected by the new car shortage as well as GM but in lesser degree. Where the shortages did not result from assembly plant closings they arose from disputes at supplier plants.

**PRODUCTION ESTIMATE**  
Earlier surveys indicated the industry expected to build up to 1,400,000 cars in the final quarter of 1958. So far in the October-December quarter fewer than 180,000 units have been made.

Production last week included the 3,000,000th car of 1958. It came from the assembly lines 18 weeks behind its counterpart of 1957. At this time last year U.S. factories had built nearly 4,900,000 cars.

The auto makers are practically unanimous in predicting a 5,500,000 car year for 1959. A test of this estimate will come in January and February, traditionally hard-sell months for the industry.

**FIND WOMAN'S BODY**  
EDMONTON (CP) — The beaten body of a young woman was found early Tuesday in a three-foot-deep ditch about a half block from her home in Edmonton's northwest area. Police identified the woman as Mrs. Rose Feschuk about 30. Police said the woman's body was bruised and cut and evidence indicates she was beaten with an instrument either at the scene or at her home, where a bedroom was found spattered with blood.

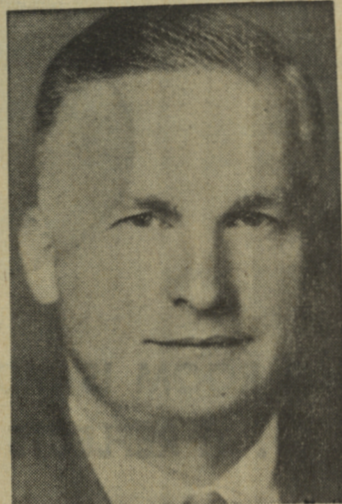
**PLAN MASS RALLY**  
LONDON (CP) — Maj. Frederick Ney, founder of the Commonwealth Youth Movement, said Tuesday his organization hopes to hold a mass rally of Commonwealth youth in Canada next summer. "We hope it will be possible to have the meeting coincide with the opening by the Queen of the St. Lawrence Seaway project," said Ney, who sails for Canada Nov. 14 aboard the liner Empress of England.

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### PROGRAM

9:00 - 9:15	Registration of Delegates	11:30 - 12:00	Luncheon
9:15 - 9:30	Introducing the Conference	1:35 - 2:05	"Teacher Supply" — Mrs. Michael Doyle
9:30 - 10:00	"School Administration and Finance" — M. A. MacKenzie, Deputy Minister of Education	2:05 - 3:05	Discussion Groups (Delegates Only)
10:15 - 11:30	Discussion Groups (Delegates Only)	3:30 - 4:30	Summary and Recommendations (Delegates Only)

### BACKGROUND —

An event of singular importance in Prince Edward Island history will take place on November 8 when the first Prince Edward Island Conference on Education will be held in Charlottetown.

In recent years education has been discussed frequently by the people of this province, and it is generally recognized that we do have serious educational problems.

Mindful of the seriousness of this situation, and firm in their belief that the boys and girls of this province are entitled to an education second to none, the nineteen members of the widely representative Advisory Committee for the Prince Edward Island Conference on Education began last June to formulate plans and to make preparations for this first provincial education conference. Since then the whole committee and its several subcommittees have spent many hours working out the many details involved in this enterprise. Now all arrangements have been finalized and the stage is set for the great day.

### SPONSORS —

Nine provincial organizations were invited to sponsor the conference. All accepted the invitation and agreed to fulfill the conditions of sponsorship: Federation of Agriculture, Women's Institute, School Trustees, Home and School, Teachers' Federation, I. O. D. E., Canadian Legion, Council of Labor, Board of Trade.

### PURPOSE —

On November 8 more than 125 accredited delegates and resource people will get together to examine three of our current pressing educational problems in an honest attempt to institute immediately corrective measures designed to improve the present situation, and also to agree on recommendations the early implementation of which will be worked for

by the Conference Committee. The topics for discussion are (a) School administration (b) School finance (c) teacher supply. These will be discussed in small groups where opportunity will be given the delegates to express their views; to become thoroughly informed on conditions here; to learn how other parts of Canada have dealt with similar problems; and finally, to pool their ideas in an effort to find ways and means to meet successfully the challenges of present-day needs in education.

### CHALLENGE —

This conference is an experiment in co-operation, and may well mark the beginning of a new era in education for Prince Edward Island — an era in which our people will make the most of the advantages of our province's size, rather than emphasize its disadvantages. Great things have been done by small islands. The people of Prince Edward Island have responded magnificently to many appeals in the past. Therefore the delegates will surely approach this conference in a spirit of mutual concern and with a determination to find means whereby we can adequately support education through our own initiative and resolute efforts; and so make possible the fullest and best development of Prince Edward Island's most valuable natural resource — our children and youth.

### PUBLIC SUPPORT —

Our people are showing an unprecedented interest in education, and the members of the Conference Committee hope that large numbers of citizens will attend the conference as observers.

MABEL MATHESON,  
Chairman, Advisory Committee,  
and  
Conference Director.

### QUESTIONS:

1. Economic Aspects of the Present System of School Administration
2. Operational Efficiency of Present System of School Administration
3. Equalization of Educational Financial Burdens
4. Teacher Supply

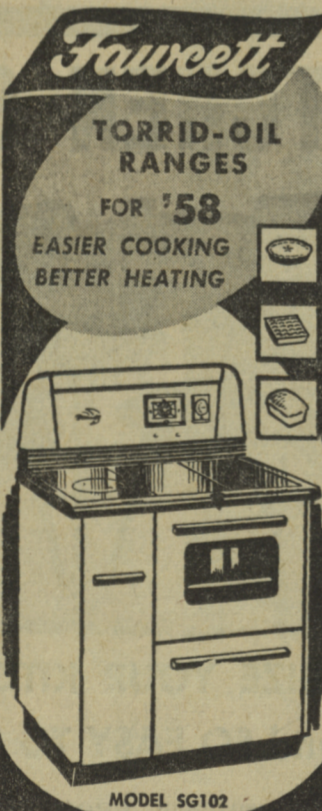
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