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The Row Is On

Important anniversaries are hardly suitable occasions for quarrelling, but there are times when even in the best regulated families rejoicing is dampened by controversy.

It was about this time of year in A.D. 1707 that the union between the independent kingdoms of Scotland and England took place.

However, just as the Scots and the English were congratulating one another on 250 years of fairly amicable and mutually profitable relations, along came a joint committee of the Presbyterian and Anglican Churches, to suggest that the Presbyterian Church should make room for bishops as an incentive to greater unity between the two great bodies.

The row is on. The "Scotsman" of Edinburgh set the battle lines in array by opining editorially that "with all respect to their (the Presbyterian committee's) zeal for unity, their readiness to sacrifice the Presbyterian heritage is amazing."

Following up this theme the head of the Free Church of Scotland had this to say: "The Presbyterian Church seems to be yielding centuries-old principles of government and Church order and getting little in return. It seems to succumb to episcopacy and the 'fictitious' assumption of Apostolic Succession without a murmur."

It may come to pass, of course. Almost anything is possible these days. Certainly there will be no Jenny Geddes to throw her stool at a visiting Anglican dignitary. Just the same, one is inclined to believe that a lot of dew will fall on the Highlands and the Lowlands, and a lot of words will be spoken, before Presbyterian bishops appear on the historic scene. A Weel!

"Peace To The Middle East"

"The United Nations," said Prime Minister St. Laurent in Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, "has been effective in bringing peace to the Middle East." This was brought about, he said, "because the United Kingdom and France are great responsible nations, schooled in the democratic traditions and therefore heedful of majority opinions. It was because Israel is aware of the facts of life, which for her means that she must some day reach a mutually acceptable accommodation with her Arab neighbors if she is ever to know peace. It was because Egyptian leaders—little as we may think of them—are realistic enough to appreciate that the only practicable alternative—complete identification and collaboration with Moscow—carries with it too great risks for her national freedom and independence."

This statement was made by the Prime Minister in defense of his government's support of the United Nations and of its attitude toward Britain and France during the Suez crisis. We disagree with it entirely. It would be much better had he remained silent on this disgraceful

episode in our Commonwealth relations, particularly at a time when Sir Anthony Eden was on his way to visit the Governor General of Canada at Ottawa. Mr. St. Laurent may be unrepentant about the harsh words he uttered in Parliament on this issue; but the people of Canada would like to forget them, and they certainly will not accept the distorted picture he presents by way of excuse.

The lesson of recent events in the Middle East has been summarized by another Commonwealth leader, Prime Minister Menzies of Australia. We quote him here in contrast to Mr. St. Laurent's words, in the belief that his statement is much closer to the truth.

"The United Nations," said Mr. Menzies, "made Israel a victim of a double standard on belligerent rights. Egypt sought to justify her denial of passage through the Suez Canal to Israeli ships on the ground that she was at war with Israel and had belligerent rights; thus she had been in contempt of the United Nations for six years. Israel, accepting the proposition that she was at war with Egypt, attacked, but was ordered out of the Gaza strip and the Sinai peninsula; and Egypt still refuses to allow her ships safe passage. I cannot believe this kind of thing is a triumph of international justice."

The attitude adopted by the United Nations in the Middle East at President Eisenhower's instigation was simply this: Except when employed by others against oneself force must be opposed only by moral and political pressure. As pointed out by Dean Acheson, former U.S. Secretary of State, in a recent article, "this means that it can only be effectively opposed when it is employed outside the Communist empire and by our own Allies. Soviet force used in Hungary, Indian force used in Kashmir, or Egyptian force used to conduct raids into Israel and to deny it the use of the canal or the Gulf of Aquaba cannot, within the President's limitations, be effectively opposed because the users are immune to our moral and political pressure. But force used by our Allies, who are vulnerable to our opinion and political pressure, must yield to our moral onslaught."

This is what Mr. St. Laurent regards so complacently when he talks about the United Nations having brought peace to the Middle East. The fact, of course, is that there is still no peace in that troubled area, though it is conceivable that the action of Britain and France would have brought it about but for United Nations interference.

EDITORIAL NOTES

In London, England, the National Smoke Abatement Society is changing its name to the National Society for Cleaner Air. This is what is known as accentuating the positive.

Some 400,000 young Canadians entitled to vote on June 10 for the first time have never seen any but Liberals in power in Ottawa. As the Ottawa Journal points out, they comprise one of the great imponderables in this election.

Here's an original thought credited to Representative Glenn Cunningham of Nebraska: "If you owe \$50, you're a piker. If you owe \$50,000 you're a business man. If you owe \$50 million, you're a tycoon. If you owe \$50 billion, you're the Government."

Where are the herring? Reports from Newfoundland say that the South Coast fishery this past season was almost a total blank. From Norway, meanwhile, comes word that the 1956-57 fishery accounted for only 360,000 tons against an average yield of more than 1 million tons.

Oxford University must have a special regard for United States' Democratic leaders. Last year they awarded an honorary doctorate to former President Truman. On May 24 a similar recognition will go to Mr. Adlai E. Stevenson, the twice defeated candidate for the Presidency.

Experts in New Brunswick, N.J., are arguing about the possible age of bones which were dug up at a building site. Some say they are relics of a dinosaur which lived 150 million years ago, others that they are remains of an animal "new to science". It's too bad to have such an important question undecided!



THEY SAY "THANK YOU!"

PUBLIC FORUM

ISLAND INTERESTS FIRST

Sir—Last night we listened on the radio to Mr. Neil Matheson and were in accord with much that he said. However when he dwelt on the assistance given to fishermen, we felt that in this section of the shoreline in Kings, Cable Head West and East and Goose River, we have little for which to be thankful. This is a section from which twenty to thirty boats operate. The laborious and obsolete method of launching the boats every morning, and hauling them every night is the only possible method where there is no harbor, and high tides and rough seas, are prevalent. The storm of wind and snow on May first and the resultant damage and destruction in some cases to boats and gear make this an opportune time, to revive a subject that has been uppermost in the minds of the fishermen a long these shores for many years.

Twenty years ago and many times since representations were made to the Federal Department of Fisheries, through the Federal representative for Kings, asking for a boat harbor at "The Creek," where most of the boats in this vicinity land. This place got its name from a stream of some proportions across the road and which empties into the sea. This could be dredged and widened at little expense to make an ideal boat harbor. There is another place under James J. McKinnon's at Goose River of equal possibilities. The advantages of these situations have been pointed out time after time and promises—usually pre-election—have been made for a survey and eventually a harbor in the best location.

We are informed by members of the last delegation to call on our Kings representative, that the response they got was a reminder of

have satisfactory response. We hope that someone in authority will go to the Cable Head and Goose River shores during this fishing season, and survey conditions and take some action with promptitude.

We were impressed by Mr. Matheson's remarks on the Causeway relative to Mr. Winter's attitude towards this project. It seems to be favorable and optimistic. We hope that the survey now in progress will soon result in action, and that the Causeway, so essential to the welfare of our Island and so cherished in the hearts of all good Islanders will become an actuality. We have not heard much with reference to this project from Mr. Diefenbaker. If he hopes to get support from Islanders we will have to have some definite assurance that he is wholeheartedly and enthusiastically dedicated to the accomplishment of an undertaking so vital to our interests as the Causeway.

We were so disturbed and affronted by the inimical and divergent attitude of Mr. St. Laurent, and Mr. Pearson, towards Britain and France in the Suez crisis, when these two leaders of the Canadian people lined up with the U.S. of America, and Soviet Russia, in condemning them for defending their vital lines in the Mediterranean that we resolved to withdraw all our support for whatever it is worth from the party which they represent. However minor that support and influence would be, we felt that we would be following the example of many loyal Canadians who resent being aligned with aliens in a measure that tends toward Commonwealth disintegration, without having some say in the procedure. We feel that Mr. St. Laurent has allowed leadership to degenerate into expediency. When Churchill in his speech today before a society of some kind in London defended Sir Anthony Eden's action at Suez, we think Mr. St. Laurent had temerity of a superlative nature when he attempted to reprimand him. His declaration of "scandalous" with reference to Sir Anthony's action will be recorded in history undoubtedly, as the acme in presumption.

However as that is now water under the bridge and as Mr. St. Laurent has merely shown himself to be an indifferent Commonwealther, we are willing to let it ride, and let Britain and France, who will weather the gale without our begrudged support. We will, therefore, support and advocate the party that in our opinion gives us the most sincere and convincing assurance that we will have the construction of this connecting link with the mainland initiated as soon as the survey proves it feasible. The fact that uninterrupted communication is imminent in the terms of Confederation, and that we are moreover entitled to millions of federal dollars in lieu of grants of lands to other provinces—grants worth billions in mineral wealth—has been discussed so often that it does not need repetition. This attitude on our part may seem disloyal and selfish; but it is our observation that if we do not look after our own interests, no one else will. After God and our beloved sovereign, Queen Elizabeth, our first duty is to our Island province, whose neglect by this polyglot federation for almost one hundred years makes it imperative that we dedicate ourselves to its improvement in every way possible.

We will, therefore, vote for anyone or anything excepting only the Devil if we are assured thereby of integration with the mainland. Our children, and our grandchildren, will then have some hope of remaining here with prospects of prosperity and equality with the rest of Canada; and the despair that has been gradually creeping over this Province during the past two decades will be replaced by hope—hope for homes and standards second to none in content, if not in wealth.

I am, Sir, etc., C.C. PRATT St. Peter's, May 3rd.

MAXIMS

A calm, clear mind, not subject to the spasms and crises which are so often met with in creative or intensely perceptive natures, is the best basis for love or friendship.

ANCIENT INSTITUTION

The hospital of St. Cross at Winchester, founded in 1138, is Britain's most ancient charitable institution.

CONTINUED RECESSON

Investigations in Alberta have been directed by E. P. Collier, district engineer at Calgary of the water resources branch, department of northern affairs and natural resources. They were made annually from 1945 to 1950 and then every two years, after

W. G. Warren, district engineer

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO WHEN A TWISTER COMES?

You are never absolutely safe from a tornado no matter where you live.

While few twisters occur in the area west of the Rocky Mountains, and Nevada has had only one in the past 70 years, every state in the nation has experienced them at one time or another. Texas, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi and Oklahoma have had more than their share.

LOSS OF LIVES

In fact, tornadoes take an average toll of about 232 lives each year.

Since I firmly believe that it's as much the duty of a doctor to prevent injuries as it is to treat them, I'd like to give you a few words of advice on how to protect yourself from harm during a tornado. This is especially timely, I think, because most tornadoes occur during May and June.

If you have a storm cellar, of course, you have little to worry about. I know of no one ever having been killed by a tornado while inside such a shelter.

SAFEST PLACE

If you don't have one and few of you do, the safest place is in the basement of your home. Since twisters usually travel from the southwest to the northeast, the southwest corner of the cellar offers the most protection.

If your home has no basement, lie on the floor of the first story next to an inner wall. Outside walls are likely to be blown away by the unequal air pressure. Seek refuge under a bed or a heavy table if you can.

OPEN WINDOWS

And if you have time, open all windows and doors in the house. Shut off the water, gas and electricity too.

Generally, tornadoes occur between 3 and 6 p.m., so it's likely you may be out shopping if one strikes your area.

In that case, seek shelter on the first floor of a large building, preferably one with numerous partitions. Churches, hall and other large open structures offer relatively little protection.

Since tornadoes usually move between 25 and 40 miles per hour, you may be able to outrun or outdrive it if one bears down upon you in the open country.

Winds on the left side of a tornado generally are less severe than those on the right, so run or drive to the left at a right angle with the twister. If you can't outrun it, get out of the car and find shelter in a ditch.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

M.H.W.: What is the cause of a nervous stomach and what can be done for it? X-rays show no organic trouble.

Answer: Nervous indigestion is due to the incorrect action of the stomach.

The treatment for nervous indigestion may include changing certain habits. Worry and overwork must be eliminated; diet must be simple.

In severe cases, prolonged rest in bed may be necessary.

The Age Old Story

And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify redemption.



MAYFLOWERS

Despite Winter's lingering hold Mayflowers will grow.

'Tis May, though snow Doth blow. Soon the sun, Phoebus With glowing eye, Will free the plants And that greening lie. And from its hidden covert Where the velvet moss Conceals— The Arbutus will appear And glow. With pink stars and white— A welcome kind Of snow!

Charlottetown —W.H. Doucette

OUR YESTERDAYS

FROM THE GUARDIAN FILES

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(May 7, 1932)

The Canadian Airways Limited have decided to continue the regular daily, except Sunday, passenger Aeroplane service between Moncton and Charlottetown, it was learned here yesterday. The P.E.I. passenger service will be re-established on Monday next, May 9th.

TEN YEARS AGO

(May 7, 1947)

Yesterday's rough seas and foggy weather off the North Shore prevented most lobster fishermen from setting more gear or overhauling the traps they had already set. Along the east coast some fishing was done, but at Alberton on the North side not a fishing boat left the harbour. A few at Tignish and North Cape went out but fog hindered their operations.

THE 6,000-TON SWEDISH SHIP

Gorthon sailed from Summerside yesterday with almost 100,000 one-hundred pound bags of potatoes for Britain. The Stig Gorthon will proceed to Georgetown to complete her cargo. Since the ship docked last Friday a 24-hour schedule of loading has been maintained and the ship was able to clear port in record time.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Some microscopes can magnify things 50,000 times. You can beat that by just running 'em through a rumor mill. — St. Catharines Standard

Humorists and others have tried to make lists of the most beautiful words in the language. But, for some reason or other, they have missed the loveliest of all: "Nope, no cavities."—Hamilton Spectator

Strange noises were investigated in a church organ in Denmark, and a squirrel and a mouse were found to be sharing a nest in one of the pipes. That's what you call living in harmony.—Peterborough Examiner

Some of the Port Arthur churches recently have actually been turning people away from the Sunday services for lack of accommodation. With nearly 30 places of worship in the city it is a situation that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.—Port Arthur News-Chronicle

Belatedly from the Bermuda conference comes this quip credited to a participant: "They may have charted most of the rocks and shoals but they haven't put a light on John Foster Dulles." The emissary of State is neither rock nor shoal but those puzzled often by his pronouncements may think he should be equipped with a device to dissipate fog.—Ottawa Journal

This week's "corker" is from The Wall Street Journal, reporting the case of a woman shopper who points to a steak, and asks, "How much for that one?" The butcher, without opening the showcase says "That one comes to \$3.12." "How do you now?" she snaps, "when you didn't even weigh it!" "Ma'am he says in a tired voice, "that steak has already been weighed five times today, and it isn't noon yet!"—Ottawa Citizen

The Post Office department averages 2.08 cents profit on every first-class letter. Shouldn't governments provide services at cost?—Oshawa Times-Gazette

British radar screens have picked up an unidentified object in the sky off the west coast of Scotland. Just the Loch Ness monster taken to the air.—Windsor Star

Advice to housecleaning housewife: If you want to get things done with the least interruptions, sweep hubby out first.—Kitchener-Waterloo Record

One argument in favor of evolution is that fish must be millions of years older than fishermen to be that much smarter.—Hamilton Spectator

Doctors say it takes 18 to 20 years to develop all the bones and muscles of our feet. Corns and calluses a lot less time.—Kitchener-Waterloo Record

The most awkward items about the home are those which aren't bad enough to throw away and not quite good enough for the rummage sale.—Hamilton Spectator

New schools in these modern times call for larger parking areas for the students in cars they drive to school. They used to having parking space for bicycles and sling shots.—MacGregor (Man.) Herald Examiner

Greater than any other reason for the rising birth rate is that Canadians like children. The men overseas showed this in their delight in and generosity to youngsters in foreign war fields. Canadians like family life: the proportion of houses to apartments in Ontario is visible evidence of this. It is becoming fashionable to have three, four or five children because even the top drawers are better when crammed with moppets.—Peterborough Examiner

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