

Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew
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Juvenile Reading

This week is being celebrated as Young Canada's Book Week. Sponsored by 32 national organizations, it finds its dominant purpose in "a community effort to bring better books to more children."

Anyone visiting a public library will note the great improvement in the quality of children's books in recent years. Their attractiveness of format contrasts vividly with the drab monotony of the children's books of yesteryear.

In our day, however, comparatively few children can enjoy the delights of a well stocked library at home. Books seem to be the last thing the average family is interested in acquiring.

It is at this age that the imaginative faculty is most alert, and the joy that comes from "discovering" a great classic is felt most keenly. And of all the classics in the golden realm of books, the greatest are those which can be read at different age levels—such as "Gulliver's Travels," "Tom Sawyer," and "Alice in Wonderland".

Hog Deficiency Payments

As announced by Agriculture Minister Harkness, the deficiency payment program of providing price support on hogs will go into effect on January 11, next, and the Federal Government will discontinue the present offer-to-purchase policy January 9.

Prince Edward Island producers should welcome this change, under which payments will be made only to those registered as bona fide farmers, exclusive of commercial organizations. Application forms for registration are now being mailed by the Agricultural Stabilization Board, and producers are advised to register immediately after receiving application cards.

Under the new plan, the quota of 100 hogs on which a producer may collect deficiency payments will mean that at least 85 to 90 per cent of farmers will, on the average, receive the same price for their A and B

hogs as they are guaranteed under the present purchase methods. The Board will establish a national average market price calculated to be equivalent to the support price of \$23.65 per cwt. at Toronto, and this will be uniform in all parts of Canada regardless of the market price received by various producers.

Payments will be calculated on an annual basis, but consideration will be given to making an interim payment if the average market price falls substantially below the support price during the period.

Seaway Tolls & Revenue

It is well to have Prime Minister Diefenbaker's assurance that the Federal Government has no plans for keeping the St. Lawrence River open to shipping during the winter months. This would be an unnecessary expense in view of the availability of our year-round ports of Halifax and Saint John, and the need of our railways for all the business they can handle through these ports.

The September figures of cargo carried on the St. Lawrence Seaway during the first seven months of operation certainly do not warrant additional expense in icebreaker service during the winter season. Indeed, it is a question whether the tolls shouldn't be boosted next year.

It is provided by law that toll revenue must be sufficient to amortize the Seaway construction within 50 years. The U.S. and Canadian toll committees had this in mind when they based toll levels on estimates of traffic potential. First-year Seaway traffic was estimated at 25,000,000 tons on the St. Lawrence system and 40 million tons through the Welland Canal. In seven months, the St. Lawrence carried 14,200,000 tons of cargo, the Welland Canal 19,300,000. With only two months to go, the final tolls will obviously fall far short of expectations.

Toll revenues so far haven't been revealed, and probably won't be until the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority makes its report next April. But revenues will be related closely to cargoes carried, and the issue has already been anticipated by the New York Central Railroad which claims that higher tolls will be an economic necessity. Seaway proponents argue that "to boost the tolls now would be to kill the goose before it lays its golden eggs." There is another adage, however, which is equally applicable from the railway point of view. A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Russian scientists have announced an achievement that may outrank their success in firing rockets at the moon. They have constructed apparatus which enables cancer to be detected in its early stages. It is based on the fact that supersonic waves are reflected differently from diseased and healthy tissue.

Yesterday we expressed hope that for their own sake the Liberals would not be slow in answering Provincial Treasurer McQuaid's relations about the bank overdraft. The Opposition leader, Mr. Matheson, has lost no time in complying. He welcomed a Guardian interviewer and his story appears in today's issue. We commend it to the attention of our readers. It will not lessen their concern about the serious financial position of the Province, but it puts the picture a different perspective.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker took the first step one evening last summer when he held a coffee-and-cake lawn party at his Ottawa home. It was the first totally-dry reception in the capital for years. Now the Young Progressive Conservative Association has announced that it will follow suit at a reception for 500 delegates and guests attending the national meeting on November 30. No cocktails. If this custom hits dinner parties, speakers will have to get along on the exuberance of their own verbosity.

Washington figures show that U.S. farm income has dipped \$1,000 million more than was expected in the third quarter of this year. The estimated drop of more than 17 per cent in the annual rate since the second quarter puts the income figure at the lowest quarter point since 1943, and threatens to cut the total 1959 income to its lowest post-war level. The income figures came from the President's Council of Economic Advisers, and are carried in the Council's October report prepared for the Joint Congressional Economic Committee.



GETTING THEIR SEASONS MIXED

AMERICAN LETTER

U.S. Issues And Events

By Heath Macquarrie, MP

While at the United Nations a delegate carries on his work in what might be described as international territory yet he nevertheless, becomes a temporary resident of the United States in his off-work hours. Through contacts with citizens of this country and the radio, television and newspaper media he becomes sharply aware of some of the issues and events catching the attention of the American public.

The biggest news item in recent weeks concerns the "fixing" of television programs and public interest in this question reached its greatest heights with the appearance of Charles Van Doren before a congressional committee in Washington. The crowds jamming into the committee room were larger than those who eagerly sought to witness the Senator McCarthy investigations of alleged communists some years ago.

The revelation that the young Columbia University lecturer had been a major participant in what many people describe as a fraud came as a disturbing shock to many people in the United States. Now from all sides there are demands for a sweeping investigation and widespread housecleaning of the whole television industry.

While it behooves us all to have full compassion for our fellow men and recall the need for others' tolerance and understanding of our own errors it is nevertheless difficult to absolve Van Doren from responsibility. Three of the members of the Congressional investigating committee congratulated him for telling the painful truth. They were doubtless impressed by the young man's anguished wish that he might not have had to live the kind of life forced upon him in the last three years. One notes too that he claimed to be following the advice of producers who assured him that the "fix" was really part of the game.

But it may be that the fourth member of the Committee better explained the view of Van Doren's countrymen. This congressman said he could not congratulate the young teacher for finally telling the truth - something which was expected every day from the average citizen far less endowed than the T.V. prize winner. Perhaps it was recalled that when he was faced with the Grand Jury a few weeks ago Van Doren denied that his performance was anything but above-board.

Broader Issue Yet the issue is much broader than Van Doren and the other winners of big prizes on Quiz Shows. The role of the T.V. authorities and their sponsors, is also coming under the sharp glare of public opinion. There are those who declare that the problem is bigger than the industry and involves an appraisal of the general public's attitude and performance.

A leading New York Rabbi in a sermon the other day deplored what he described as a deteriorating public conscience. Dr. William F. Rosenblum told his congregation "In a real sense the eyes of the investigators should be upon those who sit glued to the television screens. It is indeed a pity that the American public cannot be tried for its apathy for permitting vice and violence, unbridled sex displays even to be brought into their homes and into the minds of the young. For in the end it is the man in front of the television set who really determines what all those behind the show - sponsors, producers, the advertising agents and the networks - will put on.

New Set of Freedoms The rabbi proposed a new set of "four freedoms": (1) freedom from hunger of sponsors for mounting sales, (2) freedom from the hunger of producers for their

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client's budgets, (3) freedom from the hunger of the networks for ratings and (4) freedom from the hunger of the people to be entertained no matter what."

How much will come of the present flurry it is difficult to appraise. Soon the excitement will die down but the quiz show as an entertainment device will never be the same again.

FEW IMPORTANT CONTESTS In the United States the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November is generally an election day. Last year there was great excitement as all of the House of Representatives, a third of the Senate and many governors were selected by the voters. This year there were few contests of more than local significance. The Democrats did score a success in the election of a governor in Kentucky and by their defeat of Harold Stassen who sought to become mayor of Philadelphia.

In New York state both parties pointed to gains and losses in municipal elections. A school building program to the extent of \$300,000,000 was defeated by referendum in this great state. The result is considered a rebuke for Mayor Wagner and a triumph for one of his Democratic opponents, Mr. Serosa. There are few who hail it as a victory for education.

There are always top-flight visitors coming to the United States. One of the latest was President Torgue of Guinea who spent nearly two weeks here. The outspoken chief of state of the new African republic expressed himself as highly pleased with his visit and he hailed the progress of the negro in this country.

EISENHOWER'S TOUR Of considerable interest, too, is the pending visit of President Eisenhower to countries in Europe and Asia. The United States Chief executive will visit countries as far apart as Spain and India and there is great pleasure in those nations which look forward to a visit from the highly popular American president. While there is some lingering doubt as to the value of the

Two pitfalls on the way to peace and freedom in Cyprus have been overcome in recent weeks. At the moment the chances are good that the Mediterranean island can make the transition from British colony to independent republic next February without more bloodshed. The first hazard disposed of was Gen. George Grivas, the Greek soldier who led the four-year fight against British rule and who has since returned to Greece trying vainly, it seems, to grab a place in the sun of Athenian politics.

In making that bid, he tried to capitalize on the fears and hatreds of the Greek and Turkish Cypriots that have not been altogether buried. He talked of taking a hand in events but at a meeting with Archbishop Makarios apparently agreed to drop out of the picture.

The other roadblock that has been cleared apparently to almost everyone's satisfaction, is the role of the vice-president in the new republic. Argument over the issue had deadlocked the constitution-making conference for more than a month. An agreement reached last February ending the fighting on Cyprus specified that the president of the new republic should be a Greek-Cypriot and the vice-president a Turkish-Cypriot.

WORTHY OF SOLOMON Each is given veto powers in certain matters but the Turks wanted a wider voice. Consultation on all matters that came be-

Undesirable Side Effects

By Herman N. Sandness, M. D. PENICILLIN, the sulfa drugs and the rest of our modern medicines generally perform wondrous works indeed. With some of them, however, even with the salicylates, certain undesirable side effects might possibly occur. Maybe there will be nausea, or perhaps a rash will break out.

DOCTOR ON ALERT Your doctor recognizes this possibility when he prescribes such drugs. Maybe he will ask you whether you are allergic to penicillin or some of the sulfas before writing the prescription or administering an injection. If you are, chances are he will give you another medicine, "that will work just as well."

REPORT TO DOCTOR Nevertheless, I'm sure he will want to be informed about any side effects which do occur. This is especially true when the patient is a child. Here are the most likely side effects of the four commonly used categories of drugs. These are the signs to watch for and to report to the doctor:

After Sulfa Drugs - A rash on any part of the body or blood in the urine. The rash may take any of three forms. It may be a fine powdery rash such as occurs in scarlet fever; it may be a blotchy like measles or it may look like hives. After Penicillin - A similar rash, difficulty in swallowing or breathing or pain in the joints. After Salicylates (aspirin, etc.) - Rapid breathing, buzzing in the ears or swelling of the lips or some other part of the body.

After Digitals - Diarrhea, vomiting, very slow or irregular pulse. When taking any medicine you should, of course, follow your doctor's instructions exactly.

TIMING IMPORTANT Timing is especially important, since some medicines should be taken on an empty stomach while others should be taken immediately after eating. Explicit instructions about this were given to you in a previous column.

QUESTION AND ANSWER H. W.: What causes white pimples to appear on the inside of the cheek? Answer: It is impossible to determine the cause of "white pimples on the inside of the cheek" without examining the spots. Your doctor should be able to enlighten you.

REQUEST We ask no finite world, no sculpture done To the last true turn of meditation's grace.

No world in which all victories are won And each man's image bears the self-same face. A world whose granite edges have been cut To perfect form, where destiny is known A friend, and every human heart is shut.

To ecstasy and pain - a world of stone.

We ask no world where vision has been lost And no live flower blossoms from a bud, A world without one ocean to be crossed, Without one standard stained with some man's blood. These things we never asked. But give us the instruments, leave us the clay!

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NOES BY THE WAY

Looting of historic huts built by Shackleton and Scott in the Antarctic indicates that vandalism now reaches toward the South Pole. - Ottawa Journal

The cat that investigated a floor fan in motion and got tangled up with it didn't lose any of his nine lives, but he lost about 50 per cent of his curiosity. - Cornwall Standard-Freeholder

Burl Ives, the American folk singer, was questioned on his arrival in Cuba recently as to why he's never given a concert in Latin America. He replied with modest logic: "Everybody there can play a guitar better than I can." - Sherbrooke Record

An estate agent once walked up close to a famous painter, who was busy putting the finishing touches to a landscape. The estate agent examined it for some time, then shook his head and backed away. "Something wrong?" asked the artist. The agent shook his head again. "I wouldn't give you sixpence an acre for that land!" - Montreal Star

Indian and non-Indian children are going to school together in increasing numbers in Canada. Educators, sociologists and anthropologists in and out of government agree the goal should be complete integration. So do most Canadians. Why then does the Federal Government continue to build more separate schools for native Indian children? Integration isn't served by expanding the facilities for segregation. - Vancouver Province

New York presented a formidable case for itself as the site of the 1964 World's Fair in Washington. Washington is a fine city, Los Angeles is a fine city, but New York is the centre of the American stage and where world's fair undeniably ought to be held. The material advantages are great. New York would raise all the money itself and not ask for a nickel in federal funds. - New York Herald-Tribune

We have still a long way to go before we realize that languages, like planes, are useful in peace and war. Some of our universities have recently begun teaching the Russian language. The United States has now become conscious that it lags miserably in comparison with the Soviet Union, which has many specialist courses in foreign languages. A recent survey showed there were at least 50 languages spoken by 2,000,000 or more people, none of which was covered by an American university. Among these 50 were 14 spoken by 10,000,000 to 42,000,000 persons. - Hamilton Spectator

Mysteries Of The Deep

The Spectator, London

We know less about the floor of the ocean than we do about the surface of the moon. There are detailed maps of the heavens, but the sea depths have so far remained shrouded in darkness. Scientists are familiar with the major features of the ocean bed—the 35,000-foot-deep trenches, the 2,000-mile-long fracture zones, the flat-topped undersea mountains, the broad ocean-long ridges, and the abyssal plains as flat as a calm sea. They recognise that the underwater landscape is different from anything on land or on the moon. But they do not know why.

Where do the waters come from, where do they go? In the last few years four great sub-surface ocean currents—rivers in the heart of the sea one thousand times greater in flow than the Mississippi—have been discovered. They may be many others. We do not know. We do not know either how many fish there are in our seas. Nor do we understand what causes fish populations to vary from region to region and from season to season. Yet millions now must look to the sea as an important potential source of protein to meet the growing demand for more food as world population surges up.

NEEDS NEW TOOLS Oceanography is no longer the Cinderella of the sciences, though it still needs to develop new research tools. Most oceanographic ships, for example, are obsolete and inadequate to meet the needs of the investigators. Deep-diving vehicles are needed that can reach into "inner space." The bathyscaphe and the mesoscaphe, a new underwater helicopter which is the brainchild of the fabulous Professor Fricard, will enable scientists to observe the ocean depths directly. The problems are great, for men must be able to descend at ease and in safety through the waters, nearly seven miles to the deepest point.

With such tools, they will be able to collect data to help find solutions to many such unsolved questions: whether life may have originated not in the sea, but on the underwater clay surfaces and shallow bays when the atmosphere was poor in oxygen but rich in hydrocarbons and ammonia; and where the salt in the sea comes from—for it is likely that the sea's chemical make-up has not changed for some 250 million years, and so the salt could not have come from washing out of the continents by rivers.

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