

President and successor, as a United Nations delegate and chairman of the U.N. commission on human rights; and when President Kennedy assumed office she headed his peace commission on the status of women. She was one of the first prominent white persons to join the fight for Negroes' civil rights. She headed the failing effort to swap tractors to Castro for prisoners seized in the unsuccessful rebel Cuban invasion. She even lent her stature to a series of television commercials because the advertising gave her an opportunity to plead for food for the world's hungry people.

Honors continued to come her way, and she used them always for worthy ends. She was named the most admired woman in the world in a Gallup Poll in 1961, for example, and in the same year there was established at the University of Colorado the Eleanor Roosevelt Institute for Cancer Research. Despite her travels, her lectures, her voluminous writings in newspapers and periodicals, she found time for such grandmotherly activities as knitting for her kin and seeing that no birthday or anniversary in the family was neglected.

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INDIAN ROPE TRICK

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

Stresses Difficulties Of Municipalities

A powerful and well-organized plea for Canada's "forgotten people" was made in Parliament by the man who is used to head one.

Mr. Hubert "Bud" Badami, now Liberal M.P. for Fort William, was previously eight years Alderman and eight years Mayor of that city. In him, the Lokheed had an experienced and able representative on Parliament Hill, who has demonstrated his responsibility and won Parliament's respect.

Our municipal governments, he said, are desperately short of revenue, and find it difficult and costly to borrow the finance needed programs of the kind he spoke. So he attaches great importance to the proposals which have been heard here, that the Federal Government should set up a fund from which the municipalities could borrow to finance development work.

From September through November, great flights of hawks, eagles, and falcons saar along the coast as they fly south.

Lowest and Least The municipal government is low man on our governmental totem pole, and this is the province and of course far below the federal government.

A combined list of facts has placed most municipalities in a highly precarious financial position. Mr. Badami told Parliament. These factors he listed as four. First, they have never recovered fully from the deficiency of public service during the war years when they were neglected. Second, the drift from the farm into city has placed severe new strains on their municipal budgets.

Third, the abrupt increase in certain services has placed forward planning of growth and development. And fourth, municipalities for the same reason cannot plan against depression by preparing a list of public works projects to create employment for such a period.

What Mr. Badami believes would answer much of this difficulty would be the establishment of a big federal pool of resources, set up by borrowing of the Federal Government, from which municipalities could borrow at the same low rate of interest as that which the federal government borrows the money.

At present, Mr. Badami points out, municipalities have difficulty in borrowing money quietly for their needs, and they must pay expensively high interest on their borrowings. Sometimes they even have to take the unattractive step of going abroad to borrow money. He was Mayor of Fort William, we were always being high-pressure to borrow money in New York," he said. But he never did, and even though his city had had to pay high interest, it is now far better off than it could have been in a foreign interest, owing to the lower exchange value of the Canadian dollar.

Across the Board Across the points, Mr. Badami pointed out to me, do not apply only to the Lakehead Cities they apply across the board. So to do the deferred necessary development projects, although their cost form may vary.

Fort William, he said, could well embark on projects such as new bridges. "We need two bridges, but we are unable to span the river between the two islands in front of our city. These bridges would be used for industrial purposes, and would create more jobs for the Lakehead. On one side is a refinery, and a 26 million dollar hydro plant was completed last year, but is not operating yet because the antiquated dam

to supplement the present 20 narrow Grand Trunk swing bridge.

Another older citizen recently in the news is the plague and the fire, the jingle goes back to the darkest days of the London plague that took the lives of more than 100,000 citizens that year. The ring of roses was the florid epidemic of plague and the poeies were the horrid spots carried to ward off the contagion. The last part — with its ashes and "all fall down" — is the most sinister aspect of the rhyme.

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WON'T MELT FAT J. K. writes: I have very large hips and bust. Will applying a heating pad to these parts lose weight be harmful or helpful?

Removal Said Only Treatment For Leeches

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen LEECHES are found in lakes and swamps, and are common in tropical forests and bushes. They attach themselves to man when he is swimming or wading in infested waters. These parasites are bloodsuckers and feed on the blood of their hosts. Significant amounts of blood can be lost through the skin. This is particularly true of children, and the elderly.

Internal hemorrhoids is an uncommon ailment in this country that a few of us have heard of. It is due to the lining of the larynx, upper respiratory tract, wind pipe, or esophagus. The resulting irritation leads to hemorrhoids, cough, nasal obstruction, or nausea. In such instances, the tiny leeches are swallowed in drinking water. They also can enter the bladder or other organs when swimming in infested lakes or ponds. This is particularly true of children, and the elderly.

Removal is the only treatment. Leeches on the skin will let go promptly when touched with a wet cloth. They will retreat, but when they are located inside the body, elimination is more difficult. The area must be irrigated with strong solutions. For respiratory tract infection, the physician must pass a bronchoscope into the passageways and pick them off one at a time. Preventing consists of boiling the drinking water in infested areas and staying out of lakes and ponds that contain these leeches.

This aspect of the leech is seldom mentioned in the usual read of their usage in y olden days along with bloodletting, purging and cupping. A pocketful of poeies, Ashes ashes, All fall down. This is an English version of a rhyme children have been singing since 1665 or thereabouts. They realize that the words mean originally.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

A man called up a bird store the other day and said: "Send me 30,000 cockroaches at once." "What in heaven's name do you want with 30,000 cockroaches?" "Well," replied the bird store owner, "I'm moving and my wife and I must leave the premises here in exactly one hour. I would like to have them in." — Hamilton Spectator.

FORESTRY AID The federal government is providing \$280,000 to Nova Scotia toward employing out-of-work miners on forestry projects in Cape Breton.

Protection Of Consumers

Globe and Mail, Toronto (Text. This newspaper has a doubt about that idea; interest can be calculated in different ways. Nor do we agree with suggestions that rates of interest should be limited by law; sellers and buyers should be free to make any deal they like. The interest rate should be set to achieve this in consumer purchasing, it seems to us, is to reduce the interest rate on the finance charges in terms of dollars. So many dollars cash price, and so many more dollars if payments are extended.

India's Choice Of Enemy

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THE PRIME BANK OF CANADA

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A Snap Election

Premier Shaw's announcement last evening of the calling of a provincial general election on December 10 certainly fulfilled one political requirement. It must have come as an embarrassing shock to his opponents. It wouldn't be stretching the truth too far to say that it comes as an unwelcome surprise to everybody outside the Government. We need a pre-Christmas election in this Province about as badly as we need a hole in the head. With the uncertain stability of the Parliament at Ottawa, teetering on the brink of dissolution at any hour of the day or night—and with the prospects of another federal election brought closer by the latest statements of the Social Credit leader in Quebec—this further venture into the unexpected and unknown leaves us, at least, completely flabbergasted.

The Shaw Government has a good record in many respects. It has shown initiative and leadership which we have commended on many occasions. But this is not the point. By December 10 we may be waist-deep in snowbanks. The main issue to which the Government proposes to run—that of abolition of hospital insurance premiums—may help to placate the number of electors who will get pneumonia in going to the polls, but we don't think it will be proper popular on that account. There are easier ways of qualifying for free hospital insurance. Better ways, too, we venture to suggest, of testing public opinion than by forcing an election when it's least wanted.

The Government was elected in September, 1959, and there is no call for it to go to the country until next summer at least, after our farmers have completed their spring chores. All the issues named by Premier Shaw in his surprising statement could be resolved just as easily then as now. However, the decision has been made otherwise, and that's the Government's privilege. We think it a regrettable one, and that it will prove a disservice to our merchants and everyone else concerned with business problems at this time.

A Great Lady Indeed

"Status" symbols are all the go these days, the big powers having what they regard as the most potent status symbol of all in the nuclear bomb. But that is a hellish fakery. It is to the qualities that make for national greatness, for culture, for enlightened leadership in humanitarian causes, for all that the wisest of mankind have sought to achieve throughout the centuries, that the meaning should be applied. There are such status symbols, even in our time. To the common people of many nations, on both sides of the Iron Curtain, the late Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was regarded in this light.

As widow of the late, great President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mrs. Roosevelt naturally held a position of honor and esteem. But it was her own endearing qualities, and the zeal which carried her into so many worthwhile activities, that brought her the affection and esteem of so many millions of people. Despite advancing years she continued her world travelling as an unofficial ambassador of peace and goodwill, and was constantly on call in her own country, wherever her services were required. She had served former President Truman, her husband's last Vice-

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tuesday's U.S. elections produced what Washington regards as an "election crop" of complaints about atomic law violations. These, as usual, involved charges that "uninspired scurrilous" campaign literature had been used.

A school in Australia is planning to hold arithmetic classes for parents, the purpose being to show parents how to help children with their homework. Perhaps Australia isn't the only country where teaching methods have so changed since parents went to school that they need a refresher course if they are to be of any help to youngsters in their homework.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files) TWENTY - FIVE YEARS AGO (November 9, 1937) Special delivery services were held yesterday in City Schools, Prince of Wales College, and St. Dunstan's school. Addresses were given on "The Spirit of Armistice on behalf of the children of the branch of the Canadian Legion, BESS. BOSTON, Nov. 9. — (CP) — Mrs. Ives, widow of the late P.E.I., formerly of Hamilton, P.E.I., and widow of a carpenter, died at her home in a private hospital here. She was 81. Her husband, a prominent local businessman, died in 1934. She is survived by her son, a lawyer, and her daughter, a nurse. Her funeral will be held at 11 a.m. today at St. Dunstan's school. Burial will be in the cemetery at 11 a.m. today. She was a member of the Canadian Legion, and the Women's Institute. Her husband was a member of the Canadian Legion, and the Women's Institute. Her husband was a member of the Canadian Legion, and the Women's Institute.

COMMUNIQUE

We will be sending out metalite pills, High-nitrate aqueous in squeaking, low-frequency, Far into space on interstellar radio waves. "Calling all planets. Planets come in, please." We want scanning sky-trails for response. "Go ahead on other words — word in code." "From ahead, please." "No, after you, Alphonse." "You're talking breathlessly to read your note." From syllable to syllable we grope. Deciphering their dark, melodic tongue. "A pair of whitepoppets, we sing in hope Of reaching human ears. Our brood is young and hungry. Our nest is in the blue-flag and these birds are here. Of summer song we wedge between the stars." — Victor Hugo in The Christian Science Monitor