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Mr. Diefenbaker's Visit

Right Hon. John G. Diefenbaker's
visit here last evening was for the
purpose of addressing the Prince
Edward Island Progressive Conserva-
tive Association meeting, and it
was naturally from the Conservative
standpoint that he dealt with the
political issues of the day. He was
in excellent form, and had good
reason to be pleased with the enthu-
siastic ovation he received. Certainly
it would be surprising if it had
been otherwise among his party
followers in this Province, who have
never faltered in their allegiance to
"Dief the Chief."

Nor can those of other political
faiths forget what is owing to Mr.
Diefenbaker in his efforts on our
behalf during his years of office as
Prime Minister of Canada. The fiscal
relief, for example, which we obtained
at a critical juncture under the
Atlantic adjustment grants, and,
more particularly, his Indorsement
of our causeway project and under-
taking to build it.

It is significant that in Peter C.
Newman's hypercritical book,
"Renegade in Power: the Diefen-
baker Years," only one reference to
Prince Edward Island appears, and
this in connection with what is
termed "Diefenbaker's least respon-
sible promise" about the afore-
mentioned causeway made in the
House of Commons on April 17, 1962.
This was also the reaction the Winnipeg
Free Press showed in denouncing
the causeway pledge as the "most
brazen political bribe since Confed-
eration." Similar statements appear-
ed during the last federal election
campaign in central and western
parts of the country, which undoubt-
edly had an effect on the voting at
that time.

Obviously if it was a question of
politics, Mr. Diefenbaker would not
have risked losing support in these
influential quarters for the sake of
four seats in Prince Edward Island.
Surely he must have believed in our
causeway claims, and felt that they
should be implemented in the na-
tional interest. Accordingly he back-
ed them up. Today they are con-
ceded by all parties to be valid, despite
the uncertainty that still exists
with regard to the planning of the
undertaking.

This is as good a time as any to
recall this part of Mr. Diefenbaker's
record, and to assure him that
regardless of the views we may
hold on matters of current political
controversy, his name in Prince
Edward Island will always be held
in honor.

Wealth And Mobility

It is somewhat staggering to
note that in the world today, there
are an estimated 140 million motor
vehicles. Of this total, 85 million or
60 per cent travel along the high-
ways and byways of the North
American continent. Six million of
this total are in Canada. North
America, with 9 per cent of the
world's population, possesses 60 per
cent of its wheeled population, in-
cluding a vastly greater proportion
of trucks and high performance
vehicles. The North American con-
tinent, by the greatest odds, is the
most mobile community in the
world.

We are indebted for this informa-
tion to J. Bernard Lavigneur,
chairman of the operating committee
of the Canadian Good Roads As-
sociation, who goes on to draw the
conclusion that there is a definite re-
lationship between wealth and mo-
bility. There is, theoretically, one
motor vehicle for every household

in Canada and it can be conceded
that all Canadians could be riding
around at the same time if they
wanted to. In impoverished China,
there are some 3,104 persons for
every motor vehicle on the road.

"According to some pink-clouded
city planners," writes Mr. Lavigneur,
"today's city dwellers live in a
'sardine' civilization deprived of
grass, sunshine, leisure and virtually
life itself. In contrast, so the legend
goes, grandfather spun out his ex-
istence in pastoral bliss—care-less
and tranquil. More detailed and ob-
jective scrutiny might reveal that
grandfather worked longer hours,
and took longer to get to and from
work in spite of the fact that he
probably lived within the shadow of
the plow."

"He may have walked or he may
have taken a tram. But he was bound
to the environment limited by lack
of easy mobility. His personal con-
tact with the world seldom extended
beyond the end of the local tram
line. By comparison his grandson
can range far, wide and handsome,
into vastly diversified cultural and
economic climates of Canada and
beyond."

However, the writer concedes
that there is still some flies in the
ointment. "Crawling home in bum-
per-to-bumper traffic after a hard
day at the office," he says, "the
Canadian businessman may well be
forgiven for some mild reservations
about the social benefits of the auto-
mobile."

The Politician's Lot

Canadian politicians may be won-
dering, with some embarrassment,
whether a practice that has crept
into the current presidential elec-
tion campaign in the United States
will find favour in this country. That
is the practice of making public the
joint financial status of the candi-
date and his wife. Rep. William E.
Miller, the Republican candidate
for vice-president, has now set the
net worth of himself and his better
half at \$260,730.57. He lists assets
of \$327,725.78 and liabilities of \$66,
995.21.

The report was prepared by
certified public accountants in Mr.
Miller's home town, making him
third of the four top national candi-
dates to make open confession of this
sort. An accounting firm issued a
report on President and Mrs. John-
son's financial status at the direc-
tion of the President, and Senator
Barry Goldwater's bank in Phoenix,
Arizona, issued a similar statement
on the Goldwaters' financial situa-
tion.

The Johnson statement put
the holdings of himself and his wife at
\$3,484,098. Senator Goldwater's put
the family worth at approximately
\$1.7 million. But the report on the
President and Mrs. Johnson has been
criticized by Republicans on the
ground that it listed the original
purchase price, rather than the cur-
rent market value of the holdings.

You just can't satisfy the curi-
osity of people nowadays! If Cana-
dian electors get a taste for this kind
of thing they'll be equally insistent
in ferreting out the source of every
last cent of the candidate's income.
And as one gentleman attending the
recent Commonwealth Parliament-
ary Association conference observ-
ed to us in a vein of mingled leve-
lty and seriousness, that would take
half the pleasure out of being in
pub's life.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Canada's problems, suggests an
exchange, could be resolved more
easily if there were less talk about
culture and more exercise of com-
mon sense.

Scotland Yard has added its voice
to those of Canadian government
authorities in stating it has every
confidence that the Queen will be
in good hands during her forth-
coming Canadian trip. This assur-
ance comes at a welcome time, and
from a source of unquestioned re-
liability.

The Windsor Star quotes an ex-
perienced observer of the human
scene as remarking that there are
few phonies among farmers, com-
pared to the numbers in cities. His
explanation was simple. Farmers are
too close to realities of life, and
too well-phonied by their neighbors,
to be phonies. Any such tendency
would make them the laughing
stock of their community.

BETTER TRAINING FOR WORK AND LEISURE
DAILY PAPER OF THE PROBLEMS OF THIS AGE
UNEMPLOYMENT
PUT A BOOK IN THEM INSTEAD
NO USE JUST WRINGING OUR HANDS
AFTER UNLUCKY PAST
Old London's Bow Bells Ring Again
National Geographic Society
Britain's Liberal Party

Recurring Erysipelas
By Dr. Theodore B. VanDellen
The older generation thought
of getting up at a certain
o'clock in the morning, and
the younger generation doesn't think
of it, either. — Moose Jaw Times.
Two beauties were admiring
a Canadian wild mink coat in a
swank store. "It's gorgeous,"
said one, "but who would be
fool enough to pay \$12,000 for
such a coat?" "I'd find him,"
said the other, "but I'd find him."
—Financial Post.
Ugly Implications
London Free Press
In the rioting and looting in
U.S. cities being inspired and
ignited by forces which have
little to do with the struggles
over civil rights and the social
torment of the Negro and his
people, the trouble has been started
by wild rumor and falsehood
tossed on to some minor incident.
Mr. Wilkins wants to find out
for sure. He knows that it is the
Negro population which stands to
lose most from these tragedies.
Not only that, but the whole
situation may have a distorted
effect on U.S. political situa-
tion and the strength and direc-
tion of the so-called "backlash"
against the civil rights bill.
The real issues and meaning
need for such an inquiry has
been lost to the national ad-
ministration. President Johnson
has seen the marks and im-
plications of a pattern and has
ordered a co-ordination of sub-
divisions of FBI reports on the
subject.
The disastrous Harlem riots
were touched off by the shooting
of a Negro boy by a policeman
during a melee. But it was
taunted into major proportions by
loose mouthed Negroes who
have little to do with the struggles
over civil rights and the social
torment of the Negro and his
people.
Many civic authorities and
leaders of Negro organizations
think it is Roy Wilkins the calm,
astute secretary of the National
Association for the Advance-
ment of Colored People says
there is a pattern to these riots
which suggests undercover or-
ganization. He is calling for a
federal investigation to uncover
the causes.
There is every indication that
need for such an inquiry has
been lost to the national ad-
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Old London's Bow Bells Ring Again
National Geographic Society
Almost from the beginning,
St. Mary-le-Bow was known for
unlucky events. In 1690 the roof
collapsed, killing several work-
ers. In 1721 the steeple fell,
killing many others. These and
other misfortunes prompted a
16th-century historian, John
Stow, to write, "For divers ac-
cidents this church hath been
made more famous than a
city other."

Britain's Liberal Party
By Harold Morrison
Candidate Staff Writer
The European common market,
Labor wants to move more in
the direction of Commonwealth
free trade.

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ing letters submitted.

The Need For Water
Milwaukee Journal
Man, who often takes water
for granted, moving into a
decade of mounting world short-
age of the stuff of life. Our wa-
ter needs are growing astronomi-
cally—for domestic use, for
industry, agriculture and for
the earth's great oceans.
The supply no longer is inex-
haustible. Here and there the
earth's water resources are be-
coming scarce.

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Public Utilities Commission
NOTICE
TAKE NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC HEARING
will be held in the office of the Public Utilities
Commission, Dominion Building, Charlottetown,
Prince Edward Island, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th
day of SEPTEMBER, 1964, at the hour of ten
o'clock in the forenoon to consider the no-
tice of abandonment of service by the CHAR-
LOTTETOWN SUBURBAN TRANSIT and the
application of WENDELL WILLIAM WOOD of
Sherwood, Prince Edward Island, to operate a
bus service over the routes now being served by
the Charlottetown Suburban Transit.

Week-End Specials
From
Cudmore's & P.J.'s Ltd.
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BROCOLLI 2 LBS. 49c
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CAR CARRIED EXPLOSIVES
CAPE TOWN (AP)—A squad
of police security police
rushed to the small farming
community of Cape Town,
northwest of Cape Town, Tues-
day, to investigate a quantity
of dynamite found in a
wrecked car. The South African
Broadcasting Corporation said
the car was in a damaged
condition and collided with another
vehicle. The driver, a young white
male, had been injured.