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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink."

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Hit And Run

Two hit-and-run accidents on one night this week indicates that there are persons behind the driving wheel of some of our cars who are completely lacking in moral sense. Anyone is liable to be involved in an accident at some time or other, although care and skill should keep the frequency and seriousness of such mishaps within bounds, but to drive away without stopping to identify oneself and offer assistance is to be deliberately vicious.

The law provides severe penalties for callously leaving the victims to their fate or the chance of being succored by a passing Samaritan. It is the duty of one and all, garagemen, neighbours and the public generally to assist the police in identifying cars and drivers involved in unreported accidents.

It should not be possible on this Island for a car to be involved in any serious accident without the driver having to account for it.

Wise Advice

Very wise advice was given recently to ministers of the United Church by the Montreal Presbytery, says the Montreal Gazette. The ministers were requested to exercise great care when signing petitions. Reference was made in particular to the so-called Stockholm Peace appeal, which has been exposed (notably by a committee of the World Council of Churches) as a dangerous fraud.

Ministers of the Montreal Presbytery were reminded that if they should happen to sign any such petition, by failure to examine it carefully, not only their own name, but those of their congregations, and of the church, generally, would become involved. There is perfect freedom for ministers to exercise their own judgment and to act as they see right in such matters. But at the same time there is also the obligation for a most thorough and searching examination of the true purposes of sponsorship of any document to which they may be asked to add their signature.

"Such care is made necessary by the high authority and influence which the clergy exercise in their communities," says the Gazette. "The presbytery's warning about the need for a responsible caution is also a reminder of the exceptionally influential position that the clergy rightfully occupy."

Work For The Mint

Millions of new "pennies" will be minted to meet the demand resulting from Finance Minister Abbott's special budget which added a cent or more to many items. The master of the Royal Canadian Mint states the full impact of the "add-a-cent-or-two budget" hadn't yet been fully felt, but it would certainly mean the minting of millions of one-cent pieces.

During the war years, owing to various add-a-cent taxes the mint made millions of new one-cent pieces. While these are still in circulation, Canada's national economy has grown rather than decreased, and more coins are necessary. At present there are approximately 929,732,100 pennies in circulation in Canada. But, according to the mint official, this number isn't enough to enable merchants to make proper change. He says Canada will need about 1,000,000,000 pennies for this purpose. So Canadians can look forward to their pockets and purses becoming heavier.

Arbitrator Kellock's Task

Rail dispute arbitrator Mr. R. I. Kellock faces a formidable task which is not made any easier by virtue of narrow limits which the Government's legislation of last August imposes upon his discretion. For, in the first place, he must not award to the 17 unions involved anything less than the railways had been induced, under duress of the threatened strike, to offer when last minute mediation efforts broke down. In the second place, although both parties to the dispute have undertaken to abide, as indeed they are by law required to do, by the arbitrator's decision, this will not relieve him of criticism in event that one or other of the parties is dissatisfied with his settlement terms.

Against this background, it is difficult to understand why Mr. Justice Kellock undertook this difficult and disagreeable assignment. As a member of the Supreme Court of Canada, he could easily have declined. That he did not do so is probably

due to his own high sense of responsibility in assisting to end a protracted dispute which has already threatened the economic security of the Canadian people.

That arbitrator Kellock will exercise his narrow limit of discretion with wisdom and fairness goes without saying. That the manner in which he exercises that discretion will invite criticism is likewise inevitable. It is, therefore, of supreme importance that people recognize his findings as those of an "ad hoc" arbitrator, and not as those of a member of Canada's highest court. In their choice of a man, the Government has manifested good judgment in selecting an arbitrator. In terms of the high judicial office he holds, the Government, in appointing him, has done disservice to the judiciary itself.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Festival of St. Crispian.

Fire wardens and fire stations are to be reorganized under the new civil defence programme.

The Canadians en route to Korea appear to be very much at sea, but they will reach their destination in due season.

Charlottetown and the Charlottetown Board of Trade welcome Mr. F. G. Win-spere, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

Quahaug export to Toronto finds a large and appreciative market, besides providing employment for a considerable number of people here.

The technical excellence of Russian mining is not decisive in sea warfare. Like landmines, nautical minefields must be defended and patrolled to be effective.

Anyone who has vainly tried to pass a noisy truck will approve a recent West German regulation requiring certain of them to provide an amplifier for the horn of overtaking vehicles.

Summerside is in the electricity business fifty per cent more than last week. The result should be a renewed drive to utilize the extra power, with consequent stimulus to industry and business.

Mr. Reginald King's advice to the Little Theatre to perform fairy tales for audiences of children is attractive but challenging. Youthful audiences are notoriously difficult, and express disapproval or enthusiasm with equal gusto.

It is reported that fashion designers have evolved jewellery which fastens to a lady's skin by means of suction and a harmless chemical. If the same device can be used to secure her corsage, a major problem set by present day styles will have been solved.

For the month of September Canadian newsprint production amounted to 437,579 tons, an increase of 22,400 tons over the corresponding month last year. American consumers accumulated 86.1 per cent of the shipments, an increase of 13.6 per cent over the same month last year.

Robert Bridges, English poet, born this date 1844. Appointed Poet Laureate 1913. Was formerly a doctor of medicine, practising at various London hospitals. His publications: "Poetical Works" (1898-1916), "The Spirit of Man", "October and Other Poems". His poetry has long been appreciated by a limited but cultured class, but lacks appeal to a wide public.

The World Medical Association has gone on record as being unanimously opposed to euthanasia. At a conference in New York Dr. Marcel Proumalioux said it would "open the door to all possible crimes and criminal practices." The resolution calls euthanasia "contrary to the public interest and to medical principles, as well as to natural and civil rights." It recommends that national medical associations in each country "condemn the practice of euthanasia under any circumstances." The W. M. A. is composed of national medical associations in 41 countries.

Mr. F. A. McGregor's successor, Mr. Thomas D. MacDonald, Combines Investigation Commissioner, is having trouble with 22 rubber companies whose reports he has been investigating. The investigation was started in September, 1947, by Mr. McGregor, who resigned last December. Mr. MacDonald was appointed last Feb. 23 to continue the probe to determine whether a combine existed in connection with manufacture, distribution and sale of rubber and related goods. The companies, in filing a writ to keep Mr. MacDonald from submitting a report, argued: "Insofar as the investigation is concerned the defendant is not the commissioner named in the (Combines Investigation) Act and authorized to make a report thereunder."



The Show Cases

Notes From Another Island

By "Anson"

LONDON: ENGLAND - We are all familiar with the conception of the hero going out to meet his foes with a smile on his face, laughter in the face of adversity and all that. We've seen it on the screen, we've read about it in books; we may have seen it in real life, and it may even have happened to some of us personally, though it has probably never thought about it at the time. Nowadays, when there is not so much everyday physical danger as was between 1939 and 1946, say, we have to take our smiling heroics from the pages of fiction or from reminiscences of those days when we could all try our hand at it (with, sometimes uncertain degrees of confidence). For the rest, it becomes a question of smiling not so much in the face of danger but of annoyance, discomfort or hardship.

At the same time the humour itself is not in the tradition of the Errol Flynn-esque, teeth-flashing smile as he happily lays about his mediaeval enemies in a Hollywood costume-piece. Not much rapier-thrusting or sabre-wishing these days; the cheerfulness is tempered by a certain amount of grimness and cynicism. But it means the same as it has meant for centuries - the acceptance of obstacles and hardships and dangers, when they arise, as part of life itself; which, because they have to be met and overcome, might just as easily be met and overcome with a joke as not. Nowadays, the jokes tend to be somewhat rueful, that's all.

This attitude of mind is never so notable as when it arises out of some occurrence which adversely affects a group of people in the same way. A common hardship, danger or annoyance is just the thing to bring out that rather lugubrious sense of humour on which we are wont to rely when things are going against us. It has been very much in evidence in the North London area recently during a strike of gasworks maintenance men, which resulted in dislocation in factories which use gas for some manufacturing processes, blackouts in some streets where gas supplies the lighting, and untold vexation in homes which need gas for heating and cooking.

It was serious. There was no denying that. But perhaps it was because of its very seriousness that it brought out such a crop of newspaper cartoon with wry humorous comments on the situation. The ultimate seemed to have been reached when one cartoon made a joke out of it all the other cartoons. A pedestrian is seen falling into a manhole which is seen falling into the dark because the gas lights in the street have gone out; his companion, not noticing his friend's misfortune, is complaining that he is getting quite fed up with all the jokes about the gas strike.

But perhaps the cartoonist who got nearest to the truth of the situation was the one who saw the gas strike as just one more complication in the very complex business of life these days. The Navy was called in to some gasworks to keep the services going; so we were shown a drawing of a scene outside one of these places, a detachment of sailors going in, and encouraging a passing housewife to stand and watch the huge gas containers going up, because, he says, it will take her mind off the cost of living.

Some joke, that, with the cost of living going up higher than any gas container at top pressure! If, as they say, we take our pleasures sadly, at least we can also claim that we take our misfortunes, if not exactly happily, then with fairly good humour.

The Age-Old Story

Lord, there has been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the hills had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Old Charlottetown

(And P. E. I.)

EARLIEST BRITISH BORN

The following obituary notice appeared in Haszard's Gazette of April 19, 1856: "Died at Cape Traverse, on the 11th inst., after a short illness, William Clark, in the 97th year of his age. The deceased was the second child born on this Island of British parents, his parents having arrived here from Canada immediately after the surrender of Quebec to the British. He saw the Island, as it were, emerge from obscurity, and watched its improvement till it has attained its present flourishing condition. He of course had to encounter with others all the hardships, difficulties and privations peculiar to new colonists, and to which the first inhabitants of this Island were subjected. He however by strict honesty and perseverance obtained a respectable livelihood, and had to spare; his hospitality and benevolence were known to the traveller and the needy; he had seen his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren advance to manhood, and now he is laid in the silent tomb, much and deservedly regretted by a large circle of relatives, and by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. His end was peace - blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." As will be noted, the obituary fixes the year (1750) but does not give the day or month of Mr. Clark's birth. The first child of British parents born here is believed to have been John Webster, C. 24, 1750, at Fort Amherst. A similar claim has been advanced for Col. John Frederick Holland, eldest son of Surveyor General Holland, who died in Charlottetown Dec. 17, 1845. In an article recently published in The Guardian from the journal of the Ontario Historical Society, however, Col. Holland's birth is given as Oct. 27, 1794. In the same article, the following conflicting statement appears: "There is a tradition in the Holland family that John Frederick Holland, eldest son of Major Samuel, was the first child of British parentage born on Prince Edward Island. This is corroborated by a statement made about fifty years ago by a descendant of a pioneer settler named Clarke, to the effect that his own great grandfather and great grandmother, Clarke, came to the Island with Major Holland and his wife, and that his grandfather Clarke was born a few weeks after John Frederick Holland."

Education Through Advertising

(Midland Free Press Herald) Acknowledgement of the effectiveness of education through newspaper advertising has been made again and again by provincial and governmental authorities. Year in and year out adult education programs are carried through successfully and at relatively low costs by this means. Yet in the field of excessive use of alcoholic beverages, one of the greatest social and governmental problems in Canada today, our departments of education and our

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The Poet's Corner

THE DEAD POET

I dreamed of him last night, I saw his face All radiant and unshadowed of distress, And as of old, in music measureless, I heard his golden voice and marked him trace Under the common thing the hidden grandeur. And conjure wonder out of emptiness, Till mean things put on beauty like a dress And all the world was an enchanted place. And then methought outside a fast-locked gate of unrecorded words, I mourned the loss of unrecorded words, Forgotten tales and mysteries half said, Wonders that might have been articulate, And voiceless thoughts like murdered singing birds, And so I woke and knew that he was dead. -Alfred Douglas.

liquor control authorities have been loath to use this or any other medium of mass instruction. Why should not at least ten per cent of the net profit of provincial liquor sales go each year to the promotion of true temperance through planned advertising? Over-indulgence is costing this nation millions of dollars annually in broken homes and broken bodies, a cost which is bearing directly on every taxpayer. The statistics are in large measure available. The story can be factual, free of preachiness, and fully and freely told. Such an investment in adult education through advertising would make good sense and save good dollars.

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Notes By The Way -

A United Kingdom exhibitor at last May's trade fair in Toronto has since received orders totalling \$30,000 for expansion type cuff-links designed and boxed to the Canadian taste. - U. K. Information Office.

..Studied vigilance must be our watchword - not the hysterical, half-baked tattletaling which only assists in the war on confusion, but full and careful investigation by authorized sources. We want no terrorist police, either official or unofficial. But we do insist that our nation be guarded from within as well as from without. - Cincinnati Enquirer.

We find evidence in an advertisement in a magazine that the pioneering spirit is still alive in the world. This advertisement announces to a breathless public that a renowned Parisian perfumer "Dares to introduce fine French perfumes at \$9. for a large 2 oz. bottle!" With such reckless daring cropping up in the fashion world there lies a challenge for all of us in more mundane callings. - Brockville Recorder and Times.

By embedding a small, harmless amount of radioactive material under the cover of a golf ball, rubber company research director has experimentally achieved an atomic golf ball that signals its presence on a Geiger counter. A caddy carrying a Geiger counter can always find the golf ball, whether it is under the water or deep brush, because the ball indicates its presence either by a flashing light on the instrument or by signals which the caddy can hear through head phones. Only a few balls have been made for experimental purposes and no sale is contemplated at the present time. -The Rotarian.

In Leamington they are inaugurating a less appetizing and flavoured period than National Onion Week. Now an onion is a tasty stimulating, satisfying, delicious, pungent, toothsome addition to a meal. Consider the vast number of ways in which it can be served - stews, salads, sandwiches, garnishes, and by themselves as a vegetable. Creamed for instance, with tripe. Or braised with tender beef globe. Or sliced and fried. Or as French onion soup, one of the supreme manifestations of onion cookery, still too little known in this country. Our preference would

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be for an onion sandwich, it we could come upon real, old-fashioned, home-made bread in which to lay the tender juicy slices. However, the onion needs no adventurous aid. It can stand by itself or it can be delicately insinuated into almost any dish. Tradition has wedded onions to bread, and beer, and cheese, but we enjoy them any style. - London Free Press.

A municipal parking lot, financed out of revenue from Brockville's parking meters, after the machines had been paid for, would be of general benefit to the community. There are few business places in the center of the town which have facilities for parking, and aside from the streets themselves, shoppers have no accommodation for their cars. As population increases and the number of motorists increases the jam up of cars on the streets will grow worse. The municipal parking lot would serve the purpose of those who wanted to park cars for a reasonably long time, leaving the area on the streets whose owners are interested in parking for a short time only. - Brockville Recorder and Times.

If those who own savings can draw from that source to fill up the gap that lies between 50 cents and a dollar each time that it is necessary to do so, and if there are certain wage-earners who can demand and obtain an increase of wages according to the increase in the cost of living, there are, on the other hand, thousands of Canadians who must, willingly or unwillingly, conform to the demands of the painful situation in which the excessive cost of living has placed them. In the number of these are to be included the State pensioners, the old, the blind and veterans of the two wars - the small wage-earners and those with little incomes. Up to the present, the Government has done nothing but make vague illusions concerning a return to price controls, and the best information that the Prime Minister himself is not favorable for several reasons. ... The Government should, even at the risk of losing a little popularity with the rich and highly placed, find means to aid those who have for a long time realized that it is impossible, with the best will in the world, to make a dollar with fifty cents. - L'Information, Montreal.

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