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Tut, Tut, Mr. Campbell! Our Premier-elect, Mr. Campbell, is already finding out that it is more...

thing to make election promises, another thing to deliver them with the expedition the voters expected from the fervor with which they were made. Last weekend he had occasion to announce that it may not be possible to provide those free school books to students of grades one to ten for the coming school term which he said would be provided, due to the deferred election in First Kings.

This explanation sounds plausible enough, except for one thing. The election wasn't finalized on May 30 and Mr. Campbell could easily have ascertained then, had he wanted to, that the deference of the contest in First Kings, on which the whole election results depended, made it unlikely that his free-school-books promise could be fulfilled on schedule.

The weakness of his alibi seems to have been realized by Mr. Campbell himself, for he lost no time in supplementing it with another. This was to the effect that the Shaw government was taking an unduly long time in emptying its desk drawers and getting out. The long delay in changing over, he complained, was creating many difficulties for the incoming administration.

But as Premier Shaw points out in a statement in today's Guardian, there was mutual agreement with regard to the date of the governmental changeover. Unlike the treatment he received on taking office in 1959, he was particularly anxious to pass everything over in good shape and to facilitate the change without undue dislocation of the services. The interim from the date of the July 11 election to the changeover is, approximately the same as in 1959. Moreover, the return of the election writs will not be available until Wednesday, July 27, from First Kings, and under the Election Act the change could not properly take place until that date at the earliest.

So there doesn't appear to be very much in this alibi either. Wouldn't it be better, in the circumstances, for Mr. Campbell to devote his youthful agility of mind to grappling with problems of more genuine concern to the taxpayers?

Still At Sea Though Parliament has adjourned for the summer, Liberal policymakers are said to be working as hard as ever, day in, day out, in the Ottawa heat, trying to straighten out the government's old age pension plan so that it will look a little less confused, and less vulnerable to opposition criticism, than it did when Health and Welfare Minister MacEachen made his bungling attempts to explain it to the House on July 14.

some government officials appear to believe that the \$105 figure is the guaranteed minimum from the state with no income or needs test. The difficulty is how to achieve this without conceding the government to have been at fault all along.

This, of course, was the formula the Conservatives advocated for a \$25 monthly pension increase—the formula they presented in a parliamentary motion last January, and against which every Liberal member voted though Mr. Diefenbaker made it clear, at the time, that an affirmative vote need not be construed as one of non-confidence and would not mean the defeat of the government.

Since then, further opposition pressure has modified Liberal policy to the extent that no one seems to know, really, what it is. Finance Minister Sharp and other ministers responsible for the economy are reportedly at variance with their more "liberal" colleagues on the subject. But according to The Post's Ottawa correspondent, while details are still undecided, the flat-rate principle will, in effect, be carried out. Any other scheme, it is feared, would be political poison, conjuring up memories of the Depression and the means test with old people having to sell their properties and use up their savings before qualifying for aid.

What the government would like would be to put the whole thing off for a few more months after Parliament reassembles; but the public won't stand for that. And it is no secret now that any decision to delay would lead to a serious cabinet-split. Thanks to the initiative taken by the Shaw government, our aged pensioners in this province are already receiving their promised \$25 monthly increase. This is, however, properly a federal responsibility and the sooner Ottawa gets around to recognizing it as such the better.

More Fish For Europe Everywhere the fishery industry is on the march. Now it's Europe that is seeking to improve its prospects in this regard, after a long spell of neglect. A commission of the European Economic Community has now set in motion the machinery that will produce a "common fishery policy" that will in effect represent a new deal for Europe's fishermen.

First, says the commission, freedom of the Common Market seas should be established for all Common Market fishermen. There must be equal access rights to EEC fishing zones for all EEC nationals. Then there must be freedom of the market—freedom to land catches anywhere in the EEC and move them to market anywhere, subject to regulations applying to all equally.

National support schemes are to be harmonized. Common grading systems are to be introduced. New ships and fleets are to be designed and considerable capital investment undertaken. Some traditional fishing methods are to be reformed as well.

Underlying this movement is a growing realization of the potentialities of the industry. Between 1961 and 1965 world fish catches have grown, but the Common Market's total catch has been static. World production is 50 million tons; the Common Market's is 2 million tons. Tuna catches are running 60 per cent behind consumption and herring 30 per cent. Imports now cost \$195 million a year.

Traditional European areas tend to be overfished. Some countries have extended the zones reserved for their own national fishermen. Europeans are being forced farther and farther to seaward. In the Atlantic the trend is from northeast to the northwest. The only EEC member to catch more fish than it needs at the moment is the Netherlands. In the future, says the EEC commission, there will be bigger catches and bigger markets for the catches.



BACKFIRE

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

Western Liberals Prepare For Big Powwow

When the national Liberal party holds its conference in Ottawa in October, the western delegates will come thundering into town all fired up to express their disgust at "that Ottawa set-up."

A solid western contingent of at least 400 delegates will come to criticize, with unanimity and with cowboy frankness, the lack of attention and assistance which the West has received from Ottawa in recent years.

Mr. Thatcher has called a preliminary meeting of Liberals from the three prairie provinces, to gather in Saskatoon on 12th August. Now BC Liberals have asked if they may attend also. These for two days 160 delegates will blue-print a federal Liberal policy for the West.

The Inevitable Answer

Shoot to kill if you are attacked, were the orders issued U.S. troops brought in to help keep peace in Chicago. When word of the order swept through the city's slum areas, where the riots were occurring, the streets became virtually deserted.

Baby Permits

A couple of experienced medical men have suggested seriously that raising a family should be a privilege and not a right. While conceding that the proposition would be unacceptable to most Canadians, Dr. James Peck, a gynecologist at Vancouver General Hospital, thinks that couples should have to have permits before raising families.

Much Too Complicated

Britain's male-female birth ratio seems to have gone out of kilter. Ian McLuckie, a lecturer at the Hatfield College of Technology, said the other day that by the year 2000 there will be 450,000 "excess" males between the ages of 16 and 30. To accommodate this condition he suggested, probably with tongue in cheek, that women be allowed more than one husband.

Screwworm Fly Allergy

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen The screwworm fly is well known to ranchers of the southwest. The miserable critter burrows into the flesh of cattle and game leading to considerable irritation. The insect lives a year and mates only once. To control the pests, aircraft spread billions of sterilized male flies over the countryside. They seek out the lady fly of their choice and fertilize the eggs, but there are no progeny.

This excellent method of control backfired recently when one of the pilots in the fly program appeared at the door of Dr. George IV H.C. Herrmann. He had been dispersing flies when he suddenly began to wheeze, cough, and struggle for air. The pilot made an emergency landing fearing that he might become "unconscious and crash."

Dr. Herrmann asked him about the possibility of the flies causing the attack and learned that many of the pilots and dispensers were having the same symptoms. He questioned officials from the Federal Aviation agency and found that it was not entirely a local problem.

Extracts were made from screwworm scales, hairs, pupa cases, and other emanations. These were used in skin reaction testing in those having contact with the fly program and almost all had positive reactions. They were negative in a control group.

The outcome was a new occupational disease—allergy to screwworm fly dust. The condition was described recently in the Texas State Journal of Medicine. Temporary relief is obtained by inhaling isoproterenol. The corticosteroids afford more prolonged help. Complete relief occurs when the victims discontinue this type of work.

Allergy to dust containing insect scales, hairs, and other emanations is not new. Several years ago we told about an epidemic of asthma and hay fever among the inhabitants around Lake Erie during the swarming times of the mayflies and caddis flies. Tests showed that the insects were responsible.

ARTIFICIAL KIDNEY COSTLY

B. J. writes: Is the need for an artificial kidney an expensive service? Yes, and to reduce the cost some hospitals are training another member of the family to run the unit at home. The permanent equipment costs \$2,000 but the yearly expense of running the machine may be as high as \$10,000. This does not include blood used in priming the pump and professional help.

ARTHRITIS FROM INJURY

D. M. G. writes: What is traumatic arthritis? This form of arthritis usually follows injury, which may have occurred years previously. In the strict sense the arthritic condition stems from residual changes in the joint, such as roughness resulting from scar tissue, torn cartilage or ligament, or overgrowth of bone.

PALLIATIVE TREATMENT

H. writes: Is there a "cure" for lymphosarcoma? Yes. There are many palliative plans including X-ray, radium, radioactive isotopes (phosphorus), nitrogen mustard, and the folic acid antagonists such as aminopterin (methotrexate).

TENSION HEADACHE

Mrs. N. writes: Why do emotional upsets cause headaches? Because the ensuing tension leads to a painful contraction of the blood vessels of the brain or of the muscles of the scalp.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—

Today's health hint—Eduard's may be a sign of infection. (NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois.)

APES INHABIT ROCK

A tradition says Britain will hold the Rock of Gibraltar only as long as the Barbary apes remain on the rock, a band of about 30 of the tailless monkeys lives there now.

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More British Emigration

By Joseph MacSwain Canadian Press Staff Writer

Britons appear to be leaving in a thickening stream for new homes in Canada and elsewhere as the mother country's story of economic woes grows and grows. Occasionally, brief storms blow up in the newspapers over some new evidence of the "brain drain"—perhaps a brilliant young scientist heading for bigger pay in America, perhaps an eminent doctor.

But little if anything is heard about the humbler folk who pack up their belongings and head across the seas, lured by opportunities of education, homes and better pay. They're not classed as a brain drain, but they're a drain just the same.

Critics tend to blame the socialist government for the current flow. But a Canadian immigration spokesman in London, emphasized Wednesday the increased promotional activities of Canada and other countries. The Tory Evening Standard, a London newspaper, after a check with high commissioners and embassies, says, "It looks as if emigration from Britain will reach a new high this year."

DIRECT LINK

It also seems clear that emigration figures can, to a large extent, be directly related to the political and economic situation. At the beginning of last year, in the early days of the Labor government, emigration statistics were down on those for 1964.

But emigration increased so rapidly later in the year that almost all the receiving countries took more British migrants in 1965 as a whole than in 1964.

In Personal Terms

Windsor Daily Star In discussions of foreign aid we are liable to think in impersonal terms, without considering the human beings who are helped by Canadian aid. But every so often there comes along an incident which brings the human worth of foreign aid into focus.

Such an incident is related by Hon. Milton F. Gregg, C.C., a former cabinet minister. As Canadian commissioner to British Guiana, now the independent nation of Guyana, Mr. Gregg last year visited the remote Indian settlement of Kanashen, near the Brazilian border.

He reports in the bulletin of the Department of External Affairs, seemed happy despite the primitive conditions under which they live. "One got the impression that they could not think of anything to ask for from the world of gadgets," they said the very end, when they said they would like Mr. Gregg. Upon inquiry he found that the wheelbarrows were wanted so the villagers could enlarge the airstrip which they had built as their sole link with the outside world.

Ceremonial Burial

Vancouver Sun One needn't be a war lover or the sort who becomes maudlin over guns to find most fitting the ceremonial burial of the Lee-Enfield rifle on the range at Bisley.

To the Canadian veterans of both world wars whose main memory of the Lee-Enfield is dropping it on parade—all the rummery at Bisley—the coffin the gun-carriage, the pipers' lament, the volley from "of course Lee-Enfields may seem a bit much."

It was a homely workhorse of a weapon even before the gas-powered automatics, such as the FN now standard within the NATO forces, made the bolt action rifle obsolete. Although it has been around in one mark or another for 71 years, it never enjoyed the affection accorded many lesser firearms and it would lower the tone of any respectable gun collection.

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