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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

The New Look

It is no secret that Mr. John Foster Dulles, United States' Secretary of State, had hoped for a Liberal victory in the recent election. Now, he says he looks forward to "continuing friendly relations" with the Canadian Government.

Mr. Dulles, however, may as well get used to the idea that from now on, at least during the life of the present Government, Canada is not going to be a virtual economic satellite of the United States.

Canadians will insist, too, on greater financial participation in American industries doing business in Canada. American capital will be welcomed as hitherto, but it will not be permitted to dominate our natural resources.

These things were emphasized time and time again in the recent campaign by the Prime Minister and his colleagues. The overwhelming vote of confidence given them leaves no doubt as to where public opinion stands with respect to Canada-United States relations.

A Sounder View

Some political observers—in the United States as well as in Canada—are "viewing with alarm" the present situation at Ottawa. They seem to fear that in electing only 49 candidates to Parliament the Liberals are practically finished as a political power and that in electing 208 the Conservative Party is on the way to dictatorship.

We do not share these gloomy views. It is true that the Liberal Party has suffered a heavy blow. It is also true that the total opposition will be even weaker than its small numbers would indicate, in view of the defeat of stalwarts like Messrs. Sinclair, Gardiner, Marler, Coldwell and Knowles—to mention the chief casualties.

Nor should the Liberals get into the habit of thinking that their day is done. Less than ten years ago they were almost as strong as the Conservatives are now. And, despite their crushing defeat on March 31, they still retained the confidence of about 36 per cent of the voters as against the Conservatives' 54 per cent.

In this connection the Winnipeg Free Press says: "If they consider the history of the past few years, Liberals will not find a better text than in the essays of Francis Bacon. 'Prosperity doth best discover vice, but adversity doth best discover virtue.' Liberalism in Canada has been stripped down to the point where the bone shows. Is there still, now that the rich attire and the fat of the days

of power have gone, good hard bone? Is there a firm skeleton of Liberal principle on which a new and healthy body of Liberal policy can be constructed? If there is, the Liberal party will in the long run have nothing to regret. . . . The task of reconstruction will be hard, but with a leader of Mr. Pearson's stature it can be done. And the electorate that this year has given such confidence to Mr. Diefenbaker will not stint its recognition of a future Liberal recovery. 'The good things which belong to prosperity are to be wished, but the good things that belong to adversity are to be admired.' They will be achieved, in time, if the Liberal party from today can think and act in the spirit that said, 'I have known Defeat, and mocked it as we ran!'

English In India

India appears to be moving toward what observers have long felt was inevitable—the decision that it can't just stop using the English language.

In the first burst of patriotism after winning independence, the Indians declared in their constitution that after 1965 Hindi would become the nation's official language. English would go out the window. But time is proving that English is really the only common language India has.

Hindi is a northern language, as 50 southern members of parliament recently pointed out. And it is only one of almost a score of languages that are used by large numbers of Indians. Worse, Hindi is not developed enough for modern use. At least 250,000 words would have to be invented in Hindi to adapt it to current needs of education and administration, to say nothing of science.

Facing facts, the Congress party recently admitted that English will have to be used beyond 1965, now only seven years away. The southern members of parliament have officially demanded that English be considered official at least until 1990. They feel that, having gone that far, English would inevitably remain as the official language, and the patriotic drive for a purely Indian language would diminish.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Ottawa's oldest place of worship, is observing its 130th anniversary. It is situated near Parliament Hill.

Britain's financial status is improving all the time. Her gold and dollar reserves rose by \$231 million in March. This was the second largest gain since October 1950. The largest was October of last year when a rise of \$243 was recorded.

Prime Minister Macmillan of Britain says that "war, happily, has become too dangerous. There are too many risks". Let us hope that this time fear of the consequences will prevent war. It has never happened before.

A poll conducted among teachers in one of the States revealed that they are as much opposed to a 12-month school year as are the pupils. Well, if the youngsters refuse to go in the summer months and the teachers refuse to teach, that just about settles the question.

"The angel Gabriel now has an understudy—a side man. And when the last trumpet shall sound I am sure that W. C. Handy will be there—as a side man".—Exaggerated rhetoric by Representative the Rev. Adam Clayton Powell at the funeral service for W. C. Handy, "the father of the Blues".

Two Frenchmen fought a sword duel the other day. When one nicked the other's arm he retired from the field and burst into tears. The combatants then embraced each other, honour having been served. That's chivalry. It may sound funny; but it is better than holding a grudge for years and years.

Though modern machines are taking over work on the farms, horse-pulling contests are still held at fairs across the country, says the National Geographic Magazine. At a Pennsylvania fair, the winning pair of horses pulled a weight equivalent to 20.1 tons for a distance of 24 feet 5 1/2 inches. The testing equipment included pulleys, weights, and a heavy truck held back by hydraulic brakes.

AFTER A TALK BY KHRUSHCHEV THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF ARTS CALLED ON ARTISTS TO WORK TOGETHER TO PRODUCE 'A VIVID PICTURE OF THE SOVIET MAN—BUILDER OF COMMUNISM.' —NEWS ITEM



THE MODEL

OTTAWA REPORT

Many New Records Set

By Patrick Nicholson Special Correspondent for The Guardian

Ottawa: Now that the final figures of last week's election are being compiled, it can be seen that countless new records of all kinds were set up.

The poll provided a bonanza for every interested amateur score-keeper and statistician. Never before in our political history has a party leader succeeded in doubling his parliamentary following twice within ten months. Yet the newly-elected Conservative leader, John Diefenbaker, last June increased the strength of Conservatives in Parliament from 51 members to 113; then last week he increased it again from 113 to 209 members.

Of course we have never before had two general elections so close to each other. But never in our history has a Party leader achieved such remarkable success in consecutive elections. In 1878, the Conservatives nearly doubled their strength in Parliament under the leadership of the great Sir John A. Macdonald; but at the following election they could only add two more seats to their impressive total. In 1935 the Liberals nearly doubled their previous total, but in the following election they could add no more than 13 seats.

VOICE OF THE WEST Many years ago this column described a then somewhat disregarded Conservative M.P., as "The Golden Voice of the Prairies." He was the only Conservative returned from Saskatchewan, a Prince Albert lawyer named John Diefenbaker. Today that voice is not only the voice of the west, it is the voice of Canada. Virtually no other voice speaks for the west, where the voters have for the first time rejected every single candidate of the other Old Party. Never before have either Conservatives or Liberals been entirely obliterated west of the Ontario boundary.

And never before has any political party made a clean sweep of as many as four provinces. Yet last week the Conservatives won every seat in Nova Scotia, P.E.I., Manitoba and Alberta. P.E.I. started its career as a province of the Dominion of Canada by giving the Liberals a clean sweep in 1874. Our Garden-Island Province repeated this in 1887, 1921, 1935 and 1940. Last year and this year P.E.I. gave the Conservatives their first sweeps there.

Saskatchewan has once given a party a sweep, returning supporters of the Conservative Unionist Government from all its then 16 ridings in 1917. Last week it again returned 16 Conservatives, but it now has one more riding which returned C.C. Fer Hazen Argue.

Alberta came nearest to a sweep in 1935, when the virile new Social Credit group won 16 of its 18 seats, the two old parties, each capturing one seat. Manitoba was never swept before; but Nova Scotia has been

swept on three previous occasions, all by the Liberals, in 1904, 1921 and 1935.

LOSS REGRETTEED Of the Opposition giants who fell in last week's election, the greatest regret is undoubtedly and justifiably felt for the C.C.F. leader, M. J. Coldwell; and felt among his opponents of all parties.

Mr. Coldwell is one of our most sincere politicians and most devoted respecters of our democratic parliamentary system. By inclination, he is a left-wing Liberal. He might well have been Liberal Prime Minister of Canada in his time, had he not many years ago formed the opinion that the so-called Gardiner Liberal machine in Saskatchewan was detrimental to the democratic system as he saw it, and hence devoted his political life to opposing it.

This English-born school teacher has just past his 69th birthday. His health has been delicate since he suffered a heart attack last year, and he tires easily. His electoral defeat deprives his party of his leadership in Parliament, but it seems certain that he would have resigned in any case at the regular, two-yearly meeting of his party, scheduled for late July in Montreal. Possibly Mr. Tommy Douglas, now premier of Saskatchewan, will succeed Mr. Coldwell as national leader; meanwhile the leadership of the C.C.F. parliamentary group will fall upon Hazen Argue, the senior survivor, or Vancouver's Harold Winch who has had long experience of provincial politics.

"calendar" proved that Pueblo Bonito in New Mexico was built about 800 years before Columbus discovered the New World.

LONGER RECORDS NEEDED But longer records were needed for research into earlier climatic periods. Scouring the West for old trees, Dr. Schulman and his associates gradually pushed back the tree-ring diary.

During last year's research, a rumor led them to a grove of bristlecones that shattered all age records. Seventeen of the trees, Dr. Schulman wrote in National Geographic, are more than 4,000 years old. One is over 4,600.

These gnarled and shattered trees of the high altitudes deposited the handsome California sequoias of the lowlands as the oldest living things known. The most venerable sequoias, including the famed General Sherman Tree, are about 3,500 years old.

Dr. Schulman did not have to cut down the bristlecones to determine their ages. He used a steel borer, which removed a core about as thick as a lead pencil. The operation did not hurt the trees; resin healed the wounds.

Dr. Schulman died suddenly of a heart attack in January, as the story of his discoveries was being prepared for publication.

Horror On The Loose

Montreal Star

On three different occasions U.S. planes have accidentally dropped atom bombs, once on British soil, once off the coast of the United States and once in South Carolina. A raging discussion is now going on in England over the use of nuclear weapons, and these serious mishaps will heat it still further. Officialdom pooh-poohs the serious nature of such accidents. The bombs, it is said, are harmless until triggered and it was just bad luck that some TNT exploded when the bomb hit the little town of Florence.

There is not much re-assurance in these official brush-offs. It is being pointed out, for instance, that desperate efforts are being made to locate the bomb dropped off-shore last its outer casing rust in the ocean and release a large amount of radio-active material into the sea. So far it has not been found.

Doubtless the Russians too have had similar mishaps. They are presumably inevitable when large-scale training programs and manoeuvres are being incessantly carried out. Loaded bombers fly constantly over Canadian soil too, and, by the law of averages, one of these "harmless" bombs

will land on us one of these days. The public disquiet will not be quelled by official assurances that everything is quite all right.

The fact is that, now that mankind has discovered the ultimate weapon, the general risks are enormously increased. It will not matter much to a city if an H-bomb is dropped on it accidentally or on purpose. The effect on the population will be identical.

This of course points up the importance of the endless discussions between the Americans and the Russians on the general subject of disarmament and effective control. The wind having been blown, the whirlwind is now in process of being reaped, and the world lives in mortal fear so long as these weapons are loose. The fear will become greater as more and more nations equip themselves with the instruments of mass destruction.

All that can be said of the disarmament talks is that they are endless. They are certainly getting nowhere. Each side is so scared of the other getting an advantage out of a deal that the negotiations continue fruitlessly and the weapons themselves pile up.

Rarely Found In P. E. Island

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

This is a good time to start thinking about poison ivy and a good time to start doing something about it, too.

Leaves of the young poison ivy plant are tender durir' early spring, so that it is easier to kill the plant with chemicals.

WHITE FRUIT

You can identify poison ivy by its leaves which grow in "threes." The berry-like fruit of the plant is white. Other ivy plants, the nonpoisonous kind, have blackish purple berries and leaves which are clustered in growths of fives.

To get rid of the poisonous plants near your home — they grow just about anywhere — you can place a light layer of calcium chloride over the entire plant and its roots.

Or, if you wish, you can use some of the newer chemicals to spray the ivy away. Among chemicals which will destroy ivy are Ammate-X and 2, 4-D plus 2, 4, 5-T.

POWERFUL CHEMICAL

If there are no other plants around which you want to protect, you can use an even more powerful chemical, 2, 4, 5-D.

These chemicals not only destroy the leaves and tops of the plants, but the roots as well.

Another method of destroying the plants is to dig them up and pull out all the roots. This method, however, should be used only in the late fall or winter, when the plants are inactive. Even then you must wear heavy leather gloves and be careful not to leave any parts of your body exposed to the plant.

BURY IT DEEPLY

Once you have killed the plant, there still is one more precaution you must take. Pull it out and bury it deeply. Don't burn it. The smoke from a burning poison ivy plant sometimes is just as hazardous as the plant itself.

The smoke could infect several of your neighbors. I'm afraid you wouldn't be the most popular person in the community after they found out who was responsible.

It's a little early in the year to give you advice on how to treat poison ivy. I'm sure you would forget my recommendations by the time you might have use for them. But I'll discuss this subject very thoroughly when the weather gets a little warmer.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

T.F.: Do electric shock treatments for mental illness injure the memory? Answer: The memory is sometimes slightly altered by shock treatments. However, if they are needed, this should be no bar against taking them.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Human nature is what makes a man always remember the fellow who did him a dirty trick, and forget the ones who did him a favor.—Calgary Albertan

Suing for divorce on grounds of cruelty, a British woman cited the replies her husband gave her on four occasions when she asked what he wanted for his birthday. He replied: 1. A divorce, 2. 50,000 tons of caustic soda, 3. A statue of King George the Third, 4. A submarine. Denying the petition, the court held that the husband's humour might have been eccentric but it wasn't cruel. Let us hope this marriage finally will be a success.—Cape Breton Post

The Poets Corner

THE BOOKS WAIT

The books wait — those silent, faithful, patient books (They have waited for you longer than Penelope for Ulysses. While the TV screen shouts, drawls, wrangles, launches bullets, lassos, posses, dragnets.

The books wait. Their words stealthed their dialogues folded. Their painted backgrounds readied for the protagonist; The chorus of Elders clustered for their entrance. Mouthing beneath their breath, foreheadedly rehearsing, the strophes, the antistrophes, the stasimons; The actors, holding their masks, inside the skene, Listening for their cues, eager. But so patient. Having waited centuries.—for you to hear them. Even the testy Oedipus fleeing an old prophecy. Even the plotting hat of Clytemnestra, Even the Eumenides, those furies of Orestes' self-reproach, Even the first judgment of the Areopagus. Must wait (for you!). Even King Agamemnon waits, All homeward hopes held leashed, the boat becalmed. Out on the dark blue shield of the Aegean. Even the beacon pyres To signal home the fall of Troy, Their faggots laid on every towering mound. From Ida to the Lemnian Rock on to Kithairon's height, Must wait. The watchers waiting to light their beacons till The book by you, is opened, and the words, by you, are read.

O scanner of the TV screen, Come set these plays in motion (And measure well those cowboys here, stretched on The yardstick of these ancient tragedies). Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides Wait for you. The books wait. —Adelaide Fitzpatrick in the Christian Science Monitor.

OUR YESTERDAYS (From The Guardian Files)

VENTISE-FIVE YEARS AGO (April 8, 1933) A more aggressive effort to advertise Summerside as a residential and tourist centre was determined upon at a meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade held last evening. Mr. B. W. Robinson presided. Plans for co-operation with the Tourist Association were discussed and active programs for the Tourist and Publicity Committee were outlined.

Mr. L. W. Roper, District Livestock Promoter, Dominion Department of Agriculture, was returned from Newfoundland where he was investigating possibilities of a market for Island cattle. While in Newfoundland Mr. Roper delivered an address describing in detail the live stock industry of P.E.I.

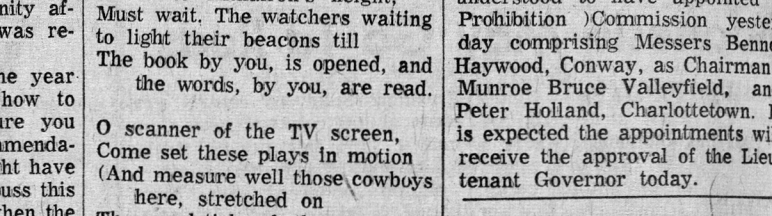
TEN YEARS AGO (April 8, 1948) The hearing on the Island Telephone Company's application for increased rates for the Charlotte-town exchange was adjourned sine die yesterday evening for judgment. Judge C. St. Clair Trainor, Chairman of the Board of Public Utilities, presided. Representatives for both the Company and the City were present to present their cases before the Board.

The Provincial Government is understood to have appointed a Prohibition Commission yesterday comprising Messrs. Bennett Haywood, Conway, as Chairman; Munroe Bruce Valleyfield, and Peter Holland, Charlottetown. It is expected the appointments will receive the approval of the Lieutenant Governor today.

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