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Aesop Rewritten

Aesop's old adage about the fly that sat upon the axle of the chariot-wheel and said, "What a dust do I raise!" is being given a new twist by the pecky Social Credit minority in the House of Commons these days. After all, aren't they the ones that kept the Diefenbaker Government in power under four successive assaults by the opposition groups? All by themselves they did it; and if they're doing a little muscle flexing now, and breast thumping, who can blame them?

So, the house had to listen patiently the other day to Mr. Maurice Cote, Social Credit member for Chicoutimi, when he said the recent non-confidence votes made it clear that all the members were either Social Crediters or socialists. By voting with the New Democratic Party, the 100 Liberals had shown that they're "socialists in disguise." And at heart the Tories were Social Crediters—they had shown their inclination for monetary reform by voting what?—creating the Bank of Canada in 1943. "This indicates that they're always had a Social Credit leaning," said Mr. Cote hopefully.

Both old parties, however, have been "prisoners of an antiquated financial system based on debt money," and Mr. Cote and his colleagues aim to do something about that. Just what, he didn't make clear. But a party that holds the balance of power can be pretty influential in getting its views across. And for the moment—and perhaps for the remainder of this Parliament—the Socialists are in this enviable position.

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Awaiting Final Approval

From Paris comes the announcement that the Bureau of International Exhibitions subcommittees have approved Canada's application for the 1967 world's fair to be held in Montreal. The recommendation will be submitted to a full meeting of the 30-nation Bureau for final approval when it meets in the French capital on November 13.

In Ottawa, Associate Defense Minister Sevigny, who will head the Canadian delegation to the Paris meeting next month, has intimated that he can see no complications now in the way of Montreal becoming the site of the big fair during Canada's 100th anniversary of Confederation. It will be a tremendous thing, not only for the Quebec metropolis but for the whole country.

To get the participation of other nations in an event of this kind, a country must not attempt to compete with another country that already has been given the International Bureau's green light to go ahead. Another consideration is that world fairs, even as the Olympic Games, require an interval of years

between them, in order to obtain the co-operation of nations that cannot afford to participate in a such event except occasionally.

Montreal has been assured of the financial support of the Federal Government in staging the fair. But even so, it will be a staggering undertaking, not only financially but in the provision of accommodation and adequate transportation to and from the city. Few world fairs break even on the ledger of expenses versus revenue. Most end in the red. This year's world fair in Seattle, Washington, reportedly is an exception to prove the rule. The tremendous publicity accruing to the host city, province and country, however, cannot be measured in the millions of dollars.

Canada has never had a world's fair before. It seems more than likely now that it will be a bright star in the galaxy of our centennial attractions.

Epilogue To London

Under the above heading the Financial Post notes, as a wry commentary on the best laid plans of Commonwealth Prime Ministers, the change in British public opinion on the subject of Britain's entry into the European Common Market, as reflected in British Institute of Public Opinion polls.

Before the London conference of Commonwealth heads in September, the result of this poll showed that 40 per cent of the public approved, 34 per cent disapproved and 26 per cent wouldn't express a preference. During the conference, while the Commonwealth PMs were loudly expressing concern about the Macmillan government policy, the question was raised again. The result? The proportion of the British public approving Britain's entry rose to 44 per cent, and those disapproving dropped to 32 per cent. Some 24 per cent couldn't make up their minds. After the conference, a final poll showed those favoring entry up to 46 per cent, those disapproving down to 30 per cent. Still undecided, 24 per cent.

What would have happened had the Commonwealth conference lasted a few more weeks is anybody's guess. But it is quite evident, as the Post remarks, that its effect on the British public was to discount the hectic oratory and move the man on the street closer to the Common Market.

Egg Prices Support

Agriculture Minister Hamilton has asked the members of the Commons to familiarize themselves with the Agricultural Stabilization Act so that producers in their area may be made aware of its support price provisions. He is dealing particularly with the authorization that has been given the Stabilization Board to support the price of eggs by a deficiency payment program for the 12 months period from Oct. 1, 1962 to Sept. 30, 1963 at a national average price of 34 cents a dozen for producers for Grade A Large size eggs.

This support price is the same as last year's, and is approximately 90.7 per cent of the 10-year average. Payments on claims by any one producer during the support year will be limited to 4,000 dozen Grade A Extra Large size, Grade A Large size, and Grade A Medium size. It is emphasized that producers must be registered with the board, and have marketed their eggs through registered grading stations or have sold their eggs to retail outlets as producer-graders to be eligible to claim for any deficiency payment which may be made.

The minister, in his statement to the House, explained that final returns are not yet available for the 1961-62 support year, but it is estimated that the national weighted average market price for the full 12 months will be approximately 33 cents per dozen, or one cent less than the support price.

EDITORIAL NOTE

It has been announced by the federal food and drug directorate that lifeort, a Canadian-produced drug designed as a treatment for arthritis, has been withdrawn from distribution in Canada and banned in the United States. The drug has not been authorized for sale to the public in Canada and has been distributed since last winter only for clinical testing.



LOTS OF NOISE-BUT NO TUNE

OTTAWA REPORT by Patrick Nicholson

Mr. Fleming's Fiscal Policies Defended

Donald Fleming, who the star student at the University of Toronto, won the Governor General's Gold Medal.

On October 29, 1959, the great '72 market crash heralded an almost world-wide depression. Nine months later, the Canadian electors threw out the Liberal Government, and asked the Conservatives to clean up the mess.

How successful the Conservative Government has been in maintaining property in Canada, even amidst a slow-down in USA, is shown by the above statistics.

HISTORY DISTORTED

But for their own political purposes, Liberals have not hesitated to distort history.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest to the public and is not necessarily edited and condensed where necessary, or where correspondence requests to appreciate the long-term

MINISTER'S PRESS REPORT

Sir—I am sure we all concur fully with what the Minister of Fisheries had to say in his press report, with the exception, of course, that the Minister has been paid \$15 and \$20 per day by using hard lines, still nets have increased the gross to between \$80 and \$100 per day.

We do not dispute that the intention of the minister to inform the public, but we do believe it was the intention of some party or parties concerned, to misinform the minister.

I have been in consultation with some of the fishermen from North Lake, and they have assured me that the \$80 to \$90 would be more accurate on daily returns from gill nets.

There has been a wonderful improvement in the fishing industry over the years, but not to the extent that his income is on a par with the Federal Minister of Fisheries.

panorama, we must remember that Canadians' confidence in the Conservative Party has given it some rough responsibilities.

Then in 1956 the long post-war boom began to peter out. The Liberal Government was warned of impending recession, as Mr. Diefenbaker later revealed by discovering the Liberals' "Hidden Report".

Against this historical background, it can be asserted that Donald Fleming, as Finance Minister, deserves a gold medal from the wage-earners and taxpayers of Canada.

U.K. Rail Strike Threat

By David Marshall Canadian Press Staff Writer

Britain is threatened a second national rail strike soon. It is likely to be longer and more damaging than last week's one-day "holiday" stoppage.

The government's answer, though, has been a sweeping model in rail schemes to make the railways more efficient.

The unions agree the railways need to be streamlined but they object to the way British Railways Chairman a Richard Beeching has been going about it.

So far dozens of uneconomical branch lines have been closed down. In the near future 12 of the country's 39 major railway workshops, some of them maintaining whole communities, will be closed down.

With the closure of 19,000 railwaymen likely to be put out of work in the next five years, the unions are demanding that the government has neither consulted with them fully nor made plans for retraining the displaced men.

The rail workers plan a series of stoppage lines strikes to force the government to withdraw its plan for workshop closures.

Sense of Pain Missing in Boy

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen A LIFE WITHOUT pain is not as wonderful as it sounds. Pain warns us when the appendix is inflamed, a bone is stuck through a hole, or a hot skillet is burning the hand. Now and then a child comes into the world lacking this sense of pain. It is normal otherwise in development, intelligence, and emotional stability.

Several years ago a 9-year-old boy was brought to the Mayo clinic because of a series of both large toes. The story of this child's problem was reported in the Archives of Dermatology.

The parents became suspicious that their son could not feel pain when the boy was 8 months old. He fell against a stove and suffered a 10-centimeter burn without showing the slightest evidence of discomfort.

The youngster was walking at 28 months of age and by the time he was 4 years old he had many cuts on the lips and on the hands with burns and lacerations of the feet.

The study showed also that the boy had a normal sense of touch and temperature in certain regions. The lad's hearing was good, the senses of smell and taste were normal and he could identify sweet and sour substances on the tongue.

In general, the boy was indistinguishable from other children of his age. He had no physical defects in the muscles. The only abnormality was the application of any painful stimulus or, whether he felt the sensation but did not recognize it as being harmful.

This absence of response to pain may come on in adulthood also, as in hysteria or schizophrenia. The condition may be associated with brain injury, infection, or tumor, as well as with various types of nerve and spinal cord disorders.

Dr. Van Dellen will answer questions on medical topics if stamped, self-addressed envelope accompanies request.

IMMATURE FIGURE

Mrs. L.L. writes: My 11½ year old daughter is quite thin and is self-conscious about this. I think her weight is 90 lbs. Is there anything I can do to help her?

REPLY

Tell your daughter to be patient and that she will develop a better figure within the next year or two. Exercise such as ball dancing will help enlarge the calf muscles.

AGING SPOTS

M.Z. writes: At what age do the brown aging spots appear on the hands?

REPLY

Usually after 50 but earlier in those who age prematurely. Over exposure to the sun for many years may bring out these spots sooner than usual.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT

Strong marriages are built on love, respect, and mutual give and take.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The face that's hid usually when you bury the hatchet is not yours—Nagara Falls Review.

Because of a brawl at a theatre showing his latest film, the government of Thailand may have the shouting of Elvis Presley as its disposal, because we thought it was agreed that we lend great sums of money to the bidders, and that they take Elvis—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Progress in Philippines

The United States, on July 4, 1946, fulfilled its promise to grant independence to the Pacific islands. It had held for nearly half a century. Since then, the young Republic has emerged from the devastation of World War II, suppressed the Communist Red rebellion, and advanced an ambitious program to expand farm and industry production.

Passage by the United States Congress of the Philippines war damage claims bill recently cleared up a lingering misunderstanding. With their continued military and economic aid to America, the islands stand as a bulwark of Western defense against a stampede of Western democracy in the Far East.

WARTIME STRUGGLE

The Philippines is made up of some 7,000 islands and islets scattered between Formosa and Indonesia. More than 4,000 are unnamed. The two largest and most important are Luzon, which is about Ohio's size, and Mindanao, a little bigger than Montana.

Luzon holds both the capital and cosmopolitan old Manila, with Iloilo. There, in the spring of 1942, United States and Filipino troops made a heroic stand against the Japanese invasion of the Philippines.

Our Yesterdays (From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 15, 1937

Mrs. Ruby Houle, Charlotteville, will conduct weekly classes beginning next week. In Public Speaking at St. Dunstan's University for members of Junior and Senior year.

Mrs. W.S. Stewart, kindly placed her spacious residence, Hillborough House, at the disposal of the Girl Guides Association yesterday afternoon, for a bridge to provide finances for their important work among the young people.

TEA YEARS AGO

October 15, 1933 A recent executive meeting of the Kewiens Club, presided over by Lt.-Col. A.W. Rogers, the president, dealt with the projects which this aggressive club have successfully handled during the past year, and their objectives in the near future.

J.J. Morris was re-elected president of the Navy League of Canada (Prince Edward Island Division) at the annual meeting of the organization held at H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte last night. Present for the meeting were Lieut.-Comdr. P.K. Wilson, Halifax; Lt. J.D.W. Smallwood, Capt. Commo. Lieut. R.A.1.3. Broun and Loyd Grant of Charlottetown.

REFUGEES ESCAPE

BERLIN (AP)—West Berlin police reported the escape of four refugees Friday night despite new precautions by the Communist People's Police. No details were given about the refugees or their means of escape.

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