

The Same Story

If the Pearson Government is showing a reprehensible complacency over the damning implications of the Dorion Report, what is one to make of the attitude of the Opposition in the matter?

Despite Judge Dorion's acceptance of the "clarification" made by former Justice Minister Favreau of his testimony at the inquiry, the report bears out almost to the letter the sensational allegations made by the Opposition last November.

Mr. Diefenbaker wasn't even in the House at the time. He was on a speaking tour in Saskatchewan. From there he issued his verbal thunderbolts, charging the Government with being "undermined by vice and crime" and warning them that they will face a Conservative non-confidence motion when the House resumes on Sept. 27.

The plain fact, as noted by one Ottawa commentator, is that a weary, divided and dispirited Opposition decided that a long summer holiday was more attractive than an opportunity to embarrass the Government.

British Success Story Britain is wrestling with serious economic problems today, but her farmers are making concrete progress and their success story is being told this week at a mammoth agricultural fair—the biggest of the year—which opens today at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire.

Buyers, too, from many parts of the world will be present to do some serious shopping. Britain has become the world's top exporter of agricultural machinery, and its pedigree livestock is more in demand than ever.

A novelty of the show is the pageant designed to keep the visitors in merry mood between their sessions of serious farm business. Last year's

pageant was a brilliant achievement of a Disneylike adaptation of machinery in fancy dress in the portrayal of the history of farming.

On the more serious side the livestock entries for this year's show are bigger than ever. They include 1,344 cattle, nearly 1,000 riding and jumping horses, more than 565 sheep, over 500 pigs, and some 370 goats.

The show will point up the fact that productivity in farming in the past decade has risen faster than in any other major British industry. The rise has been steady in the output of beef, lamb, milk, wheat, barley and sugar beet.

Those pessimists who talk about agriculture being in the doldrums should take a trip to Warwickshire this week. They will find that, in Britain at least, they are away off the target.

More Fine Print

Canadian taxpayers are finding that there is more fine print to be deciphered in that automobile "free trade" pact with the United States.

This is not the first time government policy has resulted in the laying-off of workers, but the automobile workers are being treated as a special case.

The auto pact, based on a subsidy of \$50,000,000 a year to the automobile industry in the way of eliminating traffic on autos and parts, was announced in Ottawa with a great fanfare.

Some long-range benefits may accrue from the new trade pact. In the meantime it is evident that the Canadian consumer will pay all the immediate heavy costs for what are as yet unproved future gains.

EDITORIAL NOTES

One would think it would be carrying coals to Newcastle to export television sets to the United States. Yet the Japanese are doing this, and according to an American merchandizing magazine, the sets may reach the one-million-mark this year.

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Americans who travel abroad won a victory in the Senate over President Johnson's attempt recently to cut duty-free import allowances in half.



OFF-SHORE COLLISION COURSE

Another Canadian First In Mink Breeding

Percy Noble is not only a prominent M.P., he is also one of Canada's leading mink-ranchers. Some months ago I described how his mink herd had been struck by the accidental addition of a chemical to its diet.

Other ranchers were hit by the same disaster, but I now learn from Percy Noble that the cause has been traced, and that he will be paid compensation in full for the loss, which he estimates at over \$250,000.

A similar accident had previously occurred in both U.S.A. and Britain. I recently visited one of the victims in Britain, the mink ranch operated by a famous naval hero of World War I, Commander Norman Holbrook, who in 1914 won the first Victoria Cross ever awarded to a submarine commander.

The plight of this sect seems to fulfill Jeremiah's prophetic lamentation: "How doth the city sit solitary that was full of people! How is she become as a widow! She that was great among nations, and princess among the provinces..."

OUTSIDERS JOIN SECT

At one time in the Middle Ages only ten Samaritans were left. The number is now slowly increasing. High Priest Amran Isaac, present-day leader of the group, attributes the gains to two factors: the conversion of outsiders marrying into the community, and the end of centuries-long persecution.

After the death of King Solomon in Old Testament days, Israel was split into two parts. The northern section, encompassing Samaria, retained the name Israel; the southern state called itself Judah.

Our Yesterdays

(From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (July 6, 1940) It was announced in London, England, that more than 1,000 Canadians have joined the Royal Air Force since the start of the war.

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TEN YEARS AGO

Governor-General Vincent Massey became the first Canadian to be appointed to the highest rank in the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, a rank limited to 10 members exclusive of the Royal family.

Miss Kathleen DeMarsh of Toronto, acting national director of Red Cross Nursing Services, and national secretary of the Swimming and Water Safety Committee while on an official visit to the province last week presented swimming awards to 18 Red Cross instructors at P.E.I.

the survivors produce a new strain of larger animals. Percy Noble has devoted more than a quarter of a century to building up his fine herd, and in that period he has been among Canada's leaders in producing the popular and highly valued mutations. He, for instance, was the pioneer in producing white mink, just as now he is planning black mink.

As the House of Commons was preparing to adjourn for the summer recess, Percy was packing his bag for a trip to the Maritimes, where another pioneer mink-rancher appears to have achieved a world-wide "first" in breeding a true black "black mink".

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Samaritans Still Survive

The glories of ancient Samaria are buried beneath the dust of centuries, but a small band of Samaritans tenaciously survives.

The Samaritans built a rival temple on Mount Gerizim, near Shechem, and a long period of bitter conflict began. By Christ's time, the Samaritans were thoroughly despised by the Jews. In telling the parable of the Good Samaritan, Christ emphasized that charity is not the exclusive property of the elect.

The Samaritans slowly evolved their own theology, and have preserved their beliefs through 2,500 years of hardship. They have their own calendar, and write in an alphabet resembling ancient Phoenician.

As their Bible, the Samaritans recognize only the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Old Testament, and reject the remainder. They venerate Moses as the only true prophet, and await a Messiah who will convert all nations to Samaritanism.

"This nation carries out the ancient customs according to the Mosaic law as well as it can," High Priest Amran Isaac has written. "And has always offered the proper prayers to the God of all creation that He might keep them from all harm, misfortune, and all violence."

Samaritans are resigned however, to an ancient prophecy in Deuteronomy: "Ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars in heaven for multitude."

Pay-TV In The U.S.

(Christian Science Monitor)

In the most extensive survey yet made of pay-television, according to TV Guide, culture laid an egg.

This appears to be a setback for the hopes that pay-TV might provide an enlightened alternative to free commercial television. Instead of programs trying to anticipate mass taste, pay-TV was going to bring first-rate cultural events to audiences willing to pay for them.

It turns out that pay-TV audiences, so far, are not willing to pay much for aesthetics. What the largest percentages do pay for is movies and ball games.

Nothing wrong with that. Only some might say it is an argument against more artistic or intellectual programming. Just as some might suggest going away with the BBC's high-level Third Programme because only a small percentage of Britons listen to it.

\$50 for the best skins of other shades. But this breeder in Nova Scotia, Percy believes, now has a million dollar bonanza in his stock of this new shade. Will the well-dressed Canadian woman wear a \$25,000 fur coat of true black mink next winter? It seems likely, just as many years ago the world champion skater wore a \$25,000 coat of Canadian white mink. That envied girl was of course Sonja Henie.

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(By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen)

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Many physicians hesitate to perform a hysterectomy on a woman under 30 years of age, especially if she is single, separated, or divorced, and more so if she has fewer than three children. The couple may want more youngsters, and it is important to preserve the uterus unless removal is necessary.

This procedure is the best remedy for uterine cancer. In some instances the operation is preceded by radium treatments. Removal also is indicated when there are large fibroids causing discomfort or bleeding. It is possible, occasionally, to remove tumors without hysterectomy in a woman who has not completed her family. The technique is not easy, especially when fibroids are deep in the wall of the uterus.

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Just Spin The Dial

Milwaukee Journal

A wonderful world of information lies right at your fingertip, no further than the telephone. In Milwaukee you can spin the dial, then listen while a recorded, disembodied voice volunteers the time, the weather or the late stock market information.

For pure imagination, however, the Europeans have undialed off the map, Paul Jones reports for Newspaper Enterprise association. In England, tiny tots may dial a recorded fairy tale. West German hausfrau spin their way to the "recipe of the day."

If the boom continues the Citizen of the World (circa 1984) is likely to develop one preternaturally large ear (left or right, according to habit), a marvelous stock of current information both useful and trivial and a telephone dialing finger with calluses, like armor plate.

To Fight Pollution

London Free Press

Of all the Great Lakes, Lake Erie is probably the one most endangered by pollution, largely because of the heavy concentration of population on the U.S. side.

Industrial waste into the same river each day. It will not be easy to secure action. Detroit municipal authorities say it would cost \$100,000,000 to bring about the suggested changes and industries would face a similar or possibly even greater cost. Yet the cost of not doing anything is also high.

Recognition is growing of the value of pure water. Drought conditions in the northeastern section of the U.S. have underlined this. Lakes and rivers can no longer be regarded as cheap open sewers.

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