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spread. His administration might start only with adjectives, but what is to prevent the next regime from taxing adverbs, then prepositions, and finally nouns and verbs? Only oddities like gerundives and expletives would be exempt. But there is no need to worry. It appears now that the Cuban minister has dropped his plan for an adjective tax due to widespread opposition—some of it expressed, no doubt, in strong untaxed adjectives!

A Good Approach

The Federal Department of Agriculture has made an imaginative approach to its embarrassing surplus pork problem. 70 millions pounds of this commodity are stored away in warehouses in various parts of the country, and it is not unlikely that under prevailing support prices the surplus may soon reach 100 million pounds. Disposal of this product on foreign markets, without resort to wholesale dumping, is a difficult problem.

The Department has now tackled the job of persuading Canadians to consume more pork. One million brochures, replete with timely tips on how to prepare succulent pork dishes, are being distributed across the country. It is surprising what even a small per capita increase in home consumption would mean in reducing the pork surplus, and there is no reason to doubt that this can be achieved by aggressive publicity methods.

Our farmers will wish this campaign well, for it means a lot to them to have support prices maintained without undue drain on the federal treasury. The consumers, too, will benefit by tastier meals; and even the pigs won't complain, for they will have been slaughtered anyway.

Water Safety Week

Were we describing our nation to a stranger, who could fail to mention the hundreds of beautiful lakes and rivers, the fishing, boating and swimming? But would we be so proud to mention the annual toll these waterways take of our citizens' lives?

Each year almost one thousand men, women and children, swimmers and non-swimmers both, drown in our provinces. This year promises to be no different. But the picture could be changed completely if we all co-operated to make our country wide awake in the ways of water safety. For the sad fact is that most of these fatal accidents could have been prevented. They happened because people did not think, tried to show off or had just not learned the basic water safety rules.

What can be done about it? The Canadian Red Cross Society is pointing the way to a safer summer with a determined campaign aimed at making everyone aware of the dangers in and around the water.

After all, recreation in or on the water is like any other game. It has its own rules. If one does not know and follow these rules he can expect to be a loser. But a loser in this game never has a chance to play again. Now is the time to make sure we know the rules.

EDITORIAL NOTES

To worthily commemorate Her Majesty's visit, the Canadian Government will provide a million dollars to establish the "Queen Elizabeth II Fund for Research Into Children's Diseases."

With the western grain crop now in the critical month of June, drought is a threat in many parts of Saskatchewan, although the neighboring provinces of Alberta and Manitoba appear to be better off in the matter of moisture at the moment. But in the prairie region as a whole moisture conditions are reported below normal.

Ottawa reports indicate that Canada's next governor-general, like Hon. Mr. Massey, will be a Canadian—and probably a French-speaking Canadian. Likely choices mentioned are Major General George P. Vanier, of Montreal, and Jean Desy, who retired last year after four years as Ambassador to France.

About 80 Conservative M.P.'s are reported to be seeking appointment as parliamentary secretaries. These jobs, 16 in number, will pay \$4,000 a year on top of the sessional indemnity of \$10,000 and are intended to provide general assistance to busy cabinet ministers. A bill providing for them was brought in this session and now needs only royal assent to become law. They are not a new departure; they were created by the Liberals under the name of parliamentary assistants.



GOOD INVESTMENT

ON PARLIAMENT HILL

New Car Ferry Assured

By Heath Macquarrie, M.P.

Friday, June 5, was a big day for Prince Edward Island on Parliament Hill. The Hon. Mr. Hees made the announcement that a new car ferry is being built for service between Borden and Cape Tormentine. He pointed out that it was the expectation of the Department that this boat would be ready some time in 1961.

The growing needs of our ferry service have been very much in the minds of all Island M.P.'s ever since we arrived at Ottawa and there have been many discussions with the Department of Transport and others involved in the question. When it was authoritatively learned that the Vacationland was not suitable, we were all determined to press for a new ferry to meet the needs of our people. And it is only fitting that I should record the appreciation we have for the Minister of Transport and the Government in agreeing to provide us with a new boat even while continuing to press forward with the survey on the causeway's feasibility.

As a very practical and sound administrator of the finances of the country, the Minister of Transport has given consideration to the use of the new ferry in another place should the causeway be built. This is an important matter and shows a serious regard for the needs of our province. HOSPITAL INSURANCE On Friday also my colleague, Dr. Phillips, made inquiry about the health plan and the state which negotiations had reached between the Province and the Dominion. Later in the day when the Minister of Public Works' estimates were before the House there was considerable discussion on the causeway in which Island Members participated. The House had agreed to sit beyond 6.00 o'clock and under the circumstances no Member would be excused for making long speeches. Therefore, our contributions were brief. Mr. Green pointed out that there was nothing in his original statement which should cause discouragement.

The House decided to pass another \$250,000 expenditure to continue this survey. This means a total of \$610,000 provided since the Diefenbaker Government took office. It is, of course, impossible to predict the date when a causeway might be built but it is perfectly clear that the Government is taking the whole matter very seriously, as is right and proper in an engineering project which is without parallel in the North American continent and indeed perhaps in the whole world. COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES If one looks at the Order Paper of the House of Commons he will soon discover that Members

are required to make careful division of their time. On some days as many as seven committees are in session. Some of these, sit while the House is sitting and quite often more than one committee is sitting at a given time, and an M.P. may have membership on both committees. The stormiest committee in this session has been that on Industrial Relations. There has been a running battle between Liberal Paul Martin and Committee Chairman Hardy Small. Mr. Small has wielded his gavel and made use of his stentorian voice to silence Mr. Martin. Mr. Martin, on his part, has had several walkouts of the Liberal members of the committee. The reason for all the heat and argument is the proposed change in the Unemployment Insurance Fund, resulting from the large number of payments to seasonal workers, a new plan has been devised to bring about a greater degree of security in the fund. STRONG VIEWS There are strong views held by those who think that employees and large employee groups are being asked to provide too much to the fund from which thousands of seasonal workers derive benefits without making same degree of contribution. The arguments around this measure illustrate the old truth that someone has to pay. Neither the Dominion Government nor any other government has any magic source of funds. If benefits are to be paid out to people, some system must be devised to bring forth the revenue. Whether it be taxes, tariffs or contributions—like the one discussed—the eventual source is the pocketbook of the taxpayer. BROADCASTING COMMITTEE Another interesting committee, of which I am a member, is the Special Committee on Broadcasting. This committee has had many meetings and while not as stormy as the Industrial Relations Committee it has, nevertheless brought forward some fairly sharp expressions of opinion. For the first time in its history, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation has been asked to divulge information on financial details of its sponsored programs.

Up to now the C.B.C. has always argued that revealing such information would put it in a bad position relative to its competitors. The Hon. George Nowlan, a member of the committee, argued along these lines last Tuesday but the committee did not follow his advice and voted 11 to 9 to order the C.B.C. to produce the information desired. Many members of the committee, especially those from Quebec, have been deeply concerned and sharply critical about a recent C.B.C. program dealing with the life of Mother D'Youville. This program, which appeared about the time the great French lady was beatified by the Pope, was the centre of storms of protest from Quebec and other parts of Canada. Before the Broadcasting Committee the C.B.C. officers were abject in their apologies and lengthy in their explanations as to how the whole thing happened. OTHER COMMITTEES The Committee on Mines, Forests and Waters is examining a variety of subjects—National Parks of Canada, the tourist industry and questions related to navigable rivers. The Public Accounts Committee has unearthed some interesting details on government expenditure suggested to them in the Report of the Auditor General of Canada. The Estimates Committee has been examining the Civil Service Commission. The Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills continues its work which consists in large part in dealing with divorce cases of which there seems to be al-

Singapore's Future

By Ed Simon, Canadian Press Staff Writer

As Nikita Khrushchev would say, there is an old Russian saying that at a distance it is difficult to tell a sheep from a wolf. That particular proverb may or not be included in Khrushchev's well-stocked repertoire. But it will serve to describe the dilemma of the outside world in attempting to assess the character of the newly elected government of Singapore. In the supercharged political atmosphere of the island it is not surprising that Lee Kuan Yew's People's Action Party should have been labelled Communist by its opponents. Lee, who heatedly denies the charge, was equally unambitious in dealing with his adversaries during the election campaign. It is also understandable under the circumstances that Lee's campaign speeches should have been well spiced with unflattering references to Britain, the colonial power from which Singapore is in the process of winning her freedom. Kwame Nkrumah did the same in Ghana, and the world didn't come to an end when he became prime minister. FEAR OF COMMUNISM The fear that Singapore's predominantly Chinese population may turn to communism has played a large part in its political isolation from neighboring Malaysia, in defiance of the logic of geography and economics. To a large extent, Lee's future actions depend on Singapore's relationship with the mainland. As an independent state, Singapore is preserved from destitution only by the presence of British naval base, which Lee is anxious to liquidate as soon as possible. The economic alternative is the island's entry into the Malayan federation. Apart from the Communist danger, Malaysia is reluctant to merge with the island on racial grounds. The acquisition of Singapore's 1,000,000 Chinese would place the federation's 3,000,000 Malays in the minority, posing a threat to the privileges granted them under the 1957 constitution under which Malaysia became an independent member of the Com-

PUBLIC FORUM

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LAKEWOOD LODGE

Sir,—Now that it has been announced that the Provincial Government will give a luncheon party at Lakewood Lodge, Grand Tracade, during the visit of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness Prince Philip to our shores, the following may be of interest to our people. Lakewood Lodge was built for the late Colonel Orr, a carpet manufacturer of Ohio during the 1890's. At the death of her husband Mrs. Orr sold the said sumptuous interesting details on government expenditure suggested to them in the Report of the Auditor General of Canada. The Estimates Committee has been examining the Civil Service Commission. The Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills continues its work which consists in large part in dealing with divorce cases of which there seems to be al-

Indications Of Pregnancy

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D. OVER the years we have discussed just about every type of sign and symptom except one. Today I would like to complete the list so let's talk about the symptoms of pregnancy. Now don't laugh at this. The question of "Pregnant or not?" is of major importance to women and, of course, to their husbands, too. And it is a question that is not always easy to answer, at least not as quickly as the woman might desire. SPECIAL TESTS Special tests have been devised to help physicians determine the answers, but these usually require a certain amount of time. Usually, the possible parents are anxious to learn the truth. The following symptoms are generally a pretty good indication that a baby is on the way. The cessation of the monthly period is the most obvious. Yet, in itself, this is not always a dependable guide. Besides, other signs might appear even before the woman is sure that she has missed a couple of periods. COMMON SYMPTOM One of the most common symptoms is fatigue. This, of course, might simply mean that you are not getting enough sleep, or it might be a symptom of some illness. But if you skip a period, and being to feel lazy, it might be significant. Another sign of early pregnancy is a noticeable increase in the frequency of urination. Also the breasts are likely to undergo a change. They will be sore and become much fuller than usual. If any of you women notice such a change, a closer examination is called for. Pay particular attention to the area around the nipple. If this is darker than it ordinarily is, it might indicate pregnancy. Sometimes constipation is present. And of course, the traditional "morning sickness," if also present, just about settles the question. ANY TIME This "morning sickness," I must point out, can mean vomiting any time during the day, although many expectant mothers experience nausea upon arising. I don't mean to imply that these symptoms must be present in every case of pregnancy. But if they are, it's pretty safe to start selecting names. QUESTION AND ANSWER A Worried Friend: I have a friend, seventy years old, who has been told she has cataracts starting on her eyes. I have noticed a lighter ring around her eyes. If this is true, how long will she be able to see? Answer: Cataracts develop at a rate in restoring vision in these individuals. Surgery is usually successful in different degrees, even in very old people.

continuing with success and approval in his new field of endeavor. When the Prime Minister announced his appointment the other day, the enthusiastic reception from every corner of the House was absolutely heart-warming. Mr. Green responded in the same spirit. It was one of those instances which marks the House of Commons at its best. Political and partisan considerations were discarded and only personal values and national goals were considered by the parliamentarians of the country.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(June 16, 1934) Laura Peters, little six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Peters of Summerside, was rescued from a watery grave yesterday by the fourteen year old son of Amos Cormier when she fell into deep water from the buttment at the west end of town. The little girl had some water in her lungs but soon recovered from her experience.

TEN YEARS AGO

(June 16, 1949) Applications from 32 Boy Scouts to attend the first Canadian Jamboree near Ottawa, July 16 to 24, have been approved. It was announced last night by Mr. R.C. Parent, Provincial Commissioner. Leaders of the Island contingent will be Fred Driscoll, Scout Leader, and Douglas Hardy, Assistant Scoutmaster, O'Leary.

THE NEW PASTOR OF CENTRAL STREET CHURCH

The new pastor of Central Street Church, Summerside, Rev. M.L. Breakenridge who succeeds Rev. William Bilson, was inducted last evening into his new charge at a most impressive ceremony conducted by Rev. M.D. Dunbar of Central Christian Church, Charlottetown.

AMBASSADOR ARRIVES

MADRID (AP)—Jean Bruchesi, new Canadian ambassador to Spain, arrived Monday by train from Italy via Barcelona. Bruchesi, who succeeds Ambassador Leon Mayrand, is to present his credentials to Gen. Franco, Spanish chief of state, shortly.

NEWSPAPER WOMAN WED

RED BANK, N.J. (CP)—Mrs. Charlotte Murphy, president of the Fort William, Ont., Times-Journal, and James Vincent Igoe of Newark, N.J., were married here Thursday, June 11, at St. James' Roman Catholic Church.

ARE ALL WIVES FED UP?

When they are troubled by backache, tired out, or disturbed rest, many women turn to Dodd's Kidney Pills. These conditions can be caused by excess acids and wastes in the system and Dodd's Kidney Pills, the normal action of removing these excess acids and wastes. Then life seems brighter, housework lighter! Why don't you, too, try Dodd's!

NOTES BY THE WAY

No one would advocate a return to days of poverty and sweatshop wages. But have we lost sight of the meaning of a situation where a shiftless fellow with four children can stop work and draw cash benefits only slightly less than the take-home pay of a single, fully employed wage-earner? Let us help it a little by guarding against subsidizing lazy employables. — Sudbury-Star

Edmontonians now claim their city is larger than Winnipeg with a population of 267,733 compared with Winnipeg's 255,510. We congratulate them on this arithmetical feat, even though the total is unofficially reported to include a U.S. Army convoy on its way to Alaska, a Russian satellite that happened to pass over and two tramps sleeping in a lane back of Jasper Ave. — Winnipeg Tribune

More books are published — and bought — in Britain than in any other country in the world. During the year 1958, British publishers issued a total of 22,142 titles of which 16,172 were new books and 5,971 were reprints or new editions of previously published works. Both figures are the highest on record. Novels accounted for 4,166 (much less than before the war) of the total, children's books for 1,903 and religious works for 1,028. — "This is Britain"

The Canadian trade mission which visited the West Indies Federation last January, under auspices of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, has issued a disturbing report. Here in relatively close proximity to Canada is a group of islands (population about 3,000,000) whose collective economy is basically complementary to ours. There should be a strong and rapidly growing trade between us. But, as the trade mission found, all is not as it should be. — Globe and Mail

The Poets Corner

REDWOOD GROVE

I ask you now to listen to silence, Here where branch-leaves is over water, where soundless minnows Like rainbow thoughts Flash over pebbles. Listen, to hear, you must tread mosses, Smooth, minute stars—be Mover under green fragrance Where no wind stirs, Where no shadowed bird sings. Here, only the noon sun shines briefly Into cupped fingers Reach out, I tell you now that in this place, For these few moments, You may hear silence, hold it Like a soliloquy, Know peace— A purity of quiet, filtered light.

—Gertrude May Lutz in the Christian Science Monitor.

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