

Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dax
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causing an estimated \$256,000 damage to the planes and subtracting 10 years from the life of every pilot who landed there.

The navy imported ornithologists to solve their problem. One of them suggested fire-crackers, so thousands of dollars of roman candles, sky-rockets, sparklers and cannon crackers were tossed about the sand dunes.

Then somebody decided to move the entire bird population to Kure island, 65 miles away and uninhabited, figuring the young hatched there would make it their permanent home. That didn't work. Next bulldozers were brought in to level the dunes which caused the updrafts which the albatross needs to become airborne.

Today the jet age has solved the problem in favor of the birds. Midway is no longer an important Pacific bastion of defense. Planes that flew to and from it have been replaced by planes that fly over it.

Too Successful?
A news item in the Financial Times of Canada starts off with an appropriate biblical quotation: "Hath the rain a father?"

Prof. Borgehoorn of Yale, who was arrested in 1963 because he was trying to talk to Russians and conduct an innocent survey. He was released only at the personal intervention of the late President Kennedy.

Perhaps Mr. Grigorovich's auditors kept thinking of these incidents, and of what a reliable correspondent in The Economist of London had to report on the subject: "Sad to say, Moscow is still a city where a foreign visitor, even when travelling with an organized group, can be hauled away to an unknown prison and subjected to grueling questioning for weeks on end without any communication with his consulate, family or friends."

The Gooneys Won
The United States Navy has lost a war in Midway Island, that lost-shaded atoll of World War II fame which the Americans won at bitter cost from the Japanese.

At Alabama
Two years ago the name of Vivian Juanita Malone was on the front pages of Canadian as well as American newspapers. She was the young Negro student who registered at the University of Alabama.

MESS CLEANED UP
Sir,—Since writing my last letter about a section of the Hunter River—Rustics highway, which appeared in your paper last week, I wish to thank the firm of Morrison and MacRae Ltd., especially the former Mr. Sigforth Raynor, and Mr. Harris, for the cooperation we received in getting this sorry mess cleaned up.

Public Forum
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REVISING THE REWRITTEN

Putting Stalin Back Into Perspective

The trouble about rewriting history is that sooner or later you may have to unrewrite it. Clearly the Russians are now much occupied with trying to get history as straight as possible, after all the gross and cruel falsifications of the Stalin era and the less crude versions under Nikita Khrushchev.

Fountain Of Youth
Despite the great victories of medicine over disease in the present century, the limit set by the Psalmist of three-score-years-and-ten still remains for the vast majority of humans the ultimate period of life.

All Are Not Buried
It is rather unfortunate, in a way, that manufacturing is known as "secondary industry." It is secondary in the sense that it processes materials that are primary in their raw state.

"Dominion Day" Stands
Some of the embarrassing problems that arise when governments start to play around with the names and titles of departments were outlined here by Heath Macquarrie.

New College System
Ontario is to inaugurate a system of community colleges, sometimes termed "junior colleges." They will be a sort of academic halfway house between our collegiates and universities.

Allergic Rhinitis

By Dr. Theodore R. van Dellen
Head colds that come and go for months or years often are due to an allergy rather than an infection. This is especially true when associated with nasal itching, obstruction, and bouts of sneezing.

Some spring, an industrious sportswriter is going to unearth a baseball player who says, "Frankly I feel that I do better if I sit on the bench most of the time." — Calgary Herald.

Angry Housewife: "Have you ever done a lick of work?"
Tramp: "Lady, if you think asking dames like you for a bite to eat ain't work, you don't know what work is!" — Sarnia Observer.

Peace Talk Aimed At Soviets
By Arch MacKenzie
Canadian Press Staff Writer
When President Johnson says the United States would much rather talk than fight, his words are aimed at the Soviet Union and the Eastern European Communist bloc.

FORCED FRIENDSHIP
There have been statements from both Communist camps that, if the worst comes to the worst in Viet Nam, Russia and China will get together.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

A prime example of a desperate man was the Viet Cong rebel captured recently in a swamp. He told Vietnamese authorities he had joined the guerrillas to get away from his mother-in-law.

"This expense account is incredible," the boss fumed. "How in the world did you manage to spend \$17 a day for food?"
"Simple," replied the salesman. "I simply went without breakfast." — Financial Post.

At a grade school the other day, a youngster arrived at school with a cigar box filled with suckers. As he passed them out to friends, he said, "It's a brother." — Plymouth Review.

The Liston-Clay fight was so bad, suggests a pessimist, that the next heavyweight title fight may draw only a \$4,000,000 gate instead of \$4,500,000. — Ottawa Journal.

Between the great powers of East and West there is no history of conflict on battlefields of the past," he said.
"Between the people of the Soviet Union and the people of the U.S. there has been friendship—and there can be great understanding."

He suggested the peoples of the U.S.S.R. and Eastern Europe "know above all others the cost of 20th-century warfare."
"LET US REASON"
At Catholic University the president said: "To the people—and to the leaders—of the Communist countries, to the Soviet Union, to the nations of Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia, we extend our invitation—come, now, let us reason together."

Johnson bolstered his case for American peaceful intentions by recalling words spoken by Franklin D. L. a. n. o. Roosevelt, Abraham Lincoln, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, and two non-Americans, Dag Hammarskjöld and Pope John XXIII.

"As peace knocks," said Johnson, "our door is unshuttered, our table is set. We are ready—and we believe mankind is ready with us."

Implicit in each was the theme that the U.S. desire for peace is frustrated by the refusal of North Viet Nam or China to agree to peace talks. The president's speech was supplemented by a rash of other weekend speeches by major government spokesmen involved in the seasonal tide of college graduating ceremonies.

The president and others, aware of some foreign policy opposition on U.S. college campuses, stressed the need for "informed" opinion.

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