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Authorized as Second Class Mail Post Office Department, Ottawa. The Island Guardian Publishing Co. President and Associate Editor, Ian A. Burnett, Associate Editor, Frank Walker. CIRCULATION "Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew" "The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink" CHARLOTTETOWN, FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1953 Fitting Reward

The Montreal Star pays the following editorial tribute to one of Canada's latest Senate appointees:

"Casual visitors to Prince Edward Island come away convinced that so lovely a province can hardly have any serious problems. The resources of sea and land are available to its sturdy, cheerful people upon whom Nature smiles so widely. What could go wrong? Yet, if they were to talk to that typical Islander, Premier Walter Jones, they would quickly learn that the Garden Province has had its ups and downs, and there have been years when lack of markets and low prices have brought hardship and misery to the people. It has been Mr. Jones's task, over many years, to find the kind of leadership that Prince Edward Island needs. In that he proved eminently successful.

"Farmer" Jones, as he is affectionately known, now leaves his duties as Premier to enter the Senate, a fitting reward for many services to his province rendered with competence and faithfulness. He will be missed in Charlottetown, but welcomed in Ottawa."

The Passamaquoddy Survey

According to the Moncton Transcript, there is a widespread opinion among hydro engineers in the United States, and also in Canada, that harnessing the tides of Passamaquoddy Bay for electric power purposes is a feasible and perhaps practical idea. First of all it is necessary to conduct a survey to ascertain the cost of such a project, because only on the cost of the construction and the approximate horsepower that could be developed, would it be possible to ascertain the practicability of the plan. Since the project would be international in scope, the United States and Canada must join in the preliminary survey as well as in the ultimate cost and distribution of the power.

Original estimate of the cost of the preliminary survey was \$3,900,000—a figure arrived at more than two years ago by the International Passamaquoddy Engineering Board to which the International Joint Commission appointed two representatives from each country. Canada declined to proceed with the survey, on the basis of recent sonic studies in the international waters between New Brunswick and Maine, estimated an over-all survey could be made for \$3,000,000. Canada still objected to the survey unless new information was supplied by the United States government "in further justification of the undertaking."

During the week-end, Senator Margaret Chase Smith, of Maine, disclosed a new development in the proposal which, she hoped, may overcome Canadian objections and make possible a survey into the economic feasibility of the plan. She said she had received an informal bid from a private engineering firm—Thomas Worcester Inc., of Boston—to make the complete survey for \$1,500,000. The offer has been forwarded to the International Joint Commission, the U. S. Army engineers, the Canadian government and other interested authorities. It would seem that in view of the importance of the development that both Canada and the United States would have the approval of the people of the two countries, especially those along the eastern seaboard, if they wasted no more time in authorizing the survey.

With a theoretical capacity of approximately twenty billion kw-h of electricity per year, it is stated that Quoddy could yield an actual production of three billion kw-h per year—about 1,000,000 horsepower, a quantity of which would be available for New Brunswick, and no doubt, for Prince Edward Island as well.

New Danish Province

Greenland, Denmark's only colony, may become a new province of the mother country under a bill now before the Danish Parliament. The world's largest and one of its coldest islands was home to Allied forces in World War II when the North Atlantic outpost served as a vital aircraft ferry point and fueling stop. United States troops also built and manned weather stations, which later were turned over to the Danish government. Last year a huge new air base was erected at Thule far up on the northwest coast, only 930 miles from the North Pole. The project was sponsored jointly by the United States and Denmark under the North Atlantic Treaty. More re-

cently, the Scandinavian Airline System began experimental flights between California and Copenhagen via Thule and the "top of the world."

Greenlanders, as they call themselves, number about 23,000 and live near the coast—most of them concentrated at the southern end. The island's heart is an eternal ice cap, up to 8,000 feet thick, which blankets 85 per cent of the colony's 840,000 square miles. Only a narrow fringe of land, from one to 150 miles wide, is ice-free. Glaciers reach from the indented coast line to cast icebergs into the open sea.

The waters surrounding Southern Greenland have become noticeably warmer in the last quarter century. With warmer weather and warmer seas, cod-fishing and sheep-raising have replaced seal-hunting as the island's economic mainstay.

Two years ago Denmark began a \$15,000,000 economic development program aimed at making Greenland self-sustaining in 15 years. Canneries and quick-freezing plants are being built to encourage fishing. Harbors are being enlarged and cleared. Mineral resources also are being explored. Greenland already produces most of the world's supply of cryolite, vital to aluminum production, and there are known deposits of uranium, graphite, lead and copper.

Eskimos, immigrating from North America more than 1,000 years ago, were Greenland's first residents. The National Geographic Society recalls that Eric the Red led a band of Norsemen to the treeless, windswept land in 982 and named the frigid island Greenland, hoping to entice more of his countrymen to emigrate. Eric was reasonably successful, but by the end of the 14th century the Scandinavian colonies had slowly disintegrated. Not until 1727 did another European contingent take root. The new settlement was founded at Godthaab, today's the island's capital with a population of about 1,000.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A 100-per-cent vote is reported in the election for the Greenwood Town Council. This would be surprising enough in any case but is even more so as responsibility and therefore the final authority rests with the C.O. of the Annapolis Valley air station.

Canadians will be interested in the role of Earl Alexander, now Britain's Defence Minister, in the Coronation ceremony. The former Governor-General will carry the Golden Orb which the Queen receives when she is anointed.

Mechanizing the farm costs money. There seems to be a disproportion, however, between the number of Farm Improvement Loans for trucks and tractors and the few for buildings. Proper shelter is as important for machinery as for high grade livestock.

The number of carloads ferried between Borden and Cape Tormentine shows a substantial increase in both directions in April as compared with a year ago. On the one hand it reflects greater production and exports and on the other, how increased incomes are being spent.

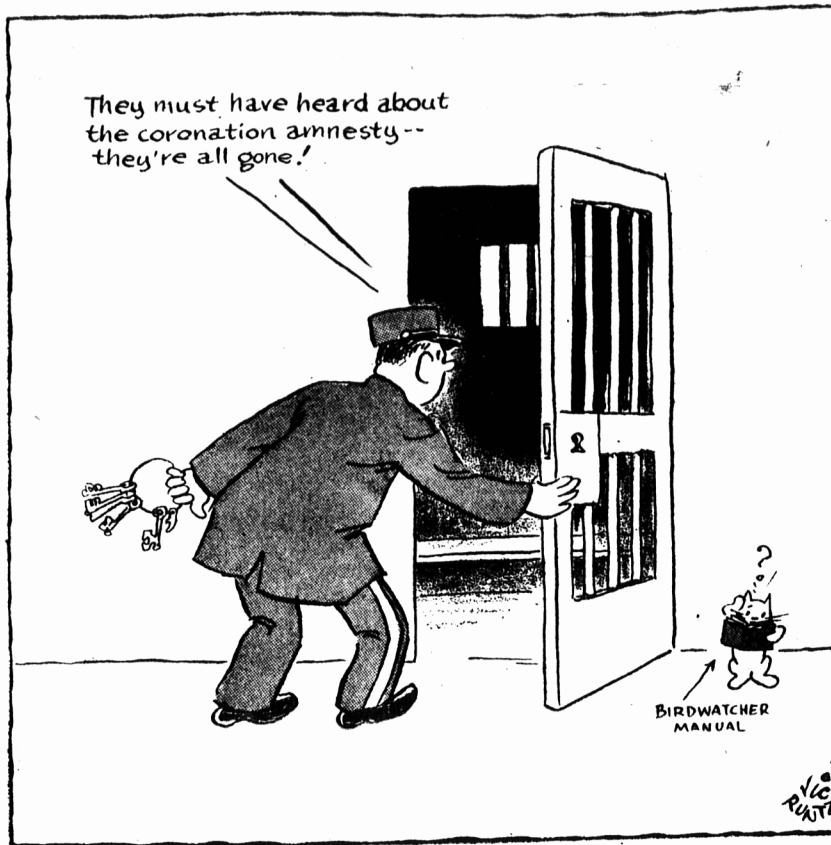
The modernization of the Charlottetown airport seems now to depend upon finances, administrative responsibility not being beyond the City's capacity. It should be possible to arrive at an agreement between the City and Province to share the portion of the cost not assumed by the Department of Transport.

The now statutory Historic Sites and Monuments Board is well representative of the various parts of Canada and can be expected to carry on its good work of commemorating important events and personages. How it could be strengthened, perhaps, is by the appointment of an outstanding artist or artists to help determine how things should be commemorated as well as what incidents.

Alessandro Manzoni, Italian novelist, died this date 1873. Some poetry, sacred lyrics and tragedies of his attracted notice and admiration, including that of Goethe. His most famous work is the historical novel "I Promessi sposi" (The Betrothed), a Milanese story of the seventeenth century. Verdi wrote the "Requiem" in tribute to Manzoni's memory.

"The great thing, I think, in training children," says Keyna Tagney, mother of five children under six, speaking in the BBC's Light Programme, "is to be consistent—it is no good correcting a child twice and letting him 'get away with it' the third time. Equally important is to gain a child's trust by trying to answer all questions truthfully and by never threatening punishment that you are not prepared to carry out or promising a reward that you are unable to give."

It Couldn't Happen Here



PUBLIC FORUM

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PUBLIC NUISANCES

Sir,—We hear so much these days and read a great deal about many tourists planning to spend their holidays on a visit to our fair Isle, that it seems to me that there is a matter, a very important one, which should be brought to the attention of the public, and government officials. I refer to the refuse and litter that we find along some of our highways and by-ways.

Every spring some people regularly use these roads for public dumping grounds. If we are to bring fame to Prince Edward Island as a tourist resort let us use every means possible to beautify our homes, our parks and our highways.

A LOVER OF NATURE

NO ONE HURT

Sir,—To leave the city we boarded a bus going to Summerside. The driver seemed so capable that we gave little thought to the over-ruling providence of God. Squeezed in close behind the driver I had a pleasant view of the road ahead. Everything went as usual until within a half mile of Hunter River, when an empty truck shot by going the opposite way. I saw as it approached, that it had no load, had six or eight long stakes swaying in the breeze. That one stake was lashing about as though it had got out of its socket or was broken near the end. The speed of the truck seemed much greater than that of the bus, which might be 35 miles per hour.

But the crisis occurred when the loose stake fell in front of the windshield, going still lower to be caught under the bus wheels, still hanging on and disappearing with the truck over the next hill. We stopped at a garage for temporary repairs. A seventy mile per hour blow with a heavy stick would be quite serious if inflicted on the windshield; it might result in an unconscious driver, but in the ditch and a number of cut and bleeding skulls. We generally slow down when meeting a funeral procession, but the bit of clay in the casket is of less importance than a score of live mortals.

Now let us get some moral from the incident. The bus driver cannot guarantee a safe trip. Neither can my Minister pilot me to the Celestial city. He can simply strive to put me in touch with the Divine pilot who never lost a passenger.

ARCH MACKENZIE

EDUCATION AND THE PRESS

Sir,—This writer took great pleasure and edification from the article by "Observer" on "Graduates" in The Evening Scene. It is masterly in diction and common sense. The sorrowful part is, that perhaps only one in ten of the exuberant graduates will take the time to read it. There is a lot of fine literary effort being dissipated on the "desert air" in those days.

A good education can be gained from reading the papers assiduously. The Guardian has a "Better English" department, small but potent, from the careful perusal of which almost any reader can improve vastly in composition and conversation; also the Educational Column, the careful study of which ought to keep students up to the minute on general subjects. The burly-burly of life now is so strenuous, that many people just glance at the headlines—don't read and inwardly digest the crux of the article. Anent this point, the writer, in conversation with somebody in Charlottetown, (can't recall his name), heard a facetious remark to wit: "Aw! Nobody really reads

The Poet's Corner

"LET ME ENJOY"

Let me enjoy the earth no less Because the all-enacting Might That fashions forth its loveliness Had other aims than my delight.

About my path there flits a Fair, Who throws me not a word or sign; I would find charm in her uncare, And laud those lips not meant for mine.

From manuscripts of moving song Inspired by scenes and souls unknown, I'll pour out raptures that belong To others, as they were my own.

Perhaps some day, toward Paradise And all its bliss—if such should be, I shall lift glad, afar-off eyes, Though it contain no place for me.

—Thomas Hardy.

the papers now. They look at some of the headlines and if they don't see anything about themselves, they put the paper down with the remark "There's not much in the paper today."

A notable example of education and finish by newspaper was one of the early Presidents of the United States (Old Hickory). Some prominent person, of the high brow intellectual snobs of New York City, said "The man is ignorant, he reads nothing but newspapers." Jackson had been defeated in his first try for the high office, then he subscribed for thirty newspapers from all parts of the then United States. He was elected at the next Presidential election and re-elected for a second term (1829-1837).

There are numerous examples of great men who never attended a college or university, but rose to the highest positions in the land. A philosopher once said "Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and others have greatness thrust upon them."

It has always been the prerogative of those of mature years to bemoan the foibles and frivolities of the younger generation of their era. The egyptian and Greek writer presaging dire calamity. Even the great Lord MacAulay, who was quite a pessimist predicted the downfall of Britain. It was shortly after that the Empire began its greatest expansion.

I am, Sir, etc., JAMES FENDERGAST Kensington.

The Age Old Story

For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of; but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

Coronation Glove

(Manchester Guardian) The Queen has saved from extinction a minor but fascinating part of the Coronation ceremony. The presentation of a "rich" right hand glove to the Sovereign before the sceptre is delivered has had a chequered history. The right to present the glove and to support the Sovereign's right arm so long as he or she held the sceptre originally attached to the tenure of the Manor of Farnham Royal.

The Earl of Shrewsbury exchanged Farnham Royal with Henry VIII for the Manor of Worksoop, first the Howard family and later the Dukes of New-Castle, performed the office and would still be doing so but for the social revolution caused by death duties and surtax.

The Duke's estates, and with them part of the Manor of Worksoop, are now administered by a limited company rejoicing in the name of the London and Port

Old Charlottetown

NEWSPAPER ITEMS

From The Monitor, published in Charlottetown, Dec. 17, 1857. Samuel A. Fowle, Peake's Buildings, announces that he will pay "twenty-one shillings in Flour, Fish, and other goods, for Prince Edward Island Bank Pound Notes," while Coles Brewery and Distillery advertises that Bank Notes will be taken "for Whiskey and Gin, at a reduction of sixpence per gallon."

A vocal and instrumental concert, "in aid of the Indian Relief Fund," is advertised to take place at the Temperance Hall on Tuesday, the 22nd. "When Miss Sophia Duchemin will be assisted by several Amateurs. Tickets, reserve 2s. 6d. and 1s. 6d. for back seats, to be had at Messrs. Hazard's and Stamper's Book Stores and T. Des-Brissay."

Also advertised is "a Solree in connection with the St. James Church Sabbath School, at the Temperance Hall, Jan. 5th, Rev. T. Duncan in the chair. Tickets 1s. 6d. Addresses are expected from gentlemen of various denominations in town. The proceeds to go for the benefit of the poor."

At the first regular meeting of the Kildare Teachers' Institute, held at Kildare River schoolhouse, the following officers were elected: A. McEachern, president; R. Hockin, vice-president; C. Daly, secretary-treasurer; Messrs. M. Ryan, N. Woodside, P. Connick, J. G. Murphy, committee. "The Dunstaffnage School House, situate on St. Peter's Road, about seven miles from Charlottetown, which has been the subject of so much litigation in the Courts and discussion in the House of Assembly, was burned to the ground on Friday night last. A new two-storey dwelling house, adjoining it, owned by Mr. James Stewart, of Appletree Farm, was burned at the same time."

"Our readers will have observed, by an advertisement which has appeared for several weeks in our columns, that the Government Land, together with the Barracks and buildings thereon, is to be let by contract, on Monday, the 21st inst., for a term of seven years from the 1st of January, 1858. Would it not be well—since we are to have no regular troops stationed in the garrison in future—for our City Corporation to obtain possession of this valuable property? If placed in their hands, an unsightly and unnecessary obstruction might be removed, and several of our principal streets extended to their proper termination, the margin of the river. The residue of the land, sold in building lots, would, we doubt not, be eagerly sought after, and if disposed of under proper regulations, would soon form one of the handsomest portions of our City."

George Land Company. The Court of Claims understandably boggled at the thought of a limited company taking part in the Coronation service even in the shape of a representative shareholder or director. And there a curious piece of history might have lapsed.

The authorities are not altogether certain on the status of the "rich glove." The "Liber Regalis" says it is a part of the regalia, but at times the glove seems to have become plural and Queen Victoria for some reason wore none at all. But whether or not the glove is an essential part of the service its preservation shows a proper sense of history.

The Queen, too, has shown admirable gallantry in absolving Lord Woolton, to whom as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster she has granted the right once enjoyed by the Lords of the Manor of Worksoop, from the duty of supporting her right arm while she holds the sceptre.

The Queen is young, and Lord Woolton has only just recovered from a serious illness. But perhaps at future Coronations this second part of an ancient rite will be revived.

Notes By The Way

The motor car today carries a greater load of taxes than any other common product in North America except whisky and tobacco. Taxes on the vehicle itself add anywhere from 25 percent to 50 percent to its retail price. Taxes on the fuel it uses add from 1/3 to three-quarters of a cent to the cost of every mile travelled.—Toronto Financial Post.

The Smithsonian Institution has found a race of ants with an interesting mode of life in Barro Colorado Island in the Canal Zone. They hoist bits of loaves on their backs—loads two to 10 times their own weight—and carry them along island paths. Day by day the ant caravans move along. But some of the ants, when the procession gets under way, throw off their own loads and hop up on the backs of the others and ride instead of working. Some folks say that the riders are lazy. Others would say that they are smart. Different people look at things in different ways, just as Barro Colorado ants do.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

People who jump the gaff on the fishing season deserve to be punished. These illegal takers of fish are bad actors. In the first place, they are an example to everyone else in the neighborhood and encourage lawlessness. In the second place, they take fish which are not theirs to take—not yet. It is very unfair to take fish when they are easiest to catch—and dishonor the sport. In the fourth place, they take the fish in their spawning season, and so deprive the lakes and streams not only of one fish but of all the others that would normally have followed the spawning season, given a chance.—Peterborough Examiner.

We cannot all roam the earth and plumb its famous mysteries, but this is not necessary for a continuing interest in being alive. Wonders surround us in the most cramped conditions. Science cannot yet imitate or even unravel all the mystery of a plant flowering in a windowbox. People are a constant wonder, can open themselves. One human being alone contains the greatest mysteries of the universe. The co-ordination of mind and nerve and muscle is what, if it were not taken for granted, would be termed miraculous. In these bright weeks of spring, after months of clothing mind and body against the workings of nature, we see again the perennial resurgence of life, a renewal that has repeated itself each twelve months since long before man's notice of it.—Montreal Gazette.

Notwithstanding the pious perorations and the numerous references to Christianity of the organizers, Social Credit means the police state. Social Credit does

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