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"The strongest memory is weaker than the weakest ink."

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## The Royal Tour

The sincere and dutiful good wishes of millions of her subjects throughout the Commonwealth will go with Her Majesty the Queen on her journey to Nigeria in British West Africa. Like all Royal tours, this one will be marked by much pomp and elaborate ceremony. Yet it will be an arduous journey in many respects; for Her Majesty has expressed a desire "to see and be seen by as many as possible of all classes of her loyal subjects." This calls for visits to remote places and participation in all sorts of events including inspection of schools, hospitals, a leper colony, and a coal mine, and attendance at native festivals, beside the usual garden parties and official banquets.

Nigeria is the largest colonial territory under British control. Although it is not much in the news, it is a country 325,000 square miles in area with a population of more than 32 millions. It has been under British governance since 1861, and this is the first time it has been honoured by a visit from the sovereign. Soon, perhaps within a year or two, it is to obtain complete independence. It will then make its own choice of staying within the Commonwealth or going its separate way. On the whole, British colonial rule has benefited Nigeria greatly; and reports indicate that Commonwealth status will be its choice. In any event, the Queen's present tour will be a great event in Nigerian history; and the warm welcome she and the Duke of Edinburgh are sure to receive will afford fresh evidence of the strength and unifying influence of the Crown.

## Ottawa Payments Up

It is encouraging to note that we shall gain something in this Province as a result of the general industrial boom which has unfortunately not included agriculture. For the next fiscal year our estimated tax rental payments from Ottawa will be \$4,150,000 as against \$3,650,000 for the present year. These figures are based on national productivity and population and they are exclusive of statutory subsidies and reimbursements from income tax levied on gas and electric companies. It is indicated also that there will be an increase in federal payments to municipalities in lieu of municipal taxes on crown property.

It is doubtful if the increase which this Province will receive will meet the increased expenditures required for expanding public services. It will, however, help to brighten the picture for the Provincial Treasurer when he delivers his budget speech in the Legislature. The big question financially lies just around the corner. The Federal estimates deal only with arrangements under the present tax rental agreements. It is not enough that we should retain the basis of payment we now have in the years to come. Any adjustment on a fiscal need basis should entitle us to much more.

## Important Assignment

Amateur radio operators in many parts of the world have a proud record of public service, a service no less distinctive because more often than not it is carried out without much publicity. Whenever disaster strikes their skill and experience go into action to provide temporary communications. In many instances their ready and capable assistance helps to keep serious inconveniences, and even the hardships of victims, to a minimum. In the words of Communications Manager F. E. Handy of the American Radio and Relay League, national association of radio amateurs, "when sleet storms disrupt telephone and telegraph service, or floods isolate whole communities, it is amateur radio that comes to the rescue with operators and self-powered equipment, often as the sole agency able to transmit messages

calling on the outside world for aid for the stricken community."

It is, therefore, fitting that an efficient organization should be set up in each region for the purpose of co-ordinating the skills and techniques of amateur radio. This has now been done in this Province by the appointment of Mr. W. Stewart Smith as Emergency Co-ordinator. Mr. Smith's assignment is, indeed, an important one. He will call local meetings of amateurs and, among other things, arrange regular drill periods when the various systems will be mobilized to meet emergency conditions. He will also co-operate with the Red Cross and other relief agencies.

Thorough planning is necessary to the success of any undertaking; and it can be expected that Mr. Smith and his fellow operators will do the job well. To this end they need and deserve the utmost public support.

## A Commendable Appeal

Of all the appeals to public generosity—and good sense—made during the year, none is more commendable than the March of Dimes campaign now under way. It may be added that none is more necessary, even though the disease at which it is aimed has been brought under a measure of control by the Salk vaccine. There is much to be done, much research to be carried out, and many improvements to be made in the vaccine now available, before mankind can be freed from the scourge of poliomyelitis. Indeed, the progress made so far, made possible in a large measure by successive March of Dimes collections, is the best possible incentive for even greater efforts.

It is to be noted that, in the fight against polio, medical research, while of first importance, is not by any means the only purpose for which funds are needed. There is the matter of rehabilitation which, thanks to advances made in the social science, is no longer a hit or miss affair, but something which calls for highly specialized aid in restoring patients to normal social and economic status. Sometimes this takes months and even years. Then, there is the matter of seeking out polio patients of other years when treatment was not as helpful as it is today, and helping them to a more cheerful and more useful life. There are scores of other projects that are going on all the time. They all require a lot of money, although their value to public health cannot be reckoned in financial terms. This year, as in the past, our citizens can be counted on to support this worthy undertaking to the limit of their means.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

A speaker in Parliament has called attention to the fact that there was no official ceremony at Vimy Ridge on Remembrance Day, November 11. It is a matter, he said, that should be looked into. We think that all our citizens will agree with him.

Lest anyone should get the idea that the United States Seventh Fleet is no longer interested in what goes on in the Formosa Straits, its commander, Vice Admiral Stuart Ingersoll says "in the event of a Communist attack (on Formosa) I will hit back with everything I have, and I don't intend to lose."

"Heaven and Hell" is the title of a book by Dr. John Sutherland Bonnell, eminent native Islander, and pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York. It is published by the Abingdon Press. In it Dr. Bonnell discusses such subjects as immortality, the modern Christian's concept of heaven and hell, the Resurrection, the doctrine of universal restoration. It is a thoughtful and well written work on important aspects of Christian interpretation.

The Montreal Gazette recalls that The Times in London used to ask for special contributed articles by many of the great men of the day. Among the contributors was Dean Stanley of Westminster Abbey. One piece of learned copy he submitted proved unintelligible to the printers. It was sent back to him for an explanation. By that time Dean Stanley had himself forgotten what he had written. Being unable to read his own writing, he decided to let the matter drop. It was the last that was ever heard of that particular contribution to The Times.



## January Sale Massey And The Copper Kettle

Canadian Press, Ottawa

### PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

#### SNOW PLOW SERVICE

Sir,—If the Minister of Highways or the local plow dispatcher or either one of the members for the district can tell us why the section of the main Western Road from Elmsdale Corner to the paved highway at the Smith Road, and also the Dock Road from Elmsdale to Roseville, are not plowed for two to three weeks at a time we would be satisfied.

There is a tractor plow stationed at Elmsdale that has been working on the byroads up and around Tignish for the last two or three days along with the plow that is stationed there, while these other important sections of road are left. Several years ago when there was one tractor plow in operation in this area with Charlie MacMillan, the operator, there were more roads kept open regardless of the amount of snow there was than the three plows that are working or supposed to be working in this section of West Prince.

Now that the telephone system is out due to the recent severe storm, there is all the more reason why the roads should be open in case of sickness, accident, fire, etc.

Where the fault lies is anybody's guess but the Department of Highways should certainly look into the matter and see that the plows are out in the morning before noon and stay out until they have their day in, instead of waiting around all the forenoon until they get orders from the dispatcher before they know what they are supposed to do.

I am, Sir, etc., WEST PRINCE OBSERVER, Elmsdale

### The Poet's Corner

#### MOUNTAIN CHILD

No wider than his eyes are wide. The down-below, far countryside Sprawls out for his keen-visioned range. He sees the fading summer change. He sees red leaves as new, not old. The green trees wholly leafed with gold.

Along, used to the purest view. He sees the river's curving blue. Bend-turning course; he goes its way.

In thought, the playthings for his day. Are houses like small colored blocks. Are highways like the village walks; And woods are gardens, while it seems The state's deep-flowing, silver streams.

Goes forth as silently as all. The creek changed to a waterfall. Seen from his place as quiet foam. He with a mountain for a home —Joseph Joel Keth

## TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD FIVE ...

It is my intention to nominate for Councillor in Ward Five at the forthcoming Civic Election on February 8th.

I sincerely hope that my lengthy experience in the community and business life of Charlottetown will merit your favorable consideration and support on election day.

FRANK W. CURTIS.

### LONG HISTORY

The kettle had a long history. It was given to Uduriak's mother years ago by reindeer herders from Lapland, in northern Scandinavia.

The Laplanders had been brought into the Cape Dorset region to care for a herd of reindeer which the Canadian government hoped could be introduced into the eastern Arctic. The reindeer were killed or died and the Lapp herders survived a starvation only through the kindness of the Eskimos.

When the herders left they gave Uduriak's mother the copper kettle.

Mr. Massey conceived the idea of presenting the council with a mace about a year ago. He asked James Houston, Arctic expert with the northern affairs department, to direct construction of the mace by Eskimo craftsmen.

### OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (January 28, 1911)

Prime Minister R. B. Bennett leaves tomorrow for Washington, on a trip that has caused considerable discussion. It is believed that he will discuss both the St. Lawrence Waterways and certain economic interests in North America and the Orient, which are of mutual interest to both countries.

At the annual meeting of the Provincial Dairymen's Association yesterday, Mr. W. I. Brenion, Dairy Superintendent, informed the gathering that Island butter again leads all Canada in grading tests with an average score of 92.961. This is 8 higher than last year, an indication of a fair improvement in the Island product.

Messrs Carr and Keating, operating an aeroplane, have arrived by the city and Pilot Keating is giving flights to several groups. They have their plane moored near Buntain and Bell's wharf, and will start instructional work today.

### TEN YEARS AGO

(January 28, 1916)

Premier Walter Jones in an interview at Ottawa, said that the role of Prince Edward Island should be to feed the Maritimes, chiefly Nova Scotia and also Newfoundland. The present system of centralizing the meat industry in Central Canada is both costly and uneconomical. It is hoped to see a better system of food distribution in the future.

Eighty-three veterans, most of them members of the P.E.I. Light Horse, returned to the Province yesterday afternoon. They arrived in Halifax on board the French luxury liner Ile de France last Saturday.

Provincial Premiers now in Ottawa for the resumption of the Dominion - Provincial conference discussions, were optimistic that satisfactory agreement would be reached despite the divergence of opinion regarding the division of taxation rights.

## Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundesen, M. D.

### BEGINNERS AT SCHOOL NEED PLENTY OF SLEEP

In a few days, many tiny tots across the nation will be toddling off to a big, new adventure—school. Entering kindergarten or first grade is quite a thrill for a youngster as many of you undoubtedly will remember. But it is also apt to create a few problems at home. For one thing that youngster of yours probably will be deprived of his usual afternoon nap.

### AMPLE SLEEP

It is more important now than ever that he should get ample sleep. Mingling with large groups of children he doesn't know, his first classroom experiences, the excitement of being away from home for hours at a time—all these are likely to make him keyed up. Pupils in elementary grades need between nine and 11 hours sleep, depending on their general health and physical condition. If your kindergarten child must awake at 7 a.m. to get to school on time, see that he is in bed by 8 p.m. at the latest.

### ADJUST HOURS

As he gets older, these sleeping hours can be adjusted somewhat. But permitting him to remain up even an extra 15 minutes at night often makes it that much more difficult to get him up in the morning.

If he is tired, nervous or irritable by mid-morning, it is usually a pretty good indication that he should get to bed earlier.

### QUIET RELAXATION

Do not yank a youngster away from the television set and send him scurrying off to bed. Before going to sleep he should have a period of quiet relaxation, even if it is only 15 minutes or so.

Maybe you can read to him or even tell him a bedtime story. Repeating an old familiar story will be better than recounting some new exciting blood and thunder epic.

And make sure that any homework he might have is completed long before he turns in for the night.

### QUESTION AND ANSWER

C. T.: What is the cause of a burning tongue and can this condition be remedied?

Answer: Burning of the tongue is usually due to infection. Some times a burning of the tongue occurs in individuals between 40 and 60 years old. X-ray treatments of the tongue relieve this condition in some cases.

Examination of the mouth and nose should be made to determine just what disorders are present, then proper treatment can be given.

### SANDSTORM CLOSES SUEZ

PORT SAID, Egypt (AP) — The Suez canal was ordered closed Friday because of the heaviest sandstorms in years. The Suez Canal Company, suspending navigation until further notice, said 15 ships caught by the storms were anchored along the banks of the canal, Europe's vital link with the east.

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## The Age Old Story

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed. He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel. But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children: To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

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## Notes By The Way

Many people are searching for a real spiritual basis for their life. They are looking for instruction and inspiration. Such instruction is the prerogative of the preacher. Only from him can it come. From him it must come, if the Western world is to have a faith equal to its democratic and social concept.—Peterborough Examiner.

Probably you've noticed there is something awfully obliging about the average growing boy. He's always—the pudding that lumped, the cookies you forgot to add the salt to, or the biscuits that got scorched. "They taste all right to me," he'll say, reaching for a sixth helping. "I don't see a thing wrong with 'em."—Kitchener-Waterloo Record.

A conservative publication not given to hair-raising comments, the Wall Street Journal, recently printed an article which said four of five men over 20 are balding and indicated that an ever-increasing number are wearing the cranial equivalent of a false. Men used to be hesitant about wearing toupees for fear they'd come off or slip askew at an embarrassing moment. A gum has been perfected which eliminates this hazard. With this stickum, it is said, toupees can be worn in the rain, in swimming or in a sports car with the top down.—Kitchener-Waterloo-Record.

An interesting decision has been taken by the Government of Manitoba. In that province the law provides for the certification of the Manitoba Teachers Society as being, to all intents and purposes, the teachers' union. But under new legislation to be introduced at the next session of the legislature, Manitoba teachers will lose the right to strike. The details of the new legislation has been announced by Manitoba's Minister of Education, Hon. W. C. Miller. It provides for a procedure in case direct negotiations between the Manitoba Teachers Society and the School Trustees Association have failed to reach agreement. As a first step trained conciliators will meet with the two parties. If this fails, an arbitration board will be set up, whose ruling will be final and binding on both parties.—Montreal Gazette.

The housewife of the future will cook only as a hobby, according to George P. Larrick, U. S. Food and Drug Administrator. And, presumably because he won't have to depend on the little woman's cooking abilities, the future will shatter all existing records. Pre-cooked, pre-packaged foods are going to bring about the revolution in the culinary arts, which women have always claimed they practised over a hot stove while father was taking life easy at the office.—Calgary Herald.

Although the term the Prairie Provinces applies to Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba, the area which is actual treeless prairie occurs more in Saskatchewan and to a lesser extent in Alberta, and to a very small area of Manitoba. It is confined to the southern portions of the three provinces; not further north than Saskatoon in this province; or Red Deer and Lacombe in Alberta. The northern areas of all three provinces are stressed parkland. There is not the vast open space for the wind to mount its great velocity. The snowfall is heavier in the north than in the south and drifting is not as serious as it is in the southern regions.—Moose Jaw Times-Herald.

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