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Queen's County Jail

Rumors have been afloat for some time of lax enforcement of regulations in the Queen's County Jail, and even of prisoners making "home brew" and having others in with them at drinking parties.

Contacted yesterday on his return from the Atlantic Premier's conference, the Attorney General, Hon. Mr. Matheson, said he had no knowledge of any irregularities at the jail but that he would certainly inquire into the matter.

Making Matters Worse

"In watching over ancient privileges the Speaker becomes in fact the protector of minorities. Speaker Arthur Onslow used to say that nothing tended more to throw power into the hands of the administration than neglect of or departure from the rules of procedure.

The above statement, quoted recently in the Ottawa Journal, is from an authoritative paper on the British Speakership put out by the British Hansard Society. It is cited here in striking contrast to the attitude of Prime Minister St. Laurent in insisting on maintaining Mr. Speaker Beaudoin in office, notwithstanding the strong Opposition protests against his partisanship and the fact that he had felt himself forced by circumstances to tender his resignation to the House.

motives which, as a private member, he would not have been permitted to do on the floor of the House. Mr. Beaudoin has even reversed one of his own decisions in the House to suit his political masters, and now he has withdrawn his resignation for the same reason. It is adding insult to injury for the Prime Minister to say that by continuing in office, the Speaker is "subordinating his personal feelings to his duty to Parliament and to the country."

The Queen's Favour

Canadians will be glad to hear from the Prime Minister that, barring "something very serious", the Queen will visit this country in the summer of 1959 to take part in the formal opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. It is to be hoped that at the same time Her Majesty will have another opportunity of visiting various parts of her Canadian Realm, perhaps a number of places she did not see on her previous tour as Princess Elizabeth.

The suggestion has been made in the Commons that Her Majesty might be requested to come to Canada once every four or five years to open a session of Parliament and perhaps do a little travelling across country. In theory, of course, the suggestion has merit. It would be a very fine thing, indeed, if each new Parliament could be opened in person by our Sovereign as is the practice in the United Kingdom, which, incidentally, has no more "right" to royal favour than any other Commonwealth nation.

For most Canadians, loyalty to the Crown is not something that needs to be reinvigorated every now and again by a royal tour. It flourishes as well when the Sovereign is at her ancestral London home as when she might happen to be in Ottawa; and our constitutional law and usage make adequate provision for close and sustaining relationship between her and her governments and peoples, wherever they may be.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Another case of the name fitting the job: In Rapid City, S. D., Harry Malthouse was elected president of the Retail Malt Liquors Dealers' Association.

The American National Safety Council has pretty good judgment when it comes to predicting traffic fatalities. It estimated that 130 persons would lose their lives in that way on the July 4th holiday. The actual count was 137.

Mr. George Nowlan, P.C. member for Digby-Annapolis-Kings is justified in urging the Federal Government to stop dilly-dallying about the proposed coal-fired gas turbine engine for locomotives and either bring the tests to a conclusion or drop the whole idea. Five years would seem to be plenty of time for research into the soundness of the proposition.

His Holiness the Pope has given Chancellor Adenauer of West Germany some advice with respect to the much desired reunification of Germany: "Impatience is not a healthy atmosphere for solving political tasks, especially when they have an international character. Germany's history after the First World War proves what national disgrace in the political field is caused by those who cannot wait."



KING FOR A SEASON

PUBLIC FORUM

I'M STILL THINKING: "IT-MAY-BE?"

Sir,—Last Friday morning, not knowing the schedule had been changed, I reached the stop at Cornwall an hour and a half before the bus was due to arrive. A neighbor thumbed a lift to Charlottetown for me on an incoming limousine which carried a United States license plate. The uniformed driver came to a full stop; a fat middle-sized man opened the car door and bade me be seated beside him. The opposite end of the seat was occupied by a woman who gave me a stately appraisal and thereafter entirely ignored me. They bore the appearance of man and wife in their early forties. Everything also indicated that they possessed a cultured informality and lived in comfort and luxury.

The man had light-brown hair, blue eyes, and light skin, and spoke English with an accent somewhat similar to that of Walter Caron of the radio program "Memory Music Turnabout". His companion was a pleasant-looking brunette with a New England manly alertness and a loud voice. Totally disregarding my presence she resumed their unfinished conversation.

"Dancing with their hands, arms, and head and not with their feet. Why, that seems ridiculous, Jan."

"Not at all, dear. They dance that way in many Pacific islands. Some places the natives dance even lying on the ground; wiggle like snakes and make grotesque gestures with an odd assortment of utensils and strange sounding instruments."

"Fantastic! Sounds to me like Rock and Roll. You can't tell me that anyone who feels and acts that way is doing something that is good for civilized teen-agers."

"Oh, Marj. It's a passing phase like the Charleston of father's day. Quite harmless entertainment, and if I were a teen-ager I'm sure I would like it as much as anyone."

"I'm quite sure of that. Anything fresh from hunting grounds you fall for it."

"Look, Marj, you know very well that Rock and Roll has nothing to do with young braves whose bodies are smeared with war paint. It's fun for the kids. Nor is it anything new; the Greeks and Romans had their mimes or rollicking mimery."

"Yes, and Plato pronounces them coarse and vulgar."

"Where?"

"How do I know? I never remember where. Besides, you don't have to bring in the Greeks and Romans when we are discussing modern dances that I can't approve of."

"Well, Son, thing modern? Let's see. Yes, in Japan they have girls who are trained from childhood up in dancing and in witty talk. They are called geisha."

"Yes, any other accomplishments? And how do you come to know so much about them?"

"My dear, who can be in Japan and not hear about the geisha? Many of them have great political influence. I imagine that a respectable number of them seek to do away with such a national institution. In fact, in 1937 they went on strike and gained an increase of moral freedom."

"I believe you Jan. Nevertheless, your imagination is too elastic. And you do seem to be inordinately interested in dancing. Of course these dancers are mostly made-up women performers."

"A peculiar paradox; out of a corrupt court came such good and graceful models. Pity it is that these one-time healthy babies are dying today. If the stricken hopes of mothers and music teachers fail, Tin-Pan-Alley will undisturbably hold first place."

"There is the Sarsband in Spain."

"A Moorish monster! Cervantes denounces it as rude, indecent, impertinent."

"Where?"

"Never mind where. Philip II had to ban it. Anyhow, why do you strut Spain out on the dance stage? Next, I expect you'll drag in the Dance of Death."

"The Italians do have a dance called the tarantella that is believed to cure a disease known as tarantism. Otherwise a fatal disease caused by the bite of the southern tarantella."

"You said it, Jan. Down South where this Elvis Presley comes from, and where the most deadly tarantulas live, Jan, would there be anything in that idea—Elvis Presley and the bite of a tarantella?"

"If I were you, Marj, I wouldn't develop that idea."

Having arrived at Charlottetown, I thanked them and inquired whether they'd mind my reporting the conversation to which I had been a silent partner. With a mischievous pucker of her upper lip and in her usual commanding tone, the lady said, "Go ahead, Son."

Jan nodded assent and whispered, "Alligator, next winter, I'll see you later—at Miami Beach."

I am Sir, etc.  
J. P. McCLOSKEY

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files  
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO  
(July 11, 1931)

Up to the present 7,173 motor vehicles have been registered at the Provincial Secretary's office. Of those registered 6,460 are automobiles and 713 are trucks. The total number registered last year was 7,300.

A signal honor was paid by the Charlottetown Board of Trade last night to a veteran member of the organization, Mr. Nelson Rattenbury, on the occasion of his eightieth birthday.

TEN YEARS AGO  
(July 11, 1946)

"The new car ferry will not be completed before December at the earliest," Mr. J. Lester Douglas, M.P., stated last night when interviewed on his return from Ottawa and the shipyards at Sorel.

Lieut. Governor R.F. McWilliams of Manitoba, and Mrs. McWilliams arrived in the Province for a four day visit. The visitors were met at the Borden terminal by Lieut. Governor J.A. Bernard, who accompanied them to Mulberry Lodge, Summerside.

Mr. Douglas V.H. Saunders, son of Mrs. E.C. Saunders, City, has been appointed a Lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Reserve and will be stationed at H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte as Executive officer.

POSTED TO ASSINIBOINE

OTTAWA (C.P.)—Lt. - Cmdr. Denis David Ives, 32, of Winnipeg and Vancouver, will become executive officer of the destroyer escort Assiniboine when the vessel is commissioned Aug. 16, the navy said Monday.

Neanderthal Man

National Geographic Society

In August the world of science will celebrate the 100th "birthday" of a low-browed, hairy-chested great uncle of the human race—Neanderthal Man, Europe's Ice-Age cave dweller.

Best known of all prehistoric humans, Neanderthal Man actually had a life span not of 100 years but of some 150,000. He roamed three continents, was among the first to live in shelter and wear clothing, and gave the world the use of fire.

His bones first were found in Germany in 1856. In marking the centennial of that discovery, science looks back over a century in which the first clear picture of human prehistory has gradually been pieced together, the National Geographic Society says.

SKELETON IN A QUARRY  
In August of 1856, workers in a limestone quarry near Dusseldorf dug into the floor of a cave 40 feet above the Dussel River and uncovered the fragments of a human skeleton. They paid little heed, but when the quarry owner learned of the find he ordered the bones collected. Eventually they reached a Bonn University scientist.

His report that the skull represented a human unknown "even in the most barbarous races" stirred up controversy and a flood of counter-explanations by other scientists. One passed off the long-dead mystery man as "an individual affected with idioty and rickets." Another authority proclaimed that the skull was "one of the Cosacks who came from Russia in 1814."

The uproar was to continue for decades. The Neanderthal find (named for the Neander Valley in which the quarry lay) was followed by others in Europe and later in Asia and Africa.

LIFE OF THE CAVE MAN  
What sort of fellow was Neanderthal Man—the "Cave Man" of popular imagination, usually depicted as carrying a club and dragging a lady by her hair? From more than a hundred skulls and skeletons, anatomists have reconstructed him as squat, with powerful physique, an enormous head of low sloping shape, massive bony ridges above the

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sundesen, M. D.

EXERCISE HELPS SPEED RECOVERY FROM ASTHMA

Special exercises can play an important role in recovery among asthmatics. Some of these exercises may even help relieve an attack. Asthmatics, whether infants or elderly adults, are diaphragmatic cripples. For children and young adults, suitable breathing exercises help prevent chronic swelling and deformity of the chest.

Here are some exercises:

Have the youngster exhale as slowly and as completely as possible from 10 to 20 times each morning and evening. He can help the exhaling process by pressing inward on his lower anterior ribs with both hands.

By making a sort of game of it, you can get him to do the exercises more readily and at the same time insure complete exhalation. Let him blow a piece of paper, a ping-pong ball or a feather across a table.

Some doctors advise letting the young patient blow a pinwheel as long and as fast as possible. When breathing in, the breaths should be of normal depth rather than forced as is the exhalation.

Playing "wheelbarrow" also is recommended by some doctors. In this game, the child walks on his hands while his legs are held by another youngster.

Here's a useful exercise to relieve a youngster in status asthmaticus which you can use if your doctor recommends it:

Brace one leg on a chair, then jackknife the child at the knees over your leg. This causes his body to fall perpendicularly and the force of gravity helps in filling the heart.

Breathing also is shifted to abdominal from thoracic by the pressure of the abdominal viscera on the diaphragm.

The youngster probably will cry at a thrash about. But that's usual all right. The more he struggles, the more quickly the paroxysm will be over.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

K.A.: Can the sense of smell be lost after a skull fracture?  
Answer: Yes, if the portion of the brain controlling this sense is damaged.



WHISTLING BOY

Summer is something special to a boy:

A green wind and a whistle on his lips

As well as his quick high-octane joy

At parks and pools and paper sailing ships.

It is three silver fish slipped on a string

As well as cartwheels down a windy lane

And twenty-seven pebbles he can fling

Or walking barefoot into cool gray rain.

Summer at best is only three months long

But timelessness is on him where he goes

In rhyming to his own and wordless song.

Since "now" is all the wisdom that he knows.

—Anobel Armour.

In The Christian Science Monitor.

The Age Old Story

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

QUINTS' COUSIN DROWNS

CALLANDER Ont. (CP)—Orville Joseph Pfland, 26, a cousin of the Dionne quintuplets, was drowned in two feet of water in nearby Balsam Sunday evening when he apparently suffered an epileptic seizure and fell into the trout stream.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

The better things in life come to those who wait, we're assured. That is, if they take the trouble to wait on themselves.—Chatham News

At Oshawa a girl paid the fine of her 19 year old shortly to be husband after he had been convicted of drunk driving, with a jail sentence added. With a start like that the chances are she will be paying a lot more, as time goes on, and not all in fines.—Port Arthur News-Chronicle

The McGill Weather Bureau, studying hail-stones, seeks authentic information on the size of the "stones that fall, compared with shot, peas, grapes, walnuts or golf balls." But not croquet balls, soccer balls, cannon balls, or those kingsize beach balls. And don't report curling stones; they're out too!—Ottawa Citizen

The Speaker of the Canadian House of Commons deserves to be placed in a position of such independence that embarrassment would be improbable and reply unnecessary. The case of Hon. Rene Beaudoin has proved that the present incompatible system, in time of extraordinary difficulty, may be unworkable even by a good man.—Montreal Gazette

Over here in North America we think we are pretty smart in the matter of pipelines. We have pipelines for water, oil, gasoline and (dare we mention it?) natural gas. But "Austrians appear to be even smarter. At least they are going one better in the pipeline field. They have under-ground pipelines for milk. They have just opened two milk pipelines on the slopes of a Tyrolean mountain near Kitzbuehel. One is about a mile long and the other a mile and a half.—Toronto Star

Any car will last your lifetime if you're careless enough.—Brandon Sun

According to a writer there are only three real authorities on bridge in the country. Odd how often a person gets one of them for a partner.—Toronto Star

No wonder the world is all mixed up. We find the city boy paying a riding stable, and explaining animal life to the farm boy who knows all about tractors.—Hamilton Spectator

Recently in one of London's many courts for less serious offences, a citizen was charged with striking a neighbor with all things—a brace of kippers. "He kept telling me to buck up," explained the accused after admitting he had delivered the blow. "Persistent interference with the feelings of another person is reasonable provocation for an assault of this nature," the judge declared in dismissing the charge.—Winnipeg Tribune

In the days of our fathers the language was rich and resounding, reflecting the high political tempers of the day. In our day, by contrast, mean-spirited bickering and cheap innuendo worthy of the street corner seem to be the best (or worst) to which many of our elected representatives are able to aspire. There is a very great difference between the eloquent, practised and informed abuse of a great orator and hackneyed spluttering more to be expected from an angered barroom habitue than a member of Parliament.—Kingston Whig-Standard

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