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

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Price Spreads Commission

Though not originally scheduled to sit in this Province, the Royal Commission on price spreads of food products will hold a hearing in Charlottetown today.

This is an important Commission, as may be gathered from its terms of reference. These are: (a) to inquire into the extent and the causes of the spread between the prices received by producers of food products of agricultural and fisheries origin and the prices paid by consumers therefor;

The Commission has just ended a two-weeks tour of the Western Provinces, with disappointing results. The chairman, Dr. Andrew Stewart of Edmonton, had to confess that he was "no less confused than when I started."

Concrete evidence may be difficult to produce in some cases, but it is to be hoped that the Atlantic hearings will give the Commission at least a better insight into the problem.

Wily Propaganda

An example of Russian propaganda against the United States—propaganda which American officials seem unable to do much about—is seen in a report to the Bishop's Council of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States.

It will be recalled that some months ago when racial troubles arose in Little Rock, Arkansas, the Federal Government sent troops into the area to enforce a Federal Government order for integration of Central High School.

Well, an official of the Church referred to above has been in Africa making a survey of his Church's missions there. He now reports that all the non-whites whom he met on his travels had been led to believe—and do believe—that Federal troops intervened to keep the Negro children out of the school rather than to give them protection.

It is under these conditions of ignorance and primitive communications that the agents of Russian Communism are circulating their propaganda—and doing so effectively. In this instance, of course, their task was particularly easy, in view

of Governor Faubus' defiance of the court. It is hard for foreigners, even literate ones, to grasp the distinction between State and Federal thinking in such matters—even when there are no wily propagandists around to spread the big lie.

Mr. St. Laurent's "No"

Former Prime Minister St. Laurent is quoted as saying that he does not think it would be "seemly" for one who has been active in politics to accept the post of Governor-General. This is taken in some quarters to mean that he would not accept the post if it were offered him.

It should be noted, however, that in his recent interview with the press Mr. St. Laurent did not state definitely that he would not under any circumstances consent to represent Her Majesty the Queen in Canada.

When Mr. St. Laurent entered public life in 1942 he left a lucrative law practice because he considered it a patriotic duty to do so. Notwithstanding his protestations now, it is possible that if he were asked to assume the Vice-Regal post at the completion of Mr. Massey's term and if he were convinced that the appointment would be received with public favour—as assuredly it would be—he would consider the call as an opportunity for further public—as distinct from political—service.

We have seen a good many press comments regarding the possibility of Mr. St. Laurent's being invited to succeed Mr. Massey. Without exception they have been in his favour—very definitely so.

In U.S. Interests

We are of the opinion that one point in the report of the Canadian trade delegation that visited Britain last fall has not received the attention it deserves. This is the part of the report which states that better Canadian trade relations with Britain must in the long run be of benefit not only to the two countries directly concerned but to their allies, including the United States itself.

"The strengthening of Canada's commercial relations with Britain", the report says, "must be to the ultimate good of the free world within the Commonwealth or outside it".

This, surely, is a reasonable viewpoint. Canada is still the United States' best customer and will remain so, no matter how much trade is built up with Britain and the rest of the Commonwealth. But, the report observes, "while the development of this North-South trade is natural, it is believed that a greater diversification of Canada's external trade is in her long-term interests".

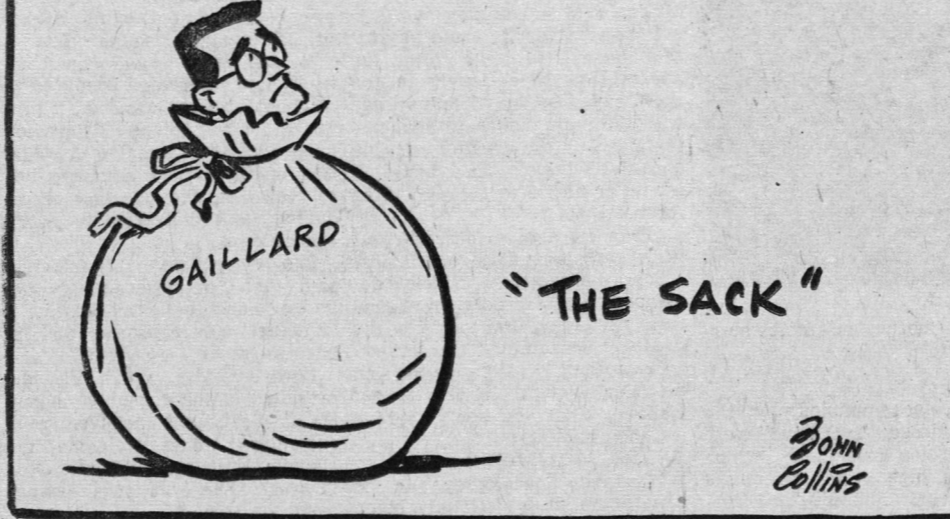
EDITORIAL NOTES

Belated but hearty good wishes to the Hon. L. B. Pearson who observed his 61st birthday anniversary a few days ago.

At the annual dinner of the Newspaper Press Fund in London Prime Minister Macmillan asked newsmen to "keep a ready eye for such items on the international scene as make cheerful as well as interesting reading". It is good advice, of course; but finding cheerful items these days takes a lot of looking.

There is reported to be disappointment in London's film circles over the Queen's decision not to attend this year's Command performance, an annual tradition. However, the reason given by Her Majesty will receive popular approval. In a letter to film leaders she explained that she wanted to spend her limited time "among a wider field of charities".

The Provincial Department of Education is to be commended upon its efforts to stimulate interest in teacher training by means of five new scholarships. As announced by the Hon. Mr. Clark, these scholarships, of \$200 each, will be awarded to students standing highest in Grade Twelve entering Normal School at Prince of Wales College, and will be granted in addition to the sum of \$500 now available to normal training students at the College by combined grant and loan from the Department.



THE LATEST FROM PARIS

Indian Art At Brussels

National Geographic Society

Europeans who think of American Indians as characters in Wild West drama are finding them in another roll at an art exhibit of the 1958 Brussels World's Fair.

The display, gathered from American museums, has been set up at the United States Pavilion. It presents sculpture, pottery, jewelry, and paintings created by tribal groups from Alaska and the Northwest Pacific to the Plains and Southwest.

One of the exhibits, carved by the Chumash of California, is a large ceremonial pipe in the form of a stone whale. Another is a wooden death mask made by Tlingit Indians of British Columbia. Among other tribes represented are Pomo, Eskimo, Sioux, Zuni, and Navajo.

Silence In Egyptian Hall

The Montreal Gazette

On the evening of November 13, 1866 the American humorist, Artemus Ward, made his first appearance before an English audience. It was an anxious evening.

It was not a theme for such an audience. As he went on, he saw the New Englanders round the table regarding him with pained glances and compressed lips. When he came to the end, only one person laughed.

The three subjects of his speech were present. They remained silent and unresponsive. Longfellow sat erect, eyeing Mark Twain with a puzzled air. Holmes, in preoccupation, was fingering his menu. Emerson, whose mental grasp was failing, paid no heed.

At the close of the evening Mark Twain rushed back to his hotel. After a sleepless night, he left for Hartford by the earliest train in the morning. He was bitterly and lastingly mortified. He had committed something far worse than a crime; he had committed a Boston blunder.

Mark Twain had hoped for laughter and received only silence. But there are times when laughter itself may be silent, and such a silence may be no less devastating.

Such was the laughter of Clemeceau, and it haunted those against whom it was turned. Once it was turned against Sir John French.

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Indians fashioned robes, battle-shield covers, tents, and riding equipment, decorating the skins with dynamic pictorial accounts of historic events.

The North Pacific Indians—Including the Tlingit, Haida, and Kwakiutl tribes whose work also will be on view at the fair—developed an extraordinary wood-carving culture that reached its peak in the late 19th century.

Fantastically elaborate and inventive, this art was based on plentiful forests. It produced a wealth of valuable objects, ranging from totem poles and war canoes to ceremonial masks and rattles.

Much Indian design is rooted in symbolism. Though interpretations differ and modern life has blurred many of the meanings, long established patterns and figures still represent ancient tribal traditions, the forces of nature, and good and evil spirits that influence man.

The Kachina dolls of Hopi, Zuni, and other Pueblo tribes of the Southwest, for instance, play a vital part in festival ritual as messengers of supernatural beings believed to have power to bring or withhold rain and fertility.

An example of decorative rather than symbolic art is the silver jewelry of the Navajo. Several pieces will be exhibited at the fair.

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Art Of Seeing Comes Slowly

BY Herman N. Bundeseh, M.D.

Although you probably never realized it, the art of seeing is a skill which must be acquired like walking and talking. A newborn baby is almost blind. He lives in a vague world of light and shadow until he learns how to see.

It's especially difficult because he sees things upside down. And he sees them separately with each eye. For the first six to eight weeks of his life his vision is blurred.

DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

So don't be too disappointed if your new infant doesn't seem to recognize you. Be alert for any indication that something may be wrong with his eyes. Watch especially for any of the following:

Red eyelids, encrusted eyelashes, discharging eyes, persistent watering of the eyes, bloodshot eyes, squint, puffy eyelids, abnormal prominence of the eyeball or an eyeball which constantly shifts position.

MAY BE CORRECTED

Some infants may appear to be cross-eyed. Call this to your doctor's attention, too, if you notice it in your baby. Often the condition is corrected as the eye muscles become stronger. But it's best to have an expert on top of the situation just in case it does not clear up promptly.

SHAPE OF EYES

Incidentally, you probably can predict the shape of your child's eyes. If you or your spouse have large eyes, chances are the youngster will have them, too.

If one parent has long lashes, it is likely that the youngster also will have long lashes. Children generally will not have slanting eyes unless both parents have them. If either you or your spouse has slanting eyes, this trait probably will skip your children and then appear again in the next generation.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q.P.: Is the dust from broken fluorescent light bulbs dangerous? Answer: Inhaled dust from a broken fluorescent bulb has contained in the past a metal known as beryllium. This beryllium can cause damage to the lungs and other organs of the body.

However, since 1949, this metal has not been used in the manufacture of fluorescent light bulbs.

The Age Old Story

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

OUR YESTERDAYS

(From The Guardian Files)

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (April 30, 1933) At a largely attended meeting of the Fish and Game Association last evening it was decided by resolution to recommend that the date of opening the duck shooting season be changed from September first to September 15.

TEN YEARS AGO

(April 30, 1948)

Island potato growers are now receiving for their Green Mountain table stock potatoes \$1.80 a bushel, which, it has been stated, is the highest price paid for table stock since 1926. Since the beginning of the shipping season 5,600,000 bushels of potatoes have been shipped by rail and 800,000 bushels by water.

MAXIMS

Politeness is to human nature what warmth is to wax.

PLUNGES TO DEATH

ELLIOT LAKE, Ont. (CP)—An unidentified bulldozer operator plunged 1,200 feet to his death in a shaft at Stanleigh Uranium Mine Sunday night. It was the 13th fatal accident this year in uranium mines in this district. The bulldozer was being run along supporting timbers to be loaded into a cage when the timbers broke.

BACK PANAMA TOLLS

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court Monday struck down a ruling that the Panama Canal Company must lower its tolls, and refused to order \$27,000,000 in refunds to steamship lines for assertedly excessive tolls. The litigation was begun by Grace Line Incorporated and other steamship lines which use a government agency, appealed to the Supreme Court to overturn a circuit court ruling which would require lower tolls.

VAST BASIN

Canadian rivers flowing into the Arctic Ocean are estimated to drain an area of 1,300,000 square miles.

NOTES BY THE WAY

There are even people who quit seeing each other because their dogs don't get along together. — Brandon Sun

The political auctioneering that has been going on has touched off a long series of piecemeal debates on each new step toward the insurance state, but there has been precious little discussion of the underlying principles. — Winnipeg Tribune

Pushing a grocery cart along the crowded aisles of a supermarket on a busy Friday evening is not a wise occupation for the infirm or mentally unbalanced. Men who enter premises occupied mostly by the weaker sex should have a physical and mental examination at least once a year, if not more frequently. — Belleville Intelligencer

A doctor said at a Florida medical meeting that if man had a tail he could wag to get rid of tension he wouldn't have so many headaches and brain ailments. The doctor said monkeys wag their tails about and never have tumors, strokes and similar troubles. The prospects at this late date are slim, but if modern man could somehow come by a tail, he's probably wag himself to death. — Detroit Free Press

A picture to please in any season, but pertaining to summer, is of a roadside scene near St. Jacques. A bus has stopped, and passengers all young and good-looking, so it must have been an arrangement, are resting in the wayside grass. Except for the absence of sandwiches and thermos bottles it suggests a picnic. In the background a sign proclaims an interesting fact. The sign says: "You are now exactly halfway between the Equator and the North Pole." — Cape Breton Post

How'd you like to have a job that will pay you at the rate of \$28,085 per working year of 208 days. All you have to do to get into this classification is to get elected to the Saskatchewan Legislature. You don't have to have any other qualification. It looks pretty plush, even if you only get paid at the rate of \$137 per day for 35 days, for from now on the members of the Legislature will draw \$3,200 as sessional indemnity, and if they live in Southern Saskatchewan \$1,600 in expenses additional, if from the North \$1,750. — Moose Jaw Times-Herald

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Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture

NOTICE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 5, 1958 8:30 P.M.

(Schoolhouse of other agreed on location)

These meetings are for the express purpose of giving Federation members and their wives the opportunity of renewing or taking out accident insurance with the Federation at \$5.00 per year. Plan for your protection and to attend this meeting.