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Case of the "other woman"

THE Attorney General's Department is studying what action can be taken on fabrication of evidence in divorce cases. The time is appropriate to review the whole procedure by which divorce is granted in Ontario.

Immediate concern of Attorney General Kelso Roberts is a TV show on the CBC network in which a 25-year-old divorcee admitted she had made $12,000 as a professional co-respondent in divorce cases. She has acted as stand-in for the "other woman" in divorce cases, posing in semi-dress with married men to provide evidence of "adultery."

The matter reflects on the ethics of the lawyers who have hired her, but it also brings the divorce law and its administration in Ontario into disrepute.

The Attorney General needs answers to two main questions. Is the law being properly administered as to both letter and spirit? And, if not, can it be enforced in its present form?

Adultery is the main cause for which divorce may be granted under Canadian law. Collusion, connivance and condonation are bars to divorce. The difficulty is to prove collusion. "Rigged" evidence is one of the grounds on which CCF members Arnold Peters and Frank Howard have been filibustering divorce cases from Quebec and Newfoundland in Parliament.

Divorce is a Federal Government matter administered in Ontario by the Province, through the Ontario Supreme Court. But the Attorney General's findings regarding enforceability would undoubtedly have a bearing on any future Federal Government action to alter the law.

—The Toronto Telegram.

REPORT FROM PARLIAMENT

By FRANK HOWARD

Now that two of the provincial elections are over there is a decided increase in the number of Members who are attending the House of Commons. It has been indicated that almost every Conservative Member from Saskatchewan has been absent at one time or another during the Saskatchewan election. Inasmuch as we have but one MP from Saskatchewan it is correct to say that all of the CCF members were absent too. Members were absent with respect to Nova Scotia. And the same thing is true insofar as the Quebec election is concerned.

It has always been this way and probably always will be. Elected Members, whether MLA's or MP's are expected to help and assist each other whenever elections are called. Of course this doesn't mean that one forgets about everything else that he is responsible for, merely that he does what he can to ensure that there is a victory at the polls for those who are of his party.

All of these absences, though, raise another question. Each MP has to take an oath at the end of each month during the session as to the number of days, if any, that he was absent. He is allowed to be absent for 21 days without anything occurring. After that, though, it begins to hurt for he is then penalized at the rate of $60 per day. If he is absent because of sickness or if he is on government or public business (whatever that means) he is then exempted from the $60 per day penalty.

All of this is up to the individual MP for it is he who takes the oath regarding his absences. The expression "government or public business" has a very broad interpretation. Presumably it means trying to get a provincial government elected. Presumably it means visiting one's constituency during the session. Presumably it means just staying at home while contemplating things political. Presumably it means all sorts of things.

However, I don't know of any other type of employment where one can take a total of 21 days off from his work without suffering any loss of pay. In industry if one misses a half day at work he loses a half day's pay. I can think of many unions who would like to be able to negotiate a provision in their collective agreements similar to the one under which we operate.

Actually a Member can miss the entire session, perjure himself, and collect his full indemnity. But I'm not suggesting that this occurs. I merely say that it could happen. Secondly, a Member can't be fired for taking his parliamentary duties so lightly, except at election time. Election day is about the only time that the people at home have any determining voice in dealing with their MP. This is one of the major reasons why people should keep an eye on their elected members. After all, we are your employees.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Foreign travel bug expected to pay for big jets

MONTREAL (CP) — International airlines are banking on a scramble of foreign travel in the 1960's for a big return on their multi-million dollar investments in jet aircraft.

Of the United States alone, the International Air Transport Association says in a statement:

"Conservative economists predict U.S. expenditures on foreign travel of $6,500,000,000 by 1970 — more than triple the present figure."

Airlines feel they will carry an increasingly large percentage of world travellers for at least two reasons:

1. Speedy jet travel puts a foreign vacation within the limits of the average family's two or three week holiday.

2. Placing more flights at prices within the range of more and more pay cheques.

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"The important fact is that for the North American air traveller, most of the places he will want to see will be within about a day or a night from home," says IATA spokesman S. Ralph Cohen.

Transatlantic air fares had decreased 26 per cent since 1950 and further decreases were expected. This year, the lowest transatlantic air fare fell below the rate charged by shipping lines.

IATA lists the British as the leading foreign travellers. Eight per cent of Britain's population of 51,000,000 go abroad each year.

Americans come second, with an average 2,000,000 ranging the world's byways.

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Russia is rated far behind. It sent 168,000 tourists beyond the Iron Curtain in 1959 — "very likely the first swallows that presage the swarms of summer," says Mr. Cohen.

How does Canada stand?

About 132,000 Canadians travelled abroad last year, a good percentage from a country with a population of 18,000,000. IATA predicts this figure will be much higher by 1970.

"It would be a mistake to consider that this explosion of foreign travel will be only for the lucky and affluent American," says Mr. Cohen.

"The Canadian has the bug as badly — plus the kind of climate which drives him in comparatively greater numbers to seek sun in the winter."

IATA also notes another factor that it thinks will contribute to the number of Canadians going abroad: a higher number of immigrants.

"Today's immigrant does not sever his ties with the old country. . . . A good deal of present overseas tourist traffic is already generated among post-war immigrants."

Where are the kids

Quick — where were your kids after supper last night and who were they with?

A Vancouver lawyer, H. A. D. Oliver, says the parents are few and far between who know precisely what their children are doing at any time of day or night. Therefore a great deal of the blame for their delinquencies must be laid at the door of the parents.

A newspaper once tested this theory by telephoning a dozen homes one summer evening and asking the question: "Do you know where your children are at this moment?"

The case against parents seemed proven. Of the first eleven, only two parents knew. The twelfth call was answered by a childish voice. "I can't answer that question," it said. "But I'd sure like to know where my parents are right now . . ." —The Vancouver Province.

The Packsack of Gregory Clark

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If ever our greenest bugler, in that old war, the one before the last, blew notes as squawky, flubby and half-finished as those Jonah Jones squeezes out of his trumpet, he would have been sent back to the cook kitchen where he belonged, opening cans of bully.

Experts in the field of popular music tell me that the way Jonah Jones and old Satchmo and some of the other top jazz musicians squash their notes is the acme of high art. They say it is harder to blow one of those rubber-lip notes than a clear pure one.

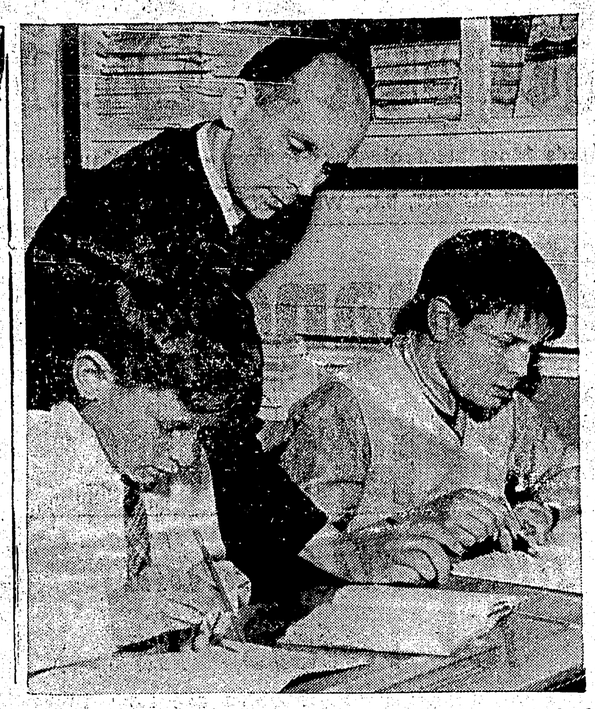
How ignorant we have been in the past! When I think of those poor buglers we had in the army, putting their whole heart and soul into blowing a sweet clear reveille or a true clean "fall in," and then being ignominiously booted back into the platoon because they came up with a squawk every bit as good as Jonah Jones now gets a golden record for, it only goes to show you how ignorant a previous generation can be and nearly always is.

We didn't know art when we heard it. The most charitable of us just thought the guy had a cold sore.

A Bible Thought for Today

Underneath are the everlasting arms. Deut. 33:27.

If we commit our ways to God we will never be confounded.



DEMANDS EXCELLENCE — James M. Roxburgh, principal of the Halifax Grammar School, looks over the work being done by two of 155 boys enrolled at the private school this year. The school was founded two years ago and devotes itself to excellence. Mr. Roxburgh, a Scot, believes young people must learn to "despise the shoddy, question the mediocre, recognize the bogus and strive for the best." —CP photo.

All Aboard with G. E. Mortimore

Anything we can make, the Japanese can make for a lower price. And it's just as good, too. Why kid ourselves?

Cameras, watches, radios, toys, steel girders, totem poles —name it, and they make it in Japan.

They can ship their stuff across the Pacific, pay tariffs and undersell us by half, right on our own home grounds.

Of course, they are gentlemen. They are helping us by boosting their prices. They're holding back on exports to Canada, too, I believe. But there is a limit to the self-restraint a group of businessmen can show.

When it comes to competitive selling, the Japanese can beat us in our own yard, even though we own the ball and make the rules.

They can murder us

In the big world outside, they can murder us.

How can $2 an hour compete with $2 a day? Well, one method is to have the $2-an-hour man running such a big, efficient machine that he can produce 10 times more than his little brother in the sweat-shop.

We're trying that. We're installing more and bigger machines. Every time we hire a new machine, we fire a dozen men. Sooner or later, everything in the country will be made in one big machine controlled by one man at a push-button control panel.

Everybody else will be out of work. However, it will be worth the sacrifice. We'll be able to produce at truly low, low prices, and our labor force will be the best-paid in the world.

There is only one other hope. Send missionaries to the Orient and convert the Japanese and other thrifty people to the North American way of life.

No rice-straw mats

Make them buy things they can't afford, at nothing down and a nickel a week forever. Convince them that the best people don't sit on rice-straw matting. They demand all-new, washable Schmoelon.

Send the motivational research boys to them, preaching the gospel of discontent and envy. Make them covet their neighbor's washing machine.

According to the reports, we're already doing that to Europe, where the old frugal ways are rapidly vanishing. The corruption of wealth, ease and selfishness must be spread to Japan as well. There is no time to lose.

All right, men, let's get in there and sell. If we don't get the message across, we'll soon be sitting on straw mats ourselves.

It will be the best thing that ever happened to us. But we have to fight it, all the same, because that's the way our minds are built.

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All sin, — is just, is pure,
Abandons all which makes
His welfare insecure, —
Other existences there are, that clash with ours.
—MATTHEW ARNOLD.

SHORT SERMON

The value of sleep has more importance the morning after than it did the night before.

Some of our television shows should be pitied rather than censored. ✣ ✣ ✣

Some people think that the ideal occupation is one that doesn't keep them occupied.

Heard a fellow say that his girl is so dumb that she thinks bacteria is the rear entrance of a cafeteria. She must have something else in her favor.

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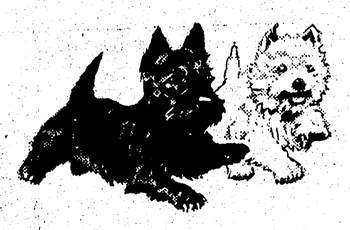

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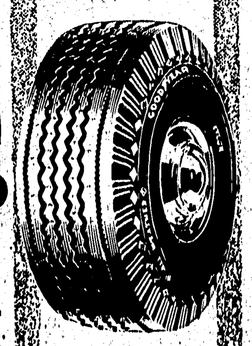

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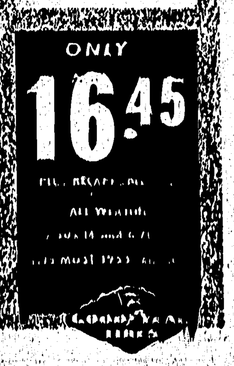

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