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Is freedom of speech dead?

increase. You see it civic meetings, in unpatriotic. politicking. It is an ostrich head in the sand affair which makes our way of life an insulting apology for a Democratic ideal.

The grass root development of this cancer is strongly evident. It reveals ifself in comments such as a recent observation by an important official of this city.

He was commenting on The Star report about east end smells.

"'I don't see why a paper should pubthe town."

official was supporting a policy which health, wealth and prosperity.

It is this stratagem which is killing any question; our nation is sick in a freedom of speech in our nation. It is quandary of good-doers and milk fed this policy that paved the way for the ideals. Committee on Un-American Activities, We are losing the cold war because the 20th century version of the old we lack the moral courage to face the witch trials. It is this stand which is real issues of our day: killing discussion and causing a retir- Decomcracy and its benefits are ing president of the United States to rare gifts. Maybe we don't deserve

Controversy is the mainstay of suggesting that America might not be Hemocracy. In our western world to- on the solid ground that he claims. day there is sickness which is on the Such criticism, says the president, is

news reports and even presidential The cancer has taken a stranglehold on our news media as they are pressured by various groups into presenting only one side of the story. To suggest that something is wrong with Canada's economy brings down the wrath of professional people and businessmen whose short-sightedness is sometimes even supported by the publishers of our journals.

An excellent example of this thinking was the recent dispute over Bruce Hutchinson's article in a New York Itsh such stories. It is giving the people paper about a slump in Canada. This, dutside the city a bad impression of said Premier Bennett, was a nefarious act on the part of one of Canada's lead-In presenting an unreal but perfect ing writers, presenting an unflattering picture of conditions in this city, the picture of our nation—the image of

allows towns, villages, organizations, Yet the challenge is real and discouncils and political parties across turbing. Because we lack the courage this North American continent, to give to face up to the issues of our times; a one-sided presentation of the so-because our ministers in the pulpit called facts under the pretext that to often will do anything to avoid a condo otherwise would be letting the side troversial discussion; because our comdown. munity clubs fail to take a stand on

hake an emotional plea to his people, them anymore; we would like to think castigating the opposition for even we do.—Dawson Creek Star.

Let them resign

Prince George Board of Trade apparently get more things twisted than their neckties. They got twisted when their president, John Morrison, allowed the board of get tangled up i politics by permitting a motion censuring this newspaper for printing the truth about the inactivity of the Pacific Northern Railway Social Credit-sponsored venture—to be

voted on at all. Last week they got all mixed up again by branding as a "bet" The Citizen's offer to pay \$25,000 to a charity if 50 miles of PNR track were laid within two years, provided the board distrade or any of its members would pay 10 per cent of this amount—\$2,500—to the same charity if 50 miles were not completed by June 29, 1962.

A bet is something that can be won or lbst by the parties participating. The Citizen offered no bet, for neither this newspaper for the board of trade stood to win anything. Only charity could have gained. There is nothing in the board's constitution to prevent if from making a \$2,500 donation to charity. What The Citizen offered was a challenge

to the board of trade to have the courage of its convictions, if indeed it has any convictions, that the Pacific Northern Railway scheme is not an absolute hoax perpetrated by the Social Credit party to bluff its way into another election victory.

The board of trade by wiggling out from this challenge has done Prince George a far greater disservice by creating bad publicity throughout the country, than The Citizen didor could do by telling the truth.

In fact, it might enhance the board's integrity if the members of the executive who led the board of trade to blunder into this predicament would voluntarily resign.

The board of trade as body representative of the business community should actively engage in a well-planned program of useful endeavors calculated to benefit the city. It must never, if it hopes to accomplish its objective, permit itself to become the tool of any political party. When its executive, or even a few of them, fail to do this, they forfeit the whole board's right to public respect.

--Prince George Citizen.

Powers: symbol of a strange age ...

The stage is set. The actors are wordperfect. Francis Gary Powers, the jet-age spy, stands today in Moscow in a "Hall of Mirrors" which is being utilized for the world-wide inflection of propaganda, against the United States and the Western world.

Rowers is a strange spy. He has not been discredited by his own country, as in the classic formula. He is the acknowledged secret agent of a power engaged in a highly organized and expert form of esplonage. His own government has said, "Yes, this man is our spy."

The young man Powers is a symbol of an age. When he was hurled into the high altitudes from a Moslem land near the Khyber Pass, he was an instrument in a war that is being Vaged while ambassadors still attend recepthons, while embassies are still staffed with something aproaching old-time formality in

the territory of the enemy, The only difference is that we call this a

cold war, and the weapons are aimed but not primed. The cameras, however, are loaded, and the war of propaganda and information goes, on. Powers is a soldier as much as the muddy figure in a foxhole.

This will not be a trial as we know a trial, and Powers will not receive the rights of an accused man as we understand them. He has been found guilty by his judges before the indictment is read. He has, it is said, already confessed; but he has been held incommunicado for 110 days, and even the privileges of a man charged under martial law have been denied to him.

The value to the Soviet Union of this trial has already been assessed. In every language on earth, through every medium of communication, the Powers extravaganza will be played to the hilt. In this savage warfare that surrounds us and involves us. Powers, on his 31st birthday, may seem to have only a minor part on a stage alive with tragedians.

The Vancouver Province.

The Packsack of Gregory Clark

Copyright: Canada Wide The worst time to sneeze, mow that the hay fever season Is advancing, is when you have Jull cup of tea in your hand. Or, as one of my bibulous old Triends puts it, when you have in full glass of boot half way to

One things about hiny fever wincezes, they usually give you Tfair warning 1

"Thore's a build-Jybir nose swells, feeling of dory bomi-blindness adwonneon. And thon, with a tickle, four

feeling of unutterable wee, the sneezes arrive. You have plenty down.

It is the unforseen sneeze, such as merely the chill induced by the air on some of the latter days of August, that explodes a cup of hot tea all over your lap. At a tea party the other afternoon for a publie man who, for reasons of "state;" does not attend cocktail parties, the guest of honor had just been handed a brimming of one of his wittlest and most- & Buy hyacinths used remarks, when a sneeze soul. struck him. Not only did the tea spill all over him but the

cup jumped off the saucer and smashed on the floor. By the time he was all tidied, he was in no mood to be witty. It takes a sense of humor to handle a sneeze under certain

HYACINTHS FOR BREAD If of they mertal goods thou race, art boroft

And of thy slender store two individual who gets things

- Muslin-ud-Din Sandi (13th contury)

the News stating that numerous persons and organizations were looking for the end of the world, and for Judgment Day, to be about to take place in the near future.

The world is full of books, and newspaper articles, not to mention several of our present day political parties, who are issuing unlimited goofy ideas, for various purposes. Many of them as goofy as those so-

I believe that we are now nearing the end of the six thousand years since Adam. Using a thousand years week, we are now in Saturday afternoon. The year 2000 will bring us into Sunday. The events of the past 2000 years, since Christ are a matter of history to date. The next 40 years until the year 2000 will require to be covered by prophecy. Those years, or some similar years, are described in detail in an old book called the Bible. From what we are told in that book it would appear that we may now be in those Tribulation Days, in which things become worse than they are at present until the day of Armageddon. Let us assume that to be the year 2000. However, before Armageddon we have the First Resurrection—when all living and dead who may be classed as the righteous, are taken to Paradise. As Christ appears at Armageddon He will then take over the ruling of the earth. First thing to be done is to put Satan into hell for the duration of the Millenium or 1000

years of peace on earth. After the passing of these 1000 years Satan is permitted to come back to earth in order to raise hell for a short time. He succeeds in bamboozling a vast number of people in a short time, after they have had 1000 years of peace, but these people are destroyed by fire. Now, after this comes the second resurrection of the dead, which will consist of all the wicked who have been in their graves—I assume since the day of Adam. In any case this is followed by the Judgment Day.

What happens at this time been ever since he first re- nors. It makes one gasp of years before: Adam.

After the Judgment, Day, the average span of human which at the very earliest would be 1040 years from toafter the renovation heaven is located on this earth for eter-

This should end all guesses about when the judgment day and the end of the earth will take place. It could not be sooner, but might be later. However when Armageddon will come no one, except God knows. The only thing that matters to those living today is to be prepared for the First

The Editor, Developments CCF party lately, should be looked upon with deep con-

Alarming it is to see labor

unions jockeying for top positions in an unholy alliance with the CCF socialist party. Very little imagination is needed to visualize the resultant Communist influence and

Might I suggest that Tim Buck and his comrades be made a charter member of this Sinister Ring, and save any fertive infiltration from his

The "grassroots" movement to purge key CCF men, must be part of a plan to have nion bosses become party

There is danger in socialism. It is the easiest way of life to fall into. A system where wishbone replaces back-

This easy way of life is already, appealing to our people. We must not be fooled that there is an easy way of life.

Democracy and socialism require work for a high standard of living. Democracy has the advantage of freedom, socialism does not. On the subject of voting, we must be careful. We could be "LEFT" with no

> Richard Bates. Arthur E. Bates,

The Editor, I notice on the back page of Friday's Daily News that east of Tyco this year. That will make over 20 miles this year and over 30 miles last

done and has done as much for this town as our present

Good luck Bill. W. H. Eyro,





Victoria Report by J. K. Nesbitt

By JAMES K. NESBITT Mr. Thomas uphill's retirement from the political scene has taken a great deal of kick out of the election campaign. Certainly, it will take a great

deal of kick out of the Legislature, which can never quite the same again Without Mr. Uphill, each of the four political parties, taking a keen interest in Fer-

nie riding. Each is hungry for

Tom says he has had the legislative course, wants a rest, and maybe he might run again next year, if there's an election, and he's sure there will be, because, says he, out of his political wisdom gained long years of practical experi ence, Social Credit will get back, but will lose seats, and may even be a minoritty government. That way lies defeat on the floor of the House, as in 1953, followed by an immed-

What an extraordinary career in legislative life this man Uphill has had—there's no equal to it—40 years an MLA, you can use your imagination, victor in 11 general elections but at last Satan is cast into in the House with seven Pre-HELL—where he should have miers and eight Lieut-govervolted against God—millions think of it, to comprehend it —in the House more than half

ate election.

Here are a few vital statistthe earth is renovated by ics that might make us realize fire, but not destroyed, because the length of this truly monu-

mental political career: Premier Bennett was only 19 when Mr. Uphill was first elected. Opposition Strachan was only seven; attorney-general Bonner wasn't even born.

In his legislative life, Mr. Uphill saw Conservatives beat Liberals, and Liberals beat Conservatives; he saw these two forced into coalition because they feared the CCF. which he had seen born in 1933, when he had been an er MLA for 13 years —much longer even then, than most men. He saw W.A.C. Bennett tear the coalition apart, embrace Social Credit, and march overnight to the top of the political heap in British Col-And all the time he went on

Premier Bennett says he loves to have hecklers at his

and on, and he could go on

again if he hadn't decided to

political meetings. "People today don't know how to heckle," he says "The result is that most political meetings are far too quiet. When you're speaking, you should find out early where the hecklers are, and then ridicule them, before they can ridicule you."

The Premier admits he loves election campaigns—thrives on them finds them great funthey make him feel young, revitalize him, until now, nearIT'S A BEAUTY—Nova Scotia has many fine lakes and streams where fresh water angling is at its best. Salt water fishing is also increasing in popularity in this seaside. This is a picture which will set the heart of all anglers, everywhere, beating a continuous little faster as they either anticipate the next weekend on lake. or stream, or remember their last outing.

ing 60, he says he feels younger than he ever did.

"I wish we could campaign all the time," says the Premier, who, indeed, in very truth, does campaign all the time, and admits it. Mr. Bennett first thrilled to

an election campaign in 1911, when he was 10. and Conservative Robert Borden beat Liberal Wilfred Laurier for the Prime Ministership of Canada.

The Premier's people, in New Brunswick, were Conservative, and so the night Borden won there was a great celebration, and there was young Bennett having the time of his life in the torchlight victory parade which wound its way through the streets of his native Saint

John. It was that night, he believes now, that he thinks politics took hold of him, and would not let go. Thirty years later he was MLA for South

Okanagan, on his march to the Premiership of British Colum-

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