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Mr. Attlee's Speech . . .

Prime Minister Attlee, in a recent speech, certain aspects of which he re-echoed when addressing Canadian Parliament yesterday, dwelt on what he called "the eternal truths, on the acceptance of which our lives depend." He set his policy on a high ethical plane and from that eminence laid bare before his audience—which was, in fact, a world audience—the secrets of his political faith. He enunciated these in a series of aphorisms: "The question of confidence lies at the root of the problem of peace." "If we survey the world today, we can see everywhere the bitter results of two evil things, fear and domination." "The foundations of the world order must be laid in the hearts of men." "I want to see how best we can lift from the ordinary man and woman the spectre of fear that haunts them today." "I want to consider how best our common ideals of peace, freedom, tolerance and economic prosperity for all peoples can be raised." "I want a world which will be safe for the common man." "We have to get together with all nations to consider how we can live together in peace."

And with special reference to the atomic bomb: "the question that faces us today is not so much how can we control this new devastating force let loose on the world by science, as what kind of world society is necessary in a world where a few bombs might destroy utterly the work of centuries of human endeavor," and again: "unless we can devise human relationships other than those which have obtained through the ages, destruction on an unbelievable scale will fall upon our civilization."

Mr. Attlee defined the triple goal for humanity as "a world in which small as well as large nations will be able to live in security, a world in which the rule of law will prevail, a world of social justice and prosperity." Mr. Attlee believes this can only be attained through the moral approach. Fear of war and fear of material want must be removed; but "mankind needs also the things of

the spirit. In these times, when science has placed so much at our disposal, the continuance of war and want is due to the moral failure of human beings."

Russian Imperialism . . .

Whether Russian Imperialism is on the march again as in Tsarist days is a proposition so far lacking solid confirmation but, on the available facts, this much may be said: if Britain had established in the west behind an iniolable frontier a bloc of confederate states such as the Soviets control in the east of Poland, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Rumania and Yugoslavia, Izvestia and Pravda would be asking some smart questions. Thus comments, "Courier," a bright little magazine published in London. It continues: "And, if Britain had demanded a base in the Polish Ukraine similar to that in the captured Italian Mediterranean colonies hinted at by M. Molotov, indignation in Moscow would know no bounds. There is uneasiness about what is happening in eastern Europe, there is misgiving as to Russian intentions, there is anxiety whether British interests are not lapsing by default. That is a matter for plain speaking by Mr. Bevin at an early date. This generation of Britons did not fight again to liquidate the British Empire in favor of Germany, or Japan, or Russia or the United States, but to maintain Britain's place in the sun as a leader of civilization."

Dr. MacDonald Passes . . .

Hon. Dr. K. C. MacDonald, who died yesterday in Victoria, was a dentist at Vernon in professional life and was not actively interested in farming. Nevertheless he served this province well for twelve years as minister of agriculture. Always assiduous and zealous in his ministerial duties and earnest and attentive to the interests of the agricultural industry and those engaged in it, he did much during his tenure at the head of the department to improve the lot of British Columbia farmers. Particularly we he attentive to the problems concerning marketing of the province's natural products.

In the agricultural areas of the central interior contiguous to Prince Rupert he was a frequent and welcome visitor and in that area as well as throughout the province many will regret his passing as the loss of a good and helpful friend.

NEW SYSTEM OF VOTING
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voters, in this case property owners, will be given a sheaf of six ballots stapled together. The six ballots will be folded together and placed in one ballot box after they are marked.

Known as the Hunter ballot, the method was designed and copyrighted by M. F. Hunter, city clerk of Victoria, and is used in civic elections in the capital city, and the towns of Alberni and Port Alberni. Its use here has been advocated for some time by City Clerk H. D. Thain.

A rigid rule in using the Hunter ballot is that none of the individual ballots be detached from the stapled sheaf. If one ballot is detached, the rest are automatically disqualified.

This, Mr. Thain says, is so that a voter who may be indifferent to the election of one candidate, cannot give that particular ballot to someone else, using himself only the vote in which he is interested.

Since Prince Rupert voters may be asked to elect a mayor, and four aldermen, with two property bylaws to be decided the old system of balloting by plebiscite of property owners, would be cumbersome, Council members felt.

Chief advantages of the Hunter system are:

1. Simplifies procedure for the voter.
2. Results in a speedier ballot count.
3. Will require fewer poll clerks.

The main innovation as far as the voter is concerned, Mr. Thain points out, is that the voter will receive all his ballots stapled together and that, on marking them, he will fold the bundle like a booklet, and insert it into one ballot box.

"However, it is highly important that none of the ballots be detached from the rest," he emphasized.

The system will also involve a slight change in the vote count.

What City Council Did

A tentative report by City Engineer E. A. Phillips regarding claims for damages to streets and sewers resulting from military use of those facilities prior to its presentation to federal government representatives for approval was considered by city council last night on recommendation of the board of works committee.

The board of works committee recommended to city council last night that the city engineer be

empowered to investigate the possibility of establishing a cemetery outside the city limits.

Purchase of \$20,000 in Victory Bonds from city trust accounts by authority of committee of the whole was approved by city council last night. The purchase was divided among the water-works utility reserve, \$6,000; telephone utility reserve, \$2,500, and \$11,500 from the Pioneer's Home Fund.

LETTERBOX

DANGEROUS SHOOTING
Editor, Daily News:

Please grant me space in your columns to appeal for the co-operation of owners or skippers of boats engaged in taking out hunting parties in seeing juveniles, carrying firearms, are not allowed ashore in settled communities without some responsible person accompanying them. Also we would ask for co-operation in stopping rifle shooting from boats. No one can even guess where such bullets may go or what they will do. This is a particularly dangerous practice in a harbor where boats are anchored or where people may be walking around on the shore. There are three instances we know of where there has been,

misuse of firearms which, indeed, seemed malicious. In one case there was shooting through the window of a dwelling house; in another through the window of a fishing boat and in another through a net buoy where a net was almost lost.

Legitimate hunters are and always have been made welcome in Hunt's Inlet. We wish them good hunting. Nor do we begrudge the young fellows their harmless fun, shooting or otherwise, as we know the big majority of them are O.K. It's the odd one who does not behave who spoils the fun for his comrades and causes trouble all around by foolish and malicious conduct.

There are lots of places on the coast where the indiscriminate shooters can blaze away and hurt no one—that is in places where no one lives.

JOHN F. MURRAY.
Hunt's Inlet.

OLDER THAN MAN
Weaving is an industry older than man since it was practised by spiders, caterpillars and birds before the advent of the human race.

MANY ANTEDEDATE PYRAMIDS
Some authorities believe that the ruins near Guaqui, Bolivia, antedate the pyramids of Egypt.

Whereas, previously, the votes for mayor were counted first, then the aldermanic votes, under the new system all votes will be counted at the same time, and the results of all contests will be made known simultaneously.

The civic polling station will be in the former Canadian Army military post office on Third Avenue.

CHEMISTRY makes new jobs!

Labels in the image: NYLON, CELLOPHANE, PLASTICS.

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1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He gave the book to you and I."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "acclimate?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Calisthenics, calamine, caloric.
4. What does the word "laconic" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with ve that means "acting with great force; ardent?"

Answers

1. Say, "He gave the book to you and me."
2. Pronounce a-kl-mat, first as a sin at, i as in lie, second a as in ate, and accent second syllable, not the first.
3. Calamine.
4. Expressing much in few words; brief and pithy. "His sense was strong and his style laconic."
5. Vehement.

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