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SUCCESS IN SPORTS

CANADIANS needn't take a back seat to any nation in sports, Frank Clair, U.S.-born-and-trained coach of the Toronto Argonaut Football Club...

Summing up fundamentals of the game for the benefit of young players and their coaches, Clair stressed "condition" and "desire" as the two most important factors in football...

"Adapt your system to the player, not the player to the system," Clair says.

"I can always tell when a player on my team has been well coached in high school because of his attitude and the habits he has brought with him."

Clair, now considered one of Canada's top coaches, said the real secrets of coaching success are a sound knowledge of a game's fundamentals, plus proper presentation and organization of practices.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

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As I See It

By ELMORE PHILPOTT

BEAR LICKS BOB

EVERY TIME I write about Bob Edwards of the Calgary Eye Opener I get letters from old timers who add to the great fund of facts and legends about the famous character.

One from Bert Huffman tells of an editorial exchange between Nellie McClung and Bob. It was on the subject of the evils of strong drink...

IN THE SAME mail I got a letter from a former resident of Wetaskiwin. Apparently Bob Edwards paused there awhile between the time when he was chased out of High River and when he began to publish his Eye Opener in Calgary.

"Bob liked his liquor pretty well, and one Saturday night he passed out in the barroom of the Alberta Hotel. His companions carried him up to his room. It was a sultry hot night in July. To make him comfortable they took all his clothes off.

"Next day some of the boys were still whooping it up. Somebody remembered Bob and they wondered how he was getting on. They staggered up to the second-storey room. Bob was still snoring peacefully.

"Some of the pranksters thought it would be a good chance to pay back Bob for all the tricks he had played on them. They swiped a can of syrup from the hotel kitchen and poured this over Bob's skin! Then they got the tame bear which was kept chained in the backyard of the hotel. They put the bear in Bob's room and shut the door.

"Bob woke up when the bear began to lick his face, etc., to get the syrup. He jumped out of the window on to the big balcony that ran all around the hotel, at the second storey. He was shouting to the top of his lungs, 'Jesus Christ, save me! Jesus Christ, save me!' This happened just as the congregation was coming out of church. There arose some of those old pranksters who set the bear to a-licking Bob still living in Wetaskiwin."

THE CRISIS in the government of Israel has somewhat the same background as the shake-up in the Congress party in India. In both cases a liberal prime minister is in office. But in both cases that leader is partly dependent for support on reactionary religious elements.

Israel's basic difficulties are economic. The Jewish population of the country has been increased by no less than 70 per cent since the inauguration of the new state in May 1948.

It will take a desperate effort to make Israel a self-sufficient country. At present almost all the industrial raw materials and two thirds of the livestock feed must be imported. The whole country is severely rationed as follows:

- Milk—1/2 glass per day. Meat—1 lb. per month. Eggs—8 per month. Sugar—2 lbs. per month. Soap—1/2 cake per month. Suits—1 per year. Shoes—1 pair per year.

The furious arguments in Israel are the natural result of this economic crisis. The government has increased agricultural production by 65 per cent and industrial output by 35 per cent in two years. But nobody pretends that Israel can be made self-supporting for many years to come.

Fire Might Have Been Much Worse

J. Shubert had a near miss from a serious fire Tuesday morning when the house of Bernard Fortune next door suffered \$2300 damage. His house actually caught fire and sustained damages amounting to about \$50 or \$60. Some of the siding was charred and six lights of glass in a window were broken.

Firemen today said that if the fire had occurred in winter during some of the periods when a truck cannot navigate the hill leading up to Herman Place, it would have been likely that Mr Fortune would have lost his entire house and that Mr. Shubert would likely have lost his before hose could have been got to the scene of the fire by hand. They felt that by improving the grade on the existing road it could be made passable at all times.

Victoria Report

... by J. K. Nesbitt

Premier Carries On From Hospital Bed— Depending on Liquor Profits—Why No Labor Chairman

VICTORIA—Premier Byron Johnson is carrying on what government business he can from his hospital bed in Royal Jubilee Hospital. He's in a plaster cast up to his waist and he's not very comfortable but he's the first to admit he's lucky to be alive following a bad motor crash near Quebec City.

His executive assistant, Percy Richards, visits him each day with his most important mail. Cabinet ministers go to see him on important matters. There have been such floods of callers that his doctors finally ordered "Positively No Visitors" sign on the door.

Mrs. Johnson recovered rapidly. She's carrying on in their Uplands home and twice a day she goes to see her husband. The premier will be in hospital another month.

Finance Minister Ansoeb, deputy premier, is in the east on government business and so Attorney General Wismer or Provincial Secretary W. T. Straith preside at cabinet meetings.

However, the government appears to be in a period of doldrums and cabinet meetings have reached a new low as far as important matters are concerned.

Health and Welfare Minister Douglas Turnbull took to the air the other night to tell British Columbians what a fine job the government is now doing with health insurance.

He talked as if the government was giving away something for free—when it pays the hospital bills of all patients. He seemed to forget that the public is paying its own premiums.

The minister gave no hint that hospital insurance premiums may be increased next year.

Recent increase in the price of liquor is bound to cut the government's liquor profits. In recent months liquor sales have been dropping—not seriously, but enough to cause the Finance Department some worry for a great deal of political economy is based on sale of firewater. It's not good, this method of financing, but the government is now so used to big fat profits from liquor that it doesn't know how to change or what to do.

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P. Hogg, the chairman since its inception, died in July and so far no new appointment has been made. The minister of labor, Hon. John Cates, remains silent on the matter.

It's no secret that many Liberal and Conservative party workers are after the job—it pays \$7500 a year, and the duties aren't heavy.

Organized labor, though, is getting a bit annoyed. Organized labor says that if the board can get along without a chairman all the time—that one of the four members of the board can act as chairman when the board meets.

Organized labor would seem to have something here—and the taxpayers would be saved \$7500 a year.

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