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Are Canadians Really?

IN AN AMUSING but informative booklet called "Are Canadians Really? (or for that matter, is Canada?)" the U.S. Chamber of Commerce endeavors to clear up some points about Canadians which are sometimes not understood.

"It has been said that Canadians really are just like people, which seems a reasonable assumption," the publication begins. "There are also those who say that Canadians really are just Englishmen who don't care how cold it gets, and others who say Canadians really are just Frenchmen who know which side of the Atlantic their bread is buttered on.

"Canadians are also Americans, in the sense that they are geographically included in North America, but Canadians are not prone to overstress that technicality. This is because it would be frightfully awkward to have neighbors who had to call themselves 'United Statesers', in order to make it clear who they were, and partly because 'Canadians' is such a brisk, distinctive word with which its parent owners are well pleased."

In case anyone clings to the idea that Canada. is still a colony, the booklet remarks that "There" is much to support the view that Canada is a British possession, but not enough."

"A smattering of people outside Canada and Great Britain persist in believing that Britain has the lock-stock-and-barrel title to Canada," it continues. "But the idea gets absolutely no acceptance within either of these countries and may, therefore be discounted entirely. Canada runs itself--as does each of the other equally independent countries which make up the British Commonwealth.

"The Commonwealth has been described as an alumni association whose president is the former headmaster; an associaton without executive committee, by-laws, or any program of concerted action and whose members recognize no obligation towards one another except as may prompted by the heart or by considerations of far WHEN I am away from home lowly shirt. I don't know how grounds they violated Russian taken down, about 100 bats were

Helian light vein without being offensive, the kers to be best of recent efforts to be tetrical hand across the border. Wisely it does not attempt to explain why Canada has no flag of its own or why there is uncertainty over its national anthem.

There are questions which we Canadians cannot answer ourselves. Let's hope it will not be necessary to ask them much longer.

REFLECTS

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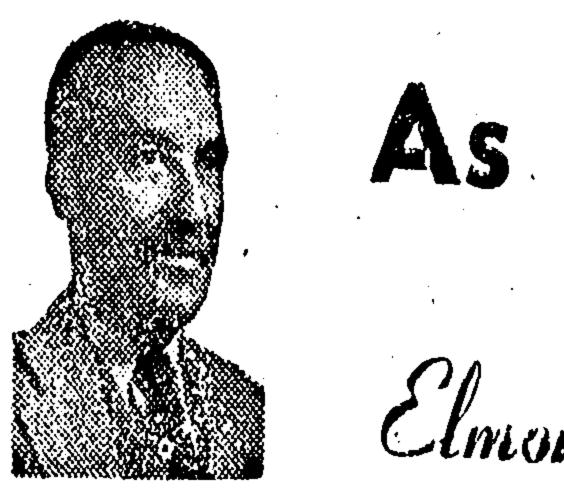
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LOOKS LIKE THE REAL THING—Dr. and Mrs. Hanns R. Teichert of Chicago examine the "Madonna and Child" painting which they purchased last spring in New York for \$450 from an antique dealer. An art collector has claimed that the painting is an original Leonardo De Vinci and is worth about one million dollars.



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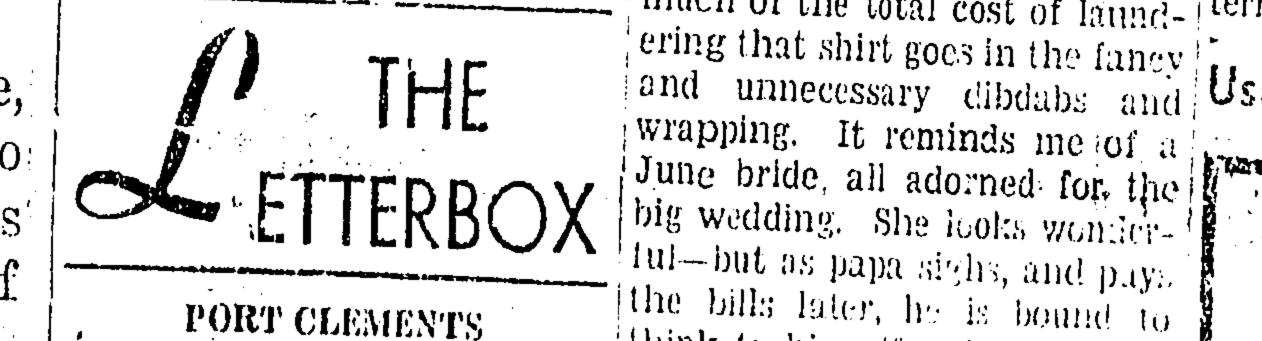
Tale of a Shirt

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OTTAWA DIARY By NORMAN Sables, the sub-

One of the more enduring by- Prime Minister St. Laurent is perian wease and products of the recent railway being given highest marks by length, labor crisis here is the worry it these thinkers for handling the has awakened in thoughtful recent concrete situation with Capital circles over the new pat- courage and an enlightened un-

adian democracy. What specifically is causing But the fear persists that in some concern is the steady break- future crisis there may not be a down of the old-time clear line Prime Minister of Mr. St. Laurmanning them on the one hand, that time the stage could be set and the great bulk of the citi- for a dictatorship of a particuzenship on whose behalf such larly objectionable and intolerservices and staff are employed able kind—the dictatorship of a state bureaucracy.

The old-time pattern used to be crystal clear. Democracy required workers to administer it in the interests of the citizenship at large. These workers ranged fall the way from Members of Parliament down to the char staffs in public buildings. They constituted a definite and compact group in the economy. They knew exactly where they belonged, and there was no great' danger of them getting any wrong ideas on that subject.

In other words, servants of democracy from the very highest down realized clearly that they were the employees of the people. They didn't have the dangerous ! notion that they were at one and the same time both the persons employed and their own

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