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Repeaters Beware!

MORE and more drunk drivers are on their second and third times around, and are receiving commensurate penalties. For second offenders the standard penalty is a month in jail; for "third-timers," three months. And there is more coming for those who drink and persist in driving.

Convictions for drunk driving have been increasing year by year in these parts, and this area is not an exception. Last year, for instance, about 300 faced that charge in Windsor courts, and about half were convicted. Most of the remainder were fined under the reduced charge of impaired driving. A few charges were dismissed.

Meanwhile the cumulative total of drivers convicted of drunk driving has been mounting, with prospects that the number of second and third offenders will rise too. Some persons are reluctant to learn. But in this matter they're just butting their heads against the wall if they don't.

Those who drink and drive cars should take a new appraisal of themselves, whether they have been convicted or not. They'd better do it while sober, because they won't when liquored up. The law is regarding them with a cold, remorseless eye, as it has need to do. If they end up in jail for a month or more, they put themselves there.—Windsor Star.

New Banff Highway

THE MORE one considers the population and traffic growth in these parts, the more mistaken it seems to be to build only a two-lane highway between Calgary and Banff.

In its first year after completion, we predict, the road will be literally jammed with traffic from one end to the other, especially on summer weekends, and accidents will be caused by cars trying to break into and out of the jam.—Calgary Albertan.

Scriptures

Remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth. Ecclesiastes 12:1
There are countless mature and aged people who greatly wish they had followed that injunction, but it is never too late to turn around and seek a better way.

LATIN-AMERICAN CASTLE—A strange sight in Latin America is this structure that looks like a European palace or a fairy-tale movie castle. Actually, it's an arched gateway to a Buenos Aires park, a favorite recreation and picnic ground for local Argentines.

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As I See It

BY

Elmore Philpott

Nancy Sees Ghost

LADY NANCY ASTOR is not too badly embarrassed by the revelations in the captured Nazi documents, now published by the British and American governments.

Those documents clearly show that the Nazis themselves regarded the Astor home as the Centre of pro-German influence in the British ruling caste of 1939. But, says Lady Nancy, the published documents were either based on untruths, or half-truths.

She may be right at that. The most damaging document was the report written by a former German Rhodes scholar, then trying to curry favor with Hitler and the other top Nazis. According to his secret 1939 reports, the Astor family was strongly pro-German. But it is an old custom of spies and other diplomatic agents, to write reports which they think will please the big bosses. That is especially true if the spies, or semi-spies, are doing the kind of dirty work for which governments are willing to pay hard cash. The young German may not necessarily have been telling the kind of truth which would stand up in a court of law, if the victims had the chance to subject the charges to cross examination and counter evidence.

WHILE there is some doubt as to the truth of the Nazi documents concerning the "Cliveden set" in England, there is none about the revelation of the German spy ring operating through the Republican party of the U.S.A. in the year 1940.

It is certainly to the credit of the Eisenhower administration that these documents have now been published, notwithstanding the figures in the Republican party.

The Hitler government in 1940 was spending large sums of money to pay for full page advertisements in American newspapers headed "Keep America Out of War." They were able to do so under seemingly respectable auspices, because an American Republican congressman was willing to act as a front for them, and because prominent Americans, including Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, were willing to lend public support to those causes.

In fairness to Lindberg, it should be noted that there is nothing in these documents to show that he knew the Nazis were putting up the actual cash to finance the campaign, in which he played so prominent a part.

While the Republicans were more deeply implicated than Democrats in this pro-Nazi campaign, at least one Democratic senator made a radio broadcast for which the Nazi agency took the credit, in the secret reports to Germany.

WHILE some of the Britishers and Americans who were involved in pre-war conversations with the Nazis were, no doubt, conscious betrayers of their own nations, most of the people involved were in quite a different category.

Some of them thought it was possible to come to terms with the Nazis, and so avoid the catastrophe of war.

Others simply guessed wrong as to the future course of history. They were betting that Hitler would not plunge the world into war. They lost their bets, and now suffer the consequences.

In other words, the British Cliveden Set, and the Americans who were used as fronts by the Nazis, are in much the same category as were leftists and liberals who were to some degree entangled with Communist fronts, either before, during or after the Hitler war.

A few of these latter, like Alger Hiss, were perhaps eggs in the International Red conspiracy. But most others were never involved for any other purpose than that which temporarily lined up Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin in the triple alliance without which it would never have been possible to overthrow Hitler.

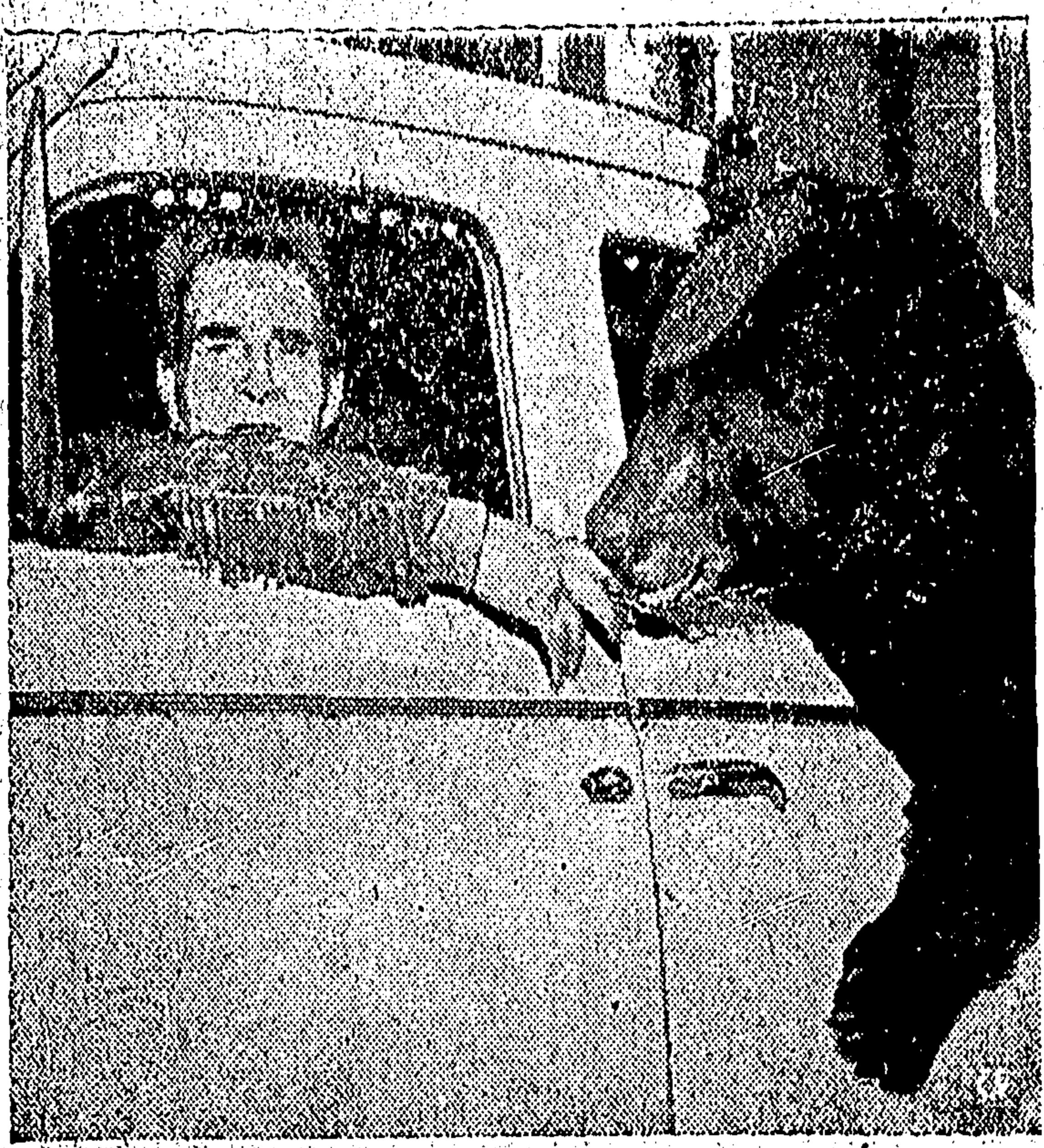
Sunday the adventurous Frenchmen, who left here a week ago hoping to drift to Europe, were 80 miles south of Sable. A change in wind has been bringing them closer to the sandy island, 180 miles southwest of Halifax.

Search and rescue officials said the raft seems to be in no immediate danger, however.

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WINNIPEG RESIDENTS did a double-take when they saw this huge bear riding around in the back seat of an automobile. Circus performer Will Chartier, Winnipeg, often takes his 550-pound wrestling bear around with him in his car. (CP Photo).

OTTAWA DIARY By NORMAN M. MacLEOD

Parliament Hill's Man-of-the-Year—Toronto—Eglington's "Don" Fleming—was a considerably bewildered and somewhat uncertain individual when events catapulted him into the centre of the Parliamentary spotlight.

Not that he hadn't been there before. As one of the aspirants to the PC leadership at the 1948 national convention and as a consistent performer in Parliament, Fleming is no stranger to public life. But he isn't used to getting it in the way it has come to him in the present instance.

To put it very briefly, "Don" Fleming isn't a stunt man. His formula for success always has been the somewhat less than glamorous but usually dependable one of sound, conscientious hard work. He sets little store upon notoriety but strives continually to build up a solid reputation.

During the week, Mrs. John Manheim brought her Seal Cove kindergarten class to visit us and we did enjoy these very young people. They were so well behaved and so polite, and it was quite amazing how they enjoyed looking at our displays and talking to me. Sky Robinson of Rensselaer of India was also a guest. Mr. and Mrs. T. Greening (I believe Mr. Greening is a past governor of Alaska) were also in to see the Museum with some friends of theirs. One man was a writer gathering material for an article, possibly a story about Prince Rupert. Mr. MacIntosh is with B.C. Packers Ltd. and has been moved here. J. Cole of Atherton, California was an interesting guest. He drove here in a panel truck, all fitted for travelling, complete with all the comforts of home—television, radio and refrigerator—and is now bound for Alaska and intends returning to his home via the Alaska Highway. He hopes to be in Mexico for Christmas. Otherwise he intends to travel and seemed a very happy nomad in spite of many years.

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LETTERBOX

STILL SEEKS ANSWER

The Editor,

The Daily News:

In your May 27th issue a letter appeared asking where I got my knowledge regarding the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Well, one only has to read the radio survey that comes from different centres every year to see that only 2 per cent of the population listens to the CBC.

The last survey made across Canada in 1952 showed that 2 per cent listened to the CBC while 98 per cent listened to other stations.

So, "Mr. Average Hair" there

seems to be an awful lot of ignorant people in Canada, if according to you, those that don't listen are ignorant. If listening to the symphonies will educate a person, I'd rather stay as I am.

I know I have a lot to learn, but I'll bet \$10 to a doughnut that you teach more than I already know, "Average Hair."

"Average Hair" seems to have done extensive travelling—Port Edward, Terrace and other important centres of that sort, to be able to tell that because I think that there is too much long-haired stuff over CFP, that I am ignorant.

If the local station is so good why do so many local businesses have their products advertised over the Ketchikan, Alaska stations?

You haven't answered my question either. How many lis-

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All Aboard

By G. E. MORTIMORE

Some people tune out radio and television commercials in their minds without touching the set. They can feel a commercial in advance, and when it arrives they are already thinking or talking about something else.

They are endowed with a kind of selective deafness and blindness. Nature's shock-absorber for people who live in a world infested with loud, shrill and fatuous demands for attention.

In the long run, people endowed with the gift of selective deafness and blindness may be the only ones who survive.

During the Korean war, a newspaper ran exactly the same war story for several days, and nobody noticed. It became obvious that some people were selectively blind to news stories too.

I find it in myself. There are a number of cliché statements which automatically switch off my attention, or divert it.

Among them are the following: Statements that young people are (or are not) holding wild parties; that they are (or are not) basically clean-living after all; that juvenile delinquency is (not) on the increase; that school pupils can't (can) read and spell.

Claims that Russia really means to be friendly now (or that Russia is softening us up for the kill); warnings that Soviet power is greater (smaller) than American power; statements by various observers that the Russian people are restive, content, fiercely loyal and ready to rebel.

At the mere sight of such themes, I feel drifts by and when it clears I find myself reading the comics.

PURE NICKEL

The first pure nickel coin, a 20-cent piece, was issued in Switzerland 75 years ago.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A Special General Meeting of the Civic Centre Association of Prince Rupert will be held Thursday, June 7, 1956 at 8 p.m. in the Civic Centre Main Lounge.

The order of business will be to make changes in the By-laws as recommended by the Board of Directors, from their study of the Civic Centre Commission Report. Copies of the full notice of motion are available for any member at the Civic Centre. In addition to approve the expenditure of funds for the purchase of new chairs.

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