

U.K.-U.S. Press War Sickening Canadians

LONDON (CP)—Canadians are sick and tired of the transatlantic newspaper war between Britain and the United States. They think it's an unseemly brawl, reflecting minority views.

This opinion, widely held by Canadians in Britain, also seems common in Canada. Writing from Montreal, columnist Don Iddon of the London Daily Mail says there is deep distaste in Canada for the "slanging match" between journalists of the two countries.

"Dispatches from American correspondents stationed in Britain and British correspondents who have returned home have been widely reported here and the squabble and kettle-calling are considered childish," writes the British columnist.

LIKE FISHWIVES

"All Canadians resent being considered a possession of Britain or a 49th state of the U.S. and when they see their two elders and seniors acting like fishwives, they are contemptuous."

No examples are given. Iddon may have been thinking, among others, of London correspondent Arthur Veyssey, of the Chicago Tribune, who said Britons just

can't face the fact that the U.S. now is top dog. Britons, said Veyssey, are "as catly, as bitter, as unfair, as sour, as cruel as a proverbial movie star whose day is done."

Veyssey lashed in a few digs at Britain's education, system, highways, trains, automobiles, telephones and alleged lack of water.

GREAT ANT-HEAP

In effect, he was replying to Rene MacColl of The Daily Express, called home after a spell as Washington correspondent. MacColl portrayed the U.S. as a "great, swarming ant-heap of a country" and frowned on its "careless gunplay, trigger-happy cops, millions of tranquilizer pills, psychiatry run riot."

Canadians in London agree with both points of view.

The Suez crisis undoubtedly produced a wave of anti-American feeling in Britain. The ineffectual Anglo-French action served to tear away the screen, set up by astute diplomacy and by Britain's central position in the Commonwealth, which had hidden the real extent of Britain's decline in physical, world-power terms.

SHARPENED CRITICISM

Natural resentment at the preeminence of the U.S. tended to sharpen British criticism of American policy. Although perhaps half the British nation had deep-seated doubts about the Suez operation, many Britons felt American leaders were inclined to make lofty moralizing statements at a time when practical solutions were needed.

However, Britain's three leading intellectual weeklies, The Spectator, The Economist and The Statesman, were in basic agreement with American condemnation of the Suez venture.

Some observers feel there has been a tendency, in recent months to overdraw the extent of anti-Americanism in Britain. Normal diplomatic contracts have long been restored. An American diplomat told a reporter that the U.S. embassy in London has a relationship with the British government unsurpassed by that of any other country.

PLENTY OF TARGETS

"Our contacts are so close that we are not encouraged to go out of our way doing the social rounds in the rest of the diplomatic circuit," he said. "We can get all we want to know from the British."

Traditions, customs and amenities differ in Britain and the U.S., and there are plenty of targets for pot-shots.

But most visiting Americans overlook the bad things in Britain, and most Britons acknowledge that the average American, though he may have his faults, is a pretty good fellow.

The Canadian, caught in between, tends to defend either when attacked, and to remain sceptically silent if praise of one or the other becomes overpowering.



SIX PERSONS DIED in the wreckage of these three cars and five others were injured near Sudbury, Ont., Victoria Day. Police said a car driven by Ernest Price, 43, of Sudbury, pulled out to pass a car driven by O. J. Neil, 45, of Toronto. It cut back into line too quickly striking Neil's car and colliding with an approaching car driven by Mrs. Elinor Little of Creighton Mine, Ont. All three persons in the Price car died and three of the four in the Neil auto were killed. The four in Mrs. Little's car were injured. Here a policeman checks the wreckage as bystanders watch. (CP Photo)

Drivers Urged To Slow Down ... And Live

Watch out for the Fatal Five: excessive speed, speed too fast for conditions, following too closely, improper passing, failure to yield right of way—all symptoms of the dangerous "Hurry Complex," the Canadian Highway Safety Conference urges.

Give yourself plenty of time to get where you're going. Speed and fatigue at the wheel cause accidents.

If you become angry at motorists who speed along your home town streets, think of that when you're driving through another town, and slow down.

Stop, Slow, Drive Carefully are signs erected to protect you. Heed them.

Heavy traffic, rain, road construction and similar hazards are signals for you to slow down—and live.

Pass other traffic with the utmost caution. Impatience can kill you.

Keep plenty of room between your car and the car ahead. A sudden stop can ruin your car's front section, injure you and your passengers, and lose you your license.

Speed Kills: SLOW DOWN AND LIVE.

LETTERBOX

BIG THANKS

The Editor, The Daily News: Just a short note to say a big THANKS for the wonderful support you afforded us in planning Forest Products Safety Week, May 6 to 10.

Although the campaign was marred by several fatalities, the average accident rate for the week was down by more than 50%.

The news space you gave in Safety Week, no doubt, reminded many hundreds of forest product workers of the need to be careful while on the job.

Please accept our hearty appreciation for your efforts before and during the campaign.

Let's hope that the results obtained during this year's Safety Week will be reflected in the weeks, months and years to come.

Cordially for Safety,

ANTHONY F. DOUGLAS
Chairman,
Forest Products Safety
Week Committee,
Vancouver

Doggone It!

VANCOUVER—Dogs took advantage of the automobile age Tuesday in two separate incidents.

William Waring, out walking his own dog in downtown Vancouver, was bitten on the shoulder by a dog that leaped out of a passing car. The car didn't stop. Waring was given an anti-tetanus shot at hospital.

And Mrs. Eunice Barker needed treatment for severe hand cuts after her dog bit her while they were both riding in the family car.

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John's Misdirected Footsteps

THERE is an unofficial report to the effect that provincial Conservative leader Deane Finlayson missed being on hand for the arrival of John Diefenbaker in B.C. because he wished to push the Tory cause in this district. The report adds that provincial Conservatives believed the Skeena district should receive special attention in view of the fact that no Social Credit candidate was in the running.

Whether the report is true or not, it was a pleasure to have Mr. Finlayson here just at that time. He is a personable young politician who provided strong support for the local Tory candidate, Duncan Kerr.

But the question that arises is why couldn't Mr. Diefenbaker himself have made the trip here? Apart from the local Social Credit position—or lack of it—this district surely invites attention on its own merit. As a rapidly developing frontier area, it is unique in Canada, and nowhere else is there promise of greater things to come. One would imagine that almost inevitably the "Follow John" footsteps, would have turned in this direction.

It must be remembered, of course, that Mr. Diefenbaker has what amounts virtually to a one-man campaign on his hands. In contrast to the well-supplied Liberals, who have had two cabinet ministers here in the last month, Mr. Diefenbaker personally must do most of his party's campaigning.

But it is to be noted all the same that he found time to range up through central B.C. to Prince George. No doubt the fact that this took him through the Kamloops riding of E. Davie Fulton, MP, former candidate for the Tory leadership, had something to do with his decision. Also that area is undeniably a vital and growing part in the economy of B.C.

Even so, the omission from his itinerary of this great coastal swathe of territory is difficult to understand. In view of the Tory emphasis on opening up trade with the Orient, this port or Kitimat would seem to be a natural place for the Conservative leader to develop his views on the opportunities for Canada in this respect. Instead he followed the well-beaten Social Credit trail up the Cariboo.

It must be concluded that Mr. Diefenbaker either lacks imagination—which seems unlikely—or was badly informed. If he was badly informed, his associates have some accounting to do. Surely they have not been asleep to what is going on out here, to the tremendous possibilities opened up by the Alcan project, to the part that can be played in Pacific trade by Prince Rupert which is soon to have its position strengthened by establishment of an airport, or to the great promise of further hydro-power development.

The Skeena district has worked hard for these things, as its representative E. T. Applewhite, MP, can testify, and believes that finally it is getting the national recognition it has sought. Mr. Diefenbaker missed a bet by unrecognizing it all over again.

Rotarians Hear of Ottawa Trip

Members of Prince Rupert Rotary club yesterday heard Stephen Bartlett, winner of the Rotary "Adventure in Citizenship" award, tell them of his experiences in Ottawa under their sponsorship and the tremendous educational value of his trip.

Some 185 students from all over Canada congregated in Ottawa from May 20 to 24, as guests of Rotary.

The speaker was introduced by T. Norton Youngs, and thanked by P. F. Bird, who acted as chairman in the absence of president A. Donald Ritchie. Visiting Rotarian was George

Kearley of Terrace, and guests were Percy Hawkins and M. Pairs, both of Vancouver.

Eager Supporters

SEPT-ILES, Que. — A donation of \$21,720 toward a college in the northern community of Haurerive was made when Most Rev. Gerard Couturier, bishop of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, visited here. This brings the town's contributions to nearly \$40,000, or 100 per cent of its objective. The college will be built near the Knob Lake iron ore operations.

UBC Students To Present Two Operas

Special to The Daily News

VANCOUVER — UBC Summer School of Opera will present two short but powerful operas as the major opera production in August.

Students will perform in "The Medium," a two-act opera by Gian-Carlo Menotti, and in "Gianni Schicchi," a one-act opera by Giacomo Puccini.

Both operas will be conducted by Nicholas Goldschmidt, director of music for the Summer School, and staged by Robert Gill, director of Hart House Theatre, Toronto.

Opera School opens July 8. Mr. Goldschmidt will outline his plans for the Opera School 1957 at a preliminary meeting Friday, July 5, in the Frederic Wood Theatre for students and the public.

Preliminary auditions will be held June 24 to 28, and final auditions July 2 to 5. All students will have the opportunity of taking part in the operas and the opera excerpts production. (Aug. 10).

Scholarships for Summer School of Opera are available through the Department of Extension, University of B.C.

"The Medium," a modern opera set in present day United States, is a music drama describing the tragedy of a woman caught between the world of reality and the world of the supernatural. Baba, the medium, has no scruples in cheating her clients until an insignificant incident shatters her self-assurance and drives her almost insane.

"Gianni Schicchi," though a comedy, has just as much force. Set in Florence in the 13th century, the story centres around a "fiscan peasant who has his eye on a fortune and a good marriage" for his daughter. Through a clever bit of impersonation he achieves both.

Both operas will be given public performances the nights of Aug. 27-30.

SECOND CAVE-IN FATAL

BALTIMORE — Rescuers had uncovered C. A. Davis after a cave-in and were giving him oxygen Wednesday when a second cave-in buried Davis and the oxygen equipment. He was pronounced dead after being uncovered a second time. The Negro laborer was working in a sewer trench at a church construction job.

TOUGHS NEVER MAKE PASSES AT POLICEMEN WITH GLASSES

VICTORIA (CP)—A city police policy of barring men from beats if they wear glasses is under review by Victoria police commission.

Case of an officer whose eyes have been under par was studied this morning. A report from an eye specialist recommended contact lenses. It was pointed out these are often worn successfully by hockey and football players.

Chief John Blackstock pointed out RCMP officers often wear glasses, "but they're in the villages and don't get into mixups like city police do." Local officers may wear sunglasses on bright days.

MONTREAL-BORN George London poses backstage with Laine Amara (left) and Laurel Hurley before the opening of "Marrage of Figaro," first of a series of operas being performed at the Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto by the Metropolitan Opera Company. London played the part of Count Almaviva, Miss Amara was the Countess and Miss Hurley was Susanna, Miss Amara sang in Prince Rupert under the auspices of the Alaska Music Trail in 1953-54 season just before she went to the "Met."

MUSIC CENTRE

The Royal Academy of Music at London, senior school of music in the Commonwealth, was founded in 1822.

HIGHLIGHTS IN THE IMPRESSIVE LIBERAL RECORD

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The Honourable James Sinclair has been the Minister of Fisheries for the last five years and in those years, I felt proud to have been closely associated with him in the Liberal Government, and proud of what he has accomplished to advance the fishing industry in Canada, and especially to the Fishermen of Prince Rupert and District.

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International North Pacific Fisheries Commission with the United States and Japan, to conserve the Fisheries of the North Pacific. Commercial Fishermen made members of the Great International Commission, Jim Cameron on the North Pacific Commission, Harold Holland of Prince Rupert on the Halibut Commission and Martin Erikson on the Prince Rupert on the Fisheries of Research Board of Canada.

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Canada is the only country to put real and tried Fishermen on these Commissions, and this is done under Liberal Policy. The Pink Salmon Treaty has at last been negotiated with the United States. You, the Fisherman, know how our James Sinclair forced the Fisherman of the United States to appeal to their United States Federal Government for such a treaty, when the action of his Department was taken only to insure our Canadian Fishermen of an equal catch of Pink Salmon. By this treaty, this is equally assured for years.



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