

An Ultimatum — A Fish Treaty

CANADA and the United States have signed a new treaty to protect West Coast pink salmon. This is no innovation in co-operative action between the two countries.

The event does, however, reflect credit on Fisheries Minister James Sinclair whose firm stand on the treaty speeded the signing—and speed was important.

Last October the Canadian minister delivered an ultimatum. Either, he said, a treaty would be made or he would permit Canadian fishermen to catch as much as they could of the pink run.

His action followed reports of unrestricted fishing by United States boats which harvested roughly 70 per cent of the total catch, using nets beyond the legal size set by Canada for Canadians.

American interests raised innumerable arguments to indicate the difficulties, if not the impossibility, of enforcing regulations. States rights came into the question. So did the matter of fishing beyond certain limits.

Mr. Sinclair's answer was direct and simple. Knowing that Canada and the U.S. had agreed to protect halibut and sockeye—and had made protective measures stick—he had only to say Canada would lift its regulation covering pinks to reveal to the U.S. that it had ample means of enforcing a treaty.

The net result of the agreement will be an assurance that sufficient pinks escape to reach spawning grounds and build up runs. While not as commercially important as the sockeye, which represents about 60 per cent of the annual pack, the pink is a highly valuable food source. As the years go by, it should become an even larger contributor to the national and export larder, since the species can be transplanted and established in new streams.

Mr. Sinclair has done a stroke of good business for Canada and for the salmon fisheries in general. Had negotiations been unduly prolonged, the pink might have been depleted, if not to the point of extinction, at least to a degree which would have greatly reduced catches in years to come.

—The Victoria Times.

Baby Doll Lacks Vitamins

THE Ontario Motion picture Censorship Board and its director, O. J. Silverthorne, have exercised fair judgment in allowing the movie Baby Doll to be shown to adults. They have found that this picture is no worse than many other films which have been shown without comment or some TV plays that present in Toronto living rooms lines far more suggestive and scenes far more revealing of the female form divine.

Controversy about this film will increase box office receipts, which is unfortunate because as a vehicle of entertainment this picture commits the greatest crime any form of entertainment can commit. It is dull and boring. As The Telegram movie critic, Clyde Gilmore, points out, the direction is excellent and some of the acting is of a high order, but the movie is interminably repetitious as it unfolds the same old tired and sordid tale of degeneracy and decadence in the southern states that has been depicted in books, in the theatre and on the screen ad nauseum.

(Ad nauseum—to the point of disgust; to a sickening extreme.)

—Toronto Telegram.

Scriptures

Watch therefore; for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. Matt. 24:42.

Hundreds of times pious believers have thought they had solved the enigma of Christ's second coming. Always they proved to be wrong. No mortal knows when nor where He may come. That is not our business but His. Our business is to be ready, for one thing we know each and several of us will be ushered into His presence when we have completed our tasks on Earth.

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Report From PARLIAMENT

By E. T. APPLEWHAITE, MP Skeena

Once again we have Parliament in Session, and so once a week I shall try, through the courtesy of the local editors, to compete with Lip Abner and Blondie for a few minutes of your attention, while I try to pass on a few news items and opinions picked up in your capital city.

Recent liberalization of imports from dollar countries has made the Swedish foodstuffs market more attractive to Canadian exporters. As a result, the variety of Canadian foodstuffs exported to Sweden is increasing. Import of many products depends to some extent on the size and nature of the Swedish crop. Canada's share of this market is still disappointingly small and the decline in total food exports to Sweden in the first half of 1956 shows that it will take effort and initiative to increase it. The 1955 figures, however, show what can be done. Just a few examples: in that year Canada sold to Sweden \$5,200 worth of frozen salmon, \$55,104 of mild-cured salmon, \$40,542 of canned salmon—all of which I assume originated on the Pacific coast.

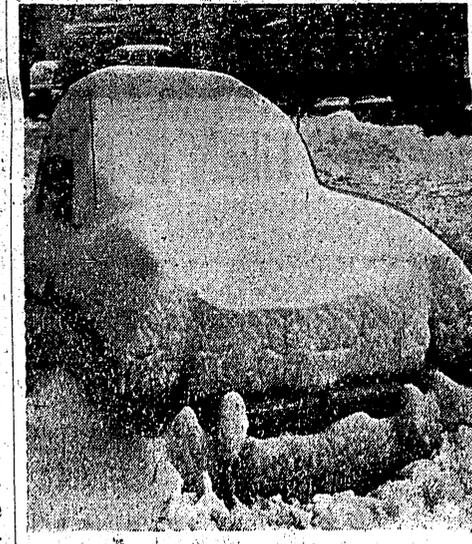
Concomitant with the opening of the final session of Canada's 22nd Parliament the resignation has been announced of the Hon. George Drew as a Member of the House of Commons. But it may be assumed that this is far from being a farewell to public service. He himself has made it clear that he is ever ready to help in the political cause he has espoused so faithfully down the years. Equally a grateful country will wish to avail itself of Mr. Drew's innate gifts which are compact of sincerity and industry. I am glad to report that when I met him at the unveiling of the Sir Robert Borden statue, he looked very well and seemed fit and cheerful.

Your member for Skeena has again been elected Deputy Chairman. The last of the routine opening-day business was the motion by Prime Minister St. Laurent, seconded by Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe "That Edward T. Applewhaite, Esquire, mem-

ber for the electoral district of Skeena, be appointed deputy chairman of Committees of the whole House."—Motion agreed to.

The Speech from the Throne, which is a very brief summary of the government's views on current issues, as well as a forecast of legislation, stated that recent events have confirmed the Minister's belief in the importance of seeking solutions to international problems through the United Nations and of upholding by all practical and constructive means the principles of the United Nations Charter. With reference to affairs within Canada it said that expansion is evident in every part of Canada. Increases in the volume of money and credit have had to be carefully limited in order to check inflationary tendencies and the financial policies of the government have also been directed to counteract these same tendencies. The speech also referred to the fact that in the last few days a serious industrial dispute has led to a stoppage of work on one of the major railways of Canada despite the use of the normal process of conciliation. However, as I am hoping that the CPR strike will be a matter of history before this is in print, I shall not write about it.

It was a pleasant and interesting little ceremony at noon on the day the Session opened, when the statue of Sir Robert Borden, newly placed on Parliament Hill, was unveiled by a nephew of Sir Robert's, who was accompanied by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition. On a motion made by Mr. St. Laurent and seconded by Mr. Dieckbrajer, the speeches made on that occasion were printed in Hansard as part of the records of Parliament.



A WIND-WIPPERD SNOWFALL left Saint John, New Brunswick, covered by an eight-inch blanket and many motorists were stranded. Cars left on the street like the one shown here were enveloped in drifts the next morning. After the first look, many motorists walked to work. (CP Photo).

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VICTORIA REPORT By J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA—It's difficult to believe that Ernest Winch will be seen no more in our Legislature.

His death has caused widespread sadness in this capital, where for so long he was so widely known. There will be a gap next session in the House that no-one can fill, for Ernie Winch was himself alone, and would imitate no other.

He was first elected for the CCF in Burnaby in 1933—and was victor again in 1937, 1941, 1945, 1949, 1952, 1953, 1956. He never knew defeat at the polls.

Ernest Winch sat side by side in the House with his son Harold from 1933 to 1953—a famous father-and-son legislative team, broken only when Harold was elected to the House of Commons.

He never compromised with his principles. From time to time he disagreed with his party, and he said so out loud for political expediency was as a horror to him. He was a plain and simple man, of fine intellect, and deep thought. An uneducated man—where formal schooling was concerned, he educated himself in the school of hard knocks and books and study of human wants, and in this school he learned a deep and abiding love of those of his fellow men who were in difficulties, who suffered trial and tribulation, often through no fault of their own.

It was because of this natural-born love, that paid no dividends to him in cash, that early in his legislative career he commenced to devote his days to these people—the underdogs, the aged and infirm who had little money, those in institutions, whom he felt neglected by the government and by society. To more than one such he gave new hope and a new start on life's pathway.

Year in and year out he pounded away for these people, and if sometimes he was discouraged he rose up again, and like rain beating on a stone, in time what he said was listened to by those in authority, and much of the progress made by B.C. in social welfare can be attributed to his hard work, his patience, his never-ending perseverance, and all this though he never sat in government, but always in opposition.

In the Legislature he often kicked up a storm. He grew furious and he shook his fist at the capitalist benches, and he muttered threats that sounded dire, and he could look black and fierce; but underneath all this

was a kindly heart and he felt warm towards all his fellows, and forgave even the capitalists, excusing them on the grounds they really knew no better, and he lived in fear, which to him was the worst state of all in which to live.

It was edifying to hear him talk in the Legislature about drug addiction. Drug addicts to him were sick people who needed treatment, no jail sentences. He said this session after session, and while he never saw much progress made in this connection, he would not be downed. In time what he recommended will come true.

He feuded with the medical profession, being convinced that medical doctors are narrow-minded people who will not try new treatments, and when there were M.D.'s in the House he told them so in vigorous language, which only made the M.D.'s smile, for they knew that Ernie Winch's bark was far worse than his bite and that should he have a bad pain he would go to them.

He loathed what he considered snobbishness, and refused to dress in white tie and tails for the Governor's State Dinner.



SYDNEY J. SMITH, 64, of Kamloops, B.C., president of the B.C. Liberal Association since 1953, who was appointed to the Senate last week was sworn in today at Ottawa. An automobile dealer, he also has been a farmer and rancher. He was Liberal member of the B.C. legislature for Kamloops from 1949 to 1952. He is married and has two sons and a daughter. (CP Photo).

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and went to Government House in plain business suit, and was made welcome just the same, for he was a gentleman, and he was never ashamed to say that once he stood in a breadline before a soup kitchen door in the days of unemployment and relief. He would not drink and he would not smoke and cruelty to animals, even the legal shooting of a deer, made him sick.

Ernie Winch is gone from the earth scene now, but what he did for his fellow men is his monument, and his name will be writ large into our legislative history. The story of his life should be the pattern on which those who follow him in the House should mould their lives. They could do no better.

LETTERBOX

PRaises ROYAL FAMILY

The Editor,
 The Daily News:
 Kindly allow me a little space in your most interesting home town paper, to write this:

Three rousing cheers to our good Queen Elizabeth. Long and very happily may she reign.

It is with a great deal of pride that I am very happy at all times to say "that lovely girl Elizabeth, is my Queen." God bless her and all her family, especially her mother and children, her Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh and her charming sister, Princess Margaret.

They are all wonderful people and we can call ourselves the luckiest nation on earth to have the privilege of being able to say: "Queen Elizabeth is our Queen."

Our Queen has presented two beautiful and beloved children to her husband and to us. We may not be here to see Prince Charles crowned as King, but our descendants will.

God bless them all and again I say thank heavens that I am a Canadian and Elizabeth reigns over us, our children and wherever the Union Jack proudly waves.

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"ARE YOU IN IT TOO?"

"What do you mean Sam?"
 "Well Mr. Jones, I see you are reading the Star Weekly with the BIG \$50,000 'Know Canada' contest."

"You guessed right Sam. At our house we think the 'Know Canada' contest is a lot of fun—Betty and Hobby hope to win enough for new bicycles."

"Mr. Jones, at my place my wife and children are so busy with those picture puzzles I have to make my own meals. You know, I think I'll have to get in the game, too! First prize is \$10,000 and that's really worth a try."

"I'd say the Star Weekly 'Know Canada' contest is the best yet, Sam. Good luck to us both."

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