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SUGAR AND SPICE
by Bill Smiley



ARMPITS AND YANKS

Just a few observations on life in general, this week. I have no particular theme in mind, but it will probably have emerged by the time we've finished this chore (me writting, you reading).

It's fashionable to attack the Yanks, so here goes. I think they're giving us a bum deal in merchandise. If I were a politician my platform would be, "Let's fortify the border!"

Every year, we send them about 80 percent of our best people: artists of all kinds, university professors, engineers. Better known as the Brain Drain. And every winter, we send them our rich people, hundreds of thousands, to bolster the sagging economies of Florida and California. And what do they send us? Draft dodgers.

Deer hunting. A lot of people are against it. Not me. In fact, if I weren't a teacher, I'd take a week off every fall and join the great slaughter of the deer.

Slaughter? There are 10 times as many people killed on the highways as there are deer in the bush. If I thought the species would be wiped out (deer, not people), I'd fight it. But the deer population is increasing, chiefly because there are so many lousy hunters.

I admit that no completely sane man goes deer hunting. Why would anybody go into the woods in the worst weather of the year, wind and snow, rain and blow, to wander through miles of swamp and slash, swale and burn, dragging a dirty great musket and straining his heart to the bursting point, when he could be sitting at home watching a football game on TV?

Why? I'll tell you. Because it's the only place in the world where he can escape from committee meetings, a nagging wife, a shrilling telephone, and rotten kids with personality defects.

It's the only place in the world where he can get back to the primitive pleasures of man: rude jokes around the fire; a sense of companionship that has nothing to do with money or position; the feeling of battle against the elements; the absence of all stress except the physical; the eating of half-burned meat; the belching and breaking of wind; the dreamless sleep of an animal after a day of exhaustion.

The killing of a deer is unimportant. He has proved to himself, by George, that there's a little juice in the old carcass yet, that he can take it without whining, and that he's liked for himself, not because he can do something for somebody.

This brings us, by a logical association of ideas, to modern theatre. It's concerned with the very same thing: a man trying to prove himself. The deer hunter would laugh at the playwright, and the playwright would laugh at the deer hunter. Each would think the other was emotionally crippled.

I saw a play last weekend that would have made my little old mother's hair stand on end. Even though she wouldn't have understood it. It is called Fortune and Men's Eyes. Some of the language was straight off the walls of a public lavatory.

It's a play that will shock and sicken some people. And perhaps this is not a bad idea. It has pathos and a macabre humor. But lavatory walls are a part of life. There's no sand to put your head in. Only the toilet bowl. And, while this is one way of washing your hair, it is not highly recommended.

This, again by a logical association of ideas, brings us to hair. Hair on head is good. We'll agree to that. The balding man suffers. The balding woman dies a thousand deaths. Hair on legs is good if you're a man, bad if you're a girl. Same with arms. Chest? No question. How about armpits?

Armpits take us back to deer hunters, and deer hunters to draft dodgers, so the circle is almost complete.

And my students, when I give them an essay to write, say, "But sir, what can I write about?" Answer: if you want to be a writer, write.

The reason I'm a bit misanthropic this week is that it's snowing. I hate snow.

4-H ROUND UP
by JACK REDDEN

In all areas we have held 4-H Leaders' Workshops. At these meetings we sat down and talked about project work. Did you realize that only 78% of our 4-H'ers complete their projects? What happens to the other 22%? Well there are usually a multitude of reasons. But quite often we hear the same excuse, it was a bad year, or our leader did not help us enough. This is just a cover for laziness. As 4-H members, this is your responsibility to finish what you say you are going to do. Every club should aim for 100% completion of 4-H projects.

In a recent publication I came across the slogan that the 4-H program of Canada — offers rural youth — Dimensions for Living. What do youth gain from our program? Special skills, career guidance, working with others, understanding problems of life, scientific advances and application, knowledge of our heritage; these are among the many benefits.

4-H club members throughout Canada and United States pledge:

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Health Hints
from THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

CHEST X-RAY

Everybody agrees that chest x-rays are essential in the detection of early tuberculosis, early lung cancer, and other silent, serious lung and heart troubles. Early detection is vital because the chances of controlling or correcting these condtions are greater when treatment can be started early.

There is no question about the value of chest x-rays — but how often should they be taken?

The Canadian Medical Association says, every teen-ager should have a chest x-ray and tuberculin test — before he leaves school. If these are negative, then there need be no more chest x-rays until age 40. However, a tuberculin test should be taken annually. If the tuberculin test is positive, then a chest x-ray should be taken annually.

At age 40, chest x-rays every year should begin. The hazard of tuberculosis, lung cancer and other chest disease, becomes much greater at this stage in life — particularly for men.

The C. M. A. says that among older men who are addicted to smoking cigarettes, one out of every 300 develops lung cancer.

MEASLES

It has been taken for granted for years that every child sooner or later must have measles. In fact, almost all children in the past have at one time or another had measles. However, measles is a serious disease and can cause death and disability, according to the Canadian Medical Association. Some children develop severe pneumonia and have a difficult time recovering. Occasionally a child has a severe nervous system complication which leaves him crippled for life.

Newly developed vaccines for the prevention of measles have proven to be extremely effective. There are two types of vaccines: the killed measles vaccine and the live measles vaccine. At the present time medical opinion favors the live vaccine which has been treated so that the virus which normally causes measles has been weakened so it causes only a very mild disease — a little bit of fever, perhaps some headache, a little cough. The child gets the same protection he would have after having the full-blown disease.

There are two forms of live vaccine. One is combined with gamma globulin in order to minimize the symptoms that might develop. Another form of the vaccine is further weakened so that it does not require the giving of gamma along with it.

The C. M. A. advises that measles vaccine should be given to children over the age of nine months. In this way measles can be prevented. It is interesting that the mild, modified measles induced by the vaccine is non-infectious and yet it produces the same life-long protection that the regular disease produces.

PANTRY SALE

AT ST. JOHN'S HALL

The Ladies Guild of the St. John's Anglican Church are making preparations for a Pantry Sale as well as a Sale of Knitted goods, aprons and many other items.

At St. John's Parish Hall, on Friday, December 8th from 2 to 5 p.m., Arichat, N. S.

LABOUR-MANAGEMENT STUDY CONFERENCE

Delegates to the sixth joint labour-management study conference held in Halifax this week were told that "this has been the year of the dog as far as labour-management relations in Nova Scotia is concerned."

R. E. Anderson, deputy minister of the province's Department of Labour, said in an address to the conference that during the first six months of the current fiscal year — April 1 to September 30 — "we had more time loss in man-working days than we had for the whole of the last fiscal year, almost three times more than in the previous fiscal year, and six times more than the one preceding that."

"Strikes, both legal and illegal, have been the order of the day," he said.

Mr. Anderson reported that almost as many conciliation cases were handled by the department's industrial relations division during the first six months of the present fiscal year as the average number during each of the last five years.

The deputy labour minister said that out of 83 cases handled by department conciliation officers during the last fiscal year, only five were referred to conciliation boards. From April 1 to September 30, this year, 64 cases were handled by conciliation officers, and only two of these were referred to conciliation boards. Settlements were effected in both cases, he added.

Mr. Anderson said two industrial inquiry commissions were appointed during the last fiscal year in what were considered to be public interest disputes. In one case, he said, the industrial inquiry commission was appointed preceding a strike, while in the other no strike took place. Settlements were effected in both cases.

He reported that during the six-month period, April 1 to September 30, four additional cases were referred to industrial inquiry commissions. Two of the commissions were appointed following the initiation of strike action, another on the same day as strike action took place, and in the fourth case, a strike did not occur. In all four cases, settlements were achieved.

A total of 34 work stoppages were recorded during the fiscal year 1966-67. Twenty-nine of these were "wildcat" and accounted for a time loss of 19,650 man-days. A majority, 9,550 or nearly 50 per cent of the total man-days lost due to wildcat strikes occurred in the construction industry with over one-third of this time loss taking place at the heavy water plant in Glace Bay.

Mr. Anderson said the five legal strikes during this period accounted for a total of 29,300 man-days lost, making a total of 48,950 man-days lost from April 1, 1966 to March 31, 1967. In only one case out of the five did one of the parties make application for a conciliation board and that request came on behalf of the union.

During the six-month period from April 1 to September 30, 1967, there were a total of 22 work stoppages, 12 of which were illegal and resulted in a loss of 14,133 man-days.

He said the 1964 amendments to the concitiation precedure, whereby the appointment of conciliation boards is conditional upon the request of both parties to a dispute, was enacted with the hope that this would make for more realistic collective bargaining at the direct negotiation level.

He said settlements at the conciliation officer level, for the two years prior to the amendment were less than 55 per cent, for the three and one-half years subsequent to the amendment, over 86 per cent of the cases were settled at the conciliation officer level.

Mr. Anderson said he felt the

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TWO NEW STERN RAMP TRAWLERS CHRISTENED AT PICTOU SHIPYARD

Last Saturday was another red letter day in the already impressive history of the Ferguson Industries shipbuilding firm here, for it saw the christening of two 151 foot stern ramp trawlers, the Acadia Thunderbird and the Acadia Gannet.

CHRISTENING CEREMONY

Mrs. E. D. Haliburton, wife of Nova Scotia's Fisheries Minister Haliburton sent the traditional bottle of champagne crashing against the newly painted bow of the Acadia Thunderbird, while Mrs. Robichaud, wife of federal Fisheries Minister H. J. Robichaud performed the function for the Acadia Gannet.

Well in excess of 100 persons were in attendance for the ceremony which was chaired by Ferguson Industries President A. A. Ferguson, of Pictou. The ceremony itself was a first for the shipbuilders as it was conducted entirely on a floating barge, secured to the dock beneath the tall bows of the two vessels.

Speaking briefly during the ceremony, Fisheries Minister Robichaud said Canada has had, until a few years ago, an outmoded fishing fleet. But, he said, with the cooperation of the government and the fishing industry, Canada, in the next few years, will have one of the most modern and efficient fishing fleets.

NEED EXPORT MARKET

He said we in Canada cannot depend upon the domestic market here to support a fishing industry - we must depend upon the export market, therefore it is most essential that Canada have a modern fishing fleet.

Mr. Robichaud said the federal department of fisheries was proud of their new fisheries patrol vessel the Chebucto, completed at the Ferguson yard just over a year ago. He congratulated the Acadia Fisheries, of Mulgrave, the owners of the two new trawlers, on their confidence in the future of the fishing industry in this province.

Offering congratulations to Fergusons and the men of the Ferguson yard who built the trawlers, were Provincial Fisheries Minister Haliburton; Pictou MP Russell MacEwan; Antigonish -Guysborough MP Dr. John Stewart; and Pictou Mayor Clarence MacCarthy.

Conducting the blessings were Rev. H. E. Langwith; Rev. John Robers; and Father Jacob Andrea, all of Pictou.

TWO MORE BUILDING

The two vessels are the first stern trawlers constructed at the Ferguson yard, and are a part of an order of four being built for Acadia Fisheries. Commenting on the Thunderbird, Alan Ferguson said Saturday the men at the shipyard believe she is the finest vessel ever produced at the Pictou yard. The Thunderbird is ready for immediate delivery while the Acadia Gannet will be ready for delivery in the spring of 1968.

The two other trawlers, now designated as Hulls 168 and 169, in an advanced state of construction, are scheduled to be completed early in 1968.

MODERN EQUIPMENT

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THE INDIANS OF CANADA PAVILION OFFERED TO MONTREAL

Indian Affairs Minister Arthur Laing announced today that the Indians of Canada Pavilion has been offered to the City of Montreal. The Pavilion, rated nationally and internationally as one of the most thought-provoking at Expo, was host to over two million visitors. Included in the offer is the 71-foot, 8-ton totem pole considered to be the finest of its size to have been carved on the west coast.

In making the offer the Minister requested assurance that for at least the next five-year period there would be no change in the exterior or interior structural layout and design of the Pavilion or removal of parts therefrom without the consent of the Government of Canada.

Design, construction, and operation costs were met by the Indian Affairs' Department, but the actual storyline was conceived by the Indian people themselves to reflect the Expo theme — "To be a man is to feel that, by placing one's own stone, one contributes to the building of the edifice of the world."

"As an integral part of this theme," the Minister said, "the Pavilion has told the Indians' story from earliest times to the present. It has given them a stronger sense of pride and a common identity as they face the future, and a new confidence in their ability to make a meaningful contribution to a technological society while preserving the traditional values of their forefathers."

"In its new role", the Minister concluded, "the Pavilion will serve as a fitting memento to Canada's Indian people."

TENDERS

Sealed individual tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked "Tenders for Buoy Contract Little Anse" will be received up to Noon December 15, 1967 Atlantic Standard Time, for the maintenance of the buoy service as mentioned above.

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R.S.C. 1952, Chapter 193

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And take notice that after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice the Department will, under Section 7 of the said Act, apply to the Minister of Public Works, Canada, at his office in the City of Ottawa for approval of the said site and plan.

Dated this 21st day of November, 1967.

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