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EDITORIAL

It is perhaps ironical that a Conservative, John Diefenbaker should be bringing about the dream of the great Liberal, Sir Wilfred Laurier, that "the 20th Century shall belong to Canada." During the past few months John Diefenbaker has shown his determination to bring this dream about. His government is composed of men of French, English, Ukrainian and other extractions. His party organization includes a Chinese Canadian, while the Canadian Senate will now be graced by a Red Indian.

The Conservatives have not prated about national unity and at the same time encouraged national disunity by harping on differences between French and English speaking Canadians. Mr. Diefenbaker has shown that as far as his government is concerned, French, English, Indian, Chinese and every other kind of Canadian will get an even break. His policy of national development, particularly in the far north and Northwestern territories will in the near future make Canada a power in the world that will offset greatly the continued expansion of the Communist forces.

The contrast between Mr. Diefenbaker's plans for northern development, and Mr. Pearson's sneer at roads from igloo to igloo, is so great that it leaves little doubt as to how Canadians should vote come March 31.

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Ole 'Orrible's Column

The Cobalt streets in general and the sidewalks in particular have been in an awful condition of late. To get down the Prospect avenue steps required the agility of a mountain goat, or a pair of skis during much of the winter.

The sidewalk at the rockcut has been almost beyond description. Why someone hasn't fallen on to highway 11 and killed themselves, we don't know. The old rockcut puddle is back in full flood.

The town gang has been tied up day after day thawing out frozen water lines, using a borrowed machine. All in all, it has been a real snafu. Perhaps the best thing to do would be to put 90 per cent of the town work out for contract, or put garbage collection out for contract.

The horrible mess of spilled garbage outside the Adam's block continues. Last time a certain horrible councillor complained to the health unit, someone tipped off the tenants, and all the garbage cans were tied down and some even painted. In fact, it's the stray dogs more than the tenants who are to blame. And similar conditions exist all over town.

At a recent funeral of a veteran in Haileybury, members of the Haileybury Legion greatly appreciated the assistance rendered them by members of the Cobalt Legion. The combined forces made a grand turnout, and officers of the Haileybury group have asked us to say 'thank you' publicly to their comrades in Cobalt.

Surely something could be done to improve the southern entrance to Haileybury. At night time a few lights shine dimly through the trees. Rorke avenue is extremely dark for pedestrians and motorists alike, and on a wet night it is a very dangerous place indeed.

More lights are needed for two reasons. The first is public safety, and the second to persuade tourists that they are entering a town worth staying in, and not the entrance to a morgue.

So there is going to be a joint meeting of the candidates in New Liskeard. Foster has issued the invitation, Arnold has accepted, and we don't know what Ted Miron will do. It should be fun anyway. Don't know why candidates are so very polite these days. If we were running a political campaign we would have squads of hecklers asking awkward questions at every meeting. We are all for the old fashioned kind of politics, when candidates weren't afraid of calling a spade a so and so shovel. Of course, as a Sir John A. MacDonald Conservative, we are out of tune with nearly everyone and against nearly everything.

Judging by the number of Liberals and some CCFers who are holding down polling booth jobs, either the days of political patronage are at an end, or someone has goofed.

We cannot understand why the Liberals haven't let Ted

Miron raise more blazes. The Grits are spending a fortune on radio advertising, but he hasn't yet said anything worthy of a headline. We were impressed by his personality, but rarely hear anybody quote him as saying anything they can remember.

LEGION NEWS

With a more serious vein in our column this week, remembering the passing of two of our beloved Comrades, Eric Lundberg and Real Forget, as a great scholar quoted in the years gone by "They are with us for such a little while", I know they will be remembered forever in our hearts.

Let us as Comrades draw closer together, so that in our strength we can comfort those who are left to mourn. Comrades, when we repeat those ever solemn words of our ritual, "At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them", let us as members of the Canadian Legion say them from our heart.

Fraternally,
 Sid.

ST. ANDREW'S WOMANS FEDERATION PLAN TEA

Plans for a spring tea and bake sale were made at the recent meeting of the Women's Federation of St. Andrews United Church. The tea and bake sale will be held April 16th, at the home of Mrs. T. Crandell, Lake Shore Road.

Members were reminded of the thank offering service which

will be held on Wednesday, May 14th.

The devotional period was in charge of Mrs. Wildwood and psalm 681 was sung.

Missionary work in Japan was the lesson for the evening. Twenty subscriptions of the World French magazine are to be bought for the Explorer group.

At the close of the meeting members enjoyed a social hour.

IRISH AND SCOTCH PARTY

It was a great day for the Irish when they came out tops in the curling do held at the Curling Club Saturday, March 15th. They won over their Scotch neighbors by five points.

Play started in the p.m., and continued again in the evening after the Pot Luck Supper at 6.30 which was well attended.

Mrs. J. C. McAlpine of Cobalt entertained during the evening

with selections on the piano and community singing was also enjoyed.

The Irish were given Shamrocks and the Scotch, plaid ribbons on arrival to distinguish

which side they favored other Nationalities were allowed to choose sides.

A draw was made with Allan McIsaac of Parry Sound being the winner.

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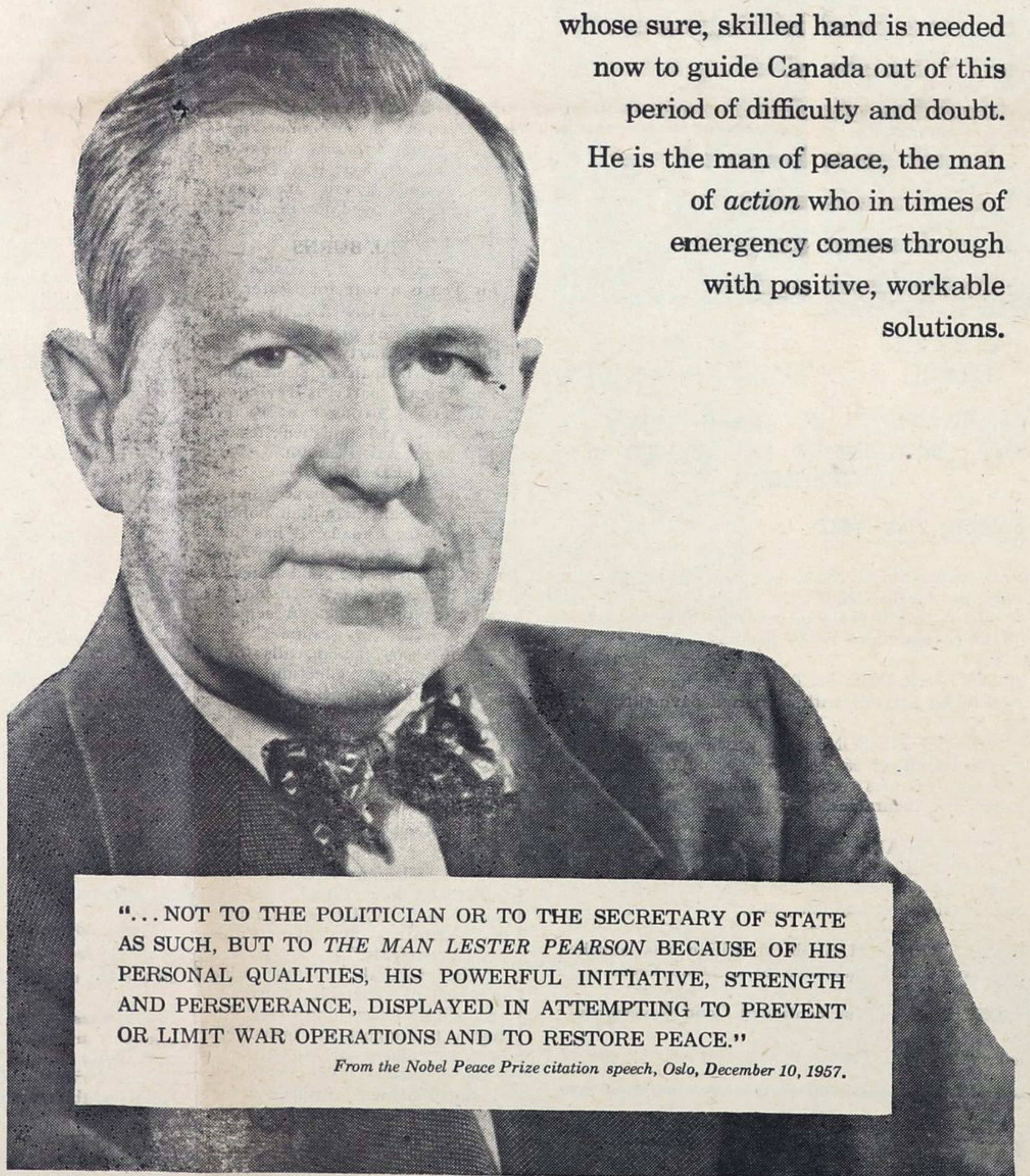
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