

Conflict and contrast . . .

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carrier as we drove over Zurich, Switzerland, across the Alps and over Milan and the deep blue Mediterranean to reach Cyprus, that key island in the Mediterranean, with a population of over 639,000. The population is divided roughly into 77 per cent Greek Orthodox and 18 per cent Turkish Cypriot Moslems and it is in this distinction the basic problem of Cyprus takes on world significance.

The island is located only 40 miles from Turkey and approximately 60 miles from Lebanon. Greece lies just 400 miles away. With the loss of western influence along the southern flank of the Mediterranean, Cyprus with its two British sovereign base areas takes on increasing importance.

The existence of Greek and Turkish cultures on the island, both of which are tied in closely to their mother countries, means that any renewed fighting on Cyprus, which significantly threatens the minority Turkish Cypriot population, could bring intervention by Turkey and obligate Greece. This would strain the NATO alliance and generally increase the insecurity of the Middle East.

Russia is, of course, standing by to fill the vacuum and the presence of her fleet in the Mediterranean is a constant reminder of that fact.

Maintenance of the peace on this small island of some 120 miles by 60 miles is under the U.N. flag and British, Danish, Finnish, Irish, and Swedish forces along with the Canadian forces which we visited, perform the duty.

To the Canadians falls the task of maintaining the U.N. peace in the city of Nicosia, the island's capital and surrounding area which is one of the major territorial divisions into which the U.N. forces have been divided. Their mandate is to prevent a recurrence of fighting, to contribute to keeping law and order, and to assist in the return to normal conditions.

Across from the luxurious and gracious Ledra Palace Hotel, which was our home during our Cyprus visit, the U.N. presence becomes abundantly clear. Down the road in one direction stands the Greek Cypriot soldier. In the opposite direction lies his counterpart the Turkish Cypriot soldier. In the middle is the U.N. outpost which is manned around the clock by a Canadian Forces soldier.

Initially one gets the feeling of toy soldiers at play but as we travelled the green line which separates the areas of Nicosia between Greek and Turkish settlements, the reality of the game drove itself home more forcefully. Those are real guns each carried and the looks we received were not ones to encourage in us the feeling of this being some giant charade.

Pointing a camera at either Greek or Turkish Cypriot outposts could bring an immediate reaction and of course we were cautioned in advance that our film would likely be exposed if this were undertaken.

Closer to the central part of Nicosia we could see buildings which were battle scarred from the vicious street fighting which broke out in late 1963.

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A GREEK SENTRY stood guard at the Government Palace where an assassination attempt on the life of Archbishop Makarios took place.



ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS received the group of newsmen for his first press conference in six months, at the Government Palace in Nicosia. The Archbishop is also the president of Cyprus.

Says Canada in danger of losing means to supply food—economist

W. R. Kellough, a land economist, told 150 farmers from Halton and Peel that Canada was in danger of losing the means to provide its own food supply.

He said only 7.5 per cent of the country's land mass is under any agricultural pursuit and this mass is shrinking. He noted that in 1969 the country realized an adverse balance of trade in agricultural products for the first time.

The economist said it was clear that food could be shipped cheaper than it can be grown in some cases, but he warned that if this was done on a great scale Canada would lose independence if it lost the ability to feed the people.

H.F.A. meeting He made the statements at a meeting held by Halton Federation of Agriculture Monday at Ontario School for the Deaf in Milton where farmers were invited to discuss the problem of succession duties and gift taxes.

Mr. Kellough cited a net loss of 752,462 acres of agriculture land in Ontario from 1961 to 1966. He said the growth of Toronto could be seen as an encroachment on the surrounding farm communities.

Competition Industry competes with agriculture for land and eventually gets it because industrialists can afford a higher marginal cost because of their income and demand elasticity.

He said farmers would sell their land and move 10 or 15 miles away to buy a new farm, bidding up the price on that land and eventually finding themselves in a position of selling again and finally giving up farming and moving to the city.

Mr. Kellough said approximately 11,500 farms in Ontario would at some time be taxed out of business. Right now, 14.5 per cent of agricultural land in Ontario is under the urban shadow.

He wondered aloud if the country could afford to stand by while the erosion of the food-producing capability continues. Perry Hall, a Brampton lawyer who prepared a brief for a Chinguacousy group of ratepayers and presented it in Ottawa and Toronto, also spoke at the meeting.

Can't carry on He used examples of farms of 200 acres assessed at \$100 per acre. He said estate and succession duties would amount to \$70,000 and quite likely prohibit the son from being able to carry on the farm.

Mr. Hall said the son would be left with no means to pay the tax so he would have to leave farming.

He said the brief asks that farmers be assessed on productive value rather than speculative value.

OFA president there Gordon Hill, Ontario Federation of Agriculture president, OFA general manager Jack Hale and MPP Jim Snow were among those attending the meeting.

Snow was the only one of the two provincial and two federal members serving Halton to accept the invitation to attend.

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Members of the Arts and Crafts of Georgetown have been enjoying craft courses recently, under the convenership of Mrs. W.J. Beatty of Acton.

Julius Holm, a Danish craftsman now residing in Toronto, is instructor for the silver and gold wire jewelry class held on Thursdays in the Canada Trust boardroom. He has demonstrated his skill in this craft at a number of exhibitions in the Toronto area.

Wire jewelry requires only a few simple tools and a lively imagination. The members are making bracelets, ear-rings, finger rings, pendants, and necklaces; often incorporating pearls, gemstones or polished stones in their creations.

Mrs. Beatty and Mrs. H. Bessem of Acton area are both taking this class. Some of Mrs. Bessem's polished stones are being incorporated into the articles.

A Friday morning class meets at the home of Mrs. J.P.S. Mills on Maple Ave., for lessons in Advanced Silverwork. Instruction is given by Miss Judith Almond, a senior in the School of Design at Sheridan College.

OUR READERS WRITE:

Delivery delay in Toronto

Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir,

After reading the March 10 copy of the paper, I noticed the article on "Tracing Delivery Delay". Being in Toronto now, I'm caught up in this hold-up too.

Facts: Paper for March 3 arrived Monday, March 8.

Miracle Fact: Paper for March 10 arrived Thursday, March 11. — the very day you noted the delay in the paper.

The delay is definitely in Toronto. Last August, the postman told me that standard practice is to deliver weekly papers on Friday. And that means newspapers pile up in Toronto stations until Friday, IF there isn't too much other mail, or the weather isn't too bad, or there isn't a strike (last summer) — about three weeks were tied up.

What happened with last week's paper is unbelievable. I've been reading the Free Press for two years now, and it is a delightful change from the Toronto Star. My father loves it because it is so small-town and newsy with little happenings (that are only fillers in the dailies).

I like to read on what my former students and other people I know are doing now. Mary Ann Freuler's High School column is still interesting, even though I no longer get mentions in it. The "Sugar & Spice" and "Salt & Pepper" columns are fun reading, especially Bill Smiley's reference to the teaching "profession", which are "right-on".

Keep winning those awards.

Yours sincerely, (Mrs.) Marcla (Novak) Papoff, 29 Rondale Blvd. Toronto 392.

She encourages her students to use free-form contemporary designs in their silverwork.

Both Mrs. Bessem and Mrs. Beatty are taking part in this class too.

There has been enthusiastic response to these courses and the members are looking forward to a class in Advanced Glass later in the spring.

Don't get discouraged when business slumps a little. They had to close the Coliseum in Rome when the lions ate up the prophets.

No surprise

OTTAWA, 1st March, 1971.

Dear Hartley:

I was delighted to learn that the Acton Free Press placed Third in the Province wide class for best Editorial page. Congratulations to you, and your staff, for achieving such recognition from the Ontario Weekly Newspapers Association.

As you know I am an admirer of The Acton Free Press and news of this award came as no surprise to me.

Again, my sincerest congratulations to all who helped make this success possible.

Yours sincerely, Rud L. Whiting, M.P. HALTON.

Accident shows need

To The County of Halton, Township of Nassagaweya and Esquesing:

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you concerning the hill on 15 Sideroad at the corner of the Nassagaweya-Esquesing Town Line. You had a meeting about this road on March 4, 1971. Some of the people were in favor of having it fixed and others were not. One person doesn't want his house ruined. Whose house is more important than a person's life? You can build a new house but you sure can't bring back a life.

Some of these people should have seen the accident that was there on Friday, March 12, 1971. It sent seven people to hospital, including four children. Two of the children have serious head injuries and two adults were seriously injured; one will be on his back for at least three months.

You say you will start work on this road in 1974; there could be a lot of people injured or killed before then. It shouldn't take too long to make that place in the road passable and safer. Now you'd better give this matter some serious thought and get something done with that hill.

We took up a petition to get that hill fixed and Mr. Corbett thanked us for sending it in and said he would look into the matter, so why doesn't he look into it right away and get something done with it?

A concerned citizen

Fix up our own house first

P.O. Box 571, Guelph.

Dear Sir:

Listening to a politician the other evening on a late night program, I began to wonder if all the money being channelled into an organization which buys food for needy people in underdeveloped countries, as well as sponsoring children, is being spent wisely. No balance sheets are ever produced or published by these organizations and it is done on a more or less trust basis.

Whilst it is without a doubt most heartening to know people are willing to sponsor children in these countries, which in effect means they become foster parents by mail, is it so essential that we sponsor somebody with whom we never have personal contact when there are thousands of destitute and sick children in our country?

I would venture to suggest to all involved in this very admirable project that they concentrate on those people here in this country first, for some of the children and families I have visited in the past few months are living in conditions which, until you see them first hand, as I have, you could never believe this could happen in Canada.

A lot of the money which is being taken out of the country could be used by the masses of unemployed, who although they draw benefits from this and welfare, are still found to live in degrading and disquieting conditions. Welfare, when added to unemployment benefits doesn't do much for you. In most cases it is a mere pittance.

The present federal government doesn't seem concerned that human beings are having to beg for what is rightfully theirs. What is handed out to them is only a drop in the bucket. The welfare department, too, maintains inspectors who are ever ready to prune and cut up welfare whenever possible.

In one case I know of the old age pension increase, which amounted to just over two dollars, was deducted from the meagre \$11 a week being received by a man of 69 years. Who are these people who are so unconcerned at the present plight of humanity living in degrading conditions?

Let's unite, put our own people's problems first. Then we can all put shoulders to the wheel and help others abroad.

Yours truly, A. E. Welch.

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