

EDITORIALS

Price Index Changes Due This Year

The consumer price index is going to be overhauled. The work of revising the cost-of-living indicator has been going on for some time and trade and commerce officials here hope it will be ready for a complete change in 1960.

"weighted" at about 30 per cent of the total. Thus an increase in the price of food will have a greater effect on the total price index than will an increase in shoeleaves.

Tobacco Exports

It is encouraging to learn that the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers' Marketing Board is considering steps for overseas sales representation.

their supplies from sources which are able to provide, from year to year, the grades of leaf which they require at competitive prices.

The serious situation now facing Canadian flue-cured growers with respect to the export market for their product was emphasized in an address by Dr. Norman A. MacRae, Chief Tobacco Division, Dominion Experimental Farms, according to an editorial in The Simcoe Reformer.

Dr. MacRae's words are very timely and should be given due consideration so far as production in 1960 and succeeding years is concerned.

"Do we want to develop an export market? Do we even wish to hold what we have gained or are we prepared to hand it over to others? Production can be controlled, as you well know, to satisfy only the domestic market, if this is the way you wish to have it.

Another major factor in the export market is price. The United States has already lost a substantial share of its former export total by reason of the fact that European markets were able to secure flue-cured tobacco at much lower prices from Southern Rhodesia and other countries, where labour cost was much lower.

Elliott Lake Needs a Hand

The model town of Elliott Lake, which got under way four short years ago, is now facing a crisis caused by the cessation of uranium contracts which were the sinews of the town's foundation.

for new towns in remote areas unless they have a particular purpose in the development of natural resources.

The town, built to meet defence needs for uranium, has sewers, water, paved roads, a new 120 bed hospital, 12 churches, 10 excellent schools, established business, a live newspaper, television and radio facilities.

The thought which occurs is, "Did promoters use Elliott Lake for a fast buck leaving workers and business people to perish in the void?" This is a case where the Government can step in, nullify the mistakes that have been made and make use of the millions of dollars in physical assets that are available.

The Elliott Lake Chamber of Commerce in a wire to Premier Diefenbaker has an answer when it states:

The suggestion of the Elliott Lake Chamber of Commerce is a good one. Elliott Lake could provide needed amenities for a new industry and the men to operate the same.

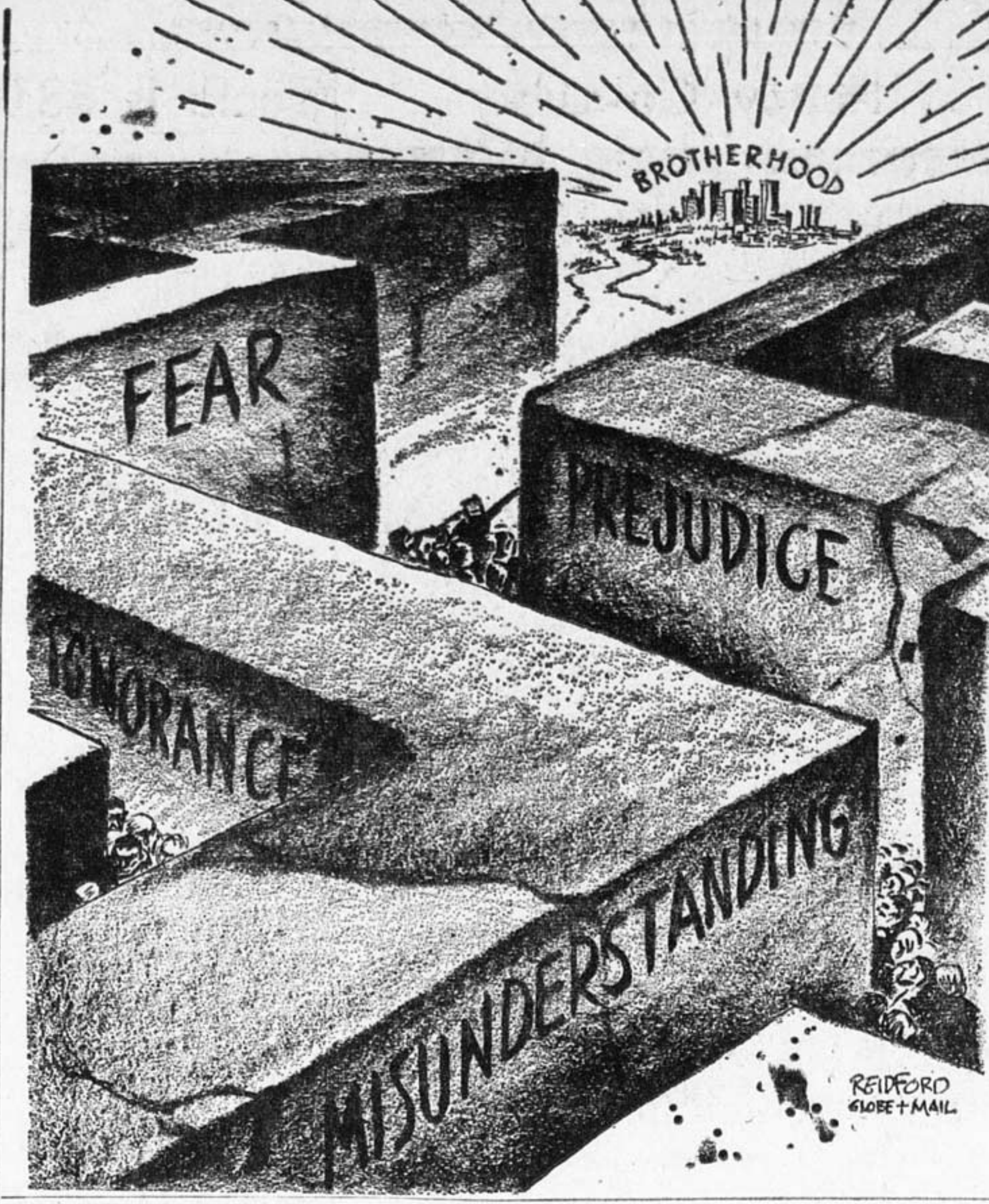
"This community, faced with dissolution of its economic and social structure through loss of uranium oxide market prospects, seeks the most immediate and courageous attention of you, sir, to undertake action that will turn Elliott Lake from a discard city to a prosperous nuclear products supply and research centre.

Elliott Lake needs a hand and there is no reason why the rest of Canada should not assist.—Meaford Express.

From the Blue Bell

Nomination for the funniest telephone story of the month comes from our friends in Minnesota. A telephone operator in a small town plugged into a farmer's line and the only answer she received was a "moo."

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Ed Youngman's Column...

The Jack Paar TV show starts at 11:30 p.m., which means that, me being a working stiff and needing considerable sack time, don't get to see it as often as I would like because I can't get to bed until after 11:30 p.m.



In the Dim and Distant Past

25 YEARS AGO (February 21, 1935) On Feb. 18th the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion elected their officers: President, Mrs. H. Ashlee; 1st Vice, Mrs. F. Clarke; 2nd Vice, Mrs. E. Jacobs; Secretary, Mrs. H. R. King; Treasurer, Mrs. B. King; Executive, Mrs. J. Living; Mrs. A. Clapp; Mrs. L. Clapp; Social Convener, Mrs. Clarke; Auditors, Mrs. J. Goodall, Mrs. E. Bennett; Inside Guard, Mrs. R. Dusenbury.

-SUGAR and SPICE-

Dispensed by Bill Smiley. There is quite a furore about these days about fluoridation. All the experts—federal Department of Health, Canadian Medical Association, Canadian Dental Association, and others—are just busting to get some sodium fluoride into our drinking water.

Letters To The Editor

43 Prince St., Bowmanville, Ont., Feb. 11, 1960. Mr. John James, Editor, Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville, Ont. Dear Mr. James: We, of the Bowmanville Kinnetic Club, want to thank you and your staff for the excellent coverage regarding the Polio Campaign in the Canadian Statesman.

Don Jackson Wins Crown For 2nd Time

Many people in Bowmanville and district were thrilled last weekend when Don Jackson, a former member of the Bowmanville Skating Club, captured his second consecutive Canadian Men's Figure Skating Championship in Regina.

Choral Group Prepares For Festival

Bowmanville Choral Society has already commenced rehearsals in preparation for the Peterborough Kiwanis Music Festival to be held May 9th to May 17th.

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