

CITIZENS' FORUM "More Leisure or More Money" (1956-59?)

CBC ~~Toronto~~ Vancouver production

- 000 First sound/image 4 indiv. comment of their needs/wants (intro)
- 1:33 Do shorter work hours mean more leisure? "Citizens Forum"  
Should an employee be allowed to work 2 jobs @ one time?
- 1:48 Intro of panelists: Ralph Travis - businessman + Chamber of Commerce  
Roy Burlbank - business exec.  
Hilda Brown - broadcaster  
George Mitchell - labour leader (IWA) (or Fishman)  
Gordon Hawkins - CHAIRPERSON
- 1:30 walks around room asking questions - in the "post Sputnik" age
- 2:32 Ms Brown speaks: question of human capacity + need for fulfillment  
... the only really healthy person is one who is functioning to his/her full mental capacity... where the responsibility lies in educating people on how best to spend their leisure time... so often people are eager to get home from their job one wonders to what degree they are fulfilled... labour leader
- 3:24 comments  
Is technological change determining our needs for money + more leisure time?
- 4:30 Role of society ... not just industry
- 5:02 Ms Brown speaks on time and IWA (briefly)
- 6:30 " " " conditioned to working long hours not intellectually endowed to fulfill leisure to date because of this schedule.
- 7:19 Q. / The shorter day ... effects on worker?
- 8:09 Mitchell talks about role of union as rep. of people but management must have input as well + some responsibility
- 9:25 Industry is ... combination of 4 groups  
Company, management, employee, union
- 10:00 MS BROWN ... resents statement by Mitchell "nothing as feeble as one indiv. trying to do something"
- 11:43 Certain amount of organization required if we are going to live with one another?
- 13:14 MS BROWN ... BC Recreation "post Sputnik" age HARNELL ATKINS for PEOPLES programme (?) which may give us nothing but leisure time. Educate children in leisure time

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15:08 Q/ of Moonlighting (Hot issue!)

15:15 Union generally frowns upon this work practice Is it need or is it greed? More often its greed according to MITCHELL

16:17 Management view on moonlighting

18:20 Keeping up w/ the Jones's if you like "HELPHIAN DAYS"?

18:30 MS BROWN - re: industrial reports: - in the past unions negotiated for a shorter work week so that employees might take on these second jobs

18:46 Not case today ... union frowns upon it ... industry should assist in keeping employees at par with C.O.L.

19:27 Q/ Unions take measures to prevent moonlighting?

20:10 In BC's secondary industries require govt assistance until on firm footing.

20:45 MS BROWN - advertising (re: industry's responsibility to public) is the number one cause of this feeling to "keep up with the Jones's" Industry takes advantage of this "leisure time" everyone chuckles.

21:27 Industry's perspective ... some argument ...

22:20 MS BROWN - concerned about distribution of ideas, work within a different framework ...

23:40 (Riddell) Either that man's wife or kids are begging him for something .. ie/ why cant I have ... et. Father ends up in a state of exasperation and ends up going out + getting a second job, at risk of life + limb

25:08 Chamber of Commerce rep - Concerned over what is happening w/ indiv. today ... I want responsibility for my own destiny ... to what end that I do things w/ may effect or injure others ... precious thing I want to provide my own destiny ... DEBATE OPENS UP ...

26:50 Shots of MS BROWN.

Q/ Where is the pressure coming from to change our minds on whether we want more leisure or more money?

MS BROWN - do you not feel a kind of aggressiveness on behalf of advertising by industry ... this "peddling" feel to products

CITIZENS FORUM - "Should Govt Support the Arts"

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- 000 first image portrait in frame / music  
v/o tonight in the Vancouver Art gallery panelist / citizens discuss  
:34 pan of audience + panelists on panel  
:44 B.C. Binning - artist v.o.c. (in favour)  
Harold Weir - journalist columnist (against)  
Anna Spratt - alderman (in favour)  
Roderick Haig-Brown - author  
Dr. Malcolm McEneaney - head of Classics Dept. UBC

2:13 Q/ Would subsidies remedy situation... is/ Canada is a cultural vacuum.

4:17 A subsidized artist is a 2nd rate artist create a mass of substandard product... not masterpieces (HAROLD WEIR)

4:35 (SPRATT) - time to do something about the talent in this country

(BROWN) - 2 distinctions: 1. support subsidies  
Creative artist + the Creative performer.

"the merch talented indiv. these have to be made before subsidies can occur"

6:53 Canada is so used to difficulties that we have learned to overcome them Fed. Govt has been wonderful re: MASSEY commission + est. of Canada Council. Opportunities exist if given a chance.

(BROWN) I'm afraid we sat there for 20 yrs and with the senate we have now we'll end up w/ some mighty queer artists (LAUGHTER)

8:22 (BINNING) - enter into this w/ some faith create a lot of activity & then slowly but come ideas very keen about "public art"

10:46 What about scholarships... our Univ. or schools... for writers...

12:40 (SCOTT) the DRAMA group entered Dominion Festival from a Univ. won first award for civic contribution by women for their position in the festival. Money will help develop the great talent we have in this country

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- 16:15 (BINNING) you seem to think that since the govt will be supporting arts that artists will be dictated to, but this is a democratic country, I don't think you'll get the same work like Russia is producing. We should express a democratic kind of thing
- \* 17:10 (BROWN) As a housewife & mother of a family I've always had to budget for my family... exposing my family to the Arts is as much a part of their education... I must take care of their education, as a mother, & I think the govt should be as responsible for its citizens, if they are going to keep their people happy & cared for. To give the poor child an opportunity if they have the interest etc...
- 19:50 (BINNING) There's got to be a Nat'l Awakening & the primary responsibility lies w/ govt to tell its people who they are, in of itself, what are its values / Integrate people w/ the Arts
- 20:24 (Cnd Association for Public EDUCATION (CAPE) has prepared a pamphlet w/ the essential info on tonight's production/presentation /o Citizens' Forum 113 St George St, TO, ONT. Subscribe to full series by writing.
- 21:00 (AUDIENCE) - David Saltell - Why Mr Binning thinks Arts' a good thing & why it should be financed?  
T. Mitensen - to Mr. Weir, What do you consider the Seagrams Collection to be? (re: comment on Michaelangelo rising up from the gutter to produce work - a divine right if you will)
- 24:16 Bob Edgar - JRC - to Ms Sprott - can't Arts admin. on behalf of govt support be brought up through the elementary school system, forward?
- 25:18 SPOTT - govt support + personal encouragement - feels many cannot continue due to money problems "two birds"  
D. ATLAN James Atkin - what about the dictatorship of the public as expressed by the "load" they must bear - the common denominator of taste

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(BENNING) -

27:56

It may fall flat on its face if we are as dull, as Canadians,  
as some people would have us think (LAUGHTER)

Q Govt supports other groups ... aren't worried about 2nd +  
3rd class scientists, soldiers ... why only worried about  
artists? (to Mr Warr)

28:55

... and good evening (DR. MALCOLM MCGREGOR)

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CITIZENS' FORUM - "Should Drug Addicts Go to Jail?"

Oct 15/59 Telecast: Nov 1/59

00:02 first image  
:02 "Citizens' Forum" title

:19 "Should Drug Addicts Go to Jail" title  
:19 Gordon Hawkins - chairperson into a "jury"

1:16 a #5 capsule - standard drug capsule  
(Mr. McMoran) - city prosecutor (public)

2:28 Q/ Is there a legal definition of a drug addict in this country?  
(McMoran) No...in Calif. there is but does not apply here

3:56 3 things need to be considered - taking profit of of drugs;  
admit as a nation that we've failed if drug addiction is the  
problem; do not jail addicts wrong kind of legislation

5:10 (Dr. Guy Richmond) - chief medical officer, Okalla - defines  
indiv who becomes habitually intox. no overpowering desire  
physic / psycho dependent & tolerant of drug that increases  
the need for more

6:00 no such thing as personality characteristics for potential  
addicts - but after addiction, characteristics are similar  
demonialization; health decline; excessive group associations  
strong bonds; low frustration threshold; languid; rarely violent  
8:16 addiction/criminality associated: primarily delinquent &  
secondarily addicts

10:14 In Britain, a more cultural, artistic environment of addicts  
10:35 treatment in jail - most addicts return & continue to be  
addicted - Gordon Stevenson - treating addicts in prison  
almost addiction to jail

Mervyn Davis - director, John Howard Society BC - Jail is the most  
ingenious device with which anyone can develop criminal behaviour  
perpetuates any form of criminal activity. Left w/ definite  
vacuum & fills w/ ideas within prison ends up a weaker,  
less socially adapted indiv. upon leaving jail.

13:07 Constant discussion about drugs while in jail, freedom to use  
upon leaving...

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13:56 Conditioning that prepared them, while in prison, for drug addiction tends to stay w/ them

14:20 Chances for cures? Not many, though some intense desire, must want to give up something that fills many needs.

15:26 Cannon Higgs - The Church alternatives to prison? Law today is bad (Canon Stanley E Higgs) Delegate treatment of problem to prevention. A revision of Law should - opium / drugs (be legal for Dept Health & Welfare to administer treatments to addicts. If you miss treatment, the prosecution will take place here. Addicts will be registered.

18:43 Venereal Disease control act - person who refuses to go for treatment is committing a criminal act.

22:00 Dr. Abbott Halliday - Drug Addiction Foundation of BC. Cannot cure but can treat the problem.

23:51 LSD as treatment for drug addicts; drug in hands of qualified researchers; still has prospects but no proven benefit yet.

25:17 A hospital - jail has not proved to be valuable model A medical / psychological plus social problem - Treatment needs to be at both ends

27:20 4 men / one woman / one chair for you as jury all white

29:06 Titles: Should Drug Addicts go to Jail?

29:09 next week: Should we Censor Obscenity?

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