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We may not be ready

dress to the Associated Boards of but it's a long job, and quick work Trade in Prince George in September, will be needed if they are to be ready was almost casual in his references to for next July—as Mr. Gaglardi prothe condition of Highway 16 west.

He said light-heartedly that only sioner Richard Downing they will be. ferry service next summer.

possible takes a little longer."

Not all Northerners, however, are as happy as the highways minister is about the outlook for this road. While they acknowledge that a great deal has been accomplished, and that large up if the route is to be ready for Alsections of the new highway are now in excellent condition, they have reservations about what can be done in time for the ferry service inaugural, expected in July.

Trucking companies which now haul heavy equipment between Prince George and Prince Rupert claim the Houston bridge over the Bulkley River also must be replaced. Neither it nor the Copper River bridge will bear the weights required, or anything like it.

Buses also, especially the big ones that are expected to carry thousands of passengers between the U.S. and Alaska once the ferry service begins, would be banned from some of the present bridges.

One northern trucking firm manager said there are 40 bridges along

ruling Conservative party promises more Labor-

vatives would complete the switch from a year

ago when they were confidently predicting

power "for the next decade at least" on the

basis of Labor's bitter interparty wrangling.

Even a mild disturbance among the Conser-

But the Labor party demonstrated last week

that it has united solidly behind the leader-

ship of Hugh Gaitskell and that the left-

wing element which had boisterously thrown

its weight around a year ago had been brought

last conference, has had to bow to protests that

the conventions are inhibited by the arrange-

ments committee which does not permit a free-

Until this year, when the rules were revised,

it had been the custom of the Conservatives to

keep their dirty linen out of sight and present

wheeling debate of the Labor type.

Also, the Conservative hierarchy, since its

like hoopla than the Labor party produced at

its unusually tranquil meeting last week.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Mr. Gaglardi, in the optimistic utter- the route to be replaced. Many of them ances contained in his brief ad- are being replaced with big culverts, mised Alaska Public Works Commis-

98 miles of road work, plus replacing. Nor is the job of renovating the of the bridge over the Copper River, is road a simple task. True, there are all that is needed to bring the high- only 98 miles to be completed, but they way up to a standard that will handle are the worst 98 miles along the enthe heavy traffic expected with the tire 470-mile route. Existing sections opening of the Prince Rupert-Alaska between Endako and Burns Lake, Burns Lake and Houston, Moricetown Mr. Gaglardi's cheerfulness over and Hazelton, Cedarville and Terrace, tough jobs is well known. He might are all in extremely bad condition. So have coined the expression: "The dif- much so that many trucking comficult we accomplish at once; the im- panies may well refuse to put their vehicles over the route at all.

The highways department has been renovating this route at a rate of about 20 miles a year. This snail's pace will certainly have to be speeded aska traffic by next July.

Still another factor which worries ferry service officials concerns the Canadian federal government, which has agreed to build the slips necessary to handle the 350-foot-long ferries at Prince Rupert.

So far there has been no indication when this work will get started, and once again, time is running short.

If this route and port facilities are not ready by the agreed time, a great deal of harm and poor publicity for B.C. will result, which will take a far longer time to undo than to create.

We sincerely hope both Mr. Gaglardi and Federal Transport Minister David Walker recognize this.

U.K. Tories may air 'dirty linen' at parley

This week's annual conference of Britain's a public picture of unity and leadership.

By ROD CURRIE

Canadian Press Staff Writer

The Prince George Citizen.

Now the serenity has been broken by the

European Common Market, Labor's recovery and

the unpopular policies of Selwyn Lloyd, chan-

Market will be directed by Sir Derek Walker-

Smith, a former health minister, who submit-

ted an amendment critical of the official reso-

lution supporting Common Market and only

three of them give unqualified backing to the

greatest amount of embarrassment since his

plan for boosting Britain's economy by means

of a "pay pause" and increased taxation are

have won general public sympathy. And many,

including party supporters, are against Lloyd's

policies on the grounds that his scheme dis-

honored arbitration agreements for certain em-

ployees and provided labor campaigners with

unpopular in almost all quarters.

But it is probable that Lloyd will cause the

Teachers and civil servants, in particular,

Opposition to Britain entering the Common

cellor of the exchequer.

market plan.

new ammunition.

camp fire. As it rained next of their profession or calling, day, neither they nor we broke they create a personality which can be put on and camp, so our acquaintance taken off like a costume. It is, was furthered by visits back in fact, one of the great creand forth. ative arts." And it was late in the after-

On a canoe trip a couple of

years ago my party made

camp on an island on which

a man and his wife were al-

ready camped in another site.

After supper, we went over

and paid a friendly visit. The

man had the same

known entertain-er, singer and

comedian. But he

was a quiet, re-

served man, and

bookish little wo-

esting evening around

man devoted to

botany. We had a most inter-

his wife a gentle,

VICTORIA Developments on the problem of liquor laws that discriminate against 39,-000 B.C. Indians prompted us to ask recently which government was passing the buck to

and sharp retort from Frank Howard, CCF MP for Skeena. He wrote: "It is my opinion that both the B.C. government and the Canadian government have been passing the buck to each other on this matter for the last seven or eight years. "To me this position is in-

a situation which has been degrading in itself."

Frank Calder, CCF MLA for Atlin, who is himself an Indian, tried hard to get equality for Indians at the last session of the B.C. Legislature, and the B.C. Legislature did propose changes.

the whole mixed-up business.

dian Act provides that the sederal cabinet may order that almost any section of the act need not apply to any band or group of Indians.

Mr. Howard suggested that this should immediately apply to permit B.C. Indians to possess liquor off the reserves. Then bands could vote on whether they wanted to have

liquor on reserves. aprilt of other mections, she anid. "Much less it is designed to enable the federal government to circumvent provincial action or responsibility." so back we go to the status

But Mr. Howard is a twogun man. With one hand he's

him so different from the popular image of him, he said: "I created the character, which is my profession, the way a painter would paint & portrait. This is a far commoner form of art, than is generally realized. Countless thousands of people develop a character for public presentation that screens their private personalities. Store clerks, doctors, civil servants, policemen, clergymen. For the needs

the man was the well-known

entertainer, comedian and

When I expressed my na-

tural astonishment on finding

off, however, saying his government, being democratic, a people's government, interested only in the welfare of humanity, and not of dollars, is always willing to take a second look, and that's what it

that—nothing to do—no double-cross, no double-talk, no about-face, just a Social Cre-

The Packsack Le. Agregory. Clark Le. han Leader Strachan, rubbing his hands in political glee, has been digging into the past. He rubs his hands in glee because he sees the Social Credit government in steaming hot water with free enterprise and capitalism, which it purports to support, and which Mr. Strachan hates.

LOOK SHARP... FEEL SHARP... BE SHARP..."

He's a good digger, is Mr. Strachan, and he has come up with quotes from Social Credit big-wigs who, last year, expressed horror at the CCF proposal that the B.C. Electric be taken over by govern-

Mr. Strachan says he has come up with all these quotes from the immediate past "in an effort to boost the fine old gastronomic art of crow-eating," and he laughs hollowly and wickedly and leeringly as he says it.

It's quite a compendium of quotes Mr. Strachan has dug up. The Premier shrugs it all did with the B.C. Electric. Why, says the Premier, bland-

Victoria Report by J. K. Nesbitt

dit second look. Mr. Strachan says he found that, at the Social Credit convention in 1958, the Premier said' "To take over the B.C. Electric at today's valuation would cost over \$500,000,000. We would have to pay 5½ or 6 per cent for that money. To put up sinking funds and de-

preciation funds we'd have to increase rates, and not create a single job. We have better use for our guarantees elsewhere. In last year's election cam-

paign, Attorney-general Bonner said, according to Strachan, that it was "irresponsible of the C.C.F. to say that, if they were elected, the government would take over the B.C. Electric. Who's being irresponsible now? That's what Mr. Strachan wants to

Why, said, Mr. Bonner a year ago according to Mr. Strachan. if the CCF ever took over the B.C. Electric it would set B.C. back 30 years, and stunt the capital inflow into B.C. of millions of dollars a year. Well, who's stunting B.C. now? Mr. Strachan says he knows, and he has no hesitation in tell-

ing anyone, everyone who will listen to him.

Mr. Strachan, in his refound John Tisdalle of Saanich, when electioneering and seeking votes, said: "Of course we're lukewarm to public power. Social Credit, which is a private enterprise party, is always in favor of private enterprise power." Ha, ha, ha, goes Mr. Strachan to this from

Yes, Mr. Strachan is enjoying himself hugely as he sees the capitalistic system lambasting the Social Credit government; the capitalists reckon that the Premier has sold their system down the river of socialism. Mr. Strachan chuckles, and not to himself, as he listens to the Premier, up to his neck in socialism, decrying the evils of socialism, saying that his government supports free enterprise, and the capitalistic system.

The whole thing makes no sense to Mr. Strachan; out of the confusion he hopes he and his CCF'ers will be elected the government in 1964.

He really had nothing to do with it, but, right before his delighted eyes, he sees his enemies divided.

ADVERTISING IN THE NEWS BRINGS RESULTS

Both governments passing buck o. on issue of liquor for Indians

By PADDY SHERMAN In The Vancouver Province

defensible and has aggravated

As everybody knows, B.C. Indians are allowed to drink beer in the beer parlor but nowhere else. The Canadian's home may be his castle, but not if he's a Canadian Indian. This has bred considerable

bitterness among Indians who feel it is rank discrimination.

But Ottawa refused to counenance the changes. Working independently, Mr. Howard and Attorney-General Bonner later suggested to Ottawa that there is an easy way out of

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trying to blaze a new way to fair drinking rights for the Indians but with the other he's plugging away at the obstacles on the old route.

Last year he prepared form resolution fro B.C. Indian bands who wanted to take a vote on drinking rights. So The question drew a prompt far 37 bands have asked Ottawa to permit voting. Twenty-two of these have been given permission, and 10 more will get it at any moment.

But so far as B.C. is concerned, it will be a slow process. The letter of the act will be rigidly applied, and B.C.s 195 bands will have to move slowly and individually towards a vote on drinking on their 1,619 resreves.

The end result; for the Indian, perhaps eventual equality; for B.C., a long-time enforcement headache.

The lighter side

A merchant seaman was being investigated under the McCarran Act. "Do you," asked the interrogator, "have any pornographic literature?" "Pornographic literature! the sailor burst out indignant ly, "I don't even have a poinograph,"-Render's Digest.



EVA LATHAM, of Peterborough, has been 'named director of women's activities in the New Democratic Party, Party 1. officials announced the appointment at Ottawa week. Miss Latham, who will take up her new post January 1, is at present executive di-Peterborough



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to heel.

TT'S WOODEN MONEY, NUT - don't be atraid to accept it during National Forest Products Week, October 15 to 21. Some 45,000 of the tokens, like the one held by pretty University of British Columbia student Patricia Sandquist will go into circulation throughout British Co-

lumbla during the week. Designed as a reminder that approximately half of every dollar

parned in the province comes directly or indirectly from the forests, the "wooden nickels" will

be worth 50 cents at today's prices at major retail building supply dealers.