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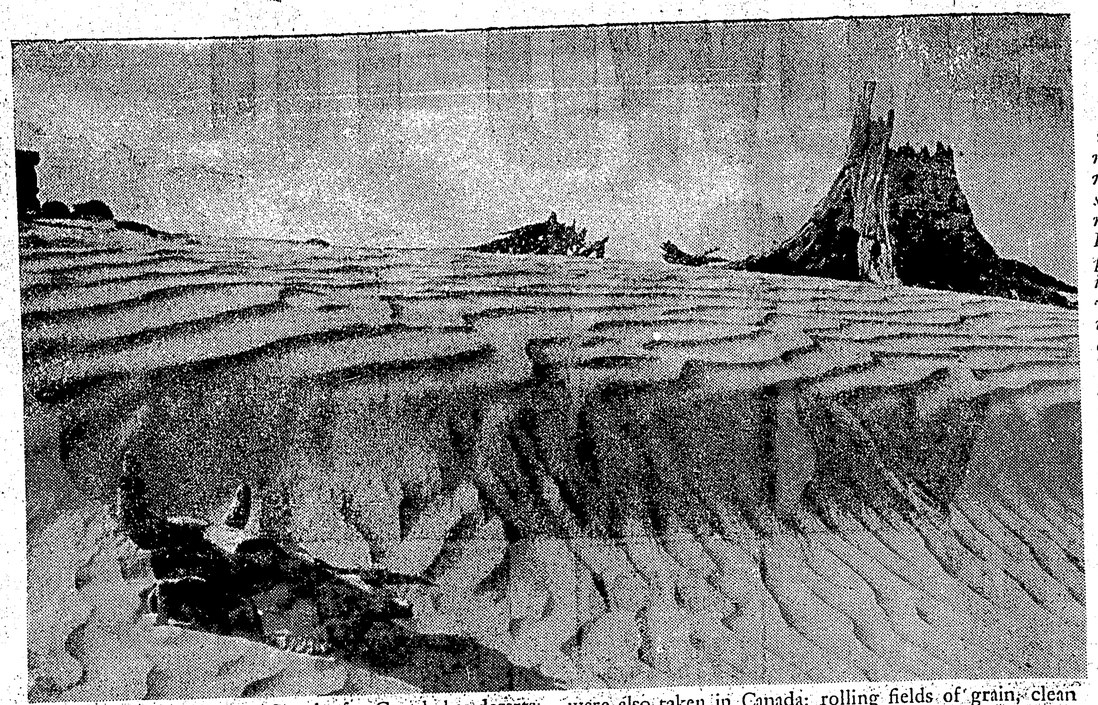
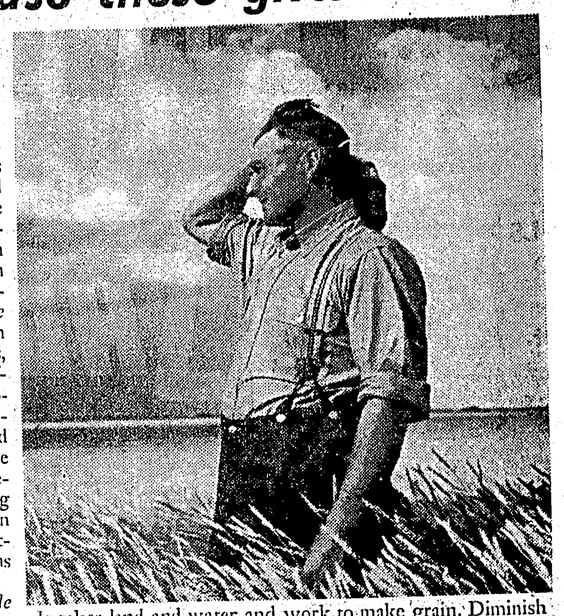


This picture was taken in Canada, for Canada has deserts, and dustbowls, and burned-over forest land, and polluted waters rank with dead, floating fish. These other pictures were also taken in Canada: rolling fields of grain, clean unspoiled beaches, timid wildlife surprised in country so beautiful it makes you sad. Which is Canada's future?

Once there was a country that had everything: vast reaches of tall forest, mile on mile of rich black prairie soil, sparkling lakes, broad rivers and fish-abundant seas. But as the years went by the people of this country, having so much, became careless with their riches. They misused the land and were prodigal with water and forest. The wise men of the country grew alarmed and one day they said to the people: "If this extravagance and waste continue, we shall soon no longer be a wealthy country but a poor one. Therefore, let us hold a great meeting and plan how we shall use our gifts that they may continue forever."

The 11 governments of Canada gather in Montreal October 23-28, 1961, for the most important meeting of Canadian governments since the Fathers of Confederation sat down around a table in Quebec City 97 years before and decided that millions of square miles of virgin land and lake were to become a nation called Canada. The first truly national conference on "Resources for Tomorrow" has been two years in preparation. Co-sponsored by all the provincial and the federal governments, its purpose is to discuss common problems, pool information about resources and determine "how we shall *use* them". Discussing the seven topics of agriculture, forests, wildlife, water, fisheries, recreation and regional development, the experts at Montreal will assess the kind and value of Canada's renewable resources, work out guidelines to action by governing bodies. In their hands, on their plans, depends the future of the country that "has everything".

. . . and lo! the people prospered, because they worked together to make the land and the water work for them.



It takes land and water and work to make grain. Diminish any one of them and a wheatland becomes a wasteland. Planned use of agricultural resources will keep Canada's wheat growing tall and golden under the sun.

The miles of cars heading north out of the cities on summer weekends indicate modern man's need for space to relax. Recreation is one of seven topics to be discussed at the forthcoming national resources conference. Over 80 background papers have been written for the Montreal conference by experts in various fields.

Country like this was Canada at the time of Confederation, nearly 100 years ago. And much of Canada remains as unspoiled as this Rocky Mountain scene. But now the population is eighteen millions, all needing land, goods, space and water. Resources are no longer limitless. Planning becomes imperative. The conference will promote the idea of planned *use* of resources. A tree not cut at maturity is wasted, just as is one cut before. Planned development can once again make Canada's renewable resources virtually limitless.

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MRS. O. R. GREEN of Prince Rupert instructs new Cubs in the rules of the Wolf Cub pack. After passing this oral test they will become "tenderpads" and work toward their first and second stars. Left to right are Richie Clayton, George Nakanishi, Benjamin Nishie, Steven Nelson, Patrick Holt, Robert Tait, John Barton, John Brillon, and Hector Wright.

— Photo by Gladys Blyth

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BOYS LEARN WOLF LAWS

Port Edward Cub Pack making good progress

By GLADYS BLYTH
Daily News Correspondent

Nearly 30 boys, aged eight to 12 years, in various stages of progress in the first Port Edward Cub pack, assemble Tuesday evenings in the gym of the Port Edward school.

Under the capable instruction of their new Akela Mrs. O. R. Green of Prince Rupert and with the help of Baloo Jean Panrucker, Bogheera (the great black panther) John Parnell, Peter Klassen and Joan Hatherley, the group is shaping up into a well organized pack.

With a background romance of Kipling's jungle stories, new Cubs come into the pack blind and are required to learn the Wolf Cub law, the Wolf Cub promise, the salute to the Queen, and the Grand Howl. Taking this initial step are Chris Danes, Benny Nishi, George Nakanishi, Steven Nelson, Pat Holt, Richard Clayton, Peter Nelson, John Barton and Robert Tait.

Earning first and second stars symbolic of the opening of the wolf cub's eyes, learning to tie knots, the composition of the Union Jack, and learning that the Cub gives in to the old wolf (Akela) and not himself, are Gary Markham, Randy Adams, Harry Maiers, Douglas Ichiiwa, Memo Hamanishi, Lansing Clark, Patrick Stewart, Dennis Maihara, Jerry MacMillan, Floyd Davis, Jerry Dudoward, Richard Angus, Chris Clayton, Wayne Alexeee, Paul Nishi, Darrel Fisher, Bill Nakanishi, and Clarence Martin.

The wolf head crest, which symbolizes that all Cubs belong to one large family with brother Cubs in many lands, is particularly symbolic in Port Edward where several races of people are represented in the Cub pack.

When asked by District Commissioner William Bisset to take over the Port Edward pack Mrs. Green gave her willing consent. With 10 years of cubbing experience to offer she is filling in where leadership is badly needed.

"With each week of activities," says Mrs. Green, "I put Cubs first and look forward to an evening with the pack."

HONG KONG VETS

SHERBROOKE, Que. (CP) — G. Cottingham of Sept Iles, Que., was honored for welfare work among veterans at the annual meeting of the Quebec branch, Hong Kong Veterans Association of Canada. The group is made up of Canadian servicemen captured by the Japanese when Hong Kong fell in 1941, and more than 100 attended.

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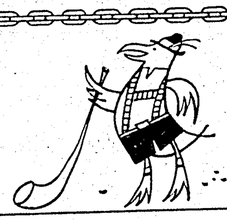

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