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Old Highway 16 should come first

Canada highway with the missing link like an abandoned cow trail. between McBride and Prince George For years the Prince Rupert to be joined up. The premier said that Chamber of Commerce and other if the federal government would co- Highway 16 Chambers all the way to operate with the provincial govern- McBride have been after Highways ment on the northern trans-Canada Minister Gaglardi to complete the link highway, the provincial government from Prince George to Jasper. But all would complete the road from Jasper, the time we read announcements from through Yellowhead pass down to both Premier Bennett and Mr. Ga-Kamloops.

and make representations that would which is Mr. Gaglardi's home town. see Highway 16 completed through to In view of the Alaska ferry's prothe Prairies as soon as possible, Mr. posed start this fall the first thing Murray said. Under normal circum- that is necessary is that the sections of stances, Mr. Murray is absolutely Highway 16 between here and Prince right. Highway 16 on the map runs George should be paved. Then Mr. gright from Prince Rupert to Ed- Gaglardi can work on the Prince monton and beyond, not counting George to McBride section so that the the gap between Prince George Prairies will have a speedy outlet to and McBride. Completion of this high- British Columbia. If Premier Bennett way would mean that Prince Rupert wants to enter into an agreement with folks could drive straight through to the federal government to share the the Prairies and Prairie people could cost, excellent, but such an agreement come straight out to Prince Rupert to should not threaten the needed work spend their money before boarding on the uncompleted portions of Highthe Alaska ferries.

politicians.

with Chamber member W. J. Scott in the Jasper to Kamloops highway spent this more provincial attitude towards on Highway 16, the Prince Rupert to Highway 16. In the first place, both Prince George section first and the Mr. Bennett and Mr. Gaglardi have Prince George to McBride section sectheir hands full trying to get the ond. When that's all paved, then Mr. ished and they have been using that to his own constituents. His promises sufficient funds in other parts of the several years overdue.

The can understand MLA William province for some time now. Both the H. Murray wanting the Chamber premier and the highway minister of Commerce to "broaden its thinking" promised to have Highway 16 comand push for a true Highway 16 com- pletely paved by 1960, but when that mittee instead of a Prince Rupert to year rolled around, the need to finish Prince George Highway 16 committee. the southern trans - Canada highway Mr. Murray's political boss, Premier had taken all the funds. Consequently, Bennett, recently announced that he in 1962, with the opening of the Alaska was planning to ask the federal gov- ferry system only nine months away, ernment to make the northern trans- there are stretches of Highway 16 beprovincial highway a second trans- tween Terrace and Hazelton that look

glardi that there is geing to be a high-We should thank Premier Bennett way from Jasper down to Kamloops,

way 16 between Prince George and However, we don't live under nor- Prince Rupert. Let Mr. Gaglardi formal circumstances. We have W. A. C. get about the Jasper to Kamloops Bonnett as premier and P. A. Gaglardi highway for awhile. Kamloops has had as highways minister and neither of the Trans-Canada Highway running these gentlemen could be considered through it for some time now and the as a norm either as individuals or roads around Kamloops are pretty wonderful. He'll get elected again. For this reason we tend to agree Let's have the money to be spent on southern trans-Canada highway fin- Gaglardi can make good his promises highway as an excuse for not allotting to the Highway 16 communities are

Canadians greatest telephone talkers

. It will come as no surprise to the husbands of young married women and the parents of deen-age sons and daughters that Canadians suse their telephones more than any other néople on earth, a good deal more.

. According to the 1981 issue of The World's Telephones, Canadians had fewer phones per 100 persons than the United States or Sweden --- only 30.82 compared with 40.8 and 36.81 --but they averaged 538 conversations per person n 1960, compared with 520 in the United States and 349 in Sweden.

As other Canadians know, 90 per cent of these calls were made by young married women to their friends next door, so that lonch and dinner could be late in both houses, and by teen-agers in this block to teen-agers in the next block, so that father could never get to

the telephone at all.

Perhaps the government could be persuaded to appopint a Royal Commission to investigate what sort of gags they apply in the United States and Sweden.

--- The Toronto Globe and Mail

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Kennedy not backing down on original pledges

By JOSEPH MacSWEEN Canadian Press Staff Writer

President Kennedy's stand on civil rights and education legislation indicates confidence ... or just plain courage In a United States congressional election year.

Rennedy, delivering his State of the Union paessage Thursday, surprised many legislators by calling vigorously for multi-billion-dollar federal aid to public schools and for civil rights legislation.

Many had developed the idea that Kennedy would soft-pedal these issues this year after crough going in the lastL session of Congress. Rennedy's fallure on the education bill was regarded as one of the worst blows in his first year of office.

The items had been significantly missing from Kennedy's list of goals as they gradually became known before the Thursday speech although the 1960 Democratic platform had pledged action to force a start on desegrega-

tion in every U.S. school district by 1963. The religious implications of the education bill and the issue of Negro rights are among the sharpest domestle issues in the U.S. and Kennedy is risking prestige by raising them on an

election year. In November voters will elect a new House of Representatives, now ruled by the Demoerats with an edge of 258 to 174. One-third the sents in the Senate, where the Domocrats have a majority of 64 to 36, will be up for grabs. Traditionally, the majority party expects

presidency is not involved --- and this lent strength to the advance speculation that Kennedy would avoid controversial issues where possible.

Kennedy, in this thinking, had learned there was a great gulf between the philosophy of the youthful, liberal small advisers he took to the White House last January and the more stodgy

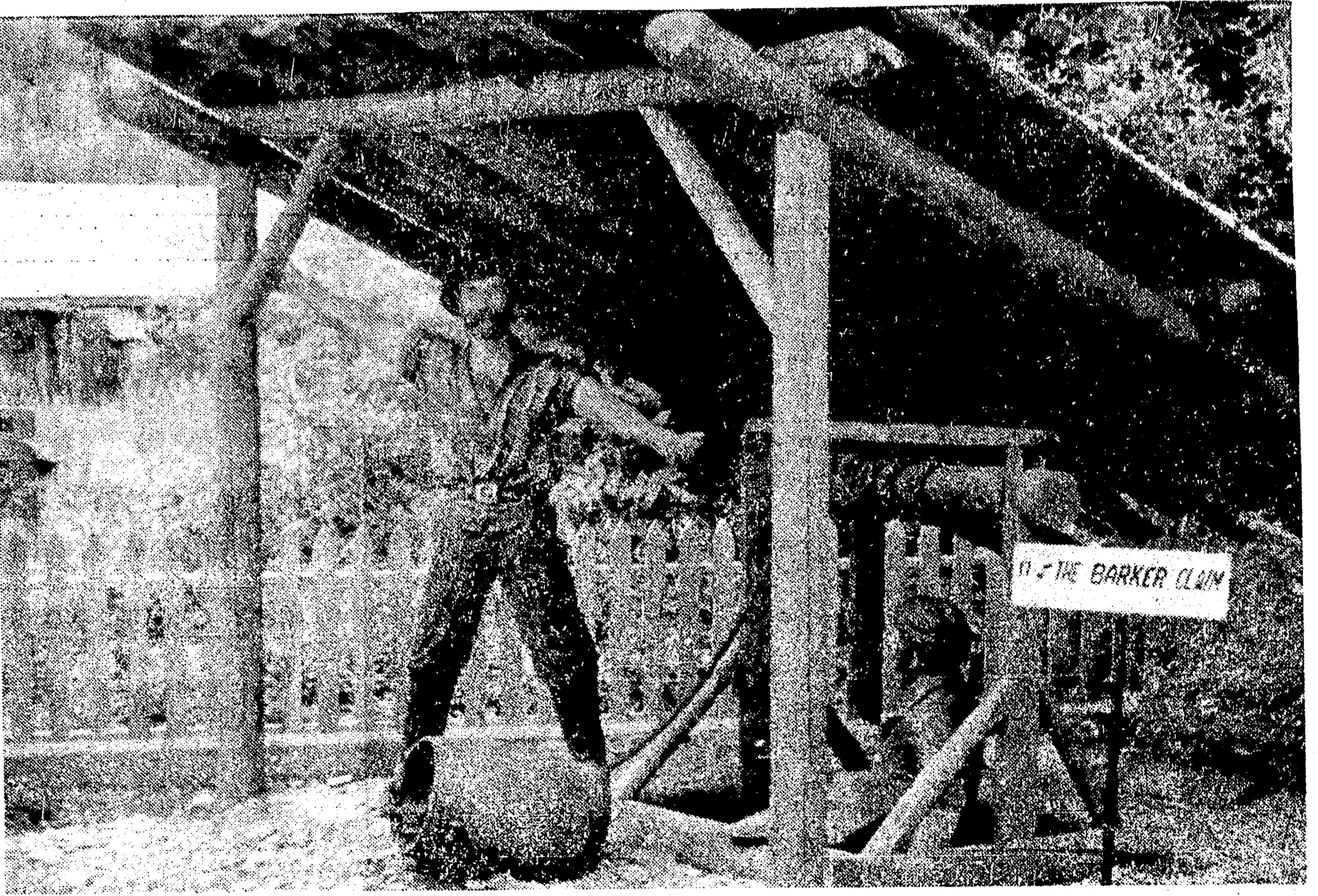
Kennedy's popularity is reported high both in Congress and throughout the country --- a point Republican leaders generally concede. But they predicted his personal popularity wouldn't be enough to swing what they term radical policies.

Coupled with this, many political observers detect a distinct trend to the right in both parties, as examplified by the burgeoning popularity of Senator Barry Goldwater, leader of the Republican partys right wing.

It is frequently pointed out that the Demoeratic power in the Senate and the House itself deceptive since many Democrats, particularly from the south, are indistinguishable from Republicans on domestic issues, especially civil

Against all this, Kennedy undoubtedly would have disappointed his most ardent Liberal followers had he adopted the go-solw civil rights policies practised by former President

It is also thought Kennedy may have feared that a backdown would have been regarded as a betrayal of his crusading promises of a year to lose sents in these elections — in which the ago.



All Aboard with G. E. Mortimore

The Packsack

The Order of The Skunk Cabbage, that mythical award for bad manners and ignorance, must go this week to some students at a high school near Victoria.

An Indian lad, attending a provincial school for the first time, arrived in a white shirt and black tie. He used to go to a residential school, where they had taught him to be

But his clothes didn't conform to high school fashions. Fellow-students hooted and jeered him down the corridors. He looked stunned, puzzl-

Many of his tormentors were

clad in skin-tight jeans and open-necked sports shirts, and the boys had long, long hair. He won't be wearing that white shirt and tie today, unless he is a very stubborn boy.

And he will be feeling hurt. Young people are intolerant. They want everyone to dress, look and behave alike. Extreme

One of my oldest friends is

always able to pinpoint dates

and places. He keeps a diary.

He has kept it for 50 years; and

when there is any

question about

that time, after

sity game in 1911,

or whether it was

1920 or 1921 that

the McGill - Var-

we went on that

canoe trip down

the Albany River and caught

- and released — more than

1,000 speckled trout of two

pounds and over, he refers to

a shelf of canvas-bound books

of modest size, each entitled

sultory diary. Nothing is more

depressing than a diary with a

space for every day. That be-

comes, in time, a record of the

vacuity of life. No. I buy, at

By JACK BELL

Associated Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON --- President

Kennedy appears likely to win

approval of less than half of

the wide-ranging domestic and

foreign programs he has hand-

ed to an election-conscious

A salvo of applause for Ken-

edy's state-of-the-union refer-

ence to the Berlin problem---

"we are prepared to talk, when

necessary"---signalled general

agreement on foreign policy

There was two-party appro-

val, too-mixed with some Re-

publican skepticism—for Ken-

nedy's pledge to submit a bal-

But these displays of unity

did not dispol signs that many

of the president's major pro-

posals will be trampled amid

congressional pulling and

Kennedy could look toward

the likely enactment of a pro-

gram—in a form yet to Be de-

termined—to give him author-

ity to negotiate lower tariffs

with the European Common

He could expect taxe law revi-

sions, closing of some loop-

holes and extension of excisa

levies. He was assured of an

increase in the \$208,000,000,000

debt limit, for which he has

objectives in the cold war.

anced budget next week.

appropriate, and to fight, i.

"I keep," he tells me, "a de-

with the word "Record."

who was with us,

conformity is a foible of

But I wonder if there is a way to diffuse some propaganda for kindness and tolerance, and respect for the other person's ways and viewpoint.

Couldn't we sneak this idea into schools and homes when children are six or seven years old, and give it a chance to

Another lad, who had lived abroad for some years, came to school with a neat haircut and a white shirt and tie. They soon jeered the tie off

him. Now he wears turtle-neck sweater, tight jeans and long

But the odd thing is this: When the youngsters have their photographs taken, they turn up wearing a white shirt and tie. That is the way they want to be remembered by posterity. I don't know the answer to it. Is there a psychologist in the house?

the stationery shop, a canvas

collered blank book called

'Record,' and from time to

time, whenever the spirit

moves me, I write a little piece

in it. Maybe once a month,

maybe oftener, maybe only

once every six months, in

which I recollect the outstand-

ing events since last I made an

not a diary, but a letter to

myself, 30 years hence. And

there is something wonder-

fully tender in receiving a let-

ter from yourself, written 30

Short sermons

pedestrians half - way across

the street safely.

Under half of Kennedy's plans

likely to win Congress approval

Traffle light: A trick to get

Prejudice: Being down on

something you're not up on,

yet to make a formal request.

He might get a postal rate in-

He may wind up with at

least restricted authority to

buy \$100,000,000 in UN bonds

and to start the ball rolling

on a special, three-year \$3,-

000.000.000 fund for the Alli-

But congressional reaction

marked for future casualty

lists his requests for emergen-

ey anti-recession authority.

standby power to lower taxes

and to launch a public works

Congressmen, concerned

about unemployment, might

act on manpower training and

youth employment programs,

They seemd disinclined to give

the president powers to be

used at some uncertain future

that no new civil rights legis-

Intion would clear the legis-

lative mills. And it would take

an unexpected turnabout to

got approval for a \$700,000,000

program to help finance fall-

Rennedy's request for action

to provide medical care for the

olderly through the secial se-

curity system had to be put in

the highly doubtful class.

out sholters.

was almost a certainty

ance For Progress program in

Latin America

"What I keep," he says, "is

Gregory. Clark

Centennial year for which townsite has been recreated in project to mark town's 10t0h anniversary. Billy Barker struck it rich in the gravels of iWlliam Creek when he dug 42 feet below the surface of a pre-glacial creek and found bedrock paved with gold. Oldtimers pass along the story that he brough up 200 pounds of gold in one day valued at \$38,000,000.

Quote and unauote

London Daily Mail: "A health committee's report to the council recommended that unmarried expectant mothers, aged 16% or under, may stay at home from school longer than the usual 12 weeks."

Gay Talese in The New York

"Martin Geisler, the author of a booklet titled How to Set Up and Operate a Paperback Bookshop, said yesterday he was \$170,000 in debt and had

The lighter side

Smith has left his umbrella again. I believe he would leave his head if it wasn't fastened

"I guess you're right," agreed. the cashier. "Why only yester-" day he said he was going to. Arlzona for his lungs."

A rich aunt was paying her nephew's college expenses and her visitor asked if it was

"Well," said the aunt, "Language runs pretty high. My cheque this month covered,\$10 for English, \$20 for Latin and \$110 for Scotch."

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More B.C. oil for B.C... coming up



Members of the crew of an Imperial rig drilling for oil in Hritish Columbia.

Bringing you oil products at bargain prices is a big job. Right now, for example, Imperial is drilling 30 miles of hole at B.C.'s Boundary Lake oil field. Boundary Lake oil will travel 745 miles to Imperial's refinery near Vancouver, where it will be turned into products. And those products reach you at bargain prices. Take Esso gasoline, for example. On the average, it costs motorists throughout B.C. 6% cents per pound. Compared with other commodities in everyday use, you won't find a better bargain. Milk, for example, sells on the average for 9_{10}^{10} cents a pound; soft drinks for 12_{10}^{10} cents a pound; even distilled water costs more than gasoline. And of the 676 cents paid per pound for Esso gasoline, two cents is for federal and provincial taxes that bring you such things as social services and new highways. To bring you this bargain, Imperial has invested more than \$80,000,000 in B.C. in the past ten years alone. Yet today, on the average, Imperial gets less for the Esso gasoline it sells than it did ten years ago...and Esso gasoline today is much more powerful than ten years ago.

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