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### Nass road merits appreciation

This scenic, and in places spectacular, stretch of logging thoroughfare opens up a section of countryside which until now has been little known even to those living on its border. Winding northward past Lava lake, green as pea soup, through the strange furrowed plain of lava deposit and on was built for company operations and to the curving shore of the Nass with any pleasure that it gives to visitors is its mountainous backdrop, the road incidental to its purpose. In time, howcreates a travelling experience that ever, it may mean that we will become must be unique to any visitor. For better acquainted with the Nass hunters and fishermen, too, it has which, in its lonely northern course, made accessible a virtually unexplored remains almost unknown as one of the area of enjoyment.

In permitting public use of its road, erica. Columbia Cellulose is performing a service to this north country that goes company public relations at its best considerably beyond what it contrib- and is a gesture that merits the thanks utes in the form of industrial output. of all who make the trip.

a courtesy to the public which in our Scenic pleasures for the traveller are opinion has not received sufficient often overlooked when it comes to listacknowledgment is that extended by ing our most important assets, yet for Columbia Cellulose in allowing motor- variety and magnificence our landists to use its road from Terrace to the scape surely has few equals. Little by Nass river during non-working hours. little appreciation of this fact is taking shape as conditions improve along Highway 16 and now in opening its road to the Nass, Columbia Cellulose has added a completely new and exciting extension to the route that the traveller may follow.

Naturally there must always be restrictions on the use of this road. It scenically great rivers of North Am-

Allowing visitors along the road is

### Jingoism goes unrestrained

It is alarming, or at least disturbing, to read edly in a state of economic chaos, can threaten that the Cuban issue rates the top score on applause meters being used in the current U.S. election. Cuba, it seems, is what the voters are and (some reports says) combat troops are now

most anxious to hear about. This is disturbing because the public demand, according to many reports, is for warlike threats, and even warlike action, against the Castro regime. And candidates for seats in Congress are obligingly supplying the de-

Canadians have no vote in the elections due a month hence but they have a stake in the debate. This country is so bound to the U.S. militarily that it could not avoid involvement if the cold—war—should burst into flames any-

where on the map. As viewed from here, the American attack of jitters over Cuba lóoks a little ridiculous. Castro is indeed a noisy nuisance; but it is impossible to believe that his small island, report-

the mighty U.S.

It is true that Russian arms, technicians in Cuba. But evidently they were sent at the request of Castro, concerned about his defences. That Khrushchev plans to mount a Soviet invasion of the U.S. from the island is a preposterous idea

A more reasonable theory is that Mr. K. has seized an opportunity to set up, in Cuba, a Communist shop window in Latin America. If this is true, and it would fit into Khrushchev's definition of peaceful co-existence, the challenge is surely one the U.S. could accept without flinching.

Why not a model and flourishing democratic society on the Latin American mainland? This would be a better answer to Castro than the rattling of sabres.

— The Financial Post

## Five short years since Sputnik 1...

There were no great crowds at Cape Canaveral to see the latest launching of a man into space. Another space triumph was accepted by the North American public with an interest only equal to that paid to the baseball scores. Yet Walter M. Schirra, the ninth man to leave this planet, did so on the eve of an important anniversary. Five years ago yesterday was the opening of the space age. On that day in 1957 the Russians launched Sputnik I, and

Since then the United States and the U.S.S.R. have tossed more than 100 satellites around the earth, two thirds of them from

shocked the Western world out of its complac-

American soil. Spaceships have smashed into the moon and taken pictures of it. Artificial solar planets have been launched, and at this moment an American craft is speeding towards Venus.

The most rapid technological development the world has ever known has been packed into these five years. The scientists of East and West have developed electronics, rocketry and computers to their limits, and are resolved to go further if they are to land on the moon or explore the planets in the next decade.

The Soviets still lead the United States in weight lifting, their biggest satellite, Vostok, being 10,000 pounds compared with Mercury at 3,000 pounds

The United States can claim the longest transmission of radio signals from space ever achieved, from 22.5 million miles in space. The Russians outpaced U.S. with the three and four-day orbits of Popovitch and Nikolayev.

Mankind has made a stupendous advance in these short five years. The tragedy is that the space race is accompanied by the contest to utter the more threats.

- The Vancouver Province

#### IT'S YOUR BUSINESS

# We're not even keeping up to the U.S.

By DAVID GRENIER Toronto Telegram News Service

"This group has to go! Let's kill the Productivity Council before it kills small business." attack on the National Productivity Council in The Independent Businessman, which claims to be "the voice of small business and the professional man in Canada."

It quotes R. J. Bishop, a director of the Canadian Small and Independent Business Pederation as saying that "there is no doubt that the Council is working against us": I then goes on (somewhat illegically) to complain that the Council isn't working at all - that it's a "do-nothing" body.

The Council doesn't have to be desended against attacks like these; in any case, it persectly capable of looking after itself. Bui let's not allow the need for higher productivity to become a casualty of conflict over the Coun-

Just how little reason, we have to be complacent about productivity can be seen from the evidence of the last few years.

It ian't anly that we haven't been able to keep nace with the booming economies of Western Europe and Japan: we kaven't even been able to keep up with the U.S. is concerned.

An article by Professor David Slater of Queen's University, Kingston, in the latest issue of The Canadian Banker makes will clear.

Ho points out that in manufacturing industry, Onnada's position vis-a-vis the U.S. has declined for some time. Increases in manufacturing costs here were especially marked betwoon 1949-51 and again in 1956-57.

While manufacturing costs per unit of output have been reduced significantly in the U.S. since 1957, there has been no similar trend

This development can't be explained solely in terms of wages - although average hourly earnings in manufacturing have increased slightly more here than in the U.S. over the

last five years. Professor Slater concludes that output in manufacturing (in terms of the amount of labor required to produce a given article) increased 24 per cent in the U.S. between June 1957 and Décember 1961. In Canada the comparable

figure was only 15 per cent. If wage costs aren't the reason for the slower rate or progress here, then what are the real

An overvalued currency probably was one factor. But a bigger factor almost certainly has beth the unwieldy structure of much of Canadinn industry --- based as it is on small scale, short production runs and a big product mix. There are all factors that make it difficult to achieve high productivity — or justify high

If Canada is to take its place in the world economy as an industrial nation, it's got to face up to this fact, or else he prepared for a declining standard of living. It's hard to bolleve that even The Indepondent Businessman is in favor of that.

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall. 800 God. Matt. 5:8.



# BY FRANK HOWARD, M.F.

Parliament. In the past it was impossible to determine this merely by looking at the num\_ ber of members who happened to be in attendance in the House. Even when divisions (i.e. standing, recorded votes) were held the degree of absenteeism was appalling.

In years past there existed the famous "T" to "T" club. "T" to "T" is a shortened form for Thursday to Tuesday. It was common practice for members from Ontario and Quebec to leave Ottawa for home on a Thursday and return on a Tuesday, On Fridays and Mondays only a handful of members showed up in the House. These "T" to "T" boys attained what many would like to have—a three-day-week.

For the time being, at least,

### Isolationists stand alone these days

By LUBOR J. ZINK Toronto Telegram News Service

OTTAWA—Perhaps I should try to explain what I mean by repeatedly saying in this column that all our political parties are dodging the main issues of our day and age in their dialogues with the nation.

My chief and basic com\_ plaint, shared by some other observers, is that in their chase after popular support our politicians' keep their noses too close to the ground to see what is happening beyond our fen-

This preoccupation with domestic matters, as if they were unconnected with world events: is the product of firmly established political and economic currents which have shaped

Consederation. A huge country with a tiny and only slowly growing population, Oanada had all the reasons for concentrating fully on carving its material existence out of wilderness to the exclutlon on domestic problems.

deliberate and success. enormous oceans, came to an abrupt and with World War I. the New World got involved

in the bloody mess of the Old The job in Europe done, Canada and the U.S. retreated into their shells, only to he drawn out by an even bigger explosion two decades later.

suspended. The reason for the suspension is the ticklish situation in the House brought about by each of the four paris ties being in the minority.

The Tories have 115 voting - MP's. The Tories are deathly afraid of an election and therefore need every one of their members present to stave off defeat in the House.

The Liberals have 100 mem\_ bers and are claiming that they want an election at any time regardless of the consequences to the country. Their members are therefore required to be in the House. The Socreds have 30 mem-

bers, don't want an election either and have made a 'behind the scenes deal' with the Tories to support them in exchange for the Tory sellout of Canada's power interests. They need every member in the

We in the New Democratic Party have 18 members. We don't particularly want an election, but will not run away from it. We want to buttress our program in the House with every member available. Therefore we have full attendance. Recently there were three divisions in Parliamnt, On the first of these, a vote on a Socred Throne Speech amend-

ment, we set a record. Every Member of Parliament was in attendance. Parliamentary observers who have been here for donkeys years cannot recall that ever happening before. The vote was 233 to 30. This makes 263. The other two votes are accounted for by Mr. Speaker who does not vote and by the vacant seat in Burnaby-Coquitlam.

We had two other votes a few days later and this time there were five absences. The votes were on Liberal and New Democratic amendments. In these cases the Socreds supported the Tories; the Liberals and New Democrats joined forces to vote no confidence in the government. The results on each vote was 140 to 118. The five absent members were

These last mentioned votes were the caucial ones and indicate, to me at least, that we will not have an election be-

fore next spring. Another thing will flow from this. Now that the tension has subsided and the pattern set we can expect the "T" to "T" club to come back into existence. That will be a shame for it will mean that members will not be paying attention to the things which they are getting



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# gems of thought-

At the beach

"We're getting nearer the

"I'm stepping on more peo-

A gym instructor advises some

business men patrons to pull

their paunches instead of their

"How can you tell?"

Meekness heightens immortal attributes only by removing the dust that dims them. -Mary Baker Eddy.

Of Gregory Clark

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veloped some mysterious symp\_

toms and had to make the

round of a number of medical

and surgical specialists is miff-

blooded attitude of the modern'

ment, there would

people waiting in

the outer room. Every three

or four minutes, the door would

open and a nurse, looking like,

a policewoman in white, would

dismiss the accused, who would

slink out of our presence. The

next case would be called.

When my turn came, a magis-

terial gentleman, seated at a

desk, studied me shrewdly, just.

like a judge, asked me a few

questions, took a few notes,

maybe looked at my eyes and

fingernails, and then dismissed

me. The nurse-policewoman,

very attractive, of course, but

professional, showed me out

and I slunk away. I had no

feeling whatever of the tradi-

in these several encounters."

tional family doctor sentiment -

My colleague, being a long-

winded man, wanted to sit and

gas with the doctor. My own

impression is that it was the

traditional long-winded patient

who put an end to the tradi-

tional dear old family physi-

ed over what he calls the cold-

A colleague who lately de-

weakness, that which breaks and that which bends.

-James Russell Lowell. People who have no weaknesses are terrible; there is no way of taking advantage of

them.—Anatole France. To the timid and hesitating

everything is impossible because it seems so. -Sir Walter Scott.

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