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Black Clouds Cause Jitters

THIS province's economy as a whole is swaying with uncertainty caused by the present labor disputes which have sent thousands out of work and is threatening to cut off the income of thousands...

If shoreworkers of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union strike this month, it will not make much difference whether or not the fishermen go on strike July 19—or vice versa...

Need More People

CANADA'S immigration doors have been wide open since the end of the war. Now, we are to have a period of digestion, cleanup and consolidation...

In the past five years Canada has taken in about 600,000 new settlers; last year alone, 194,000. That's a lot of people. This year's goal is 150,000.

Why the decline this year. Again Ottawa thinking is, digestion, consolidation, plus the fact that the big "bulk" users of labor—mines, forests, farms—have this year had fewer new jobs to offer.

In a highly industrialized economy like ours, mass migrations of the nineteenth century type simply don't make sense. Jobs don't come out of thin air and today fewer people are able to make their own job in the way grandfathers did with an axe on a homestead.

One of this country's greatest needs is more people to fully develop resources and to give more markets here at home. The new policy to restrict some groups is an administrative change which can readily be adjusted.

However, this country, for its own good, must stand firmly committed to a continuing high-immigration policy.—From the Financial Post.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Montreal, Toronto Exchange Follow Dictates of New York

By FORBES RHUDE

Canadian Press Business Editor: If the New York Stock Exchange should decide on a five-day week and extended trading hours, it is regarded as virtually certain that Toronto and Montreal exchanges would follow suit.

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development has made a loan of \$1,300,000 to Peru, to pay for imported agricultural equipment such as tractors, ploughs, threshers and scrapers.



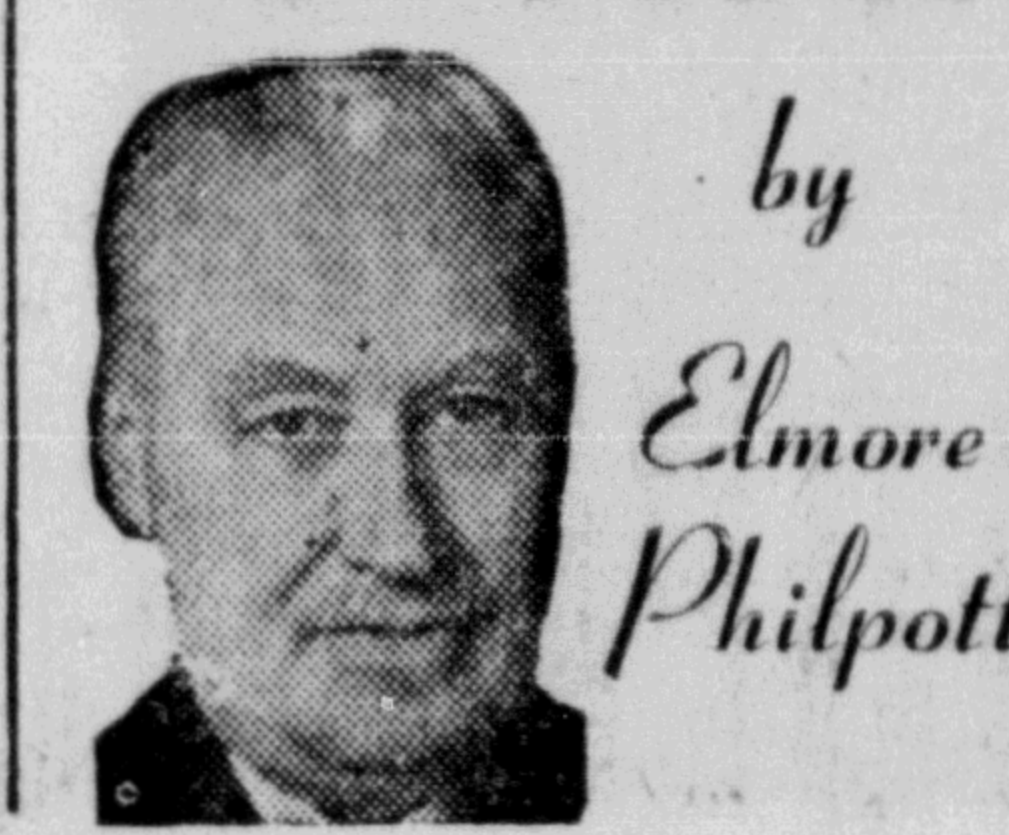
SOCIAL CREDITERS—Rev. Ernest G. Hansell, left, Social Credit Member of Parliament for Macleod, Alta., and Lyle Wicks, president of the British Columbia Social Credit party...

VICTORIA REPORT

... by J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA.—When next the Legislature meets 28 of the 48 members will be fresh to the marble-pillared hall of B.C.'s chief lawmakers.

As I See It



by Elmore Philpott

Boss News Too Late

THE DEFEATED Liberal premier of B.C. is an admirable business man. But not even his most enthusiastic admirer would claim he was an adept politician.

Three weeks AFTER the B.C. election he announces that the Hospital Insurance Service had a surplus of several millions for the year which ended March 31.

I HEAR from a most reliable source that the Social Credit stalwarts are passing the word around to prepare for another B.C. election next spring.

This will be a very different affair when it comes. In 1952 the Old Line parties were caught absolutely asleep in the face of the mass infiltration from Alberta.

THEY were so busy keeping the CCF from coming in the front door that they were deaf, dumb and blind to the obvious fact that Social Credit was coming in the back door and through all the windows.

THE FEDERAL Liberals will not be such political infants as to get caught so sound asleep. In Alberta the Social Credit party won its success by clever timing of the provincial with the federal elections.

B.C. AND Saskatchewan each had provincial elections, just one day apart. In both cases the Social Crediters made massive invasions from across the provincial borders.

In Saskatchewan not a single Social Credit candidate was elected—polled a mere handful of votes, and lost their deposits. In B.C. the Social Crediters finally beat out all other parties.

Increasing quantities of wheat, meat and milk now have to be imported, and domestic consumption of Peru's main export crops, cotton and sugar, has reduced the quantities available for export.

I AM a believer in the tried and trusted British system of voting. I am even more a 100 per cent believer in the two party system. I don't think we would ever have had, or needed, a CCF third party in Canada had the Liberals kept up with the needs of the times.

In Korean Fighting

New 'Jitter' Raids Pay Off For Canuck

By BILL BOSS Canadian Press Staff Writer

WITH THE CANADIANS IN KOREA.—The job in Korea is the same. But new faces are getting it done.

The order of battle still reads "25th Canadian Infantry Brigade Group." But, apart from the 1st Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, which arrived last October and November, it's a different outfit from the one that was here three months ago.

Different in officers and men—but the same in assignment and performance. Since last Nov. 27, the job here has been a nerve-wearing constant watch against enemy incursion, and the patrolling of no man's land.

Periodically it also means sitting and taking artillery and mortar pastings the like of which were unheard of a year ago.

STAFF CHANGES

During the last three months Brig. M. P. Bogert has relieved Brig. J. M. Rockingham as commander while the Royal Canadian Regiment, the Royal 22nd Regiment and the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery have moved in their first-line teams.

Lt. Col. Peter Bingham, commanding officer, decided to use a wrinkle he learned in Burma during the Second World War. He sent his men out on "jitter" patrols.

"They take bugles, bells, whistles and their fire-arms," he says, "and they creep up close to the enemy position."

"Up there they start a little firing, make the odd noise, gradually build the clatter up to a crescendo. Then the leader shouts 'Charge,' but instead the men retire a little and watch.

The object is to give the enemy the jitters. Then the un-nerved Communists fire their

ray ...

Reflects and Reminisces

One morning some weeks ago, a pioneer friend called at the office to give us the front page of what looked like an aged newspaper. It was that, all right. This one went back more than a couple of generations.

"Thought it might interest you," he remarked, laying the filmy and faded sheet on the desk. It was old enough to be limp and here and there a bit indistinct. The date was July 16, 1900, and the paper, the Toronto Mail and Empire. The reason my friend (a retired printer, by the way) chanced to bring it in was because it contained a list of names of the first party of casualties home from South Africa.

JUST BY CHANCE

The find, with other padding material, was discovered within a framed portrait enlargement. A change of picture had been made and while this was being done the list caught his eye, as he glanced through the dusty old reading matter. They numbered 27 and included those affected by fever, wounds and sunstroke. With a single exception all names were unfamiliar. This was the last of the twenty-seven, yet it was enough to restore recollections, almost without effort. Reading the name, re-created incidents, scenes—even details—with freshness and accuracy.

In March, 1900, the first Canadian contingent as part of the Nineteenth Brigade (Ninth Division) was marching from Kimberly to Bloemfontein. Aeroplanes, trucks and cars were practically unknown. Dusty string of heavy supply wagons were hauled by oxen and mules. The crack of long whips sounded like pistols as native drivers lashed and yelled. One could hear the distant strains of "Cock o' the North" as the column, including the Gordon Highlanders, moved across the many miles of empty, rolling veldt under a cloudless sky.

All units took brief rests during the run of a day. Once, while enjoying a pause, Canadians heard the bang of a gun, somewhere near at hand. The fellow whose identity we spotted in this little tale, had shot himself. It was no accident. He was merely fed up with war, and sent a bullet through his toe. That would not kill him. This was suspected from the first, and when he was hit, he appeared before court martial charged with having committed S.I.W. Anyway, that's what it used to be called in the bleedin' army.

Conservative parties in Canada. I think events will soon show that Social Credit is just another Conservative party.

FAMOUS WOMAN Ann Commena, born in 1803, was the first woman historian.

weapons, thus revealing their positions. "On these we call down artillery and mortar. Jitter patrols have been very successful and usually we have two out every night."

Bingham personally runs all patrols from his command post. Every R.C.R. officer has had at least three patrols, and most men have done five. Current classic is one led by Lieut. A. S. Peterson of Montreal.

Said Bingham: "The plan Peterson worked out was carried through to the minute. They advanced 900 yards in 13 minutes. Twenty minutes after starting out they were engaging the enemy at the top. A known four Chinese were killed including one by Peterson. They took one prisoner, who tried to escape and was killed, but they brought back his credentials.

"They came back in just a shade over the allotted hour. That man Peterson must have ice in his veins." Peterson now is second-in-command of "D" Company.

HISTORIC LIAISON

More than usually close cooperation exists between the RCR and the RCHA. "A" Battery of the RCHA has supported the RCR in every operation it has fought since 1855. Currently commanded by Capt. Bob Davidson of West Kildonan.

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