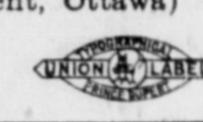
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# Russian or American

THERE can be no argument about the Russian statement that the world is splitting into two orbits-Russian and American-or might it more accurately be said into conflict between two idealogies? Of course, Russia, in her determined desire to extend her sphere of influence with no other apparent activating motive than her own aggrandizement and desire to dictate without as well as within, is doing nothing to compose the conflict.

The new Russian-organized communist international organization can be regarded as nothing less than a resumption of the comintern, an avenue for the extension of Russian influence by infiltration abroad. As a matter of fact, the Russians frankly admit the aim to fight the Marshall plan and what it is pleased to call American "imperialism" whatever that may imply.

As far as the ordinary citizen of the world is concerned, it boils itself down to the alternatives of two ways of living-the Russian or the American, British, Canadian or what we may name it. Those who are inclined to talk sympathetically of Russia might consider seriously, if they came down to making a choice under which system they would be governed, whether they would be, in the finality, so enthusiastic about the Russian.

## FIRE PREVENTION HERE

TAKING it over the years, Prince Rupert may congratulate itself on its comparatively small fire loss. Maybe it has been a case more of good luck than good management.

This is Fire Prevention Week during which we might all reflect on a matter of national and local importance. There is certainly much that might be done in the way of fire prevention and protection measures-something that every citizen could well do in his own interest.

## PRINCE RUPERT—HOME PORT

DRINCE RUPERT may well feel proud of the fine new Canadian National coastal steamship Prince George which was launched yesterday at Victoria with her cruiser stern bearing the name of this as her port of registry.

It had been reported that Vancouver was to have been the port of registry but we are happy to learn that the original home port of the fleet has been retained for this newest and finest coastal vessel of them all.

We would have liked it if the company could have seen its way clear to build the vessel here. But that was not to be. There is considerable consolation, however, in this being declared her official home, which is as it should be. The action of the company in seeing that this was done will be appreciated here.

Happily it was not necessary to go beyond Canada in the designing and construction of the SS. Prince George. This Canadian National vessel is the largest passenger craft yet built on the coast, as well as being the most modern in general equipment, fittings and service. The reason Canada did not have to look beyond her own borders was because of the record made during the second great war in the shipyards of the Dominion. The number of ships built and the satisfaction they gave convinced the Canadian National authorities, as announced by the president and chairman, of the wisdom of the policy pursued.

## WHAT NEWSPAPERS DO

DESIDES giving service and information, what Delse does a newspaper do? Editor W. L. Baker of Ketchikan, well known in Prince Rupert, proceeds to answer the question as follows:

"The newspaper sells goods. It sold at least one house yesterday for a cost of about \$2.00, the day before it sold a car for the cost of under \$1.00. It speeds up turnover of merchandise and cuts costs of selling.

"It must entertain with its comics and its feature stories; it must report the news without fear or favor or the people cannot know what they must know, and cannot think, act and vote intelligently. It must criticize public servants and public services that put profit or prestige above service itself and many times it must be boycotted and sued and profaned for telling what it believes to be the truth. Telling of the truth itself becomes risky business at times; so risky that many prefer not to seek it out and tell it.

"The alternative, however, is darkness and despair of the kind the Russians have today and the Nazis had yesterday. Only the truth can make men free. Those who would enslave others first take over the instruments of information.

"It's an interesting game this publishing, and especially so where a small newspaper can at times wield influence all out of proportion to its size and the field it serves. But it does not make one rich or even comfortable, for wages must be high and circulations are delimited by geography."

## CHIEF JUSTICE SEES CHALLENGE

Fred Vinson Warns Against Pitfalls-Personal Responsibilities

CLEVELAND, Ohio-The Chief Justice of the United States, Frederick M. Vinson has given a double warning to the American public not to fall into reactionary pitfalls. An age of great challenge, he says, is at hand. It is an age of great opportunity as well as danger and difficulty.

"Rarely in human history," he i declared, "have men been accorded so high a priviege and so appalling a responsibility." What is needed first of all, he said, is to reaffirm faith in fundamental values on which has been based all that is worth while in society.

"Those persons," said the Chief Justice, "who live in the vain delusion that, by shrinking from responsibility and struggle, and thereby find peace and security-who try to escape challenge or ignore it—can only find disaster.

"The danger of losing faith in ourselves," he said, "if perhaps the greatest hazard of today."

He saw among the challenges facing Americans the weakening of the family and the loss of spiritual values growing out of the strong family bond and growing lack of faith in and respect for law and legal processes



"Here's something I want to quote you," said the Old Timer this morning. It says: When socialists keep on harping about controls as the essence of their policy, they lend plausibility to the charges that they are really frustrated bureau crats with an itch to manage other people's business for them.'

"Who said that? Well, it was a leading figure in the C.C.F. He was scolding his own people, but the point is interesting. Isn't there just a little more than plausibility in those charges?

"What do you hear in the socialist speeches, or for that matter in the Communist speeches when they are talking to people who aren't Communists? Isn't it always that they are going to take over what others have created and then run those businesses as they say for use, not for profit?'



"What do you think you would get if this country should decide to throw out free enterprise and substitute government ownership and control of everything?

You'd certainly get controls by a lot of bureaucrats, and then more controls, and still more. It's an inevitable process. Look at any socialist country in the world and you can see it working.

"Do you think you would find men pushing out, creating new businesses, planning great enterprises? Do you think the lot of the improved? Well, for me, and I've said. lived quite a time, I don't."

(The views of the Old Timer are presented weekly in this newspaper under the sponsor-ship of the British Columbia Federation of Trade and Industry).

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Cissy Schuschnigg plays with her six-months old niece Sylvia

Bee, while her mother, left, Mrs. Kurt von Schuschnigg, and

her daughter (of a former marriage), Mrs. Nora Bee, look on.

Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, former chancellor of Austria, ar-

rived in Brooklyn, N.Y., recently with his family and they are

living temporarily with Mrs. Bee. The former chancellor told

newsmen that he would probably settle in Brooklyn, expressing

a desire to "live a quiet life." The chancellor also disavowed

Whatever "golden secret" lies locked in the buried quartz veins at the city's Park Avenue quarry will rtmain unknown until the road extension from Park Avenue to the Westview fishermen's floats is completed, the Daily News has been told by L. M. (Boots) Shannon, Highway Construction Co. road fore-

ROAD FINISHED

Mr. Shannon, whose first job is to complete the road building contract, is convinced that there is a good possibility of there being interesting prospects of commercial quantities of gold, but the road comes first.

The new power shovel, whose arrival and preliminary conditioning held up construction for several weeks really got tuned up over the week-end but it is working at a different part |. of the quarry from where the initial quartz nugget was dis- 206 4th Street covered on September 17.

It also had brought to light a quartz vein with mineral content, although the gold content has not been assayed. Mr. Shannon isn't inclined to say much about it because he doesn't want his work hindered by stampeders as it was two weeks ago.

"As far as I am concerned, the less said about it the better,' 'he declared this morning. "I'm afraid that even the most conservative statement will bring out a bunch of people that If It's Rock Workwill hamper our road construc-

Mr. Shannon would offer no forecast as to when the road construction job would be com-

"I'll probably be able to tell ordinary man or woman would be you that within a few days," he

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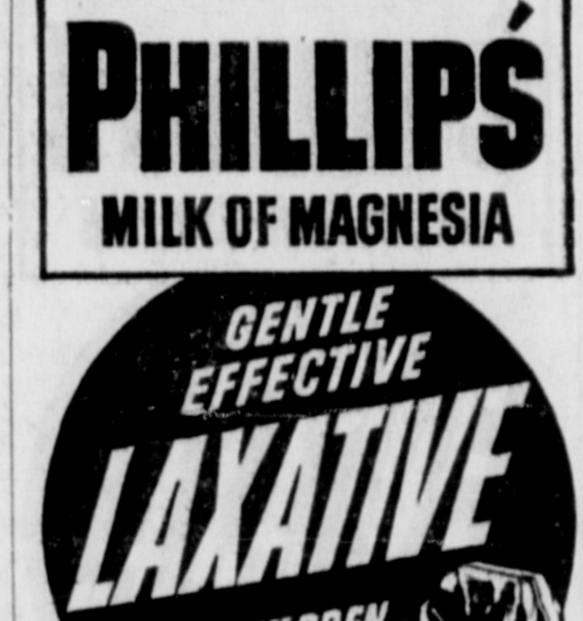
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## PRIVATEER MINE PRODUCING WELL

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## Printing Business Facing Good Year

FRENCH LICK, Indiana-The Printing Industry of America Inc., opening its sirty-first annual convention here, announces that a poll of members shows nearly ninety per cent expected business conditions to be as good or better in the nekt year as in the last twelve months.





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