

AFTERNOON WORST
The largest number of fatal injuries from lightning occur in the afternoon. The fewest deaths occur in the morning hours.

Crooks Like Prison

GLOUCESTER, Eng. (C)—Raglan Somerset, a Gloucester magistrate, believes he has discovered the reason why many criminals return to prison time and again.

The British lock-ups he claims, are simply far too comfortable. Speaking at a conference of law-enforcement officers here, Mr. Somerset said it was almost certain the food and living conditions were a considerable improvement on what they got at home.

He agreed prison reforms within reason should be introduced but sentimentality should not be tolerated where crime is concerned.

"It raises a big lump in the throat of a sentimentalist," he said, "but it only makes a large hole in the pockets of the rest of us."

Engineers use high speed movies, taken at up to 12,000 pictures a second, for analysis of automobile behaviour.

CNR Picture On BC, Alaska Rated Tops

NEW YORK—The motion picture film "Trail of the Midnight Sun," which features British Columbia and Alaska, and was produced by the Canadian National Railways, was selected as the outstanding travel film used on television in the U.S. last week by the authoritative theatrical publication "Billboard."

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Not Much Night Life

Quebec Port Developing Into Big City

(Editor's Note: Takeoff point for the new iron-ore development in Labrador-Ungava is Seven Islands, an active little town on the north shore of the St. Lawrence River some 300 miles downstream from Quebec. Forbes Rhude, Canadian Press business editor, describes what is happening there in this story, one of a series.)

By FORBES RHUDE
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Seven Islands, at the wide mouth of the St. Lawrence River, is "city lights" for some 6000 men who work along the 360-mile railway being built into Labrador-Ungava and on associated projects.

There is not much night life, and the honky-tonk features of older construction days has been discouraged, but there are some taverns, bars and lounges and a few places of recreation.

There a man may forget the wilderness for a while or join in a sing-song when someone brings out a guitar.

Sometimes, however, a man in from the bush may be lonely. He may meet a "friendly stranger" who will talk with him, sympathize with him, flatter him—and live off him in the manner to which the "friendly stranger" has become accustomed. In a week, a man may spend the stake he has saved in the wilds.

BANKER NURSEMAIDS
W. D. Ross, manager for Imperial Bank who has served in such other frontier communities as Pickle Crow, Ont., and Yellowknife, N.W.T., says:

"We act as nursemaids for men up and down the line, doing virtually everything for them except their shopping."

"Our ledgerkeeper speaks six languages, our teller four, and the rest of our staff speak English and French. Nearly every race seems to drop in."

Ross says the history of frontier towns is something like this:

"First you can trust everyone—you are dealing with the prospectors, trappers, engineers."

"Then the drifters appear, hoping to make a few dollars while the boom is at the height. You see the same types; sometimes, even, the same individuals. When the tinsel of the construction period fades, they move on. Now they are talking of Kitimat and the aluminum development there."

Seven Islands, before iron-ore development hit it in the 40s, was a village of 800, mostly fishermen depressed through loss in storms of their fishing gear and a band of Indians who eked out a precarious living from the fur trade.

It is located where the St. Lawrence River, about 100 miles wide, flows into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and it shelters itself behind the seven islands which form a bay and give the town its name.

Today, it is something of a boom town of 3000 people, with two new luxury hotels, new supermarket, other new construction.

The old section mostly still shows the signs of the hard days and is still without modern sewerage, though it hopes to have it soon. A few Indians cling to their ramshackle homes on the outskirts, though modern houses and a large schoolhouse have been built for them a few miles away.

WELL PLANNED
Fortunately, the town as originally laid out has wide streets parallel to the waterfront, which seem to lend themselves to development along sound lines. It is self-governing municipally—not a "company" town.

Today, it embraces a lot of territory, about 10,000 acres, with a 13-mile waterfront.

Within it, about three miles from the old town, are the modern buildings and services of the base camps of both Iron Ore Company of Canada and the contractors on the railway and associated projects.

Within it will be the giant iron-ore terminals and loading docks, and a townsite for the people who will be employed on them and the railway.

It is even suggested that it may become a grain port, with ore-carrying ships returning from the Great Lakes with grain cargoes which would be transferred there.

Early optimistic reports envisioning a city of up to 50,000 population have tamed down.

Mayor Jack Layden, native of

TV BUYERS
From September, 1949, to March, 1952, a total of 85,525 television sets were sold in Canada.

Paris, Ont., who came to Seven Islands in wartime as a radio operator with the RCAF and now is personnel manager of Iron Ore Company, predicts a population of about 5000 when construction ends and the town

settles into an ore-handling port. However, Labrador-Ungava probably only at the start of development. Some of the optimistic forecasts may come true.

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