

A "New Frontier"

Camp Life Keeps Men Busy

Editor's Note: One of Canada's "new frontiers" is the Labrador-Ungava area, site of some of the world's richest iron deposits. In this story, one of a series, Business Editor Forbes Rhude of the Canadian Press writes of the men who are opening the north so its riches can be fed into the steel mills of North America and Europe.

By FORBES RHUDE

Canadian Press Business Editor
What sort of people do you meet in that wilderness of Labrador-Ungava which is being turned into a land of iron mines, railways and modern settlements?

First, take the executives running the job for Iron Ore Com-

pany of Canada, associated companies and the contractors. They are the most restless men I have ever seen. They never seem to sit down for more than five minutes, and rarely seem to relax.

That's understandable. A lot of money can run away if supplies and men are not kept coordinated in a job that runs for 360 miles.

Something unexpected is always happening. Men are lost, or hurt, or killed.

One Saturday Maurice Taschereau, a young Quebec geologist, lost his way northeast of

Wacouma Lake. If he had been working for himself or a small concern, he'd likely be there yet.

MANY AID SEARCH
But Iron Ore Company was able to turn out Indians, canoe parties, planes and a helicopter. Even then, Taschereau wasn't found until Tuesday, exhausted, able to last perhaps six hours more—cold nights, although it was summer, and no food.

J. M. Knowles and C. L. Hawkins, two supply experts from West Virginia, were visitors when I was there.

For an outside opinion, I asked them about this restlessness I found. Knowles replied:

"That's the way construction men are. They go in, do the job and get out. What impresses me most up here is their willingness to help you even before they know who you are."

MANY OILTIMERS
You'll meet some veteran railway builders. Reason: Canada had built hardly any railways since before the First World War, and when the railway into Labrador-Ungava was started there was a scramble for experienced men. Some were borrowed from the big transcontinental railways, some were coaxed away, some came out of retirement. Here are a few of them:

Hector McNeil, native of Achat, N.S., chief engineer, borrowed from Canadian National.

H. W. Flemming, native of Liverpool, N.S., special engineer, a star athlete at Dalhousie University around 1908, and an artist who has started evening art classes.

John E. Stokes, office engineer, born in Britain, in Canada since 1911, retired from Canadian National.

Albert W. Smith, of St. Lambert, Que., native of Albert County, N.B., bridge engineer. In his spare time he is in a fair way to become the most successful gardener in Seven Islands' sandy soil.

David Livingstone, locating engineer for the Canadian Pacific, who left the Labrador job in 1950 for South America, and then Vancouver.

James G. Pickard, of Toronto, general manager for the contractors, says:

"It's just a job—except there is more of it—railroads, terminals, docks, power projects. Some 200,000 tons of material will cross the Seven Islands docks this summer. That's a lot of stevedoring. We have \$8,000,000 worth of equipment spread over 300 miles of territory."

Harold McNamara, former Montreal and Toronto newspaper man, is assistant project manager. His wife, Bunny, a former newspaper woman, is thrilled that she has coaxed enough blades of grass through the soil to call them a lawn.

WOMEN WORKERS
About 90 girls work in the offices at the Seven Islands base camps, some of them with husbands also on the job. Most of them come from small towns or the northern frontier.

There are not many places to go. There are recreation halls and the women have bridge parties, language classes, and sew for the hospital. A drama club has been formed.

If you need transportation, Harry Seely of Dundalk, Ont., theological student at Queen's University, cheerily doubles as company driver and student minister of the United Church.

John A. Rodriguez spends his time in airplanes and helicopters, taking pictures of the project to add to thousands already in the files of the contractors.

EDUCATION FINANCING
Maurice Hodgson, first year mining engineer at McGill, said: "A job like this is the only way to make your way through college."

Dr. James B. Mawdsley, head of the department of geology at the University of Saskatchewan, visiting the project, expressed somewhat the same idea:

"There never was a time when it was easier to finance an education."

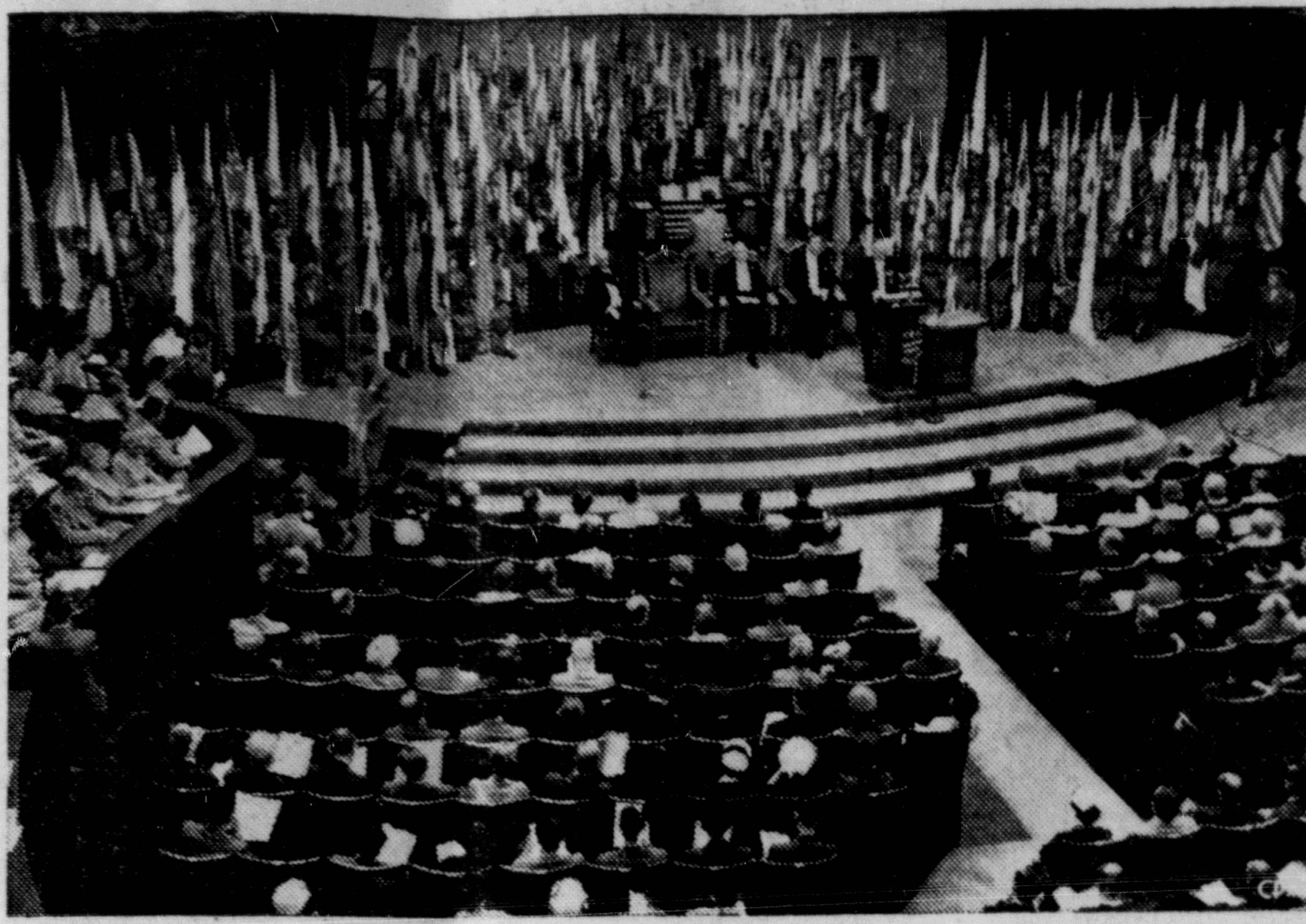
Out in the railway cuts, 20 or more young geologists were examining rocks. One was from India, one from Pakistan, one from South America, some from the United States, but most of them from Canada.

Most of the 6,000 or so workers are from Quebec and Newfoundland, but others are from all over the world. Mostly, they are there to do a job, but the turnover is large.

In the month of June 4, contractors lost 512 men of a working force of 3,200. About 10 per cent of the 512 were dismissed. Others pulled out to other places. Some were not used to the bush and got lonesome for their families.

GRADUAL INCREASE
At March 1 Canada had 3,638,000 workers engaged in non-agricultural industries, compared with 3,560,000 one year previously.

Classified Ads Pay



GOVERNOR-GENERAL Vincent Massey is shown welcoming delegates to the 18th International Red Cross Conference at Toronto. Women of the Canadian Red Cross Volunteer Corps carry flags of the 71 nations represented. Official opening took place at Convocation Hall of the University of Toronto.

Coastal Defence Guns 'Ineffective' Says Canadian Army Chief of Staff

VICTORIA (CP)—An elaborate system of coastal defence guns would not be an effective measure against possible invasion, Lt.-Gen. Guy Simonds, Canadian Army chief of staff, said here.

The man who headed the First Division in the Sicily and Italy landings and the Canadian forces during the invasion of Normandy said those engagements had proved the futility of coast guns in modern warfare.

"The coast defence guns didn't stop us," he said. "In fact they caused comparatively few casualties."

He called the problem of coast defence an air defence problem

in which "static guns are not a substitute."

He said guns for boom defence and for an examination point, where possibly camouflaged vessels could be checked in wartime were a necessity "but elaborate coast defence guns that never fired a shot in anger in two wars" were not a satisfactory defensive measure.

"The best defense is to engage the enemy at a distance," he said, "rather than to spend on coast defences and wait for him to come here."

General Simonds said he would "welcome seeing every youth in Canada receive two year's military training."

"But I haven't seen anyone get up and support the two-year plan," he added.

He made the statement while answering questions about the reserve army and the question of attracting more members to its ranks.

He said he wouldn't recommend any further increases in reserve force pay as an inducement to recruits and said army authorities had "gone as far as necessary."

He said the reserve army lacked whole-hearted public support.

"In many cases what has done damage is a continual harping on compulsory service," he said, adding that the talk of compulsory service kept many men from joining the reserve force because they took the attitude that "if the government wants me they can call on me."

Bail Refused Man Held On Wounding Charge

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mr. Justice A. M. Manson Thursday refused application for bail for Charles Reginald Martin, Powell River stevedore awaiting trial in September on a charge of attempted murder.

Martin's counsel said the accused is without funds for his defence and wants to return to his job until his trial.

The prosecutor suggested the Attorney-General's department might consider assisting Martin in his defence.

"They may give him a little social credit," said Mr. Justice Manson.

No Menace to U.S. Seen in Flying Saucers Sighted in Washington Area

By VERN HAUGLAND

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Air Force says it is still checking into flying saucer reports, but it's certain of one thing: the saucers—whatever they are—don't seem to be a menace to the U.S. Most of the sightings traced to date have turned out to be natural phenomena.

A flurry of reports that scores of unidentified objects had been spotted by radar in the Washington area in the last 10 days led the Air Force to call a special press conference to tell what it knew—or thought—of the saucers.

The official Air Force conclusion announced:

About one-fifth of the sighting reports are from "credible observers, of relatively incredible things—so we keep on being concerned about them."

Of the one-fifth for which there is no explanation, Maj.-Gen. John A. Samford, intelligence director, said:

"No pattern has ever been found that reveals anything remotely like a purpose or consistency that can in any way be associated with any menace to the United States."

Samford is one of the Air Force's two top experts on saucers. The other is Maj.-Gen.

Roger Ramey. Samford and Ramey announced that since 1947 the Air Force has analyzed about 2,000 reports of sightings of strange objects in the sky.

The bulk of these have been reasonably well identified as the product of friendly aircraft, out-and-out hoaxes, or electrical or meteorological phenomena.

Other "saucers" are blamed on optical illusions, northern lights, weather balloons, and reflection of lights—even automobile lights.

But every effort is being made to identify the mysterious one-fifth.

The two Generals said hot weather of recent weeks might be related to the current outbreak of saucer reports.

ENID, Okla.—A salesman told police he was almost swept from the highway Thursday night by a huge "flying saucer" which swooped low at terrific speed.

Sid Eubanks, 50, said the object, appearing as a "yellow-green, then yellow-brown streak about 400 feet long," suddenly swooped low over the highway, then reversed directions and disappeared in a few seconds.

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They were commenting on release of a long-secret Federal Bureau of Investigation report in Washington saying Stalin decided Communists can achieve control of the U.S. only by force.

Officials here say the Reds in Canada are preaching an old united-front line, arguing that a coalition of "progressive people"—under Communist leadership—can win Canadian votes and then put the service, the police, the armed forces under leaders of their own choice.

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