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## Experience Can be Gained

IN TAKING OVER the government of B.C., the Social Credit party starts with an advantage of youth and a handicap of inexperience. As experience can be gained but youth can not, it is not a bad combination.

In addition, the party assumes its responsibilities with the pleasant prospect of being able to write its own record, for Social Credit is a new name in provincial politics.

As such, it has no obligations written against it except its pre-election promises and these are not too imposing for the reason that the party has not the numerical strength to put many of them into effect.

At the same time, the outlook for the new government is by no means plain sailing.

This summer's outbreak of labor unrest has moderated, but the causes are all still there. These will require wise and close attention as will other problems characteristic of rapid industrial growth. As new business seeks entry into the province, the terms we offer must be attractive but not extravagant.

In a province of such great natural wealth as ours, the temptation to be overly generous is an ever present threat. Consequently, danger always exists that this land of rivers might one day be sold down the river of its own making.

Not for any political reason, but for the sake of B.C.'s welfare, we wish the new government success. The province has already gone long enough without direction and election speeches are poor substitutes.

## Atomic Program Seeks Aid From Foreign Country Supply

By FRANK CAREY

WASHINGTON (AP) —Uranium ore for the United States atomic program will soon be coming from two new foreign sources, South Africa and Australia, the U.S. said today in a report disclosing substantial progress in developing improved atomic weapons during the last six months.

The Atomic Energy Commission in its 12th semi-annual report further disclosed additional uranium may come from new milling facilities in Canada — long an American supplier—and that new sources within the United States itself are nearly ready for initial production.

The A.E.C. also said its atomic reactor is scheduled to do extensive work this summer at the Arco, Idaho test station.

Described as the most powerful research reactor in the world, it is designed to test materials which might conceivably be used in construction of atomic furnaces of the future.

Until completion of the reactor this year, Canada had the lead over the United States in this field with its heavy-water atomic pile at Chalk River, Ont.

Indicating a vastly increased tempo, the commission revealed that its plants had at times been pushed even beyond their designed operating capacity. But new ones are being built and still others are in prospect under the recently approved $3,500,000,000 expanding program.

As for the new foreign sources of raw uranium, the A.E.C. said the first of several plants being constructed in South Africa to recover uranium from gold ores of the famous old "Rand" gold field is nearly ready to start production.

It will be the first product of a three-nation agreement—made in December 1950—whereby Britain and the United States will purchase from South Africa the by-product uranium. Potential quantities have been described by the A.E.C. as "relatively large because of the great quantities of (gold) ore mined."

Concerning the Australian source, the A.E.C. said only that an agreement was reached with Australia to supply uranium to the United States.

The A.E.C.'s report also listed:

1. Progress in the development of atomic propulsion for aircraft —with certain phases of design and development work having gained momentum in the past half-year.

2. Continuance of a project to build a second type of atomic engine for possible use in a submarine—even as work progresses on building a hull for a submarine which will house an atomic power plant of a different type.

Regarding weapons developments, the A.E.C. followed its usual policy of guarded, close-to-the-vest statements.

But it made references to the fact that it couldn't say much publicly along these lines—thereby prompting speculation that the weapons developments are hot stuff.

Conspicuous by its absence was any reference to progress on the projected hydrogen bomb.

Other highlights of the report:

1. Some radio-active particles from the Nexado atomic tests were carried by winds and deposited throughout the country but "it can be stated categorically that at no time in any part of the country outside of the controlled (test) area has radiation from continental tests been harmful to humans, animals or crops."

2. Animal research at the National Cancer Institute has demonstrated the value of bone marrow in giving significant protection to mice exposed to deadly doses of radiation—and it can be given after such exposure. The quest now is to isolate the active substance contained in the bone marrow in order to determine the possibilities of its use for humans.

3. "Deuterons"—atomic "bullets" derived from heavy hydrogen, the kind of hydrogen which could be an ingredient of the propjected H-bomb—appear to have possibilities for the treatment of deep-seated cancer.

SPY HUNTER — Superintendent John Leopold of the RCMP, now 62, is retiring after 34 years of open and underground vigil over communism in Canada. A native of Czechoslovakia he came to Canada 40 years ago and is possibly the most famous Mountie of them all as well as the force's top expert on Reds. He sent eight Red leaders to prison in 1931 with evidence accumulated in seven years as an undercover agent in communist ranks. He was a key figure also in the 1945-46 communist spy probe. (CP Photo)

## As I See It

by Elmore Philpott

### Sleeping Strangers

GULL LAKE, Alberta—Here is a story I heard from one of the United Church ministers at this summer camp of the Alberta School of Religion:

A man and wife on a motor trip had car trouble, far from any hotel. They explained their plight to a woman in a small town. She gave them supper, then took them downstairs and showed them a place to sleep. But before getting into the makeshift bed on the hard concrete floor the man got curious as to what was behind the curtain.

To their astonishment they discovered a fully made-up bed, with fine spring mattress and nice covers. They were not sure whether the housewife had been holding out something on them, or whether they had been mistaken about where she told them to sleep.

At any event they climbed into bed and went into a deep perfect sleep. Tired as they were from their exhausting previous day they did not awake till broad daylight.

Imagine their surprise when they discovered they were asleep in a furniture display window, opening on the town's main street. About half the town was gathered outside silently amazed at the spectacle of the sleeping strangers.

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ONE of our visitors at the camp here is a retired brain specialist. We got him talking about the statement recently made in Maclean's magazine by the controversial Dr. Rowan of Edmonton:

Are men's brains, on the whole, superior to women's brains, because, as Mr. Rowan said, the brain capacity of the male is greater?

The answer we got was cautious. Brain size has a good deal to do with intelligence says OUR doctor McCullough. But it is only one factor. You have to consider not only the size of the brain in relation to the size of the body, of which that particular brain is a part. But you also have to consider the complexity and individual cell structure of the particular brain.

All of which seems to me to add up to this: Maybe the Almighty intended the male to be smarter than the female, because he gave the male a bigger relative brain. But, as at least (the female) half of the human race knows that is not the whole story. As every man should have found out long before this, woman has another extra invisible faculty for arriving at conclusions that the mere male lacks. The brain size has nothing to do with it. She JUST KNOWS. And doc, I must confess, I believe her. She does, durn her.

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HERE is a P.S. on what I wrote from last year's camp at this same spot.

Remember Lassie, the orphan female Collie for whom we found a home. I learn that she is now installed on a cattle ranch in the foothills near Parkland. She is turning out to be what experts call "a first class cattle dog."

I ask the experts about the task of training a first class cattle dog. They say it is pretty hard for a human unless the human has a well trained older dog to show the younger dog what to do. Then the young dog just naturally "catches on."

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I HAVE always figured that humans are just another sort of animal—even if we do have in us a sleeping spark of the divine soul. One reason why we get all these troubles that experts call "juvenile delinquency" after these wars is because war takes away so many of the fathers, older brothers, etc., to show them how they should live, and what they should do.

P.S.—There is another collie here—the spitting image of Lassie. But this one seems to have a home.

## State Secretary Plane Grounded

WASHNGTON (AP) — A plane taking State Secretary Dean Acheson to the three-power conference at Honolulu was forced down Friday at Denver when one engine failed, but no one was injured.

Officials phoned the State Department that they expected to make repairs in 2½ hours and then proceed to San Francisco.

CANADIAN ARMOUR IN KOREA—Tanks of "Baker" Squadron of the Lord Strathcona's Horse are shown above winding their way along a road in Korea, as they come out of the front line for a rest. The tanks are due for a maintenance check and the tank crews will get a chance to relax after serving for a long period in the forward positions. (National Defence Photo)

### In Oil-Rich Alberta

## Socred Party Seeks Fifth Term

EDMONTON (CP) — Alberta's Social Credit government likely will live to come of age if it is returned in the Aug. 5 provincial election.

The party was swept to power 17 years ago during the economic depression. Its promise then was dividends of $25 a month for all from the provincial treasury.

In this election Social Credit, now a model of financial orthodoxy, is seeking its fifth consecutive term of office. If returned, it will have been in power 21 years before the next election normally rolls around in 1956.

Today mention is seldom made of the party's old fiscal ideas. Some of them were tried in the government's first years, but the courts threw out the legislation as unconstitutional.

**CLOSE TO ABERHART**

William Aberhart, the Calgary Bible class teacher who led the party to power in 1935, has been dead nine years. The present premier, Ernest C. Manning, was one of Mr. Aberhart's closest associates and is one of the two original Social Credit ministers still in office.

Mr. Manning is still only 43 despite his 17 years as a minister of the crown. On Sundays he preaches at the Prophetic Bible Institute in Calgary in Mr. Aberhart's stead. Weekdays he is premier and provincial treasurer. Soon he will add the job of minister of mines and minerals, administering the oil industry which has made Alberta rich.

Just an even dozen of the 56 original Social Credit members are contesting seats in next Tuesday's election as government candidates. Two other originals, unconverted to the party's present-day policies, are running as independent Social Crediters.

With one exception, the four Social Credit legislatures have all had top-heavy majorities. It was 56 to 7 in the first. Then, in 1940, a group of independents won 19 seats to Social Credit's 36. After that it was 51 to 6 in 1944 and again in 1948.

A redistribution bill, passed in 1950, gives fast-growing Edmonton seven seats instead of five. Calgary's representation is increased to six from five. A new rural riding—Bonnyville—is created in the northeastern part of the province.

**ONE ACCLAMATION**

Next Tuesday, 182 candidates will be in the running for the 60 seats at stake. The government has elected one member by acclamation—Provincial Secretary C. E. Gerhart in Acadia-Coronation. There is a Social Credit candidate in each of the 60 remaining seats.

The Liberals, who held power from the time Alberta became a province in 1905 until 1921, when a United Farmer's government took over for 14 years, are running 55 candidates. The party had three seats in the last legislature and its leader, J. Harper Prowse, was leader of the opposition.

CCF hopes of bettering its two members in the last House have been encouraged by the CCF victory in Saskatchewan in June and the party's good showing in British Columbia. Nova-Scotia-born Elmer E. Roper is leading 41 CCF candidates.

The Progressive Conservatives have put up a dozen candidates, all in Edmonton and Calgary. The party's last electoral success in Alberta provincial elections was in 1935, when it elected two members.

Six of the government's former supporters are running as independent Social Crediters. These include some who disagree with the government's policies and others who were rejected for renomination. Most prominent is R. Earl Ansley, former minister of education, who was recently expelled from the Social Credit League.

## HERE ... and NOW

By LARRY STANWOOD

There is little a man can't do to entertain himself with $700 in his pocket was the topic uppermost in his mind as the mining electrician told how in a month he had made his stake.

And Mr Electrician had had enough of high altitudes; he wasn't coming back, he said looking out over wide expanse of mountains and wilderness as the plane carried him to Vancouver.

The mine he just had left was the Red Rose, 6,500 feet above sea level near Skeena Crossing. He had no ill word for the mine—"they treated me swell and wanted me back. But I'd had enough of hanging halfway between heaven and h---."

He operated a compressor and said the nigh altitude gave him constant headaches "like a hangover after a four-day binge."

Red Rose is a cobalt mine, operated by Western Uranium and Cobalt Mines. About 95 miners are employed there and another 75 are working at Western Uranium.

Main problem among the men there is mail, said the outbound electrician. He also deplored the scarcity of newspapers.

There was another miner taking the plane to Vancouver.

He was a burly chap, wide of shoulders and had the appearance of "strong man" if it were not for the looseness around his waist. His hair was the color of cinnamon, dashed with salt.

He was a real miner—underground stuff—and came from Alice Arm. But he had no stake.

"Got my fare and a few bucks. The boys got the rest," he said.

"But I almost made it. . . ."

Asked what he meant, he told this story:

"I had about $12 left after I paid for my fare to Nanaimo and squared my canteen bill. I decided to put it into a game of aces-up (dice)."

Mr. Burly Miner said he had never played the game before but he won, without knowing how. Then he got real interested and played some more, always winning until he had more than $100 and broke up the game.

"The next day I had plenty of friends. The boys borrowed most of my winnings trying to get back what they lost."

When it was time for him to catch his plane out, he returned to his "friends" to touch them for what they had touched him. But no dice all around. They hadn't won any money and they couldn't pay him.

"I still had $30 in my jeans and thought I might try and run that up. After all, dice seemed to be my lucky game.

"I lost it all in two rolls."

By the time the plane had reached Sandspit, the first and second miner had already met. They were talking over old times.

And at Vancouver, both took a taxi from the airport planning a good time on a stake one had made and the other lost.

BLACK MAGIC

In early Rome the "evil eye" was so well recognized that special laws were enacted against injury to crops by fascination.

## Reservoir Under Repair, Water Shortage

Extensive repairs to the city reservoir in Roosevelt Park were started this morning and will take from six weeks to two months to complete.

Mayor Harold S. Whalen, announcing the start of work on the $27,550 project, said it will not always be possible to supply water at pressures at the higher levels in the city, "but every effort will be made to minimize inconveniences."

City works superintendent Don Stewart, said "we will do our best to keep a good supply of water in the mains and it will be regulated by the booster pump on Frederick Street."

Water was used from the pool —which holds 1,250,000 gallons— over the week-end, and workmen from G. W. Ledingham and Company began removing all old concrete from the sides and floor.

## POLICE SOLVE THIS ONE EASILY

NEW YORK (AP)—Police had a snap solving a tailor shop robbery last night. The robber left a paper giving his name, address and description. The "calling card" was a completed application form for city employment, which apparently had dropped unnoticed from Moses Haynes' pocket when he drew his gun. Police found Haynes at his address and charged him with robbery.

## Ray REFLECTS and REMINISC

A 600-square-mile military base and training camp, to be established in New Brunswick, is developing into what may gradually become a boom for the Maritimes. It will cost 24 millions. It will be permanent, and maintenance is good for business. It is unlikely the undertaking can be completed earlier than within two years.

The general location of the site is now known, although there were but few details in the week-end remarks of the Minister, Hon. Mr. Claxton. It will be generally situated in the St. John River valley between the village of Gagetown and the region tributary to the province's chief city, which has a population of about 50,000.

**A CONTRAST TO B.C.**

This is a pleasant, a settled land. There is not the newness, the grandeur and immensity of British Columbia. The pioneering era has long since passed. But the winding river, the easy landscapes and roomy homes, drives and lakes stamp the country with a quiet, yet scenic charm.

**THE OLD HOME TIES**

There must be, scattered across this 600 miles, numerous farmers. Realizing a modest market, they have toiled for generations. There are families whose members have lived and died throughout a century and longer. To those who, today, will be obliged to move, the government will pay a total of five millions in compensation. There are some, however, who are believed to prefer the old home to the old greenback.

Zero has its good old-fashioned bite. There are drifts and gales. Summer can be, and usually is all that may be wished. Spring can be sloppy and slippery and autumn, for a few weeks, has its touch of enchantment. Fifty inches would be reckoned a shade too much rain. But meanwhile, one can't cavil at showers.

Nearness to a naval centre—ample room for the handling of an entire division or brigade—a soil suitable for cultivation of unlimited crops—these are just a few of the advantages that most readily come to mind. The outlay of 24 millions will greatly stimulate not only New Brunswick but all the Maritimes, and in a dozen different ways.

**WHERE HE FOUND IT**

Gagetown has long been a drowsy sort of hamlet with verdure everywhere, and a comfortable way of life. Here was born Sir Samuel L. Tilley who became a Fatner of Confederation. It was his suggestion of "Dominion" that was by his colleagues who wondered what name to the new Canada. it in a passage in the was originally a St. Jo gist, who left retail politics, subsequently finance minister in the ment of Sir John A. And it's worth nothing day, no matter who says about disavowal of "Dominion," it still with us.

### Swedes Plan

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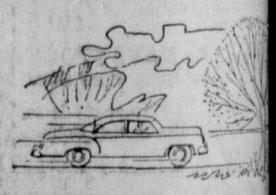

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