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ALCOA Awaits B.C. Election

IT IS a certainty that the see-saw of British Columbia politics, with its on-again off-again election prospects, is being watched with interest, and perhaps apprehension, by a group of American series I have tried to financiers who have hundreds of millions of dollars hanging on the outcome.

The reference is to the Aluminum Company of America which is waiting to start negotiations with the B.C. government for the use of Canadian water to power its proposed huge project near Skagway.

While the negotiations will also have to be taken up on a federal level, the province will have an emphatic voice in the proceedings as it contains the lakes from which the flow will be directed to provide the required hydro-electric power.

The project presents a responsibility of great public importance to whatever party is fated to be in power when discussions get underway. Besides the tremendous area of natural resources to be considered, there is the operation of our own aluminum industry at Kitimat. While safeguards are being erected in the bargaining to protect these, a mercenary eye must be maintained on possible fruitful revenue for the province.

In addition to provincial significance the deal may have national concern of towering importance if, as speculated upon in some quarters, a gigantic horse trade develops in which Canadian water is offered in exchange for American assistance in construction of the St. Lawrence seaway.

In the face of such large considerations the present provincial government would no doubt be inclined to await more convincing evidence of its popularity before committing itself. It, therefore, appears that Skagway will see little action on its aluminum venture until after another B.C. general election.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Canadian Chemical Plant Adds New Industrial Era to Alberta

By JIM PEACOCK

A new industrial era, based on Alberta's natural will begin for Edmonton early in 1953 unless steel shortages and strikes cause further construction delays.

ol, propylene glycol, pentaery-

piping networks between storage

tanks and processing buildings.

The Canadian Chemical plant

will employ some 800 persons

when completed. It will have its

own administration building and

Railway spurlines are being

steel is erected, huge cement-

block walls are being placed.

BIG WINNER

ployed in construction.

a large cafeteria.

anol and acetaldehyde.

products.

Completion of the Canadian reach 25,000,000 pounds of cellu-Chemical Company's \$55,000,000 lose acetate, a flaky material plant on Edmonton's eastern similar to corn flakes. Of this, outskirts will mark the opening 10,000,000 pounds will be sold for of western Canada's first large- export. scale chemical industry.

Utilizing the natural resources 10,000,000 pounds into staple cubic feet of natural gas daily- acetate filament yarn. the new industry will provide By-PRODUCTS basic chemical and textile ma terials which Canadian workers will turn into thousands of products for home use and export.

Natural gas is easily accessible from Edmonton and the city expects to reap great benefits from its strategic location in Alberta's oil and gas fields.

Besides Canadian Chemical Canadian Industries Ltd. and Sherritt-Gordon Mines Ltd are constructing plants in the Edmonton area, and when in operation the three will consume 57,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas daily.

The C.I.L. plant, costing \$13. and thrown out company offi-000,000 and to use 10,000,000 used in electrical and pharmacentical industries. Sherritt-Gordon's \$12,000,000 plant, at Fort Saskatchewan 11 miles east of Edmonton, will produce 17,- 30,000 cubic yards of cement annually and its daily gas con-land sewage systems and elecsumption will reach 7,000,000 trical lines have already been

Canadian Chemical, using butane and propane gases, byproducts of oil refining, will produce acetic acid, acetone and 10 other chemicals, several of them not yet being made Canada.

Acetic acid, combined with purified woodpulp to be brought in from Prince Rupert, B.C., makes cellulose acetate. This is the basic ingredient in making acetate filament yarn, staple fibre and acetate plas-

Cellulose acetate is processed and fibre and these are woven ager of the general store in this rather than military applications is 29 years old but still likes to of such an explosion only about into fine fabrics used in wearing Northampton village, won prizes of atomic energy, said Sir John collect frogs. He sent 70 British 300 feet above the level of one of apparel, home furnishings and for 59 of his 62 entries at the Cockcroft, director of the sta- specimens to friends in New York the small coral islands might industrial items.

plant's yearly production will and two medals.

As I See It



Flying Saucers Real? series of six articles.)

ANGELES. — In previous articles in this show that there is an overwhelming amount of evidence to prove that the mystery aircraft which have been reported in the past few years are real.

Readers who want further detailed information on this subject might read Gerald Heard' IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCH-ING? or Donald Keyhoe's THE FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL (published by Fawcett Publications 1950.)

have further tried to show that these mystery craft could be one of two things-ships from another planet or secret craft developed right here on

I HAVE carefully studied what evidence I could get and I am by no means convinced that the mystery ships are from Mars Venus or any place else than this earth itself-in fact, any place else than the U.S.A. itself.

According to the evidence have gathered, observers like Gerald Heard, Scott Nearing and Major Donald Keyhoe base their conclusion that these ships must be from outer space on these observations:

They appear to be "manned" by crews inside them, because they react away from other conventional aircraft approaching them. But they could not be "manned" by human beings beeause their speeds and rate of swerves would kill any human

BUT suppose these mystery craft are not manned.

Suppose they are not managed by crews inside them but run by remote control. It is by no means certain that the U.S. is not producing pilotless aircraft which could do most, or all, of the things that the mystery aircraft have been reported as doing.

So my own verdict on the mystery, for what is it worth, is of "Not Proven."

Obviously, too, they have not 6. Life of the present parliamen come over the U.S.A. in the spirit expires Aug. 25, 1954. of hostility. When they have Commons for the Nova Scotia come almost into collision with constituency of Annapolistaken frantic steps to get away, ent mentioned the "possibility" But this may well be-not as Heard speculates, because they are benign bee-like creatures from Mars-but because the ground station in U.S.A. which controls them has seen, on some thing like a radar screen, the The Edmonton plant will turn danger of collision

am impressed by the fact of Alberta - namely 40,000,000 fibre and 5,000,000 pounds into that not for over two years has there been a case of a mystery ship flying on, or near, airlines or very near airports.

> produce formaldehyde, methan-BUT thousands of years ago the prophet Ezekief, did see the nominated by Christmas." thrial, isobutanol, N-propyl acefirst flying saucer. It is retate, diproylene glycol, N-butported in the tenth chapter of in various parts of the country. Formaldehyde is used primmore simply reported in the ing political fences. arily in manufacture of plywood beautiful negro folk song "Ezeglue and the others are used in making anti-freeze, brake fluids, middle of the air, a wheel within inces west of the Maritimes. In- scale hydrogen explosion already solvents, resins and various other

Construction of the manufacturing centre, covering 200 acres interplanetary travel to begin in ed upon by the party. of a 430-acre site, was begun in a big way. Already our own Mr. St. Laurent will be fol- onating a hydrogen bomb. June, 1951. Steel shortages and strikes have set back completion the moon, or even further.

For earth men to imagine that cials' hopes that some of the duce polythene, a plastic widely equipment would be in operation our earth is the only planet able of such flight is the arro-However, work is progressing gance of ignorance. Sooner or steadily. More than 4,000 tons later there will be communicaof steel have been erected and tion between the planets; and it is by no means sure we will get 000,000 pounds of refined nickel poured. Complete waterworks to Mars, for instance, before the Mars men get here

But I think we are a bit ahead laid underground with intricate of ourselves to conclude it has already happened. Maybe-but not certainly.

Healthy Post

CAPETOWN, (CP)-Miss D. E. I Harris, a municipal employee at Krugersdorp in the Transvaai, built into the site and where has worked 32 years in the same office and never missed a day More than 1,700 persons are em- through illness. She works in piffle. A sound constitution is the health department.

PEACEFUL AIMS

LONDON (CP)-Sixty per cent BARNACK, England (CP)-Ern- of all research at the Harwell with acetone to make the yarn est Reedman, 42-year-old man- atomic station is devoted to civil



East. In Thailand an expert of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations is training and assisting local technicians to improve and develop their country's fish resources This Javanese scene shows time-honored fish-breeding practices in Tjinindi pond by local fishermen.

Political Fever Quickens At Ottawa; Leaders Travel

OTTAWA (CP)-Indications are there will be no slackening of activity in the federal political field as a result of Prime Minister St. Laurent's statement that the next election probably will not be called until after the coronation.

"The statement simply con firmed what we have been think ing right along," said George Nowlan, president of the Progressive Conservative Association

Lorne Ingle, national secretary the C.C.F. said: "We don't intend to be caugh

unprepared and we plan to wor vigorously at organization." Solon Low, Social Credit leader, said his party will work to line up enough candidates to be

During his recent tour of we ern Canada, Mr. St. Laurent said during an interview that there won't be any election before the coronation of Queen Elizabeth next June 2.

"There is always the possibil ity of an election, but the probability is another thing," said Mr.

The 70-year-old Prime Minispermits he will again lead the Liberal Party in the election. Unted States' carefully guarded In recent months there

the good old Scottish Jury phrase been speculation that the election will be called in the of 1953, possibly Monday, Oct.

planes of the airlines they have Kings, noted that Mr. St. Laurof an election at any time.

"We don't intend to be caus unawares," he said.

TORIES PREPARE

The Progressive Conservatives the A-bomb. hope to have candidates conconventions are being held reg- group.

Mr. Ingle said his party w have "more than 200 candidate in the field, with 100 of them

Organizers now are working selecting candidates and mend-

scientists are talking of trips to lowed in the western provinces EXPLOSION FORCE by George Drew, Progressive

Sound Body Reason For Long Life

LONDON (Reuters)—Dr. Henry Bottrell, who made a fortune treating Indian Rajahs during an outbreak of the Black Plague in Calcutta in 1878, celebrated his 100th birthday yesterday treating his patients "as usual." "I eat and drink what I like and do what I like," he said in an interview.

"All this talk about dieting is considered. what makes for long life and terrific explosion and the creathat is something you have to be tion of intense heat might proborn with."

FROG COLLECTOR

LONDON (CP)-Norman White Moreover, the immense force ndustrial items.

Barnack Agricultural show. Intion. He predicted power units and in return will receive a collection of American frogs. He submarine landslides which displayed by the Liquor Control Board or operating in four or five years. has more than 40 varieties.

Conservative leader, and M. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader.

Mr. Drew, who recently toured part of Quebec, plans British Columbia.

H-Bomb Test Near Future

By ELTON C. FAY

WASHINGTON (AP)-A test the world's first hydrogen "hell" bomb may be made during the next two months at the nuclear-weapons proving ground in mid-Pacific.

A joint Atomie Energy Commission-Defence Department announcement says a task force will "conduct tests in the autumn months this year looking toward

The announcement left open Hirst says the cost of reburial the question of the specific types would be enormous. of atomic weapons, but earlier official statements had pointed to progress in developing the hydrogen bomb, which may be a 1,000 times more powerful than [

There were indications of untesting all 265 seats in the next usually-tight secrecy around the election. Some already have forthcoming experiments at Enibeen nominated and nomination wetok, in the Marshall Island

The announcement specified that "only official observers of the U.S. government and members of the task force" would be present. This suggested that quasi-official observers, such as civilian defence experts, might not be invited. It definitely excludes foreign observers and the

Mr. Lowe said his party now At least some preliminary kiel saw a wheel, right in the has organizations in all prov- steps towards producing a fulla wheel, right in the middle of vitations have been received to have been taken In the spring of establish organizations in the 1951 scientists conducted experi-Maybe the time has come for Maritimes and they will be act- ments which apparently included studies of the method of det-

The force of an exploding hydrogen bomb will be a matter of estimates and calculation until scientists ean measure an actual A first test of a hydrogen bomb

probably will be made from a tower nstead of an air-drop. Among other reasons is the size of any test device, for too big and perhaps too heavy for present aircraft. It is doubtful if observers of

an H-bomb explosion would remain on other islands of the Eniwetok atell, even though some of them are more than miles from the "shot' is-

In addition to the vastly increased area of blast and heat, other factors might have to be

Some scientists think that the CANADIAN RYE duce dangerous air turbulence after the blast-perhaps winds of super-hurricane force.

could set off a tidal wave.

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NOT SO UNLIKELY

it, and you may discover possi- chances of getting cancer.

EASY ENOUGH!

A Stratford (Ont.) alderman report from the Workmen Compensation Board, is urging that doctors use more English. Tell the alderman have a good, hot argument wit the first physician he sees. He'll EUROPE HIGHEST understand every single, solitary

THAT SIMILARITY

politics but so were those fel- in those over 70. Men seem to lows out in British Columbia who be more affected than women. are now forming a government. Kitchener-Waterloo Record.

spend two weeks in October ears, we heard the radio softly has increased considerably, alvisiting the west, particularly playing "Sweet Marie" the other though this form is comparaevening "Sweet Marie!" Can it tively easy to diagnose and Mr. Coldwell will leave within be possible? And it's not so far treat in its early stages. Cancer the next few weeks on a tour back the lilting strains of "After of the uterus had diminished of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and the Ball' came along to also be somewhat, but cancer of the British Columbia. He will speak recognized. There was money in genitals has risen significantly. mainly at nominating conven- music then, as well as now. Some ' Cancer of the lungs, particuthought it big. But that was in larly in men, has shown one of

Vicar Perplexed By Grave Problem CARLISLE, England (CP)- The

vicar of 130-year-old Chris Church and the town council would like to know what to de

Here is the problem: The church, closed since 1938 because of small attendance, is being demolished. The ground is to be with material from the dismantled church.

But there are 100 tombstones and 100 graves. The vicar has advertised but no one will claim a stone, nor a grave. The law says that all dead must be exhumed and buried elsewhere. Deputy Town Clerk William

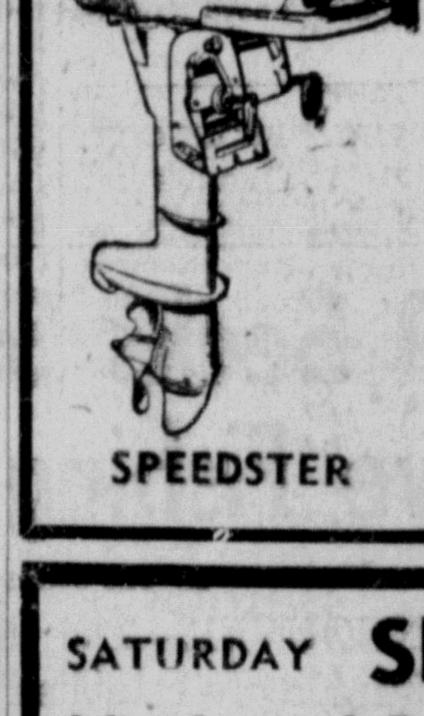
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Death Toll From Cancer Reflects and Throughout World, Says W

GENEVA-The past 50 years have s marked increase in the numbers of deaths fro It's money that does the talk- cer according to statistics gathered by the Nations World Health Organization.

great among those

The work on jet-tank

The WHO report cautions, Now that the Pensions Act for however, that many factors in- age of 45, the risk of de members of parliament is law, fluence the statistics, including the disease increases in electors need not be astounded better diagnosis of the disease proportion with the to hear of suggestions for larger and the fact that people now smoked. sessional indemnities. Look into live longer thus increasing the

Dr. Marcelino Pascua, direc- 25 or more cigarets tor of WHO's health statistics among non-smokers. After all, a vacation in Sep- division, says that at the beginember can delight! And Octo- ning of this century many countries showed less than five per Britain Develo to cancer and malignant tum-

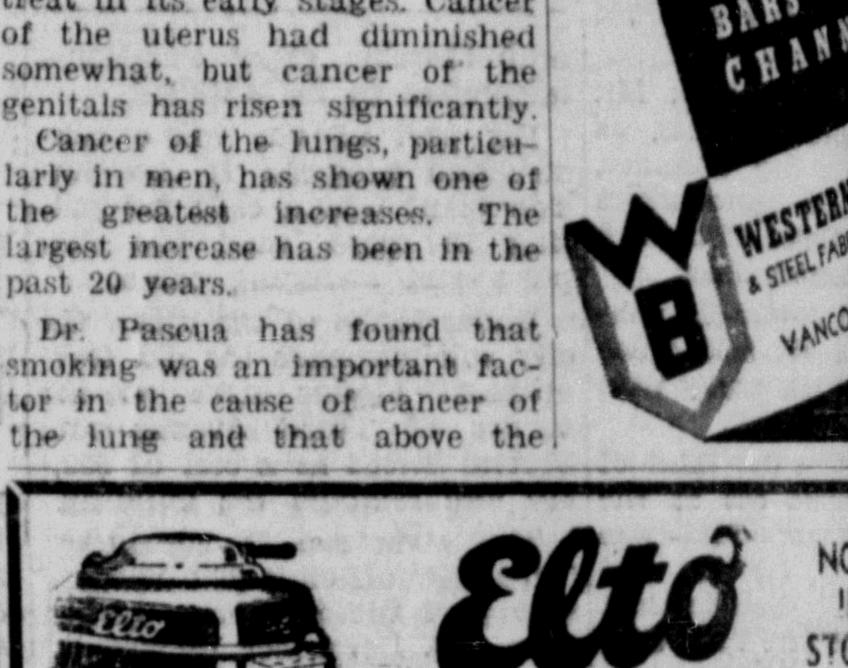
> By 1947, however, most of the countries studied showed that one in every seven to nine deaths tanks are being develo was- due to the disease, with British Army, it was re more than 10 per cent in some a report to the Par Select Committee of

Cancer deaths in Denmark gun about four years av and the Netherlands were more port says, but there than 16 per cent, Dr. Pascua chance that new-tyr Fall assize to open at Prince found in research. England gines may be develo Rupert on Monday. If, in the Scotland, Norway and Switzer- jet-driven tanks are a past forty years, all of the sworn land were among the highest The chief engineer stories heard there could be con- for cancer deaths, while Chile, fighting vehicle des densed into one readable tale a Portugal, Spain and Japan were lishment at Chobban

One clearly shown trend was standardization of all the recorded rise of cancer in wheeled and tracked Eisenhower is a greenhorn in the older groups, particularly

Dr. Pascua says that cancer of the mouth, pharynx and skin has not increased, while to Scarce believing our trustworthy cancer of the breast in women

> past 20 years. Dr. Pascua has found that oking was an important factor in the cause of cancer of





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