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A Contest For Young Canada

ELSEWHERE in the Daily News today there is an announcement of the book review contest open to school children...

We draw attention to this because we believe that here is a contest which, as a stimulus to young minds, has everything...

As we see it, the student who will seriously contend for a prize is the student whose good spelling is employed on words that show comprehension and originality...

A competent book review requires that much at least. It calls for insight into what the author is trying to express, and judgment as to whether it is expressed well...

The contest merits attention not only because it promotes youthful power of expression, but also because it furthers interest in good literature among the young...

"A generation ago, books were the most popular form of entertainment; but for some years now, books have been only one of many things that compete for the child's interest..."

"To be well educated is to be well read; reading makes us familiar with our literature, and our history, responsive to the beauty and power of words, and able to use them well..."

In sponsoring Young Canada's Book Week, the Canadian Library Association is performing a valuable service to schoolchildren who, without an additional incentive to read, could easily form an indifference to books...

Simultaneously, the Association is awakening public appreciation of the work being done by our public libraries. If recognition of this work were even half as extensive as the work itself, there would be no problem...

In Prince Rupert, for example, the public library last year had a total circulation of approximately 22,300, of which 7,200 was in the juvenile and young people's category...

If Young Canada's Book Week lives up to its present promise, it may be that we will have to take a lesson from the children in this respect.

Scripture Passage for Today

"... All them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity." -Eph. 6:24.

LETTERBOX

COMPLAINT OF A FISHERMAN'S WIFE

Editor, Daily News: We hear and read about Communism. What about our problems here in B.C.?

Take, for instance, "union." First the trawl-fish strike starting in February, then the salmon strike. All during these days union representatives hold countless meetings, boasting, promising better living for all...

down the west coast trying to scrape up what's left. Yet at this time they would be at home enjoying family life and, even more, earning for our winter needs.

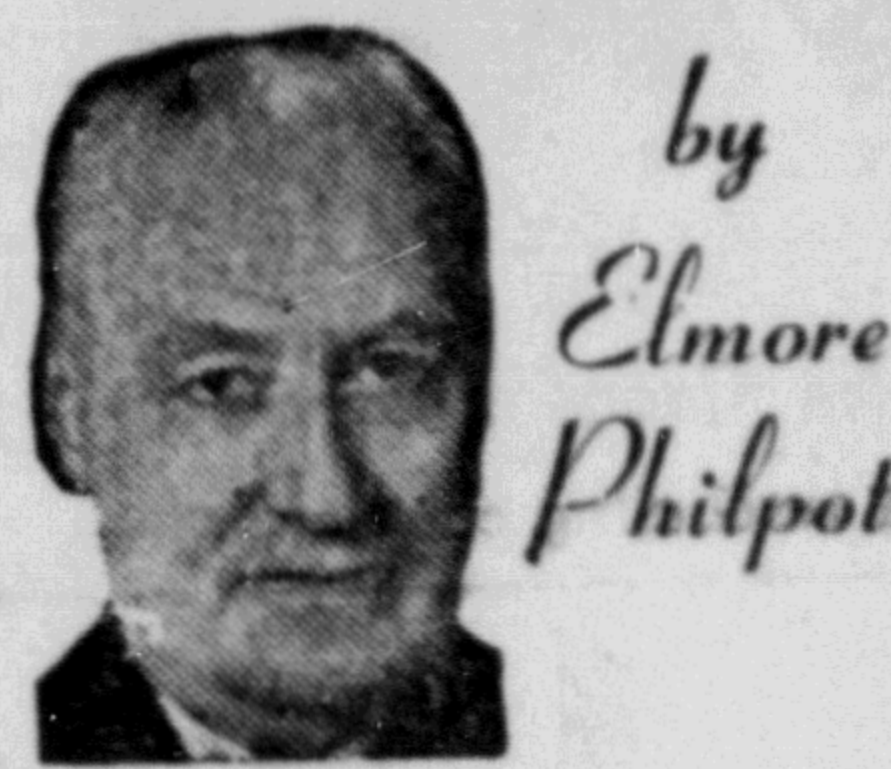
Of course the union steps in again for two per cent of every dollar for the so-called strike fund. It's just like grabbing bread and butter out of our mouths.

I have a family and I should complain. Who knows but my marriage will be a wreck. My husband and I did not say farewell and were not happy when he went. I am left with no money to start with. We are all suffering, both unions and non-unions. Why?

I should complain. After all, I am a FISHERMAN'S WIFE.

HISTORIC VESSELS Columbus discovered America with three tiny vessels - the Santa Maria of 100 tons, Pinta, 50 tons, and Nina, 40 tons.

As I See It



Crisis President

DURING the term of the next president of the United States the world is bound to go through the deepest crisis of modern times.

For the signs are there so large that all the world may read. Before 1956 we will either get world war three - the outcome and consequences of which no human can even guess, or we will lay the first firm foundations of future peace under world law.

We have a really good chance of getting the beginnings of true world peace if we can work out a genuine and truly-willing basis of co-operation between the United States and the British Commonwealth nations. I say that, not because I imagine that these two groups are any better or more important than others.

If we can't work out a true basis of teamwork between the nations most alike what chance is there of doing the infinitely more difficult job of integrating those who are most unlike?

REGARDLESS of who wins the U.S. elections we are assured of a good top man in the White House. Both men are genuine and understanding friends of the free British nations, including Canada. Both men are in principle convinced of the need for more effective international organization.

But we would be blind to the plain facts if we ignored the difficulties. If General Eisenhower wins, and carries out the crude plan of John Foster Dulles, to which he has given at least a half nod of approval, we will be in for a time of most severe strain on American-British-French relations. For the Dulles plan of actively backing armed underground resistance movements in eastern Europe would either result in a creation and magnification of actual civil war on BOTH sides of the Iron Curtain, or in outright total war. As Elmer Davis put it, in his dry Indiana radio voice the day after publication of the Dulles plan of active arms-drops, etc.:

"This would be a clear act of war, and we would have to be prepared for the consequences."

BUT IF Stevenson wins the McCormicks and McCarthys will really begin to whoop it up for extreme isolationism. More than one shrewd observer remarked after Senator McCarthy's big radio and television show that he had made his first speech intended to get him the Republican nomination in 1956.

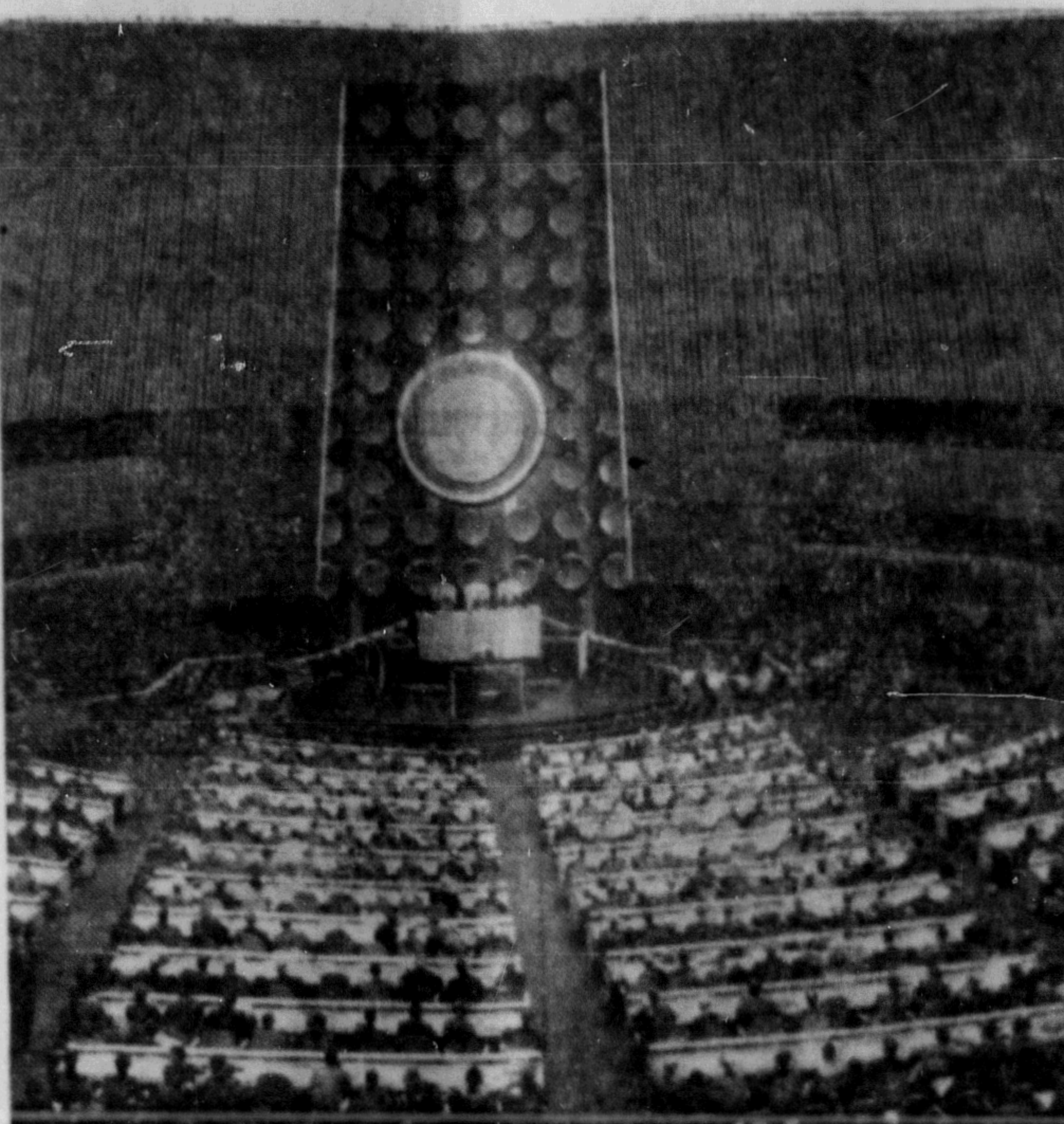
Isolationism is far from dead in U.S.A. Congressman Burdick, Republican of North Dakota, is actively campaigning to have the U.S. secede from the United Nations. It is instructive to note that he takes precisely the opposite line from that taken by Canadian critics of U.S. monopoly direction of the war in Korea. Mr. Burdick writes:

"After the U.N. started on its course the first thing that happened was war. This great organization with 60 nation members doesn't seem to realize that through its actions the U.S. was put into that war. After we were thrown into the Korean war we were left there almost alone. We are doing 90 per cent of the fighting, 90 per cent of the dying and paying all the bills... Yet who is directing the negotiations? The U.N., not we. We can't get out of this war remaining in the U.N."

The above is 90 per cent untrue—but ominous.

THE MAIN duty and opportunity for Canada, and the whole British Commonwealth, is to convince the United States government that our countries are in and must remain in a genuine partnership. Canada must win an effective voice in its policies.

DUTCH EXPLORER The Connecticut river was explored by the Dutchmen Adrian Block in 1614.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the United Nations opened its seventh session for the first time in the new permanent home. Warren R. Austin, United States representative, addresses the Assembly.

UNDER OUR ROOF

By JOHN STURDY

Sometimes there is nothing like having a small child around to make the day brighter and the heart fuller. Of course, there are other times, too, when the little people—especially the neighbors' ones—bring dark clouds and thunder.

But take Col. S. Skeffington-Smuts (Ret.) and Hamish and Little Augie and me. If a little child hadn't been there to lead us, we would be still banned from our house on The Island, which was the case as soon as we returned from our trip to Alaska, the Yukon Territory and Kelowna.

The Colonel's wife Anastasia had mined the property and threatened to blow the Colonel's head off with her elephant-gun. My own wife didn't care one way or the other.

This was the situation when I thought of my small son.

"I think our problem is solved," I said to the Colonel, Hamish, and Little Augie. "We will go to the local school this afternoon and wait for my small son to appear. After all, the boy is my own flesh and blood. He will interfere for us."

"Do you think that will do any good?" Hamish asked doubtfully. "No woman can ignore the pleading of a child," I said. "As soon as the boy sees us and learns that we have been banished, he will go crying home to his mother, begging her to take us back."

"How about my wife, Anastasia?" asked the Colonel. "My wife is the stronger character," I pointed out.

"Perhaps," the Colonel said, "but your wife doesn't carry an elephant-gun."

Well, anyway, we went to the school as planned, and at three o'clock my son appeared along with his classmates. He recognized me immediately.

HELP FROM SON "Hi Pop!" he said. "Whatcha doing in town?" This staggered me slightly, but I replied: "I've come home to you and mother."

The boy eyed my companions. "I see you're still hanging around with those characters. Where are you living—in the hotel?" "We're going home, son," I said patiently.

"That's not what Ma tells me." "Now look here, son, there has been a slight misunderstanding and your mother refuses to answer the telephone. She's probably afraid to be alone in the house."

"She isn't alone," the boy said. "She's there with Mrs. Skeffington-Smuts and an elephant-gun."

Behind me I felt the Colonel shiver. "Son..." "See you around, Pop."

I grabbed the boy and took him aside. For twenty minutes I talked to him earnestly as father to son. Then I let him go. Well, the upshot of it was that the Colonel and Hamish and Little Augie and I returned to the hotel, and Little Augie said, "Pal, you certainly laid an egg that time," and I said, "Just walk and see," and sure enough, in

Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

Once, most Canadians thought of China as a semi-tropical land, for comparatively few had been there. The Korean winter is near, and that means the inclusion of blizzards, snow, rains, and Arctic gales.

NOT FAR APART The largest undertaking establishment in Saint John is on Paradise Row. (Maclean's). This is the truth. Many are the days we have walked that quiet residential street with its roomy lawns and venerable trees.

A Vernon chiropractor will never have to complain for lack of contrasts. A few days ago he

Nehru Should Read 'Flook' Says Writer

LONDON (CP)—So Prime Minister Nehru of India doesn't like comic strips? Well, he ought to try reading Flook.

That's the advice given by a columnist in The Times of India, as reported here. The columnist says the strip of which Flook is the hero involves "A dream world more real than life, more imaginative than dreams."

The tip followed Nehru's recent complaint at a press conference that he didn't like comic strips and didn't understand why newspapers paid good money for them.

Flook is drawn by Wally Fawkes, formerly of Vancouver and now living in London. The cartoon character named Flook is a rotund, panda-like creature capable of transforming itself into virtually anything at short notice. The strip mystifies some but has a large following of devoted readers.

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