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Too Early to say

WHICH way the wind is blowing for Social Credit will to some extent be ascertained today in the Similkameen and Columbia ridings where the government is trying to win seats for two of its cabinet members.

All pundits to the contrary, there is no real basis on which to make predictions as the government has not committed itself enough yet to score any spectacular successes or failures. While there has been criticism of its stand on hospital insurance, the issue has hardly moved sufficiently one way or another to develop into a major squabble.

Since Social Credit came through with its surprise victory last June, the shaken experts have fled to their libraries to find out what the movement stands for. Some have emerged with indignant cries of "racial and religious discrimination" and "funny money," but these points of criticism are hard to pin on the present government.

Aside from a few extraordinary remarks by Health Minister Eric Martin on the subject of currency, which no doubt disturbed his colleagues as much as anybody, the incumbents at Victoria have not yet given much indication that they are in any way unusual.

In short, the situation has changed little since last June. Perhaps the greatest difference is that the freshmen at the capital city have in the meantime gained a bit of experience, and without doubt they are considerably sobered by it. In the normal course of events, a government receives more bricks than bouquets. There is not a word in the whole political dictionary which will please everybody, and those who are displeased are usually the most outspoken.

This kind of experience is all to the good, for it should at least mean that we will have no more of the meaningless phrases such as those uttered by Labor Minister Lyle Wicks when, after the election, he went about congratulating the public on its choice.

We do not get very far on congratulations, and Mr. Wicks has no doubt since discovered that the business of government is a great deal more difficult than his first words inferred.

While the government has betrayed some vacillation—particularly in the matter of hospital insurance—which might be put down to inexperience, it is still too early to praise or condemn Social Credit in the province.

At the same time, its period of apprenticeship must be considered over. Whatever the outcome of the by-elections, the government, if it intends to honor that title, must show some action. Downright mistakes will hardly hurt it any more at the polls than a continuance of the policy of holding conferences behind closed doors which produce nothing.

British Columbia lately has had a surfeit of politics, and Premier Bennett cannot operate much longer through the medium of press interviews in Victoria. He and his colleagues have a mandate from the people to act, and that is what we are waiting for them to do.

Scripture Passage for Today

"And on his head were many crowns."—Rev. 19:22.

LETTERBOX

SUPPORTS CASEY
Editor,
Daily News:
Could I again use space in your columns to express gratitude to Mr. Casey's letter "Loyalty to Russia."

Yes, I believe that Russia should have her Russians and Canada should have her Canadians.

I believe that in the improper exploitation of the resources of our Empire that we as British subjects can confess that there is much misleadership pertaining to our sovereign's faith and better justice.

I believe that if our church ministers could hear all the truths and all the facts of our Holy Faith it would greatly assist our public school teachers and legislative representatives to make more and better foundations for propriety in our citizenship.

Then I believe if we socialize our debts and credits in our CCF with Liberal actions in words and deeds, we could ultimately and economically employ a conservative accountant to enumerate our assets and liabilities.
FAY B. GAMBLIN.

Bush Pilot Found Dead

WABOWDEN, Man. (P)—Bush pilot Eric Taylor was found dead Saturday in the wreckage of his light plane when a para-rescue team jumped to investigate a wreck in a desolate spot 15 miles southeast of here.

Taylor, 32-year-old RCAF veteran, was missing since Monday on a 75-mile mail flight out of his base here. An RCAF search plane spotted his craft Saturday noon.

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

Orange Do Not Back SC

IN A RECENT column entitled "Cardinal's Rebuke" I showed how in 1941 the Social Credit party unsuccessfully tried to invade Quebec and to misuse the Catholic religion for purposes of party advantage; and remarked that they were trying the same trick again in Ontario, but now with the "faunt support" of the past Grand Master of the Orange Order.

The latter statement was based on a letter to Toronto Saturday Night of September 20, 1952, by R. Hardy Small, Past Grand Master, who wrote: "The art of breaking through party lines... were lessons taken from our book... Support is given to political parties when their policies attain to our ideals... The realities of today indicate that the Social Credit party is the one nearest our aims and objects..."

MANY fervent messages have reached me in angry repudiation by Orange lodge members of Mr. Hardy Small of Toronto. Both the Grand Master of B.C. and the Grand Master and Sovereign for all British North America have protested against his misrepresentation of the Orange Order's position. All messages make clear there is no Orange Order link with Social Credit.

Mr. J. E. Clancy, Grand Master of the Grand Orange Lodge, writes as follows from his home at 1915 West 10th Ave., Vancouver, under his official seal:

Dear Mr. Philpott—
With reference to my telephone conversation today (Nov. 17) on your article in the Vancouver Sun of Nov. 15, 1952, I wish to confirm that conversation and to state that the Orange Order in Canada does not support any political party, nor is the Order tied to any party.

All the Order asks for is good, honest administration in all Canada, provincial and Dominion, and further that the Order steadfastly opposes religion being used in any way in politics by any party, and at no time has any resolution been passed in the Order to support the Social Credit party, either provincially or in the Dominion.

May I also state that the Order stands, and has always done so, for equal rights to all and special privileges to no one. Of course it is the right of anyone in the Order to join up with any political party, but it does not give him the right to use the Order's name in any way in that party he joins up with. May I request you to state the stand of the Orange Order in Canada.

Thanking you in anticipation and with kind regards, I remain,
Yours sincerely,
J. E. CLANCY,
Grand Master and Sovereign.

IT IS interesting to note that the late Cardinal Villeneuve and the present Grand Master of the Orange Order in Canada reached precisely the same conclusion about the evil consequences of the attempted use of religion for political advantage.

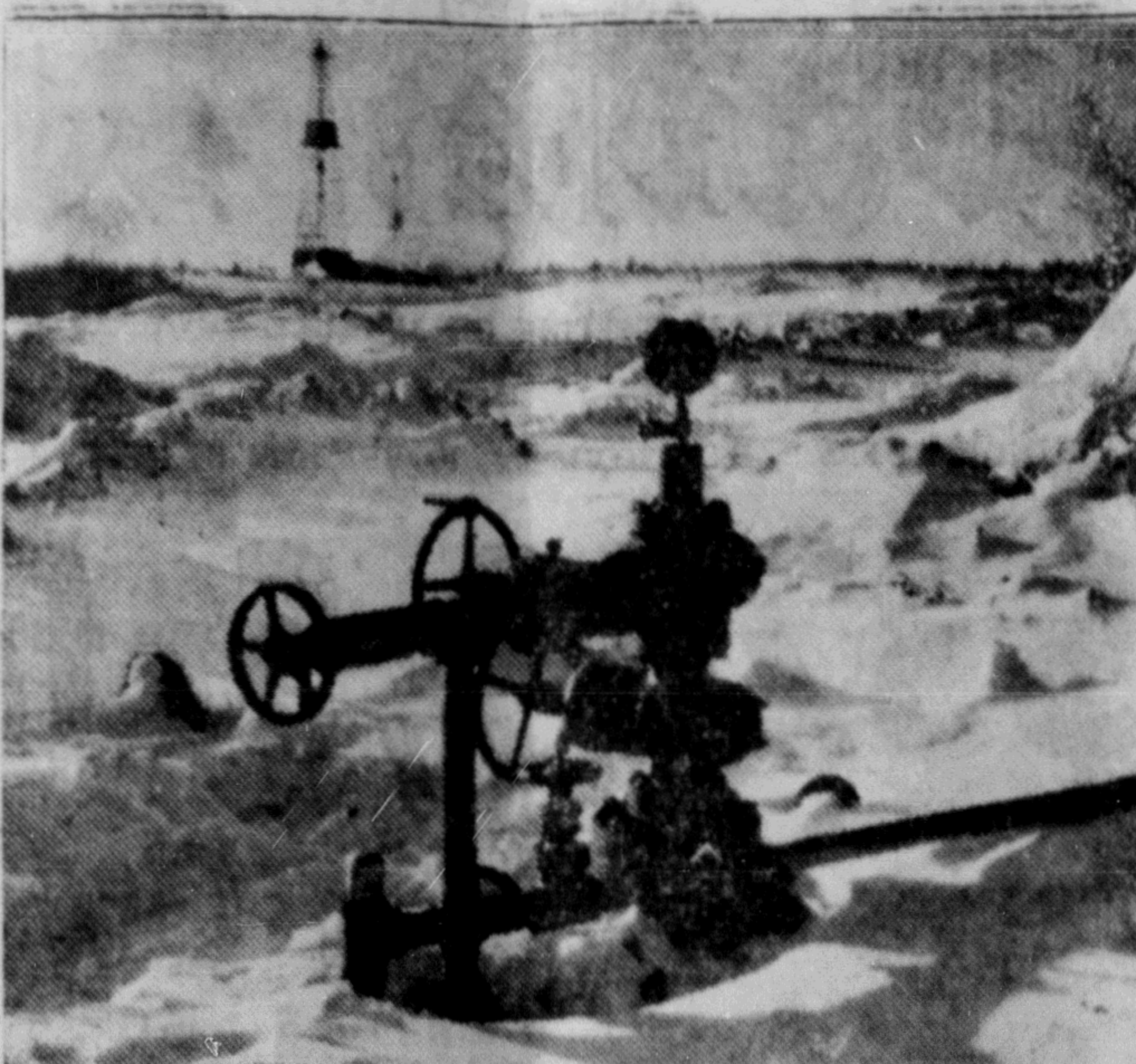
I think that great good will come out of the by-election campaigns in B.C. Win, lose or draw, no political party will soon again claim the inside track with Almighty God. I don't believe that Mr. Bennett, our B.C. Premier, is any more godly than was his famous namesake, the late R. B. Bennett, nor that Premier Manning is any finer a Christian statesman than his next door neighbor, Premier Douglas, or Premier Frost, or Mr. St. Laurent, the PM of Canada.

Many politicians have tried to "put more religion in politics" but my reading of history is that it invariably ended up by putting more politics into religion—and never once for the eventual advancement of religion.

Tofino Station Up in Flames

VICTORIA (P)—A fire at the RCAF station at Tofino on the west coast of Vancouver Island today caused damage of \$100,000.

The wartime-built station was recently re-opened. Fire details were not immediately available here.



WINTER AT LEDUC—Drilling continues in summer and winter in Alberta's flourishing Leduc oil field. While one well is already producing oil (foreground) the tall derricks in the background shows where further drilling is being carried on. The pipes, wheels and valves of the producer are called "Christmas trees." (CP PHOTO)

Oil in Canada Changing Entire Economy, Present Figures Show

(Some figures make dull reading. This story is full of figures—but it is not dull because the figures are about a spectacular young industry that is changing the economy of Canada and affecting all Canadians. It is the statistical story of western oil—one of a series of timely articles by Forbes Rhude, Canadian Press business editor, who has just toured the oil fields to tell you what is going on.)

By FORBES RHUDE
Canadian Press Business Editor

Before oil was discovered at Leduc, near Edmonton, in early 1947, Canada's total oil reserves were estimated at 72,000,000 barrels.

Today they are thought to be 1,700,000,000 barrels—and the estimate is growing at a rate of 300,000,000 barrels a year.

What figure Canadian reserves may ultimately reach is anybody's guess. Forecasts run from 5,000,000,000 to 20,000,000,000 barrels.

These are vital figures to Canadians, for each Canadian, one way or another, uses an average of 11 barrels of oil a year—for gasoline, furnace fuel, face cream, or any one of the thousands of uses for oil products.

By oil reserves is meant the estimate of the amount of oil which can be ultimately brought up from known fields.

Comparisons of Canadian reserves tend to be made with Texas. Texas has half the proved reserves of the United States which total nearly 32,000,000,000 barrels, and about 10 times the proved reserves of Western Canada.

But Western Canada has 770,000 square miles of area geologically favorable to the existence of oil, running from the United States border to the Arctic Ocean, and this is three times the favorable area of Texas.

So, if the Texas experience is repeated, Canada has a lot of oil to uncover.

Statistics about oil are heavy reading, but the reality behind them has some of the quality of the magician's wand.

DREAM COMES TRUE
It's like dreaming that you have found a fortune in an old trunk in the basement, and then awakening to find that the fortune is really there.

That's what happened to Canada. She dreamed for years that she might have oil underground and then, in 1947 and the months following, found she actually had it.

The weighty oil figures didn't exist less than six years ago. They represent new-found wealth which has not only been part of post-war prosperity but a large factor in creating it and sending a stream of money across Canada.

CONTROL PRODUCTION
This year, Canada will use about 455,000 barrels a day and will produce about 169,000 barrels or 37 per cent of her needs. Actually, she could produce

nearly 70 per cent of her needs from present wells.

Production is held down because so far it is more economical to import oil into the more eastern parts of Canada and into British Columbia than to pay transportation costs from Alberta.

About 96 per cent of Canada's oil production comes from Alberta.

Community Pays Tribute To Its Doctor

PENCKNEYVILLE, Ill. (AP)—A country doctor, who had to buy a farm to take care of the cows and chickens he sometimes received in payment from his patients, sat back Tuesday night as some 850 friends and fellow doctors paid tribute to his career.

Dr. James Scott Templeton, 81, listened quietly through the testimonial and a standing, five-minute ovation then he answered with a humble thanks.

The program was sponsored by the Illinois Medical Society, which had selected the doctor as its outstanding general practitioner of the year.

During his 54 years of practice, Dr. Templeton estimates he has delivered 3,500 babies. Four hundred of them were present at the affair.

Port Simpson Fire Destroys 2-Storey Home

PORT SIMPSON.—Three small children of Harry Sampson were saved from their home Thursday before a fire, believed caused by an overheated oil stove, destroyed the two-storey frame structure.

A bucket brigade formed by citizens failed to prevent the spread of flames.

The children were saved before the fire raged out of control.

ray... Reflects and Reminisces

ANYWAY, WE LIKE IRE!

We're not quite certain where General Eisenhower is today, but it's possible he'll be back in San Francisco by mid-week—from Korea.

Ottawa will spend a couple of million next year on B.C. coast improvements. The job will include removal of Ripple Rock. It always does.

A Halifax laboratory is studying the possibility of making foodstuffs and cosmetics from seaweed. A good, strong gale can give a ruddy complexion. That, at least, is a start.

Nurse (comforting patient): "Don't let the doctors frighten you. Doctors are like politicians—they view with alarm so they can point with pride."—20th Century Fox.

Suggestions have been heard that if ever a time to have the Duke and Duchess of Windsor take up their home in England, it is now with the coronation pending. Comments the Vancouver Sun, referring to the former king:

"If he made a mistake, as many of us think he did, and all of us in our turns have done, there must come a time in common decency when that mistake may be forgotten. It is not good that human resentment should outlast God's grace."

RCAF Search Team Sights Missing Plane

WINNIPEG (P)—A para-rescue team was scheduled to jump shortly after noon today to a desolate spot in the northern Manitoba woods where a missing bush plane has been spotted.

The aircraft, piloted by Eric Taylor, disappeared Monday on a flight from Wabowden to Norway House. It was spotted today by an RCAF search plane 15 miles southeast of Wabowden. There was no sign of life.

London Hotels Hang Signs: 'Full House'

LONDON (Reuters)—The coronation is still seven months away but already London hotels are putting up "house full" signs for coronation week.

As a result, thousands of overseas visitors—eager to be on hand for the big event—will be living in spare bedrooms of unpretentious suburban homes as the Queen is crowned next June 2.

Bookings for hotel accommodation started coming in as soon as the coronation date was announced, four months after the death of King George VI in February.

London, though rich in historic buildings, is poor in hotels. The British capital now has only 50 big hotels in the city centre, the largest with only 1,100 bedrooms.

Even smaller hotels on the outskirts, normally used by provincial business men and virtually unknown to tourists, are turning down applications for accommodations.

The travel association expects between 150,000 and 200,000 overseas visitors in London during coronation week, compared with 90,000 who normally visit London in the first week of June.

TV Increase Predicted By CBC

MONTREAL (P)—A. D. Dunton, chairman of the CBC board of governors, predicts 1,000,000 television receiving sets will be operating in Canada within five years.

He told the Canadian Club that the sale of sets has quadrupled since the CBC began telecasting 2½ months ago. There now were between 150,000 and 160,000 sets. If that rate of increase continued, the total would reach the 1,000,000 mark by 1957.

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