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## Dominion Day

IT'S CANADA'S 84th birthday Sunday and religious observances will precede the celebrations on Monday, officially designated as a public holiday.

Since Confederation in 1867 Canada has progressed to nationhood, one of the world's "middle" powers in her own right. From the combined Upper and Lower Canada with its population of 3,689,000 in the first census of 1871, Canada now has 10 provinces with a population of about 14,000,000. She has sent forces overseas in two world wars and right now has a brigade of 21,000 soldiers, plus navy destroyers, engaged in the Korean campaign.

Prime Minister St. Laurent told Parliament a few days ago that he believes the Yukon and the Northwest Territories will achieve provincial status in some future year. He was moving amendments to the Federal District Commission Act providing for representation on that board of Canada's newest province, Newfoundland, which entered Confederation on March 31, 1949.

In many capitals abroad tribute will be paid to Canada's nationhood. Here Canadians pay tribute to the "Fathers of Confederation" who conceived the idea of the Empire's first self-governing member, and brought their dream to reality in a series of historic conferences at Quebec, Charlottetown and finally in London.

It was at the last conference that Canada's title of "Dominion" was chosen. Delegates found their text in the Biblical quotation: "He shall have dominion from sea to sea." But the first confederation joined only Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec.

Manitoba entered in 1870. British Columbia followed in 1871, and Prince Edward Island in 1873. All the rest of British North America was annexed as territories in 1880, and from these areas Alberta and Saskatchewan were formed in 1905. Newfoundland was the 10th.

It's a greater Canada than ever the Fathers of Confederation dreamed of, and it's still growing.



OUTDOOR PONTIFICAL—Mass was celebrated by Most Rev. Anthony Jordan, OMI, in a solemn ceremony of the Eucharist Congress last Sunday at Terrace. Hundreds of devout Catholic worshippers journeyed to Terrace from Prince Rupert and from points east as far as Telkwa, to take part in the Mass and the Procession of the Blessed Sacraments.

## As I See It



by  
Elmore  
Philpott

**BEHIND OIL CRISIS**  
SINCE I HAVE RETURNED from India and the Middle East people ask me:

"What do you know about the oil crisis in Iran? What's behind it?"

Many things seem to me to be behind the oil crisis in Persia. One could write reams about it from any one angle. But it seems to me that too much talk or argument about the details is likely to befog the main facts.

The central truth is that all across a broad belt of the earth—we might call it the Muslim belt, or brown-skinned section of the human family—a truly revolutionary situation is swiftly coming to a head.

The people are "desperately poor and horribly ignorant." But they are not so poor or so ignorant as not to understand one of the great facts of life of 1951—that they are much worse off than are the people of Europe and America, whose governments have a special position of power in the Middle East.

WHEREVER DESPERATELY poor people are under any kind of foreign control, they are bound to blame ALL their local problems on that foreign control.

That is partly because no man can be so poor or ignorant as not to understand the meaning of having foreign troops in his country to protect some foreign interest—not the local country's. So long as foreign troops are there, he knows perfectly well that his country is not a fully free country. There may be times when few, if any, of the people of such countries resent the presence of foreign troops, or foreign business corporations, which have special privileges over and above those enjoyed by native concerns. We see one example of that in Saudi Arabia.

But when times are bad and class discontent is wide and deep, the foreign army or foreign institution becomes the inevitable target for all the resentments of all the people. It gets blamed for all evils—not only for its own real sins.

THE MOST DANGEROUS feature of the whole situation in that part of the world which runs from Iran, Iraq, to all North Africa is that the poor people have no effective political machinery through which to work.

Even where they have nominal democracy, as in Iran and Egypt, the real power is in the hands of a corrupt, wealthy class, who have not the slightest intention of allowing, much less helping, the people to come to grips with their real problems. It is these mean, wealthy people and their stooges in parliaments, who become the most dangerous of all elements at a time like the present in Iran, fire which may blaze over vast sections of the earth.

For, to detract attention from their own social and economic exploitation, they whip up the mass of the people against "the foreign exploiter."

In Iran for months past, they have been suggesting to the seething people that if only the

## LETTERBOX

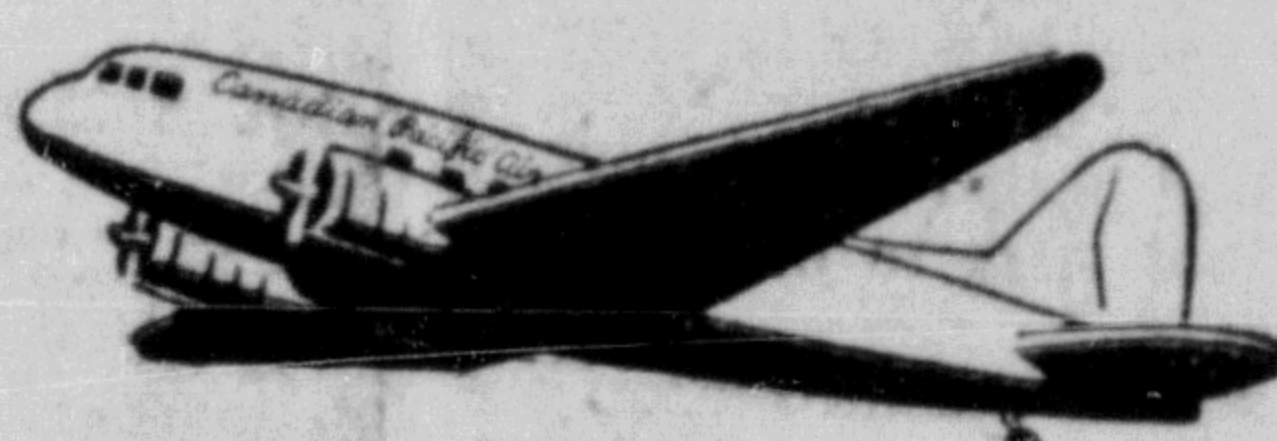
### HELP APPRECIATED

Editor, Daily News:

May we trespass upon your space to thank the Gyro Club of Prince Rupert and the citizens generally for the fine donation of four cartons of men's clothing for needy men this winter. The Central City Mission is endeavoring to render a greater and greater service to these unfortunate, who come from all over Canada as well as every city in the Province of B.C. and in many instances a little helping hand has made all the difference between their return to respectability and a life on the "Skid Road."

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HERBERT FIDDES  
Executive Secretary  
Central City Mission  
Vancouver



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## Services in the Church

### Saturday Sermon

#### Dominion Day

(SENIOR CAPTAIN W. C. POULTON, Salvation Army)

The word of the Bible is: "Come let us reason together." That is what was done by the Fathers of the Confederation in the middle of the last century and we have been a growing force in the world ever since.

Canada and Canadians have increasingly meant a great deal in the affairs of the world's politics, industry, and leadership. The word of the Lord is still: Come let us reason together. But men are not contented to go the rest of the way with the text, which says: Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be white as snow.

Sin is an awfully ugly word. It sounds so harsh. It sounds so absolutely indecent.

Of course it is all those and more. Sin is so ugly a thing that it cost the life of Jesus Christ to show men how ugly it is in the sight of God the Father.

Come let us reason together. There must be a way to overcome SIN and its ugliness. God has a wonderful plan and when men sit down and reason with Him they get up to go forward and develop stature and dignity. Life becomes real and tangible

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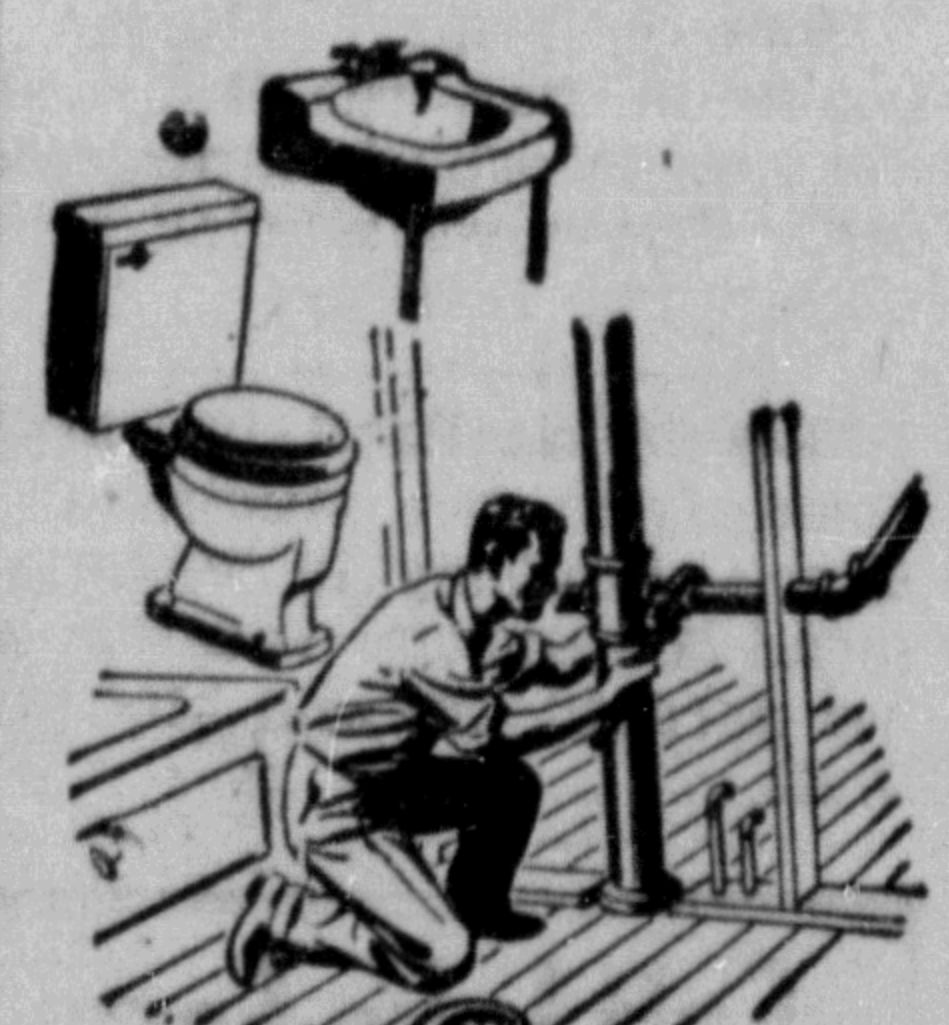
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Morning Worship—11 o'clock  
Sunday School—12:15  
Evening Service—7:30 o'clock  
"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy."

### First Baptist Church

SUNDAY, JULY 1

11 a.m.—Morning Service  
12:15 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class

7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Martin of Edinburgh and India

Regular Sunday Services, including Sunday School, will continue all summer as listed here.

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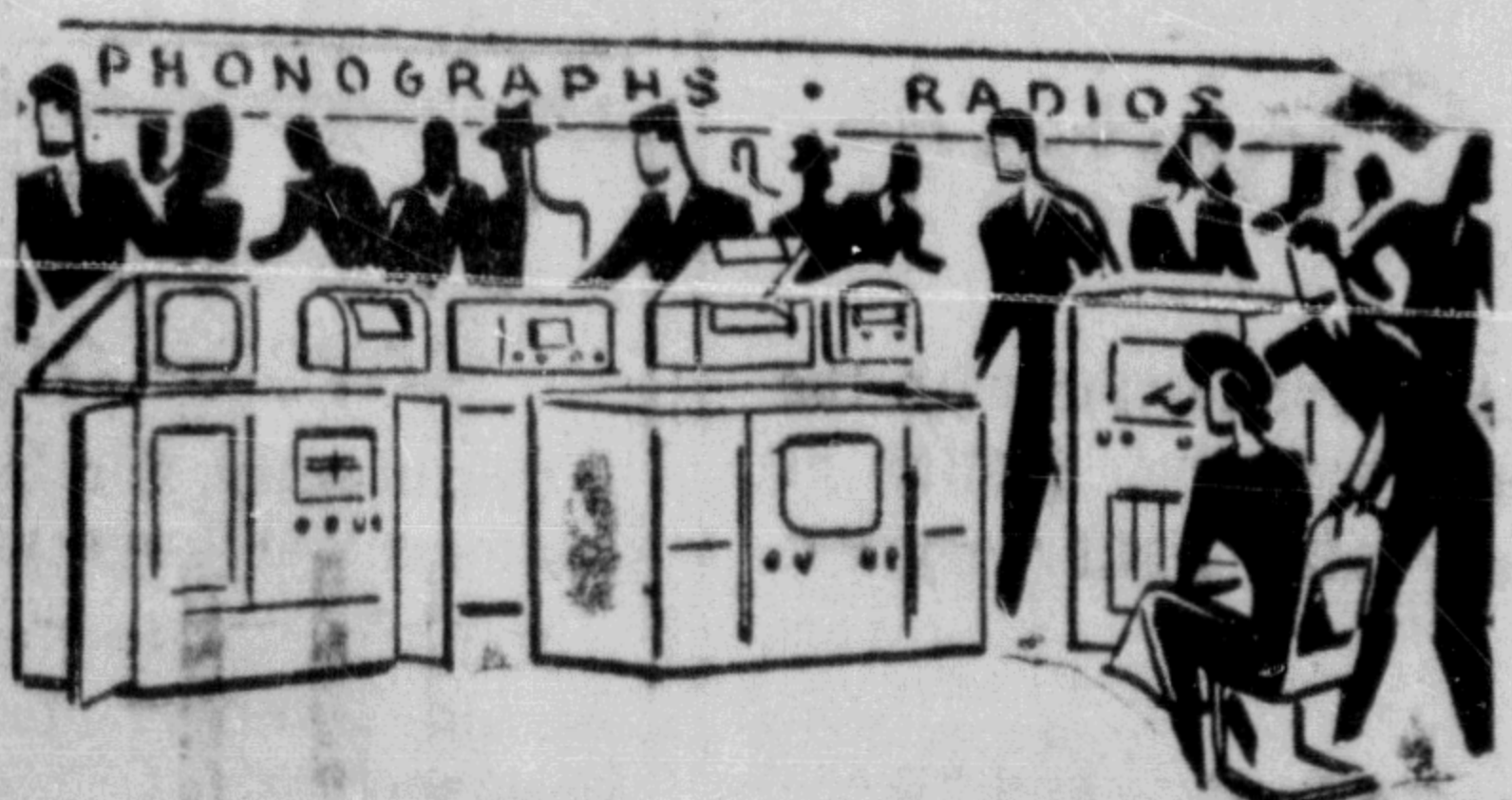
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