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Aluminum Nearer

CONSTITUTING what will be the largest single industrial unit for British Columbia, the Aluminum Co. of Canada's plant projected for Kitimaat...

Conceivably, the aluminum development at Kitimaat may mean the setting up of a port rivaling Prince Rupert as a centre of importance on the north coast...

Present indications are that, if any community in the immediate hereabouts benefits more than any other from the new aluminum plant at Kitimaat...

Ships carrying raw materials into Kitimaat to be used in the manufacture of the aluminum will involve a desire to develop return cargoes...

The great new Kitimaat plant with its huge payroll and resultant population should provide a great market for new agricultural development in the central interior.

All British Columbia will welcome the big new aluminum plant providing—and persistent fears have been expressed along this line—that there is no serious damage to existing industries or interests as a result thereof.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

"Confess your faults one to another and pray for one another that ye may be healed."—James 5:16.

LONDON (CP)—Two thieves in Euston station have a new technique, a smash-and-grab raid to a drainpipe in this Gloucestershire town...

SIDDINGTON, England (CP)—When a dog chased a goose into a drainpipe in this Gloucestershire town, it saved the victim's shop crying "A boy has broken a window" and while from her hide-out a week later, the storekeeper is investigating they loot the till.



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As I See It

By ELMORE PHILPOTT OUR NEW BOSS—U. S. A.

THERE IS a fine man in the Danmark named Peter Maaniche, who used to run a wonderful institution called the International Folk High School.

I once travelled with Peter through rural Ontario where he was telling of the wonderful co-operative system in Denmark, and how it grew up from the so-called folk high schools.

(It just comes back to me now as I write these lines that he said the folks schools themselves were started by a wonderful bishop. Intermittent with several nervous breakdowns, which sent him to mental hospital time after time, the grand old bishop inspired and organized a movement which changed the society of the whole nation—and benefited the whole earth.)

Mr. Maaniche's school specialized in the study of different national characteristics. I have heard him convulse farm audiences with laughter in comparing, for instance, a typical Englishman, Scot, Irishman, Frenchman and German.

IT IS NOT TRUE that there is something in the blood of entire nations which makes them think differently. At least if there is some such inheritance, the scientists have not yet been able to find it, or how it works. But the scientists have found that if you put a new born Russian boy in an English home he will grow up to eat, drink, think and in every way act like any other Englishman. So all around the circle.

I am one of those folks who believes that every human personality is unique, and that every tiny babe has a spirit within it which is the product of all it had experienced before it came to be re-born in a baby body—but I haven't got time or space to expand that here and now.

We do know that there ARE very definite national patterns of thought and action. For instance, any society which needs a treasurer is well advised to pick one whose name begins with Mac. French men and women make good cooks because they just can't tolerate bad food. With the Englishman, form counts for more than it does with most folks. The most powerful law in that amazing land is the unwritten law "it isn't done."

UNLESS WE ALL WANT to get atomized to kingdom come we lesser fry had better get busy and study our new bosses, Uncle Sam and Uncle Joe, or to be more specific, the Americans and the Russians. As Disraeli said, "We must educate our new masters."

If you study the ways of the Americans, since earliest days, you see that there is a distinct and unique pattern which runs through their national actions and national attitudes.

As a very shrewd Canadian Liberal M.P. once said to me, the Americans are the most untidy of all peoples in their techniques of government. They are also impulsive—apt to get trigger-happy on the spur of the moment (such as when they went to war with Spain over the sinking of the U.S.S. "Maine" without waiting to find out that, in cold fact, the Spaniards had had nothing to do with that accident).

The Englishman would almost die rather than make a scene over a referee's unpopular decision in a cricket match; the American is schooled to believe that razzing the umpire is PART of the game.

Above all, however, the Americans are effective.

In details of big actions, they are about as messy as a thundering herd of buffalo. But like that herd, most of them get to where the herd decides it has to go.

Conference Opens Today

LONDON.—The British Commonwealth prime ministers' conference commenced at No. 10 Downing Street here today. There are some observers who on Wednesday were saying the Commonwealth might ask Canada to send troops to the Middle East in the possible event of war. They say Canada has never sent troops to the Middle East in strength before. This is one of the defence questions expected to be brought up.

Ray Reflects and Reminisces

The News mentioned Mukden, the other evening. The name appeared in a press despatch and said it was from there that a Russian general was supposed to be directing the Communist advance in Korea. Mukden is in Manchuria. A few years after the turn of the century, Mukden was very much on the front pages of the world's press. Japan was fighting Russia as the Czar knew it. Automobiles were just beginning to be known. Radios, planes, atom bombs, poison gas, wireless had not been discovered, although Marconi was busy. It is seldom, if ever, history is literally repeated, yet the situation in Korea today is something resembling it.

Around Mukden, Port Arthur, Hamhung, Pyongyang, Kwangtung and Seoul sound the tramp of armies. The eastern sea swarms with ships. It's war again as it was fifty years ago.

Half a century back is much of a lifetime but the Yanks were in Asia even then if not earlier. The guns of Dewey's fleet at Manila served as an introduction to the Far East. Back in Washington, as they weighed the future, there were some who spoke against U.S. inclusion in a policy touching affairs in the Orient.

Millions today, who follow the latest of all struggles were not born when the seas and shores of China were as bloody and tumultuous as they are at this moment.

Port Arthur fell, and the nations applauded "the gallant little brown men." That's what they called the Japanese. For that matter one could not find praise for Russia. That country, as a final gesture, sent a strong fleet half way around the globe to see about destroying the enemy. In the Sea of Japan, Admiral Togo hoisted no signals to the effect that Japan expected everyone to do his duty but here's betting he did something as effective. The foemen's fleet went to the bottom and Togo became Japan's Nelson without dying. He did that years later.

Most of us who managed to survive the days of what's being written about, can remember that as a war, it was reckoned a pretty hefty one. Vancouver and Victoria reporters went to Tokio and even further. A few had good square looks at Port Arthur. In the main, they all turned in worth while stories. For one thing, a little co-operation here and there was never known to go amiss.

With Russia vanquished, arose



REACTIONS—

Aluminium Benefits Seen

Announcements on Kitimaat Project Received With Enthusiasm Here

Unanimous optimism seems to be the reaction in Prince Rupert to recent announcements from Victoria that contracts in connection with an aluminum plant at Kitimaat had been signed between the provincial government and the Aluminum Co. of Canada.

MAYOR G. W. RUDDERHAM: If Kitimaat goes ahead, it will make a big stir in the north country. It is bound to help us in Prince Rupert. Terrace will benefit most if a rail line goes through to Kitimaat. When the fleet of boats starts hauling bauxite ore the operators will hunt for cargoes.

Lumber from the interior. They may load it either here or at Kitimaat. It is bound to help in any case.

Some of the construction men are bound to come here during their time off. Motor traffic will be increased. It will help everyone.

L. M. FELSETHAL, President, Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce: Prince Rupert will be the feeding point for supplies, both in and out.

It is the beginning of this country and the big break we need in addition to Columbia Cellulose Company to get the ball rolling.

BERNARD ALLEN, General Manager, Canadian National Railways in B.C.: The establishment of the plant in Kitimaat cannot help but have a big effect here. The ramifications will go far, all over the area, it is the biggest thing British Columbia has had since I came here.

It will bring about a situation that will create a flow of traffic through Prince Rupert as well as other ports. Secondary effects will be great, including a ready market for agricultural products from the interior.

C. A. BERNER, Superintendent, Canadian National Railways: It will mean new money coming into the country. This part of the province—Terrace and Prince Rupert in particular—are bound to benefit.

It is another mark in the era of new development. We have everything to gain and nothing to lose.

I think we are mighty fortunate.

G. R. S. BLACKABY—Bank Manager, Past President, Chamber of Commerce: The aluminum industry at Kitimaat cannot but benefit Prince Rupert through contributing to the general prosperity of British Columbia and this area. Obviously there will be a railway and a road from Kitimaat to the junction point at Terrace. They will be feeders to the Canadian National Railways and the Skeena River Highway. The central interior and

1950 Output Of Minerals

VICTORIA—According to government statistics, the estimated values for the major items of mineral production for the calendar year in British Columbia total \$137,500,000 compared with \$133,012,968 in 1949.

Per variety: (with 1949 figures in brackets)

Gold, placer, \$500,000 (\$529,524)

Gold, lode, \$10,000,000 (10,382,256)

Silver, \$6,900,000 (\$5,689,769)

Copper, \$10,200,000 (\$10,956,550)

Lead, \$38,000,000 (\$41,645,726)

Zinc, \$45,000,000 (\$36,604,700)

Coal, \$10,500,000 (\$12,467,494)

Structural Materials, \$10,600,000 (\$9,955,890)

Miscellaneous metals, minerals and materials, \$5,200,000 (\$4,806,129)

Total, \$137,500,000 (\$133,012,968). Average metal prices used in the estimate with 1949 prices in brackets, are as follows:

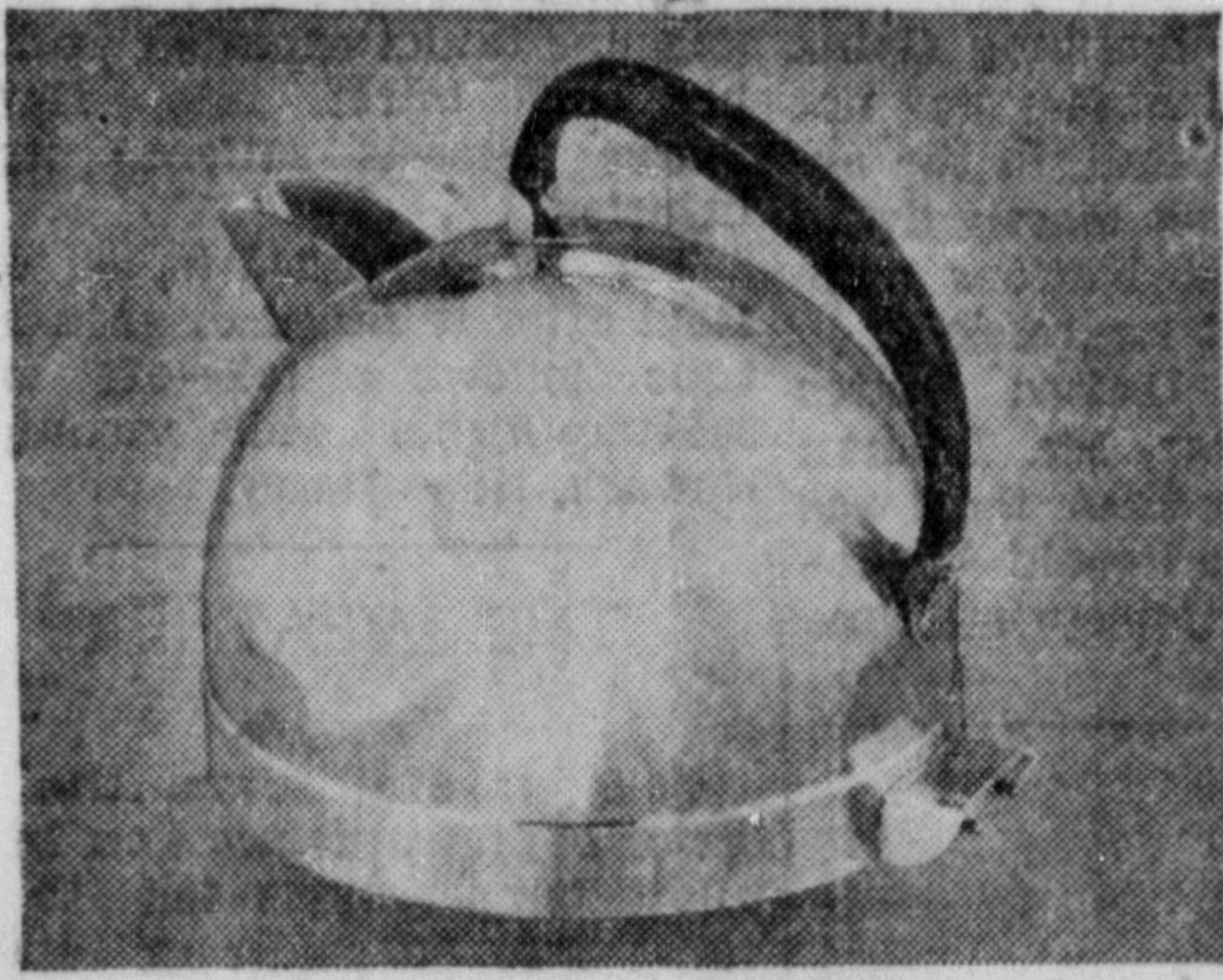
Gold, fine oz., \$38.04 (\$36); Silver, fine oz., \$80.82c (74.25c); Copper lb., 23.42c (19.97c); Lead, lb., 14.45c (15.80c); Zinc, lb., 15.65c (13.24c).

the question of peace. But it didn't begin to have the thorny complications, the endless debates and colossal costs the problem has as 1951 dawned. Looking back it seems to have been almost simple.

Under the chairmanship of Theodore Roosevelt, American president, representatives met in a little New England town and talked things over. And that's how the show ended.

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Now's the Time to Take Stock of Your Investments

1950's stock market prices are history. But what may be ahead in 1951 is a matter requiring careful analysis. Prophecy is dangerous. That is why the present is the best time to "take stock" of your investments and consider prospects for the year ahead.

A careful analysis of your holdings made now will place you in a position to estimate with increased confidence what the future holds in store for them.

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