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## Them Generously

There is much to be said in support of the case of the Ootsa Lake people who have sent their petition to Victoria to protest to the provincial government at what they claim is unfair treatment of the Aluminum Co. of Canada in settlement for property which will be flooded as a result of the Nechako dam project.

For the most of these people—worthy pioneers of the country—it will mean the loss not only of homes but their livelihood as ranchers. Many of them are old timers being torn up by the grass-roots and it is easy to picture their plight and problem in resettlement, even under the best of circumstances. That would be a serious matter for any person and the Aluminum Co. of Canada and the provincial government would be well advised to see that a fully adequate settlement is made with these people. Alcan can well afford to err on the side of generosity and benevolence. It would be good business both for the company and the government to make the most sympathetic sort of settlement possible.

Penury in this case, we feel, would not pay off in the long run. To say the least of it, both the company and the government would be running the risk of losing a great deal of valuable goodwill.

The government at the outset should have made provision for a special arbitration board which would have been free from restrictions now imposed by the Water Act or its regulations.

## High Time

It is SATISFACTORY that the city council's traffic committee is at long last getting down to business in grappling with parking and traffic problems in the city. Certain bylaw amendments are long overdue, some of them being so obvious that there is no necessity to enumerate them here. They have been under discussion of late in the city council and these pages and everywhere that motorists and pedestrians gather. In fact, it has been a subject of talk for many a day and the wonder is that something had not been done already.

And, while the matter of regulation amendments are under consideration, it would be well and timely that some resolve be made and action initiated upon to support the resolution that there should be a stricter enforcement of speed and other regulations. We realize that this is going to involve extensive and thorough traffic patrol and follow-up without fear or favor. But we also fear that if something is not done, there is going to be a loss of life and limb. In that consideration, we should not be too much constrained by the possibility of expending a few extra dollars.

Yes, it is high time that something was done about overhauling our parking and traffic regulations and seeing that they as well as the existing ones are thoroughly and courageously enforced.

## Scripture Passage for Today

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### Reflects and Reminisces

Vancouver brewers are on strike and, unless there is prompt settlement, less than a week will witness no beer in Prince Rupert. Go without it for awhile! No one will suffer except in imagination. Perhaps it will be a benefit!

About another week and Halloween will be here. It really means Holy Eve but, as a general rule, there is more gaiety than piety and great would be the chagrin were it not so. Today, Halloween observance is what it's expected to be but it was not like this some years ago. There was one October 31 when disorderly characters and adult roughs gained the upper hand. Police action was prompt and thorough. Since then, the quaint and whimsical old festival is back where it belongs.

COME NORTH Northern B.C. bears are the hard-boiled kind. A 300-pound grizzly kept on going for 60 yards after his heart had been ripped apart by a slug of lead. This was in Hunter's Basin, in the region around Telkwa. When you crave excitement why travel all the way to Kenya or the Congo?

Weather was almost frosty enough Wednesday to make a fellow think of a broom—and a few hot drinks later on.

HARDLY A GAMBLE If you're puzzled trying to decide which is the best way to make money, there's always one thing you can do. It's always possible to move to Prince Rupert and open a lodging house.

Last Sunday, October 21, was the 148th anniversary of Trafalgar, the battle that established British naval supremacy. Lord Nelson did not live to reap the reward that was his but his descendants did until a few years ago. They had nothing to do with Trafalgar but the name gave them a good and unearned livelihood.

## PERHAPS SWAY BALLOT

Today is October 25, date of the British general election, and one cannot but wonder how many of the voters will remember it was the Labor government that relieved taxpayers from the necessity of finding in the Nelson family obligations already more than a century old.

## May Reopen Negotiations

Possibility of New Dealing Between Britain and Iran on Oil

TEHRAN —Iran's chief oil expert, Kazem Hassibi, was summoned suddenly Wednesday to Washington where Premier Mohammed Mossadegh conferred the day previous with President Truman on the oil dispute.

His departure aroused speculation here that Mossadegh is preparing to reopen negotiations with Britain.

## Power Commission Moves Into North

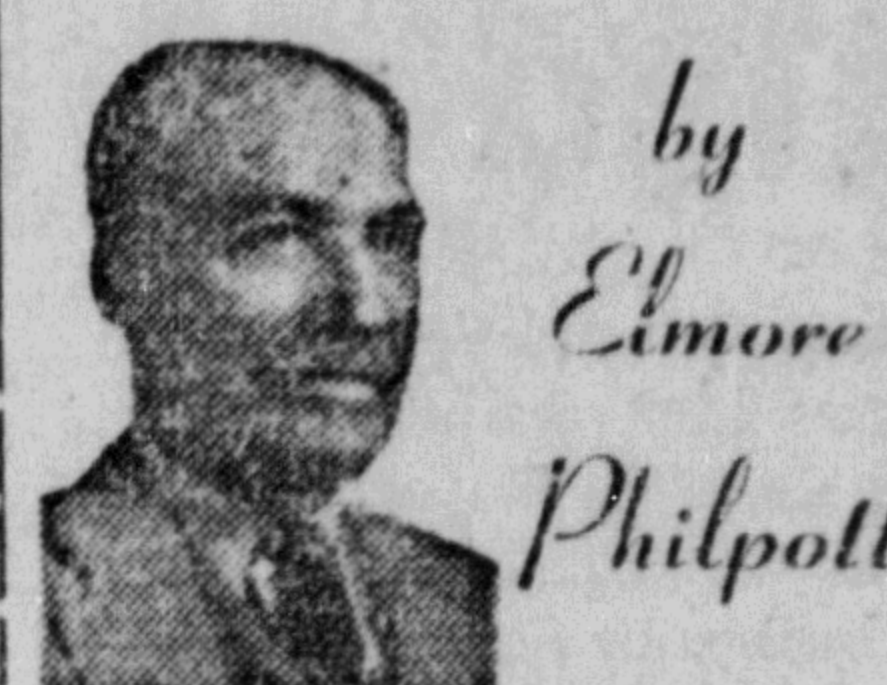
Power generating facilities at Fort St. John and Atlin have been investigated by the B.C. Power Commission.

## British Parliaments Since 1900

Assembled	Dissolved	Ministries
Dec. 3, 1900	Jan. 8, 1906	LORD SALISBURY (C) A. J. BALFOUR (C)
Feb. 13, 1906	Jan. 10, 1910	H. CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN (L) H. H. ASQUITH (L)
Feb. 21, 1910	Nov. 28, 1910	H. H. ASQUITH (L)
Jan. 31, 1911	Nov. 25, 1918	D. LLOYD GEORGE (CLN) H. H. ASQUITH (L)
Feb. 4, 1919	Oct. 26, 1922	D. LLOYD GEORGE (CLN) A. BONAR LAW (C)
Nov. 20, 1922	Nov. 16, 1923	A. BONAR LAW (C) STANLEY BALDWIN (C)
Jan. 8, 1924	Oct. 9, 1924	STANLEY BALDWIN (C) J. RAMSAY MACDONALD (LAB)
Dec. 2, 1924	May 10, 1929	STANLEY BALDWIN (C) RAMSAY MACDONALD (LAB)
June 25, 1929	Oct. 7, 1931	RAMSAY MACDONALD (LAB)
Nov. 10, 1931	Oct. 25, 1935	STANLEY BALDWIN (NAT) STANLEY BALDWIN (NAT)
Nov. 26, 1935	June 15, 1945	NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN (NAT) WINSTON S. CHURCHILL (NAT) WINSTON S. CHURCHILL (NAT) CLEMENT R. ATTLEE (LAB) CLEMENT R. ATTLEE (LAB)
Aug. 1, 1945	Feb. 3, 1950	
Mar. 1, 1950	Oct. 5, 1951	

(C-Conservative; L-Liberal; LAB-Labor; NAT-National government; CLN-Coalition.)

## As I See It



Churchill's Last Lap

GLASGOW—I don't know when a public meeting affected me as much as the one from which I have just come. For in a sense it was more than a wind-up of just another political campaign.

It was more like a gift of flowers to a great and loved old man, but while he is still alive, not after he has passed along.

THIS IS the climax of Mr. Churchill's campaign and he made it a great one.

Sometimes you get an overpowering feeling about such events. And the one I got was that the tens of thousands of Glasgow people were not just turning out to cheer the man whom they obviously think is going to win this election.

They are paying a human tribute to the one who will surely go down in history as the greatest Briton of these times.

AT LIVERPOOL and down south in England, Churchill spoke for only half an hour.

Here to the Scots he spoke for an hour and 20 minutes. Tonight I was only a few yards from him as he spoke. I was impressed by the fact that Mr. Churchill had gained—not lost—strength and confidence as the campaign has proceeded.

He did not say anything really new. But he said what he had said from the beginning with much more punch and impressive conviction. He went to great pains to convince his audience that trade unions would get just as fair a deal under a Conservative government as under Labor.

He was most emphatic that all political parties in Britain have now accepted the principle of full employment. He told the people quite candidly that the whole western world has learned a lot in the past 25 years.

He cited the document pro-

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## This Dust Welcome

Operation of Elevator Bringing New Business

It was dusty today at the grain elevator—but it was a nice, rich kind of dust and along with it came smell of honest-to-goodness prairie wheat. A dozen or more railroad cars stood waiting for their turn as those before them gushed out golden kernels into the pit.

A city business man came out of the elevator office door, looking "good."

"You know," he said, "you wouldn't think a few carloads of grain would make much difference to a community. But this is my third order. Yes sir, every little bit of business helps."

And so on. Some 20 local men are receiving employment at the elevator and they're happy at their work.

"The dust?—We don't mind it. Smell that wheat," is the way they talk.

## LETTERBOX

### OBJECTS TO EDITORIAL

Editor, Daily News,

I strongly object to H. G. T. Perry's editorial in Tuesday's News making a plea for sympathy and understanding for those desiring private or separate schools. The Roman Catholic Church (not the R.C. people) of course is the main contender for the separate schools so that it might more easily propagate its religion. Give the R.C. Church a finger and it grabs the whole hand.

Consider what centuries of Roman Catholic supremacy have done for Italy, France, Spain and South America and Quebec. Has it raised the standard of living for the average person? No. Many of their people are still peasants and uneducated. In Canada there is seven times the illiteracy among R.C.'s as among Protestants. Have the separate schools helped them?

Nor do separate schools encourage good citizenship and co-operation.  
Granting separate schools to the R.C. in our province would be a step toward getting their political thumbscrews attached and believe me I don't want to be under them when they're tightened.  
The article referred to also (Continued on page 8)

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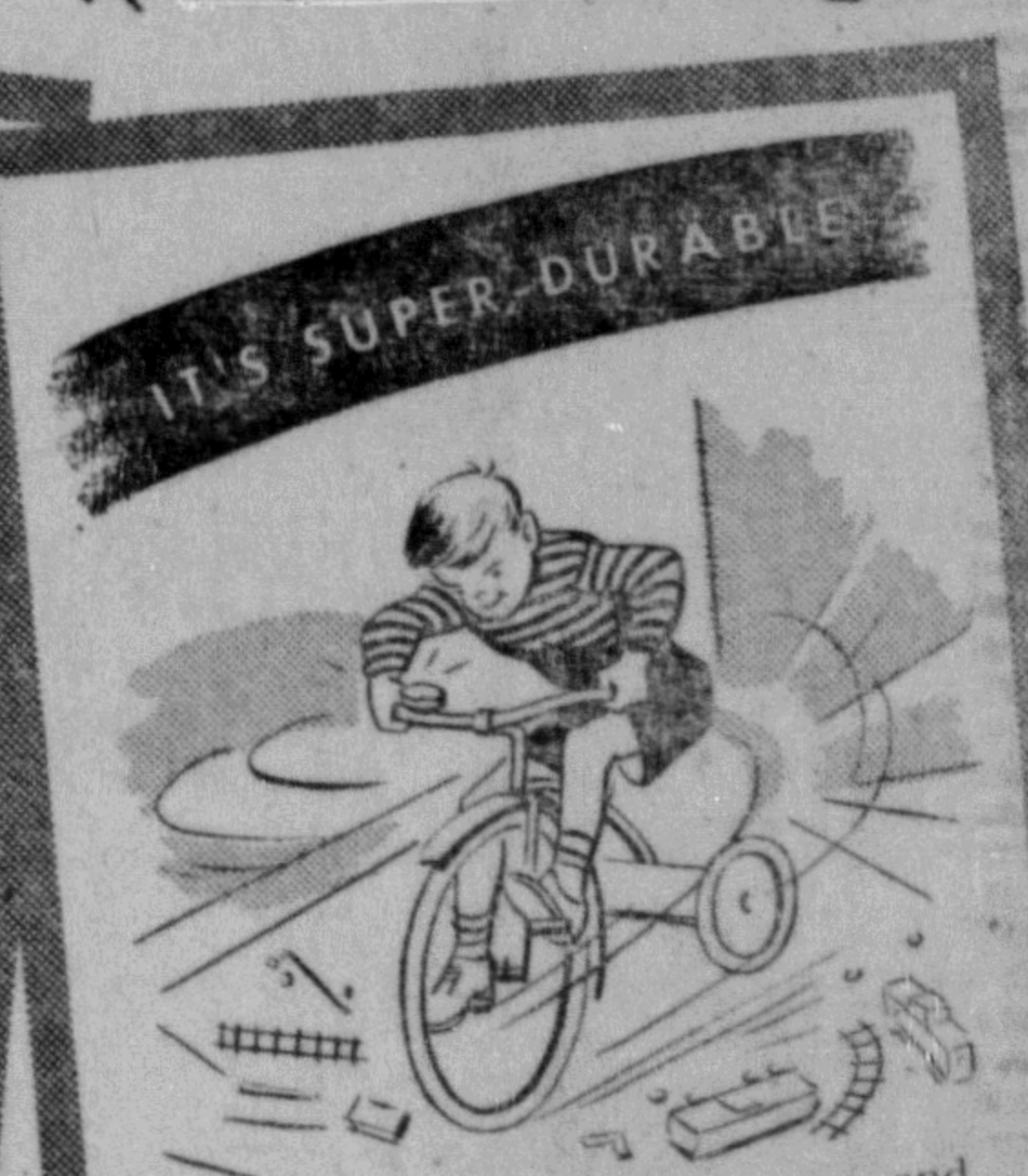
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