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## British Election

THE Conservatives have won the British election and Winston Churchill will be Prime Minister again if only for a short time since it has been generally assumed that it was his ambition, now achieved, to lead his party to an election victory, something he had never done before, and then retire in view of the fulness of years and the infirmities which must perforce come therewith.

It would have been better had the result been more decisive instead of what it has turned out to be so ambarrassingly close. It had been generally expected that the Conservatives would have been given a clearer mandate although, towards the end of the campaign, it was generally agreed that there would be no landslide in spite of the early Tory enthusiasm.

Britons, however, are not given to sudden change or quick revulsion. In spite of the general campaign cry of time for a change, the cost of living, the continued austerity and the poor state of foreign relations, they all but returned to power again the Labor party which already had held the reins of office for six-and-a-half years.

Especially in view of the narrowness of the margin by which they will hold office, it is not to be anticipated that there will be any drastic change under the Conservatives in either domestic or foreign policies. Indeed, the Conservatives had never suggested that there would be any move to return to private ownership the major industries which have been nationalized. Foreign policy may not be changed but may be somewhat more firmly applied.

Far from being overwhelmed, Labor remains a strong force in Britain. Socialism has been by no means dealt a body blow. The effect of its narrow defeat may tend to unite its forces. And the Conservatives too will have to close their ranks if they are going to have any kind of an effective regime. There is also the possibility of a national government, such as there have been before, should some serious and sudden crisis arise.

### Alaska Trail Goes Over

RINCE RUPERT rallied in support of the cul-Ture of good music by the attendance in such large numbers last night at Civic Centre when Donald Gramm, brilliant young bass-baritone, and Maxim Schapiro, eminent pianist in his own right, making a grand team, were the first travellers of the present season to visit Prince Rupert on the Alaska Trail.

And it was a memorable musical event. Twentyfour years of age only, it would appear pretty safe to say that, before so many more years, Gramm will be a figure of No. 1 magnitude in the high-class concert world. Prince Rupert will look with interest to his future progress and will hope to see him back. (He told the few friends who spontaneously gathered to congratulate him last night that he hoped to be back.)

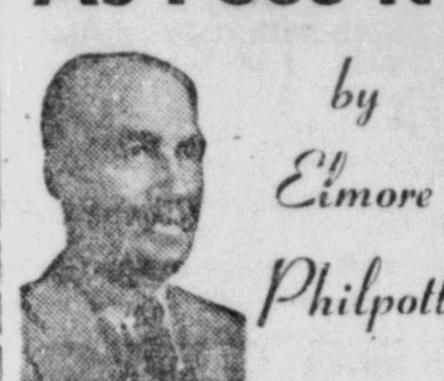
It is gratifying that the Alaska Trail is off to such a good start, something for which Mr. Schapiro, Mr. Gramm and the enthusiastic local promoters and supporters can be congratulated. It is to be hoped that the momentum now started will be sustained in future such concerts for there are other outstanding stars coming this winter.

Scripture Passage for Joday

"He . . . continued all night in prayer to God." -St. Luke 6:12.



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The British Way

GLASGOW.—The more study the British election system the more admire them.

For now I see what Lord Bryce meant when he answered American's question: "What makes the British system of government work so well?"

The answer, given almost of hand, was about as follows: "Because all the importar elements in our political li

want it to work well."

YOU SEE that working out when you see how much alike the two 1951 party platforms were. The cynic might argue that the 1951 Tory platform was so much like the 1951 Labor platform because the Tories know darn well that most Labor social measures are so popular they could not be overthrown. Every party must accept them to stand a chance

at the polls. I don't think that is the real

keep the argument within it the point of practical politics. man wore.

You didn't catch the Tories saying that they would dena- YEAH! tionalize all the things that the There were four letters to the honors. The fault of line breaks, Socialists nationalized. They said editor in yesterday's News. Most of course, cannot be laid at its they would leave coal mines folks like to read that part of doorstep. But aside from that alone, leave the railways alone, the paper. What's the other there would seem to be many Ieave civil aviation alone. That fellow's kick? is, they would not tamper with the PRINCIPLE of nationaliza- A tendency to listen with some The selection of recorded music by the voters.

foreign affairs.

Labor, so Labor claimed it ad- truction of Europe." ministered British foreign policy less provocatively than the Tor- YOU'LL FIND OUT! ies would.

seems to me to work like a succession of tugs-of-war.

Both parties line up and have a tug-of-war to decide the immediate and practical questions of the time. But once that particular tug is over they accept the verdict.

THE GENIUS of the British is that everybody in public life agrees to keep the argument around the line of practical

The main thing about it is that all parties accept the centre line across which change is to be made one way or another.

That is what makes the British system so much more practical and sensible than exists in other countries which are also democracies.

# years ago ... in Prince Rupert

#### Forty Years Ago

October 26, 1911

City council last night asked for tenders for clearing timber from shores of Woodworth Lake where a dam is to be built.

D. Collati and Albert Cerci died this morning when tons of mud slid over the west portal of the Kitselas tunnel of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, burying them alive. It will probably take two or three days to dig out the

#### Twenty Years Ago

October 26, 1931

amount of taxes due up to and including the year 1949, and interest thereon, together with costs HMCS Skeena, commanded by of advertising said sale, be not sooner paid. Cdr. Victor Brodeur, RCN, arrived in port today with Lt.-Governor J. W. Fordham-Johnson on board. A luncheon for the governor will be given tomorrow under joint auspices of the city and the Chamber of Commerce.

A trapper of Telegraph Creek district was restored to sanity by an acting dentist, Cpl. Harvey, RCMP, who extracted two large McEwan, Laura (administratrix of the estate teeth from the mouth of the stricken man. Report is that for a year the trapper had suffered Ditto so severely from toothache that he could not sleep and became partly deranged. He took to hiding in the bush and leading



Yaws-a crippling and disfiguring disease, mostly contracted in childhood has been for years the scourge of Thailand. In order to tackle the problem in a countrywide basis the Thai government recently called for United Nations' aid, A joint group of experts of UNICEF and the U.N. World Health Organization was rushed to Thailand to train local personnel and provide the necessary medical supplies. Here, a UNICEF/WHO Public Health Nurse leads a group of children to an open air clinic in the region of Ratchburi.

LETTERBOX

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

British Columbia, and quite pos-

sibly could qualify for national

due to poor technical operation.

"in-between" music which I be-

lieve would be much more ac-

ceptable to the general public

than such a steady diet of

"So-and-So and His Orchestra,

with vocals by some intimately-

cooing blonde or lovesick bath-

room tenor whose efforts would

be nearly sufficient to cause

the listener to be a little sick

himself. Surely that announce-

ment that "This is the Canadian

Broadcasting Corporation" would

cause the CBC directors to hang

their heads or crawl into a hole

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community, and we should have

something a little better for our

money. The CBC programs may

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The News.

# Reflects and Reminisces

Four salmon were caught Wednesday, off Qualicum Beach, by would seem to be at least one The real answer is that, under the Duke of Edinburgh, who subject which, while freely critithe British system of democracy, appeared out in a tweed jacket idized in private, is seldom heard all the main parties agree to and gray flannels. This was the of in public. This is the apology a first occasion the British Co- for a radio broadcasting station Air Force. short space or within a circle lumbia press, in its social notes, which has to suffice us in this around one point. You could call described what a salmon fisher- district. Surely it must be the

to fill in unscheduled breaks in tion, though they said they impatience, when today somebroadcasts from outside the city would improve some aspects of one utters a prediction, is comadministration if given the job mon enough. A prophecy can be is something pitiful. Whoever sincere and reflect the honest makes the selection would seem convictions of the speake. He is, to have no idea of fitness and THE SILENT agreement to con- at least, entitled to respect. We good taste, but grabs a recordfine the argument around the know one man who guessed right. --- of the most raucous piece of point of practical politics works Here's the story. We chanced to cacophony which comes easiest the other way around too. For be looking through a 1937 News to hand. if the Tories had come around file this week, noticed a refer- and please don't get the idea to the Socialist way of thinking ence to Ainsley Blair, Fundamen- that I'm advocating "long-hair" re most of the Welfaer State, so talist, Newcastle (Eng.) The date music exclusively. I do think we the Socialists have got around was January 11. He had spoken get too little of it from our local to the Tory way of thinking in in the Capitol theatre, and his station, but there is plenty of remarks included these: "A war There was a difference of em- that will terrify is coming. phasis. Just as the Tories claim- will beggar the last one. It will ed they could administer the vastly surpass in scope and exwelfare schemes better than tent and virtually mean the des

Traffic and parking, where Prince Rupert is alone concern-THE BRITISH election system ed is the sort of problem that grows more perplexing as time goes on. Every one must have a car, but ever figure what means in the way of added expenses, as well as other things you never suspected?

> Unrestrained rejoicing was heard in a Prince Rupert home Wednesday-and all because a puppy dog, lost for days had been found and safely returned. This cost a reward, as well as a good sized advertisement. A youngster surely owns that pup. And if so, we'll wager there was hugging and barking, stroking and facelicking. For there is no denial that at a certain time in youth, there is kinship between hearts. There's the same playfulness, same friendliness, and same zest for fighting and hunting, or eating at any old time.

JUST PERHAPS!

Truce talks resuming in Korea after suspension of months! And some optimists in Washington say peace may dawn within a month. This being the situation which way will the world turn when it becomes necessary to find a new alarmist subject? One could always select at least some part of either north or south.

the life of a wild animal until police came and gave him dental treatment, Rumors in the district were that a maniac was on

Name of Person Assessed

Hiram Alfred Stevenson, deceased

# Navy "Doctor Pulls Hoax

OTTAWA (P - Embarrassed but amused Navy headquarters are wondering whether it is the victim of one of the most spectacular hoaxes the Canadian forces have known in recent

Both Navy and Royal Canadian Mounted Police are trying to find out the truth in an investigation which is proceeding in Canada and the United States and aboard the destroyer HMCS Cayuga, one of three the Royal Canadian Navy has in Pacific waters for the Korean war.

Aboard the Cayuga, under suspension, is a medical officer fisted in naval records as Surgeon Lieutenant Joseph Cyr of Edmunston, New Brunswick. He is under investigation on the possibility that he is not really

## Appointment for James Stenstrom

EDMONTON-Appointment of James A. Stenstrom as sales manager for Canadian Chemical Company Limited was announced today by Harold Blancke, president.

Mr. Stenstrom, whose office In the resurgence of progress will be in Montreal, graduated which Prince Rupert appears to from McGill University in Chembe experiencing at present, there ical Engineering and until recently was associated with Canadian Ingersoll Rand Limited. During the second World War he served with the Royal Canadian



Power will flow to Alcan's future aluminum smelter at Kitimat, B.C., from a power plant built inside a man-made cave which stretches a quarter of a mile inside a mountain! What's more, a tunnel will be driven ten miles through the mountain, to carry water to drive the turbines,

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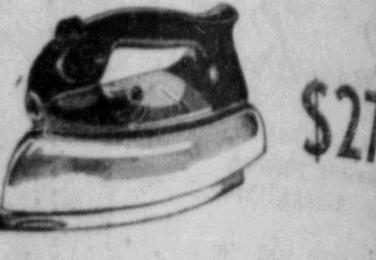
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Provincial Collector.

G. F. FORBES,

a doctor even though he won wick and is under and acclaim for several major opera- form no further men tions on South Korean soldiers. pending completion of an Cyr has been under question- The chances are he ing by his skipper, Cdr. W. Pow- flown home soon to ers of Saint John, New Bruns- inquiry,





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