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Report from Parliament

By Edward J. Applewhite M.P.

A few days ago Arthur Laing, one of our very active young Liberal members from Vancouver, addressed a question to the Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys asking if the department had any plans with reference to iron ore in British Columbia.

Hon. George Prudham, the new and popular Minister of Mines, took the question as notice and made a statement a few days later. He said that investigations made prior to 1925 were compiled in a report by G. A. Young and W. L. Uglow, entitled "The Iron Ores of Canada. Volume I, British Columbia and Yukon" (Economic Geology Series No. 3). In 1930 further geological field work was conducted in the Bittle Lake area, Vancouver Is-

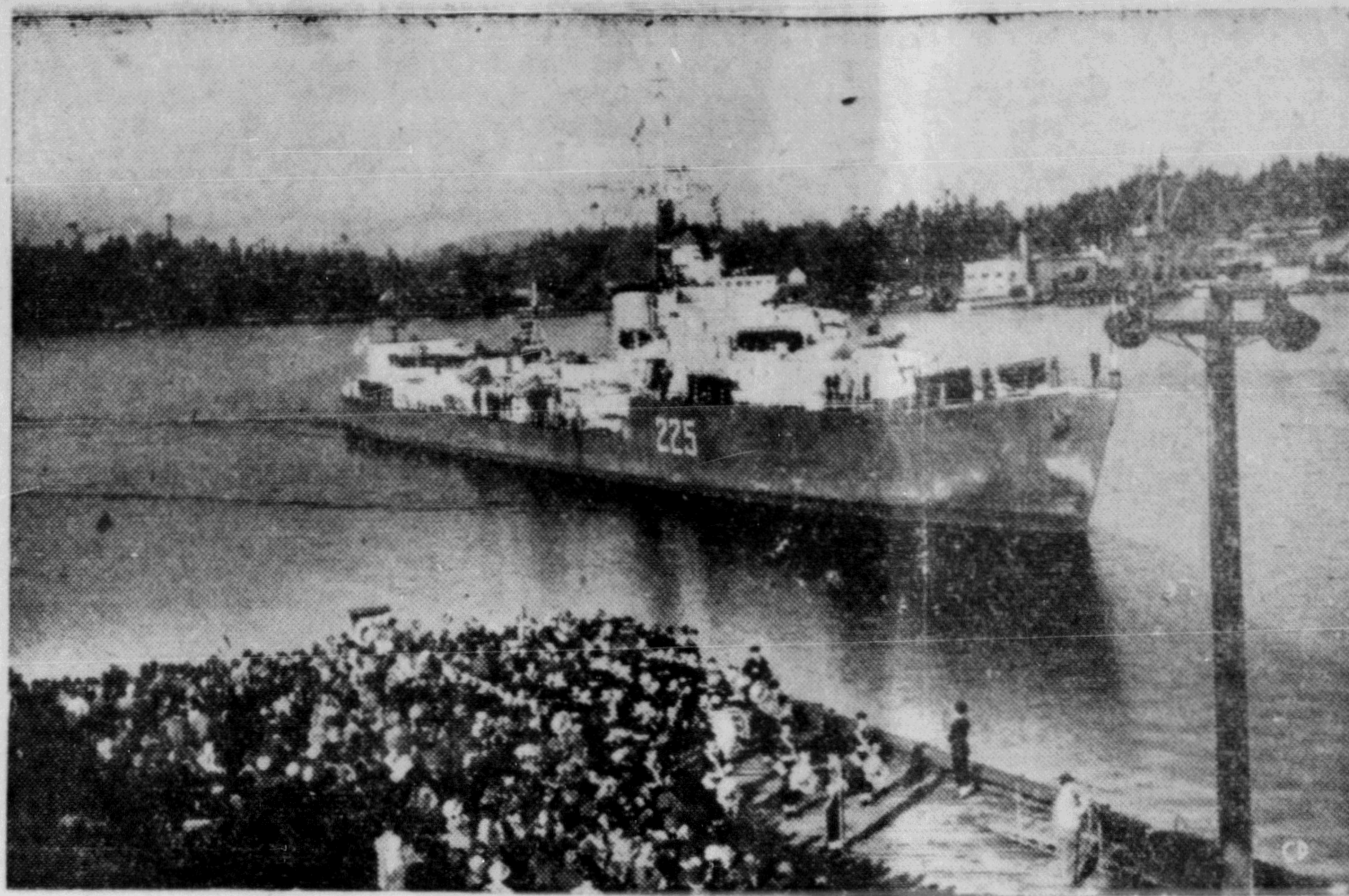
land. In 1950 geological survey party, in charge of Dr. J. W. Hoadley, made extensive studies in the vicinity of Zeballos, Vancouver Island. The British Columbia department of mines published a report in 1942 by A. G. McKee and Company, engineers and contractors, of Cleve-land, entitled "Report on Proposed Iron and Steel Works." The field work of Dr. J. W. Hoadley in the Zeballos area will be continued, and this will include mapping and studies of potential iron deposits.

38TH PARALLEL—Recently Mr. Coldwell addressed a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs asking whether the United States or the United Nations would decide whether the 38th parallel would again be crossed in Korea. Mr. Pearson, in his reply, said he presumed the question referred to certain press reports. He said: "Under the circumstances which the hon. member contemplates, I would think it would be proper for the question to be discussed in the United Nations."

WHEAT TO INDIA—Also by way of question, this time by Mr. Catherwood (Conservative) to the Minister of Trade and Commerce, there came before us the question of sending wheat to India. Mr. Howe stated that the government of India has not made formal representations to the Canadian government, but has made arrangements with the Canadian Wheat Board for supplies of wheat, 300,000 tons. Wheat available is very low grade; discussions are now in process to ascertain whether India can use any of these grades of wheat. Gordon Graydon asked if this is part of the commonwealth plan in which Canada is participating, or is it a collateral transaction between Canada and India. Mr. Howe replied that sales have been made directly between Canada and India under the international wheat agreement to which we are both parties.

RETORT COURTEOUS—For a good example of the "retort courteous" or something, I like this one. On Tuesday Bert Her-ridge, CCF from my old home, West Kootenay, was speaking, and evidently figured that Jack Gibson, Independent from Comox-Alberni, was doing too much interrupting. Heridge suddenly looked at Gibson and said: "Mr. Speaker, I hope that the hon. member is not going to massage his ego by constant, inane, innocuous and inconsequential interruptions." Temporary subsiding of Mr. Gibson.

NO. 1 MIKE—As was to be expected, "Mike" Pearson's review of the international situation was a wonderful exposition. He pointed out that international relations involve many complicated and indeed dangerous issues which at times divide even friends. He stressed the fact that freedom cannot be cloistered in one country, in one continent, or indeed in one hemisphere. Another point he stressed if that whatever may be the result of a re-examination of the role of the UN, it is certain that the United Nations still fulfils a number of functions which are indispensable if peace is to be maintained on any tolerable basis. He does not feel that it should be a reproach to the United Nations that its reach exceeds its grasp. We owe it to those men in Korea and to ourselves to make as cool and rational appraisal as we can of the dangers which threaten the free world, not only in Korea but at many other points as well, and, in the light of that appraisal, to decide what is the proper policy for the United Nations to pursue in the Far East.



SIoux RETURNS—Thousands cheer as the destroyer Sioux returns to Victoria, after serving nearly seven months in the Korea theatre. The ship is shown about to berth at Esquimalt Navy base. (CP PHOTO FROM NATIONAL DEFENCE)

SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

New Freighter on First Voyage Up Coast—ss. Yukon Princess to Skagway

Making her first northward voyage since arriving on this coast to enter the service of Canadian Pacific Steamships, the steamer Yukon Princess is now on her way from Vancouver to Skagway with a full cargo of freight. The Yukon Princess, like the old Nootka which she replaces, while owned by CPR, is operated by arrangement with the Frank Waterhouse Line. The vessel is proceeding direct north from Vancouver to Skagway and may call at Prince Rupert south-bound to make her first call at this port. She will be loading a large cargo of concentrates out of Skagway. Capt. John Campbell is master of the Yukon Princess which was formerly the Is-land Connector operating between Montreal and Maritime ports to Prince Edward Island.

Union steamer Camosun, Capt. William McComber, arrived in port at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Vancouver and way-points with fair-sized list of passengers and full freight cargo, sailing at 11 p.m. in continuation of her voyage to Alice Arm and Stewart whence she will return here tomorrow morning to sail south at 12 noon. Second Union boat of the day, the steamer Chilcotin, Capt. Henry McLean, arrived in port at 3:45 yesterday afternoon from south end of Queen Charlotte Islands and sailed at 8 p.m. for Vancouver and way-points.

House-Offices For Fisheries

Tenders are being called for construction of buildings described as house office units for the federal Department of Fisheries at Queen Charlotte City and Bella Coola, according to word from E. T. Applewhite, M.P. at Ottawa. Tenders are receivable until February 28.

Dyke McMillan returned Saturday from a trip to the Queen Charlotte Islands on Social Welfare Branch business. Mr. McMillan said the weather on the islands was beautiful.

Douglas Payne returned Saturday afternoon from a business trip to Vancouver.

Burns Lake Ski Meeting

BURNS LAKE—Omineca Ski Club will be staging its annual ski tournament on February 24, 25 and 26 and, from the much heralded competitions, will be chosen the cream of local skiers who will go on to display their talent at meets in Jasper, Prince George and Smithers. There is every reason to believe that this will be one of the greatest tournaments on record. Culminating feature of the three days' proceedings will be a ball on closing night when the queen of the club will be elected. The juvenile course is expected to provide the usual modicum of excitement. Tows are being installed on both hills to make things easier for the contestants and to speed up the competitions.

Officers of the club are: President—Jack S. Brown; Vice-President—Gordon Rush; Secretary—Maurice Roumie; Treasurer—Miss Margaret Bickle; Captain—Gordon Williams; Hill Chief—Kaare Enestad.

KEEPING THE FISH RECORD—

Lakelse Lake Pleasant Place Even In Winter

(By Larry Stanwood)

To many local residents Lakelse lake means a holiday—easy days, spent in sunshine amid the natural grandeur of the mountains, trees and water. Of course, all that in the summertime.

But who would think of going to Lakelse in the dead of winter?

About five feet of snow there is now, and it has been cold . . . right down to 30 below zero . . . this winter. A narrow, slippery, winding mountain road, gouges its way to Terrace, nearly 20 miles away, the only contact with civilization.

There are no telephones.

There is no electricity.

Yet there live a few people at Lakelse who are sincerely happy, even in the winter. For example, there are Vern and Anna McMahon. Vern is an assistant biologist, working for the federal fisheries department. His headquarters are at Nanaimo, the Pacific Biological Station, but Vern is a field-worker, and seldom gets down south.

The McMahons live in comparative ease mid all that snow and cold. At least, they think so. Their cabin has three rooms and an office for Vern. They heat and cook with fuel-oil and their light at night comes from gasoline lamps.

RECORDS FISH FOOD

Vern's main job in the winter is to keep a record of the plankton content of the lake. This means digging through the snow on the lake until the ice is reached. Then a hole is cut through the ice and a plankton trap inserted. Plankton is minute cell-life upon which fish feed, and on the quantity of it largely depends the number of fish a lake

can support.

As the federal fisheries department is mainly interested in research of commercial fish, Vern's job deals with the survival of the sockeye salmon.

Other work includes keeping daily temperature records and netting fish through the ice. This is accomplished much the same as the Eskimo does it in the Arctic. To one end of a net is tied a wooden "bobbin" which is then inserted in the water. The bobbin is given a sharp push and is propelled under the ice. This process is repeated several times until enough net has been strung. When the fish have been gilled, they are removed and their stomach contents examined. Most of the fish caught this way are Cutthroat trout, says Vern.

"In this cold weather we have no hardship keeping them for some time," said Anna, and added:

"We have come to like trout very well."

The wife of the biologist, formerly a practicing registered nurse, follows a routine much the same as other housewives do. She may not have the city conveniences, but she says she is a nature-lover. And friends drop in every so often.

There is Tony, a trapper, guide and fisherman, who is building a log-cabin 500 yards from the McMahons. And there is Tom and his wife who live about a mile the other way. Tom works for the fisheries too.

"We are always happy to see spring," said Anna, "but we don't mind the winter at all." This is their second year there, she explained.

"And I can always keep an eye on my husband," she twinkled.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "TENDER FOR HOUSE-OFFICE UNIT, BELLA BELLA, B.C.," will be received in the office of the Secretary, until 2 P.M. (E.S.T.), WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1951.

Plans and specification can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the offices of the Chief Architect, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, Ontario, the District Architect, Public Building, Victoria, B.C., at the Post Office Building, Vancouver, B.C., and at the Post Office, Bella Bella, B.C.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on these forms and in accordance with the conditions set forth therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque on a chartered bank in Canada, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, or Bearer Bonds as specified in the form of tender, for 10% of the amount of the tender.

NOTE—The Department, through the office of the District Architect, Public Building, Victoria, B.C., will supply blue-prints and specification of the work on deposit of a sum of \$25.00 in the form of a certified bank cheque payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works. The deposit will be released on return of the blue-prints and specification within a month from the date of reception of tenders. If not returned within that period the deposit will be forfeited.

ROBERT FORTIER, Acting Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, February 5, 1951.

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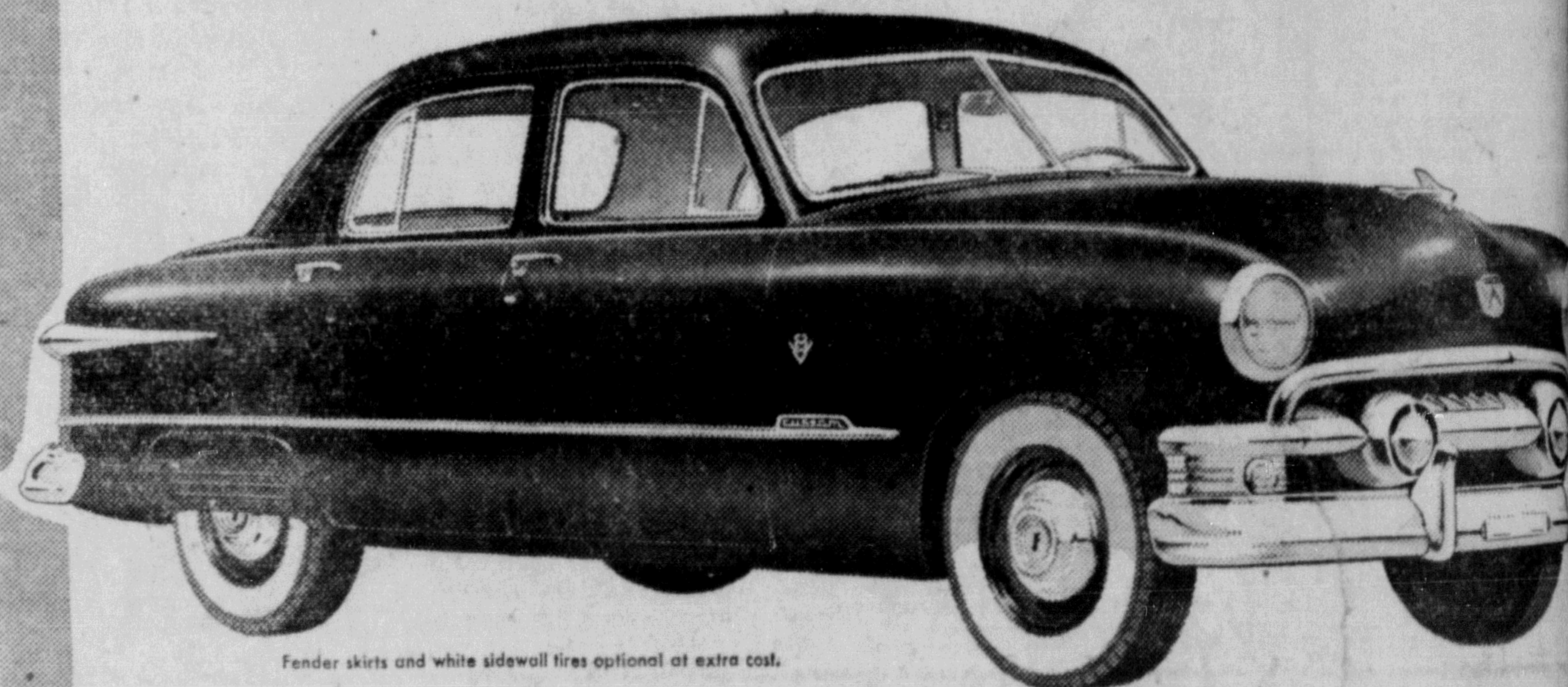
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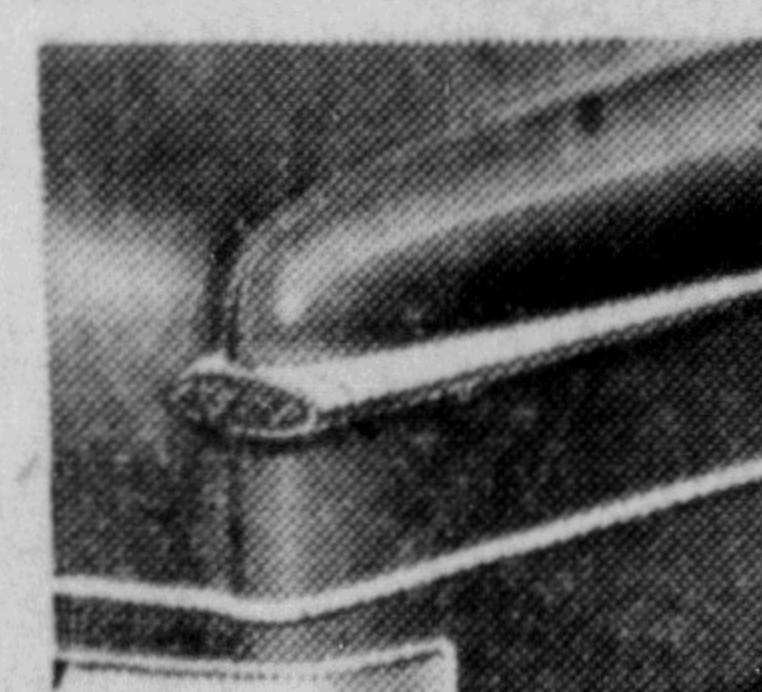


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