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News - Peace Instrument

SOME encouraging words were heard from Hon. Lester B. Pearson, Minister of External Affairs, in the House of Commons the other day. He looked beyond the current stage of democratic unity of sovereign states to an Atlantic commonwealth of free states and ultimately to one world. The one dark spot in his observations was the possibility that it might have to come about by war.

There is just one way that the possibility of war may be minimized. That is by free exchange of ideas and information between nations. It is quite possible that had there been a barrier of censorship between the United States of America and Canada, the peaceful relations between those two countries—the envy of other nations of the world—would not have survived as they have.

Probably the greatest voluntary co-operative effort of the world is the network of great international news services and newspapers that reaches into every nook and cranny in free countries, gathers news of those places and retransmits important news from all over the world back to those nooks and crannies so that people there can stack up local happenings against those of the world at large.

Recent history shows that the first warnings of large scale turmoil are presaged when a country or group of countries closes down on international flow of news.

LITTLE FOR NEWSPAPERS

MILLIONS are spent by the Federal Government for "publicity, advertising and information" in the course of a year. By this the reading public might assume that the newspapers find in Ottawa a substantial source of revenue.

This is an entirely wrong belief, despite the recent announcement that the 1950 estimates for publicity would amount to \$6,064,775. Of this, the proportion going to the newspapers will be only \$224,460. Most of the six million goes to operate the information branch of the various administrative departments, much of the effort of which is to chisel free publicity from the newspapers.

Data is offered the press and, if published, is on a free basis. The attitude of the government is that such action could be regarded as a public service—the plums, if any, going elsewhere than to the newspapers.



As I See It

By **ELMORE PHILPOTT**
Newspaperman Cured

THERE IS A FASCINATING article in Collier's magazine about a Chicago newspaperman, Jack Shanahan, who was cured of arthritis.

The remedy was the gland extract ACTH. This gland extract comes from the base of the brain. It seems to be like the general who gives his orders to the soldiers underneath him.

The soldier who apparently does the work against arthritis is the adrenal gland, which is on top of the kidney. What the scientists are concentrating on now is to synthesize this kidney gland extract. They are well on the way toward doing that.

HERE IN CANADA THE RESULTS so far obtained from the gland extracts have been far from conclusive. There are tricky "side effects" in the use of these powerful gland extracts. In at least some cases no benefits have been obtained.

But on the whole the discoveries made from the Cortisone and ACTH injections have been the most hopeful in the whole history of arthritis. For now at long last science seems to be getting an insight into the real nature of arthritis. It now seems clear that arthritis is a disease which results from an insufficiency of a kidney glandular extract. Once that is firmly and finally established science will be able to move on to the next stage in the conquest of the disease.

FAR FROM MAKING THE work of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society superfluous, the new discoveries make it more necessary than ever. On the national level C.A.R.S. promotes and helps finance research. On the local level it supplements the work of the family physician and the local hospital.

Several clinics are already operating in Canada, completely equipped and mostly financed by C.A.R.S. The only complaint that I hear about these is that they can't yet serve all the people who need their services.

The travelling physio-therapists, in their little Bluebird cars, are perhaps even more necessary. It cannot be too clearly understood that no magic remedy—no Cortisone, no ACTH no injection of any kind—is going to repair damage already done to bones, muscles and joints. Such damage, however, can be corrected to an amazing degree by the physical healing arts and sciences. There are several varieties of these healing schools and the best of them do work wonder with long-crippled victims of arthritis, and other such ailments.

EVEN BEFORE THE DISCOVERIES re the brain and kidney gland extracts, arthritis

Los Angeles Party Coming

The party numbering some 250 persons, members of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce will be here aboard the steamer Prince George Friday of this week on their third annual goodwill tour of British Columbia and Alaska. The group includes many of the California metropolis' most important business men.

Leading the party is A. J. Gock, president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and prominent banker of California's principal city.

Again managing the tour is Charles P. Bayer, assistant to the president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

The group, to be met and welcomed here by J. C. Gilker, acting president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, will arrive at 10 o'clock Friday morning and will sail at noon for Alaska. Southbound they will be here again next Tuesday evening.

U.S. Training Ships Coming

Two U.S. Naval Reserve training destroyer escorts will visit Prince Rupert June 25 and June 27. It was announced by H.M.C.S. Chatham today. The vessels carrying a complement of 35 officers and 450 enlisted personnel, arrive here at 1:30 p.m. June 25.

was far from a hopeless disease. The vast majority of arthritic victims overcome it well enough to enjoy happy and useful lives. Some recover completely—with the help of remedies so different that it is almost laughable.

I know one Calgary woman who was completely crippled who recovered completely after living for one month on 33 oranges per day. I know of others who cured themselves by drinking young-pork kidney soup (and that was 15 years before Cortisone and ACTH). But up till now it has all been a hit-and-miss groping in the dark process.

C.A.R.S. in Vancouver is trying to raise enough money to finance a really scientific national attack on the greatest of all cripplers.

Native Villages Seeking Power

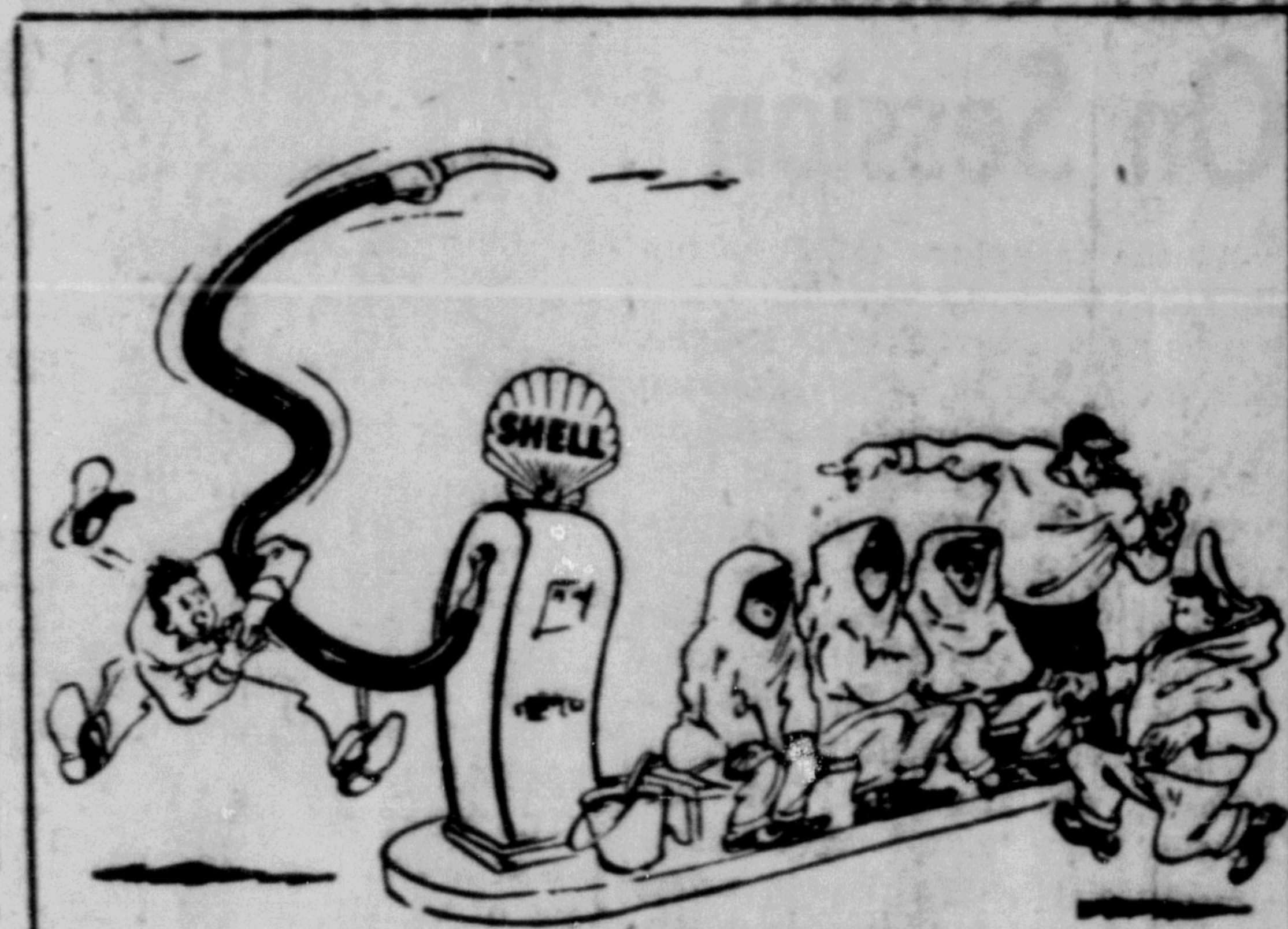
KISPIOX — Good hopes are held here for the extension to the villages of Kispiox and Glen Vowell of the British Columbia Power Commission's services following a meeting in Hazelton between Chief Councillor Silas Johnson and others and the Hon. E. T. Kenney.

Mr. Kenney agreed that this and an adequate village water system would do much for improving the health of native people. For some months he has been urging Ottawa to provide a post office for Kispiox. Recently similar requests have

come from Kitimaat and other villages and Mr. Kenney assured the delegation that the federal member was doing all he could to have post offices opened in these places.

The Kispiox delegation also asked for Public Works employment. At present no Kispiox men are employed on this work, they pointed out. They were given assurance by the Minister that an improvement could be expected in this regard.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McRae, who have been visiting here for the past two weeks, will sail by the Prince Rupert tomorrow night on their return to their home at Duncan, Vancouver Island.



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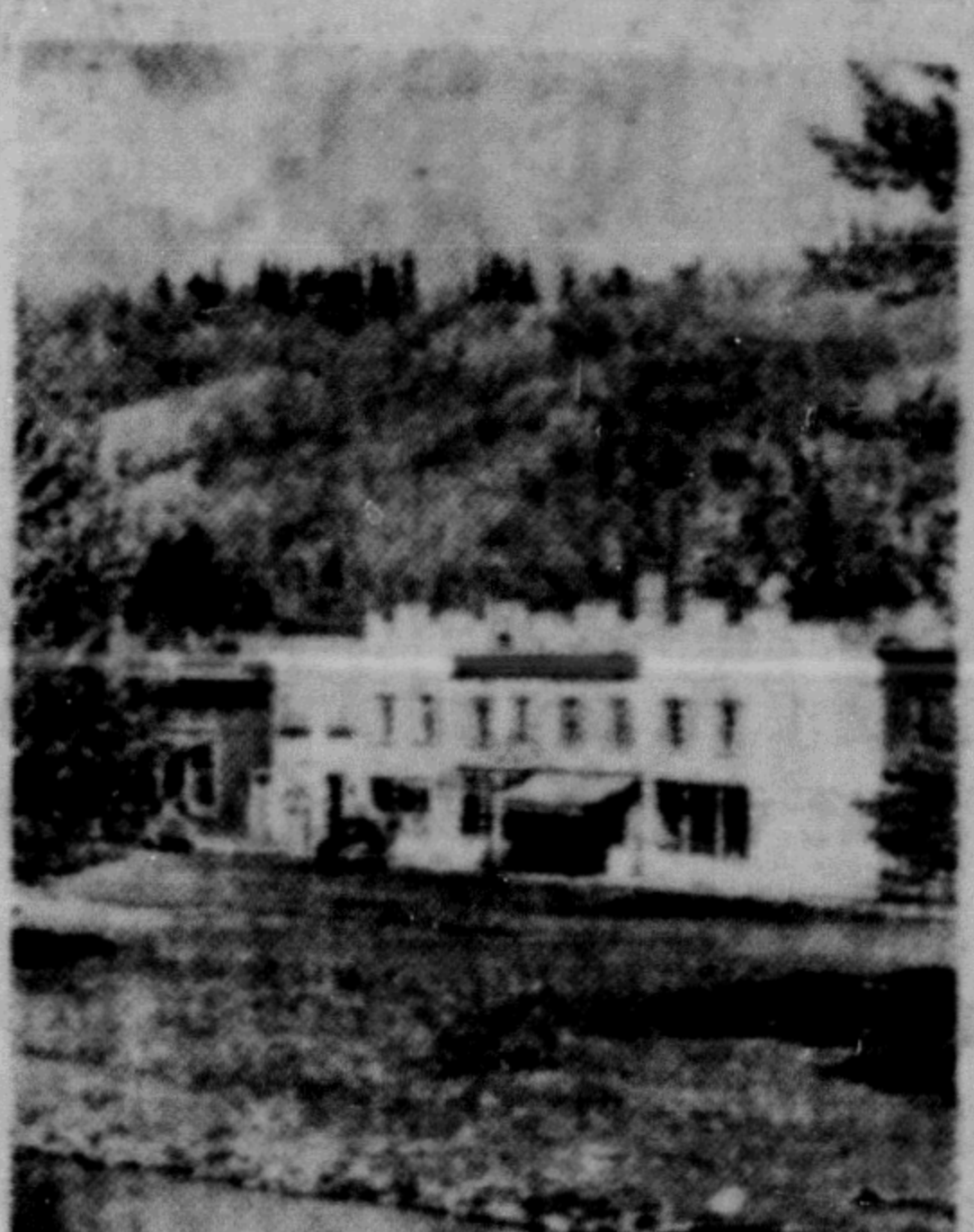
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