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The King and his People

KING GEORGE VI has entered the thirteenth year of a reign overshadowed by war and suggestions of war, the problem of a dubious peace and perplexities of trade and finance at home, in poor health.

The institution of monarchy has never been closer to the hearts of British subjects than it is today. All know the members of the Royal Family lead upright lives, but possibly all do not know that their obligations are heavy, exacting and numerous.

The King, through the trials of war and personal sorrows has shown a true democracy, a kindness, and an attachment to the welfare of country and people. And so today, whenever and where ever we are asked to stand to attention, it is not without reason that the strains of the National Anthem should hold a deep and intimate significance.

AN AGREEABLE PROSPECT

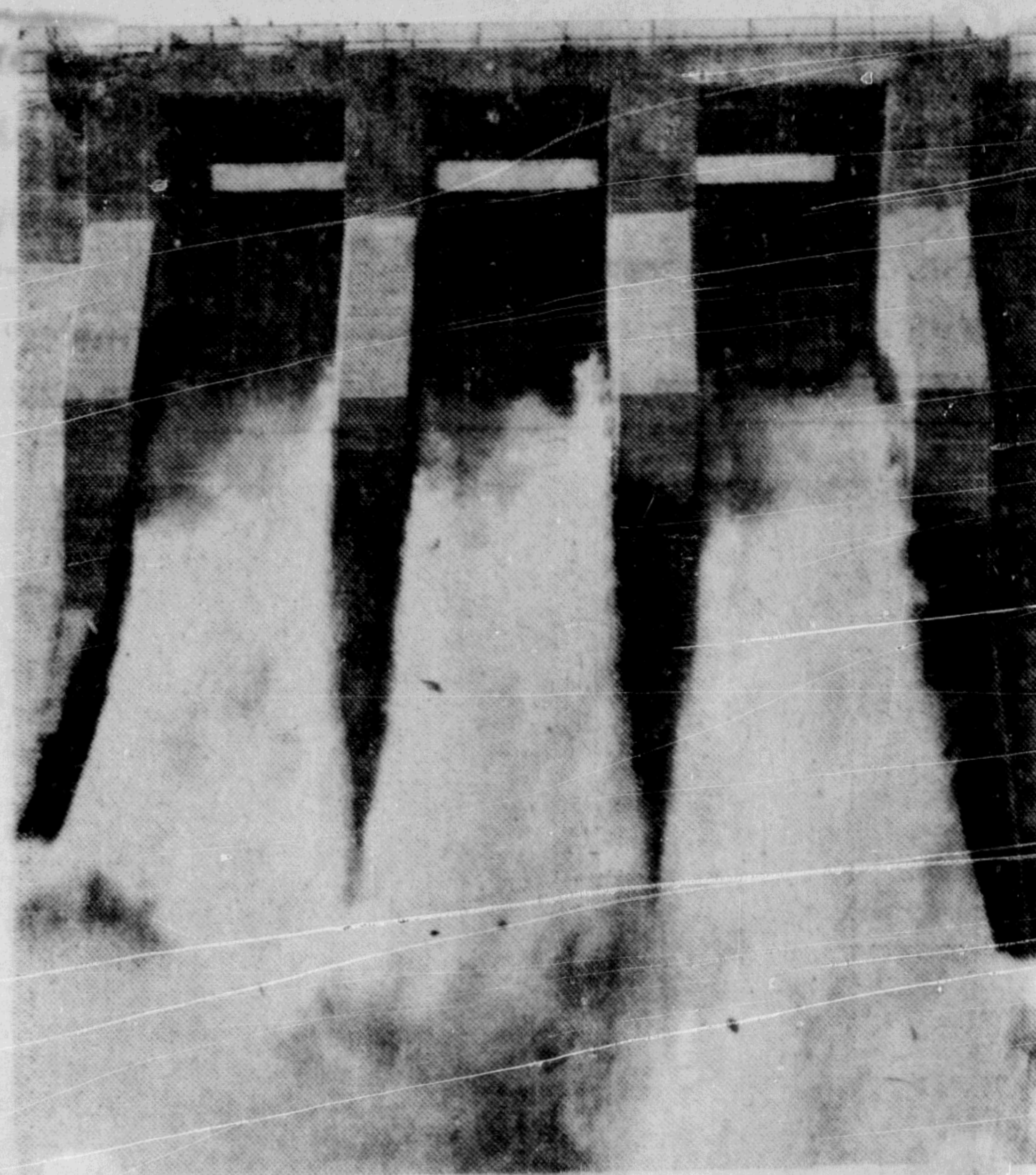
A DECIDED IMPROVEMENT in Canada's holdings of gold and United States dollars, announced by Hon. Mr. Abbott, Minister of Finance, will come as an agreeable New Year development, to Canadians generally. The holdings at the end of September had reached a total of \$854,900,000 as compared with \$501,000,000 at the same time a year previously. This gain results in the modification of certain restrictions, such as the lifting of import bans on \$100 worth of personal purchases and gifts, bought during a stay of 48 hours in the United States. Seeing that the import bans previously had covered about everything a Canadian might wish to purchase, this variation on the part of Ottawa comes as a matter of considerable satisfaction.



"IRON CURTAIN" CRASHER TORN BETWEEN TWO LOVES—Slithering through a chink in the "iron curtain" into the Soviet zone of Berlin was simple for ex-paratrooper Edward J. Lada compared to the terrific task of making up his mind. Lada, who hails from Newark, N.J., was jailed in Berlin by U.S. army authorities for "illegal entry" after he had made his way into the Russian zone in an attempt to bring out his "wife and child." He is visited (above) in the brig by Ruth Glecki, unmarried mother of Lada's child, Nancy, who seems infatuated with her dad's nose. However, another character entered the cast when Ursula Schmidt, German actress, showed up claiming that she is Lada's fiancée and that he came to bring her back to the U.S. She is shown with him (below). Lada said Ursula is the woman he loves. Then he said he would marry Ruth because of the child. Both women want him. Uncle Sam has got him. Who gets final possession is anybody's guess.

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PEACETIME BLACKOUTS FOR ONTARIO—During the latter part of 1948 Ontario returned to the era of the lamp, lantern and tallow candles. Electric power, which before the war was abundant and cheaper than any other place in the world, is running so low that power authorities have had to pull switches plunging whole residential and business areas into partial or total darkness. However, the province has eight new power developments in the making such as this one at Aquasabon, which won't be in operation until 1950. It will feed Port Arthur and Fort William and new \$23,000,000 pulp mill. Water is shown boiling through open sluiceways of new development.

Letters to the Editor

FISHERMEN REPLY

Editor, Daily News:
In your December 29 issue, I have read with interest your news item regarding the action taken by the 1948 City Council with respect to the Fairview Road. On behalf of the fishermen's organization which I represent, may I say we appreciate the firm stand which the council is now taking on this matter.

At the conclusion of your news item, Mayor Arnold is quoted as having said that fishermen's organizations were informed months ago that their support would be needed in pressing for permission to put through this road, but this had not been done. I would take issue with this, on behalf of our own organization. Our representations have been numerous and frequent, and have had considerable influence in progressing this matter.

Almost a year ago, the writer in company with Mr. H. G. Archibald, M.P. for Skeena, made personal representations to officials of the Department of Fisheries and the Department of Public Works in Ottawa, stressing the need for the completion of the Fairview Road. Shortly after this, the necessary appropriation for this work was included in the government estimates for 1948-49. This was later passed by Parliament.

Since then we have made repeated representations to the Department of Public Works engineering all speed possible on this part in expediting this construction. In October, a special committee of fishermen, of which our president, Mr. A. Martinussen, was a member, had a personal interview with the Department engineers in New Westminster.

Again they used this opportunity to explain the urgent need for prompt action in putting through this road, so that the

government floats at Fairview Bay could become of full use to the fishermen of Prince Rupert. The reply to all these representations has been, as stated by the Mayor, that permission for a rail crossing must first be obtained from the Board of Railway Commissioners. As this body is solely concerned with protecting the safety of the public, it can hardly be influenced by representations of local organizations.

Thank you, Mr. Editor, for the use of your valuable space in this paper, and I trust that I have succeeded in showing that our organization has been quite active in advancing this matter with the proper authorities.

Yours very truly,
K. F. HARDING,
Secretary for the
Prince Rupert Fishermen's
Co-operative Association.

DANCING DOG
HALIFAX — Dance bands have an animal fan in Scotty, a dog belonging to Captain Rock Joleigneur of the 35-ton floating crane Foundation Shipshaw. When the captain turns on dance music, Scotty gets up on his hind legs and dances around the cabin.

"AGE CANNOT WITHER"
REGINA — At a city band concert, a band member paraded a 61-year old grind organ dug up from a Regina basement. It worked fine.



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PRESENTATIONS MADE AT SEA CADET FUNCTION

Prince Rupert's Captain Cook Corps of Sea Cadets held their final function of the year last night, a dance at which recognition was given to persons who assisted in their work during the last 12 months.

Before an assembly of 60 couples in the Navy Drill Hall canteen, Corps members and friends, Lieut.-Commander Alex Mitchell, Corps commander, presented a decorative vase and a bouquet of flowers to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Forman on the occasion of their twenty-third wedding anniversary. Mr. Forman is president of the city branch of the Navy League of Canada, sponsors of the Sea Cadet movement.

Chief Petty Officer Gordon Rothwell, a member of the Corps for the last seven years, was officially presented with his appointment as a midshipman by Lieut.-Commander Mitchell.

Presentations were also made to Instructors Stewart, Kidd and Fraser of the R.C.N. detachment of H.M.C.S. Chatham in recognition of the valuable training instruction they have rendered during the year.

Dancing was enjoyed during the evening, music being provided by Jean De Carlo at the piano. Refreshments, consisting of soft drinks and hot dogs were served.

CLIMATIC PRANKS
LEBRET, Sask. — Saskatchewan's unusually late fall played queer tricks this year. Suckers were reported going upstream in the Qu'Appelle Valley, bluebirds laid eggs and pussy willows bloomed.

RESUME DOG TRIALS
MOOSE JAW, Sask. — The Saskatchewan field dog trials will be resumed in this district next August after a lapse of six years. In past years the trials were the first on a Canadian-United States circuit.

COLLECTOR'S ITEM
HUNTINGDON, Que. — Safe-crackers got a bonus when they broke into Fred Moore's store. Their loot included a rare \$25 bill issued in limited quantities by the Bank of Canada in honor of King George V and now regarded as a collector's item.

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PROUD GRANDMOTHER
Queen Elizabeth, proud grandmother of the little Prince Charles Philip Arthur George, is pictured holding the child after the christening at Buckingham Palace.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

Prince Rupert
Mr. and Mrs. J. Kempster, Oceanic; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kaulbeck, Terrace; Miss P. Hetherington, Prince George; K. Picken, Port Alberni; D. Main, Suncyside; E. Shaffer, Ottawa; J. W. Macri, Long Beach, New York; Miss A. Lips, Terrace; Mrs. E. J. Ashcroft, Terrace; E. A. Erlanson, Suncyside; W. Robinson, Terrace; Miss M. Stewart, Enako.

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City Merchants

City merchants are asked in future to have copy for all display advertisements into the Daily News office by 4 p.m. of the day previous to their publication.

This co-operation will greatly assist the mechanical department in keeping to the regular hour for publication.

EARLY EXCURSIONS
BRAMFORD, Ont. — Excursions were just as popular in early Ontario as they are today. A newspaper published in 1859 advertises a "excursion" on the Queen's day at half-fare to Falls.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS
1. What is wrong with the sentence? "He is a friend."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "bamboo"?
3. Which one of these is misspelled? Recommendation, recognition.
4. What does the word "sertation" mean?
5. What is a word which means "time"?

ANSWERS
1. Say, "He is a ciganet." 2. Accent last syllable the first. 3. Recommendation, recognition.
4. An essay; thesis. The professor is writing a dissertation on the habits of the...
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