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Voters Rally

ALTHOUGH it needed the troubled state of affairs in our city's administration to accomplish it, the rallying of voters to take a specific and organized interest in next month's civic elections is a development that does credit to those concerned.

In undertaking to marshal their ranks along the lines laid down by the old Non-Partisan Association, they face a course which is tricky but could lead to great rewarding benefits for the entire city.

Their first task is to make sure they speak for the majority. While they are certain to encounter criticism and opposition, their success is assured if their voice carries the authority of broad public opinion.

Care also must be taken to remember that the association's function is to advise on issues and make recommendations but never to dictate. There is no desire or room in Prince Rupert for a political machine.

In view of the proposals for a large and representative executive, and the emphasis on building up membership, these are dangers which already seem safely sidetracked. In fact, an impressive feature at this preliminary stage is the obviously sincere wish of those interested to exclude cliques and axe-grinders from their company.

Within a few days the association will hold its first official public meeting. For all those who recognize the need to lift the city from the doldrums of a strife-ridden administration, it will be an event well worth attending.

Formula is Milestone

OUR HEADLINE on Friday that a formula had been agreed on by labor and management in the pulp and paper dispute is the sort of thing that we like to see adorning these pages.

Yet we are all naturally relieved that the danger of a strike in this city appears to be vanishing. The unhappy effect of such an occurrence lies not only in its economic results but also in the ill-feeling which can spread through a community like an uncontrolled disease.

The formula is another milestone in the 16 years of harmonious labor relations in B.C.'s pulp and paper industry. It is a record which other industries might study to their advantage.

Scripture Passage for Today

"O Lord God of Israel thou art righteous."—Ezra 9:15.

NOTICE

General Meeting of the Community Ratepayers

will be held in the

Legion Auditorium

on

Tues., Nov. 17, 8 p.m.

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IMPORTANT MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

J.W. Prusky

As I See It



by Elmore Philpott

Formosa Peace Key

JOHN FOSTER DULLES has dropped a strong hint that the U.S. might agree to recognition of Red China in the UN.

He names certain conditions, including the cessation of support for the rebel forces in Indo-China. But Mr. Dulles turns a blind eye to a much more realistic obstacle to the admission of the real government of China to the UN.

IT IS the fashion in the U.S.A. to pour all sorts of scorn on India's foreign policy.

But, far from believing that the recognition of the real government of China by UN would be contributing to the further spread of Communist world power, Mr. Nehru reasons that the exact opposite is more likely.

So long as the U.S.A., greatest and richest nation on earth, closes its eyes to the greatest of all facts of life in the Far East, there is no hope of getting down to the foundations on which peace might conceivably be built.

The Chinese Red government came into power by an emphatic and revolutionary mandate as ever put any government into power, anywhere on earth.

BUT NEHRU has also spoken several times on the necessity for "putting Formosa into cold storage"—or something to that effect. Simply to grant Red China unconditional recognition as the real and lawful government of China would not lead to total peace, even for the whole of China.

As Formosa had been "allotted" to China as a part of the deals between Roosevelt, Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek, it is obvious that the first result of unconditional acceptance of Red China in the UN would be a demand by the Reds for the UN to stand aside while the Communist Chinese sway was extended, by force, to the last refuge of the armies of Chiang.

A COMMONSENSE settlement with Red China might well be preceded by UN action re the island of Formosa.

There are several alternate ways in which Formosa might be prevented from becoming a new battleground between the Chinese Communists and Chiang's men. Here are some possibilities:

- 1. Formosa might declare itself a sovereign nation, and be admitted to membership in UN. If this were done all the members of the UN would be pledged in advance to protect the island from attack.

It could be provided that at the end of that trust period the inhabitants of the island could, by free vote, decide their own future.

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THINGS ARE GETTING TOUGH ALL OVER—By James Reidford in Toronto Globe and Mail.

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

Although the present Parliamentary session promises to be a sort of legislative holiday in comparison with other years, the MP's aren't likely to find time hanging too heavily on their hands.

One issue that's bound to occupy them will be the marketing of Alberta's new-found bonanza of natural gas. Will it come East to Canada via an all-Canadian pipeline? Or will it take a composite U.S.-Canadian pipeline route—or even be mainly exported to the United States?

These questions open up one of the most controversial policy debates which the government here has had on tap in many moons.

It is noteworthy that in the argument the Federal and the Alberta governments are on opposite sides. The reason is simple economics. The transportation costs of an all-Canadian pipeline to the populous Ontario and Quebec market, which the Federal government favors, would

Father Charged As Child Fails To Attend School

NELSON, B.C. (CP)—The first prosecution against a Sons of Freedom Doukhobor father in connection with the government's promised move to have all Freedomite children attend school has been registered at Nelson.

The charge was initiated by the Slocan Valley School Board. Dan-shin was warned to have his child in school within seven days.

New Drive Planned to Develop North

OTTAWA (CP)—The government has decided to launch a new drive to develop Canada's rich and vast northland.

The title of the resources department will be changed, the Northwest Territories given a bigger living council and Eskimos assisted by splitting big reindeer herds for distribution among the northern dwellers.

The resources department, headed by Hon. Jean Lesage, will be known as the department of northern affairs and national resources.

Prime Minister St. Laurent gave notice that he will introduce a bill to change the name. An official said the government wants everyone to know, especially the United States, that the north belongs to Canada and

ray ...

Reflects and Reminisces

Dwight Eisenhower is a clear speaker, no matter whether it is your privilege to sit in the same room, or at the width of a continent. Millions heard him last Saturday. It would have never done to have had the American President appear the day previously.

HAVE IDEAS

British Columbia's weekly newspapers held a convention last week. Criticism was bold, as well as not unreasonable. It seems too many sheets looked too much alike. There must be something having the individual—the original touch. In other words, the gossip column with a pinch of tittle-tattle.

Sometimes a volunteer who has been through the mill cannot get home fast enough to quit the army. But yesterday in Vancouver, a sergeant just in from Korea said he could see no charm in going back to civies. Already, he's been wearing a uniform fourteen years. He'll finish the job.

Experience is a hard teacher. She gives the test first and the lesson afterward.—Ex.

Felix Batt, still with the Consolidated at Trail, will be remembered by many old friends in Prince Rupert, and nothing suits him better than to hear, directly or indirectly from one or more of them. For he has a good memory for early days and faces.

LOOKING UP!

Now that the coast of British Columbia north of Vancouver, from the navigational point of view, is quite as safe as anywhere else on earth, Prince Rupert will start doing real trade when business offers. Until now, after at least 40 years of disappointments and discouragement, it's been like this. Somehow, the powers that be, could not manage to make the port of Prince Rupert stick to the world's commercial map. They must have met something.

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For the Federal government the question is mainly political. Over the nation as a whole, the idea of retaining such a natural resource as gas in Canada for the benefit of the Canadian people as a whole exercises a strong appeal. There are future votes in it at least a score of Ontario and Quebec ridings. And the present Federal government did not arrive at its present position of political dominance by neglecting always to think reasonably in terms of the future.

Canada's pulp and paper output exceeds in value her output of wheat and all other grain crops.

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UNITED STATES RECOGNIZED RUSSIA 20 YEARS AGO TODAY By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States recognized Russia 20 years ago today with official hopes for friendly co-existence. Now, after two decades of formally correct diplomatic relations, Washington and Moscow are probably as antagonistic, suspicious, distrustful and bitter toward each other as two capitals can be and still remain on speaking terms. The beginning of recognition Nov. 16, 1933, under the foreign policy direction of the late president Franklin D. Roosevelt and his secretary of state, Cordell Hull, was regarded by many persons favoring the move as the start of a new and happier era in world affairs. Today President Eisenhower and State Secretary Dulles still are working on such an era with a minimum hope that at least a way can be found to prevent the intense power rivalry between the United States with its Allies and Russia with its group of nations from flaring into an atomic war. STAKES NOT AS HIGH The stakes were not nearly as high when the Roosevelt administration decided to recognize the Soviet regime and end the 16-year hiatus that began with the Russian revolution. In fact, Democrats had been highly critical of the non-recognition policy of the previous Republican administrations. After United States recognized Russia and the Russians made a number of commitments which reflected the American government's hopes for friendly relations. NO INTERVENTION Russia promised to avoid inter-

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