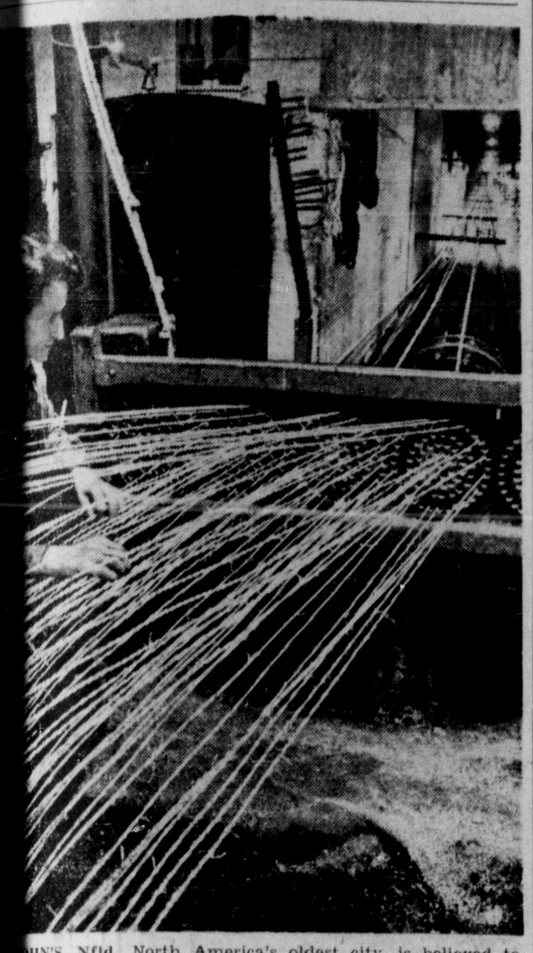


JOHN'S, Nfld., North America's oldest city, is believed to the only "rope walk" in Canada. Dating back to the early of the Grand Banks fisheries, this old system of hand- rope is still preferred by east coast fishermen. Rope Tom Walsh adjusts tension on the 24 strands of sisal being to form three ropes on the quarter-mile rope walk.

Communists' Power 'Broken' in Malaya

By WILLIAM PARROTT

SINGAPORE (Reuters)—Britains tough high commissioner for Malaya, confident his stringent measures have at last broken the power of the Communist terrorists, is turning his attention toward the problems of peace.

First step in General Sir Gerald Templers new program was the removal of an important emergency regulation granting powers of mass detention and deportation —"the need for which no longer exists."

He announced his new program in a recent 10,000-word policy speech in which he devoted less than 10 per cent of the text to the campaign against the terrorists.

The general said he wants to apply to the whole administration the principle underlying "operation service," a highly successful police experiment aimed at establishing friendly relations and a spirit of confidence between the police and the public.

As a high priority, his plans included the inauguration and guidance of elected local, town and municipal councils.

Employment exchanges are to be inaugurated and new labor legislation aimed in part at "encouraging the growth of responsible trade unions" is to be introduced.

The high commissioner's plans include improvement in the amenities of Malay villages, increasing the country's rice harvest and better marketing.

ds Say Alcoholism Upsets ce in Industrial Production

By RICHARD O'REGAN

VIENNA (AP) — Drunkenness and rowdyism are on the increase behind the Iron Curtain.

The Communists are worried because alcoholism is upsetting the speed-up in their industrial production. Communist newspapers from East Europe indicate workers are drinking more —not for relaxation—but to forget one overworked day and dull the thought of the next.

Roving gangs of young drunken hoodlums brawl and fight in the early hours—apparently letting off steam against the police pressures and state controls. In the Polish city of Lublin, for instance, a newspaper recently wrote:

"Gangs of drunken boys roam the streets or stay in restaurants and cafes until late at night. On their way home, they stage brawls. On Stalingrad Street, groups of wild youths block the sidewalks."

INTERFERENCE

In villages near Lublin, said the paper, "not a single Communist party performance or festival can take place without interference of gangs of youths."

A Czechoslovakian newspaper complained that miners in the Moravska Ostrava coal fields have been drinking so much wine and schnapps that hundreds of shifts are being missed and mine accidents are on the increase. At week-ends, drunken streetcar drivers also are causing trouble.

RUNNING CAMPAIGN

There is a running campaign against tippling, not only in Czechoslovakia, but in Poland, Romania and Bulgaria. It is called "immoral" or "bougeois" and good Communists are pledged to fight excessive drinking.

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NHAGEN (Reuters) — the proposed changes in stitution which Danes asked to approve in a wide referendum later ar, probably in June, is ich would appoint a civil sioner to investigate nts about bureaucrats ave like autocrats. are worried over the in- powers of civil servants modern legislation which ives them extensive execu- er.

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es Double rder Charge

E RIVER, Alta. (CP) — A farmer already charged ank robbery will appear e court here May 2 for nary hearing on charges dering two trappers along apline about mid-March district, 230 miles north- Edmonton.

y Alexander Alfred, 22- d farmer of the nearby burn area, has been with the murders of Sherris, 53, and George

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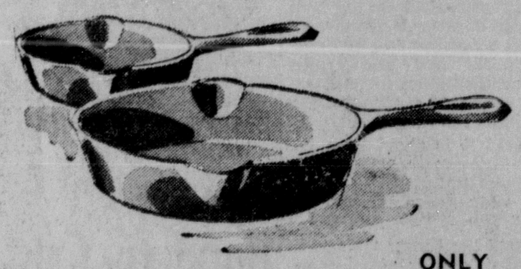
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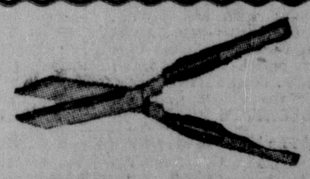
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