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Help Winter Employment

URGING that employers and the public in general do their best to space jobs so that unemployment during winter months will be reduced, the Prince Rupert Employment Advisory Council has raised a point which deserves close attention.

While climatic conditions naturally limit the outside work that can be carried out, inside operations need not be similarly affected. In particular, local contractors, boat builders and repairers can do much to take up the winter slack by concentrating on jobs that need not wait for warmer weather.

The council's remarks provide a further reminder of how the city is losing out in not having the shipyard and drydock in full operation. Here is a potential industry which could do much towards giving stability to Prince Rupert's employment situation. This by itself does not warrant re-establishment of our ship repair facilities, but when account is taken of the increasing deep-sea traffic to this area, the need for some action in this respect becomes glaringly apparent.

While everyone hopes that this winter will not be so tough as last where employment is concerned, we can lessen the danger by taking the council's advice to heart and getting some of those jobs done in the next few months instead of putting them off until spring.

Join The Civic Centre

TONIGHT canvassers will circulate through the city to renew old memberships in the Civic Centre and seek new ones. More than two thousand residents already belong, and the hope is to increase this number by at least another thousand.

Although membership to the Centre is open the year round, this is a special effort to bring home to the public the benefits of joining this community organization which offers so much in sports, crafts and cultural activities. It is a club for all which cities of much larger size would be proud to have.

Only by joining it will we make sure that we will never lose it, so that when the canvasser comes to your home tonight, be sure that your name is included in the membership list.

All Aboard By G.E. Mortimore

Has any baseball player ever won an argument with the umpire? I doubt it. In the wake of the World Series, the question is something to consider. At least once in every ball game a husky character storms up to the umpire, pushes his chin within a few inches of the umpire's nose, and waves his fists in the air. The fans see the incident as pantomime, with large gestures of the arms and legs that come straight from a Victorian stage melodrama. Sometimes a whole team runs out to join the act. The umpire, meanwhile, just stands there with arms folded, a small lonely figure in black representing law and order. If he makes a gesture it is a decisive one—the arm extending toward the dugout, like a father of the 1890's ordering his errand daughter out of doors into the blizzard. The umpire does not change his mind. Why, then, do we see this colossal waste of man-hours and energy spent in the discharge of angry words? Partly because it belongs to the spirit of the game, which fits the North American tempera-

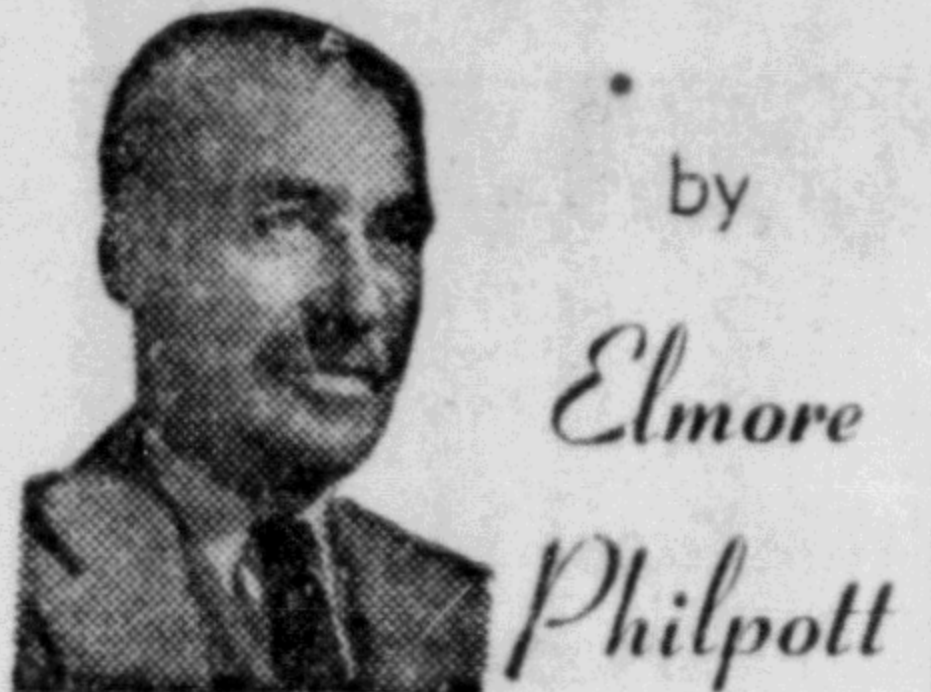
India Building Oil Refineries To Handle Needs

NEW DELHI (Reuters)—Three oil refineries now under construction in India will together have the capacity to handle 3716,000 long tons of crude oil a year, yielding 147,000,000 gallons of gasoline and 120,400,000 gallons of kerosene. Two of the refineries are being set up in Bombay by the American Standard Vacuum Company and the British Burma Shell. The third is being built on India's east coast, at Vishakapatnam, by Caltex American. India's only existing refinery is at Digboi, in Assam. The refineries, when in full operation, will meet a little over 60 per cent of the country's demand for gasoline and a little less than half the demand for kerosene. India at present imports almost all the oil she requires.

ment. To make a noise, to play to win, to fight all the way—these are threads in the fabric of baseball tradition. Baseball isn't cricket. Baseball fans do not clap faintly with their thumbnails. Baseball players do not accept every decision of the umpire in a gentlemanly way. They look upon the umpire as a human being, subject to error and persuasion, rather than as an abstract symbol of the rule-book. But the umpire doesn't care how the players look upon him. He makes his decision and sticks to it. I asked a friend what he thought. It seemed to him that players now and then staged their apparently futile displays of temper to please the fans, who love a fight. Also there was the chance that the umpire, though refusing to yield at the time, might give the injured one the benefit of the next doubt. However, an irritable umpire's mind might work just the opposite way. Most often, my friend thought, players protest simply to blow off steam. A man who hits his thumb with a hammer knows it is useless to curse, but he curses anyway. Tennis players fling their rackets on the ground and golfers snap their clubs across their knees, as though those inanimate objects were live creatures with an evil purpose. Baseball players know they are up against an immovable force, but they argue with the umpire anyway, because they can't help doing it.

John Biscoe Sets Pace SOUTHAMPTON, Eng. (Reuters)—Nineteen scientists and technicians have left here aboard the Royal survey ship John Biscoe for the Antarctic where they will study weather conditions, chart maps and observe the life cycle of the king penguin. The 898-ton wooden-hulled ship is making her annual relief voyage to the seven bases maintained by the Falkland Islands dependencies south of Cape Horn.

As I See It



Labor Turns Twice

ACCORDING to Beverley Baxter, who speaks as a Tory MP and a shrewd journalist to boot, Sir Winston Churchill must retire almost immediately.

I figure the grand old statesman is hanging on only to make a supreme effort to get that real world-peace talk with the Russians, to which he pledged himself in the last election. It would not surprise me if the old gentleman took off by himself one of these days for solo talks with Malenkov. He has a world to save and nothing to lose. But Churchill or no Churchill, there is likely to be another election in Britain pretty soon. In my opinion, Labor has a slightly better than even chance to win a clear majority when that election comes.

THE LABOR party conference shows:

- 1. Labor has swung sharply to the right in domestic matters. The great trade unions are adamant against any further socialization of industry at this time. They have issued a blunt ultimatum to the left wingers: "Drop your demands for more socialization of industry, or you might force our unions to break from the Labor party." 2. On the international front, the whole Labor party has gone solidly to the left. Mr. Attlee side-stepped a show-down fight with Nye Bevan only by adopting the Bevan line on world affairs.

DREW MIDDLETON complains in the New York Times that Attlee "was far more critical of the Republican Administration than of Sir Winston Churchill, who was treated deferentially."

The main reason is that Churchill is promoting the very line that Attlee, or for that matter Bevan, would promote were he prime minister.

Attlee, who is a meek but not a weak man, says what a great many people all over the world are thinking:

That Senator McCarthy has increasingly warped the president's leadership in foreign affairs, and that the Republicans have more and more veered toward McCarthy in an attempt to appease go-it-alone sentiment in U.S.A.

BRITISH LABOR strongly opposes the snubbing of India on the Korean peace talks. It urges UN recognition of the real government of China, and the admission of other nations now excluded.

But the most significant change of all in the new Labor line is the strong emphasis on Commonwealth co-operation. There was a time when the Labor party was either indifferent to, or contemptuous of, or hostile to the whole concept of the British Commonwealth. This was, in part, a reaction to the Tory assumption that the Empire (pronounced by all good Tories as 'Emplah') was the private preserve of the Tory aristocracy—a place to find jobs for younger sons.

Now Labor sees that the only way the various British and Commonwealth free nations can regain their former influence in world affairs is first to make themselves self-sustaining. Only in this way can the Commonwealth convince our partner, the United States, that it is not dealing with an aggregation of poor relations, or 1953 'type colonies.

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ANDREI Y. VISHINSKY (left) permanent representative of the Soviet Union to the United Nations, shares a joke with Canada's External Affairs Minister Pearson (seated). Mr. Pearson is chairman of Canada's delegation to the UN general assembly at New York. Centre is Russia's Symon-K. Tsarapkin.

Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

Prince Rupert's first campaign to destroy rats was based on absolute necessity. The time was 'way back around 1909 or 1910, and didn't they swarm! Brought here on boats, they swiftly multiplied. The one and only weapon was poison, the deadlier the better. For a time dead rats were everywhere.

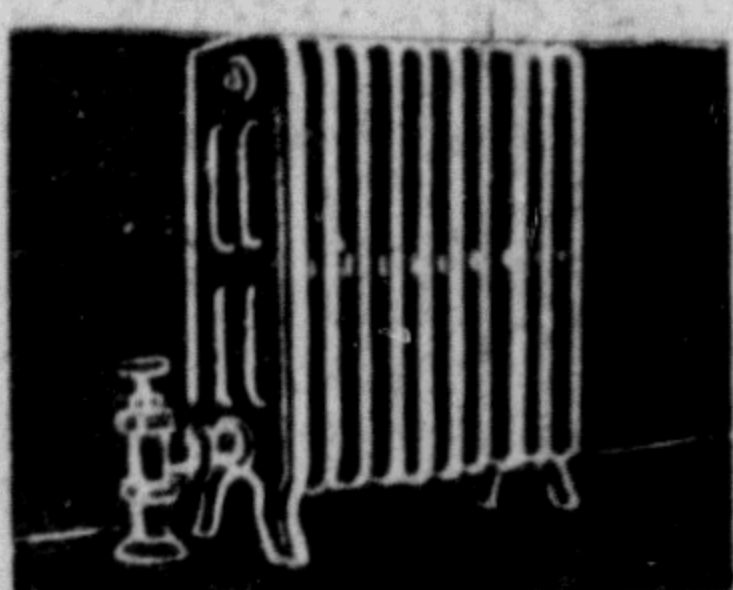
Fewer morning newspapers in Canada! Why? Greater production costs? Seems a sensible enough reason. So does the explanation that there's insufficient time for reading before going to work after breakfast—providing the sheet has been delivered.

Iceland is reported to be selling herring—but not necessarily to the Reds.

Politics is the art of getting money from the rich and votes from the poor, under the pretext of protecting both from each other.

QUITE OFTEN, IN FACT! Only one in every 10 of the inhabitants of the earth has an annual income exceeding \$600, a recent United Nations survey reveals. Half the earth's population receives an income of less than \$100. However, there have been occasions when a strike for more pay has been known to work.

"I do not regard a depression and a recession as the same



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OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. ...

Finance Minister Douglas Abbott's anti-tariff speech of last Thursday before the so-called "World Trade Conference" at Richmond, Virginia, is being recognized in Federal circles as one of the most important intimations of government policy since the election.

It is a blunt manner that was in sharp contrast to his usual suavety, Mr. Abbott said: "It is pretty hard to escape the conclusion either that tariffs are being sought as a substitute for real competitive endeavor, or that resources and men are being employed in the wrong industry."

And just a few sentences later he suggested: "Sometimes I think that if the consumers of our countries were more powerfully organized, as consumers, they would soon become a pretty powerful anti-restriction lobby."

It is a long time since any such robust anti-tariff sentiments such as there have been heard from any member of a Canadian government, especially from any so important a spokesman on fiscal policy as a Finance Minister. And the immediate conclusion which Parliament Hill observers are drawing is that the Abbott speech presages Canadian support in the current Geneva tariff meeting for Japan's application for membership in the GATT community. The speech is also interpreted as targeted in the direction of Canadian textile and other manufacturers who in recent months have been protesting the alleged inadequacy of existing tariff measures. It's at least a strong hint to them that the government doesn't plan to do anything for them tariff-wise in their difficulties.

The feature of the Finance Minister's announcement which has aroused greatest surprise amongst industrially-minded observers, however, is his charge that tariffs are sought to compensate for productive inefficiency. It is the contention of manufacturers generally that tariffs for some time past have been required for the protection of the wage standards built up by the trade unions. This argument hasn't been seriously disputed in the past, and the fact that the government is now giving to trade unions a platform to deliberate on the question of tariff reduction is a consumer wage-earner's triumph.

Vatican Issues Stiff Decree

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Vatican's sacred consistorial congregation has declared excommunication all those who participated in the arrest of Stefan Cardinal Wysznyski, Roman Catholic Primate of Poland, and in the raid against his home.

The congregation, one of 12 which administer affairs of the church, issued a decree stating that all who had "dared raise their hand" against the cardinal incurred excommunication under two canons of church law.

Jurisdiction in this type of excommunication is reserved to the Holy See, which means that release from the excommunication can be obtained only from the Pope.

General Clark Receives Medal

SEOUL (AP)—South Korean President Syngman Rhee has awarded the republic's highest military medal to Gen. Mark Clark, retiring commander of UN and U.S. forces in the Far East. The citation accompanying the Taeguk Medal with Gold Star said Clark "distinguished himself by eminently meritorious conduct in a position of great trust and grave responsibility."



DISASTER AT RIMOUSKI!

A \$25,000,000 holocaust that struck without warning, leaving 2,500 people homeless and facing ruin. Within a week of this trial by fire, an avalanche of insurance cheques reached relieved claimants. A new community arose. Disasters on the scale of the Rimouski fire are rare, fortunately. But Fire, Automobile and Casualty Insurance companies in Canada settle claims averaging half a million dollars a day to relieve the financial burden of countless smaller, individual disasters.



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