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Learn More About U.S.A.

A CRITICISM of Americans sometimes heard in / this country is that they know so little about Canada. The feeling is that our neighbors to the south-Alaskans, of course, know otherwise-tend to think of this Dominion as a snow-covered expanse supervised by Mounties and prostrate under the heel of the British monarchy.

Occasionally the criticism appears justified. There was the time not so long ago when a U.S. Congressman, though probably not expressing himself too well, suggested that Britain sell Canada to the States. Then there are the summer tourists who cross the border every now and then equipped with full winter regalia and disappointed to find there is no place to ski.

But these ballyhooed incidents are misleading because they obscure the fact that, in places where it counts, Americans are actually making a much closer study of our country than we are of theirs. The observation was recently made by a McGill University professor that one could find out more in New York than in Montreal about what is happening in Canada's far north.

It is also reported that several American universities have introduced courses on Canada-U.S. relations. An instructor at the University of Rochester who made a survey of the subject drew up a typewritten list, single-spaced and 17 pages long, of doctorate theses on Canadian topics produced since 1947 by graduates of U.S. colleges. Even if allowance is made for Canada's smaller student body, it is doubtful that anything comparable at such a high level of learning could be found in Canada.

It is not enough to suppose that because we know about Eisenhower, McCarthy, Hollywood and the major league baseball teams, we are well acquainted with the States. Unless we go a great deal deeper than that, we will continue in our superficial and often stuffy attitude towards Americans which has nothing to do with the good neighbor that we pretend to be.

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

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port of the St. Lawrence seaway.

Washington of its enormous

cost. The last estimate was in

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There's a better than even

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Canada also will join in the pro-

ject and make it international.

be forthcoming.

the neighborhood of \$250,000.

Unusually well-informed re- omically to supply the New ler was finished he came to see ports from Washington are be- England States as well as the me and suggested that the way hind a new optimism on province of New Brunswick, if its out of the so-called European Parliament Hill for early recon- government decides to join in problem was first to make sideration of the fabulous the project. The tides would be Germany like a bigger Switzer-"Quoddy" power project - with harnessed on both their ebb and land; and then to make all the prospect for favorable action flow and their power potential Europe a still bigger, Switzerdefinitely bright.

The "Quoddy" project—so Niagara Falls. named because it is located on The Quoddy project differs a booklet reprinting the fits. the Passamaquoddy River be- from the St. Lawrence River speeches made by the west Gertween New Brunswick and the power scheme in the fact that it man Chancellor on his trip to hour, who'll be in collusion with voting Social Credit. Was this state of Maine - contemplates is not necessarily international. America. The front cover of the harnessing the tides of the Bay The geography of Passamoof Fundy for power purposes, quoddy Bay is such that the many. Its sponsors contend that by United States government could Sticking out, like the roots of harnessing the world's highest complete power installations la tooth are the parts of Gertides-Bay of Fundy tides reach wholly in United States territory, many awarded to Poland after a height of 70 feet—enough elec- Federal MP's from New Bruns- the Hitler war.

CCF Member Suggests Canada Trade With Reds

OTTAWA (-A CCF hardware merchant says the government should take a more "positive" view of trade with Communist

countries. Ross Thatcher, referring to a simply awaiting the return of taristic nationalisms. recent announcement that Rus- External Affairs Minister L. B. sia will send a trade attache to Pearson from his brief holiday Ottawa, said Canada should con- to learn whether or not Canada sider sending her own trade is to be associated in the new attache to Moscow.

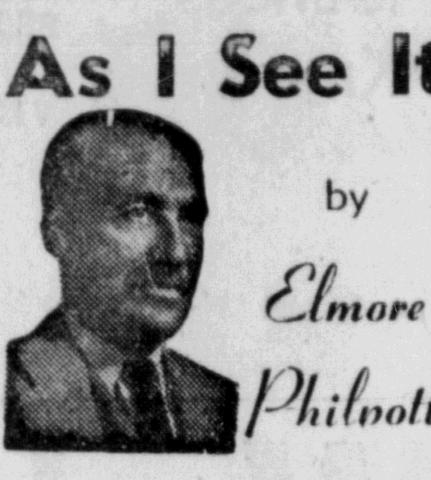
The government should also The reason that Ottawa reconsider expanding trade with gards the new \$3,500,000 Wash-Communist China, Czechoslo- ington vote as a prelude to real vakia and Poland. action on the project is that

There had been a tendency to President Eisenhower is reported brush off the statement of the rollably to have entered into a Russian ambassador to Canada, "deal" with New England Sena-D. S. Chuvahin, that the Soviet wants to expand trade with scheme in return for their sup-Canada.

Hitherto Quoddy has been un-"I think the government able to survive the obstacle in should be more positive."

It takes a lot of money for 000. But President Eisenhower is research and treatment of polio said to have undertaken that if victims. The Kinsmen clubs of the scheme can justify itself on B.C. are working hard to see economic grounds, and if the that money is always available objections of the Bay of Fundy and equipment ready at all times fishermen can be established as to treat victims.

DON'T LET THEM DOWN!



Re Germany

A VANCOUVER reader writes an angry letter to the editor in which he calls me "a fat-mouth" because I suggested that a truly neutralized united Germany might be better for all concerned than a Germany split into two

The argument is beside the point, for the Berlin conference has failed. We will continue to have a split Germany, a split Europe and a split world for some time to come.

But just to keep the record straight, I would not want anyone to think that the proposal of a united and neutralized Germany was my own first choice as a solution of that vexed problem. + + +

I DO NOT think there is ANY long range solution of the socalled "German problem" except by getting away from rival national sovereignty altogether. One way to do this would be to form an Atlantic Union-an outright federation day. which would include the U.S.A., Britain, France, Canada and the countries of western Europe which are now in NATO.

Germany could be admitted to such a union, with benefit to all concerned—and there would never be a possibility that Germany could dominate that union, for the simple reason that back it would be too large for that to happen; and besides, the set-up would make it impossible to happen anyway.

neutralized Germany and Germany any day in the week, sis that stifled him is going.

I SHALL never forget the advice of a shrewd German-born business man, given to me toward the end of the Hitler war This friend had been a rich ousiness man before the Hitler era. Like others he had been forced to flee the country. But unlike some others in similar position, he retained a fervent love for his own native land.

When it became sure that Hitis said to be many times that of land-like, federation.

book shows a map of Ger-

tricity can be generated econ- wick, however, have urged The implication was as plain foolish. Why can't they see the strongly n the past that Canada as anything could be: Give light?—why can't they realize should join in the scheme if it Germany back her unity and that their support of such taxes power and she will soon de-Up to the present there have mand a border upset which will been a number of engineering once again disturb the whole studies of the scheme, but no stability of Europe.

action. But now the United A few years ago we would States government has appro- have accepted with enthusiastic priated \$3,500,000 for further alacrity any proposition which studies, with particular refer- would have given Germany unence to re-assuring Fundy Bay ity and given Europe freedom fishermen who hitherto have against a revival of German feared that the project would militarism.

destroy the Bay of Fundy fish- My bet is, we will rue the day if we rebuild Germany in a war-The House of Commons is ring world of competitive mili-

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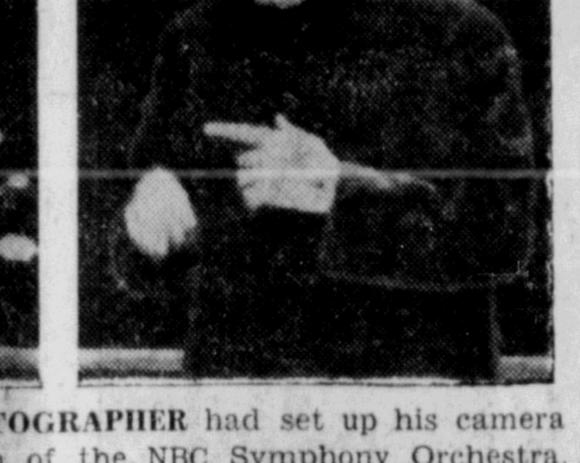
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UNAWARE THAT A PHOTOGRAPHER had set up his camera near the bass viol section of the NBC Symphony Orchestra maestro Arturo Toscanini was pictured recently in this remarkable group of action studies. Though taken at a rehearsal, these pictures illustrate the tremendous concentration Toscanini puts into any conducting, whether rehearsals or actual performance

VICTORIA REPORT

. by J. K. Nesbitt

Liberal leader Arthur Laing who investment needed to create spoke in the Legislature the other payrolls and help labor. Mr

ration that wrapped him about over Finance Minister Gunderson was a monster vitamin pill to him. Last session he felt the at all this and somewhat aston- The only steamer sighted

You could see his forceful per- sources for the public purse. sonality is coming back after the Mr. Laing soon tired of trying awful shock he received last to convert the CCF. He saw But as between a united and June when his Liberals were ala most wiped out. Now, when he Germany, split by the Iron Cur- looks at young George Gregory, tain, with each end the prong who whipped Mr. Gunderson, if

lusion in the Legislature this profits tax is very strong! Social Crediters said it was collusion between Liberals and CCF'ers that beat Mr. Gunder- former in a political circus unless son. Opposition Leader Arnold he could ride two horses at once. Webster made mention of this- Mr. Eaing looked a bit perplexed scoffed at it, said there was no at this and a SC'er asked Mr.

noticed some collusion between out who Mr. Turner was Mr. Laing and Attorney-General collusion with, and he didn't ex-Bonner. They were in collusion plain. against a Bill of Rights, which Mr. Webster wants.

between CCF'ers and SC'ers in sible and really of Liberal pertheir determination to slap a new suasion, so all will be well. A On my desk as I write this is tax on mining and logging pro- SC'er said that may be all very

One never knows, from hour to of Liberal persuasion seem to be

Mr. Laing was most sorry scale? about the collusion between CCF'ers and SC'ers over the new mining and logging taxes. It made him sad, the CCF'ers being such mice people, and yet so

It was a politically rejuvenated means that there can't be tha Turner said the Liberals couldn't Gone was the political frust- teach anybody anything about economics. Mr. Laing said they last session. His Liberals' win could, and they would, if only the CCF would listen.

CCF'ers appeared interested RADIO UNKNOWN

was quite hopeless, and so he switched to the SC'ers, trying to first, a bit bewildered. convert them to Liberal thinkof a world power bloc, I would only by 90 votes, he has new ing, but they looked quite as untake the united and neutralized confidence. The political paraly- converted as the CCF'ers. The collusion between these We're hearing a lot about col- about the mining and logging

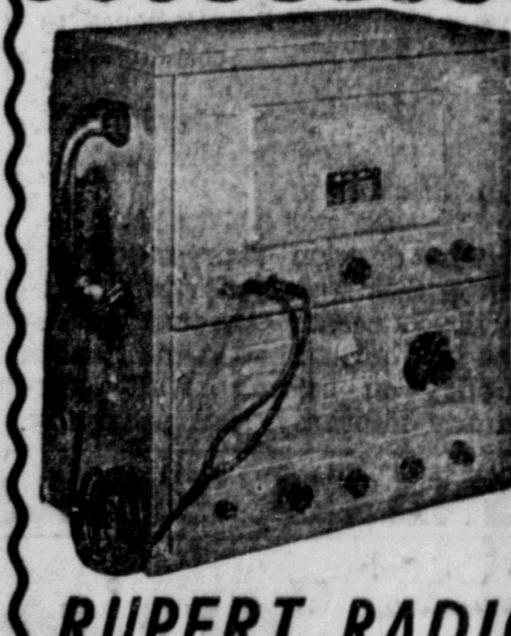
> could anyone be a good per-Turner: "Whose side are you on But, said Mr. Webster, he had anyway?" Nobody could figure

> There's not too much to worry about, Mr. Laing said. Most And Mr. Laing saw collusion people in B.C. are fine and senwell, but most of these people collusion again, on a grand

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not bored when one could.

since we sailed on salt water and during the past eight if a larger repair to covering life might begin turn- trips to Terrace and Smithers, mer and fall the might growing more lively.

Boarding the trooper Sardin- en on. November 29.

DAILY DUTIES

The gulf and Newfoundland were rough enough in all con science. Hundreds had never beheld the ocean before, let alone try to ride it. One Quebec lad's farewell celebration wound with being slid over the ship' side on a cold afternoon. Acquaintances, as well as lifelong friendships are often made sea. This was surely true of the Sardinian. Daily squad drill, regular pistol practice, orderly duties, deck sweeping were just a few of minor responsibilities.

One morning not long after dawn, and in which latitude the sea had turned an enchanting blue, land appeared, the first since Newfoundland. There was will realize the unfairness, that ultimate goal be not no stopping, however brief, at this part of the province which ing but paving all the the Cape Verde Islands, old possession of Portugal and situated off the northwest corner of

Liberals' position was hopeless; ished at Mr. Laing's concern for throughout the entire voyage now he feels there is hope-that them. However, they were quite was during an exchange of mail. some day the Liberals will come unconverted. They'll go right The skipper had been somewhat ahead trying to get more money perplexed. Marconi was strug-Mr. Laing made a good speech. from industry and natural re- gling with wireless, but the invention had not yet become workable. The captain, noting the crowded decks of the Sardinian, and called at no port, had heard of no war. Hence, at

It was well along in November, and the air had a softness of June in Canada. No one could say, or even hint, at what the situation was on shore, but session. You'll recall that the Mr. Laing said Social Crediters surely today must be handy to morning after the Victoria by- try to ride two horses at once. the end of the month. A friendelection, the Premier and his Mr. Turner said that's right, and ly little ship's petty officer, mixquite natural, for, he asked, how ing with the boys suggested they might be hearing something next day, or any way, see it. Morning broke clear and calm, and searching the horizon became everybody's business.

And then, shortly before noon. there slowly developed a lofty level line—the crest of Table Mountain, faint, far away and high in the sky.

L'ETTERBOX

The Daily News.

I am writing to your news- degrading conditions paper as a newcomer to Prince Rupert, previously having spent have one road to me This time of year is when its many years in the lower coastal of Prince Rupert and easy to feel reminiscent, or even regions. In my business I have miserably in keeping travelled by car through nearly able. Every trip one It's around half a century ago every portion of this province a hazard and you and for a solid month without dis- months have made periodic ing dull. Instead, affairs were and without doubt this is the worst highway I have ever driv- then that our condition

ian to start from Quebec for It is quite apparent there is Table Bay was the ideal spot something sadly wrong, either for any young fellow to be, just in our public works maintenthen, if he was restless and ance staff or in the allocation tance from the main craved a change of scenery of funds for this road. Per-More than a thousand volun- haps in both as I have many call our main road to teers—1,155 all ranks — assem- times driven the entire distance ganizations of this s bled eagerly from all parts of between here and Terrace in the councils swams Canada, with sailing date Oc- daylight hours and never seen with protest and to tober 30, 1899, and arrival time the grader, so it is apparent that rightful attention of the Public Works crew are not which is the only kept working as they should be. interior.

I would also like to say that it is a constant source of amaze- the space and trust ment to me that there is so little publicity given to this deplorable condition. Since coming here I have seen one editorial and only one or two letters in your paper criticizing these conditions. Why don't the city councils of both Terrace and Prince Rupert forcibly bring this condition to the at- George Smith, who tention of the government? Now timely and forceful is the time to do it with the evidently missed a government in session. Surely editorials and letters this is a most worthy project appeared in The Date and vital to the welfare of these this subject. Despite communities. I am sure that indifference at W

sources, is left with

The Public Works D

maintained so it the winter would by

In the southern b province I would est average farmer who would not stand for

Thank you, Mr. understood this lette "crank" letter but e sincere wish to b thing done and to those who may be

GEORGE ALFR

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