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## B.C. CIVIL DEFENCE FORCE STRONGEST IN CANADA

VANCOUVER (CP)—Provincial officials said today British Columbia's civil defence force is the strongest in Canada—but that it's still not good enough.

The provincial secretary of the civil defence department said B.C. has 35,342 persons engaged in defence work. That is more per capita than any other province. There was also a greater percentage of trained personnel in B.C. than in any other province.

## BLACKWOOD on Bridge

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

### Player Drops Single Trick To Pick Up 3 in the Suit

Mr. Dale tried several unsuccessful safety measures in today's hand, in his efforts to prevent Mr. Abel's getting the lead. Finally, he got a favorable break which enabled him to accumulate nine tricks.

Mr. Abel led the jack of hearts, dummy ducked and Mr. Champion won with the king. A heart was returned and won with dummy's ace. Now Mr. Dale made the right choice of suits to set up by leading a club to his king.

Mr. Abel was the danger hand since the ace of clubs was the only quick entry the defenders had, it had to be knocked out first.

Mr. Abel won the third trick with the ace of club and fired another heart, clearing the suit. He was now known to have two good hearts left and it was vital to keep him from getting in again.

Winning the third round of hearts in his own hand with the queen, Mr. Dale led a small diamond and put in dummy's nine spot. This lost to the 10 and a spade was returned. Mr. Dale went up with the ace. There was

South dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

North  
(Mrs. Keen)  
S-Q J 6  
H-A 4 3  
D-K 9 4  
C-J 10 8 5

West  
(Mr. Abel)  
S-K 9 2  
H-J 10 9 8 2  
D-7 6 3  
C-A 4

East  
(Mr. Champion)  
S-8 7 5 3  
H-K 7  
D-Q 10 8  
C-3 7 6 2

South  
(Mr. Dale)  
S-A 10 4  
H-Q 6 5  
D-A J 5 2  
C-K Q 3

The bidding:  
South 1 NT West Pass North 3 NT East All pass

a remote chance of dropping the one king and if it turned out that Mr. Champion had that card, the lead could be safely surrendered to him later, as he was out of hearts.

Three clubs tricks were now cashed. Mr. Dale discarding the cur of spades on the last one. Mr. Abel had to make two discards and he dropped a spade and a diamond.

The top diamonds were cashed next and, when that suit broke, nine tricks were in sight. True, Mr. Dale could have made four-odd all the time if he had led the king of diamonds, returned a diamond and finessed the jack. But that play would have lost the contract if Mr. Abel had started with the queen of diamonds and even only one other card in the suit.

Mr. Dale was glad to give up one diamond trick to increase his chances of winning three tricks without surrendering the lead to his lefthand opponent.

### Planned Comet Jet Service To Be Delayed

VANCOUVER (CP)—Canadian Pacific Airlines' proposed Comet jet plane service between Sydney, Australia, and Honolulu will not be inaugurated this year.

F. M. McGregor, manager of overseas lines, said the South Pacific route—Vancouver to Sydney via Honolulu, Fiji and Auckland—is being flown with new Douglas DC-6B 64-passenger airliners.

First Comet to be delivered to the airline crashed in Pakistan some months ago and all aboard were killed. There were no passengers.

The announcement said the airline now has only one Comet available for delivery this year and it is not feasible to operate a scheduled service on this basis.

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## St. Laurent Backs Pearson

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent enunciated a hands-off attitude towards the internal politics of Asian countries, whether or not they are run by Communists.

He called, too, for "a realistic" approach in dealing with all foreign governments—presumably including that of Red China under appropriate circumstances—saying that nations have to deal with the leaders over which they have authority.

In making these statements at a press conference, he reaffirmed External Affairs Minister Pearson's Harvard University speech of Thursday in which Mr. Pearson told the United States there would be little outside support for any attempt to oust Red regimes in Asia.

His words also recalled Mr. Pearson's statement that the Canadian government would be ready to consider recognition of the Chinese Communist regime once the Korean war is ended and withdrawal of Chinese troops ordered.

Mr. St. Laurent, replying to a question about the Pearson speech, said discussions he has had—just returned from the Commonwealth prime ministers' conference in London—have led to the conclusion that Communism as such is not the main concern of the Asian peoples.

They were concerned with reforms, and reforms were being made by people who perhaps had Communist leaders but who were concerned not with Marxist theories but with better government.

## Russia Appoints Yugoslav Envoy

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BELGRADE (CP)—Moscow named an ambassador to Yugoslavia today for the first time since the Cominform split in 1948. Belgrade agreed to return the favor as the Kremlin named Vasily Valkov, one-time Soviet ambassador to the Netherlands.

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## CBC Editor Impressed With Farms

SMITHERS—The Bulkley Valley is one of the most favorably located farming districts of British Columbia, according to Tom Leach of the CBC Farm and Fisheries broadcast department. Mr. Leach visited the district on his itinerary through the central Interior, accompanying C. and J. F. Wilson of CBC engineering staff.

While here he visited many of the district's farms and met and talked with many of the farmers. Conductor on his tour was Ken Jameson, provincial agriculturalist, whose office is at Smithers. Impressed with the work being carried on at the Dominion Experimental sub-station five miles east of Smithers, he spent some time there and made a number

of recordings for broadcast. Walter Burns, sub-station superintendent, discussed with him the problems confronting farmers as the potential markets for farm produce building up at the can's Kitimat, Terrace, Prince Rupert and Smithers.

CBC engineers with whom Leach was travelling were making their regular trip through the Interior checking on broadcasting stations of the transmission system. A few minor changes were made at Vanderhoof and Smithers. Stations at Prince George, Burns Lake and Hazelton were rebuilt where a change in design was considered desirable to provide the greatest coverage possible and a clearer signal.

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