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## The Welcome Mat Out

A HUNDRED years ago, when Canadians heard that the Yankees were coming, they grabbed the old musket from over the fireplace and made ready to repel the invasion.

Now, when we hear that our neighbors from the south are heading in our direction, we drag out the welcome mat and hope that the invasion will be long and mutually profitable.

This year, according to word from Ottawa, the invasion will be the greatest yet. Enquiries for tourist information received by the Canadian Government Tourist Bureau break all records. They are coming in at the rate of more than 50 per cent higher than last year.

One day recently the bureau sent out three tons of mail, consisting of pamphlets and letters, in response to enquiries for information about the country.

There are many conjectures as to why so many Americans are headed this way. First of all, there is the interest which has been aroused by the industrial boom publicity we have been getting in U.S. publications, much of which has concerned this part of the country.

Then there is the average American's curiosity to see a country that has produced a dollar worth more than his own. Also there is no doubt that a good many of our neighbors want to see how a Commonwealth country will celebrate the Coronation.

In addition, the government's travel office has not been idle. In February alone it sent out over a thousand photographs of Canada's tourist attractions, most of them addressed to U.S. publications.

Whatever the reasons, we are facing a record tourist season. British Columbia, which has always enjoyed special popularity, expects to be host to almost two million visitors, enough to populate a city four times the size of Vancouver. It has been ascertained that the largest proportion of these like to go fishing, and most of the tourist publicity has featured this point.

Living in a country with many of the attractions they are looking for, we must welcome these visitors warmly and be ready to suggest how they can spend their time pleasantly.

We have a chance to impress on a record number of Americans that they should visit again, not only next year but the year after that as well. We must make sure they have a good time, a better time than they might reasonably expect to encounter elsewhere.

## LETTERBOX

**THE TITLE REMAINS**  
The Editor,  
The Daily News—

There is much interest at this time in the titles of the Sovereign of England. Saturday's Sermon used the title "Defender of the Faith" as it is now commonly understood.

This title was conferred on Henry VIII in 1521 by Pope Leo X, as your correspondent Rev. J. I. McMahon has said, for the King's written defence against Luther. When Henry VIII later broke with Rome the Papacy deprived him of the title, but Parliament affirmed that this title "The Defender of the Faith" shall be a part of the titles of the Sovereign of England forever.

REV. L. G. SIEBER.

## Prince George Goes Off Run This Week-End

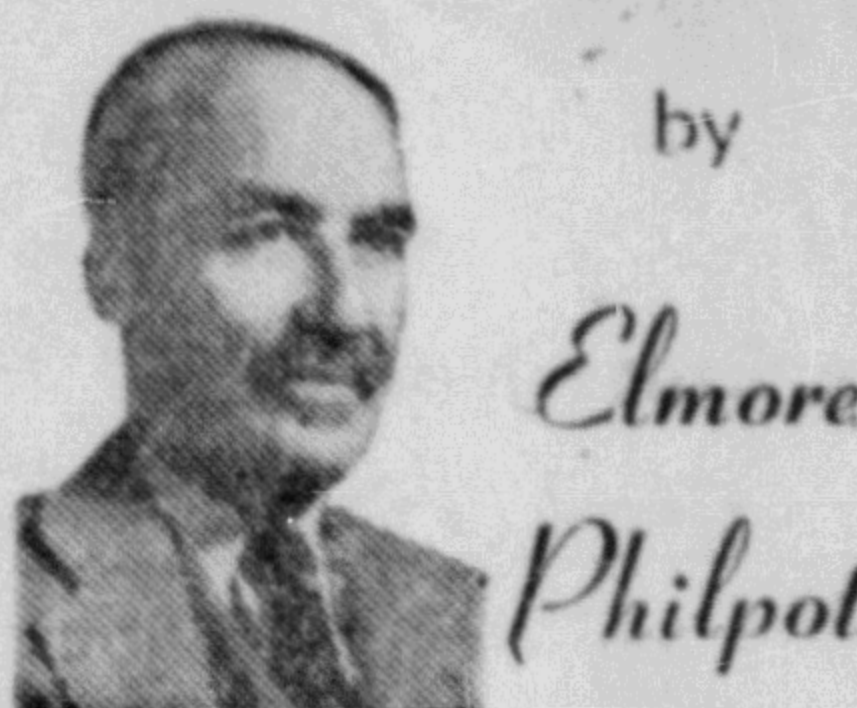
VANCOUVER—The Canadian National Steamships Prince Rupert will take over the company's weekly Vancouver-Ketchikan run from her sister ship, the Prince George, on Monday night.

The run includes calls at Westview, Ocean Falls, and Prince Rupert.

Among passengers sailing on the Rupert Monday night will be Sir Archibald Nye, British High Commissioner to Canada and Lady Nye. They will disembark at Prince Rupert and take the train to Vanderhoof.

The George is being replaced so she can undergo her annual overhaul before the summer cruise season opens June 8.

## As I See It



by

Elmore  
Philpott

### Harold Weir's Error

MY PAGE-MATE of the Vancouver Sun has made an incredibly bad proposal—far below his usual erudite and humane level.

He rightly denounces Malan's race segregation in South Africa, which has been so admirably reported by Jack Scott.

Then he makes a direct blunder in logic when he says:

"We are doing the same sort of thing with the Doukhobor problem in British Columbia."

"Scandinavians, Germans, Italians, Russians, Dutch and Orientals become good Canadians by living with Canadians and thinking as Canadians. But when they huddle together in their little islands of prejudice they can never be assimilated because they are simply perpetrating the traits and customs that set them apart."

"If a courageous Parliament would make race segregation illegal in this country and pitchfork those obdurate sects out into the general society all this rebellion would die out in less than five years."

I CANNOT imagine any better short-cut to civil war in Canada than Mr. Weir's ill-considered suggestion.

Please note it is not limited to any one section or minority in the nation—not even to the Sons of Freedom. Mr. Weir baldly says he would have Parliament make race segregation illegal.

Would Mr. Weir try to break up and scatter the whole French Canadian population of Canada in some vast, monstrous "Operation Evangeline"? Or would he concede that as the French were here first they ought to have the right to live at least in Quebec, clustered among their own kith and kin?

But how about the French Canadians at Maillardville, B.C.? Would Mr. Weir "pitchfork those obdurate sects out"? If so, where?

And how about Vancouver's Chinatown, just outside the Sun? It is Vancouver's show-place, an asset, a great tourist attraction.

THERE IS a Finnish-ancestry community on Vancouver Island that would put up quite a battle rather than be scattered by law throughout what Mr. Weir refers to as "Canadians."

There have been solid German-ancestry towns in Nova Scotia for hundreds of years. Waterloo county, Ontario, is peopled entirely by the Mennonite descendants of the "Pennsylvania Dutch" who came to Canada after the American secession. We were glad to get them then, and they have been an increasing asset ever since. (I ought to know—I married one exactly 51 years ago today.)

WHAT Mr. Weir is proposing is not the reverse of "apartheid" but its crudest and most mistaken application.

If Mr. Weir were working as one of the Anglo-Saxon minority in Quebec, I don't think he would approve a Parliament passing a law which "pitchforked" him out among the French-speaking majority. I think other minority feel exactly that same way.

In a democracy everybody should have equal rights and equal obligations. If we stick to that we won't go far wrong.

### LOTS OF MOOSE

STOCKHOLM (CP)—Current reports estimate Sweden now has about 70,000 moose. The brief open season on moose here each year yields on the average about 7,500,000 pounds of meat.

H. R. HAMILTON.

**ELLIS**

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## OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

There's a long-established theory on Parliament Hill that oppositions don't win elections, but that governments lose them. That idea is receiving increasing consideration these days in Federal political circles. The reason attention is focussing upon it is the current propaganda wave which political Liberalism has launched against Leader George Drew and his PC hopefuls.

There's a growing feeling that Liberalism, in its current intensive anti-Drew-anti-PC campaign, is overplaying its political cards.

True, the PCs haven't offered any resistance or counter-offensive. But on past performances,

it isn't strictly necessary that they should. The ability of governments to lose elections by their own unaided efforts is well established. The election of 1925, when Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen emerged with the largest group in a situation curiously analogous to the present, is cited as an example.

Back in 1925 Meighen had virtually no issue on which to fight the campaign. The only question for the voters to decide was whether they wished to continue in office a Liberal Government which was proclaiming loudly—somewhat in the fashion of the present St. Laurent regime—that no practical alternative to itself existed. The voters showed it that under the Canadian democratic system an alternative to an existing government always exists—whenever the voters care to use their ballots to bring one about. Meighen won the largest group in the House and in a matter of weeks was Prime Minister.

In 1926 the shoe was on the other foot. The Conservatives under Meighen had not one but two issues: the customs scandals and the constitutional issue contributed by Lord Byng. But with all this apparently formidable ammunition at their disposal, the Conservatives lost the election.

Impartial political circles suspect that there is a greater analogy between the events of 1925-'26 and the present than surface events might suggest. Right now the Liberal propaganda machine is broadcasting the twin proposition that George Drew is an individual for whom the Canadian electors just can't vote, and that the St. Laurent Government is an organization without any alternative.

Put in those terms, it would not be too surprising if the sovereign Canadian voters took it into their heads to show the Liberal high command that it was wrong on both counts.

In other words, there's an idea spreading abroad that the St. Laurent organization is overplaying its political cards. Rank-and-file Liberals are more than a little worried over the situation.

## MILESTONES

From the Files of The Daily News

### 40 Years Ago Today

Sarah Bernhart is appearing in La Tosca at the Empress Theatre.

### 30 Years Ago Today

The city council in replying to a request for a tag day in aid of the hospital stated no more tag days were to be allowed in the city.

George B. Casey has resigned from the staff of the fire hall.

### 20 Years Ago Today

Miss Muriel Antonelli and Thomas Bradley were married by Rev. Father Grant, O.M.I., in the rectory of Annunciation Church.

### 10 Years Ago Today

Dr. Joseph T. Mandy, resident mining engineer here has been transferred to Vancouver. T. Norton Youngs is returning from Victoria to take charge of the assay office and ore sampling plant here.

R. E. Mortimer has announced the latest figures for the Red Cross drive in Prince Rupert to be \$19,600.

## INCOME TAX QUIZ

Q. I have been filling income tax returns for several years. Do I have to state every year the name of my wife, names and ages of my children?

A. Yes. The composition of the family may change from year to year and it's essential that each taxpayer should complete the claim for personal exemptions each year. Including this information in your income tax return will avoid unnecessary correspondence at a later date.

Q. I moved to another address during 1952. When I prepare my 1952 income tax return, is it necessary for me to mention my former address?

A. Yes. This is really a protective measure so that taxpayers who have changed their address will be correctly recorded as having filed their 1952 returns. Otherwise, the Department may not realize that you had moved and may be expecting a return from you as residing at your former address.



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## Ray Reflects and Reminisces

The hardest thing to give is neither love nor money. It's in.

When all other methods fail, you might stop the little woman's tongue with a kiss.

Ald. Currie and an electrical engineer made discoveries of mutual surprise and pleasure the other day. It was the engineer's first visit and he had business with the city. But both himself and alderman had hailed originally from the 103 year old farming village of Stanley in central New Brunswick without knowing it.

**MEET WEE MAC**  
Sometimes newspaper folk do not know of each other for many

a long year. This happened to one on Wednesday. How comes it, we thought, when a letter written in Edinburgh, brings us suddenly back to early Prince Rupert. Norman Macintosh is the cause. He's been through a lot since he sought live copy and snappy headlines on the staff of the Daily News.

The public knew him as "Wee Mac" — in other words "free Scotland." He knew news. Pleasantries always had their points. We lost nothing in the daily competition. He had a natural flair for friendship and love of humor. "Wee Mac" also invented "My Spectacles" and "The Sniff Yacht." All pioneers, not all of whom are following the long trail will remember each with

appreciative chuckle. Wee Mac served with the following retirement from the paper publicity in the early on the initial trip to Canada aboard the splendid liner this voyage a large party business men from each side the Atlantic.

Most of us men know how could make more money. Just don't want to work hard.

Although produced for les in India, jute was introduced to Europe as a until 1828.



## Provincial Election Act

### The Provincial Voters List is now being revised

If you are not registered you will not be able to vote at the next Provincial Election.

Registration on the Dominion or Municipal voters lists does not mean that your name is on the Provincial Voters List.

The responsibility is YOURS . . . to see that you are properly registered.

Registration Centres will be opened, between April 16 and 27 inclusive, at the following locations:

## Prince Rupert Electoral District

| Location                                                                                                    | Hours                                                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Ormes Drug Store<br>Prince Rupert, B.C.                                                                     | 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.<br>(Except Sundays)                     |
| Registrar of Voters Office<br>Court House, Prince Rupert, B.C.                                              | Weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.<br>Saturdays 9 a.m. to 12 Noon |
| In addition to the above, Registration Cards are available at the following places throughout the district: |                                                          |
| Mrs. Alma Hadland, Dodge Cove, B.C.                                                                         | Indian Superintendent, Masset, B.C.                      |
| Mr. Herald Gray, Masset, B.C.                                                                               | Mrs. Alberta Brown, Skidegate Masset, Skidegate, B.C.    |
| Mr. Adam Pyper, Port Clements, B.C.                                                                         | Selwyn Logging Company, Paofti, B.C.                     |
| Hudson's Bay Company, Port Simpson, B.C.                                                                    | Mr. Nelson Brew, Haysport, B.C.                          |
| Butedale Cannery, Butedale, B.C.                                                                            | Klemtu Cannery, Klemtu, B.C.                             |
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| Inverness Cannery, Inverness, B.C.                                                                          | Sunnyside Cannery, Sunnyside, B.C.                       |
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| Mr. E. S. Richardson, Tiell, B.C.                                                                           |                                                          |

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GORDON F. FORBES,  
Registrar of Voters,  
Prince Rupert Electoral District,  
Court House, Prince Rupert, B.C.

## Atlin Electoral District

| Location                    | Hours            |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Aiyansh—Rev. S. Kinley      | 2 to 6 p.m.      |
| Atlin—Court House           | 10 am. to 4 p.m. |
| Alice Arm—A. L. Yorke       | 10 am. to 4 p.m. |
| Lower Post—W. C. Hodgkinson | 1 to 5 p.m.      |
| McDane Creek—G. Duncan      | 10 am. to 4 p.m. |
| Stewart—Court House         | 10 am. to 5 p.m. |
| Telegraph Creek—Court House | 10 am. to 4 p.m. |

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W. SHIELDS ORR,  
Registrar of Voters,  
Atlin Electoral District,  
Stewart, B.C.

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