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Fore!

ONE OF THE BEST THINGS to happen around here in a long time is the formation of a group to organize a golf course for Prince Rupert. It is understood that a site has already been selected which, if the whole plan materializes, will give the course a beautiful setting and sporty fairways.

In these days, a city without a golf course is a distinct oddity. Some might even consider it uncivilized, for there are citizens who would sooner go without eating than miss their evening or weekend game of golf.

These, of course, are the hopeless addicts who regard their score cards as the most interesting reading on earth and lose valuable sleep at night when they take three putts where two would do.

But it is true nevertheless that greens and fairways are becoming an accepted part of the landscape of community life. Large cities usually boast at least half a dozen courses which often occupy some of the most valuable real estate in town. A recurring plan to let Vancouver's Quilchena course go for housing property has been fought tooth and nail by its members, so far with success.

Although it is spacious enough, the area around Prince Rupert for various reasons does not lend itself readily to a golf course. Therefore, if the organizing group thinks it has found a section that will do, it is hoped that everything possible will be done to make the property available and encourage the project.

The city needs that golf course. It would open up a broad new avenue of recreation which would give duffers and experts, old and young, equal enjoyment. In addition, it would be an attractive decoration to Prince Rupert and would make the place just that more appealing to visitors.

Terrace already has a course and Kitimat will probably build one. It would be in Prince Rupert's interests to complete the dog-leg.

Moreover, the weather has suffered our complaints for years. Now let's change the subject and get mad at that miserable little ball which refuses to go down.

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

Even for a worker employed now the story is being made into a movie by a British film company. The earnings from the film rights will be substantial.

Monsarrat and the wife whom he married a little more than a year ago are the Capital's most sought-after lions for cocktail parties and social gatherings. They respond generously in the line of duty—up to the limit of a rigid work schedule to which the author commits himself daily.

Monsarrat sets himself a daily quota of 500 usable words of production per day. If after a second glance he rejects one day's output, then he doubles his quota for the following day. And he never allows the backlog to accumulate. As a believer in systematic production he contends that the author who waits for inspiration—usually keeps on waiting.

Now there's the prospect that Monsarrat's latest novel, "The Story of Esther Costello," may surpass the success of "The Cruel Sea." It sold 10,000 copies on its first day of publication. But still Monsarrat continues behind his desk in the United Kingdom Information Office from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. And he intends to stay there. One reason: he likes his job. He says serving the British Empire is "more exciting than mere fiction." There's another reason too. It's the British income tax. Even though he lives in Canada he has to pay it. And it takes the biggest chunk of what he makes from his novels.

In case you don't know it, Monsarrat is author of The Cruel Sea. It's estimated that that best-selling novel already has earned him a cool \$300,000. Some 500,000 copies have been sold in England, another 400,000 in the United States, and 50,000 in Canada. In addition, the book has been translated into 15 foreign languages and has sold an average of 10,000 copies in each of them. Nor is that the end. For

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

Rhee on Rampage

IT IS a mistake to underestimate the threats by President Rhee.

His foreign minister, in writing, threatens to drive the 5000 Indian troops out of Korea, by force, unless they quit handling the war prisoners as they think fair.

There are strong forces of South Koreans near the Indian troops who are trying their level best to carry out a difficult assignment. The Indian commander is aware that an attempt may be made by Rhee's men to stage a prison-break.

CANADA is a member of the loyal UN core which backed the United States in resistance to the North Korean aggression. The British Commonwealth faithfully fought through Korea. The British nations, often led by Canada, played a decisive role in arranging the ceasefire in Korea. Indian troops are there at our request.

But President Rhee never did willingly agree to the truce and has never concealed his determination to break up the final peace talks—if they ever do get under way.

Now Rhee threatens a real rampage. His agents are trying by every means possible to prevent India and the other neutrals, from carrying out his instructions. Even General Mark Clark, at Rhee's exhortation, has complained to the Indian commander that he is proceeding on the improper assumption that most of the war prisoners wish to go home. The truth is different. The Indian force is faithfully proceeding on the principle that every war prisoner should be completely free, as an individual, either to go home or not to go home, as he himself freely decides.

The Indian umpires carried out this principle so faithfully that in the first batch released the final decision was made by the prisoner in a hallway in which he was entirely alone. Each prisoner had been fully informed in advance that when he got into that hall he would be completely free to go through either one of the two doors.

One door led back to his homeland. The other door meant he stayed on his captors' side.

Perhaps Rhee's determination to raise a rumpus, before the re-screening can be completed in peace, springs from the fact that in the first test batch of prisoners freely re-screened, a fairly high percentage of the Communists decided to go home.

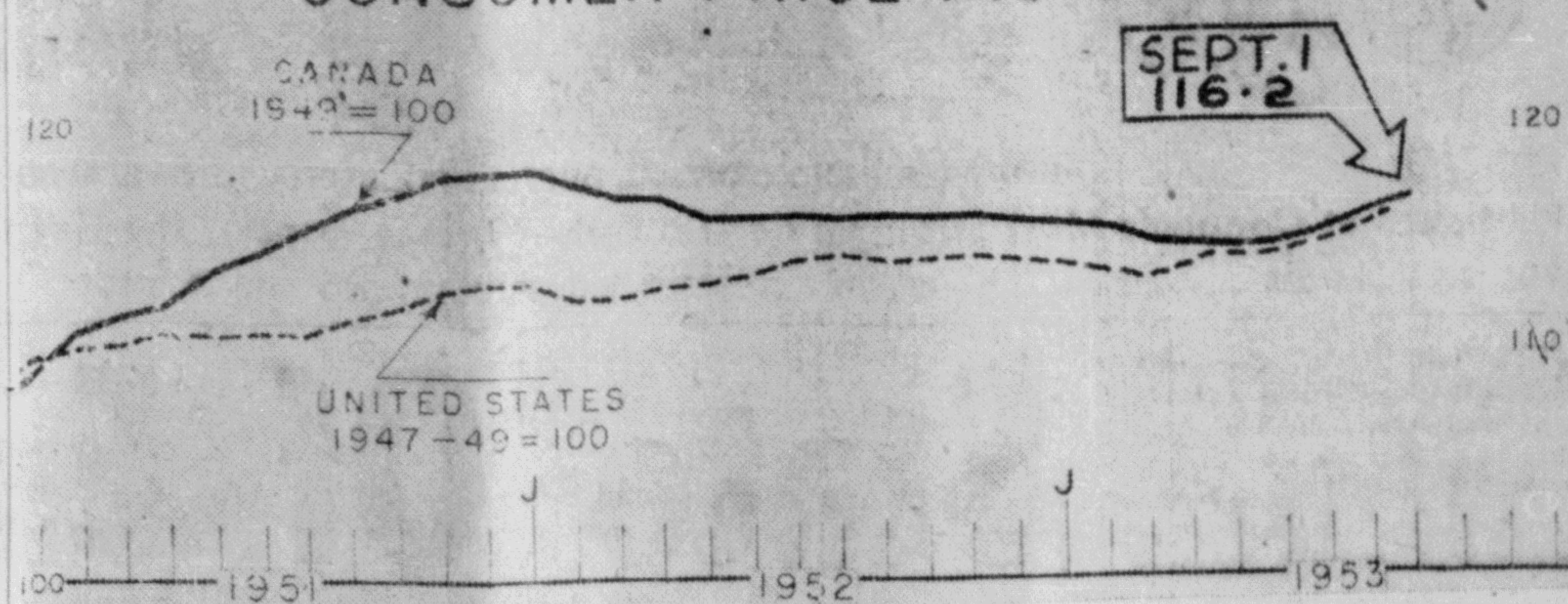
FOR YEARS before the actual war in Korea Rhee did everything physically possible to prevent the unification of Korea by peaceful means.

Now we are reaching another point in its tragic history when the old man may actually be considering taking the plunge against the troops of India, which he hates with a passion worse than for his Communist enemies.

Canada has plainly told the world that she will not fight in any new Korean war started by Rhee. But Canada had better give some thought to what would be necessary if Rhee actually attacks the Indian forces. Past experience shows that the old man usually means what he says, when it comes to upsetting the applecart.

Infants should be immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, lockjaw and smallpox by the time they are six months old.

CONSUMER PRICE INDICES



THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, a barometer of living costs, rose by one-half a point during August to 116.2 from 115.7, the bureau of statistics reports. It was the fourth consecutive monthly jump, powered by price boosts mainly in food. The peak of 118.2 was reached in December, 1951, with 1949 prices equalling 100. The dotted line shows the United States consumer index which advanced to a record high of 115 in mid-August of the 1947-49 average. These indices measure percentage changes in each country but should not be used to compare actual levels of prices between the two countries.

VICTORIA REPORT By J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA — Oct. 10 of 1868, The Colonist birth column said: "On the 9th inst., the wife of Mr. F. J. Barnard, of a son."

Today, that son, George Harry Barnard, marks his 85th birthday, an outstanding British Columbian.

He looks back on a remarkable career in public life—Victoria's Mayor, Alderman, M.P., Senator.

Not that he looks back too much. He lives very much in the present, interested in the affairs that go on around him in his native city, his country, the world. Every few days he goes to town on private business, stops to pass the time of day with old friends, not many of whom have lived as long as he.

Harry Barnard was born in the family house on Pandora Street. Late in 1870, his father bought "Duvals Cottage," from Chief Justice Needham. It was a long way out in those days; there was much space about the house, and so room for cows and horses, tennis courts, croquet lawns. There were wonderful oak trees for small boys to climb.

There, at "Duvals," opposite Government House, Harry Barnard has lived ever since. No one else in Victoria—probably in all B.C.—can say he's still in the house where he lived in 1870.

An extraordinary political family, the Barnards, Harry was brought up in the world of politics. His father, the famous stage coach operator of Cariboo gold rush days (Barnard's Express) was member of the B.C. House from 1866 to 1871, member of the House of Commons for Yale-Cariboo from 1878 to 1888.

The elder Barnard son, Frank—12 years older than Harry—was elected to the House of Commons for Lillooet-Cariboo in 1887 and 1891, was 1914-19 Lieut.-governor of B.C., knighted, and so-called Sir Frank. The Barnard son-in-law, J. A. Mara, was elected MLA for Kootenay in 1871, and Mr. Speaker of the B.C. Legislature from 1883 to 1886.

Listening to these older ones, a father, a brother, and a brother-in-law talking politics in the library at "Duvals" and around the dining table, it was but natural that politics seeped into the very blood and being of young Harry. He loved the argument, though, all being Conservatives, there were few, unless a Liberal was at dinner; young Harry became imbued with the certainty that in political life one may best

serve his fellows, and his country. Besides, it was exciting!

About the turn of the century, Harry Barnard, by then a lawyer, commenced taking an active interest in civic affairs. He wrote letters-to-the-editor. In 1902 he won his first election—as a Victoria alderman. In 1904 he beat Mayor C. E. Redfern, and became Victoria's Mayor. In 1905 he was re-elected to the Mayor's chair by acclamation.

Then, in 1906, it was back to his law practice full-time, for Harry Barnard. But the tug of politics was strong, and he could not stay away from public life.

In October, of 1908, he achieved what everyone thought the impossible—he, a Conservative, unseated that Liberal giant, William Templeman from the House of Commons. Conservatives that night went wild. There was a torchlight procession through the streets. Mr. Barnard said: "I hope you will join with me in feeling very jubilant, for although this word is not precisely grammatical, it expresses exactly what I mean."

And then, in September of 1911

Table Phones End Shyness For Dancers

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man (Reuters)—When a boy wants to dance with a girl at a hotel here and he is too shy to ask her, all he has to do is pick up the telephone on his table and dial hers. And so far the telephone calls for shy dancers have brought romance to nine couples. Three are married and six are engaged.

The telephones were installed on the numbered tables in the hotel's ballroom by the manager, William Watson, who noticed how often boys were too shy to walk across to a girl's table and ask her to dance.

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BCE Workers Plan Strike Vote

VANCOUVER — Strike vote by 400 Vancouver electrical workers employed by the B.C. Electric will be held Oct. 19. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL) said Wednesday.

Another 100 IBEW men in the Fraser Valley, involved in the same dispute, will vote Oct. 21 at Abbotsford. No date has been set for the ballot of a third group of 100 at Victoria.

Request for a government-supervised strike vote came after the workers turned down a conciliation board's majority report in their wage dispute with the BCE.

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Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

A woman says unimportant things make girls leave home. Could this be any reference to men?

A fruit rancher living near Oliver has succeeded in reducing British Columbia's rattlesnake population by 1308 within the past few years. This is in the Okanagan region. A choice variety of fruit is liberally advertised, although this cannot be said of serpents. That's different.

A foot on a brass rail! An elbow on a counter! A spittoon within handy distance. Somehow, each is hard to forget!

PLENTY LEFT

Apparently few Canadians see as much of Canada as they might. Yet the number of tourists roaming the Dominion total twice the population. Millions of Americans cross over, yet that much cannot be said for those who belong in this country. In other words, we do not travel so much in our own land.

FLIGHTS OF FANCY

Clock: A little instrument that passes the time by keeping its hands busy.

British Guiana is the only possession of Great Britain in

South America and is ruled by treaty in 1815. The United States obtained for air and naval bases, and air forces are also in Georgetown. There may be no indications.

NOTHING MORE SO!

On the eve of the clinical congress of the Canadian College of Surgeons, it is heard that companies should put money to prove or disprove cancer. Why not? No time to settle what may be a vexed question. Let it's important.

MORE COSTLY TODAY

But why should we be excited and feel the pressure over modern trends? Inquire Thomas Times-Journal, know is that educationing the taxpayer a money than it did 19 ago—and it hasn't all teachers' salaries, either.

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