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A Monster Out of Control

THE full stark tragedy of an illegal strike is becoming more and more obvious as the lumber industry ends its first week of inactivity with a settlement apparently more remote than ever.

Since preliminaries to the work stoppage did not meet with the provisions of the Industrial Conciliation Act, the strike has a blemished birthright. We do not fix the blame on anyone and it is not in our power to do so, but this is a fact which must be faced.

Being illegal, the strike is beyond established methods of handling as laid down by the Act.

To find another approach or to correct the fault by holding a legal and supervised strike vote will take time.

Meanwhile, a solution becomes increasingly difficult as workers drift from their camps to other parts of the country and possibly to other jobs. Also, the cost to all sides is more than one million dollars daily.

The right to strike is an instrument of protest which no country calling itself democratic should attempt to remove from the hands of workers. It is a fair and essential weapon.

It is also such a potent weapon that it should be used only under official supervision and never at a time when anger more than determination is a motive. Unless these conditions are met there is a danger that the weapon will become a monster belonging to no one, and controlled by no one.

The managing editor of a metropolitan daily is credited with clipping a particularly good piece of writing from another paper and fastening it to his bulletin-board with the comment:

"Read this, and wish you had wrote it."

Trade a Horse for a Car?

DECAUSE of the provincial election muddle much U unwarranted abuse has been heaped on the alternative voting system. Some are declaring this experience proves we should at once go back to the old single vote method. Such reasoning has all the good common sense of trading your car for a horse if the engine seems too complicated.

The election machinery was to blame for the confusion of June 12, not the principle on which it operated. Polling facilities and training were simply inadequate for the mechanics of the job. Those who are demanding that alternative voting be thrown out should be reminded that only first choices were being counted when the mess developed. This suggests the situation would have been no better even under the old form of voting.

The alternative vote is our best defence against election by minorities. To abandon it particularly after we have now acquired a working acquaintance with it would be a distinguished contribution to the forces of timidity, ignorance and myopia.

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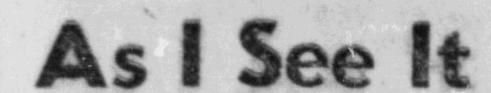
It's suggested that slogans such as "Evergreen Playground" and "Sportsmen's Paradise" be and \$7. That's more like Calplaced on automobile licence gary. plates, and in this way, give a further boost to British Columbia as a tourist land. Old stuff! We'll wager it was first thought up when Tom Shaughnessy was purchasing agent for the CPR.

The marriage of a dentist and face by a senator, who declared manicurist in Ontario was an- he did not like what he had been nounced some months ago. Since reading about himself. Plenty of then, it's reported they have senators could say the same. started fighting tooth and nail.

Canada's veterans don't want air this afternoon for Vancouto see General Kurt Meyer out ver to attend a meeting of reof prison. Their memories aren't turning officers who handled as short as those of some other the June 12 election in the people.—Lethbridge Herald.

Short stories in little books. Thousands of them! Paper covers! Stories concerning crime. unhappiness, suspicion, frustration, sex, anxiety, mischief, injustice, love, deceit-yet all interesting. It seems to be the drift in today's alleged litera-

Calgarians have been noted for their freedom from trying to exploit visitors in the way of overcharging for service no matter what the occasion may





Philpott

Gromyko Big Omen

THE APPOINTMENT of Gromyko as the Soviet ambassador to Britain may be a good or bad omen-time will tell. But it is certainly a big omen. Contrary to the oft-repeated egend, Russia's moves in the nternational field are mysterious only to those who will not study the record.

One of the facts is that whenver some big switch is coming in the Moscow line there are big switches in the top level men who are to apply the changed policies.

For instance, when Lityinoff vent out and Molotoff came in s Russian Foreign Minister in May 1939, the Soviet abanoned the pro-western line and witched to negotiations for the eal with Hitler which was hade the following August.

LOOKING BACK at my own syndicated column in Canalian newspapers on May 1939. I see I wrote thus:

I regard the release of Maxim Litvinoff as one of most crucial events of made by Dictator Stalin to the General Party Congress of the Russian Communist party on March 10 of the present year could hardly be astonished that a tug of war developed between the Litvinoff policy and that enunciated by Stalin. For the latter made i crystal clear that he did not regard war between Russia and Germany as inevitable On the other hand he made it plain he might outplay the game. At Munich they virtually gave Hitler the go-ahead Hitler that if Germany were someone else's expense and not Russia's * * *

THAT DAY, as on many days since, I wrote to show that in a tug of war for the favor of Germany Russia would always be in the position outpull the west. The color the government was not so im portant. The long range fact that economically Germany and Russia are naturally complementary to one another-Germany and the rest of western Europe are natural industrial competitors. Above all, Germany and Britain are competi-

I recall my repeated warning of the Stalin-Hitler deal, which staggered the world a few months after the above was written because it seems to me that history is likely to repeat itself. Right now the western allies are struggling with Russia to see who can take over a re-armed, re-united Germany. I think we are on the wrong track. It would be better to keep her disarmed, neutralized. think that Uncle Joe holds all the aces, most of the trumps, and a couple of jokers up his

be. This has, for example, been RUSSIA can deliver to the Ger-Cheerful Thoughts Dept.: Only true of major events such as the mans a united Germany and a few hours now and the days stampede. But it won't be this she do this WITHOUT war. All will start becoming shorter and way any longer. Today, it's more she needs to do is to make anshorter, but we hasten to add the cash and less hospitality where other horse-trade with whoma few motels are concerned. Here ever is the dominant German







HATCHING EGGS-210,000 of them-were sent to Korea by plane as the first step in the long-range rehabilitation of that country's food resources by the United Nations Reconstruction Agency and the Heifer Project, an interdenominational voluntary society. Above, Hobart Creighton, a hatching expert with the UN Civil Assistance Command in Korea, shows a farmer how to handle baby chicks.

UNDER OUR ROOF

By John Sturdy

In the last few months, after having lived on The Island for two years, I considered I had scored something of a victory. I had learned to answer the the telephone.

all, in the city shows you how wrong you can

of answering the telephone is a much more difficult operation. Our telephone is a box affair. attached to the wall, with a little crank at the side. You meanwhile made it plain to turn the crank to get the oper-

this effect:

"We will pull every Russian soldier out of eastern Germany provided only that you do the rest of the job by 'persuading' western occupying forces to get out too."

Now ask yourself—if you were such an offer appeal to you?

at our own grave peril.

Big City people, coddled with ator, and I bet you thought this luxuries and conveniences, can type of instrument went out a complete copy of the speech hardly appreciate who a feat with your grandfather's handlethis is After bar moustache, which just

> matter of the Then there are the rings. telephone ring- Everybody has a different ring. ing and you On our line, for instance, there picking up the are ten subscribers and each receiver one has an individual call sig-Child's play, hal, anywhere from one long really. But in ring to four longs and a short. the country The result is that the telephone is almost constantly ringing, although the chances are nine to one that it won't be for you. WRONG RING

For almost two years I answered the wrong rings, because never could remember whether our signal was one long and two shorts or one short and military element in the west to two longs. The neighbors didn't like it one little bit.

But in the last couple of months I got pretty proficient and I was able to recognize our call almost without being told. And then just last week people stopped phoning us.

I couldn't understand this German, and not a Canadian, and neither could my wife. Af-American or Briton-how would ter all, somebody is usually calling us, even if it's only about I think we re-arm Germany, an overdue bill. For an entire (Continued on page 5)



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