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Our New Strength

IN its current Monthly Review the Bank of Nova Scotia does well to remind us of the tremendous role minerals have played in Canada's recent growth. Up to comparatively recent times the great bulk of our wealth came from above ground, from our farms and forests. We still have these but in addition we have added metals, oil, gas, iron ore and others. Since 1929 output of these has gained almost five times and it is still climbing.

Mineral development in Canada has widened our frontiers, given us new towns and cities, new railroads, new industries and new jobs. Above all it has broadened and deepened our economy and made us far less vulnerable to outside influences.

A lot of this new wealth is not due to any recent discovery. For years we have known that there was iron ore in Northern Quebec and Labrador, that there was an abundance of gas in Western Canada, that there must be many more minerals locked away in the Precambrian shield. But we lacked the necessary capital for exploitation.

As the Bank of Nova Scotia points out "the present immense scale of expansion is the result of a favorable economic climate, a climate that has encouraged the very large outlays of capital needed to open up remote areas." In our own best interest we must do everything possible to make sure that favorable climate is maintained.

—The Financial Post

Scripture Passage for Today

"Thou shalt see greater things than these."
—St. John 1:50.

Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

The Royal Canadian Navy, with some truthfulness, can now be regarded as seasoned. Several court martialled officers have been sentenced. They will be severely reprimanded.

Tourists in Nova Scotia are said to prefer fresh seafood and wholesome beef dishes. The most popular of the former is lobster, tuna and swordfish. We'd like to inveigle them into chatting casually about a half-brother.

Given a government with a big surplus and a big majority and a weak opposition, and you would debase a committee of archangels.—Sir John A. Macdonald.

ITS A FACT!
No one can afford to belittle or under rate the St. Lawrence Seaway controversy. It's gone too far and taken on too much importance already. It may be argued the principal objection to the route is that it is and must always be closed for five months of the year. But then, so is Montreal, but that has not

Adenauer Using U.S. Methods In Election Race

BONN, Germany (AP)—West Germany's tough old Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, fighting for re-election at 77, is making his political opponents squirm with some campaign methods borrowed from the United States.

Taking a leaf from American and Canadian political candidates, the chancellor is crisscrossing the nation on a "whistle-stop" tour to let millions of German voters see and hear him.

He's travelling in a bright red special train replete with all the trimmings—press agents, bodyguards, teletype printers and a separate car for reporters.

So far, Adenauer has covered 3,384 miles. He is going 3,000 more before the election on Sept. 6.

This doesn't count side trips by automobile. In a baggage car, the chancellor carries two black Mercedes limousines. He roars off in these on frequent side jaunts.

Adenauer is by far the best-known figure in German politics and his opponents are jittery about so many people getting a chance to see "Der Alte," the old one, as the Germans affectionately call him.

prevented it from becoming the largest seaport in Canada.

BAXTER CALLS
Bevelley Baxter, MP, recently addressed the Women's Canadian Club in Vancouver. He was born in Canada and represents a London (Eng.) riding. His Canadian magazine correspondence gives a lot of attention to England and overseas affairs. This can be found interesting as well as informing which some folks feel disposed to question.

The man who trusts men will make fewer mistakes than he who mistrusts them.

Eighteen years ago this month, Will Rogers, who just naturally found a place in the human heart, died in an Alaska plane crash. He had lived long enough to become a power, and had life continued there is no telling what his talents might not have achieved by this time. His gifts were fashioned to cope with the problems of the times.

The high cost of operating under the Canadian flag and of building new tonnage in Canadian shipyards, have placed owners of ocean-going ships in an extremely difficult position. This is declared by W. J. Fisher, general manager of the Canadian Shipowners Association. And he should know.

Norwegian Progress

OSLO (CP)—The central bureau of statistics reported that Norway's gross national product, measured in fixed prices, was quadrupled between 1900 and 1950. Per capita production doubled during the same period.

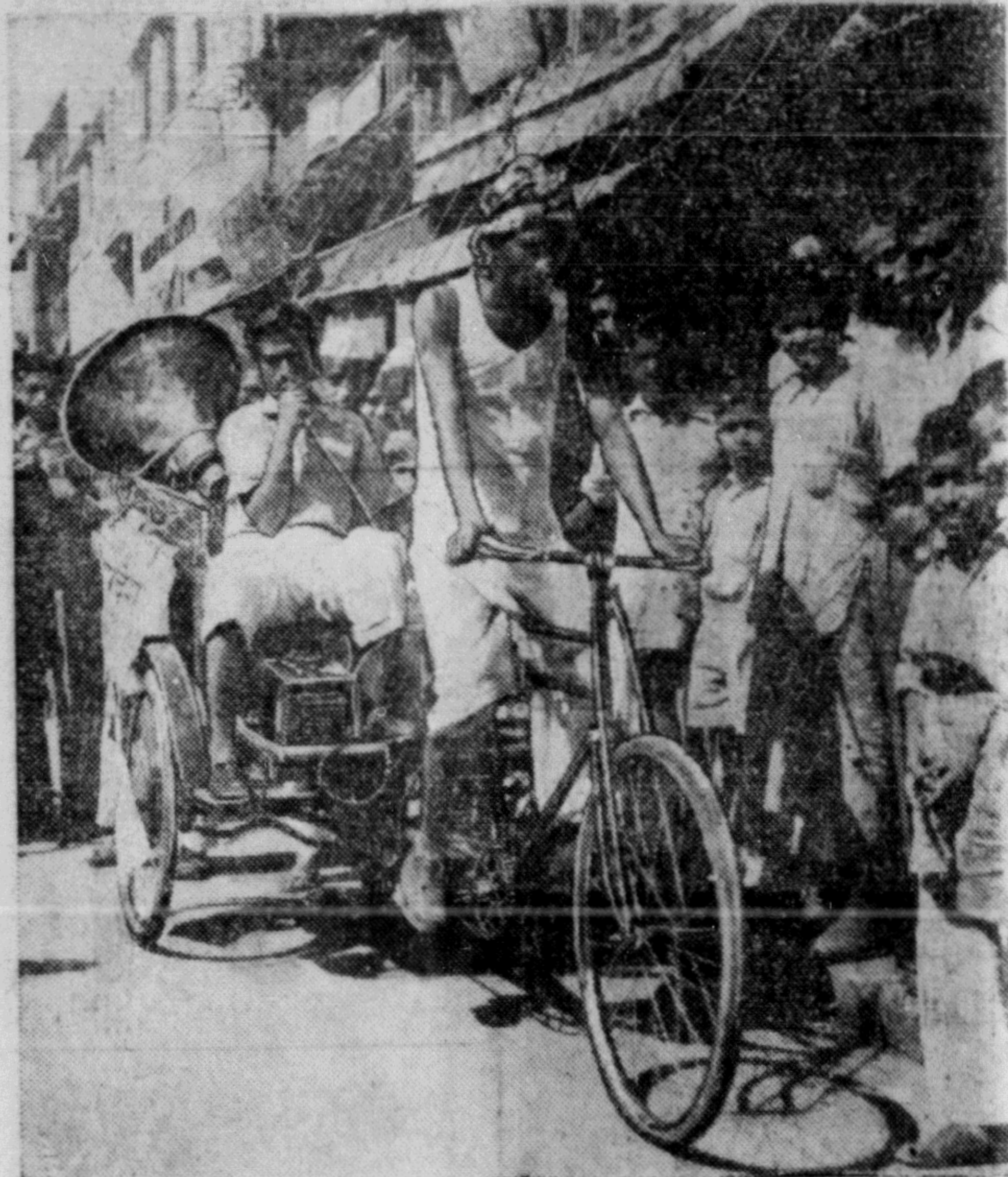
U.S. Air Force To Close Base At Cold Bay, Alaska, in September

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Air Force has announced it will start withdrawing its personnel from Cold Bay, Alaska next week and will close that Aleutian base Sept. 15.

The air force previously had announced plans to close Shemya, its base at the far end of the Aleutian chain, next April 1, or at the latest next July 1.

Closing the expensive-to-operate bases would leave the navy's permanent base at Adak as the only important military or air installation in the entire Aleutian chain.

Northwest Orient Airlines and Canadian Pacific Airlines use Shemya. The civil aeronautics administration has not yet decided whether it will maintain



LOUDSPEAKERS MOUNTED ON RICKSHAWS call the people of Delhi, India, to visit specially established vaccination centres at the nearest street corner, to get their anti-TB inoculation. This is part of the tuberculosis control program now being carried out by India with aid from the U.N. International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF).

VICTORIA REPORT

... by J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA—When this reporter gets tired of politics he takes a short run into the countryside and finds calmness by talking to people who live on the land.

There wasn't time to get very far this year, but a few days in the Fraser Valley sufficed. I paid a visit to the pleasant little town of Ladner, and decided I would not mind living there. We motored through Surrey, and from a road high up looked down on some wonderful farms. We visited the Hillbrooke Farm, on the main highway, near Green Timbers and talked to Teddy Patterson and his wife. What a place. Is any other household in all B.C. so busy? Mrs. Patterson was busy preserving—what delicious smells—and she was looking after her buglies, too, hundreds of them of the most wonderful colors. Mr. Patterson raises turkeys—and beauties, they are. And Mr. Patterson's brother-in-law, just out from Winnipeg, grows some of the finest vegetables on the lower mainland. I'll never forget their cucumbers—and their fried turkey.

At Haney we ran into the Maple Ridge Fall Fair, an historic event, and a delightful day of rural living we experienced. I don't know much about horses, but must admit I was much captivated by the horse show, and astonished, and sometimes breathless, the way mere youngsters clung to the backs of big animals, which sometimes jumped clear into the air. The fair at Haney was a great treat—and I didn't hear politics mentioned all day.

But back to work and once more into the thick of politics—post-mortems on the recent Federal election, and plans for the coming session of the B.C. Legislature.

I can only say this about the B.C. results in the Federal election—that it appeared to me the strong Social Credit-CCF swing in June provincial election was carried through federally. How often can you look at it? S.C. came up with four seats, when it had none before; the CCF gained four seats; the Liberals lost three seats, and the Conservatives stayed where they were—at three, and they would not have got those three without the strong names and personalities of George Pearkes, Davie Fulton and Howard Green.

So, looking over the hard facts and figures, I can't see how anyone can say Social Credit has shot its bolt in this province.

The Leader of the Opposition and private Social Credit members will be back in the limelight at the session opening Sept. 15.

At last spring's session, there was much hue and cry because, said the oppositionists, cabinet

ministers hogged the works, grabbing all the cream, leaving private members with nothing but skim milk.

It was this way: Premier Bennett moved, and Attorney-General Bonner seconded that Thos. Irwin be elected Mr. Speaker. Usually the Leader of the Opposition seconds this resolution, to prove that the Speaker has the support of all sides of the House.

Agriculture Minister Kiernan moved and Education Minister Rolston seconded the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne. These high honors are usually reserved for private members, two who have the government's confidence, and so anything they say may be taken as government policy.

This session, however, Leader of the Opposition Arnold Webster will second the nomination of Mr. Irwin as Speaker. The Premier has already asked him, and he will so do. The address in reply will be moved and seconded by private members. Premier Bennett says so, and he's the boss.

He told this reporter the other day that cabinet ministers did all the honors last session to prove that, even if it was a minority government, it had constitutional right to govern. Social Credit having been called on by the Lieutenant-Governor to form a government.

Government House is a bit perplexed about this session, the second in a year. Sessions come expensive to Government House. Two state dinners, a state ball and luncheons for wives of MLA's aren't peanut butter sandwich affairs. They're filet mignon, the right wine with the right course, fingerbowls, butlers and maids. And the Lieut.-governor has to pay the bill from his own pocket. The only break he gets is liquor at cost. So it doesn't look as if there will be any big affairs at Government House this session, which will be disappointing to MLA's, who like to swank in the governor's mansion and so impress the folks back home.

Probably be a compromise—a high tea (with a drink or two of that tax-free liquor) following the House opening.



THERE WERE ALL SORTS OF GAMES planned for these children at the Betwood Community playgrounds in Topeka, Kan., but the games were ignored. The children were lured to this big elm, and had a delightful time being up a tree!

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLennan

Amongst the Senate vacancies which Prime Minister St. Laurent will have at his disposal when he returns to his office about a week hence will be one in Montreal belonging traditionally to an English-speaking Protestant. And there is more than the usual suspense in Liberal Party circles to see what the Prime Minister does about it.

For the course followed in regard to that vacancy is regarded as an important tip-off in the matter of the coming Liberal leadership race when Rt. Hon. Mr. St. Laurent resigns—whenever that may be.

Fred Whitman, ex-Liberal MP for Notre Dame de Grace and surprise victim of a successful Conservative candidate in the recent voting, is recognized as the logical candidate if the appointment is made now. But if the appointment is not made at this time, it will be understood that the vacancy is being held open for Finance Minister Douglas Abbott, who has been talking about an early retirement for some time past and whose claim upon the Senate post is superior to Whitman's.

If Whitman is appointed in the near future, therefore, Liberal Party circles will take it as an indication that "Doug" Abbott has changed his mind

about retiring to private life. And if Hon. "Doug" does change his mind and remain in the political arena, it is reported to be a certainty that he will be a candidate for Mr. St. Laurent's mantle when the Liberal leadership change comes about.

In that event the Liberal leadership contest probably would be a three-way one between Messrs Abbott, External Affairs Minister "Mike" Pearson, and Citizenship and Immigration Minister Walter Harris. Liberal circles do not take seriously the possibility of State Secretary "Jack" Pickersgill being a contender. Even more surprisingly, there is a predominant belief that Health and Welfare Minister Paul Martin, who showed strong support at the 1948 convention, will not be a contestant again.

In a three-man field consisting of himself, Pearson, and Harris, the chances of "Doug" Abbott are looked upon generally as something more than just promising. Despite the unpopularity of his role as tax-imposer, there are few better-liked individuals in the Commons than the Finance Minister. And no one is more highly respected on all sides of the House. The consensus of opinion is that if he goes to the post in the leadership race, he will be a hard man to beat.

Time Will Tell if Rhee Right In Wanting to Win Korean War

Few men are less understood than Syngman Rhee, declares William C. Bullitt, former U.S. Ambassador to Soviet Russia, in the September Reader's Digest.

To describe him as a stubborn old man is to display total ignorance of his character and moral courage. He is in fact a gentleman unafraid and a great Christian leader. Recently, when he decided not to support the proposed Korean truce, Rhee was "at peace with the God," though at war with the Communists and at odds with the American government.

The article emphasizes Rhee's lifelong devotion to Korean independence and his early embracing of the Christian faith. During the days of the absolute monarchy in Korea, Rhee was imprisoned by his distant cousin, the Emperor, for joining the independence movement. Though tortured daily for six months, he would not recant. Later, sentenced to life imprisonment, he wrote in his cell "The Spirit of Independence," a book which became "a testament for all patriotic Koreans."

The Russo-Japanese War, in 1904, provided opportunity for Rhee's revolutionary friends to seize control of the Korean government, release Rhee and send him to Washington as their representative. In America he acquired a complete command of English and earned degrees at three universities.

Not until Japan's defeat in 1945 did Rhee come into his own as the leader of his people. The American Army of Occupation needed a statesman to rally and guide the politically inexperienced Korean people. At Gen. MacArthur's insistence, Rhee was sent to Korea to assume this leadership.

Both before and after his election in 1948 as President of the South Korean Republic, Rhee opposed the Communist trusteeship of North Korea. At the recent armistice, convinced that the Communist terms would

leave his country no chance to survive as an independent nation, and that acceptance of those terms would destroy the hope and morale of his people, Rhee opposed them vigorously. Once Korean hope was gone, the Digest says, Rhee knew that his people would be easy prey to the flood of Communist propagandists who would be sneaked into their country.

Rhee wanted to fight on. The article predicts that "too late we shall know that Syngman Rhee was right when he wanted to win the Korean War."

CM & S Mill 30 Years Old

This August the Sullivan Concentrator at Kimberley, B.C., marks its 30th year of operation. Owned by The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Limited, it is the largest mill in Western Canada and accounts for over 50 per cent of British Columbia's total milling capacity.

Construction of the concentrator began in 1922. The site chosen was three miles from Jominco's Sullivan Mine at Kimberley in the picturesque Purell Range. Up until shortly before the concentrator was started, the mine was producing relatively small quantities of lead and zinc ores which were sorted by hand and shipped in their raw state to the metallurgical operations at Trail. However, the Sullivan ore was so complex, to make hand sorting practical. An intensive search for an efficient way of concentrating the ore led finally to the development of a differential flotation process. This made possible the separation of the lead and zinc minerals as high grade concentrates and based on this process, the Sullivan Concentrator was built.

On August 23, 1923, operation commenced. The concentrator's initial capacity was 2,500 tons of ore per day. Throughout the following thirty years new equipment, additions and improvements increased the daily milling rate to its present 11,000 tons. Since its start, the concentrator has handled nearly 40,000,000 tons of Sullivan Mine ore.

Besides being one of Canada's largest mills, the Sullivan Concentrator also houses the world's largest rod mill. In 1947 a large scale sink and float plant was installed. It has since proved a very satisfactory preliminary concentration step.



MORE OCEAN-GOING VESSELS invaded the Great Lakes year than ever before. The 1,731-ton Torsholm was Sweden three years ago especially for the overseas trade.

Impending Autumn Rains Threaten To Already Devastated Greek Towns

ARGOSTOLION, Greece (AP)—Impending autumn rains threaten new disaster to 130,000 earthquake victims on Greece's three devastated Ionian Islands, British and U.S. rescue officers said today.

They warned that only speedy completion of the Greek government's temporary housing program on the islands of Kefallinia, Zakynthos and Ithaca could stave off further widespread suffering when the rains begin in mid-September.

The Athens government announced last week it was prepared to spend "about 25 to 30 million dollars in the islands," laid waste by a series of destructive quakes that began two weeks ago.

The warnings of the possible new crisis came as Gen. Dimitrios Iatrides, chief of Greek rescue operations, announced that an estimated 130,000 persons were homeless after the quake disaster.

The death toll has not been officially determined but the most reliable estimates place it around 1,000. Hundreds of other persons were injured.

Minor earth tremors have continued daily since the initial shocks.

Iatrides reported that 60 per cent of the survivors, or 78,000 persons now were housed in 4,175 tents. He declared that "another 5,000 tents will take care of all needs."

Workers reported that inhabitants of isolated mountain villages are sleeping out of doors. U.S. marine corps officers working to repair Kefallinia's

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