

Knighthoods Start Labor Union Wrangle

LONDON (Reuters) — Knights honoring labor leaders for political and public services have started a wrangle between the left-wing and right-wing in Britain's trade union movement.

The left-wingers are also critical of three veteran trade unionists who have agreed to co-operate with the Conservative government in denationalization of the steel industry — a project which has rallied almost united labor opposition.

These differences have revived long-simmering friction between the two wings of the Labor party and the trade unions and are regarded as contributing to eventual crystallization of the problem of whether the Labor party should go "more left" or "more right."

This has been a constant talking point in the movement since the Labor party was ousted from power in the fall of 1951.

The dispute between the right and "left" wings of the party reached an angry climax when the Conservatives denationalized the steel industry to sell back to private investors \$688,800,000 worth of plant which the last Labor government put under government ownership. The Labor party fought vigorously against de-nationalization and said it would re-nationalize the steel mills if it won power again.

Soon afterwards, three prominent trade union chiefs agreed except office on a government board supervising the return of the steel industry to private ownership.

Sir Lincoln Evans, 63-year-old steel workers' leader, was appointed deputy chairman of the government board. With him to the board came Andrew Nae-smith, cotton workers' leader, and John Owen of the furnace-men's union, all members of the influential general council of the Trades Union Congress.

A few months earlier, the award of Evans' knighthood opened up a storm of criticism in the left-wing press. Then, within days of the steel board announcement, came news of a knighthood for Nae-smith, the only union chief listed in the Queen's Coronation honors list. Such honors are made on the recommendation of the prime minister.

Spinehead of the attack against the right-wingers, particularly against Sir Lincoln Evans, came from the Bevanites, the left-wing group which almost split the Labor party last year with its demand for a cut in rearmament spending.

Tribune, a weekly paper edited by supporters of left-wing leader Aneurin Bevan, said Evans was helping to sell the industry back to private owners against the desire of workers.

"That should be the end of Sir Lincoln Evans as a figure of any significance in the British labor movement," it said.



PERCHED ATOP A LADDER, the Reverend Conway Davies, of Buckinghamshire, was sure of a good view of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh when the royal pair drove in state to the Palace of Holyroodhouse during their coronation visit to Scotland.

Britons Pay \$5.60 For TV Entertainment Without Ads

By EDWIN S. ROSENTHAL

LONDON (Reuters) — The British televisioner pays £2 (\$5.60) for a year's worth of daily entertainment without advertising plugs, and also without most of the features most popular on American television.

Crime thrillers are out, except for a tepid Saturday-night serial. So are weekly big-name shows.

Occasionally, Britain's top comedians, including Arthur Askey, Ted Ray, Max Bygraves and Terry Thomas, face the TV cameras but the BBC can't afford to give them weekly spots at acceptable salaries.

Week-ends are the only times when the owners of Britain's 2,500,000 video sets see chorus girls, comedians and the old run of vaudeville acts. Usually, this type of "lowbrow" entertainment is wrapped up in a tight,

one-hour program Saturday night.

Probably the most surprising omission is that of films.

Britain's TV plays, about two to three a week, are excellently performed by some of the nation's best actors. Many scripts are original, other are well-known ones by British, French, American and other playwrights.

There is also emphasis on "educational" subjects such as science talks, descriptive films on India, and discussions and renditions of classical music.

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Princess Who Gave Her Name to PPCLI To Visit Canada And Regiment This Fall

By DOUGLAS HOW
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP) — A princess who had the sort of shy beauty princesses have in storybooks gave her name to a regiment 39 years ago in Ottawa and launched one of the brightest chapters in the Canadian military story. The princess was Patricia of Connaught, a tall, blue-eyed granddaughter of Queen Victoria; a young woman who liked to ski and skate, paint and dance, who turned many a young Canadian blade's head but had eyes only for a British sailor.

Later she gave up the rank of princess to marry the sailor, Hon. Alexander R. M. Ramsay, who was the third son of the Earl of Dalhousie and now is an admiral and a knight.

As Princess Patricia, she lived in Government House here from 1911 to 1916, the daughter of the governor-general, the Duke of Connaught.

FAMOUS REGIMENT

Her regiment, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, nearly fought itself into oblivion in the first months of the First World War, but went on to long life that now has reached its greatest growth with a record three battalions—roughly 2,500 men—bearing the regimental name.

This fall Lady Patricia Ramsay, now 67, will visit Canada and her regiment for the first time in years. She will see again the color flag she worked at Government House in 1914. Three times enemy fire nearly finished it, twice it was buried, but it survived to inspire the 5,000 men who were Patricias between 1914 and 1918, and their heirs.

She was surprised, the princess once exclaimed, to hear how near the front her color had gone. She had reason to be. The PPCLI was the only unit in the British armies to take one into battle.

It was in August, 1914, that then Capt. (now Brig.) Hamilton Gault of Montreal put up \$100,000 to raise a unit to place at Britain's disposal. Lt.-Col. Francis Farquhar, DSO, the governor-general's military secretary, at once was fascinated with the idea and became commanding officer—and was killed within a year.

FLOCKED TO COLORS

They asked the 28-year-old princess if they could use her presence.

name and she consented the same day. Within 10 days the unit was flooded with men, mostly former British soldiers who had migrated to Canada.

The fighting decimated the unit in its first year and its future hung in the balance. But the army decided to keep it going, reinforcements flooded in and it eventually joined the Canadian Army in France and after the war became a permanent force regiment.

The princess, by general recollection, had a quiet, dignified beauty. It "quelled" her female friends, as one recently put it, and it made males bashful in her presence.

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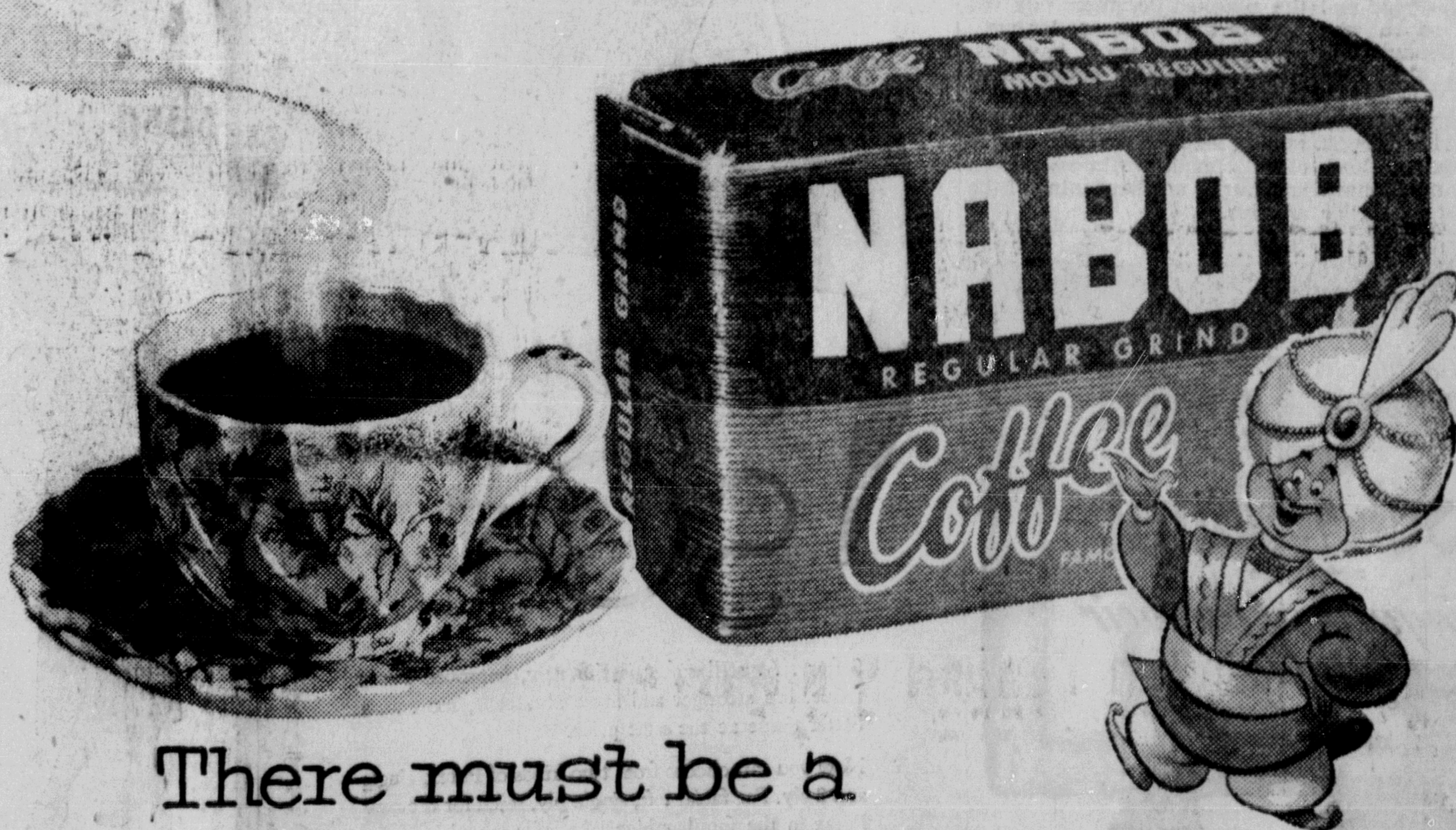
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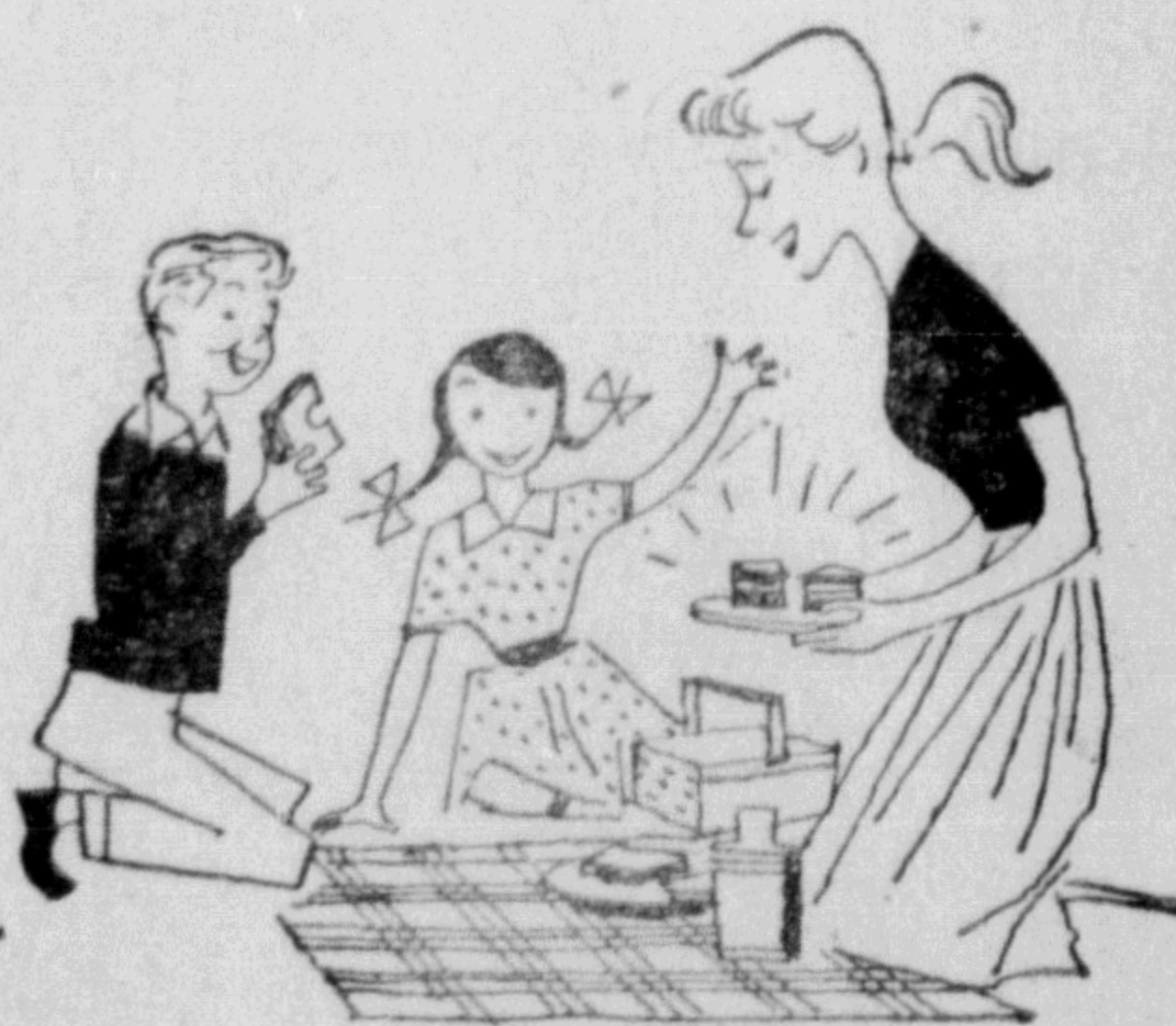


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