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Watch That Slip

WHILE Prince Rupert worries with considerable cause about the fate of its drydock and shipyard, and its unborn airport, it must not overlook an item on the brighter side.

In the new CNR ferry slip, the city has an addition to its waterfront which conceivably could be the first step in reshaping the coastal shipping lanes of the Pacific northwest.

It is with good reason that transportation interests in Seattle are seriously concerned over this development. To a large extent, Seattle reached its present eminence on the strength of its Alaskan connections, and it is no mere chance that its main waterfront thoroughfare bears the name of the territory north of us.

Now, handicapped by a difference of about 500 miles, it is in danger of having much of its valuable Alaskan trade taken over by Prince Rupert.

Although railway cars moving in and out of our port will not produce the same kind of business as ships, they will serve as useful traffic nonetheless. As CNR movements to and from Prince Rupert increase, so will the importance of the whole northern line. That, in essence, represents almost everything we have been fighting for.

Martian Secrets

SOME killjoy astronomers are said to hope that the coming nearness of the planet Mars will once and for all liquidate the Martians. For these bulging browed, hairless, over-civilized creatures of human phantasy have constantly intruded on the attempts of cautious scientists at objective, precise consideration of the frigid red neighboring planet. The future status of the Martians seems to depend largely on what is learned about the so-called canals.

With Mars coming within 40 million miles of the earth this June, the nearest in 13 years, it is hoped definite photographs may be taken of the strange geometric network that marks the planet. Past observers of these have disagreed in their reports and interpretations. The late Sir Percival Lowell held that the "canals" are irrigation ditches. But most astronomers credit them to nature and insist the only life possible on Mars would be lichens and mosses.

All sorts of peephole forays on Mars are being organized—movies by means of the giant telescope at Mount Palomar, Calif., a nine-month photographic study at Bloemfontein, South Africa, by the National Geographic Society and the Lowell observatory, stratospheric observations by means of planes, and possibly guided missiles. The Soviet Union is setting up an observatory in the heart of Asia. Whatever the result of these studies, one safe prediction may be made: the Martians will still be around, in fiction, comic strips, on the radio, in flying saucers and in conversation.

—The Washington Post.

Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

"I am going back to Canada feeling I have had a new education, and hope this will be of some value in maintaining and strengthening good relations," says Premier St. Laurent, now in Japan, and shortly to take off for home. There are quite a number who happen to be in agreement with him.

The world is full of willing people. Some are willing to work, while others are willing to let them.

Americans drank 1,600,000,000 more cups of tea in 1953. Turning over a new leaf, so to speak.

A machine that unwrinkles raisins is the latest boon to the bakery trade and if it will do the same to necks we can see where it is due for a big play in barber shops.

We're too disease conscious! We read that one out of three dies out of this, one out of five dies out of that. We should accept the fact that one out of one dies of something—and get on with the business of living.

An old timer of Dutton in Ontario was talking prices a few days back. A reported chance to be taking ear. "Twenty five years ago," the O.T. recalled, "we sat down to stewed chicken

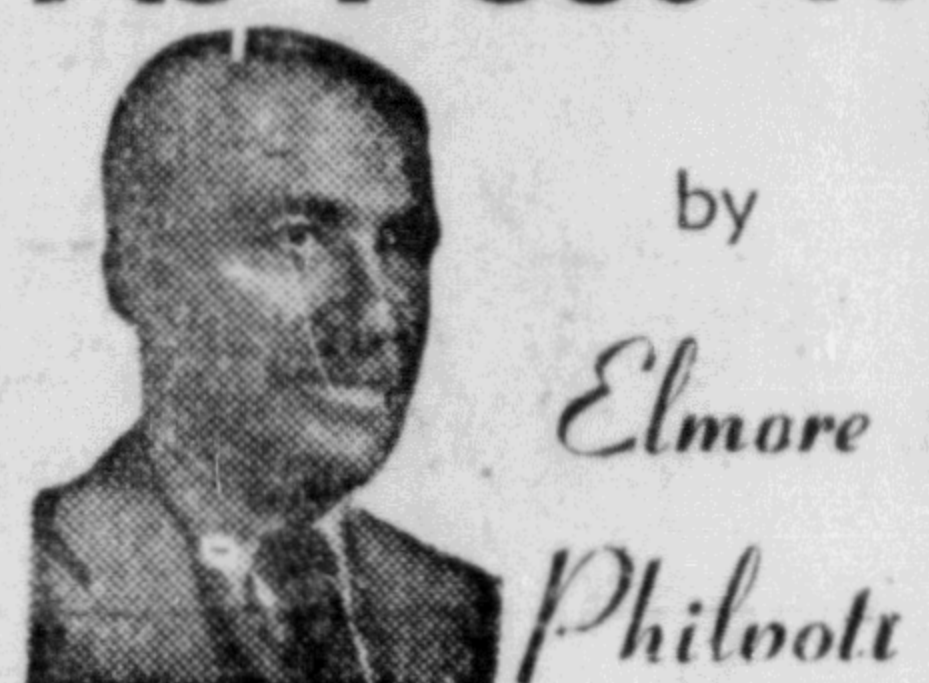
and dumplings or pan-baked biscuit, bowls of creamy mashed potatoes, a pound of butter on a butter plate with silver butter knife, a glass of domed cheese dish with a huge chunk of tanyg cheddar cheese in it—and to all this you just helped yourself."

With half a million mortals reported unemployed in Canada, an advertisement for a married man to work on a reasonably modernized farm brought five answers. Three were from Hollanders. Providing no one gives signs of weakening, it can be a great life.

HOW IT CAN WORK
Recipients are being encouraged to "live in sin" under the present system of dole payments. This charge is made by Secretary R. E. Daniel. If a couple meet but neglect to wed, they can draw \$80. But suppose, after a while, they loathe one another. Anyway, you are free. There is that to it.

GETTING AT FACTS
Vancouver city officials say they estimate there are 20,000 gas fixtures used in rooms where people sleep, and that most gas deaths are the result of bootleg installations, ancient appliances, carelessness and not enough inspectors.

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philbott

The PM On China

THE MOST important policy statement made by the Prime Minister on his round the world trip concerned the recognition of the government of China.

Sooner or later, he said, to newspapermen in the Far East, we would all have to accept the fact that the present government of China has been accepted by its own people.

Mr. St. Laurent was of course only repeating and underlining the joint decision taken last year by all the prime ministers of the Commonwealth. The importance of his statement arises from the fact that there is one wing of the U.S. party in power which regards recognition of Red China as tantamount to treason.

IN INDIA our Prime Minister did a really fine public relations job on behalf of the U.S.A.

While making it very clear that he was not criticizing in any way India's determination to keep outside the two rival power blocs, he did stamp down hard on the statement that the U.S.-Pakistan military alliance was deliberately designed to make bad relations with India. On the contrary, he showed that not one per cent of the people of U.S.A. would have tolerated the alliance any such move had they the slightest suspicion that it was designed for anything else than defence against potential aggression from Russia.

But now Mr. St. Laurent does the other half of his job. He speaks out, for what is India's main international aim in Asia, though that aim is directly contrary to the present wishes of the government of U.S.A.

Perhaps we should more precisely write, contrary to the acknowledged wishes of the present U.S. government. There is good reason to believe that John Foster Dulles knows that the recognition of the government of China is only a question of time, and that it would be a wise move. But the whole climate of the U.S.A. has been poisoned by the hysteria, known in its most extreme form as McCarthyism.

CANADA was in fact pretty well set to recognize the real government of China in the very year the Korean war broke out.

Hon. Lester Pearson was the head of a UN sub-committee which was dealing with that very question. There are a good many realists, familiar with the inside story, who argue that the Korean war never would have happened had China been recognized in time; and others who reason that even had that been done after the war began the small war could have been kept from becoming a big war, by the simple expedient of allotting China's seat on UN to the real government, and not the ex-government.

RECOGNITION of Red China has long been the main plank in India's long range plan for peace in Asia.

Nehru reasons that this is only facing the facts of life—

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HARDLY BIGGER than a present-date kernel, that's a 5,500-year-old corn cob which Prof. Paul C. Mangelsdorf of Harvard University is holding in his fingers. Discovery of the ancient ears of corn in Bat Cave in New Mexico has convinced Harvard researchers that corn is a native of this hemisphere and that it did not descend from a Mexican grass called "teosinte," as some had supposed. The relative size of the fossilized cobs is shown in the inset where they are compared with a penny. Mangelsdorf, who is wearing a combination eyeshade and magnifier, says the cobs probably bore about 50 tiny kernels and grew on stalks a foot or two high.

LETTERBOX

The Editor,
The Daily News:

You have quoted Brother Harold Sinclair in Monday's edition of your paper, protesting against granting fishing licences to our Japanese brothers.

First I wish to say, I admire Brother Sinclair for his unrelenting fight for our people under very trying conditions, but I wish to remind him of the real principle for which the Native Brotherhood of B.C. was formed.

My late father, Alfred Adams, travelled extensively throughout Alaska and noticed how advanced the same race of our people were up there. They had their own qualified teachers, nurses, lawyers, etc. They took active interest in the governing of their country.

When he investigated why the same race of people should advance so much more rapidly than us, he discovered that the Alaska Indians had a strong organization, which acquired many concessions to aid them to acquire better education for their children.

My father's greatest ambition was to see our people prove themselves good citizens of our great country and to assist our governments in bringing us to that coveted status. He saw the need of an organization similar to that of our Alaskan brothers and sisters to reach our goal, so he helped to form the Native Brotherhood of B.C.

As a leader of the organization, he unceasingly fought for better schooling, social security, health facilities, etc. The Native Brotherhood of B.C. was never meant to be a labor organization, but when it was forced to negotiate for its fishermen members, he still fought in the true Christian spirit of brotherhood. The true spirit of brotherhood is not to form ourselves into one selfish group to gain our own

ends, nor to try to retard the progress and livelihood of any particular race, hoping to gain at the loss of the other.

Our fishing industry is over-exploited, but we cannot blame any particular race for it. If we should exclude one race, there are many more to take its place. We can only solve the problem by having one fishermen's organization to deal with the subject scientifically and from practical experience, instead of having several organizations fighting and blaming each other for the conditions.

We have a great country that is expanding beyond our fondest dreams. Many of our brothers and sisters are bringing great credit to our people by taking part in its rise. We have many Indian contractors, construction superintendents, foremen, skippers, qualified engineers, teachers, nurses, office workers, officers in our armed forces and taking part in governing of our country.

(Signed)
IVAN ADAMS

Retains Seat

LONDON (Reuters)—Sir Winston Churchill's Conservative government today retained a parliamentary seat in a by-election in the Arundel and Shoreham division of Sussex.

Capt. Henry Kerby, the Conservative candidate, polled 24,857 votes to 11,420 cast for Mrs. Margaret Reid, his Labor opponent in the two-way fight.

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OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. Mc

Amongst Parliament's three major headaches of the present session—the wheat surplus, the farm machinery industry, and the textile industry—the really king-size one is the textile industry.

As yet no light shines in its darkness. Instead, its gloom keeps getting steadily blacker.

Right now it is caught in a particularly vicious volume-costs squeeze. The more outside competition cuts into its market, the higher do its costs rise as a result of lower volume. Hence the more difficult does it become for it to meet foreign price competition. No end of this squeeze appears to be in sight.

The problem is complicated for the government by the fact that the industry clearly is not of uniform efficiency. Even under present competitive difficulties, its larger mills are not doing too badly. That is because their efficiency compares favorably with the efficiency of foreign mills. The concerns that are feeling the squeeze of current conditions are mainly older and smaller mills—many of them survivors from the days when a local mill supplied mainly the needs of a local or a restricted market. Such operations could flourish in wartime or in a seller's market. But in a buyer's market their ability to compete is severely limited.

In brief, the government is actually of the opinion that what is now in process in textiles is the liquidation of the inefficient section of the industry. It is clearly contrary to government policy to subsidize or protect inefficient industry. But it is also political suicide in some two dozen constituencies to throw the old-established industries to the wolves. That is the crux of the dilemma which the government faces.

The government's difficulties are increased by the fact that the new Japanese trade treaty has been ready for some time now and is awaiting signature. It cannot be put off indefinitely.

But the Cabinet Ministers have an uneasy feeling that a trade pact which, among other things, will facilitate the entry of low-priced textiles to the Canadian market, isn't going to be too well received under present conditions.

There is just one ray of hope in the generally black outlook. It lies in the pending negotiations for Russian trade. It has been intimated that Moscow is

prepared to place orders for textiles. Such orders could give the industry needed lift. Consequently, the long-range solution of the moderate-scale industry will still be the government's job. Nor does any ray of hope on Parliament Hill.



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