

Talent Search

KARACHI (CP) — The inter-university board of Pakistan has recommended to the government a plan calling for a search for national talent from the various universities in Pakistan. Selected students would be given higher education at state expense.

Goodbye Huts

WELLING, England (CP) — The housing ministry will find alternative homes for 260 families living in huts that were erected in 1916 as a "temporary measure" for war workers in this Kent area. The huts will be replaced by modern apartments.

22,000 U.S. Residents Under Investigation

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. Attorney-General Herbert Brownell, Jr., says nearly 22,000 foreign-born residents of the United States are under investigation for possible Communist links.

CBC Offers TV Show To Bradens

LONDON (CP) — The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation has offered a six-month television show to Bernard Braden and Barbara Kelly, Vancouver couple who hopped to fame on British radio, stage, screen and TV.

The contract would be for 1954 and the Bradens expect to decide in about a month.

It may set up a transatlantic pattern—keeping them in circulation on both sides of the ocean annually.

The Bradens are busy in Britain. They have their own radio show, appear in films and plan to go into cabaret together. Miss Kelly has appeared in four films and is to make another with her husband. Braden currently has the male lead in the stage thriller, "The Man."

Recently the couple appeared in a royal command BBC performance with a sketch written by Eric Nicol of Vancouver. It was one of the best received.

He adds that they will be subject to eventual deportation "where evidence is found that they have violated our immigration and nationality laws."

The widening inquiries are part of a campaign to rid the country of subversives, Brownell told the Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at a dinner meeting here.

"It's a job worthy of a modern-day St. Patrick to drive these snakes from our shores," the attorney-general declared.

Brownell said that among those under investigation are nearly 10,000 naturalized citizens who "are believed to be or to have been members of, or affiliated with, the Communist party."

"These investigations are to determine whether their naturalization can be revoked," Brownell added. "If naturalization is revoked by the courts, these persons will again be aliens and subject to deportation."

Another 12,000 being probed are aliens residing in the U.S., Brownell said.

Wherever these investigations uncover evidence of subversive activities or "membership in or affiliation with the Communist party," deportation proceedings will be instituted against these aliens.

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THIS HANDSOME "BEANIE" won first prize in the Ottawa boys' club beanie contest for Sheldon Bradford, 3. Although not a member of the club young Sheldon entered the contest as a guest of his elder brother and stole the show with his ingenious headgear.

Bed Shortage Hits Hospitals In Britain

LONDON (CP) — Britain faces a serious shortage of hospital accommodation for patients suffering from mental illness.

The disclosure was made by Iain Macleod, minister of health, who told the national association of health that although 42 per cent of hospital beds in England and Wales were devoted to mental cases, the problem of overcrowding remained grave.

"There is a waiting list for beds of some 8,000 people, of whom half are children," he said.

The problem of overcrowding in mental hospitals was not generally realized, Mr. Macleod added, but it was one above all others that must be brought home to the public and for which a solution must be found.

SKIN-TIGHT AID

STOCKHOLM (CP) — A dressing applied in liquid form to burns and cuts has been used with success by the Karolinska Hospital. The plastic developed by a Swedish chemical company quickly turns into a flexible, transparent film providing complete protection against secondary infections.

Giant Newsprint Industry Planned by Aussie Company

AUCKLAND (CP) — Plans for financing a £27,000,000 newsprint industry on New Zealand's North Island were announced here by James Fletcher, chairman of the Tasman Pulp and Paper Company.

Fletcher said the project is expected to reach full production late in 1955. It will turn out 75,000 tons of newsprint annually and save the sterling area more than \$20,000,000 in dollar expenditures a year. Most of the world's newsprint supply now comes from Canada.

Fletcher said the company is raising £7,000,000 from the United States Export-Import Bank, £10,000,000 in Britain and £5,000,000 in New Zealand.

Construction is scheduled to begin in September and E. S. Barton of Vancouver is already here as a resident engineer for the Canadian firm of consulting engineers, Sandwell and Company.

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Richard Widmark, Joanne Dru and Audrey Totter are the stars in this entrancing film but a wisp of a boy, six-year-old George Winslow, comes perilously close to toppling them from their pedestal with a performance very reminiscent of Jackie Coogan when he reigned as a great child star.

"My Pal Gus" tells the story of a millionaire candy manufacturer who is too preoccupied with making money to take much notice of his young son Gus, whom he loves very much, a young school teacher, who understands children, and a scheming wife, who sells her so-called mother love for a million dollars.

The cleverly conceived development of this theme and the human qualities that are woven into its telling are what makes "My Pal Gus" so wonderful.

From the opening scene in the picture showing the fire department racing to get little Gus out of a flooded bathroom to the final one in which his father gives away all his money just to have the boy for his very own, the picture pulsates with heart-warming action.

Cheaper Car Insurance Sought

VANCOUVER — The B.C. Automobile Association has applied to Victoria for an agency to permit them to sell cheaper car insurance.

"We have carrier companies prepared to work with us as soon as we have cleared through Victoria," reported association president Everett Irwin.

The BCAA would charge regular premiums for insurance it sells to its members but whatever savings could be made on the 47-cents-of-the-dollar administration and collection costs of regular insurance agencies would be returned to the insured at the year's end as dividend.

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