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Sun Power

DERHAPS it is not a subject which has much bearing on this part of the country, but there has been a great deal of scientific speculation lately on use of the sun as a source of power. It seems that at the rate we are using up the earth's supply of coal and oil, a serious shortage may develop as early as the 22nd century.

Although none of us will be alive then to worry about it, there is a responsibility to future generations to keep the wheels of industry in motion in those parts of the world where water power is not available. No doubt before coal and oil run out, atomic power will be in general use, but even this depends on what can be dug from the ground.

It is pointed out that the sun's energy, almost 100 per cent of which is lost to man, is sufficient to supply every acre of the earth's surface with an average of 3,000 to 4,000 horsepower. If man could use even one microscopic fraction of that, he would never have to give a thought to the depletion of natural resources.

In a corner of Canada where there is plenty of water and somewhat less sun, this is not a topic that need be developed to any great length. But when Old Sol pokes his nose through the clouds, as he has been doing lately, it is only right that someone should mention what a really remarkable guy he is.

Canada as News

ANADA has obtruded herself in the best possible way since the war on the consciousness of the world. It is usually the fate of countries bursting into print to do so because something has gone wrong-a political crisis, an assassination, a revolution, rioting, economic difficulties. Latin Americans have always accused the North American press in general—and with some justice—of printing only such news. It is a commonplace of journalism that when all goes well nothing has happened and hence there is no "news."

This has been the destiny of Canada right up to the present time. She is a country of exemplary political stability, peaceful, democratic, industrious. It has taken a truly sensational economic boom, with all the attendant political and strategic consequences, to force Canada into the ken of the rest of the world. It is true that she always was of great importance to the United States, but today she has become more than important; she is vital to our economy and security, as we are to hers.

-New York Times

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeoa

Liberal M.P.'s propose to launch the national economy at the session of Parliament which reconvenes tomorrow will have as its aim a worthwhile cut drive to cut taxes are being in taxes in the Abbott budget based by the M.P.'s on two rewhich is expected to be brought | cent trends in the national bookdown in late March or early keeping. April.

isn't being based altogether on solicitude for the long-suffering taxpayer. That's only part of their motive.

The rest of it is a mixture of enlightened self-interest and political and economic expediency.

Primarily the Liberal M.P.'s believe that a substantial tax cut would sweeten public opinion towards the boost in their own indemnities which they still are hopeful of negotiating before the session prorogues. The last time the subject was raised in Cabinet the Prime Minister is reported to have been more charitably disposed to it than previously, and to be worried mainly on the grounds of the possible reaction of the public

towards it. politics. And while the govern- general's department. ment may not be in urgent need Mrs. Alberta Brown, charged of measures to increase its popu- with the rifle-slaying of William

come amiss. economic policy, a cut in the her preliminary hearing. most effective means of coun- Johnston," in the doorway of teracting the slowdown tenden- her home at Mission, B.C.

One of the first drives which cies now becoming apparent in Hopes for the success of the

The campaign of the Liberals national income. Treasury officials say that it may run \$300,-000,000 above the \$24,000,000,000 estimate of the Finance Minister in his last budget. And during the election campaign, Mr. Abbott said specifically that growth in the national income would be one of the sources from which future tax cuts could come.

Then there is the fact that the government is likely to save this year about \$60,000,000 which it spent in the past year on capital aid to defence industry.

These two items, with their \$360,000,000 total, could make worthwhile tax reduction possible. Time will tell.

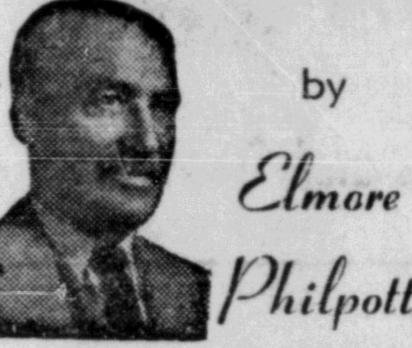
For Trial

In addition, rank-and-file VANCOUVER (CP) - A pretty Liberals would like to see the 23-year-old mother, committed first year of the government's for trial on a charge of murder, new term of office marked by won her appeal to be freed on some popular tax revision. They bail Friday, despite the objecfigure it would be very smart tions of the provincial attorney-

larity, its supporters believe that Zahar, of Tawatinaw, Alta., was a gesture of good-will towards freed on \$10,000 bail by Mr. Justhe electors who returned it so tice A. M. Manson two hours handsomely last August wouldn't after she had been committed for

Finally, the Liberals believe | The slim mother of three had that, from the standpoint of been released on \$5,000 bail at tax burden on individuals and She is charged with shooting on industry alike would be the Zahar, also known as "Ollie





Holiday Odd Ends

LOOKING back on my first few weeks in parliament, here is a most amusing incident:

Small boy had been taken by his mother to witness a session in the Senate.

Small boy paid close attention for about ten minutes, then leaned toward his mother and whispered in hoarse penetrating

"Mum, most of those old men are all wired for sound.'

AT LAST I have mastered some thing that has baffled me all my life-how to say Newfound-

Our Christmas guests have been Professor and Mrs. Allan Fraser of St. John's. Allan is an MP, too. They say make it rhyme with

'understand." "If you can say understand, you can say Newfoundland' says Allan.

GUESS I must be a die-hard in my bones, because I venerate the old forms of so many things. It made me feel good to note in the parliamentary prayers they use the older form "Our Father, WHICH art in heaven" and not WHO art.

But I guess we must be born differently. I remember that one of my brothers always got mad when preachers used the form "Our father WHICH art." He insisted that anything but the more modern form was silly.

Yet he never kicked at the fact that the next word was ART and not ARE, or IS. To be completely consistent, he should have held out to have the prayer really modernized to read "Our Father, who IS in heaven."

CORRECTION please to all those people who addressed me this year as "Honorable."

I'm not an "Honorable" yetonly cabinet ministers and Senators are honorable. Reminds me of the first world

war when we got our commissions as officers in the army. In due course the government at Ottawa sent through to our ing parchment It was from His holding it outside the United

But the government apparently did not want us to get swelled heads over that parchment. Somebody had carefully viritten in, on the parchment, in very black ink, the word Temporary."

We used to call ourselve: "Temporary Gentlemen."

AN ex-airforce officer droppe in to our place for a cup tea and told this story:

A brash young officer, invited to a sedate London club, breezed up to a row of old retired generals and asked in a loud valgar

here?" Nobody so much as looked up from his paper.

re-worded his request. One red-faced old boy put down his paper, took off his eye- glasses and said:

"Go down that corridor and One is the bulge in this year's turn left. You will see a sign marked 'Gentlemen.' But don' let that deter you. Go right in

LETTERBOX

The Editor, The Daily News:

Just who does the Immigration officers think they kidding when they say the "socalled" new Canadians are not taking the jobs of Canadians?

Look at the CNR. Travel up the line and you would think you were in a foreign country. plans, They are all over B.C. taking the place of Canadian workers.

Most of the new Canadians were firing bullets at us not so long ago.



HIS RIGHT EYE puffed and black, choir boy Dougie Robson (left) of Winnipeg explains the cause to Most Rev. Walter F Barfoot, Primate of All Canada, in St. John's Anglican Cathedral at Winnipeg. The primate had just been enthroned as Metropolitan of Rupert's Land and Dougie and Billy Gilchrist (centre) had been in the choir. Dougie said his brother gave him the black eye but "my mother bust it up before I could give my brother anything."

John Foster Dulles, Zarubin Begin Talks on Peaceful Use of Atom Energy

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (A)-State Secretary Dulles and Soviet ambassador Georgi N. Zarubin begin talks today on when, where and with whom the United States and Russia may negotiate on the peaceful use of atomic en-

Their first session, scheduled in Dulles' state department of fice was to be private. Indications were that little or no information would be given out. These are preliminary discussions on procedures for a ful

dress conference later.

Dulles' main reported purpos is to try to determine whether the Soviet government is sincere in its agreement to hold atomi discussions or whether merely going through the motions because of the pressures of world public opinion and the needs of Moscow propaganda.

WANTS SMALL CONFERENCE

Dulles was said to favor hold ing the later conference to small scale and to think there families a most imposing look- might be some advantages in Majesty, King George V and Nations, where all previous efstarted out "To our dearly be- forts to negotiate international . . . Officer and Gentle- atomic agreements with t Russians have failed.

There is no optimism in official quarters about the possibility of an agreement this time, but Dulles is described as determined to do everything in h power to remove any unnece

Electricians Plan Series Of Strikes

LONDON (A)-Some 2,000 key electricians, members of a union "Where is the can around headed by a Communist labor leader, voted today to support their demands for more pay The young man, taken back, with a series of one-day strikes throughout England next week.

strike will hit atomic energy stations and guidedmissile plants as well as airports, oil refineries, and steel factories. The employers' association, the National Federated Electrical Association, has countered with a threat to lock out workers one day for each day on strike.

Frank Foulkes, Communist boss of the Electrical Trades Union said the men are "fully mobilized and at war stations" for the strike action. He said the threat of a lockout "is a challenge which will be met by the full resources of labor."

Foulkes and other union officials refused to disclose exact

Anton Chekhov, Russian author who died in 1904, was the grandson of a serf who purchas-

G. JOHNSON. ed his freedom.



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sary obstacles which might reunderstanding over physical ar- jack of diamonds.

> talking in terms of conferences between the United States and Russia, or those two and Britain like the best bet at the moment.

rangements for the conference,

PROPOSALS DIFFER

day are described as strictly pro- finesse your nine. cedural and may be followed by more preliminary discussions between Dulles and Russian foreign minister Molotov at Berlin late this month, the conference toward which they aim focuses on two issues:

1. President Eisenhower's proposal, made to the United Nations Dec. 3, for an international pool of atomic materials and know-how made up of contributions from the United States, Russia and other atomic powers and devoted to such peaceful uses as production of power and medical benefits of atomic ma-

2. A counter proposal by Moscow for a piedge against the use of atomic weapons. The Russians have presented this as a first step toward eliminating all such weapons from the arsenals of the world.

The Soviets have shown no interest in peaceful development apart from a weapons ban. The United States is officially interested in eliminating atomic weapons only as part of a disarmament and peace program.

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BLACKWOOD on By EASLEY BLACKWOOD



Most Players Prefer Game To Post-Mortem

Sometimes Mr. Heinsite's post-mortem analyses are faulty but they still go unchallenged. This is because they have the ring of truth-and because most players don't want to go to the trouble of "analyzing the analysis." They would rather get on to the next

In today's hand Mr. Dale led the ace of hearts, trying to conceal the fact that he also held the king. Miss Brash ruffed, and ruffed a diamond on the board. Next she played the ace west king of clubs. She now played the king of diamonds and ruffed another diamond with dummy's last trump.

She still had a losing space, so she then led the queen of hearts and discarded the four of spades when Mr. Heinsite did not cover. But Mr. Dale showed up with the king of hearts and his queen of trumps completed the Pass

"The hand was ice-cold," announced Mr. Heinsite. "After ruffing the first heart, cashing the ace of diamonds and ruff ing a diamond, you should have led to your ace of clubs and ruffed another diamond with the eight of clubs. Now lead another club to your king. Cash sult from disagreement or mis- the king of diamonds. Lead the

"If Mr. Dale ruffs here he has such as what countries should to lead a spade or a heart and either lead gives you the rest. U.S. officials currently are So he has to discard a spade. Now you lead the six of diamonds and he has just as big a problem. Now he is squeezed. A three-power conference looks If he plays another spade, you play the 10 of spades from dummy. Then you lead to the king of spades, dropping the While the talks beginning to- jack, and return a spade and

"Or, if he discards a heart, you lead the ace and king of spades, return a heart and ruff it, losing only the last trick."

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North-South vulnerable

C-Q 3 2

(Mr. Abel)

(Miss Brash)

on that trick dummy would be

Dummy would be down to K

10 8 of spades and Q J hearts

If a heart was discarded, Mr

Dale could safely lay down the

ace of hearts and Miss Brash

would have a spade loser. If a

spade was discarded from dum-

my, Mr. Dale, holding J 3 at

this point, could safely play

the trey and again Miss Brasn

would have no play for 12 tricks

The source of the Brue Nile in

Egypt was discovered in 1770 by

the Scotsman James Bruce.

S-A 9 4

H-None

S-Q 7 6 5 H-10 9 8 4 3

West

Pass

All Pass

D - 32

C-7 4

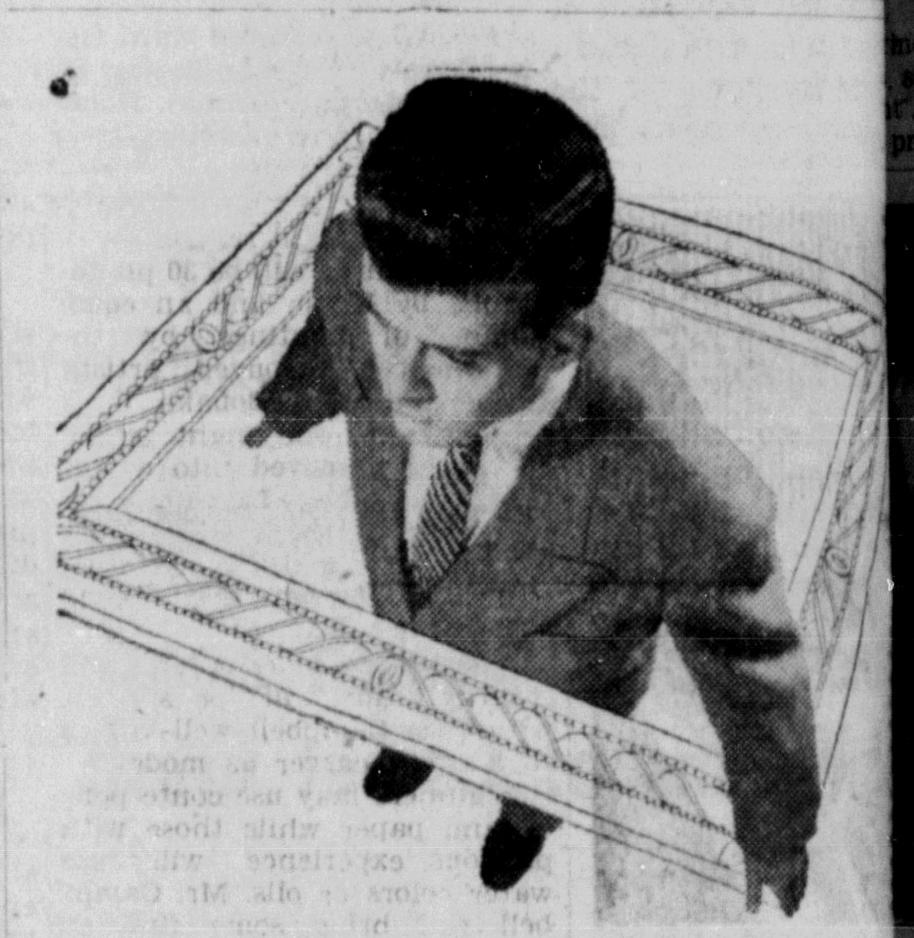
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