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### Let's Stay on the Trail

↑ LTHOUGH the ballots were secret, our guess is there was an affirmative vote of 100 per eent at the concert last night on the question of 166. whether or not the Alaska Music Trail should be continued.

It is impossible to believe that anyone could isten to and look at violinist Frances Magnes and ote otherwise. She was so good that even those vith ticklish throats forgot to cough. Had somehing awkward happened, like the piano collapsing, t is doubtful that attention would have wavered in instant. (Fortunately this instrument was in the ands of a skilled musician, David Garver who idded much to the evening's enjoyment.)

There was, however, a sobering note at intermission in the words of R. C. Telford, chairman of he Trail auxiliary, who explained that the series as roughly \$600 in the red this season, with only ne concert to go.

It is probably too late now to wipe out the eficit completely. At the same time, last night's large and pleased audience was evidence of how such a good concert means to many of this city. In act, Miss Magnes made a point of expressing her n pleasure at the warm response.

One poor season (in financial terms only) must of be allowed to put us off the Trail.

#### Good Citizen of 1953?

ODAY voting starts for the Good Citizen of 1953. This means naming the man or woman who, in your mind, occupies a place of special distinction for useful and unselfish work in the interest of the city.

Founded in memory of Alex Hunter, late editor of The Daily News, the Good Citizen award enables us to express openly our thanks to those who, without fanfare or personal gain, try to make Prince Rupert a better place in which to live.

\*It was because he possesses this quality of quiet and honest endeavor to such a degree that Dr. J. P. Cade last year became the award's first winner. His life has been a remarkable one of kindness and generosity, and Prince Rupert is a finer place because of his presence.

Fortunately for the city there are others in the good citizenship class with Dr. Cade. But unfortunately for the judging committee their merits are so nearly equal that the choice is an extremely difficult one.

It is for this reason that everyone with a preference is asked to fill out the ballot that will appear in this newspaper daily until Feb. 4. In the long run, the public is the best judge and the committee can be guided accordingly.

So let's have it. Who do you think is Prince Rupert's Good Citizen?

#### Mrs. Eisenhower Goes to Groton To Christen Atom-Engined Sub

By ELTON C. FAY GROTON, Conn. (A) - The the next five or six months. world's first atom-engined submarine, a great, grey tube of steel, was poised today for christening by Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The offical party travelled by \$50,000,000 on the vessel and medial train from Washington. her machinery by the time she President Eisenhower remained is commissioned. in the capital.

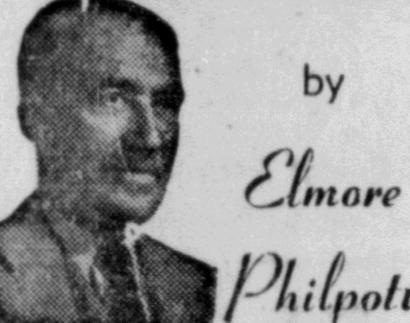
Also attending are high rep- beginning of the hull for the resentatives of the other armed forces, Congress members and state officials. The plan was to handle a crowd of 12,000 perons, including workmen of the lectric boat division of General ynamics Corp. who built the ull of the submarine. Mrs. Eisenhower, the first

wife of a president to christen submarine, had only to crack the traditional bottle of American champagne on the blunt ow, declare "I christen thee USS Nautilus," and stand clear as a trigger freed the boat for its slide into the Thames River. For a ship of unprecedented design, the Nautilus was built with amazing speed. Her keel

was-laid by former President Truman June 14, 1952. At about the same time the \* Westinghouse Corp. began construction of a land-based model omic power plant. That power ant, designed around an atomic furnace using uranium 235 as fuel, develops steam for operating a turbine. A copy of the power plant was construct-

ed for the Nautilus. When the launching time arrived today, much of the nuclear power plant was aboard or





Divorce Mill

TODAY one of my duties as an MP was to consider Bills Number 85 to

Each bill is a separate act of parliament, calling for the dissolution of a marriage between two citizens of Canada.

Quebec and Newfoundland have no divorce courts and so persons in those provinces who wish to have their marriages dissolved must apply to parliament to have a special Act passed to accomplish that purpose.

The hearings actually -take place before a Senate sub-committee, which conducts itself with all the decorum of a court. The grounds for these divorces. are the same as in the eight provinces which grant such by regular legal process - namely adultery.

So each day there comes to my office a sealed envelope with all the printed evidence for all the divorce cases heard before the Senaie. Not even the filthiest rag of a newspaper anywhere in the western world would print this stuff. Yet-if I were to refuse to blink my eyes to the whole disgraceful farce I would have to read all the evidence for each individual case. I would have to vote for or against the divorce on that evidence, exactly as if I were a judge hearing a

OF COURSE I do no such thing, nor does any other MP.

When the bills are presented to the House I simply call out "car ried." I note that the good Catholic MPs who sit around me usually add "on division." By that they mean that the divorce bills are passed without their cooperation or consent.

UNLESS I mistake the temper of the whole House all MPs are reaching the point where there will be a clean-up of the whole dirty business, once and for all.

There are two possible solutions. The better one would be an agreed revision of the British North America Act which would He never labored under the degive to the provinces legislative control over divorce. That would yards by feuding with the newsbe a logical move, as under the BNA Act the provinces already have control of the solemnization of marriage.

The other solution would be to name some federal court, such as the Exchequer Court, to grant divorces for persons residing in those provinces where divorces are only obtainable by special act of parliament.

THE PARLIAMENT of Canada could not, of course, compel any province of Canada to set up divorce courts.

But the parliament of Canada could pass a law saying that di- that the function of impartial sion to take over. vorces could only be granted in journalism is to write the full Won't that be just lovely? Canada in provinces which passed laws to govern such a process.

That would mean, perhaps, would refuse to take any action party could rely was a success ly." to grant divorces; and hence that the people from those provinces which now get them by act press over its presentation of sion comes in. of parliament would have to stay Liberal party failures, he would "Far-off pastures look greenmarried. But at least the change would be for the better.

#### Spain Objects The Nautilus, besides being To Queen's Visit the biggest and most intricate

MADRID (CP)-Spain publicly warned Britain Tuesday of "grave repercussions" to Anglo-Spanish relations which could occur if the Queen visits Gibraltar this spring in her round-the-world British Commonwealth tour.

The same warning was given privately in a conversation between Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Duke De Primo De estimated at 3,000 tons when Rivera, Spain's ambassador in surfaced. Fully submerged she London, the Spanish foreign will displace approximately 3,500 minister said in an official

tons. The atom sub is about 340 statement feet long, with a blunt bow to Spain has long claimed the give her a hoped-for underwater strategic rock fortress at the entrance to the Mediterranean.

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## OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

party's higher brass worked success. Mr. King found from themselves into quite a lather rich experience that reports of over the recent press reports party successes never made unforecasting that Leader George pleasant reading. Drew will face trouble at the PC There was another factor in annual meeting come roxt Mr. King's refusal to feud with March.

slightest provocation has become taking, he also considered it unrecognized around Parliament dignified. Any press that he Hill as one of the best things couldn't win on the strength of that the PC higher brass does, his or his party's performance, It is regarded as one of the ex- he scorned to try and get by

upon which the late W. L. Mac- respect that newspapermen held kenzie King operated during his for him throughout his long long and not-unsuccessful car- years in and out of office. eer as party chieftain was to preserve surface indifference to press reports. If party fortunes ebbed-as they frequently did in the 1920's and early 1930's he occupied himself full time with the job of repairing them. lusion that he could make any papermen who found copy in the Liberal misfortunes.

Present-day students of the Mackenzie King leadership are of the opinion that no phase o it was sounder than this studied press attitude. For one thing, i was based upon Mr. King's common-sense realization that press reports cannot always make pleasant reading for a party leader or even for the party rank-and-file. A one-time newspaperman himself, the Liberal chieftain recognized that a party's misfortunes are news, just as much as its successes and

take the more effective course er." But are they? of devoting all his efforts to-

The Progressive Conservative wards replacing failure with

the press: in addition to regard-Getting into a lather at the ing it as an unprofitable underplanations for its failure to do other tactics, either of appeal. anything else conspicuously well. bluster or attempted pressure. One of the basic principles His whole policy paid off in the

#### LETTERBOX

The Editor, The Daily News -

It was interesting to note a comparison of power rates, in a recent edition of The Daily I daresay the people of Prince

Rupert have done more complaining in the past than any other city in B.C. and yet we find that we have been getting the lowest domestic rates by far I am no expert, but can see nothing wrong with the service And we were given a detailed report on what our NBC Power Company was willing to do if

them out in a plebiscite ask for the B.C. Power Commis-

Yes, we will own our own utility More important, Mr. King knew but at the same time go on that the only sure-fire favorable paying these high rates asked that Quebec and Newfoundland publicity upon which a political by the Commission "indefinite-

story. So instead of dividing his I say the laugh is on the peoenergies in quarreling with the ple, if and when the Commis-

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The labor department's National Employment Service at Dec 10 had 338,066 looking for work, though an unknown percentage of these were not actually out of jobs.

However, on the same basis, the previous post-war high was 312,000 in the late winter of 1950 before the Korean war stimulated employment.

NES figures showed a jump of 10,873 from a year earlier, and of 72,023 in the three weeks preceding Dec. 10.

Here are the figures by regions with those for Nov. 19 and for December 1952 respectively in brackets:

Atlantic 44,855 (34,667 and 31,-247); Quebec 107,301 (79,293 and 75,874); Ontario 94,615 (83,983 and 61.163): Prairie 44.529 (32.4 975 and -32,299); Pacific 46,765 (336.925 and 36,610). Total 338, 066 (286.043 and 237,193).

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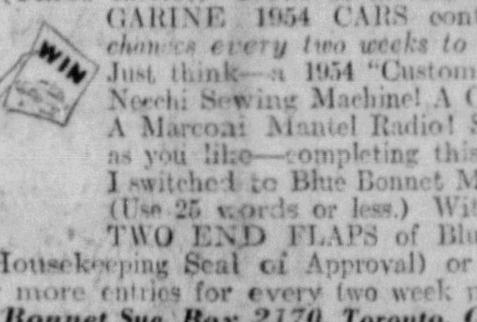
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