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Remarkable Missionary

TWENTY MILES from Belfast is the small town of Downpatrick which has, as its most treasured possession, a weathered slab of granite that is said to cover the burial site of St. Patrick. The unhewn monolith bears no markings except a crude Celtic cross and the single inscription, Patric.

It is an unpretentious monument to a man whose name has, in the passage of 1,500 years, reached such exalted heights. Assuredly no other Christian missionary in history has so captured the imagination and pride of his converts.

But then, of course, few missionaries have worked among such an imaginative and proud people. Whether he be from the north or south, the Irishman is first of all the champion of a cause. With the same fierce energy that he battles over his differences at home, he goes out in the world and finds new wrongs that demand his eloquent opinion. If he had nothing but arguments, the world might resist him. But he also has abundant humor, and the world has relented, mollified and amused.

His race has other gifts, too. In literature, the Irish imagination has soared to a creative level which has given the world some of its greatest writing in drama, verse and prose. The Atlantic rains which sweep Ireland have produced rich growth from its soil, but the nourishing effect on the minds of the inhabitants seems to be even greater.

Perhaps St. Patrick did not live long enough to realize it, but his converts have made the world a much more stimulating place in which to live.

In Memory

IN EXTENDING our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family of Mrs. George Hills, we trust that all of her many friends will remember her last wish. She asked that, in place of sending flowers, they make donations to the B.C. Cancer Institute.

It was a generous and deeply meant expression from one who had suffered so long from the affliction which the Institute seeks to defeat. To do as she asked will be a rewarding and kind tribute to her memory.

Donations to the Institute, which may be made through either of the Kaien Consumers Co-Op stores, will mean that even in death Mrs. Hills was able to make this life a happier one for others.

Lumbermen's Unit Says "Benefits" Sought by IWA Same as Wage Boost

VANCOUVER (CP) — John M. Billings, manager, Forest Industrial Relations, yesterday called the "fringe benefit" proposals of the IWA "simply wage increases disguised in another form."

"Even at first glance it is obvious that the demands would be extremely difficult for anyone to forecast as to cost and could be very much more than 7½ cents an hour," said Mr. Billings.

The woodworkers' program was drafted at a week-end meeting here attended by about 100 delegates representing some 32,000 coast workers.

The proposals, to form the basis of IWA negotiations when contract talks get underway in mid-April call for:

Full union shop; payment of wages for nine instead of three statutory holidays; employer-paid medical services throughout the industry; payment of fares from point of hiring to point of employment; retention of seniority rights during any layoff period; time-and-a-half pay on Sundays for watchmen, boatmen and plant guards; provision to allow the union to ne-

gotiate for workers paid on piece-work rates, and a joint labor-management job analysis program to survey rates paid for comparable classifications in all operations.

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

Soul Murder Science

IN THE Korean war the Communist world propaganda machine launched its campaign to try to convince the world that the Americans had carried out germ warfare, behind the battle lines.

The campaign was given some plausibility by the signed "confessions" of certain captured U.S. airmen. One of those airmen who "confessed" is now undergoing court-martial in the United States.

In the course of that court-martial we are getting the full, horrible truth about the methods used by the Communists to get "confessions." It is a far cry from the old, crude methods of torture which kings and leaders of various religions used a few hundred years ago to try to impose their will upon the enemy, or their prisoners.

THE NEW technique of "brain washing" is based on something far more refined and diabolical than physical torture. The chief weapons are never ending pressure, such as the denial to the victim of any chance to rest, mentally, or to sleep.

Some human beings are strong enough to hold out against the whole scientific technique of what could accurately be called "soul murder" for that is what it is—the deliberate disintegration of a human personality. But others cannot.

I read the evidence of how one U.S. victim was "broken" to the point where he would literally do anything, say anything, and write anything just to get respite from the hell on earth in which he had been placed.

The most cunning weapon in the hands of the "brain-washers" was to deprive the victim not only of rest and sleep but of sanitary facilities of all kinds, absolutely.

The complete, prolonged denial of toilet facilities will break the will of certain types of human beings more effectively than, say, the threat of being burned alive at the stake, like Joan of Arc, or the victims of the Inquisition.

General Dean says that he would never again permit himself to fall as a prisoner into the hands of the enemy, but would carry along a poison pill, to be used in case of capture. Without commenting on the ethics of that statement at this time, it should certainly help to awaken people everywhere to the nature of police-state war techniques.

IT IS worth remembering that only a minority of the captu-

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OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeod

The first member of the new Russian trade mission has arrived at the Soviet Embassy. He is just a routine staff worker whose function is to sort out the sales offers from Canadian industry with which the Embassy has been flooded ever since the trade announcement of some weeks ago.

The actual head of the new trade staff isn't expected to arrive until early in April. Even with the preparatory work now being carried out in advance of his coming, it will be at least a matter of some weeks after he gets here before any firm orders are placed. Samples will have to be inspected carefully. Prices will have to be compared. Moscow will have to be consulted in some cases before an order can be finalized.

It all adds up to a probable delay of at least six weeks before any Soviet orders start to go out to Canadian industry. Canadian workers are unlikely to be engaged on goods for Russian consumption much before the middle of May at the earliest.

Once the Soviet trade gets under way, the present indications are that it will be both substantial and important. An Embassy official assured this correspondent that the Russians are prepared to buy from Canada in substantial volume. In advance of the detailed negotiations, he gave the following general list of commodities which Moscow is prepared to buy "definitely" if satisfactory trade terms can be arranged:

Textiles, farm machinery, meat, fish, wheat (limited quantities) cargo ships.
An interesting feature in connection with this list is that all

items upon it with the exception of meat consist of items in respect to which Canada faces a major sales problem at the present moment. Substantial Russian orders under any of these headings — textiles and farm machinery especially — could help to solve some of the most difficult of the existing unemployment "soft" spots.

The key to the possibilities which the situation offers is believed generally to lie in the level of prices which the Russians will be prepared to pay for Canadian goods. It is hoped, specifically, that Moscow won't be as "tough" in dictating price terms to Canadian manufacturers as the Ottawa government is. Just last week an Ottawa Valley textile mill shut down and cancelled an \$85,000 Defence Department order which it had on its books. Its statement was that it would lose less money by closing its doors than by completing the order on the price terms which the government had laid down. Canadian manufacturers are hoping that the Russians won't be that hard to deal with.

Coast Guard Saves Fisherman

VANCOUVER (CP) — Dale Kramer, a United States fisherman, was rescued from his small boat west of Prince Rupert yesterday and taken to hospital in Ketchikan, Alaska with serious facial lacerations.

Kramer, skipper of the fishboat "Seamill", was struck by flying glass when heavy seas shattered the pilothouse of his small craft.

The U.S. Coast Guard tug Citrus took Kramer aboard and took his fishboat in tow near Lewis Island.

Ray Reflects and Reminisces

Still, there is this to remember: the boy who saves old magazines may grow up to be a doctor or a dentist.

A father asked his son what he was thinking of as he approached manhood. The boy replied, "Womanhood!"

Quite a lot of people, both east and west, continue to be composing music. The number, while considerable, is nevertheless not half as many as go in for decomposing it.

NOTHING TO SPARE

As in most other years, the first week or more of March was enough. No one could be found who felt disposed to differ.

A despatch from Arabia received in Canada this week said there had been recent shelling in the Sea of Galilee. That's one story that won't be found in the Bible.

Down through the ages there has been no limit to the ingenuity—and the agony—of women to make themselves beguiling enough to perpetuate the myth that man does the pursuing, the

wooing and the winning.—Eleanor Davidson.

If all the self-styled economists in the world were laid end to end, they would probably never reach a conclusion.

WORLD VALUE

If retirement means withdrawal from activity, resting, putting, achieving nothing satisfying and productive, there is danger in it—and death. A man who has amassed many years of experience has a mature wisdom that can be, and should be, of value to the world.—J. C. Penney in "Life Today."

LONG FAREWELL

The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh are sailing from Western Australia with a few less formalities. Any more handshaking will be barred. So will the presence of children. No one will, personally, be allowed any nearer than six feet. There's a



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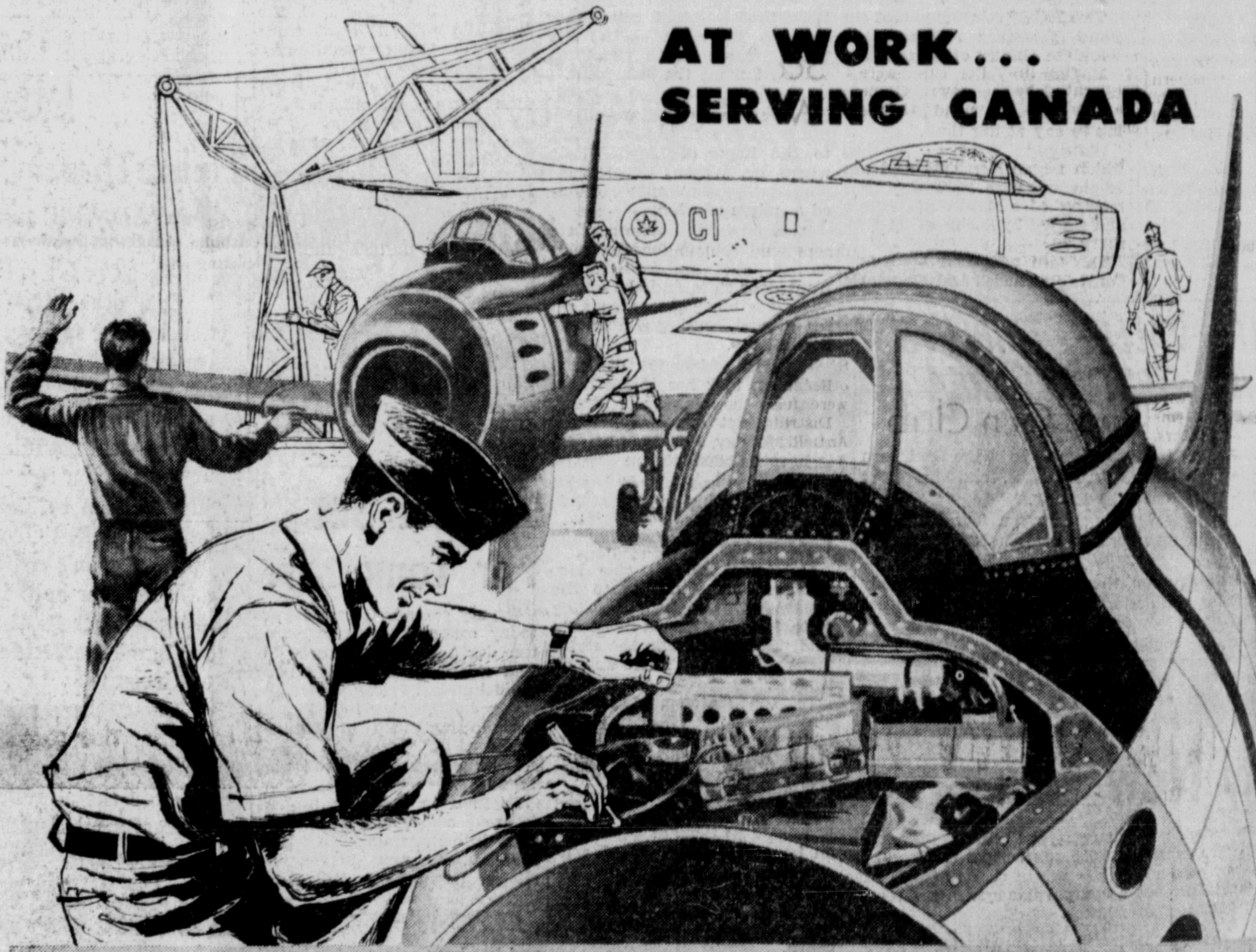
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AT WORK... SERVING CANADA



"Among other things the Air Force made this possible for me."

At 18, Ken Banfield had worked in a grocery and a hardware store, and taken a short electrical course in house wiring. But nothing was happening.

"When I joined the RCAF in 1949, I learned the 'in's' and 'out's' of electrical aviation instruments, motors, aircraft wiring, batteries, link trainers..." says Ken.

When I joined a squadron and carried out my first major inspection on a plane, I got a real feeling of satisfaction, not only at the knowledge I had gained, but at being able to serve my country.

In the past couple of years I've visited many places of interest but was particularly fortunate in being selected as electrical crewman on special trips to Texas, England and Brazil.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Here is the truth about the new Hospital Insurance policy. Know the facts!

The new policy will mean that people in the low and medium income brackets will get full coverage without worrying about premium payments.

Premiums are abolished! The 2% is not new taxation, but replaces the high premiums which will be abolished. Financial experts estimate that a family of four earning \$260.00 per month will actually pay less than \$15.00 per year under the increased sales tax, a distinct saving of over \$24.00 per year.

THIS MEANS THAT THE GREAT MAJORITY OF PEOPLE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA WILL PAY LESS.

Remember, the same wide British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service benefits remain—and you CAN still claim your receipted hospital bill for income tax purposes.

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