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Governor General's Visit

TODAY we welcome the Governor-General to Prince Rupert for the second time in four years. It is a pleasure for us and does credit to Mr. Massey that he is able to take time off from his other duties to visit this far northwest corner of the country.

We believe we have something up here worthy of his interest. Here is growth and here, too, is potential growth to an extent that defies the imagination.

In his visit to the Queen Charlotte Islands the Governor-General will have seen a section of B.C. about which far too little is known, but which has possibilities in mining and agriculture that one day are sure to be developed to the benefit of the whole area. Indeed there is reason to believe that the Queen Charlottes, with their long seasons free of frost, eventually will become the bread basket of the north country.

From time to time visitors from the east express surprise that there is anything out here but wilderness. There is, of course, plenty of that. But the impression seems to exist that our way of life must accordingly be primitive.

We trust that Mr. Massey will do his part to dissipate this view. Ignorance of what we have and we expect to have will handicap the growth of northwest B.C. and discourage others from sharing in it.

We are honored and delighted to have the Governor-General with us and hope that he will feel well rewarded for his interest in coming here.

Senate Under Thumb

THE Canadian Senate with its partisan appointments, came out so poorly in the pipeline affair that there has been revived a strong demand for its abolition altogether. The four or five old men who compose the Opposition in the upper chamber argued with some vigor, considering their years, and with no effect. The dear old Senate had revised its rules a day earlier. The reason, it was said with delightful hypocrisy, was not to resist debate but to get the measure through as quickly as might be.

While the revision of the rules did not say that the venerable leader of the Opposition in the Senate would be restricted in his speech, it was a fact that a man who was called to the bar of Manitoba over 52 years ago would not likely have the stamina to carry the debate to any great length. The Senate voted on strictly party lines and on this occasion there was not even the usual brave talk followed by the "right" vote.

Senators will declare that the upper house performs a useful and highly necessary function in improving and revising legislation that comes to it from the other place, but it is a matter of record that the majority in the Senate have never materially altered a bill contrary to the wishes of the cabinet of the same party in the House of Commons.

The Senate is always complaining that its function and its work is not understood in the country but in this instance it demonstrated that it is just as much under the thumb of the government today as is any member of the Commons who expects to retire with a judgship.

—The Printed Word.

Scriptures

A man should rejoice in his own works, Ecclesiastes 3:22.

There is a dignity in efficient honest labor. Paul labored with his own hands and was not ashamed. A good workman has no cause for feeling inferior to any on.

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Don't Let Mishap Spoil Holiday

Still got your vacation to look forward to? Then don't let an unpleasant experience spoil it.

The National Safety Council says you can have a carefree vacation if you will remember these tips:

BEFORE YOU LEAVE

1. Stop milk, newspaper and other deliveries. Ask a neighbor to keep advertising circulars off your porch.
2. Don't lower window shades. Arrange to have your lawn mowed. Prowlers watch for such tip-offs.
3. Notify post office to hold mail, or arrange delivery to a neighbor.
4. Lock windows and doors. Remember basement windows and coal chute.
5. Shut off water at main valves. Shut off electricity at master switch unless refrigerator or food freezer is to be left on. If current must be left on, disconnect lamps and appliances at wall outlets. If refrigerator is disconnected, leave door open to prevent mold.
6. Inform police how long house will be vacant and where you can be reached in an emergency.
7. Service car thoroughly with close attention to safety features such as lights, brakes, tires, steering, windshield wipers.
8. Put a first aid kit and flashlight in the car. An inexpensive package of fuses may be a life-saver if you have trouble along the road.

ON THE WAY

1. Speed kills—take it easy. Start a little earlier and don't try to cover too great a distance in a day.
2. Long drives at constant speed make you drowsy. Vary your speed and stop occasionally to stretch your legs.
3. Be sure you understand driving techniques in different localities, such as in the mountains or on superhighways.
4. Don't be impatient to make time. It's unsafe, and it's not restful driving. Watch your passing.
5. Signs and signals are not uniform in all states. Read them carefully when in strange territory.
6. Scenery can be taken in small doses from a moving car, but if you want to drink deeply of nature's beauty, pull off the road and stop.
7. If you leave children alone in the back sheat, be sure the doors are locked.

AFTER YOU ARRIVE

1. R-e-l-a-x! Don't try to crowd a year's exercise into two weeks.
2. Take the sun in easy doses. Don't nap in the sun. Wear sunglasses.
3. Stay out of the water for at least an hour after eating, and swim in sight of others. Be sure water is deep enough and free of obstructions before diving. Don't try to swim too far.
4. Distribute the load evenly in boats. Don't stand up. If you fall out and the boat stays on an even keel, climb in over the stern. Most boats won't sink, so stay with it until help comes if it capsizes. Check the weather before going far on a large lake.
5. Don't sample berries, touch unfamiliar plants, or drink impure water.
6. Be sure of your footing when climbing.
7. Stay away from high ground and single trees in a lightning storm.

Youth Given Death Sentence

NICOSIA (Reuters)— An 18-year-old Greek-Cypriot was sentenced to death today under emergency regulations for throwing a bomb at a British military police barracks in Famagusta.

It was the first time the death sentence was handed out by the courts for bomb throwing since anti-British terrorism started last year in the Mediterranean colony. The defendant, Chrysostomos Pannyi, pleaded not guilty.

He was the ninth Greek-Cypriot to be sentenced to death since the emergency started 14 months ago. Two Cypriots have already been hanged.

TRICKY BUSINESS—Magic comes to Miami Beach as Gogia Pasha of India performs his famous sword stunt for the first time in the U.S. There are no wires, mirrors or trick photography involved as he suspends a girl on the point of a sword. The girl, Marva Ganzel, was first hypnotized, balanced on two swords, and then left in mid-air when one sword was taken away. The trick is not recommended for amateurs. Gogia Pasha was on hand for the 28th annual convention of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Lumberman Say Hemlock Good as Fir

VANCOUVER (?)—Lumbermen are concerned about a widespread prejudice against hemlock which they regard as largely groundless and as a threat to British Columbia's forest industry.

"People simply prefer fir lumber," said a spokesman for the B.C. Lumber Manufacturers' Association. "It is true hemlock is not as good an all-round wood as fir . . . you have to be a little more careful in using it, but in many categories it is a match for fir.

"In coast logging we are now cutting at the north end of the Douglas fir region, and we're into the middle of the hemlock region.

"Hemlock made up 24.8 per cent of the cut in 1947; 29.1 per cent in 1955. Fir constituted 58.3 per cent of the cut in 1947 and 49 per cent last year.

"By 1959 or 1960 the industry will be cutting as much hemlock as fir on the coast."

The logical conclusion is that unless the hemlock prejudice is overcome, fewer markets and sales for the B.C. industry may result.

Lumbermen say many people are simply throwing money down the drain by insisting on fir house construction when hemlock which would do just as well costs less.

In two recent comparisons hemlock cost $45 a thousand feet less than fir.

Hemlock is prolific in seed, grows faster and doesn't require sun to germinate as Douglas fir does.

British Papers Express Concern On NATO Future

LONDON (Reuters) — Apprehension about the safety of the structure of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was expressed by two British newspapers today.

The News Chronicle, after saying there is a rush of reports that arms expenditure is to be cut in the United States and Britain, comments:

"The section of opinion that believes that America should rely on her own giant strength is not one we want to encourage. For if it held sway the North Atlantic treaty would fall to pieces and the strength that has checked Communist aggression and preserved peace in Europe would disappear."

The Daily Mail gives a similar warning. "There is talk of reducing or economizing on NATO or even of withdrawing altogether.

"Those who suggest it would cheerfully knock down the system which alone saved the West from communism, and perhaps still does so."

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Private Hospital Insurance Up 48 Per Cent Since 1950

Special to The Daily News

TORONTO— The number of Canadians protecting themselves through private hospital insurance has increased 48 per cent in the past five years.

According to a report issued today over the names of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers association and the All Canada Insurance federation, 6,600,000 Canadians were covered by voluntary hospital insurance by the end of 1955.

In addition, 5,750,000 persons had insured themselves against the cost of operations by the end of the year. A further 4,600,000 had insurance covering doctors' bills.

According to the report, less than 500,000 Canadians were covered by hospital insurance in 1940.

The report stated that in provinces where no governments have engaged in these forms of insurance, one out of every two persons is now covered by private insurance agencies.

Private insurance coverage in these provinces comes from three sources: insurance companies, Blue Cross and medical care plans sponsored by doctors.

Tax - financed government hospital insurance plans in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Newfoundland were estimated to cover 3,000,000 Canadians—mostly on a compulsory basis.

Private health insurance services have increased at a rapid rate during the past five years, the report said. Hospital insurance is up 48 per cent over 1950; surgical expense insurance, 119 per cent; medical care insurance, 712 per cent.

The report urged careful consideration by governments of this existing insurance coverage.

"Government hospital insurance plans are currently under discussion and yet it is in this field that private insurance has made the greatest stride.

"Remarkable progress has been made to date, yet it is undoubtedly only a part of the story that will unfold in the years to come if governments do not pre-empt the health insurance field."

The report pointed out that Ontario led all provinces in the expansion of hospital insurance. In all, 70 per cent of the province's residents are covered.

Lieutenant-Governor Heads Guest List for Convention

VANCOUVER—Guests of honor at the B.C. School Trustees' association convention at Cranbrook September 17 to 19 will be headed by the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. Frank Ross, and Mrs. Ross.

Education Minister R. G. Williston and his deputy, Dr. H. L. Campbell, have accepted invitations to attend and are expected to take an active part in convention discussions on education in British Columbia.

Mr. Williston is among guest speakers and will represent Premier Bennett.

Also among guest speakers will be Dr. N. A. M. MacKenzie, president of the University of B.C., and Neville Scarfe, dean of the newly established UBC College of Education.

Mayor Clifford Swan, Kimberley, will represent the Union of B.C. Municipalities; and A. V. Parminter, Vancouver, the federal Indian Affairs department. B.C. Parent-Teacher Federation representative is to be named later.

Frank Venables, Oliver, will represent the Canadian School Trustees' association, of which he is currently president; and A. W. Nelson, Clyde, Alberta, the Alberta School Trustees' association.

It is expected also that delegates will attend from the Saskatchewan and Manitoba associations; and from similar groups in Washington, Idaho and Montana.

B.C. Teachers' Federation will be represented by a group including Ian D. Boyd, president; C. D. Ovans, general secretary; J. Allan Sprague and Stanley Evans, all of Vancouver.

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Israel Asks Yugoslav Aid In Unravelling Troubles

JERUSALEM (AP)—An informed source said today Israel has asked Yugoslavia to help unravel her troubles with her Arab neighbors.

Presumably Israel hoped Yugoslav President Tito would encourage the Arab states to enter peace negotiations. Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser, one of the most influential Arab leaders, currently is visiting Yugoslavia.

The Israeli source made it clear his government has not asked Tito to mediate the Arab-Israel dispute. Instead, he indicated, the request was for help in arranging direct face-to-face talks with the Arabs.

Nasser, Tito and India's Prime Minister Nehru—leading advocates of neutrality in the East-West conflict—will meet Thursday on Brioni Island in the Adriatic.

Walter Eytan, director-general of the Israel foreign ministry, said Sunday night that "until the Arabs agree to direct peace talks, Israel must hold out. If the situation does not deteriorate, we shall be able to hold out many years."

Israel reported new shooting on both the Egyptian and Jordan borders.

A military spokesman said Egyptian positions in the Gaza strip fired three times Sunday on Israel outposts near Kissifuin. He said there were no casualties and the fire was not returned.

In the Kastel area west of Jerusalem, the spokesman said, a man moving a heap of stones was injured by the explosion of a grenade hidden beneath the stones.

The Israeli-Jordan armistice commission censured Jordan for an ambush south of the Dead Sea in which two Israeli phosphate workers were killed July 9. The Jordan delegation walked out.

In Amman, Jordan, a government official quoted Col. Salah Mustafa, Egyptian military attache, as charging that Israeli agents mailed a parcel post bomb that almost killed him Saturday. There was no immediate comment from Israel.

The bomb exploded when Mustafa was opening the package at the door of the Egyptian Embassy. Jordan officials said it was mailed from Jersulam, which is divided between Israel and Jordan. Mustafa's left arm was severed, he lost part of his right hand and suffered internal injuries.

Refugees Firm On Staying In Germany

INGOLSTADT, Germany (Reuters)— Hungarian officials attempted unsuccessfully today to persuade a group of Hungarians who took over an airliner Friday and flew it here that they should return to their Communist homeland.

The seven refugees from communism, in hospital here recovering from injuries suffered in the fight aboard the plane, refused to see the Communist officials. They have asked for political asylum.

Janos Gati, head of the Hungarian mission at Frankfurt, and two other mission officials, travelled here in an attempt to talk to them. But West German authorities told them no interviews would be permitted without the refugees' consent.

Five other patients repeated their desire to go home. Two others have sought asylum and another two are reported to be undecided.

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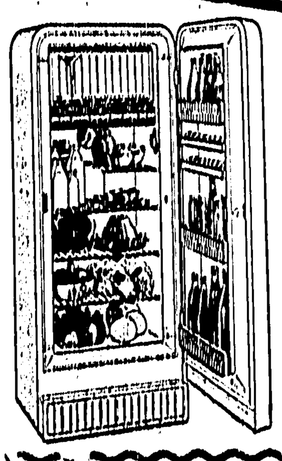
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