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Welcome Visitors

A VISIT of particular interest to Prince Rupert is that of the Vancouver Board of Trade members who arrive here tomorrow on their annual goodwill Lour.

Frequently the way in which "goodwill" is used good government in any suggests that it is being sought rather than given. democracy — a govern-In this case, however, we know that the visitors come ment with a big enough? with a wish to have the relationship operate both majority to operate in conways. On these trips they have successfully estab- fidence and an opposition lished that their purpose is not to "sell" Vancouver strong and uninhibited but to make better friends throughout the province so that opportunities of mutual interest can be explored and developed to the benefit of B.C. as a whole. They are here to learn and, in helping them to do so, we welcome the chance to learn from them in return.

They will note that in the three years which have passed since they travelled up the northern coast many major changes have taken place. In particular they will see how the Alcan project has mushroomed from blueprints, rock and mud into a selfcontained empire of industry and modern living. Much work is yet to be done but enough has been accomplished to convince even the most doubtful that all of it can be.

Here in Prince Rupert we are fairly well acquainted with the progress of this undertaking despite poor communications in the past — several local merchants have, in fact, opened businesses in Kitimat — and are proud that it is happening in a region where this city has long been a sort of unofficial capital. But there is no intention here of basking, and perhaps dying, in reflected glory. Regardless of such notable reverses as loss of the drydock, Prince Rupert is reaching a higher level of prestige and prosperity in its own right. It looks to a new neighbor like Kitimat, and those communities that are likely to develop farther north, as a help, not as competition.

Until now the north country has suffered badly from lack of population. This has been reflected in poor communications, high living costs and an ignorance or indifference among outsiders of what the country has to offer. These are handicaps we expect to see eliminated as the wilderness gives way to living space.

The visitors from Vancouver have chosen their time well because all this is happening right now. We hope they will return with a clearer understanding and the trucking business. But of it and with friendships formed that both sides will the 1951 I myself asked some of keep with pleasure.

FIFTH OF WORLD'S HALIBUT LANDED AT PRINCE RUPERT

Last year, halibut landings totalling 18,153,499 pounds, representing nearly one-fifth of the total world catch, were made in Prince Rupert in the period from May 15 to September. 15, according to International Pacific Halibut Commission. Total Canadian and United States catches of halibut on

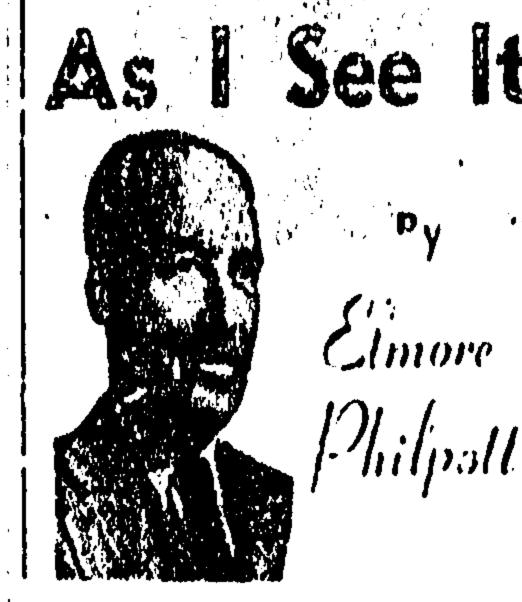
the Pacific Coast in the 1954 season was placed at 70,000,000 pounds, estimated to be 75 per cent of the world's catch, with a value of \$14,000,000.



POWER TO MOVE - Mrs. Harbara Pollard shows how to operate n motorized wheelchair that was invented by Ed Tilden Atkins in Chicago. A stick held in the mouth actuates controls to allow paralytic patients to move about in their wheelchairs. Built from discarded airplane and jet parts, the chair can carry a poitable respirator as shown. The respirator is the same type donated to Prince Rupert General Hospital by the B.C. Kinsmen pollo fund, for emergency treatment of pollo patients,



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THE election in Britain has given that country two things needed for enough to do its job.

From 1951 till 1955 the Concervative government had stagger along with a margin o less than 20. So small a majority simply makes good government impossible.

MPs on the government side are afraid even to go home for l a day to attend to their own constituency affairs, for fear of snap votes in their absence.

The new Conservative major- 12 ity of about 60 is just about right.

BUT I expect Britain to get better debates, and hence better povernment, from now on for quite a different reason. It is absolutely inevitable that

the British Labor party will now move sharply to the left, if only to take a visibly different position from the Conservatives That surely indicates an increase in influence within the Labor! party of Aneurin Bevan.

For the last four years there had been so little difference in la little difference in la little the policies of the Conservative! and Labor parties that the people of Britain could see very little difference between them. On the home front, the Conser vatives had accepted the reality that the welfare state was one of the facts of life that had come to stay. Far from trying to abolish | to stay. it, they actually tidled it up smoothed off some rough edges. and in fact made it work better. For instance, they built 300,000 houses per year though the Labor leaders had loudly declared that 200,000 was the best any government could do.

True, the Conservatives "deingtionalized" the steel industry the workers in the vast British steel plants how they felt about nationalization. They told me that they did not see any difference, either before or after nationalization.

ON THE world front, the Con- in Vancouver servatives did some "progressive" things which Labor would 29th Gas Victim have been scared stiff to do, had it been in office. For instance Canal base hundreds of ex-col- treatment Sunday after being onel Tory speakers would have made the heavens ring with indignant speeches about "betrayal of the empire" and so forth.

ATTLEE, in fact, offered nothing very different, either at home or abroad than Eden was already;

But both at home and abroad Revan stands for the kind of all fire the proping that WOULD give the proping something sides knows this is true.

It may well be that had Bevan and not Attlee been the Labor leader the Conservatives would have won this time by more than they did. But I think everyone in agrees that the people would not | (have yawned, or slept through the election campaign. Nor | would the large percentage of] normal Labor supporters stayed 🚱 home on election day. Bevan could have walted for the pendalum to swing.

The real criticism of Mr. Attlee is that his type of leadership [tends to stop the clock.

ROYAL NAME

Lake Louize in the Rockies was named after Princess Louise, wife of the Murquis of Lorne, governor-general 1878-1883.

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been charged with manslaughter in the Toronto shooting: death of Natale Brigante, who died holding a knife in his i Welland, Ont., whon he sought. treatment for a knife wound:

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VICTORIA REPORT

there, however, can't really give The strength of the C.C.F. in present push expends its momuch cause for Liberal optimism this province is extremely diffi- mentum. Government experts in British Columbia. The peliti- cuit to guage just now. There's aren't agreed as to when it may cal situations in the two prov- no reason to believe it's dwind- be expected. But the earliest inces are entirely different, ling, though some of its politi- forecast is late this Autumn, i Prince Edward Island is politi- cal enemies say it is. Though And the more widely held precally much more cautiou; than its progress in B.C. since it was diction is that the levelling-off B.C. This province, as we have born 22 years ago has been phase won't be reached until seen, will try anything once, and slow, it has been steady; the mid-1956. once liking it will try again. C.C.F. has lost ground now and British Columbia has always then, but always has come back. The main strength in the presbeen more politically adventur- The CCF organization, how-lent situation, in the mature ous than most province, of ever, doesn't appear, on the sur-judgment of senior Parliament Canada, with the exception of face anyway, as strong as once Hill economists, is psychological, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. It was — the rank-and-file The public generally is in a con-

... ope put the other in, and seem to be as many CCF meet-the spirit of expansion and dethen that one out, and the out ings as there were a few years one in; we haven't had that ago. The party appears to be folsort of situation in B.C. for lowing the path of the old parnearly 20 years.

in Prince Edward Island, unless with chances of political disaster) Social Credit gets going there, when polling day comes. The C.C.F. has become so dis- For a time, a year or so ago,

ments are usually re-elected in a great spurt of enthusiasm. like the work. Others want it Ontarlo next month; you're safe There's hardly a night goes ed the act will be an example of Premier Manning's S.C. ers in there's not a Liberal gathering Boys of censorship. (CP Photo) Alberta next month, If there was of some kind, somewhere in the dissatisfaction with the govern- Conservatives.

British forces out of the Suc failed to respond to inhalator some, when people are buying ing at the grass-roots level.

If you place bets on a return by, in Vancouver, anyway, when an election in B.C. tomorrow, the city. The same is true of Social) Bennett government would go Credit. The CCF has become back with a whopping majority, conspicuous by its lack of meetbecause there's no mass public ings, and that is true, too, of the Reg. to \$5.50 NOW 9.95 pri

a government is usually re-, Inevitably there will be anoth.

In the Maritime Provinces it's seems to have lost some of their fident mood. Mr. and Mrs. Jack still Liberals and Conservatives crusading zeal. There doesn't Canuck have been infected by ties — to let organization slip! Probably four years from now, between elections. This, of the Conservatives will be elected course, is a pathway well studded

couraged in Prince Edward it seemed SC'ers were most Island that it didn't contest a active with meetings. But, reading the papers, one sees that the These are times when govern- Liberals have come to life with style.

Though this column feel; sure, When time; are good, when the Liberals won't come back in , ne com B.C. for a long, long time, it wages are reasonably high and must give them a hand for the had a Labor government pulled old pensioner. M. L. Peebles, unemployment not too bother- tremendous drive they're show-

looked upon as significant. In the first place, the substan. held from them tial gains which large business sources are just has been chalking up ever since | consistent with the start of the year are spreading now to small business as business. When

well. With only a few excep- sidence in the tions, the Canadian business freely. They command

Two things have happened to velopment

the Canadian economic scene in over the nation

of government experts in the day but are mar

the past few weeks. In the eyes longer living luck the

story now is one of uniform pros. sclously to established

perity right across the boards. on the new standard In the second place, key econ- which they expect is ortic statistics are beginning to the new prosperitor show spectacular—albeit erralle that's the story of kind -spurts. They shoot briefly up- amongst Canadian Ca wards to new all-time highs. It's a spectacularies Then they drop back almost as movement with plant suddenly. But it is noticeable mentum still in feeting that they don't drop as low as Summer Federal early their previous base. Some of convinced that the

that the nation's economy is in the process of climbing upwards o an all-time new plateau of prosperity. The experts suspect that right at the present mo-il ment national production is out. stripping all previous records. by J. K. Nesbilt They look to the figures for the.

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Pensioner

VANCOUVER (%-A 70-year-) found unconscious in his gasfilled room in the west-end. He was the 29th domestic gas fatal-Ity in Vancouver this year. 💚



PAOLO VIOLI OF Toronto has Violi was arrested at

LUNCHEON

COTTAGE FIRES, DROWNINGS DUE MAINLY TO CARELESSNESS Cottage fires, and drownings, due mainly to carelessness

and inadequate precautions, take hundreds of lives each summer, warms the All Canada Insurance Federation. Officials of the federation, which represents more than 132, 200 stre, autemobile and commity insurance companies maid

trepartial of all drownings eccur during contains more than her contains more than Bont disching to other locations. Insurance experts recommended the following precautions for the holldny season, Adequate tire-fighting equipment should be on hand

> at all times. Ploors directly under heaters and stoves should be reinforced by sheets of galvanized from concrete or brickwork. O Chimneys should be equipped with spark screen and reflectors.

Pipes parsing through partitions should be fitted with metal guards or collars. Thrass, brush and small trees near the cottage should

be trimmed frequently. Never leave bil lanterns on floors or tables; shut off lamps when leaving cottage.

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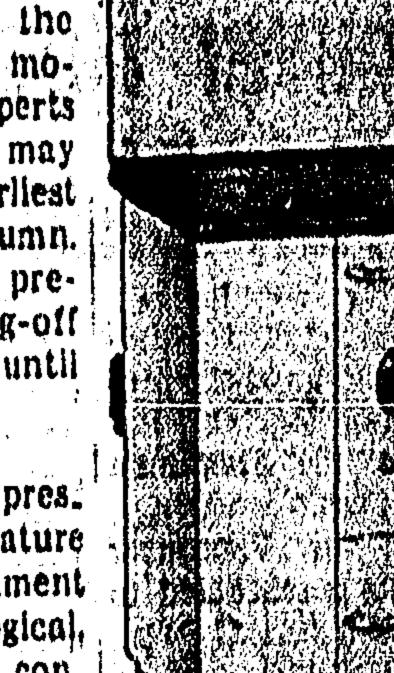
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