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\$22,000,000 Idle Boast

- DREMIER Bennett's recent statement in Squamish that he is sitting on a provincial treasury nest-egg Loof \$22,000,000 in straight east is a peculiar kind of boast. Communities like Prince Rupert which have back home thanking the York and back to London in a the same thing at all. For you market would be willing to pay. found Victoria's assistance somewhat less than gen- good Lord that my child. little more than 14 hours of a can draw on money in the bank erous will not be favorably interessed. If it is not ren and grandchildren speed records were broken to But the Western farmers cannot in Western Canada has the govfeasible to increase municipal grants for fear of were lucky enough to be showing partiality to certain localities then surely I the sum could be used to good purposes in improvements of the northern highway system.

Motorists who are spending large stans to repair the damage done to the cars by Highway 16 will not appreciate the information that there is \$22,090,000 going a-wasting in Victoria. The premier gave no hint about what he plans to do with this cosy fortune.

Evidently his point in revealing its existence was to impress his by-election campaign audience with the fact that the province is in a solid financial position. That is all very well but idle money does not help anyone.

In this instance it may do actual harm since Premier Bennett is shortly to leave for the intergovernmental conference at Ottawa where he will ask for more federal aid. No doubt the minister there will first wish to know what he plans to do with his fat nest-egg.

To judge from the premier's past performances as a canny politician he was not allowing himself to go out on a limb in disclosing the secret. But until he cares to elaborate, his announcement is not likely to win friends and influence voters.

'Leave My Boy Alone"

THE FATHER of an H-year-old boy is thinking of selling out and moving to a neighborhood where the lad can be neglected.

This is a quiet boy, healthy but not interested in athletics; anyway not team athletics. But hearty adults from the neighborhood civic recreation association keep calling up and urging him to "come out" and play hockey, baseball and, lately, football, for the honor of the west side of the community.

The one or two times he has answered this summons to the lists he has been thoroughly miserable. His role is a minor one and his performance reflects. a profound disinterest in the outcome of the affray. He has one or two friends who, he says, feel the same way but make more effort than he does to play up to what they feel is expected of them.

The boy recently sat out six innings of a baseball game in which he was a second string out fielder. Just before he was scheduled to go in he noticed a strange insect crawling on his glove, captured it and went home to study it under his microscope.

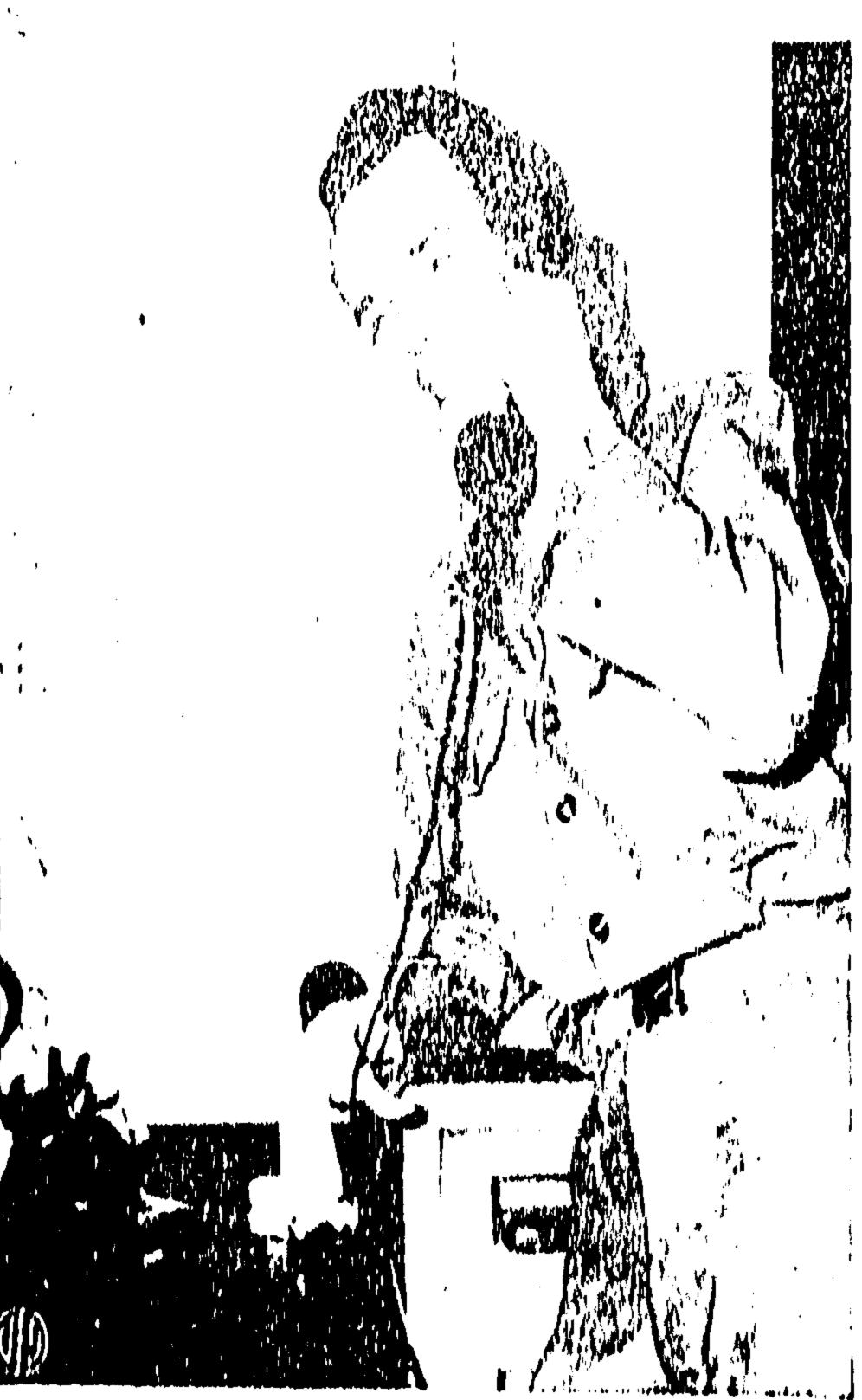
The coach called up the house and wanted to know what would "Dad" think if he learned that his boy had so little team spirit.

The boy brought this problem to his father who said that, out of politeness, he should have checked in with the coach before coming horae but that otherwise he had displayed an amount of social courage which he (the father) envied.

- The father is concerned because he thinks the boy is under social pressure to take part in activities which do not interest him.

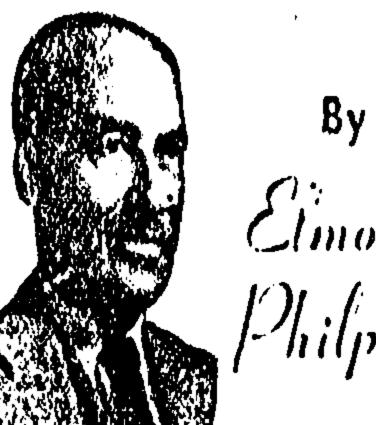
But when this was put to the coach he was indignant. "There is absolutely no pressure on any boy to take part in the games," he said. "If he doesn't want to playewe certainly don't want him on the team. We have enough trouble as it is keeping the here in Canada? " more normal boys interested."

---The Printed Word.



GUESS WHO? Tempers there when this U.S. G.L answers the phone at the 599th Army Postal Unit in Politers, France, "Who's speaking?" the callers ask, and the irritating reply is always, "Quess." The soldier built trying to be funny; that's his name, (**Ha's SP/3 Don J.** Guess of Hickory, N.C.)

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This Lucky Land

-born in Canada. The more I see of other countries, the more I honestly am convinced that this is the ionest country on earth to live ing right now.

Even it our 14-month old

granddaughter, Debble, and her consin, our egat-month old grandson, little Stu, both looked as if they were going to bawl their heads off when they got a good look at their disembarking jet planes. grandaddy's face, I still think they are among the lucklest inlants on all the earth. For this: is a good world into which to be born. And there is no country in all the world where a child is on lucky to be born as right here -in Canada.

IT IS certainly not that I believe that Canadians are the most efficient people on earth, because, quite frankly I do not. We well as some other nations run to have suggested that ten hydro. The St. Laurent Ministers, for don't run our country nearly as their lands. All the Scandan- plants on the Fraser and their part, feel that the whole better national housekeepers cloped to produce 3.5 million gross betrayal of themselves and than we are. That is, they get horsepower. Naturally British . better results with more modest Columbia would like to have this Latural resources than we have power available as industrial The Germans are far more of plants requiring it are built. ticient than we are in many," But there is one stumbling many ways. Even the much cri- block. Fisheries interest in B.C. et our best prairle farms.

And, if poor old Britain-gale lant old Britain-had half the "makings" of prosperity that we have, right here in this vast and goodly land, the British would be swimming in abundance, instead of scraping and scrimping a very modest, wifficiency.

I am not talking just of our governments, out about the way developments but which have J we live. Some of the countries of Europe could live well on what we waste in our kitchens, farms and logging camps here in North America.

BUT THE shorteomings and ills of Canada are just the ragged edges of the picture of a land of

We have to date, hardly scratched the surface of the possibilties of this country. Instead of a population of about fifteen million, this country should be supporting fifty million people. We have all the necessary "maklings" to house, feed, clothe and educate at least 59,000,000 people in this country. It is downright Idiculous to think that we have to ship our wheat and meat and forest products and metals to other countries to find "markets" for our expanding production Granted that we will always have to hip out of Canada enough to pay for the things we canve to import into Canada, the tact remains that the best customers for the products of Canada are the people who live right

IF I WERE a teen-ager again, trying to make up my mind whether to go down to the Un-Hed States, or stick here in Canoda, I would surely stay right.

nere in Canada. True, there are more diversifled, and perhaps immediately petter paying Jobs for youngsters as the U.S.A. than there are in-

Conada. But I certainly do not believe: that will be true over the next coming of years. And besides, the young Canadhan who grows i up with this his own country can-Share in the great adventure of building up the young clear giant of the new north.

BRITAIN STILL SUPREME

rung of the ladder.

EVERY time I go away statement came when the news But now the Western farmers ment is the loser in its gamble to foreign lands I come was announced of the successful are discovering to their acute of holding Canadian grains for a loost by-election in which Social But full support of Mr. Lalie crossing from London to New disappointment that they aren't higher price than a free wheat Credit snatched away the legis- was immediately declared his

> dinner in London, all in the ged full. course of one day! Well that's

POWER OR FISH

possible power establishments in their inability to market them the coast province and is said for a cash return. wian countries, for instance, are Chomeson rivers might be dev- unhappy situation represents a

ticized French peasant tarmer say that it is hard enough now gets a production of wheat, per for the salmon to get from the sere, that is far above the yields ocean to the spawning grounds at the head waters of the Fraser and other rivers emptying into 🖟 💕 🦠 the ocean without putting ten more barriers in their way in the shape of power dams, even if they are equipped with fish ladders. They point to what has happened on the Columbia river which, on the Washington side of the boundary, has been turned into a great series of hydro; made the salmon fishing industry there practically non-exis- Try Daily News Classifieds tant. B.C. fishermen do not want that to happen on the Canadian side on rivers wholly within B.C., and they doubt the sug-i,

> if a great fishing industry is threatened with destruction. Meantime the battle lines are being drawn while the rest of Canada watches. Of course, it is wholly possible that Canada's preat uranium deposits may change the whole electric power picture within the next few t years. Plants powered by atomic fuel from uranium could be built i most anywhore close to the need of for such power whereas hydroplants must be built where the water can be reservoired and dropped through the penstocks

gestion of dams for hydro power

into the turbines. It could well! the that the salmon may have l atomic fuel on their side in the a battle that is shaping up. - Lethbridge Herald.

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You can say all you want about - For a long time now its Cabin - ure either in Western Canada or the immense strides the United et Ministers have been telling in some other major producing but when it comes to sheer class could be described more accur- ply and demand. On the law of held in the spring following the: Mr. Proudfoot called for it Britain is still secure on the top ately as unsold grain surpluses, overages over the years such a legislative session. were exactly the same thing as fallure is over-due. But it has-Latest proof of the above money in the bank.

exactly what the pilot and nav-. In other words, Western grow- that no suggestion is heard any igator of the Camberra bomber ers with huge mountains of un-longer of disaster payments to did, and that is why the aviation seld grain from 1954 and with a the farmers. But the political world again is forced to salute bumper 1955 crop now being har-| relief which that situation brings | Britain as tops in the field par-vested, are finding themselves to the government is a long way? ticularly in the construction of without immediate cash re-lifon compensating it for the sources. The discovery is mak-worries which Mother Nature's -Lethbridge Herald, mg them understandably irate. Havishness is causing it West of since many of them are without the Great Lakes,--a one-time

developing in British Columbia- is threatening to take the form Mountains. the battle between industrial de- of political discontent. On the mand for hydro power and the not unreasonable grounds that \$30,000,000 a year fishing indus- they have done their part in raising their crops successfully, An engineering concern is now they are getting into a mood of making preliminary surveys of blaming the government for

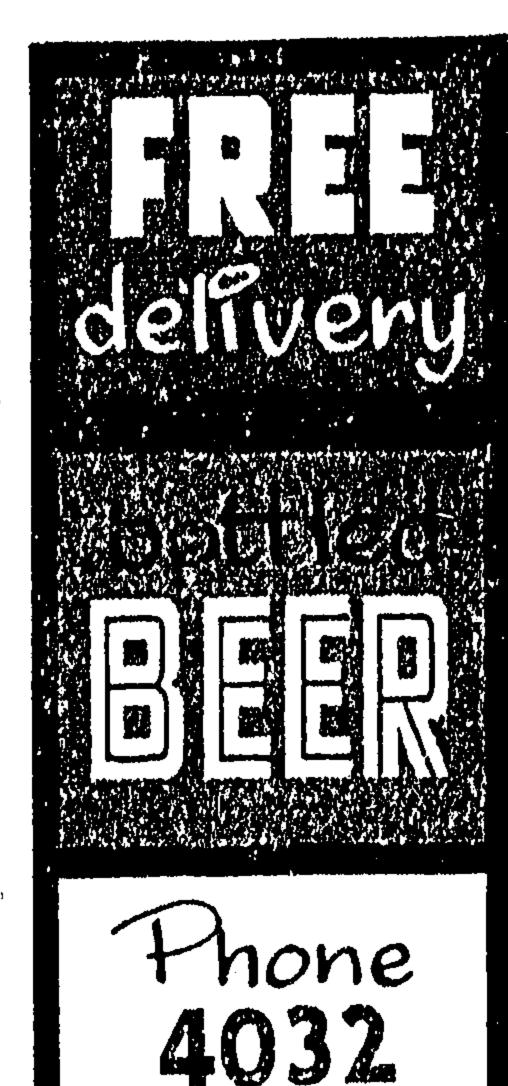
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such an extent that even blase draw on their vast grain surplus-[ernment so politically embarras-American papers are hailing the es for a single nickle, at least sed, has relieved the Federal leat as something worth shout, not until they are delivered into treasury of a threatened demand elevator storage which at the from Eastern Canada. The re-Imagine having breakfast in present moment and apparently covery of Ontario and Western London, lunch in New York, and for some time to come is plug- Quebec agriculture from the pastsummer's record drought has:

been so rapid in recent weeks; the ready funds to even finance Liberal stronghold stretching A battle of the giants may be their harvesting costs. Their ire from Lake Superior to the Rocky



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re-assessment" of party polici The spekesman ascounted the and a discussion of the leader n't come yet and the Govern-possibility of a convention this hip of provincial leader Arthur full in the wake of Monday's Lil- Laing.

lature seat formerly held by Lib- Young Liberal Association Pred dent Douglas Burns of Vancos eral Gordon Gibson. An immediate convention ver.



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