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## Help For Fishermen

WITHE the federal government has expressed an intention to make it easier for fishermen to get financial assistance for improvement of their boats and equipment, it should be pointed out that B.C. fishermen in particular have already benefitted from measures of this sort taken at Ottawa.

The most recent development, apart from the great power. plans touched on in the Speech from the Throne, was the announcement by Fisheries Minister Sinelair that new and more favorable rates would be avallable to fishermen of this province under the Fishermen's Indemnity Fund. The new rates are the result of the government's experience in B.C. since the inception of the vessel insurance plan in 1953. Over a 17-month period, only one total loss claim arose from the 376 vessels covered over all or part of the time. It was therefore decided that the terms of indemnity could be made more attractive.

The government has now authorized an increase of the indemnity in the case of total loss from 60 to 70 per cent of the appraised value. In the case of partial damage the fund will now pay 85 per cent of the repair cost in excess of 15 per cent of the total appraised value of the vessel. The new rates of indemnity apply on all cases of loss or damage occurring after December 16, 1954, regardless of when the fishermen come under the plan.

The increased indemnities just authorized are confined to B.C. Tishermen. In the Atlantic coast provinces, recent hurricanes and other factors have resulted in an experience which does not justify any change in rates at the present time.

The Eishermen's Indemnity Fund was initiated so that fishermen with vessels valued at from \$250 to \$7,500 could secure protection against loss or serious partial damage for an annual premium of one per cent of the appraised value of the vessel. Under the original plan, indemnity in the case of total loss was set at 60 per cent of the appraised value. In the case of partial damage, indemnity was set at 85 per cent of the amount by which the cost of repairs exceeded 30 per cent of the total appraised value of the vessel. No payment was provided for dumage below 30 per cent of the appraised value, 🐬

The fishelies department at Ottawa gets criticized from time to time when it apparently overlooks certain obvious requirements, such as the need for better mooning facilities on the Prince Rupert waterfront. But it would be unfair not to recognize that the record has its, good, features; too. These increased benetitally filler the Fisher example. men's Indemnity Fund are annong them.. It is apped that they will induce a higher percentage of small boat rishermen on the Pacific coast to take advantage of the plan.

## Gabbiest in

COME one has tied a label on Canadians, "The D' gabbiest in the world." Justification for the deseription is drawn from statistics which show that wo averaged 411.3 telephone conversations during 1953, topping all other nations in that department.

We do not believe people in the 10 provinces should accept the description. In making good use of the telephone, Canadians grasp at a medium that helps a small population to integrate healthy economies spread through a vast country. Long distance galls must account for a good share of the 411.3 calls her person, and while tolls brithe calls are reasonable, they do not encourage callers to be gabby. To save money, talkers come to the point quickly, avoid gubhiness. . . - Port William Times-Journal.

#### REFLECTS Ray and REMINISCES

Here's a simple way to identify 'NO SCARCITY | the owner of a car. He's the one's speech from the throne had who, after you pull the door shut, no occasion, even with good reasalways opens it again and slams on, to feel somewhat downcast It, harder,

If you can't make light of your be an abundance of it. troubles, keep them in the dark.

NOT SO SIMPLE

The return of prosperity and brothers. departure of the Nazis in Ger- "Yes," she replied, "I've got break, many has recreated a need for three brothers." the gentleman's gentleman in " that hand. Once again there has been reopened a school for but- "I'm it." lers and maids. It is not simply percontinuation of the qld. The HOUSE IS AVAILABLE tradition is the same but the There's said to be any numportant characteristic for a good modern butler is not to smile or sliow any emotion at the best lake passed at the table,

The children were discussing illeir origin, 🛒 🔅 👸 -

sald one. Whe doctor brought me," said open,

kie second.

"Not me," said the third. came with the stork." fourth. "I'm home-made."

A thier broke into a ahop in total would be ousier to believe. Wilmore, (Eng.) and stole quantity of sonp and bath salts. golaway,

Ottawa is gradically getting down 🖟 📂 to business, and there's going to

I asked the new little girl in the neighborhood It she had any

"How many sisters?"

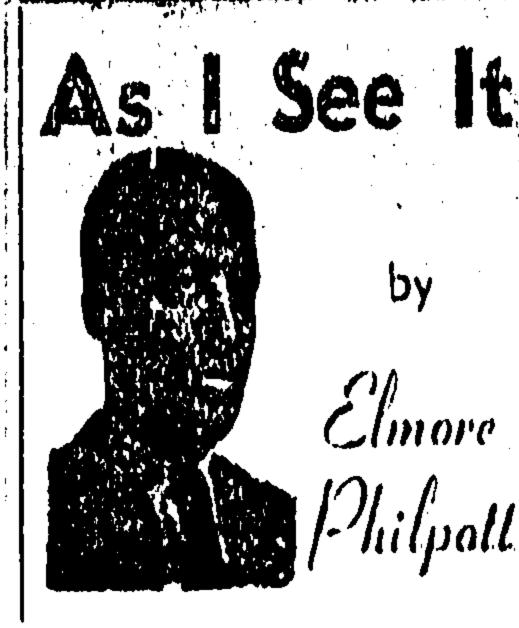
"Just one sister," size said.

ber of unemployed now that its were two of the principals at | deal like this, you spoil it? midwinter. And just what does nearby Malton airport in a cere-

workless dubated over what 0's between Toronto and New should be done and by this time York. maybe some one has hit on new "I came from the hospital," or bright ideas. One can al- L ways inquire, now parliament is [

Dominion Bureau of Statistics "My folks were poor," said the reports, the number of horse- L shoring shops in Canada decilned from 500 to 136, A grouter |

England and America are two He succeeded in acoring a clean countries apparated by the same language.-C. II. Shaw.



China Comes Back

THE main fact of life, in this tough world of nower politics in 1955, is that China is really back. in the world picture as a

It is conceivable that China: will become, before the end of the century, by far the strongest; single nation in the whole world; -stronger far than either the United States or Russia.

FOR about 100 years China was pushed around by just about anybody who wanted to push her around. Granted that the pushing about was originally the fault of the Chinese imperial government of the day, more than it was of the western powers which, later did the pushing about.

The Chinese was the oldest civilization in the world, which had an unbroken history of confinitely superior to that of any ! countries had to grovel on their bellies and literally crawl in to get their audiences with the Chinese emperors of the day. The Wars" were not so much unethieal operations designed to deprave a great nation, for the profit of the British Empire. Right down at bedrock they were applications of force designed to compel China to come into the regular line of world trade and world intercourse.

WHEN it came to a foreible showdown, the old Imperial A ADO 1000 over of China collapsed like a A A DO 1000 C power of China collapsed like a " house of éards. Nation afte nation took a pite out of China. The western powers, however. were never able to conquer China and go to Mexico. Few of them outright, as they had conquered India, Indonesia and Africa.

But China's immediate neighbors, Japan and Russia, did succeed in seizing actual chunks of Chinese territory, Japan's outright annexation of the island of Formosa was the most flagrant WHEN the great Chinese revo-

lutionary, Sun Yat-sen, started; the slow motion Chinese revolution, a few years before the First World War, he stated publicly that it would take forty years to complete. He was right. almost to the day.

By the middle of the 20th cen. tury the Chinese revolution was an accomplished fact.

It so happened that the Chinese revolution was completed by leaders who-while as 100 per cent Communist as Lenin or Stalln, were also Chinese nationalists, first, last and all the time.

HINA had one century of eclipse chiefly because she lacked the west's industrial power, and the west's weapons

China has already learned how to use the west's rifles, machine flying jut bombers and jet fight.

But China will not really begin to show her strength in human! Mairs until she is fully industrialized. The history of the past two or three hundred years' shows that each great nation, which switches over from the old i style handleraft to factory mass production, does so at a faster! tempo than all its predecessors,

### Bottle Too Tough For Christening

TORONTO () --- Mrs. Leslie Frost, wife of Ontario's premier, tried to play her part in an air-! craft christening ceramony Sunday but the bottle refused to have a book containing blile-

Blx times Mrs. Frost smacked the bottle, containing water in the morning, we added an from Lake Ontario, against the other imaginary plank to tile side of the four-engine pc.-o | hull of our non-existent books without results. The bottle was Than my wife wanted to: taken away after she gave up.

Mrs. Frost and the premier "Once you let women in olive mony inaugurating American In the past hundreds of the Althes' non-slop service in DC-



Churchill, French President Rene Coty, and Ru sta's Georgi Malenkov (left to right) sit down together with Premier Bierre Mendes-France looking on. The Big Four "parity" took place at the Grevin Wax Museum in Paris.

## upper classes were brought up to believe that their culture was inother part of the world, Not much more than a century ago the ambassadors of foreign On Toil-System Of Financing Roads

QUEBEC (CF)—Is Quebec go- way financing.

feasible in the province. A bill porations draw their revenue! Mr. Duplessis said he felt the is to be brought down, in the from highway tolls.

By RICHARD DAIGNAULT — I to appoint an expert body to re-system in Quebec was first moot-Canadian Press and Writer port to the government on high- ed a few years ago.

much - misrepresented "Oplum ing to follow the example of some of the most modern men visited Premier a Daplessie | states across the border to fin- highways in the U.S. have been and suggested something had to it ance and build super highways? built by what are called state be done to relieve traffic con-The Quebec government plans throughway authorities, state gestion on the highway between to set up a committee of ex- corporations which float bonds Montreal and the northern Laurperts to find if the toll system is to pay for the roads. These cor-entian resort area.

> government had spent enough: legislature soon seeking, power: The idea of using an equivalent money on that highway and on;

> > By G. E. MORTIMORE

Many men, and some women. plan to quit their jobs one day actually do it, which is a good

If all Canadians who nurse such travel dreams were to leave at once, foreign tourists might find themselves the soic inhabitants of Canada. They could yell for room service hu til they were hoarse, iind shobody would answer -- unless there happened to be a Mexican belihop in the hotel.

None of the people have any idea how they will aupport themselves once they get to Mexico. They feel that as soon as they cross the border everything will be all right, some-

In their mental vignettos they see themselves with a six-day growth of beard leaning on a bar, or dancing in the ' moonlight with a brunette who ' wears a blossom in her hair; but they seldom see themselves applying for a job in a place where nobody speaks

English, or begging a coin on the street and being refused. So It is good for their own sakes, too, that they neverget -In truth, many Canadhins is children and goods. " are contented where they are A. Nover mind those guitters. As

Either they lead lives that are rich with excitement and the promise of reward in their own country, or else they have traveled during the war and learned that many colorful foreigh, places are happy hunting-; grounds for files, snakes and pičkpockets,

Nevertheless, some of us still cherish plans for long, vague Journeys, One day (wer tells ourselves) we will turn our backs on the hundrum world of the farm, office or factory, hook a traller to the car wid roam the continent; or elacked to a seaport, buy a boat and

head for the South Seas. The A friend of mine used to prints for building a ketch; Every time we mot for coline along, "Nothing doing," I said

But she worried me, until Is said she could go ulong, Later 1 married couples for the voy-

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had a bigger passenger list than the Ark. In a way I am glad we never laid its keel. My friend later joined the Royal Canadian Navy and Is at present stationed far inland. The book that contains blusprints for the ketch is gothering dust somewhere in my

My wife and I also had plans for a great trailer journey, gestions, with the trailer journey, gestions, across the continent. As it ROADS COSTLY happened, we owned a trailer. and lived in it for several years asked to consider the feasibility after the war. Unfortunately of setting up in Quebec the we did not own a car. We looked forward to the day way authority with power to when we would get rolling.

ittiwas the same with the traffer as it had been with the boat. We kept inviting other people to come along on our odyssey, until it would have taken a long train of trailers to carry them all, 🦠

Needless to say, we never could afford the journey. Today we own a car, but we no longer own the trailer. We had to sell it. I see our old traffer every now and then, standing forlornly in soméone's cabbage patch. The carefree people who were going to travel with us are now encumbered with

soon as I win the Irish sweep, intend to buy the trailer back, and take it clear down to

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NICE GESTURE?

The Editor,

in The Dally News: Regarding the article in your paper on Olof Hanson's gift in his will of \$415,000 to a Swedish parish. This was a nice gesture but it would have been more fit. ting to have seen something left for the Prince Rupert Civic Centre, the Terrace Civic Centre and Smithers, Civic Centre; also something for his manager and brother Jack who had spent their lives helping him make it.

The land of his adopted country, that had honored him by electing him to parliament and where he made all his wealth seemed to have entirely slipped his mind

All we can remember of him here Withe Smithers airport, As that was built on his farm he had no cause to regret that happening. Who says he should have been a senator?

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