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Chance for Interior Farming

A BRIGHTÉNING outlook for farming in central B.C. as a result of new industrial activity in the interior and on the coast is seen by the Nechako Thronicle.

"From the time of the first pioneer the people of this part of the country have had to rely on big business interests to the south and east for everything they bought or sold, due to lack of local marhets," the paper observes, "Now, however, the overall situation is changing rapidly. The central interjor portion of B.C. is developing industrially and with this development payrolls are being established and large number of persons from all over Canada are coming in to establish a home market for all kinds of provisions and commodities. In fact, already the situation is such this area is capable of producing only a fraction of volume of consumption."

The Chronicle sees a big potential market for foodstuffs at Kitimat where the consumption is described as "staggering." It continues: "In addition, there will be outlets resulting from the normal population increase which is inevitable in all communities between the cities of Prince George and Prince Rupert.

But what interests the paper in particular is the announcement of the Frobisher development for the Nass River.

"It means more payrolls, housing, new businesses and hundreds of additional new residents in central B.C. and all of these people will have to be supplied with foodstuffs from some part of the country," it says. "It is a big undertaking but properly organized offic present bushland will disappear and give way to cultivated lands producing all of the many hardy varieties of vegetables for which there is a ready market, in addition to beef, poultry, butter and dairy products of all kinds. Once organized, an active promotional campaign to tell farmers and ranchers in other parts of the continent of the potentials of the area would swell our population many fold."

3. The Chronicle editorial is a pertinent one. At the same time it must be recognized that farmers of the central interior have certain problems to overcome. The seasonal lag behind their southern comperitors and the more difficult soil and climatic conditions they must contend with are points which sometimes are not taken into account when they are crificized for failing to show more initiative.

- But there is no doubt that the farming possibilities of the interior are far from being realized and that the growing market demands can be met through modern organized methods of production, grading and marketing. For the good of this whole section of B.C., it is hoped the opportunity will not be lost.

L'ETTERBOX

WANTS EXPLANATION The Editor,

The Daily News:

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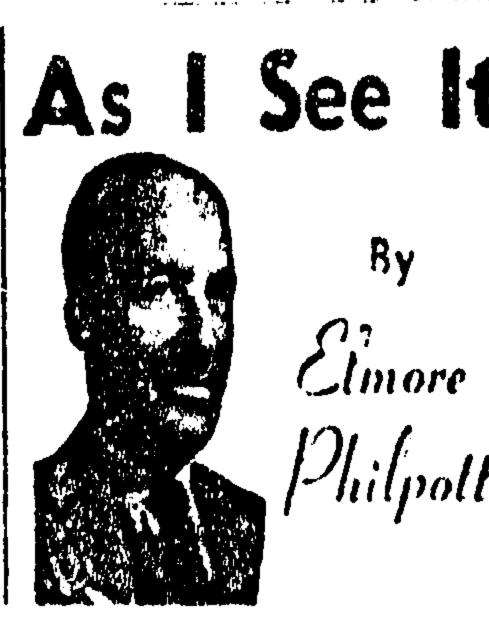
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Narcotic Report

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Tom Reid's committee on the narcotic drug traffic in Canada is one of the most important public documents ever published in this country.

The book runs to 660 pages, and on almost every page there is evidence of great importance. For instance, we get a pretty clear answer to the riddle why there are ten times more drug addicts in Canada than there are in Britain—although Britain has more than three times our population. In Britain the strongest Here a common idea is, let's try anything once.

We also get the answer to Vancouver's horrible distinction of being-not only the worst drugaddict city in Canada but actually the worst in the whole west-

The answer is that drug addiction is a terrible mental and of the thrill. Then, sometimes, of the attackers. within a single month, they become such complete slaves to the drug that they will literally do anything on earth to maintain the supply.

VANCOUVER'S unsavory repuate report on three grounds. The contamination was brought here. by the Chinese, who smoked ouium openly, and quite legally. But after the ban on legal opium sale, the scourge has progressively died out amongst the people! of Asian ancestry, so that now considerable time. their ratio of addiction; is much

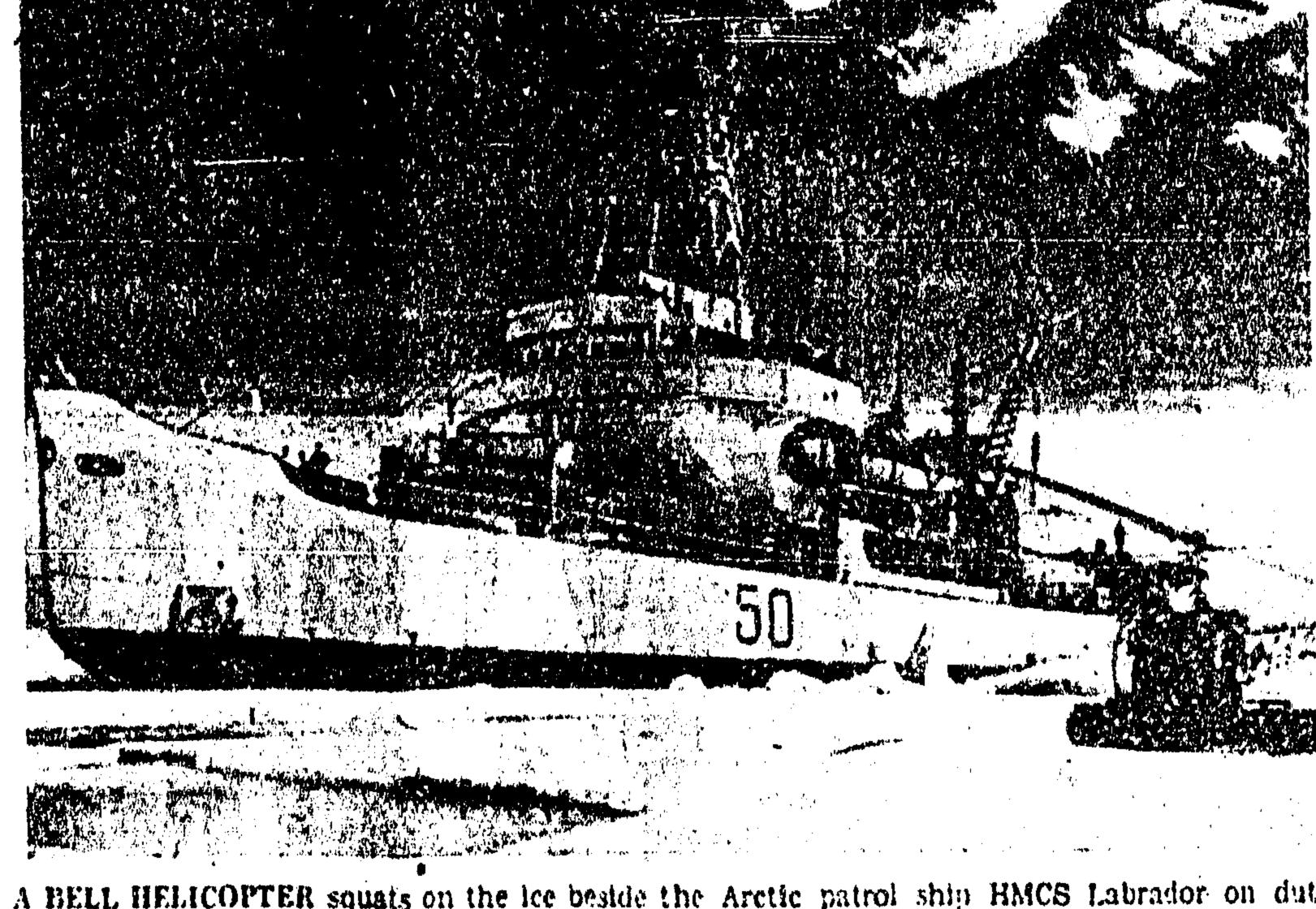
on, and grew.

ian cities. Thus: "The Committee could not help thought he'd said farewell. but be disturbed by this large concentration of drug addicts. This is the time of year when and the apparent freedom with you wonder where you put last the objections of two successful might be criticized for an affirmwhich they are able to congre- winter's rubbers and overshoes, candidates in the recent civic ative decision, gate in the heart of the city of Vancouver. These people are It seems that the eight year known to engage in crime includ- old son of an American navally, ing prostitution and are without officer who attended the Sandys gainful employment of any kind. Grammar school for two years; The committee is not able to un- while his father was attached toderstand why the provisions of the U.S. Naval station there. the Criminal Code, dealing with when the boy went back to Texasi vagrancy, prostitution and living off the avails of prostitution, sonal reasons have been thrust- cannot be more effectively ining this issue on the B.C. Power voked to uproot and break up

The committee also showed article in the December have of with this.
the Daily News about the BC. I believe that we should have as plready applies in other provbe committed to institutions,

THE committee unanimously reand it seems to me that the B.C. Will you advise me through jected the proposal to supply daily sustaining doses of the drug loaf of bread was stale. If thereby he can keep the pa-, tient working and carning his living. The evidence showed that such experiments had failed disastrously in the U.S.A. where the legal drug clinics had become mere "filling stations."

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A BELL HELICOPTER squats on the Ice beside the Arctic patrol ship HMCS Labrador on duty in the Arctic. The Labrador carried three helicopters during its five-month tour working on the DEW (Distant Early Warning) radar line. The helicopters were used for reconnaisance and sur-(OP from National Defence) vey work and also carried cargo to shore for the Labrador.

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLead

sttention from Capital circles is ternal Affairs Minister L the sudden disappearance of Pearson's references to his erst-

REFLECTS and Reminisces

moral disease. But it is also a the Japanese attacked Pearl basis with the masters of the highly contagious and infectious Harbor. Without warning the Kremlin and to be ready to act of public money. disease. It is "catching." Young- planes came from nowhere and as their sponsor in North Amsters do not often become drug destroyed or badly damaged sev- erlean society. A new era c addicts because some sinister en battleships and five auxiliary close and wonderful friendship Socialists are likely to attack drug sales ring is deliberately ships. Nor is that all. The between the Canadian and the trying to debauch the innocent, character of warfare at that time Russian people seemed to be in in order to get new customers, enabled the United States to the making. Youngsters usually become ad-build up its Navy and Air Force As Hon, "Mike" had penetratdicts because one way or another, again. There will be no such ed the Iron Curtain on an officthey come in contact with people time next war. In the next 40 ial government mission of good- pc's aspecially are openly suspicwho are also addicts. They try minutes, striking and defensive will this result wasn't open to jour of any professions of Rusout the drugs, either out of cur- forces could be climinated and logical challenge. It simply aci- slan friendship. iosity, bravado, or for the sake the country placed at the mercy vertised that he had done his

> In Toronto a man stole more than \$1,200 to take dancing lessons. A step in the wrong direc-

that long with some men.

ministration is less effective every time we turned on the than that in some other Canad-radio and someone was saying. goodbye to Irene. And we

to visit his grandmother startled his former teacher and "My country t'ls of thee, sweet land of liberty, God Save The

ple simply because they have birthdays. And as more pensions to do so last year. become operative we are going to turn them out faster.

Then there was the fellow who donation he had said "no."

In the juagment of a contem. fully approve such a measure peracy a doctor is the only man who ham't a guaranteed cure for a cold,

The Republican Party, says a columnist, is living proof that conly a good sort of individual can have an evil conscience,



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while hosts in Soviet Russia. The change in the Pearson attitude has come to swiftly as to

of his late sojourn with Mosses Bulganin, Kruschev, Molotov, et al., Hon, "Mike" appeared to be It seems like only yesterday on a thoroughly palsy-walsy

job really well.

which the External Affairs Min-pose of cultivating closer Russlan [] ister has been parading in his relations is criticized on the most recent speeches on Russia grounds that it was thoroughly strikes Parliament Hill circles unsettling to Washington, where Attorney-General Bonner says as undoing in strange fashion fears were aroused of a possible tation is explained in the Sen- he cannot understand why lat- much of the work on his trip. In new goal for Canadlan foreign ger beer glasses are not legal, effect, Hon "Mike" has been policy. With Ottawa seeking and recognized as such in The withdrawing fairly completely united States cooperation in the province. Twenty years ago, he his previous expressions of con- marketing of the world wheat? says four sizes of beer glasses fidence in Russian intentions surplus, the Pearson mission to could have been had --- but it and inviting Canadian and West- Moscow is held by Opposition; hasn't been like that for some ern peoples to keep a watchful parties to have been singularly eye upon them.

attitude. They figure that if it tain. be highly dramatic. At the close

> Neither the PC's nor the CCF-Pearson for apparently having had second thoughts about the Russians since his return. Neither party advocates closer relations with the Kremlin, and the But the contention of both

parties is that the Pearson goodwill mission was a mistake from But the cooling-off process its conception, its apparent pur-

less than that of ordinary More women than men livesto. Council Approves \$50 Grant & "whites". But the idea lingered be 100--cr maybe it just seems Council Approves \$50 Grant & The Senate committee said flatly that Vancouver's police ad- Five years have passed since: For Jaycee Vote Campaign ministration is less effective every time we turned on the

City conneil this week ap- Ald, Bellis, also approached on proved payment of \$50 toward the matter by Mr. Long, said; defraying cost of Junior Cham- that he did not think the grant! ther of Commerce "Get-Out-th"- for such purposes should be ap-Vote" campaign, but did so over proved and that the council:

Against the principle of the two years ago. Ald. A. Don Ritmeasure were Ald. Norman Bel- chie asked: lls, and Ald. Mike Krueger, who "Ald. Krueger was sitting applaced first and second as the proximately where he is now

voters' choice December 8. Application for the city dona- ed, what did he think then?" he tion by the Jaycees was made. "That was two years ago," December 2. As no committee Ald. Krueger said, "I've learned fellow students by loudly singing meetings could be scheduled be- a lot since then." cause of the election, and coun-; Ald. George B. Casey rallied: cli did not meet until December: to the Jaycee cause and praised

12, City-Clerk-Comptroller R. W. the group for trying to promote Long phoned aldermen to ascer- a "live city." In recent years we have turned the mency for such a project, giving the money away, if they out to hasture thousands of peo- Council two years ago contribut- support the Junior Chamber's also don't have have jed toward the Jaycees "Get-out- request," the veteran alderman celebrated a certain number of the-Vote" campaign, but falled said. Ald. Krueger said that when that he thought the publicity i

The had been asked by the city had been weak at the time, but

Ald, T. Norton Youngs said

clerk if he was in favor of the that he didn't think there should! Y be any criticism now.

time and in view of the cir- ried with Aid. Krueger dissent- 5 counstances he could not right- ing and Ald. Norman Bellis ab- 'Z - staining,

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fourth, the Sylvania, will live ly after noon. "I am delighted that the first the Atlantic service in 1191" ship I should launch in this world-famous yard should be for \f the Cunard company," the princess said. "My grandmother, my mother and my sister have all launched ships here, ships which have names honored across the

It was a cold grey day, with occasional rain, as Princess Margaret, bundled in a fur coat and wearing a closefitting royal blue! hat, performed the naming and launching ceremony.

WILL CONTINUE TRADITION "I am confident," sald Margaret, "that the Carinthia will The phenomenon of the past warmth - at least friendly Opposition circles on Parlia- carry on the great traditions, law is custom—"it isn't done," week or so that is receiving most warmth—from the tone of Ex-ment Hill are particularly inter. both in craftsmanship and serv. ested in the changed Pearson ice, which they so nobly main-

carries on much further, the She was referring to the ships, government will be unable to launched there by the late Queen claim that any good-will survives Mary. Queen Mother Elizabeth as a result of the Pearson good- and the present Queen. The will mission. In that case the Queen Mary was named in 1934, government would be in the po-ther sister ship, Queen Elizabeth, [7] Lition of having to admit that in 1938, and the luxury liner; the External Affairs Minister's Caronia eight years ago was trip was valueless and a waste launched by the Queen, then Princess Elizabeth.

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