

Candidates Needed

WITH December 6 as the date for closing of nominations, there is remarkably little activity so far calculated to ensure a contest in the coming municipal elections. Either the public is completely satisfied with the representation it now has on the city council—not that there is any guarantee that the aldermen completing their terms will run again—or it has sunk into a state of apathy in which it does not care whether the council is efficient or not.

Whatever the case, there is no comfort in looking forward to an election in which all the seats will be won by acclamation or, worse yet, will not have enough candidates to fill them. It is impossible to suppose everything is going so smoothly that there is no need to make a contest of the elections, that there are no different views to be heard or that there are no issues before us worth worrying about.

On the contrary, the new council should have its hands full of problems requiring the most careful deliberation. The power question, for one, is going to require a great deal of thought. The city appears to be just as far away from an answer to this as it ever was. Then sooner or later the need for new municipal offices must be considered, and next year should see a start made on the Digby Island airport which also will require thoughtful planning. In addition, there will be the matter of fluoridation which somehow appears to have been stalled along the line despite the expressed public wish that it be implemented. Add to these the normal problems of a growing city, and the agenda becomes a full one.

Prince Rupert will go ahead only to the extent that its citizens make it possible. The present council has worked well, but it does not follow that we are on easy street. Unless the city's problems are discussed at least once a year in open forum and there is a sufficient number of men and women prepared to do something about them, we will not attain the level of accomplishment that the times demand.

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—U.S. Chamber of Commerce,

TIME and PLACE

By STAN ROUGH

VISIT TO BUTEDALE

Fishing has been good this year and everyone was happy.

BACK TO KITIMAT

After a round of good-byes we left Butedale. The day was warm and sunny and for the most part the channel was as smooth as a millpond. We stopped to offer help to a stalled motor boat, but when they reported they had the situation well in hand we pushed on. We cooked our meals on board and did not stop, although a number of good fishing spots looked inviting. We passed within a few feet of a dolphin and a sleeping seal. Occasionally we saw salmon jump and schools of herring were numerous, the fish jumping out of the water to escape the coho feeding below. If one had the time there are a number of lakes that can be reached by following the narrow valley in from the channel where a good catch of trout is assured.

At 5:30 p.m. we docked at Kitimat, our running time being 4½ hours from Butedale. Some day an enterprising promoter will schedule boat trips down the channel and a profitable venture it should be.

LETTERBOX

DIRECT GIVING ONLY WAY

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The Daily News.

Mr. Leith's letter reminds me of a cartoon I saw during the Second World War which depicted a man in a beer parlor standing by a table which had

on it about 40 glasses of beer and he was saying, "Come on boys, drink up. I can't win the war all by myself!"

It is too easy for people to get the idea that all you have to do in the face of need and tragedy is to play a game, buy a ticket, drink a glass, go to a dance and the results will solve the prob'm. This is simply hypocrisy on the part of the few and stupidity on the part of the many.

There is only one right way for the strong to help the weak and that is by direct and无私 giving. Gamble if you will drink if you will and dance if you will but do not pretend that this is the strong helping the weak. It is the strong injuring the weak minds by persuading them to believe a fundamental lie.

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OTTAWA DIARY By JAMES R. NELSON

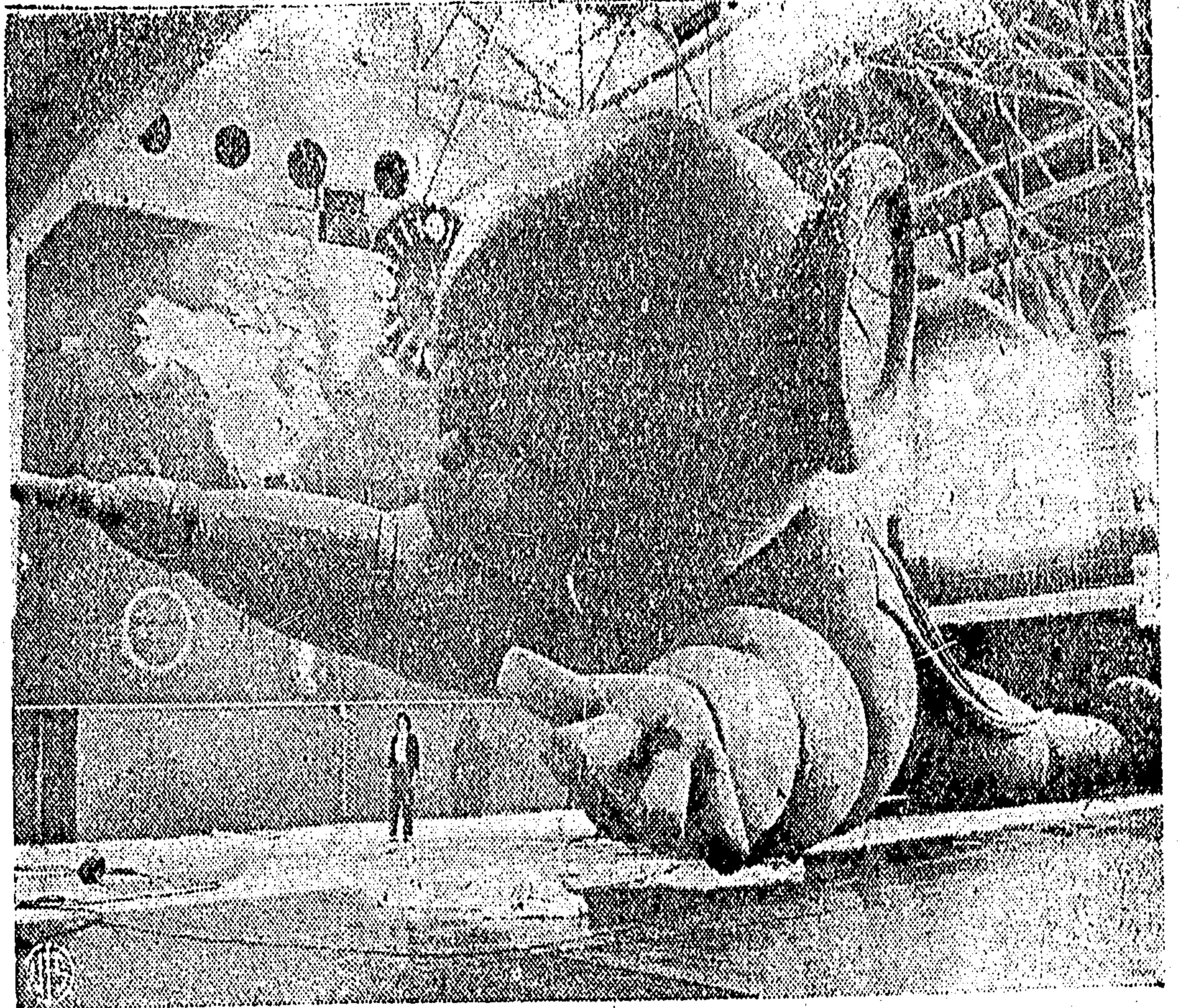
With the nation's lawmakers back at their desks in the Commons to deal with Canada's part in the explosive Middle East, the names you would expect to find circulating Parliamentary corridors are Nasser, Ben Gourion, Eden, and Dulles; Hammarskjold, Pearson, Selwyn Lloyd, and consists of a general store, machine shop, first-aid station, fish reduction plant (oil, cattle meal and fertilizer), fish cold storage, gasoline and oil depot, post office and telephone service, ways for repairing boats and tenement type dwellings for families. The manager is popular Bill Malcolm. At the peak of the fishing season as many as 150 seiners and scores of gillnetters are moored at its docks.

Due to the ruggedness of the terrain, Butedale is built on pilings and the various buildings are connected with board walks. A large waterfall tumbles several hundred feet down the mountainside within a stone's throw of the main dock.

Just what his late entry into the race means in terms of the chances of victory for himself or the other contestants is, the chief topic of speculation here currently.

From the time Hon. Mr. Drew announced his retirement, the Diefenbaker forces have been strongest, with the candidacy of Donald Fleming looked upon with greatest favor by the anti-Diefenbaker element, which is not inconsequential.

That was the simple picture. In the simplest terms, it was complicated, however, by the entry of E. Davie Fulton, Kamloops, B.C. member, who has been putting on an active campaign, speaking frequently himself and with an energetic committee which has drawn good men to it. Fulton now is expected to spoil the Western vote, and—until Balcer entered



MOUSY MONSTER—Gigantic and weird as it may look, this sprawling form is not a science fiction "horror" but merely a 69-foot tall conception of "Mighty Mouse," the cartoon character. Shown here before it was painted, Mighty Mouse will be featured in the 30th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. It was built by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.

Other Papers Say . . .

GINGER SHOWS THE WAY

Christian Science Monitor

Ever since that great newspaper editor defined news as being about a man biting a dog, dogs have been publicly minded. If they do not get into the headlines at least once a week some dog feels he or she just must bark, bite, or wag into public notice.

One of the latest headliners is Ginger, the collie that led two New York boys out of woods in which they had become lost. They had spent the night in the open, and might have spent another day or so there if they had followed the path they chose. But Ginger refused to go along with them, so they went along with Ginger—to a highway where motorists gave them the needed lift.

And even with Moscow, London, Paris, the United Nations, and Premier Nasser all asking for the available newspaper space, Ginger got her share.

The report was in line with the old adage that the dog is man's best friend. And at times like this, when men are acting like anything but their own best friends, the behavior of a dog like Ginger is specially noticeable.

It causes us to remark that statesmen need her sense of direction. We note that the Un-

ited Nations is trying to acquire some of her bite in addition to its own bark.

So Ginger is a dog in the news—very much in the current news—we would say—and making her own special contribution to the solution of mankind's problems . . . Well, anyway, to the fame of dogs.

ELECTRIC LOVE?

Victoria Times

Mr. Arthur Linkletter, an ebullient practical joker of radio and TV, recently conducted a remarkable experiment. In search of the perfectly-suited couple, he ran statistics on 4,000 pairs through Univac, which promptly delivered a handsome young man and an attractive stenographer to his platform.

"They met, took one look at each other and—while Univac and Linkletter held their respective breaths—decided that they were in love. This week they announced their engagement."

Some lingering questions remain unanswered. Did Univac consider, for instance, the personalities of the respective mothers-in-law? Was it fed information on the groom's habit of taking his evening meal behind a newspaper? Did it know that the prospective bride wears pliers that look a bit like an ammunition dump?

We have considered this match even more profoundly than Univac and predict, with regret, that this electronic cupid will fall on his cherubic little face. It won't work because—as Mr. Linkletter is fond of saying—people are funny.

RED VIEW OF HUNGARY

Soviet News Bulletin

The newspapers devote much space to the events in Hungary. Yefimov and M. Odintz, "Pravda's" special correspondents, write that Hungary is experiencing hard times. The prospect of work being resumed at all the enterprises caused complete confusion among the Hungarians. The reactionary elements and their imperialist patrons are now making feverish efforts to prevent the resumption of work at the enterprises. In this the counter-revolutionary bandits hiding underground see their last hopes of prolonging the chaos, causing the Hungarian people fresh sufferings and giving their imperialists the pretext for aggravating international tension. "Pravda's" correspondents note that the terrorists' actions ill the working people with indignation. Many enterprises are preparing for or have already resumed work.

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