By R. J. ANDERSON Canadian Press Staff Writer

GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta. (CP)—Far up in northeastern British Cohimbia a group of oil-well drillers hope they are within 2,500 feet of uncovering the province's first major field.

The hopes of the drillers are months before the drill bites into SEEK LARGE FIELD the 10,500-foot level to tap the think lies there.

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in a well in the Monkman Pass area about 100 miles southwest of Crande Prairie. More than close to \$3,000 a day for the actual drilling with hundreds of the well now is being sunk.

Si 500,000 has been spent in actual drilling with hundreds of the well's backers for the thousands of dollars spent in of the well's backers for the

may be another three or four preliminary exploration work. long-term pull. A more immediate return would come if gas is A group of oil companies now struck for this could be carried reservoir of oil or gas promoters co-operating in sinking a well by pipeline 100 miles north to

near Stony Lake, just west of the Fort St. John to connect with In the mountainous terrain of Alberta boundary, think the cost the Westcoast Transmission Company line. This line in 1957 The dream of George A. Rich- is to deliver gas to the lower

ardson, Peace River Petroleums mainland of B.C. and to the president, is an oil pipeline to northwest United States. Work the west coast. He sees oil from on the Westcoast pipeline has Monkman Pass carried 300 miles just begun. southwest to Bella Coola for Eight major companies are transshipment by tanker to Van-drilling in the B.C. Peace River

block. Some shallow wells-5,000 couver or to the Orient. Mr. Richardson entered the to 8,000 feet-produced nothing, Peace River area in 1920 and but oil has been found at 12,500 Alberto, seekers of oil and gas feet by one company though

Four Sets Same Place E Speeds Film

got under way following the Special to The Daily News BURBANK, Calif.—Four sets Leduc discovery in Alberta in representing the very same place 1947. In 1951, major gas formawere constructed by Warner tions were found and now four Bros, for "Buffalo Grass" in gas fields have been developed. m order to speed production on the The Fort St. John field will picture, a Jaguar film starring furnish the greater part of the Alan Ladd, Virginia Mayo and gas that in little more than a year will flow south to food in-Edmond O'Brien.

All four versions of the set dustry and heat homes in the represent a small Kansas town Pacific northwest. But British Columbia needs at the end of a railroad in the years right after the Civil War, oil. That's why the big gamble ■ They show various stages in the in the Monkman Pass is being town's development. The first is watched closely. of the town under construction and the second of its burned was ruins. The third will be used in photographing the burning and is constructed on the back lot where the flames can be con-

The fourth shows the community as it is finally completed. Gordon Douglas is directing "Buffalo Grass."



not in important quantities.

Oil men claim the discovery

may indicate a series of oil and

gas pools on the eastern slope of

the Rocky Mountains all the way

Serious drilling in this area

to the Yukon border.

director of supplies at army headquarters in Ottawa, has been appointed a member of the United Nations military observer group in India and Pakistan. He will assume his new duties in September.

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CONTROVERSIAL CANNON — Two United States tourists tug jokingly at a Quebec City cannon which a United States senator says should be returned to his country. The ancient piece, believed captured by British troops at the 1775 battle of Bunker Hill, has been claimed by Massachusetts Democrat Thomas O'Neill, Prime Minister St. Laurent has promised an investigation into its origin. The tourists in this picture from Canadian National Railways files are unidentified.

Tourists Zany; But Pay Out

MONTREAL (*) - Director Charlie Smith of the Montreal Tourist and Convention Bureau gets about 45,000 letters a year. Most are simple enough. Others, are dillies.

What time of year do the Indians converge on Montreal to sell their furs? When is the log drive over?

It's all in the game to Mr treal takes in about \$100,000,000 here. annually from convention and tourist visitors. He predicts record this season.

But he can't satisfy all queries he gets. The one about the Indians was strike one of them.

rom a mid-west American lady, the local log drive because he'd time when the lumberjacks relaxed at the end and he wanted to get in on it.

A Boston matron asked whether bare midriffs are banned for Montreal females (they are) because it would have a vital bearing on whether she brought her husband along for the heli-

Several other letters sought ferry timetables, unavailable because the Island of Montreal doesn't have any ferries.

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For a decade dietator Juan PRAISE FOR WAGNER Peron frustrated this nation's His skin was too thin for critieism of any kind.

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humor as this: Two men meet on the street on a cool day that broke a midsummer heat wave.

The second replies: "Yes, but I fear it too is only 'provisional'." rear it too is only 'provisional'." Fetch \$610 Ite comedian, plays the role of "the ideal candidate" for next i sketch. He blasts all other parties ornment more than \$50,000 were and candidates as totally unalsold at auction during the weekqualified for office,

Of Peron and the revolution-

of Hberators."

He screws his face into an ex-

Stevenson Set To Shun

By JACK BELL

CHICAGO (AP) — Adlai E. Stevenson is pre- to round out a 10-trick game at pared to toss political tradition aside in filling second The queen of spades would do place on the ticket—the vice-presidential candidacy —if he wins the Democratic presidential nomination, would be satisfactory. Stevenson, the party's 1952

nominee, is supremely confident Roman Catholics, but the possithat he will get the top nomin-bility that their religion might Smith, who estimates that Mon-ation at next week's convention be raised against them in some

This view is disputed by sup-seems not to bother Stevenson. porters of Governor Averell Harriman of New York and several "favorite son" candidates workthe ing for a deadlocked convention in which the lightning might

If he is worried by the threat who understood the fur sale was of such a deadlock, Stevenson November ticket. does not show it. He already is reviewing and refurbishing his position on major issues in an-the delegates like to feel they. With his pitiful holding, Mr. heard it was really a bangup ticipation of a vigorous fall cam- have a hand in choosing the paign against President Eisen-second-place nominee as well as the head of the ticket. For the

THINKS IKE VULNERABLE Stevenson has convinced him-

self in primary campaigning in develops outstanding strength in all sections of the country that the convention. Eisenhower's popularity is overpresident can be beaten in No-Stevenson's view-like that of

some Republicans -- is that a vice-presidential candidate seldom adds strength to the ticket. What Stevenson wants, he has told friends, is a vice-president who will be the president's perconal representative in Congress -- a man who can get along with members of Congress and be an effective force for the White

House legislative program. Beyond that, Stevenson apparently wants a man who could do the same sort of globe-trotting and ceremonial job for him that! Richard Nixon has done Eisenhower.

To get the kind of man be rich talent for political satire, wants, Stevenson is willing to waive geographical considerations. He is attracted, for in-"At last we can talk," was the stance, to Senator Hubert Humtitle of the first satirical theatre phrey of Minnesota. Humphrey's sketch after Peron was over- friends were the first to open headquarters here for the No. 2

Vice-President Isaac Rojas --- a Stevenson also has had some general and an admiral, respectivaria praise for Mayor Robert | dively-say their government is F. Wagner of New York as an |----only "provisional" and that they executive he thinks has acwill turn the rule back to civil-, complished a great deal without lans after an election next year. bombast. He also likes Senator In the meantime the volatile John F. Kennedy of Massachu-

The first man comments: "This cool spell sure feels good." Worth \$50,000

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The catch in the bargain sale aries who everthrew him, Pepelwas that the homes must be re-Imoved from their present loca-"After 10 years of saylours, tions to make way for the south, we've now had almost one year approaches to the new Second (Narrows Bridge,)

All but one of the purchasers. pression of supreme scepticism who paid from \$30 to \$285 for the and the customers explode in homes, said they plan to de-

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BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE.

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

Two Bid Justified If Only One Trick Needed For Game

In deciding whether or not to open a hand with a forcing two bid, here is the question to ask yourself: "Is there a holding my partner could reasonably be, expected to have which he would pass opposite my one bid—but which would give me a good play for game?" If the answer is "no," then a two bid is not in order.

To put it another way, you are justified in opening with a two bid if your hand will come within one trick of making game without any help whatsoever from parliner. HONOR TRICKS

Of course you should have at least four honor tricks and the reason for this is that if you hold less, the opponents may actually outhold you in high cards. Then, if they enter the bidding, your partner may start doubling them prematurely, figuring you for a really big defensive (honor) hólding.

In considering his hand for a two bid in today's deal, Mr. Masters figured there were a number of slight values which his partner could have — not enough for a response to a one heart opening, and yet enough

it — or a doubleton spade and several trumps. The king of clubs

A singleton club or even doubleton club might serve. Or Mr. Meek could have one of the lost only the two red aces. red aces and no other honor sections of the United States cards. (He is not one to stretch (to keep a one bid open.)

Stevenson's strategists, who GAME A CERTAINTY

pay more attention to the politi- There are other cards and discal implications than their can-tributions which Mr. Masters; didate does, do not discount the might find across the table possibility that Senator Estes which would make game a cer-Kefauver of Tennessee might tainty. All in all, he felt he wind up in second place on the would have to be extremely unlucky to find Mr. Meek's hand Stevenson is not unaware that absolutely worthless.

Meek naturally took a very gloomy view of the proceedings. Even with a partner like Masters he expected to go set at reason he is inclined to wait and four hearts. see if any potential candidate; But, when Mr. Dale failed to:

get off to a trump lead, Mr. Meck's hand took two tricks and Mr. Masters made five-odd. The opening lead was the

South dealer East-West vulnerable NORTH Mr. Meck ▲ J 3 4 2 ₩ 954 SOUTH 1Mr. Masters **▲**' A K 3 ₩ KQJ107. The bidding: South West North East Pass 3 NT Pass.

deuce of spades which was won. on the board with the queen. Mr. Masters immediately took a club finesse. When this held, he cashed the ace of clubs and his two top spades, discarding the last club from dummy. Herusted. his last club on the board and

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