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### Northern Penalty

ATHE tail end of proceedings at the Chamber of Commerce meeting this week there came the sinister bit of information that coastal steamship companies serving this port are considering an increase of 40 per cent in their freight rates.

It was a brief comment by itself but its implications are enormous and ugly. If this drastically large increase is carried out, its effect naturally will be felt more in the north than elsewhere as heavy freight charges are already an integral part of the cost of northern living. Our survival depends on long haulage; and the price comes high.

The matter would be serious enough if freight rates alone were involved. But an added penalty is that with every increase in rates, our payments to the B.C. government also go up through application of the five per cent sales tax.

The threatened move does, in fact, bring attention to the already unreasonable situation in which northern and central B.C. finds itself in this respect. Freight charges not affecting our fellow British Columbians to the south must be included by distributous in the cost of merchandise for which we are taxed, so that the per capita returns to the government are substantially greater in the north than they are down there. This penalty for settling the more remote parts of the province grows in direct proportion to the distance involved.

This, of course, is not of concern to the shipping companies. But it would appear that some of them are playing an equally bullying—or, at best, inefficient—game with their northern customers since appagently at least one line is able and willing to do business at the present rates and at the same time improve its services.

If the others expect to cultivate a growing market up here which will prove a source of long-term profit, they had better arrange to do likewise.

## Strong and Tender Hand

OW much is negligence of parents to blame for misdeeds of their children? How far should the state go in compelling parents to do their part in collinguency?

These are two of the many questions the New York Temporary State Commission on Youth and Delinquency must have asked itself and tried to find answers. This board recommends that courts dealing with juvenile offenders and domestic relations hesempowered to compel parents to carry out steps the courts may direct them to take toward correcting a home situation.

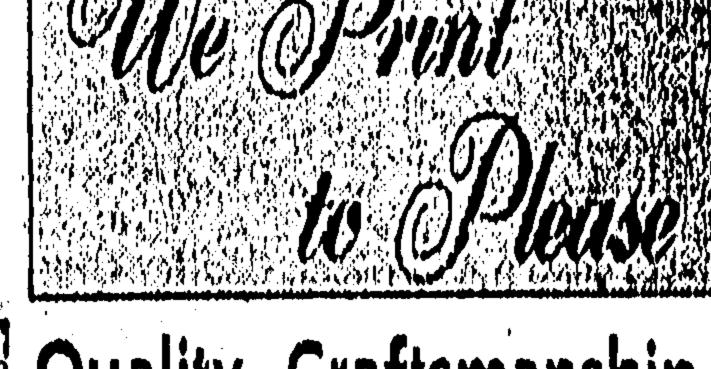
The group also proposes that a juvenile charged with a felony should be handled as a "youthful offender" so as not to start a criminal record. But only once. If he is then found guilty he must face, any second charge as an accused felon.

One can see a combination of firmness and restraint in this approach. There are broad fallacies in the saying, "There are no delinquent children; only delinquent parents!". And fallacies just as broad in the approach that relieves parents, associates, and society alike from all responsibility and places sole blame on the errant youth.

An intuitive accognition of these fallacies is what makes a recent survey of teen-age opinion so refreshing. As Anthony hat to do about the guilty offender the youngsters overwhelmingly replied in effect: Stop him in his wacks. As to what caused the mishehavior, they spoke earnestly of failures in parentallove, sympathy, understanding and, especially, guidance.

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# VICTORIA REPORT

... by J. K. Nesbitt VICTORIA—Once more in this

capital next Tuesday the guns vill boom and the bands will play and top-notch officialdon and high society will converge on the Legislative Buildings for the time - honored festivities connected with the opening of

There'll be a new Lieut.-governor performing his first opening ceremony—Hon, Frank Mackenzie Ross, attired in his new Court dress which he ordered from London at a likely cost to himself of about \$2,000.

The opening day will be all fuss and feathers—all ritual and ancient language, and everything very traditional—a great party day, the kind of party day of which this capital never grows

The ceremony in the packed legislative chamber will last only about an hour, and then all the invited guests will troop across to the Empress Hotel for the Premier's reception, at which tea and coffee only will be served. The Premier takes a dim

Dinner and a State Ball at Govis very formal very dignified. About 500 will dance at the State Ball—the capital's most elegant affair of the year, with the ladles in new gowns, many imported from Seattle and even from New York.

Next day the business of the session will start, if you can call the capital area. two speeches starting the busi-Liberal leader Arthur Laing will natural beauty. tell us what he thinks.

tant matter, won't say no and take care of excess population. he won't say yes. Very likely he AMBITIOUS PROGRAM doesn't yet know, for sure. The

other day the Premier was ask- to five miles wide. ed what about the next general. The sederal government's postelection. Mr. Bennett replied, war building program in the cap- Que., and 23 surrounding muni- on the library may begin next very off-hand-like, it might be ital, completed or planned, in- cipalities. this year, or next, or the year volves some \$75,000,000 and has be after that. All very vague! means, of course, is that there'll buildings to be erected. The Fedbe a general election when he eral District Commission, respon-

figures it's in the best interests sible planning agency for the guidance a national planning pleted in Hull. At a west-end of Social Credit, We need not be project, has spent \$11,000,000 and too shocked at that; every other committeed another \$10,000,000 Premier has done the same. We for lands, right-of-ways and the should be used to it by now, or

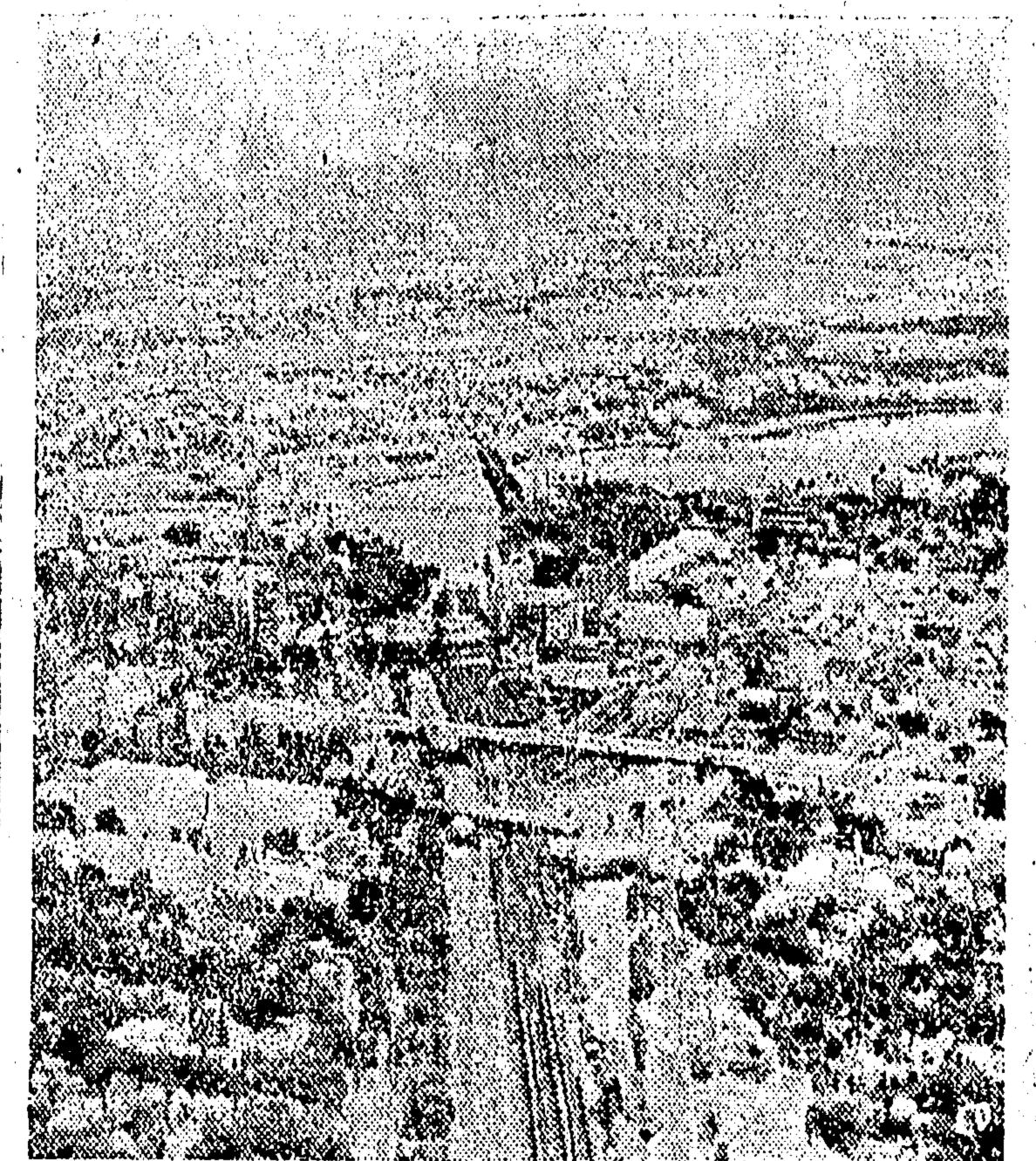
(see we all politically asleep. The idea of every government is to Falaquay Read teatch the opposition off guard, or in trouble, or weak, and then Not blaing the government—we, the people allow the government to get away with it.

Mr. Bennett doesn't agree! with the suggestion made several times in this column that Sources close to the Paraguayan RELOCATION OF RAILWAYS elections should be fixed by government today denied reports day, at the same time keeping ner is under house arrest or milli- is removal of existing railway from the built-up area. the British safeguard of a defeat tary surveillance. The president lines from central Ottowa to its When the new defence headof the government on the floor is following normal routine at of the House, followed by an government headquarters, they election, with the next election said. four years after that.

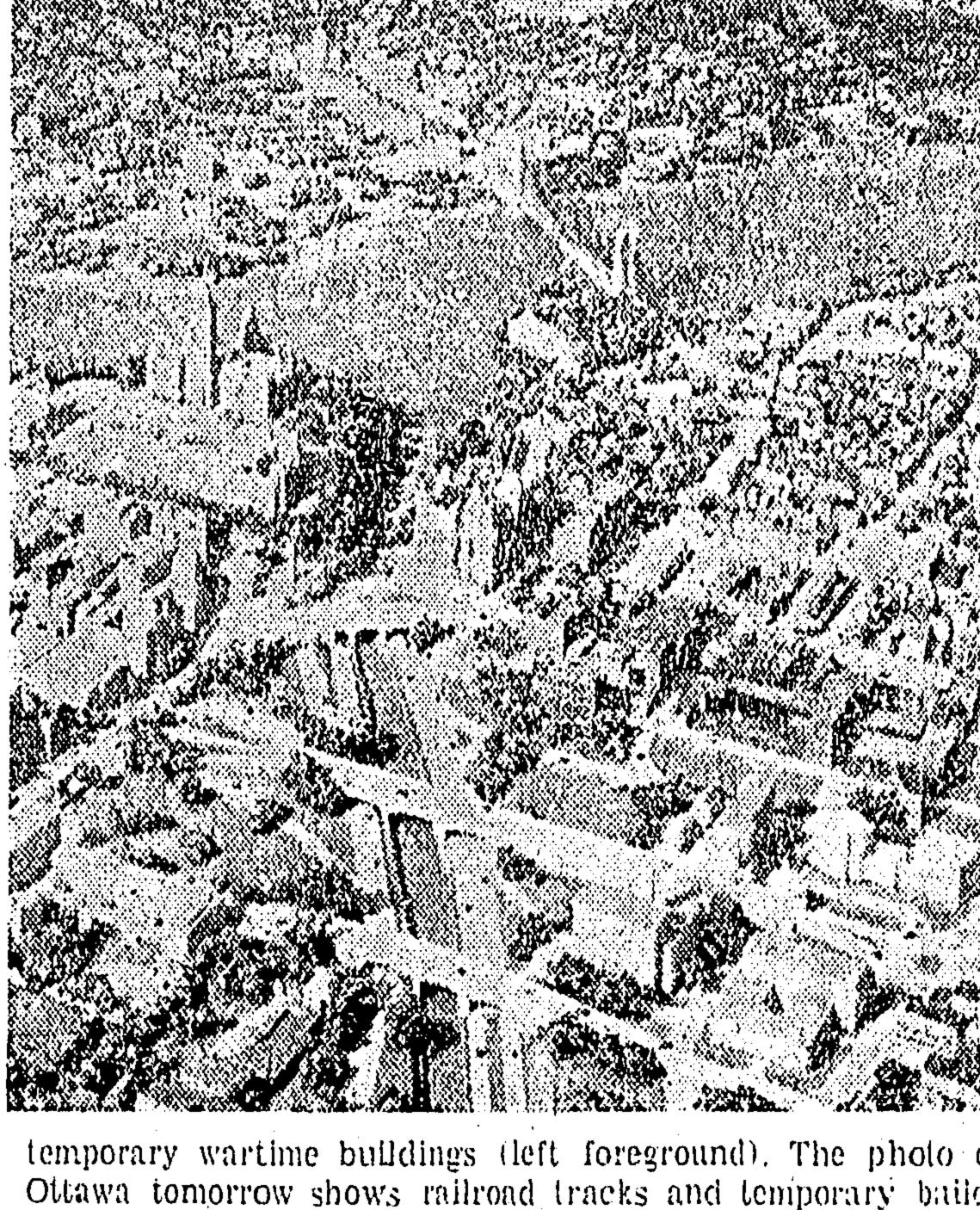
authority they feel when they, --- unofficial sources called it people into the uprour of a gen- Division last month.

This is too much power and authority for one man. The people should tell the government. when an election shall be; it shouldn't be the other way





THE NATIONAL CAPITAL PLAN, soon to be looked at by Parliament, i. a long-range project with the aim of turning Ottawa and its surrounding territory into a jewel among capitals. These two photos from the Federal District Commission, responsible planning agency for the project, shows Ottawa as it is today (left) and as the planners hope it will be. The photo of Ottawa loday shows Confederation Park and the Parliament Hill area. with railroad tracks running alongside the Rideau Canal and



temporary wartime buildings (left foreground). The photo of Ottawa tomorrow shows railroad tracks and temporary baildings climinated. Graceful bridges carry traffic over the canal and canal-side parkways and in the lower left-hand corner can be seen a model of the proposed National Gallery on the site of the wartime buildings. Note, in the scale model, how Hull. Que., across the Oltawa River has been redeveloped. (CP Photo)

# view of hard liquor flowing at parties. In the evening will be a State Ottawa Beautification Scheme To ernment House. Only those on the Protocol List get bids to the State Dinner (all men), which Union of the Protocol List get bids to the State Dinner (all men), which Union to the land to

By H. L. JONES Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA @—Parliament will ing untold millions of dollars and

The project is the National A special Senate - Commons ness of the session. H. J. Bruch Capital Plan, a long-range committee will delve into the if Esquimalt and Don Robinson scheme of beautification and de-plan and its progress. The comof Lillooet, both S.C.'ers, will velopment. Its objective is to mittee's main concern will move and second the Address in turn Ottawa and surrounding Reply to the Speech from the Ontario and Quebec territory in-mission and its use of a \$2,500,- in usc. Throne. The day after that we'll to a jewel among capitals, a pan-1000 a year Parliament has been near from Leader of the Oppo-jorama of man-made architecture sition Arnold Webster, and then fitted into a setting of preserved 1948.

And that will be the first week begun 10 years ago, will guide denext half century. By that time mend what should be done after it foresees a population of 500,- that time. There's a lot of talk about a 000 within a five-mile radius of A WAR MEMORIAL general election sometime this Parliament Hill, heart of the

suited to his chances of being national library, gallery and such national, institutions (as a ler, or any other Premier, for cation of railway lines and of in-mental centres in 1937-39. that matter, wouldn't admit dustry and calls for a huge proalways happens. A Premier ways, miles of parklands, scenic for the whole 900-square-mile gallery. chocses an election date best highways and walks. Surroundsuited to his own political needs, ing the whole will be a green belt At a press conference the of natural wooded beauty three

What the Premier really location and type and use of

ASUNCION, Paraguay (1) ---

The Premier says that's not there have been frequent reportthe democratic way. Naturally, of dissension within the ruling ways. any Premier says that-for Pre- Colorado party and in the armed miers dearly love the power and forces since a "command crisis" and they alone, can turn—the revolt—in the army's lat Cavalry

eral election, even when it's not - Government offices and bust- been constructed. New freight the cities of Hall and Ottawa. necessary, except for political nesses were operating as usual , this morning,

like necessary to the huge

No one will hazard a guess at take a new look soon at one of this time as to the eventual cost, replace the mid-town yards. the biggest projects ever under-Officials say it will take another taken in Canada, a plan involv- 25 years to complete the major: aspects of the project and per-900 square miles of territory in haps another 50 years to finish some of them.

voting it for the project since

The parliamentary vote was to The plan, a national project be continued for a 10-year period until 1958 for a total of \$25,000,-

year. Premier Bennett, the only capital, with perhaps satellite by Prime Minister Mackenzie required for implementation of development. Re-zoning has been one to decide this very importation of the properties attoms to keep down undestrable one to decide this very importation of development. Re-zoning has been one to decide this very importance to the properties attoms to keep down undestrable by Prime Minister Mackenzie required for implementation of development. Re-zoning has been one to decide this very importance to the properties attoms to keep down undestrable by Prime Minister Mackenzie required for implementation of development. Re-zoning has been one to decide this very importance to the properties attoms to keep down undestrable by Prime Minister Mackenzie required for implementation of development. Re-zoning has been one to decide this very importance to the properties at the properties a one to decide this very importiowns springing up beyond to King in 1945 as a memorial to the park and parkway proposals started in Ottawa, Hull and other the fallen in lieu of a Second have been purchased by FDC, municipalities. World War memorial.

tion at a time he thinks best expected to be built, including planner Jacques Greber, who capital.

the cities of Ottawa and Hull, are being left until later. Work problem now are going on,

Mr. Greber's job was mainly looking the Ottawa river on a been fitted into the plan as to planning urban development and site where temporary buildings recommending restrictions that now stand. should be placed on wooded ar- A new, massive government 🐰 eas to preserve them. Under his printing bureau has been comcommittee of 17 members, repre-Ottawa site known as Tunney's 📆 senting authorities concerned pasture a \$16,000,000 federal

> made between the federal, pro- ings are planned there. vincial, county and civic author- Spacing of federal developa proportion of the cost of civic administration. projects, such as sewage and The master plan recommends

for parkways and arterial road-lgallery.

yards are under construction on Other new bridges are planned. Ottawa's southern boundary to for the future further upriver. A start has been made on new

two years ahead of schedule.

andoned CNR line right-of-way. PROPERTIES PURCHASED

Some 40 miles of parkways are to 'However, officials say lack of Scores of new buildings of The government brought from be added to the present 22 miles zoning in outlying municipalities

plus engineers and architectural building development has gone experts, drew up a master plan. up to house a number of govern-Working arrangements were ment departments. More build-

itles concerned to implement the ments is in keeping with Mr. plan through joint financing and Greber's recommendations for necessary zoning. The FDC bears decentralization of the federal 📆

roadbuilding, required by the a southern Ottawa site for a new plan in advance of purely civic defence headquarters and this is has been acquired. However, officials say considerations of millstatute, every four years to the that President Alfredo Stroess- Ject in the plan and the key to it partment to locate still further

southern and eastern boundaries quarters is built its present temand to the northern and western porary building in mid-Ottawa sections of Hull. The rights-of-will be torn down and the site Paraguay has been tense and way made available will be used reserved for the new national art

INTERPROVINCIAL BRIDGE New property has been pur- | The recommendation for an | chased for relocation of some Ottawa-Hull bridge across the lines and a rallway cut-off per-Ottawa river to replace the premitting through freights to by-sent old planked structure is bepass Ottawa on the CNR has fore the federal government and

Negotiations are under way parkways in Hull. One will evwith the CNR and the CPR for entually be a 45-mile scenic drive

establishment of a terminal com- in the form of a loop through pany to operate all rail facilities. Gatineau park in the hill-lake within the National Capital Dis-country of the lower Laurentians trict. A new union station is northwest of Hull. Under the planned for Ottawa's southern plan the park's suburban apoutskirts but until it can be built proaches will form part of the be the present mid-town station projected green belt that will with the Federal District Com- will be remodelled and continued surround the capital. Land acquisition for the park

Officials say the whole railway began in 1937 and now more plan will take about 25 years to than 50,000 acres of the planned complete but already it is about 75,000-acre area have been purchased. The Kingsmere section In the design stage now is a is the site of the 600-acre Mac-19-mile, \$15,000,000 expressway kenzie King estate with its famof the 1956 session of your Leg-velopment in the area in the 3000. The committee will recom- across the fringes of the capital ed "ruins" which the late prime from east to west, using the ab- minister donated to the country.

The master plan emphasized the need for urban zoning regu-The giant plan was envisaged. Practically all the properties lations to keep down undesirable

Premier will have a general election architectural design are Paris the famed French town under federal control around the is causing difficulty in establishing the proposed green belt. previously drew plans for the At least 14 new buildings are where building would be held to fe-elected. Mind you, our Premier for theatre. The plan foresees relo-ned some of Ottawa's govern- the master plan, including a new tural beauty of the countryside. Philadelphia area and had plan-projected for the near future in a minimum to preserve the na-i

Ottawa city hall, an institute of The federal government re-He came with orders to draw fine arts, a national library, a cently announced that certain this, but that's actually what gram of new roads and drive- up long-range development plans national theatre and a national restrictions would be placed on \*Central Mortgage and Housing area which the government had To date five of the structures Corporation loans in the green designated as the National Capi-have either been completed or belt area to control building detal District. It takes in 536 are being built but the national velopment. Negotiating among square miles in Ontario and also institutions, except the library, authorities concerned with the

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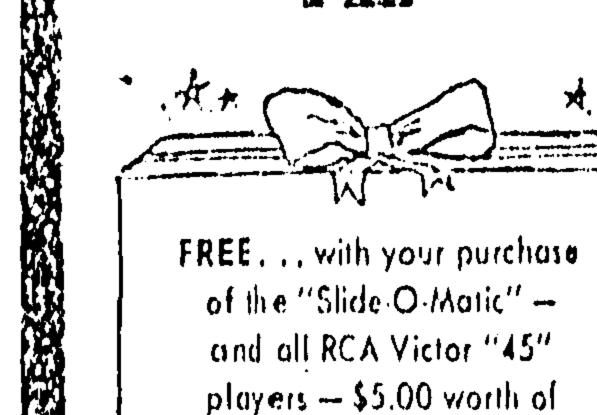
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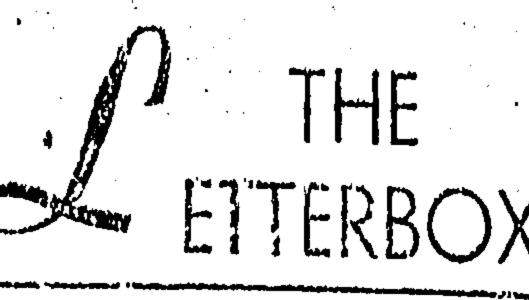
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It has been a banner year, (both in finance and program, To those who have given freely of money and services, to those whe have given so many volunteer hours and to those who have participated in the Civic Centre during their leisure time . . . Thank you,

May this be the first of a series of Barmer Years. It is up to you and your Civic Centre staff. together we can make it so. FRED JONES.

General Secretary, Civic Centre Association, Prince Rupert.

STILL ON LEFT KARACHI & - The existing road rule of "keep to the left" will be retained in Pakistan. The covernment has reconsidered the decision taken last year to change to the right in 1956,

> CRAFTS ALL AGES Civic Centre

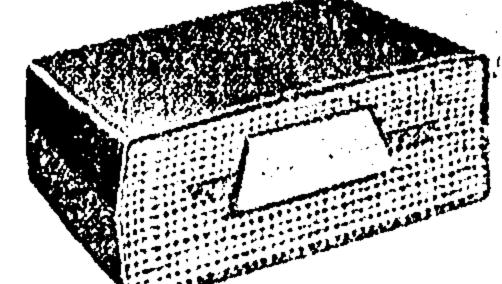
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