Wenner-Gren's Oversight

ESPITE all the mystery and scepticism surrounding the Wenner-Gren plan for development of the Rocky Mountain trench north of Prince George, preparations for the project appear to be going ahead as if all were serene—as well it might be.

It is announced that already \$4 million has been spent on geographical and geological surveys of the area, with results that so far "look very good." Meanwhile directors of the development company, including B.C.'s irrepressible Einan Gunderson, are making a flying trip of the mountain country to see how survey parties in the field are progressing:

If the scheme ever goes through, it will be a classic example of starting something—no matter what -just to see what happens.

Evidently for no other reason than that it looked like an interesting, unexplored area on the map, organizers of the project chose the Rocky Mountain trench for development and wondered what would happen if they ran a unique transportation line—the monorail—into it.

The whole spirit of let's-try-it-for-size was epitomized at the start of the directors' plane trip by Bernard Gore, managing director of the project, when he said: "I cannot talk about minerals. Frankly, I don't know anything about them, except that we are looking for them everywhere."

This kind of wondering approach does not mean the scheme will not work. On the contrary, it is in the same visionary tradition of our pioneers who crossed the mountains to see what was on the other side. The prodigous result of their venture is here on the west coast for all to see.

Yet time is likely to prove that with more forethought Wenner-Gren would have seen the wisdom of moving his monorail farther west. His project's distance from the sea is certain to prove a handicap that will grow in size. At the same time he is not penetrating a section of the country that is necessarily richer in mineral resource than any other part of northern B.C.

With all its boldness and vision, Wenner-Gren's scheme is going to be brought to earth by the mundane factor of freight rates: The answer lies in developing a part of northern B.C. that can utilize a noithern port, but so far he has failed to see it. The oversight may prove to be the project's biggest ex-

Hitting the Faulty Driver

AFTER well-publicized warnings, Victoria police who have been breaking the law in town. The authorities have further stated that this is not a one-shot dizve against offenders. It will be maintained.

logt their lives in driving accidents in Greater Victoria, three of them during the month of July. This rate of death is approximately the same as last year. While we have statistics like that, there is no occasion for either leniency or complacency.

It would be highly improper, of course, to convort the current campaign for safer driving into a fine-raising drive for the city. The average driver should not be made the victim of every possible technicality to swell civic funds. But wherever an ofsence carries danger or irritation to the public in general, then the person who commits it should have

The objective is the avoidance of accidents and ngisance to law-ahiding citizens. As long as that aim is maintained, the police will have the public's suppout in large measure.

-Victoria Times.

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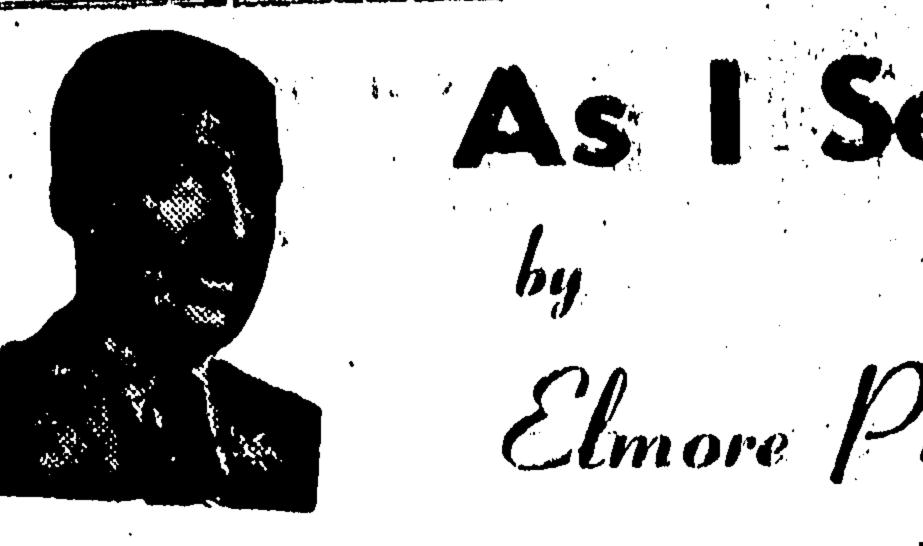
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have cracked down on drivers, juvenile and adult,

So it should. This year so far nine people have

his or her délinquency brought sharply home.



• Canada Gets Brushoff

THE long delayed reply by the U.S. State Department to Canada's sharp protest oven the abuses which led to the death of Ambassador Norman can only be call-

naturalized American.

GENERAL Willoughby boasted

to Harold Greer of the Toron-

which used it, over and over

specifically informed the FBI,

that the original smear had been

found to be totally false.

thoroughly investigated and

But the sequence of events,

speaks for itself. In 1950 Nor-

| man warned | MacArthur: that |

to Star on May 3, that he had

supplied the information to the

ed a deliberate brushoff. tralians and Canadians and In effect, the U.S. says it will, others he often stood up to Mackeep on doing just what it has Arthur. In this attitude, he was been doing in the past. backed, by, the expert evidence There is absolutely nothing supplied by Dr. Norman and the note which says that the others, who really knew Japan U.S. government will take effeclike a book.

steps to plug deliberate. leaks of material which can used by demagogic Americans defame Canadians, as Ambassador Norman was persecuted and hounded to self-destruction,

THE new Conservative government could render a real service to Canada, and indeed the whole free world, by setting up a special parliamentary committee, or a Royal Commission, to investigate the background of) the death of our late Ambassa-

dor to Egypt. It is in a position to do this as, sponsibility either for employ- again to smear and injure Norcould have been. It had no re-External Affairs department and no responsibility for supplying to the FBI the material which was later deliberately "leaked" by somebody.

FEW Canadians even yet realize the enormity of what really happened to Dr. Norman—the 'murder by slander."

was assigned to Canada's diplo-set out to "get something on" Paris and London-but there He was chief Canadian liason warning had been all too true. officer at General MacArthur's | Under the treaty to exchange when it does happen you glow. headquarters from 1946 till 1950. "security information" they ap-U.S. General Thorpe, head of tion on Norman. The RCMP the Counter-Intelligence section. obligingly sent along the un-General MacArthur operated checked rumours and unverified for all the world like an ancient data about Norman's far-left official of the old Roman Em-|friendships and associations in pire. He retained a huge retinue the thirties. of staff officers and lesser hangers-on who felt that the general which was used in the subseshould be surrounded by adula- quent seven years to hound Nortion, exceeding that accorded by man to his despair and destructhe Japanese to their Emperor.

General Thorpe was definitely not included in this sycophantic which Uncle Sam says, in okay group. Supported by the Aus- by him.



WHIRE TRAVELER Coing from bull to whirlybird, famed Spanish matador Luis Miguel Domingum keeps up a fustwaves goodbye while sitting beside the pilot, says he may buy a helicopter to take the place of an automobile for traveling from one bullfight to another in Spain.

POOR, POOR BOA CONSTRICTOR NOBODY LOVES HIM ANYMORE!

SOUTH ORANGE, N. (A) --- What's an honest self-respecting snake going to do when the law keeps running him out of town?

Jo-Jo, a young law-abiding boa, constrictor, got the answer Tuesday: He goes to a museum and settles down. The six-foot, six-year-old reptile first got in trouble with the law in nearby Clifton last week.

The board of health heard that Abraham Klevit was keeping Jo-Jo at his home. It ordered Kievit to dispose of

This was a crushing blow, since Klevit had raised Jo-Jo from infancy, but Rievit turned the snake over to 17-year-old Ronald Piper of South Orange.

Pipor, a youth who hopes to make reptiles his life's work. became attached to Jo-Jo, happily feeding him live rate and wrapping him around his neck.

But police told the youth that Jo-Jo had to go. Even when Piper plended that it would be nine years before Jo-Jo would be anake enough to crush a man, they persisted.

sadly, Piper took the reptile to a nearby nature museum. "I'll go to see him every time I got a chance," the youth

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HEY, DON'T FEED THE ANIMALS! - Monkey business isn't always fun, judging from the expression of little David Gray, 11/2, as an uninvited guest drops in for dinner. The eager monkey moved in on David's bottle at the Animal Forest, in York Beach, Maine, and the youngster seems a little reluctant about giving up his refreshment.

man, long after the RCMP had Menu On Russian Jet

By STERLING SLAPPEY

| Manchurian border. MacAr- 104. Three stewardesses serve vodthur's "experts" pooh-poohed Because he had been born and this warning. After the disas- ka, caviar on toast and fresh educated in Japan, in a highly trous outcome of MacArthur's oranges. They fuss over you just respected missionary family, he drive, the discomfited "experts" like stewardesses do between matic mission in that country. Norman—the Canadian whose a difference. You get fussed over so little in the Soviet Union that Seats are soft and comfort-Norman worked well with the plied to the RCMP for informa- able. The interior color pattern is red and pink and there two capitalistic-looking front relax in flight, and appear for It was this smear material vice-presidents on the way to a

up front it is a kittenish purr

lized properly, that when she to tell a man to stop being hapeach seat.

NO SAFETY BELTS

is without a safety belt. Russ-liny wife has arranged to have h haven't got long to enjoy the and whistle at the same time. from Moscow to Prague every day in 21/2 hours. Other TU-104 say they hope so. routes go out of Moscow daily: to Tashkent in the Uzbek republic, to southern Russia and Increased Pay all the way across Siberia to

The plane is a full brother to shortly by Lord Cobham.

the Badger bomber also design-MOSCOW A The most lux- ed by Andrei Nikolaevich Tupourious thing in the Soviet Un-|lev. The "TU" part of the 104's war if he tried to drive to the ion is the Russian jetliner TU- name comes from the first two letters of Tupolev's name.

He Was Just Whistlin'!

CLAREMONT. Calif. (A)— An abatement has been slapped on any change in the pubs of Scot-'t the world like corporation, a jolly fellow who says he has land is bound to be an improvebeen whistling ever since he was ment. a small boy. -

power plants is bothersome to-some of Od Bachelor's neighbors age pub undoubtedly is ward the back of the plane but who, seeking a modicum of peace and quiet, lodged a disvodkas you can't hear the noise plaint. A policeman called and the longest distance to this distold Od he'd have to knock off trict 250 miles northwest of Ed-

"I guess I whistle because 1 That is not have a wonderful family and a true. But just in case the pres- job I like," said Bachelor, "but) surization does go bad there are M. I'm disturbing someone I'm; lemergency bottles of oxygen on going to do my best to cut it

Bachelor has a plan. "Since Each of the 70 seats, however, the policeman came to see me. a bowl of guindrops always be- L TU-104 is so fast vou side me. You can't eat gumdrops

The complaining neighbors,

WELLINGTON, N.Z. (Renters) The TU-104 is the only jet salary of the governor-general iner in the world 'on regular of New Zealand is to be raised flights But it drinks jet fuel at from £5,000 a year to £6,500 such a prodigious rate no com- (\$18.200). It is walrely tax-free. mercial airline could afford to Lord Norrie, the present governor-general, is to be succeeded



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Pastel Shades In Pubs Latest Thing In Britain

By ED SIMON Canadian Press Staff Writer bitter is threatening the British pool selections and no more. way of life. There is talk abroad that they're planning to reform the English public house.

"Pastel shades will come in." says Percy! Banks, a leading, pub architect. "The decor must he studied very carefully."

"The days of furtive drinking. are over," adds J. S. Eagles, di- From the Files of The Dally News. rector of one of Britain's blg na-'tional brewerles, which operates) a string of pubs, "People wantto look out at the street scene

tains," the reporter shuddered: TV TOO "If people want it that way," Eagles said firmly.

"Like American soda foun-

"With TV sets?" Probably in a separate room Eagles conceded. A lot of good) customers seek the publican's 'sanctuary to escape from tele-;

drawn. The Herald's correspondence columns bristled with outraged habitues preparing their last stand and zealous reformers with further suggestions

for improvement. "The publicans are losing the family man because they make Ino provision for children," ar-

I gued one correspondent. "Men | go to pubs to escape the soul-destroying domestic atmosphere of their homes," protested another. SCOTS PESSIMISTIC

There was the inevitable clash between the writer who lauded the change because "nobody has i ever drunk himself, stupid on coffee" and the connoisseur 127 years' experience who brand-) led the current brew as "litle better than intoxicating rainwater. An Englishman of the old school objected to being address-'ed by barmaids as "luv." "duckie' or "dearie" and a Scot contributed the dour observation that,

The mullioned-glass front and The blast from two big jet That's just the trouble, claim wood-panel interior of the aver-

WEEL-TRAVELLED GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta. (P. monton is being given to the

conducive to sombre reflection than sparkling galety. It admits LONDON (P.-A cloud no big-enough light to permit a cusger than the head on a pint of tomer to work out his football

August 21

10 Years Ago

Kinsmen candidate Barbara and people passing will look in." Wilson was chosen Port Queen Eagles told a shocked Daily by the widest margin ever re-Herald reporter the pubs of the corded; Betty Pullen came in future will serve ice cream, teal second. Ruth Jerstad third and and coffee and good hot snacks. Lorraine Youngman fourth.

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