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A warm welcome to Premier Bennett, cabinet

Tagives up great pleasure, all politics aside, to extend a warm welcome to Premier W. A. C. Bennett and members of his cabinet to Prince Rupert, the "banana belt" of the great British Columbian northwest. We hope that dur customary summery weather will not prove too uncomfortable for our government leaders and that when they return to windy Victoria they will disperse once and for all the malicious talk about "it always raining in Prince Rupert." Believe us, gentlemen of the cabinet, when we say, the gardeners are praying for rain in this sun-baked

Seriously, though, we are glad to see the premier and his ministers here. Our representive, Mr. William H. Murray, has spoken most ably on our behalf in the Legislature, but there is nothing to replace an on-the-spot investigation or face to face talks on the problems of this city.

There are many items the premier and his cabinet can note wherein some provincial assistance either financial or pressure on our behalf can be given. There is the matter of the federal lfuilding, which the city wants as a new city hall. This involves a new residence for the provincial government agent, transfer of lands, a new Skeena Health unit all of which, while mostly a federal matter can be expedited by provincial government support for the city's case.

We want Highways Minister P. A. Gaglardi, to take good note of the progress on the cannery road, the difficulties encountered by the local dis-

trict engineer and the fact that speed is essential if the road is to be finished in time to bring the Sunnyside cannery children into Port Edward school by September 1.

There is also the item of making Salt Lakes Park a Class A park and the development of Oliver Lake into a park and picnic site for the people of Prince Rupert. Also to be discussed and have firm commitments made are possible sites for the ferry landing which will be necessary when the Alaska marine highway system comes into being. It will be a project that will link Highway 16 to Haines. Alaska and the Alaska Highway and be of benefit not only to Prince Rupert but the whole of B.C.

Mr. Bennett himself, a man who claims to always keep a promise, could be reminded of his statement two years ago at the Prince Rupert and District Music Festival, that the Booth Memorial High School would receive aid in acquiring musical instruments for its band. Lack of instruments caused the band to be discontinued, a situation both Education Minister Peterson and the premier must view with regret.

All in all, the visit of the cabinet should be an occasion for a lot of give and take on the part of both the city and the cabinet. At the same time, the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce and the school board would like to think that some form of benefit will accrue from the personal contact with the leaders of our Centennial year government.

Israel is calm

BITAEL, facing the Middle East crisis calmly, applauds the moves of the United States, Britain and France and believes their firm and decisive action may restore Western influence in the

The joint action has soothed, for the present, at least, some of Israel's fears following the Iraq coup d'etat.

Israel shares its longest border with Jordan. That border would be more threatened, more exposed if Jordan were unable to hold out against the pro-Nasser forces seeking to overthrow its government.

The border is Israel's "traditional worry," said a Foreign Ministry official. "If King Hussein of Jordan should fall, our worry would become that much more acute."

Under any circumstances, it is unlikely that Israel would not act if Egyptian troops moved into Jordan. Last year, when left-wing rebels threatened to depose Hussein, Israel warned that it "reserved the right of

action" if this occurred. That warning has not been repealed.

The arrival of British troops in Jordan to support the government of Hussein has relieved Israel of the necessity to consider a major threat to security.

But Israel's calmness is not the calmness of complacency. It comes from strength. Israel has strength that the West should not overlook or under-estimate in its pattern for Middle East defense. It can mobilize the most effective force in the area, shown during the defeat of the Egyptian army in the Cinai desert in 1956.

That strength does not fluctuate between the moods of internal factions, between West and East, between freedom and tryranny.

'A tree does not grow to heaven' Israel is important to Western defense. For this reason, its calls for arms and military aid should not go; unheeded.

-The Toronto Telegram.

waiting for a bus," said an informant, "when they saw a pair of figures in flowered blouses whizz past in an open car, long hair blowing out in the wind.

"The two in the car waved. and the two girls waved back. Presently the car went past again, and the two in the car waved once more.

"The girls looked at one another. Do you know those girls?' asked one of them. "No, I thought you did," said the

"A minute later the car came around for the third time, moving more slowly. This time the two occupants of the car were not only waving but also whistling. And now the girls on the sidewalk realised that the long-haired, flower-shirted people in the car weren't girls,

All Aboard By G.E. Morlimore who, let their hair grow and dress in such a way that you can't tell them from girls?" my

PAPAL MEDAL—The 200th anniversary of the Pontificate of Pope Pius XII is commemorated

in this silver medal, created by sculptor Aurelio Mistruzzi. A bust of the Pontiff, who became

Pope Pius XII on March 2, 1939, appears on the front of the coin. The reverse side shows the

tended one function after an-

other, introducing hundreds of

people to the Princess, never

forgetting a name or a face or

an anecdote, and all with an

easy, friendly informality that

was not lacking in gracious

No Lieut.-governor in our

nistory ever went through

such a grind in two weeks as

Hon. Frank Mackenzie Ross.

As a matter of fact, His Honor

had a fine time every moment

Back in 1869 a prominent

itizen of Victoria, John Dick-

son, was presented with a

gold-headed walking stick by

a Victoria volunteer fire de-

partment—the Deluge Engine

In 1875 Mr. Dickson died and

Now the handsome gold

was buried in Ross Bay Ceme-

headed walking stick has ar-

rived in the Legislative Build-

ings, sent from Vancouver, as

Mr. Dickson's great-grand-

souvenir of our history, by

Thus is history made up of

bits and pieces and the long

arms of chance and coincid-

tered throughout the province,

many such interesting links

son is: never destroy anything

that has any bearing on the

history of British Columbia,

no matter how insignificant it

It's nothing short of crim-

inal and heart-breaking, the

There are, of course, scat-

The moral of this little les-

of those two weeks.

archangel Gabriel against a background of the antennas of the Vatican radio station.

Victoria Report

dignity.

Company.

daughter.

with our past.

might seem to be.

informant demanded.

VICTORIA—Princess Marg-

aret is now out of this province

after one of the most monu-

mental tours of this province

If her sister, the Queen, and

her parents, the late King

George VI and Queen Mother

Elizabeth were able to tell her

a great deal about this prov-

ince, as she said when she

spoke from the steps of the

Legislative Buildings here, she

will now be able to tell her

sister and her mother much

more, for they did not see

nearly as much of B.C. as

Premier Bennett is delighted

with the success of the Royal

visit. He wont' say how much

it cost the taxpayers; all he'll

say is that no matter the

cost, it was well worth it, for

the visit of HRH, he says,

Such a sentiment as this,

brought much business here.

from the Premier, will shock

royalists, but there it is—we

live in a hard-boiled world.

where dollars and cents appear

to be more important than

As to the cost—\$50,000 any-

way; it will leak out in time

in long-delayed public ac-

counts, but the government

will bury the details wherever

Next to the Princess herself,

the star of the Royal tour was

His Honor the Lieut.-governor

Mr. Ross proved as untiring as

HRH. He was on the go con-

tinually for two weeks, seemed

quite inexhaustible, as he at-

anything else.

Princess Margaret, nor spend

nearly so much time in B.C..

ever imposed upon a member

of the British Royal Family.

"Ugh," I said. "However, J seem to remember that there was a time in history when men had long hair and bright--ly-colored clothes. They generally carried swords, knives or clubs. If readiness to slit a gizzard or break a skull is a sign of manhood, they were manly enough."

My informant looked doubt-

"I suppose it's a matter of custom," 'I said. 'But there may be an answer to it. Some people say the beard is coming back into fashion. If the longhaired youths in flowered shirts were to cultivate whiskers, their sex would never be in

My informant seemed to

but boys who had been tryin to think this would be an underpick them.up. handed solution. And maybe he "What do you think of hoys

Christian Science Monitor . At the initiative of James R. ber-union which allies itself with the outlaws. But here it might be well to recall the ancient proverb: "A

Hoffa, Teamsters' president, three large unions of transport workers have formed a "Conon Transportation Unity." Two of the threethe International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the International Longshoremen's Association—are outcasts from the AFL-CIO.

The conference announces its purpose as the discussion and settlement of jurisdictional disputes and other matters of mutual concern. And a total of 50 transport unions have been invited to an organizational meeting in August. It is understandable that unions in an interrelated industry should feel the need of continuing contacts such as state and local building trades councils pro-

vide for their members, But if one lots his imagination go he can easily conjure up the plature of a federation under the manifestly ambitlaus Mr. Haffa, threoretically capable of halting the turn of north of the Rio Grands. And, the altention is one that neither union Inbor nor the public konorally can ignore. Afti-CIO prosident George Monny has throatoned to

press for ouster of any mem-

tree does not grow to heaven." Soveral other transport unions are already openly skepticalnotably, the Brotherhood of

Locomotive Engineers and the Air Line Pilots Association, One of the three original signers of the CTU, president Joseph Curran of the National Marine Union (which is not a "Big Labor" outcast), has said that if the new transport conforence intended to rival the APL-CIO "I wouldn't be in it."

Unions have their rivalries. as well as their common interest, The AFL-CIO, product of years of statesmanlike effort, atill is far from the unity it, hoped to attain. And experlenced labor leadership knows full well that even the threat of any monolithic labor combine is likely to be solf-defeat-

into beacei

Stratford Reacon-Herald Thore have not been too many times in the past few yours when it looked as if we might blunder into peace.

From The Financial Post

should be speeded up a little this year. Two more countries have joined the eleven nations that have eliminated the passenger manifest from their air travel requirements.

In North America, neither Canada nor the United States now require this particular ftem of red tape for overseas flights, and several Caribbean area governments are considering its abolition.

suming listing of passengers after everyone has checked in but before the plane can depart, is a needless duplication,

aircraft officials Passengers' names, together with much additional information, appear on the standard embarkation and debart kation cards which are made up in flight or when the page sengers buy their tickets.

Most countries still demanding the manifest require that! duplicates be filed for distribution to a variety of government ment departments-immigration, customs, health, agriculting ture and police. Some even require a passenger manifest at routine refueling stops whome passengers do not leave the





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INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Russia can't lose at summit conference

By JOSEPH MacSWEEN Canadian Press Staff Writer

The West is determined not to be enught on the defensive at the proposed summit meet-Ing on the Middle East that has stirred such augerness in the burly breast of Nikita Khrush-

The Soviet premier's pell-mell methodsamounting to what may be called "lightning dinlomacy"-undoubledly snatched the initiafive owny from the West, but the reaction has lsoort-firm.

The United States, especially, has taken a Atrong Ilno in the obvious belief that Russia's intention is to make of the summit conference the propaganda fleata which has been feared ill along, stree long before the Middle Bast

gome of Khrushchav's bombast has been punctured by the demand that the United Nations Security Council-not Russia, not the W.B.-- he the one to extend invitations to the mouthr.

More important is the Western insistence that the whole Middle Bast situation be discussed and not only Russian charges that the U.B. and Britain have committed aggression against Lebanon and Jordan by sending troops

that finds Russia, not Western countries, as the expansionist power in the Middle East through Soviet backing of President Nasser and his United Arab Republic.

hoped to picture the U.S. and Britain in the Security Council in the role of international culprits, brought to the bar of world justice by

Russia, guardian of the Arabsi how Russin could losg in a summit conference now, since such a mosting would likely extend at least tacit recognition to the new Iraq govornment, and also to the role of Nasser in

But the meeting could also lay bare in an unequivocal way before the world how. Russia is expanding in the Middle East through

to those countries. This restores the perspective to a situation

Nevertholoss, it's clear that Khruschev

In a pragmatic way, it is difficult to see

Nasser's technique of intrigue and murder.

Perhaps Khrushchev's lightning diplomacy will turn out to be just too transparent.