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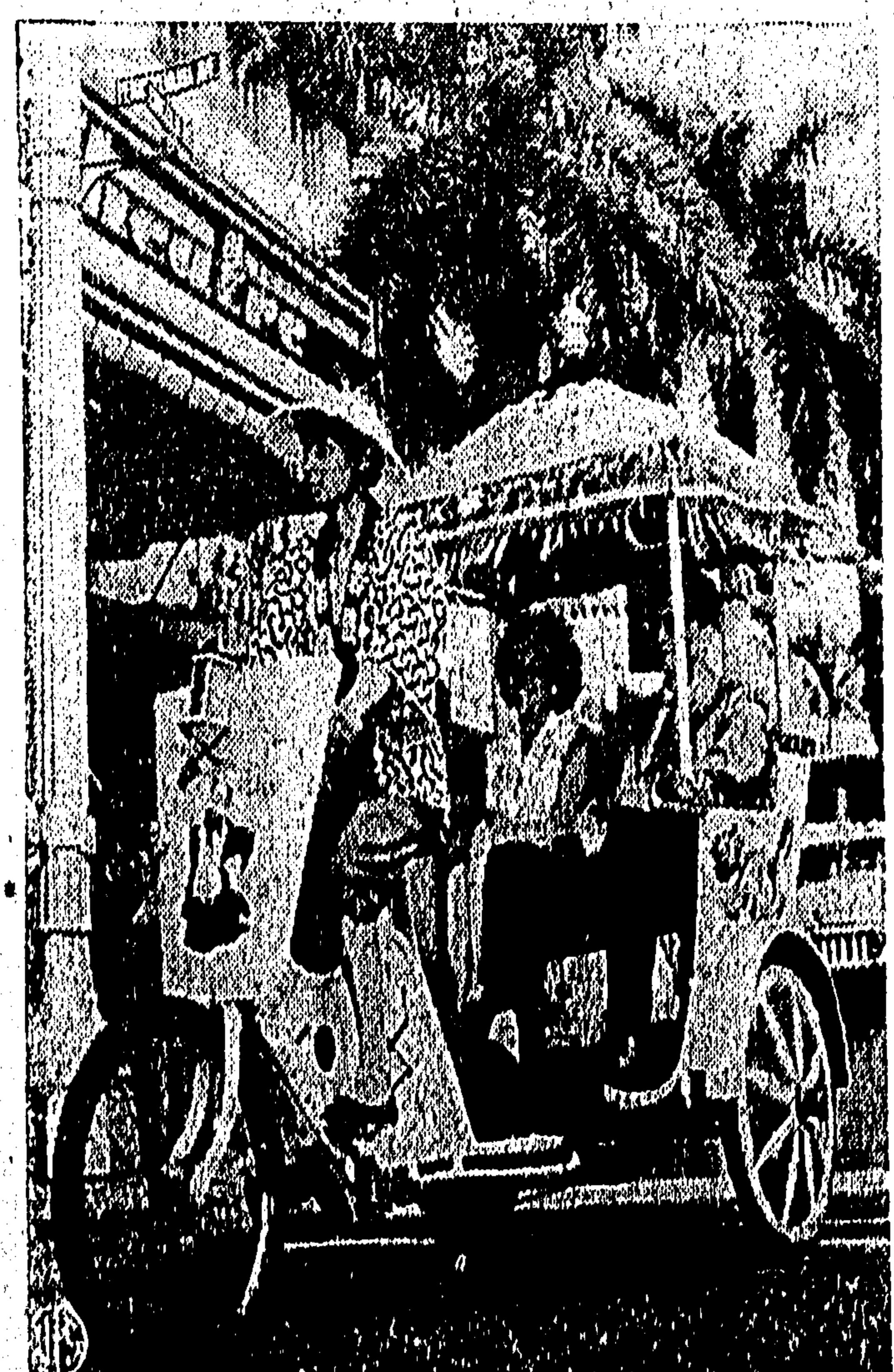
## Should Be No Boycott

THERE are few greater admirers of the Native Indian or "100 per cent Canadian" than the Daily News. We count a large number of Indians among our best friends. With this in mind we sincerely hope that the Tsimsian and Haida Indians will not boycott any north-central British Columbia Centennial celebrations as Indian spokesmen in the south have urged. We bow to the superior knowledge of Andy Paull, president of the North American Indian Brotherhood and Frank Assu, of Quathiaski Cove, president of the Confederation of Allied Indian Tribes in B.C. in the matter of what they term "the biggest land steal on record." There was, and no doubt still is, considerable to be desired in the arrangements by which the government deprived the Indians of their land. But that is a matter for the courts and we feel sure that Mr. Paull and Mr. Assu along with their legal advisers, will eventually reach a settlement satisfactory to the original Canadians. It would be a pity, therefore, to mar this province's big 100th birthday party by harking back to a century-old dispute in which neither present-day government officials nor Natives took part.

We will fight on the Indians' side for improved liquor laws, better treatment and against discrimination. We will encourage them to revive their arts and crafts, record their history and legends. We will urge them to educate their children, groom their young men and women for better roles in the world of today. We might also encourage them to less dependency on the federal government by becoming "Canadians" all over again; if for nothing else but to receive equal rights with other "Canadians." But we fail to see any benefits that will accrue from not joining in the Centennial celebrations when they have so much to offer.

Mr. Assu for one should not belabor the issue too much. It is not much more than 100 years ago that Mr. Assu's war-like antecedents from Quadra Island used to make full-scale raids on the Cowichan Indians, taking captives, plundering and pillaging. Yet today, the Cowichan Indians, the Comox band (which lived in dread of the Quadra Island braves) and Mr. Assu's band, live in peace as members of the Allied Indian Tribes.

Therefore we suggest that if the wrongs of 100 years ago still rankle down south, a pipe of peace be smoked all around or at least a "cease fire" called for 1958. Up in this part of the world we feel sure that the original Canadians are too wise to waste the opportunity of displaying their ancient customs, dress, skills, totem dances, songs and inherent courtesies of which they have always been so proud, on the occasion of B.C.'s "biggest and best" centenary festivities.



**THE EXOTIC ORIENT?** Could be, but the background and the street sign give away the fact that this is actually Miami Beach. The Oriental touch was added by store owners, who provide the rickshaws to aid tourists on their shopping tours.

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## As I See It

by

Elmore Philpott

### • UN's Writ Runs

THE United Nations Assembly has finished its long drawn-out session on the Suez crisis. The delegates have gone home worn and weary, but also with a real sense of satisfaction that precarious peace has been restored.

It is strange but true that the UN manages to come through one crisis after another, and usually to gain new strength from each ordeal.

THE UN as it now exists, is quite a different organization from that which came into being in 1945. The change which has taken place has confounded some theorists. The Security Council has been stripped of much of the power which the founders of the UN tried to give it. The General Assembly, on the other hand, has taken onto itself more and more of the power which the founders of the UN deliberately tried to keep from it. But, on both of these scores, the changes are all simply majority vote; instead of two-thirds majority rule.

The UN is growing, as all organic living things always grow. It is moving forward on the basis of trial and error—some would say by following the line of least resistance. But friend and foe alike must admit that the old phrase "The King's writ runs" more and more applies to the UN at the world level.

The UN writ runs further and further around the globe. The power which it exerts is not the power which was envisaged by the Big Three wartime leaders, nor by the experts who wrote the first draft of the UN charter at Dumbarton Oaks. In point of actual experience, there has been less reliance on physical force, and more reliance on moral force, than the blue-prints of the UN charter had in mind.

But, in crisis after crisis, the UN has provided a forum where the public opinion of the various nations could find a meeting place, and a point of crystallization.

SOME critics of the UN attack it on the ground that it was unable to prevent the outrageous Russian massacre of the freedom fighters in Hungary.

Others have asked how it is that the UN could, in fact, call a halt to unauthorized military operations undertaken against Egypt by usually loyal and law-abiding members of the UN such as Britain, France and Israel.

But, if the Union National Premier ever seriously contemplated intervention on behalf of the PCs, it is clear that over the recent months he has changed his mind. He has done so for just one reason: His main political concern is the provincial field; he therefore doesn't want to undertake any impulse course, however satisfying it might be to his ego temporarily, which in the long run would impair his strategic position in Quebec politics.

And if Duplessis, to satisfy whatever grievance he may feel against the St. Laurent Cabinet, should team up with the PCs to defend the Liberals, what would his own position be? Obviously, he would be left dealing with a Federal Government which he couldn't attack, so convincingly because he would be mainly responsible for it. The Union National Leader reportedly has no desire to wind up in that position. He is said to value his freedom to attack the Ottawa Government as the main source of the power which he wields over his French-speaking compatriots.

The neutrality of Duplessis in the coming fight is a main source of Liberal confidence in the safety of its Quebec seats. By the same token, it is a disappointing development for the PCs. They had been relying upon the aid of the Union National machine to make substantial inroads upon the Quebec Liberal bloc—perhaps as many as 25 to 30 seats, or almost as well as the late Prime Minister R. B. Bennett achieved. This prospect now is recognized as faded. The situation emphasizes the necessity of virtually a sweep of Ontario if the PCs are to come even close to winning.

### Quieter March

BONN (AP)—Jackboots have gone democratic in the new West German army. They look like the old Nazi goose-step boots, but defence minister Franz Josef Strauss said with a smile "there will be no stamping of hobnails or clicking of heels. They have rubber soles."

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TRAVELLERS TO and around British Columbia in 1958 will find many of the most fashionable ladies begowned in the fells and flounces of a century ago. The figure of the hour will be the hour-glass figure as milady turns back the clock to 1858, year of the birth of British Columbia. A preview of the unique treat in store for visitors during the province's big centennial celebration is provided, here, by four travel counsellors of the B.C. Government Travel Bureau in Victoria. Left to right, Muriel Smith, Barbara Tubman, Audrey McCormick and Pat Campbell, who answer some 40,000 tourist enquiries annually, are customarily garbed in smart forest-green blazers decorated with the B.C. Government Travel Bureau shoulder-patch and lapel ornaments representing the dogwood bloom, B.C.'s floral emblem. Next year, holiday-makers seeking travel information at the Bureau office near the Parliament Buildings will find the girls attired in the hoop skirts, bustles and fancy petticoats of British Columbia's pioneer period. The gown being modelled above was, worn by Mrs. James Douglas, wife of the first governor of British Columbia, and is among a number of period fashions on display in the Provincial museum.

## Simon Fraser's Down River Trip To Be Enacted For Centennial

Special To The Daily News

VICTORIA — Highlights of the tour of the Fraser this month. Simon Fraser's voyage down the ice of six professional boatmen great river that bears his name to guide the 18 foot long birch are to be re-enacted by 18 bark canoes down the Fraser

adventurers in Indians canoes from Fort George to a point

British Columbia's 1958 just south of Vancouver on the Gulf

Centenary, the B.C. Centennial mouth of the river on the

committee has disclosed.

Gordon Hilker of Vancouver Fraser made his historic trip

are named by the Centennial committee to explore the land and was credited with establishing feasibility of re-enacting Frasier's diary in the Provincial Archives in mapping out

port back to the committee this

spring.

Mr. Hilker, who has staged

numerous celebrity concerts and

theatrical productions on the

west coast, will make a complete

return to the river this summer.

Mr. Hilker plans to make the

trip as authentically accurate

as possible and has been study-

ing Fraser's diary in the Pro-

vincial Archives in mapping out

the journey.

Each of the three canoes will

carry six men dressed in the

trappings of the voyageur. As

they paddle along the river and

glide into harbours, along the

way, they will sing sea chanteys

and early Canadian boat songs

in the manner of Fraser's crew.

The re-enacting of Fraser's

trip is expected to attract world

wide attention.

The voyage is expected to take six weeks with the canoes stopping at communities along the way for welcoming ceremonies.

Since the Fraser is one of the

toughest rivers in the world to

navigate, the canoes will provide

a thrilling spectacle as they

shoot some of the dangerous

rapids in the Fraser Canyon,

and go through Hell's Gate, just

above Yale, before entering more

peaceful waters to carry them

to Vancouver.

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