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### Time for Constructive Move

RINCE RUPERT MLA William H. Murray's suggestion that the provincial labor laws are due for an overhaul grows more commendable with every day strike of British Columbia pulpworkers continues. Yesterday the unions decided to withdraw all security guards, maintenance men and power plant employees in an effort to completely cripple the industry's costly pulp and paper mill. The mill operators, through their spopkesman said in effect that they couldn't care less. The pulpworkers have stated that they are prepared for a "long, long strike." The operators have countered by indicating that they can keep their plants shut down for just as long. So the strike passes the two week mark and no solution has been found and no move to find one has been made. Meantime production has been at a standstill, pay cheques have been non-existent, bills have been piling

Therefore Mr. Murray's suggestion that a court of labor relations be established has a great deal of merit. Much has been done to improve B.C.'s labor laws but there is still room for improvement.

The big lack in our labor legislation is a means whereby labor-management disputes can be conducted within the law and still not hinder production. Halting production is undoubtedly a big stick in the unions' hands but it is a dcuble-edged sword in as much as when a plant closes an employee ceases to work and the money for his groceries comes to an end. On the other hand, when a mill stays closed its former employees begin drifting away in search of a livelihood, not in great numbers but by the time the' plants reopen many former millworkers will be among the missing and in all probability engaged in some other form of work.

Yesterday John Sherman, pulpworkers union international representative accused the operators of not bargaining collectively. At the same time the spokesman for the operators made it clear that the companies would not entertain any thought, of resuming talks except on a basis of the 7½ per cent increase recommended by the majority report of the conciliation board. To us it would appear that neither group is ready to bargain in good faith. In any stalemate both sides must give in a little before the other is convinced that there is a sincere desire to try to reach an agreement.

A court of labor relations made up of union and company leaders, plus representatives of the government and the judiciary as Mr. Murray suggested, could have been trying to solve the dispute all this time without production being halted and men being out of work. Thus the economy of British Columbia in general and Prince Rupert in particular would not have suffered the setback it has. Many persons not remotely connected with the pulpworkers or the mills would still have their jobs.

At the same time, while such a court of labor relations would be a boon, one wonders if one such body would be enough. What with union contracts in every industry expiring practically every week of the year and many of them going beyond the conciliation board stage, it might be found that we would need about a dozen courts of labor relations going full blast eight hours a day, five days a week to handle all the disputes.

In any case, the time has come for both the union and the mill operators to swallow their stiff-necked pride and make the first move toward settling a disagreeable matter that is affecting many more people than just themselves. It takes two to tango hut one of the pair always has to lead the way.

# L'ETTERBOX

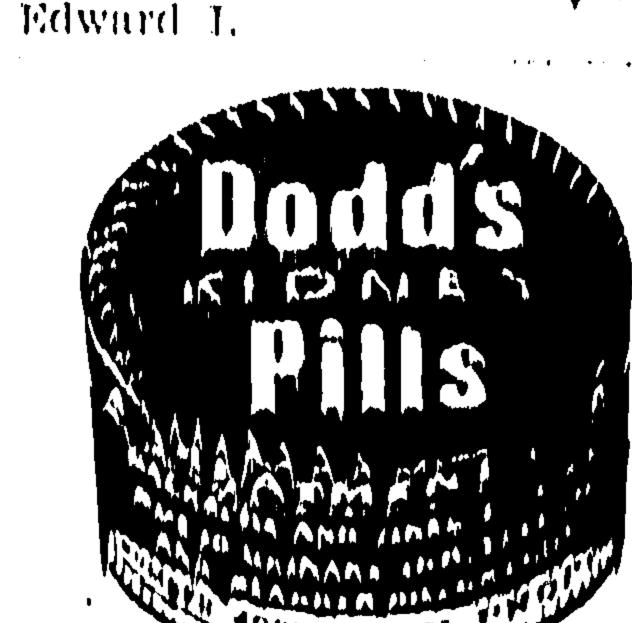
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ment of the material and generally poor reporting in the only Prince Rupert daily paper. However, your last burst contampt for an individual on the front page was just too information.

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OTTAWA-It is no secret that the Diefenbaker government is weighing the pros and cons of plunging the country into a midwinter election campaign, with the actual vote to be held between March 31 and

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By G. E. MORTIMER

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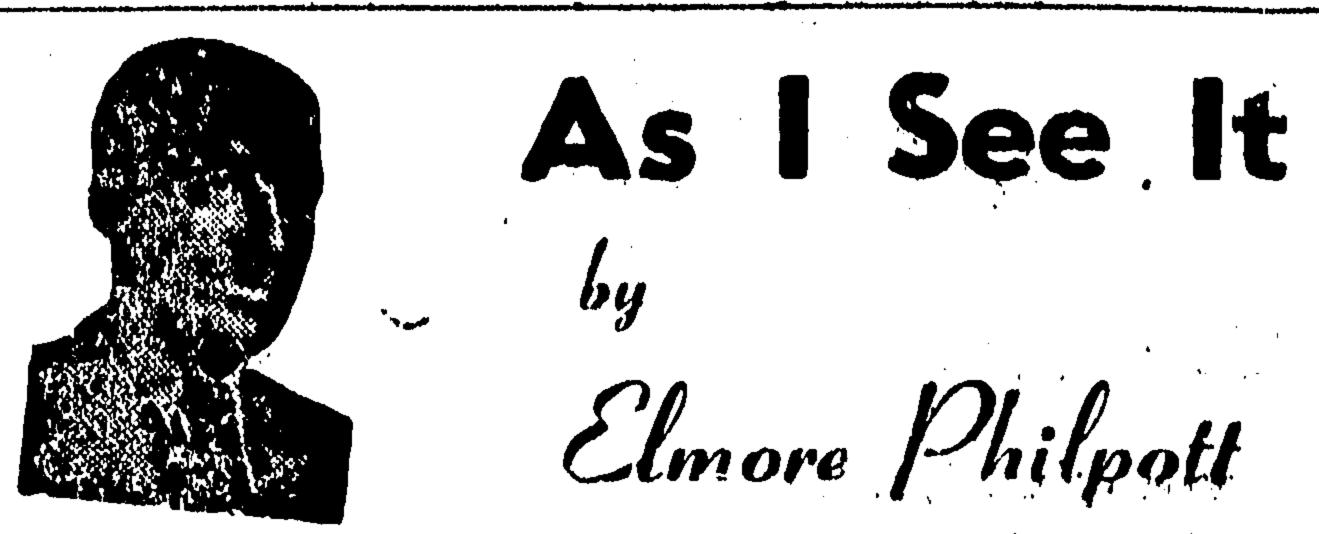
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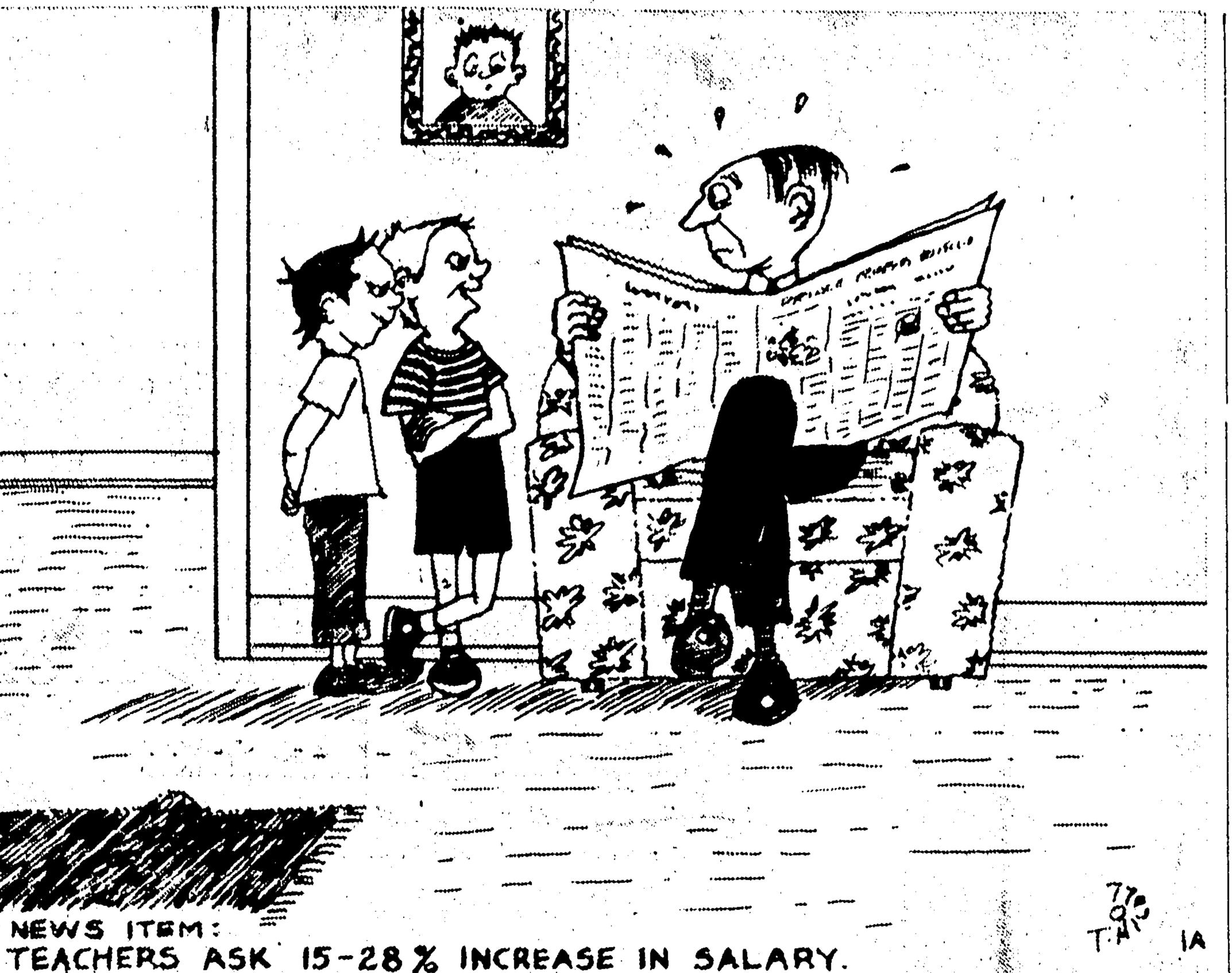
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## Doing Presidents Job, Nixon Disclaims Charge

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ton's National Airport.

Wednesday night when he sub- graphers. mitted to reporter's questions in the office of presidential press secretary James C. Hagerty. NOT EMBARRASSED

"No questions are embarrassing," he broke in a a reporter apologized for a ticklish question about whether Eisenhowe might resign — which would mean Nixon would become presi-

And he ping-ponged answers back at his 100 or so questioners; for 45 minutes, oblivious of the the glare of hot movie and tele- up. vision lights.

He had carefully tended to to the agent. "Just have them ! that beard, shaving it close be- lay out my white tie and tails

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Prince Rupert faced possibility

"My role at the present time paper men. It wasn't long before minded person that the Dief- I think is best described by my he disclosed that fact to a photoenbaker government has done title," he told a White House grapher who joked that he had razor and "my beard is almost

> "But I shaved this afternoon," Nixon protested.

LESSON IN TACT

Shaving was not his only concession. He also gave a lesson' Nixon's confidence in himself to Hagerty on how to win reporters and influence photo-

> Hagerty was issuing an ultimatum to a newsreel crew whose lights had gone out due to mechanical failure: get started in one minute or miss the shot. Nixon, with 20 minutes to get dressed an go to dinner with the king of Morocco, broke

"Oh, that's all right, Jim. Even the Jupiter missile didn't go off on schedule."

A secret service man handed profuse sweat which dribbled Nixon a note, apparently from down his heavy black beard in home and telling him to hurry

"I've shaved-already," he said

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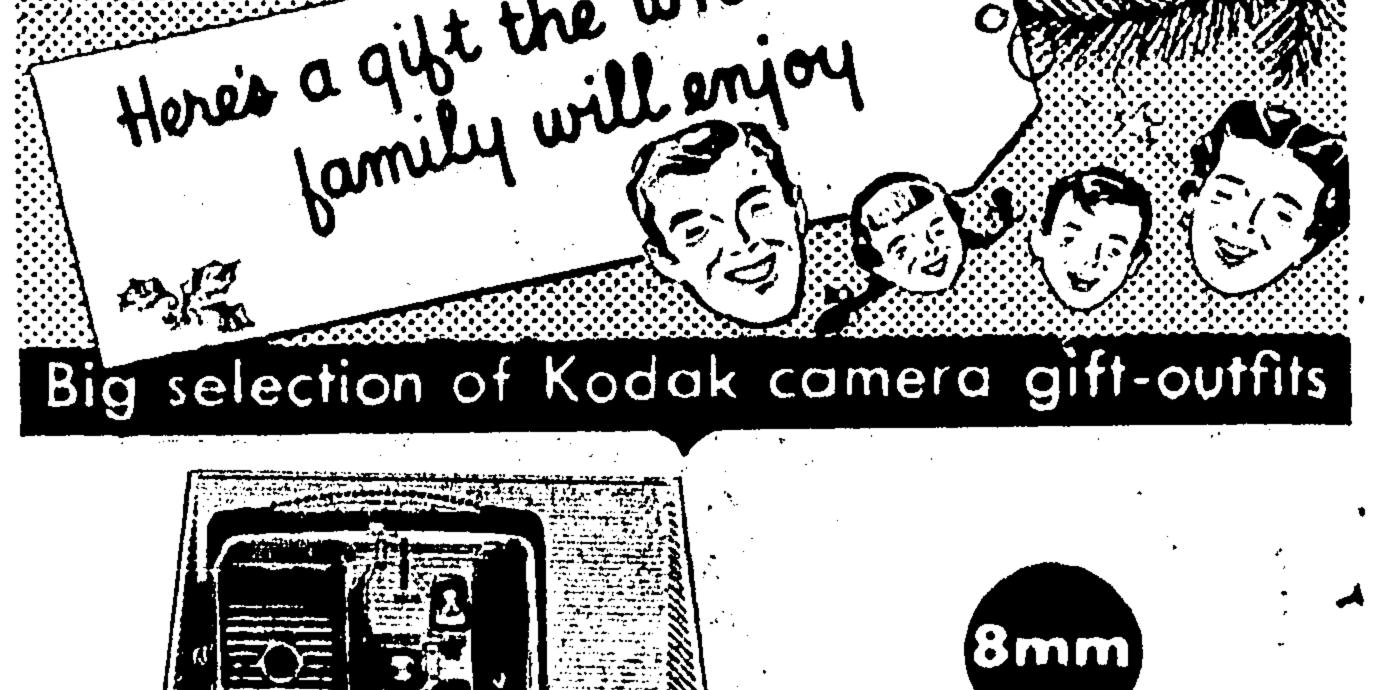
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