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## CNR dock should be dismantled immediately

maintenance, yesterday's incident in one. Which a \$100,000 geological research truck plunged through the weakened planking into the water, should dispell any doubts.

and by freak of circumstances was alternative facilities.

THE accident on the Canadian parked in a spot right between pilings. National Railways dock at the foot If there had been a collapse and the of the Second Street ramp yesterday truck had been parked three or four should be sufficient reason for the feet either way the truck probably ENR to speed its June, 1959 deadline would have been caught up on the pilfor completion of the dock removal. If ings. However, there is nothing to any skeptics thought the CNR was say that a similar accident could not fooling when it said its dock was not happen further along the dock, which worth spending any more money on its God forbid, could prove fatal to some-

Every precaution should be taken to make sure such a mishap does not occur and the CNR and other firms located in the vicinity should expedite Granted, the truck and its equip- the complete semoval of the ancient ment weighed a tremendous amount dock and make arrangements for

## Care urged with use of lights on trees

warning against the dangers involved through the use of faulty out fuss or panic. Christmas tree lights has been issued by the headquarters of St. John Ambulance.

Every Christmas, fatal accidents are reported due to frayed wires and for shock by moving casualty as little lamateur splices. Trees placed near as possible. radiators or wet surfaces in an attempt to keep the tree moist can complete a ground circuit and result in necessarily. electrocution.

'to observe the Golden Rules of First Aid which are:

• Do things fast, quietly, with-

• Arrest severe bleeding.

• Guard against shock or treat

Do not attempt to do too much.

• Do not remove clothing un-

• Arrange for doctor, fire res-

Learn First Aid, it may save your' life, or the life of your loved ones.

simple-minded people wonder-why Saanich turned down sewers. The municipality needs sewers. Saanich residents are always writing to the council complaining about foul effluent running in open ditches where children play. And yet when the chance came to give the 40-ahead sight to a parameter a medall aimed to keep Saanich clean, the voters said "No."

\_ Simple-minded people ask "Why?" For "Sannich citizens to vote clearly against their own interests, seems fairly close to lunacy. At other times, people of Saanich, and other places too, have voted against schools and other things that they obviously needed.

They did so because all these things mean 'spending money, and Saanich people are dessperately fond of a nickel. They are not the ronly ones.

If all public spending projects were put to the vote--roads, bridges, schools, the sal-Thries of public employees—the people of Saamich and other municipalities would say "no" Jame Jand again.

And the same people grumbling beause the we call English. 'facilities are lacking. That's why I'm inclined to think that referendums on urgently-needed "public projects are foolish and useless. A great rmany people, candidly, live in hopes that somethody else will give them what they need, free

Give artificial respiration if breathing has ceased.

The St. John group urges residents cue crew, or ambulance, as needed.

All aboard with G. E. Mortimore

to private enterprise.

Who says whether or not we are to admit new word to the language? In France, they have an academy which hands down official rulings. In Britain and the United States, the job is assigned to the scholars who compile dictionaries. In Ganada, perhaps, the job will be left

colleague reports that a car spotlight on sale at an automotive supply store had the following message in tis directions for use . . "With gizmoes for precise adjustment."

The same message was repeated in French. The word "gizmo," as far as I can find, has not yet been admitted to any dictionary. I suppose it means a control device—a knob,

switch or lever. Perfectly good words already existed to describe these things. However, "gizmo" has an exotic, outer-space

sound to it. If Oxford and Webster decide to admit the word, under sponsorship of the Canadian General Electric Co., it should be an ornament to the rich collection of flotsam and jetsam of the world's languages which

However, one thing bothers me. Why should more than one gizmo be spelled "gizmoes"? My feeling is that the plural should be no "e"

Canadian General Electric should set its staff language experts to work on this problem

# ond PLACE

By STAN ROUGH Round Up for 1958 In looking back over the past year I would like to thank a number of people who helped produce 56 columns for "Time and Place". The list of contributors is an imposing one, Wiggs O'Neil, Smithers; Mrs. E. N. Whitlow, Usk; Enoch R. L. Jones, Sr., San Francisco: Gordon Robinson, Kitamaat Village; Mrs. Beth Warley, Vernon; Sperry Cline, Vancouver; J. T. Madill, Kitimat; Ken Brumley, Montreal: the late Charles Durham, Usk: and Gordon Cronk, of Kit-

Preservation of Historical

Near Old Hartley Bay 49 miles down Douglas Channel are a number of rock carvings. These carvings are on rocks presumably of volcanic origin, lie on the beach below the high tide mark. Most of the rocks on which the carvings appear face shoreward and are on rocks approximately 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet. This area should be definitely set aside by the Provincial Government as an historical site. Kitselas Canyon:

The area on both sides, above and below the Kitselas Canyon, should be ear-marked not only as an historical site, but as a future camp-site and picnic grounds. There are six standing totem poles on the railroad side of the Canyon, plus six poles on the ground. and four short poles on the top of a cut bank above the railroad track, near the first tunnel. On the opposite side of the river are the ruins of an old Indian community house, and two totem poles beyond restoration, on the ground. There are many salmon storage pits and several rough stone markers. This should be a profitable area for the excavation of Indian relics. On the bench overlooking the Canyon the two graves, surrounded by cedar fence, in remarkable state of preservation, but the supports of the grave houses have rotted away, and the building has fallen

One stone reads: "In memory of Maria Ellwitt died August 1883—aged 40 years. For several years a Christian. She rests in peace." The other stone, of which only one half is in evidence reads simply: "J Fisher, Victoria."

This is an historic spot, as the articles which have appeared or will appear in this column by Mrs. E. M. Whitlow, the late Charles Durham, Wiggs O'Neil and Enoch R. L. Jones Sr., will indicate. Kitselas was in many ways the key of the Skeena, from the coast as far as the Naline People, Hudsons' Bay Company, prospectors and railroad builders were concerned.

It is fortunate indeed that so much new material is coming to light to suppliment, that already recorded by Dr. R. G. Large and Marius Barbeau famous Canadian anthopologist. \* More Help Needed:

Aided by correspondents, who have made contributions regarding the history of this section of the country, we intend with their help to push back the frontier, and make our district more understandable to readers. You can help by writing me at Box 3529 Protection for unions cally not designed to destroy unions or impair their effectiveness; Slichter pays tribute to the role of unions in a modern economy.

"WILL YOU BUY yourself a new pair of shoes for Christmas

or would you rather I gave you the boot?"

From The Financial Post

ed Harvard economist, urges

governments to take five steps

to protect union members

from the "abuses of oligarchy"

shown up by recent revela-

ions are managed.

tions of the ways in which un-

Writing in the Atlantic,

Slichter proposes: (1) that

persons convicted of felony be

prohibited from holding un-

ion office; (2) that unions be

required to hold "honest and

tions; (3) that unions and un-

ion officers be required to file

certain financial reports, with

penalties for omissions and

misrepresentations; (4) that

national unions be restricted

from depriving local unions

and districts of self-govern-

ment without good cause; (5)

that governments provide an

outside and neutral source of

appeal for union members who

are disciplined by the union

officers, so that union mem-

bers can feel free to criticize

the officers and their policies.

Biggest menace

From The

Kitchener-Waterloo Record

You say you're a "moderate"

drinker. You never have more

than a couple of highballs at

a party. You're a "careful"

Now hear this, Mr. Moderate

Drinker. According to a U.S.

survey by the National Safety

Council you're one of the big-

gest menaces on the highway

during the Christmas holidays.

genuine, blown-in-the-bottle

lush who weaves conspiciously

through traffic and can be

avoided, you are a time bomb

who only explodes into irre-

sponsible driving conduct

when confronted with an

FIRST HOSPITAL

Hotel-Dieu, of Quebec, was es-

Main P.O. Kitimat, B.C. Your

communications I assure you

will be greatly appreciated.

The End of the Year:

1958 will soon come to an

end. To all readers and corres-

pondents may I take this op-

portunity of wishing you all a

Merry Christmas and a Happy

New Year, and above all a

Healthful New Year.

Canada's first hospital, the

emergency.

tablished in 1639.

Why? Because unlike the

The proposals are emphati-

reasonable frequent"

Sumner H. Slichter, the not-

But he says the labor movement needs help in recovering from the blows it has suffered as a result of the efforts of crooks and racketeers to exploit unions for their own private purposes. His advice is sound. Labor leaders as well as governments would do well to heed what he says.

From The Toronto Telegram

The ruling of Chief Justice McRuer that the careless driving section of the Ontario Highway Traffic Act is invalid attracts widespread public attention. This is because it bears on public concern about the highway toll and the concerted efforts of the authorities to make the highways safe by regulation and deterrent action.

Chief Justice McRuer has ruled that the provincial legislation encroaches upon the sections of the Criminal Code which deal with criminal negligence, and is therefore beyond the province's powers. "A summarization of the development of criminal law, he wrote, "would indicate that the provincial legislature has been making an attempt to amplify and round out the matter of criminal negligence as applied to the operation of The decision is being ap-

pealed by the Ontario attorney-general. If it is upheld, it will leave a gap in the law with respect to punishment of drivers guilty of some degree of negligence short of the degree required to convict on the serious charge of criminal negligence. It will not mean such offenders go scot-free, for careless driving involves a specific offence, such as speeding, going through a stop sign of failing to yield the right of way.

Attorney-General Kelso Roberts has pointed out that careless driving was formerly covered by the Criminal Code. There were then three degrees

of negligence as applied to driving: manslaughter, which involved a high degree of negligence; dangerous driving, which the courts held to involve a lesser degree of negli-. gence; and careless driving. which the courts regarded as involving a lesser degree work negligence than the other two.

Under the new Criminal Code, drawn up in 1958 and 1954, there is only one degree of negligence—criminal negligence. Causing death by. criminal negligence is subject to maximum sentence of life. imprisonment; causing bodily, injury by criminal negligence is subject to maximum sen, tence of 10 years; a conviction. on charge of criminal negli-, gence is punishable by up. to five years. A person is guilty of criminal negligence if he shows "wanton or rockless disregard" for the lives or safe, ty of other persons,"

No doubt many persons: charged with careless driving. under the Highway Traffic Act could be charged with negligence." practice, it is more difficultator get convictions on a serious. charge than on a lesser one."

### Not rest homes: From The Edmonton Journal

Prisons should not be rest homes. Reformation and redemption are paramount considerations in a prizon system but the punitive and discipling ary element should not "be" weakened. It is good to have Mr. Fulton's assurance that there is no intention of weakening it.



## INTERPRETING THE NEWS Top-level talks may have to save trade pact

A vigorous exhange between British and French delegates on the question of who was Interstening whom brought this week's European Tree trade negotiations to an uncompromising half. The delegates now have barely four weeks

, to get down to business. Before reassembling January 15 for another Threeting of the Organization for European



SPOR MORE THAN 30 yours New Westminster's . Maurice Bodington ententained on the Amereleun mage and Canadian radio. During that thme he has kept a scrapbook and from it The draws anecdotes and stories for his weekly CRC radio show "Bod's Heraphook" heard every

Bunday.

By KEN METHERAL Canadian Press Staff Writer Economic Co-operation, they must devise some formula the interests of the six members of the newly-formed Common Market with those of their 11 OFEC partners.

If they fall, the new year may see the outbrenk of trade warfare between the two contending groups, a development that almost all the countries concerned view as a grave threat to the prosperity of the area. France, Italy, West Germany and the Bon-

elux countries have formed themselves into the Common Market which goes into effect January 1. This customs union will progressively liberalize trade among its members and creek a common tariff wall against the outside world. But in doing so, they have introduced an element of trade discrimination against the remaining II OFEC members that violates the spirit of that organization.

The main problem is to overcome French tears of the consequences of a wholesale lowering of her trade barriers on an economy long genred to a high-tariff policy.

Her Common Market partners have expressed willingness to join in a wider free trade area. But despite visible signs of annoyance at French intransigence, they have made clear that their first loyalty is to the Common

An unforturate byproduct of the dispute has been a marked increase in tension between Britain and Pramer.

Britain's forthright warning this wook that the will be forced to take retaliatory measures. unless the discriminatory features of the Common Market are removed has angered Frenchmen whose recent upsurge of nationalistic epirit makes them sensitive to any suggestion of negotiating under pressure.

It may well take a top-level mooting between Prime Minister Maemillan and Gen. de Capille to restore the entente cordiale and open the way to successful talks next month.

