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## Greetings to Northern District teachers

Northern District Teachers whose ment of education and two laymen L. convention is being launched in Booth S. McGill, manager of administration Memorial High school tonight. Hard work in preparing for the varied sessions, the arrangements for speakers, accommodation for more than 200 teachers has been evident from the outset and it is to be hoped that the two-and-a-half day parley runs off smoothly. A great deal of valuable information can be gained from a well-planned conference and exchange of ideas and experiences between an outstanding success due to careful High school and hear Robin Pearce, organization and the wide range of head of the arts and crafts departtopics available for the principals to ment for the University of British

Welcome also is the opening up of the conference to the public. There has long been a wide gulf between the the public at Booth High school will teachers and parents that even par- be the largest and most varied display ent-teacher associations have not been of children's text books and books for able to close. The open session of the recreational reading ever shown in conference should give parents and the north country. Parents will have other members of the public an oppor- the opportunity of buying and ordertunity to see the teachers making a ing them, a good thought with Christsincere study of their profession and mas little over a month away. all its ramifications.

the B.C. Teachers Federation and Dr. Falls and the Queen Charlottes.

T is with a great deal of pleasure that C. B. Conway, director of the division we extend a warm welcome to the of tests and measures at the departat Columbia Cellulose and J. R. Ayres, editor of The Daily News.

Tomorrow morning, at 11 o'clock, the public will have the opportunity of hearing a noted speaker in the form of Dr. Brock Chisholm, former directorgeneral of the United Nations' World-Health Organization who will address the teachers on "Education for Sur-

Tonight after the panel discussion teachers always proves enlightening. guests will be able to view paintings The recent principals' conference was by B.C. artists in Booth Memorial Columbia extension department comment on the art works.

Also designed for the benefit of

All in all the public and teachers Tonight a topic of great import- will be able to rub shounders in an inance, "How to improve our schools" formal manner and considerable benewill be analyzed in a panel discussion fit should accrue from the experience. between two members of the educa- Again, welcome to teachers from tion world H. N. Parrott. president of Smithers, Kitimat, Terrace, Ocean

## The exchange nuisance

which understandably he found very now who tend to scrutinize their annoying. In a B.C. restaurant he change when making purchases of any was given among his change an Am- kind lest they find themselves loaded crican 50-cent piece, and making an- with American money. Dollar bills other purchase a few minutes later in are easily spotted but coinage is not, the same establishment he was charg- thus the circulation of U.S. silver in ed the exchange discount on the same Canada goes merrily on. Resistance coin. Pointing to the tourist trade he to it is on the upgrade, however, nor says a happening of this sort might can Canadians be indicted for preferdiscourage a U.S. visitor coming to ring their own currency.

It might, although it shouldn't. Tourists from across the line should be aware that the American dollar is currently at a discount and should be prepared for the difference. Much of the exchange problem might be eased in Canada.

Because of the exchange ratio a

DECREATION Minister Westwood growing caginess is manifest among cites an instance of money transfer local residents. Victorians there are

Perhaps Mr. Westwood should have refused the 50-cent piece in the first place, for as he found out not all establishments accept U.S. money at par. In the tourist season particularly some business houses do, absorbing the loss as an act of grace conducive to friendly relations and as a stimulant in fact if tourists from outside Can- to tourist trade in general. Many ada exchanged their funds at their Victorians nevertheless find the legown banks before coming here, al- acy of American coins that results a though human nature being what it is nuisance to be avoided when possible. and American currency being accept- It is especially ironic that any estabable in Canada it is not surprising lishment should give a customer an that this is infrequently done. It is American coin without benefit of pretoo much to expect, however, that a mium, and then a few minutes later U.S. tourist arriving with a pocketful take it hack again only on a discount of silver won't put this into circulation—basis. No wonder Mr. Westwood was

-The Victoria Colonist.



JARRING DISCOVERY—Getting the feel of the past, six-yearold Despina Theoharis examines a giant, shell-encrusted jar that her grandmother, Mrs. Evanglis Palpogos, brought back to Silver Spring, Md., from her native home on the Greek island of Samos. After getting it back to the U.S., Mrs. Palpogos took the jar—which used to hold the samily rice—to the Smithsonian Institution in nearby Washington, D.C. An expert there told her the "souvenir" was actually an ancient wine jug | which the Greeks called amphora, and probably dated back to 300 B.C.

## TIME and PLACE.

By STAN ROUGH THE KISPIOX STAMPEDE

For the past six years the people of the Kispiox Valley up Hazelton way have celebrated Labour Day with a stampede. The stampede cannot be compared with the Calgary extravaganza as it is a home grown affair ,and a "do it yourself" effort. The broncs, steers and riders are all home grown, and, as a result, it is an agreeable change from the slick productions we see in the movies. The stampede not only attracts the local population but visitors from Hazelton, Usk, Telkwa, Doreen, Kitimat, Topley, Terrace, Moricetown, Kitwanga, Cedarvale, Kitwancool, Pacific and Prince Rupert.

WELL LAID OUT The stampede grounds consists of corrals for the horses and steers, a judges platform with a public address system, and three chutes which open into the area created by a greater mile track. The grounds have a natural setting as the spectators can see the events from a bank along one side which forms a perfect grandstand.

#### HISTORIC ROAD

The grounds are located beside the Valley road some 16 miles from Hazelton and just below 17 Mile bridge. This is an historic road, for in 1866 Capt. James L. Butler and a party of 40 men started to extend the Western Union Telegraph Co. line north from Hazelton. The plan, conceived by P. M. Collins, was to link America to Europe by wire by way of Alaska across Siberia and to the various European capitals. In the meantime, Cyrus Field was attempting the same thing by laying a work on the "overland telegraph" stopped 40 miles north of Hazelton. Up this same valley road, poured one branch of the stream of Klondykers

in 1898, on their way to the gold fields of the Yukon. Before the arrival of the white man, the trail was used by the natives of the Nass River to bring oolicnan oil to the interior for trading purposes. This same "grease trail" is felt by a number of people to be the logical by-road into the mineral rich areas to the

#### COLOURFUL AFFAIR

The stampede opened with a parade consisting of a float on the candidates for Stampede Queen were seated, and another float depicting a campfire scene with the boys sitting in front of their tent playing an accordian and guitars. The floats were followed by 24 mounted cowboys and cowgirls. After the parade had circled the area, and lined up in front of the grandstand, last year's queen crowned the new queen, Jean Neighbour, with a white stetson hat, and the show got under way.

#### ACTION GALORE

There were wild horse, float and stake races. Bronc and steer riding, in all there were thirty events on the program. Trixie, the trick horse from Smithers, drew rounds of applause with her wide variety

As we arrived at the Stampede from fishing for cohoe in the Kispiox River which runs parallel to the road, we were properly garbed as events proved. During the afternoon, it poured cats and dogs, followed by hail, but people headed for their cars, and as soon as the deluge was over they ventured out again and the show continued. Unfortunately, we were unable to stay for the supper and dance, as we had to make tracks for home, but next year we will be back again. The Kispiox Stampede is worth going to see.

# All Aboard By G.E. Morlimore

quire a little more sense than just finding a mate," writes a mysterious reader who often communicates with this column under the assumed name

of "Boots" Scott. "People who can not and will not look after their children should not be allowed to continue having them. Children who come into the world because they were wanted, and would be given every chance of a decent and nor-

mal life. "Many people do not believe in birth control, but it is far better never to be born than to live, a lifetime of trouble, sickness, cold, hunger, and; worst

of all, without love. "Perhaps one in a hundred finds happiness when the odds are against him, but this is a poor average when the rest

suffer so much. "Some people say that taking away a person's privilege to have children is like playing God. I think not, for God gave us a brain to think with, and if we have found means to prevent children from being born to people who do not want them, who neglect and abuse them, then . . . It can't

be wrong.

But who is to decide when such a grave measure is to be

The decision is a hard one to make, even for a person who accepts the principle behind it.

However, it seems to me that an excellent case can be made in the case of psychopathic criminals. For every other kind of person, it would have to be done on a voluntary basis, if

My correspondent "Boots" also has some interesting remarks about Canada's Indi-

"Boing born an Indian (for many of them) is like being born in a dark valley with steep slippery sides; and the only way for an Indian to bottor himself is to climb out of

"This takes a great deal of courage and determination, and most of all, time. Sometimes an Indian will almost make the grade, only to fall back again because no one is waiting to lend him a helping Hand at the top.

"It's no use for us to put a rope down and quickly pull him out as this is too fast for him. We must put down a good strong rope ladder for him to ellinb out by himself, one stop at a time, while we give him

encouragement . . . . "When he reaches the top, we must be ready and willing to help him stay there."

One of the aims of national-

ized industries is that they

another. They are supposed

to deal with one another, in

order that they may help ease

Board in the United Kingdom

has unprecedented stocks of

coal upon its hands. It would

like to sell its coal to the na-

tionalized gas industry. But

the gas industry finds

mines are too high.

But a curious situation has

The National Coal

one another's problems.

should do business with one

From the Montreal Gazette

It is going, therefore, to import frozen natural gas from private business interests in the United States. A spokesman of the Gas Council says natural gas from the United States are due to arrive in a specially-equipped tanker. If the experiment is a success, the tanker will be put on a permanent run.

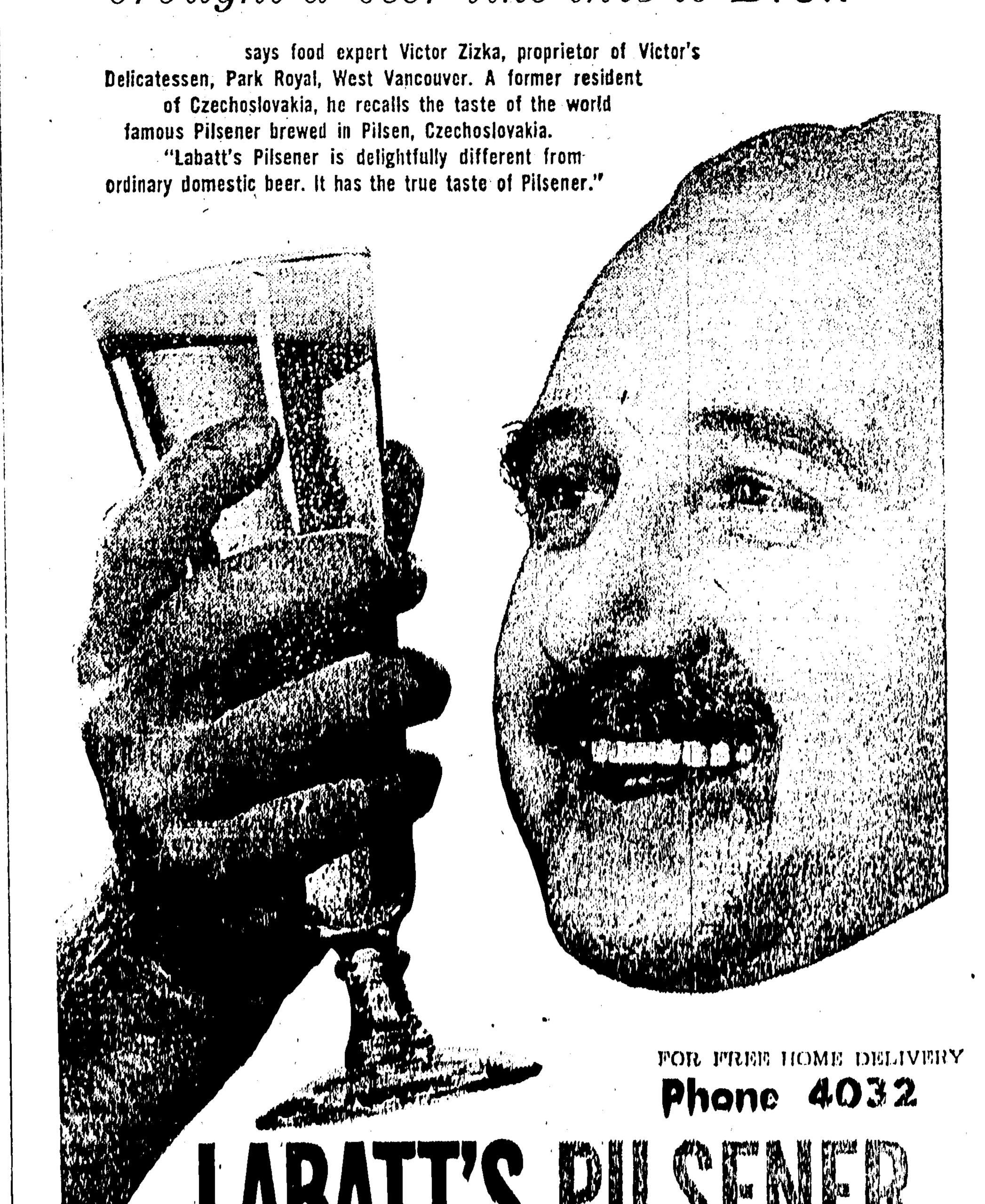
The National Coal thinks that this playing cricket. And certainthe prices of the nationalized

with private enterprise in another country, when another nationalized industry in Its own country is ready to do business with it. "Togetherness" is supposed to be the hallmark of state-owned enterprises. But in this case the Gas Council feels that the more they are together the unhappier they will be.

EXMOUTH, England (CP)\_\_\_ Double bill at a movie theatre in this Devon town: "Dames "" don't Care," and "They Never







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### INTERPRETING THE NEWS

## Russia back in Stalin era over Nobel prize

Canadian Press Staff Writer

Nobel Prize is hitting Russia where it hurts. Soviet propaganda has worked hard and not unsuccessfully to recapture the sypathics of Western intellectuals whose initial attraction to the textbook communism of Mark and Lenin had been allenated by the old dictator's re-

pellant methods of putting it into practice. Since Stalin's death, the Russlans had been busy repairing the damage. The West was given a chance to admire the incomparable Bolshol Ballet, the fabulous violin playing of David Olstrakh, the dynamic performance of pianist Emil Gilels.

A ernek Russlan hockey team toured Canjuneling athletes made their mark at the in accusing the prize committee of political clymple annex and in world soccer tourna- motives has effectively turned the clock back Their scientists mingled on friendly

The hue and cry over Borls Pasternak's terms at International conferences, their businessmen entertained visiting Western deleg-Ever since the bad old days of Josef Stalln, atlons and their agricultural experts toured American farms.

All these contacts helped to demolish the pleture of the Soviet citizen as a blindly obedient puppet, whose movements were rigorously controlled from the Kremlin. In his place appeared a human being, ostensibly wo different from his opposite number in the

Now, with the chorus of denunctution that greated the award of the Nobel Prize for literature to Pasternak, the Russians are right back where they started.

The unanimous bitternies of Pasternyk's to the Stalin era.