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WEATHER FORECAST
Kootenay: Colder. Light winds. Low-high Cranbrook, Crescent Valley, 15-25.

Business Prospects Bright for New Year

Experts Predicting Best Year In 50 Years; U.S. Recession Ending

By SYDNEY GAMPELL

LONDON (Reuters)—World business prospects in the new year appear good as a result of the gains made in 1954.

Some economic experts say the signs of a good year are the best for some 50 years.

Perhaps the best augury is that the United States is already snapping out of its recession, which was far milder than was feared. It has done relatively little damage to the U.S. economy. Britain and Europe, who were expected to be dislocated by it, have positively thrived on it.

Leading European countries start the ne wyear with a business boom, and with new-found confidence in industry. Indeed in most countries authorities now are making money slightly dearer, so as to restrain any speculative excesses.

This trend is not designed to stall the boom. It is a recognition of boom prospects, and a warning against letting them get out of hand.

Even in the United States, monetary controllers with some reason to fear that new inflationary speculation may be starting, are preparing to nip it in the bud if necessary. So far, the change is only one of emphasis, but it bespeaks a transformation in business sentiment and business prospects.

Up to a few weeks ago, United States industrial activity seemed to be only bumping along the bottom. Since then — in a matter of weeks —it has recovered a good half of its whole setback from the 1953 peak.

Historians may eventually decide that 1954 was a year of near miracles in world business. By their steadiness in the last year, the Americans have relieved the business world of a nightmare.

CAN AVERT SLUMP

They have demonstrated that fiscal and monetary anti-slump measures really can avert a slump. Previously people could hope so, but nobody knew for certain, since there had never been occasion to try them.

While industrial output in the United States was falling, and industry's unfilled orders were slumping, consumer incomes actually rose and consumer spending rose more. Confidence and spending were maintained by a combination of tax cuts and other policies, in a way that has no precedent in economic history.

In Europe, paradoxically, dollars, which gave none of the expected trouble during the United States setback, may give more trouble during the prospective upswing. A certain pressure on the dollar reserves and on the money markets and on balances of payments seems to have become the price of continued boom .

But so far it seems likely to be a moderate price, calling for prudence rather than alarm. Europe's balances of payments generally remain strong.

Frigid Weather On Prairies

EDMONTON (CP)—Stylish clothing took a back seat to practical winter wear Wednesday as woollies, ear muffs, red flannels and galoshes shook off their moth-ball existence in sub-zero Prairie temperatures.

The first major outbreak of cold Arctic air moved into Manitoba Wednesday after giving day-long below zero readings to Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The weatherman said eastern Canada might get a good chunk of the frigid air but not for two days at least because a storm centre in the United States will hold up its eastward motion at the Lakehead.

RCMP SEARCH FOR FOUR BOYS

Outboard Motorboat, Their Dead Dog Found On Beach

VANCOUVER (CP) — Four boys were the object of an RCMP hunt near here Wednesday night after their outboard motorboat was found washed up on a beach. Their dog was dead nearby.

The boys, whose names have been withheld by police, left here Sunday for a camping trip to a cabin on the Indian river, at the head of Burrard inlet 20 miles east of here.

They were due to return Wednesday but police said their boat, with bed rolls, camping gear and fishing rods inside, was found washed up on the rocky shore at suburban Burnaby about five miles from here.

RCMP said the dog had been taken to a veterinary surgeon for an autopsy to determine how the animal died. "But we're pretty sure it drowned," one RCMP officer said.

The RCMP launch, a fish packer and a private boat, all with RCMP personnel aboard, were dispatched to the area to hunt for the youngsters.

RCMP said they had no indication of the boys' ages "but they're just youngsters."

POPE IMPROVES

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The gradual improvement of Pope Pius is continuing, Vatican sources said today. The pontiff slept well during the night and was not troubled by hiccups that sapped his strength earlier this month.

Indicating the Pope's continuing improvement, the Vatican press office has ceased giving daily announcements on his condition. It has made no statement on the Pope's health during the last two days.

Record Building

OTTAWA (CP)—Raymond Brunet, president of the Canadian Construction Association, estimated Wednesday Canada's builders turned out a record $4,750,000,000 worth of new construction in 1954 and said the record may be broken in 1955.

Building costs next year are expected to remain about the same as in 1954. Increased competition will give prospective home owners and others bargain values for their construction dollars, Mr. Brunet said in a year-end message and outlook statement.

300 ILL AFTER PARTY

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP)—The illness of about 300 persons at a Christmas party last Thursday "presumably was some form of food poisoning," health officials reported Wednesday. An investigation was ordered when a number of ill persons went to hospitals after a General Foods Corporation party for 1200 people.

INDIAN PREMIER Jawaharlal Nehru, right, and Yugoslavia's President Tito break out into smiles during reception near New Delhi. Tito is making an 18-day tour of India during which time he and Nehru plan to confer on their views of east-west co-existence. Tito is the first European head of state to be entertained by India since it won independence seven years ago.—AP Wirephoto.

U.S., U.K. TO TEST CANADIAN DEVICE

OTTAWA (CP) — A new, Canadian-developed automatic navigator which provides flying directions practically at the push of a button has been given to the United States and the United Kingdom for testing by their air forces.

It also has caught the eye of the Canadian Army which sees in it possibilities for use in such vehicles as tanks, snow tractors used in the north and for trucks.

The instrument, first disclosed by the air force last week, is the brainchild of Wing Commander Jerauld G. Wright, DFC, 37-year-old native of Liverpool, N.S., and head of the RCAF's air-instrument development division. It automatically provides a pilot with directional information for reaching any position he feeds into it, including homing to his base.

Its best quality, defence authorities say, is that it works independent of radio and therefore could not be jammed by an enemy during wartime.

No Plans For Margaret To Visit Canada

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadian authorities have been informed there are no present plans for Princess Margaret to visit Canada in 1955, it was learned Wednesday.

It has been rumored for months that the younger sister of Queen Elizabeth would tour Canada within the next year.

"However," one official said, "don't take it for certain that she won't be coming. It's just that there now are no plans."

Loggers To N.Z.

MONTREAL (CP)—A group of skilled lumberjacks from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick leave Montreal today on the second stage of a 10,000-mile journey to new jobs.

The loggers, with their families, make up a party of 40 going to New Zealand to answer that country's call for skilled lumbermen.

Others from Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Edmonton will join them en route to Vancouver where they will embark on the liner Orcades for the 6500-mile, 18-day ocean voyage.

Awaits Trial

By JOHN EARLE

BELGRADE (Reuters) — Rebel Yugoslav Communist leader Vladimir Dedijer blithely toted a New Year's tree home for his five children Wednesday while the government prepared for his trial on a charge of spreading hostile propaganda.

The husky six-footer was seen on a busy Belgrade street, accompanied by his blonde Slovene wife as he carried the tree. Communists in Yugoslavia have their big holiday on New Year's Day instead of Dec. 25.

The campaign against Dedijer, President Tito's wartime friend and his official biographer, warmed up Wednesday. He was expelled from the Serbian Journalists' Association for International Law, and his constituents at Pancevo, market town north of Belgrade, have held a demonstration against him.

Tuesday he was suspended from the Communist party's central committee.

He found himself in political hot water after criticizing the Communist party leadership in a statement in the foreign press, and complaining of personal pressures against him.

More Fly

MONTREAL (CP) — A world organization of airlines said Wednesday night more passengers crossed oceans by air in 1954 than by sea.

The International Air Transport Association made the claim in a year-end statement, but did not give comparative figures.

ON LOOKOUT

VANCOUVER (CP) — RCAF search and rescue squadron here has been asked by the U.S. Coast Guard to be on the lookout for a 52-foot fishboat overdue on a trip from Seattle to Craig, Alaska. The Salmon Bay, which has no radio, left Seattle Dec. 21. It was not known how many were aboard.

TORONTO (CP) — Prospectors were more active in Ontario in 1954 than in any comparable period in the province's history, says the Ontario department of mines.

More than 50,000 claims were staked and recorded, enough to cover 2,000,000 acres of 3125 square miles of crown land. The previous record was 29,019 claims in 1953

French Assembly Votes To Admit Germany to NATO

Crucial Vote On West German Rearmament Postponed To Today

By HAROLD KING

PARIS (Reuters)—France's National Assembly early today put off until this afternoon the crucial vote on West German rearmament, but gave the government a vote of confidence 287 to 256 on a treaty admitting the Germans to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Premier Pierre Mendes-France will have to wait until 5 p.m. (10 a.m. CST) for the key vote on which he has staked the life of his government. The assembly adjourned after the NATO vote.

A last-minute procedural snag wrecked his hopes of getting the entire series of Paris rearmament treaties ratified Wednesday night.

Frustrated on this, the premier demanded an immediate separate vote on the NATO clauses as a whole. He said he wanted the world to see that France was at least pressing forward with the question of the Paris agreements. Coupled with this were treaties restoring West German sovereignty and internationalizing the disputed Saar area between France and Germany.

The assembly gave him the vote, although the majority in favor of the government was smaller than when the same question was voted on article by article Monday night 289 to 251, a majority of 38.

DELAY REARMING VOTE

The postponed vote is on the Paris treaty bringing West Germany into the proposed seven-country Western European Union defence setup and putting 500,000 German troops into Western defence.

The assembly rejected this treaty 280 to 259 in a pre-dawn vote Christmas Eve. Mendes-France put it back to the deputies after nominally rewriting it.

The assembly voted for postponement after its steering committee had recommended the vote be delayed because of a procedural technicality. Mendes-France bowed to the decision, which reversed a ruling given by the assembly Speaker.

Before the postponement on WEU, the premier said the Atlantic alliance would be plunged into a "grave crisis" if the whole series of treaties should be rejected and warned that other members of NATO would not agree to reopen negotiations with France again on the West German rearmament question.

"West Germany would then be rearmed without our control, as Eastern Germany has been already rearmed by the Soviet Union." Mendes-France said.

"For four years now the rearmament of West Germany has been under discussion," he continued, "and the Soviets have made no move to justify its postponement. There is, hence, no reason to delay ratification of accords which will put the European peoples in a stronger position to negotiate."

The premier solemnly told the deputies:

"I want everyone, especially abroad, to retain this one thing from the debate—Frenchmen of all parties have a feeling of pain at the rearming of their old enemies. They want to be certain that the controls and limitations will be enforced."

He spoke shortly before a half-hour recess. During the recess the steering and rules committees met to give their advice on the parliamentary question.

SOUGHT FAST VOTE

Mendes-France apparently had hoped to push both votes through Wednesday night. Just after midnight when he returned to the chamber following the recess he said brusquely: "We're going on."

Minutes later the vote on Western European Union was postponed.

The steering committee considered that the nature of the rearmament bill on which the government sought a confidence vote had been altered.

In his speech, Mendes-France declared that a negative vote on the measure was indefensible in the face of the assembly's approval of German sovereignty and her admission into NATO.

"Do you think our Allies are prepared to go on seeing Eastern Germany rearmed and Western Germany without defence?" he asked.

"For four years we have been discussing this issue. We are not being asked to make a hasty decision. But we will not make negotiations easier by displaying weakness or ambiguity."

France specifically undertook in the French-Soviet pact of 1944 never to join any coalition directed against the Soviet Union.

A number of deputies from all groups except the Communists presented a motion to be adopted after passage of the two confidence votes. It was a general reaffirmation of the National Assembly's "indissoluble attachment to the fundamental and indivisible principles of French policy—maintenance of Atlantic solidarity, reinforcement of European cohesion, and untiring search for international understanding."

The object of this resolution was to demonstrate to the outside world that the French assembly is fully united in its support of the Atlantic alliance.

FORD-UNION ADJOURN TALKS UNTIL MONDAY

TORONTO (CP) — Union and company negotiators, attempting to settle strikes in Ford Motor Company of Canada plants, decided Wednesday night to meet here again late today and then to adjourn until Monday.

Meantime, union representatives will go to Windsor and a meeting of Windsor plants' stewards, picket captains, and executive board will be held Friday.

WIVES MEET

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP) — A group of wives of striking Ford of Canada Windsor workers are trying to form a permanent organization to have a voice in any future labor disputes between company and workers.

Mrs. Ruth Lawson, chairman of the group of 30 wives who have arranged a meeting here today in a downtown auditorium, said she felt the wives should have the right to take part in labor disputes.

STABS LANDLADY, STEPS TO DEATH

MONTREAL (CP) — A 70-year-old man is reported to have stabbed his landlady Wednesday night four times and then stepped out of a third-floor window in his north-end tenement apartment to his death.

Police identified the man as Carl Ross, a roomer at the Esplanade Avenue house. He was dead when police arrived.

The woman, 70-year-old Mrs. Ethel Handelman, was taken to the Jewish General Hospital here. Her condition was not considered serious.

Police said Mrs. Handelman, who operated the apartment, gave them this account of the affair:

There was an argument between Mrs. Handelman and Ross. He picked up a knife and stabbed her in the chest, right arm, back and head.

As she slumped over the bed, he grabbed a can of lighter fluid, sprinkled it about the room and then ignited it.

As the flames spread Ross picked up two fully-packed suitcases from the floor and stepped out the window.

The fire was brought quickly under control.

Leaps To Death

VANCOUVER (CP) — An unemployed man who spent the last night of his life in a 30-cent bed leaped beneath the wheels of a shunting engine here Wednesday before the stunned engineer could halt his 11-car train.

Jean Faubert, 46, of Montreal, spent Tuesday night in a dormitory at the central city mission. A bundle of clothing, apparently his only possession, was found beneath his bed.

DOLLAR UP

NEW YORK (CP) — The Canadian dollar was 1-32 of a cent higher at a premium of 3 13-32 per cent in terms of U.S. funds. Pound sterling unchanged at $2.78⅝.

MONTREAL (CP) — The U.S. dollar was at a discount of 3 9-32 per cent in terms of Canadian funds, down 1-32. Pound sterling $2.69 7-16, down ⅛.

PLANE CRASH TAKES 9 LIVES

Turbulent Air Scatters Wreckage Over Large Area

NEW HOPE, Ala. (AP)—A U.S. Air Force courier plane was torn open by a "terrific disturbance" while flying through bad weather Wednesday and crashed with a loss of nine lives.

Two airmen sitting near the rear of the big C-119 Flying Boxcar survived, although injured, when they parachuted after doors at the back of the plane were torn off.

Witnesses on the ground said the crippled plane was trailing flame as it plowed into a stony ridge near here.

The weather bureau at Birmingham said turbulent air was moving across north Alabama at the time. A tornado struck near Ft. Payne, Ala., about 40 airline miles to the east, several hours later, but residents of the New Hope area didn't report such violent winds around them.

The plane was on a regular courier flight from its base at Stewart air force base, near Smyrna, Tenn., to Brookley air force base, Mobile, Ala. It carried a crew of four and seven passengers.

The big transport struck with a roar and blinding flash of fire, scattering burning wreckage and bodies over a 250-yard area.

The body of one occupant with a parachute trailing behind it was found smashed on a rock. Other partly opened parachutes around the area told of other vain leaps for life.

Wheat Board Checks Grain Storage Space

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Canadian wheat board Wednesday issued a questionnaire to all grain companies to check the board's figures as to the amount of space available for grain storage.

The questionnaire is to be completed Jan. 14, 1955 indicating: The working capacity of each country elevator, permanent, temporary and offsite annex at each station; quantity of grain store; available and unavailable space for local deliveries.

Figures compiled by the board of grain commissioners Dec. 15 showed that Canada's grain storage system had 72,800,000 bushels of unused storage capacity, not including working space. Of this figure there were 47,500,000 bushels of unused storage in Prairie country elevators and 25,000,000 bushels of unused storage in mills and terminals.

Gets 2 Years

VANCOUVER (CP)—A man who robbed the same corner grocery twice in five days was sentenced Wednesday to two years in jail by Magistrate Oscar Orr.

John Corey, 20, pleaded guilty last week to robbing Tom Soo, of $70 Nov. 15 and again of $20 Nov. 20.

He was sentenced to two years on each count. The terms will run concurrently.

Hopes First Leg Done in 1955

OTTAWA (CP)—Despite a slowdown in financing arrangements for a 2,200-mile natural gas pipeline from Alberta to the East, Trade Minister Howe said Wednesday he hopes the first leg to Winnipeg will be completed in 1955.

Mr. Howe, who handles pipeline matters for the federal government, spoke at a press conference soon after returning from a month-long European trip.

DEMONSTRATORS HOLD SIGNS hostile to German rearmament as the stand against barricades outside building in Paris where French National Assembly convened to vote on West Germany's entrance into NATO. The signs read: Souviens-Toi (remember) Chateaubriant . . . Auschwitz . . . Oradour. The decision is fateful for the government of Premier Mendes-France and the defence of the western world.
—AP Wirephoto via radiophoto from Paris.

Canada's Costliest Party Friday

By The Canadian Press

The busy round of year-end partying by Canadians winds up Friday night with the biggest blow-out of them all—the New Year's Eve celebrations.

Starting anywhere from about noon Friday until on towards noon Saturday, Canadians will whoop it up in what will probably be the country's most costly party yet.

For the people who want the best, including dinner, dancing, noisemakers, drinks and all the rest, the bank account will take a $35 to $75 beating, depending on whether a baby sitter, taxis and champagne are included, a Canadian Press survey shows.

To get into a plush party at one of the country's leading hotels will cost an average of $15. A reservation at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto costs $35 for dinner and an evening of dancing. Drinks, tips and other incidentals are extra.

Major hotels in Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Halifax and Montreal are charging an average of $15 per couple for dinner and dancing.

In Saint John, New Brunswick, the charge is $10 and breakfast is included. Most hotels were sold out before Christmas.

Many hotels require formal dress and most sell cocktails at about $1 each. A baby sitter will cost about $1 an hour; taxis a bit more than that each trip. Then there's the corsage, tips and a few other items. Hotel parties will be no place for the financially anaemic that night.

For those who don't feel like spending that much money or who can't get reservations at a hotel, there's dancing at the usual night spots for admission charges of from $5 to $15 a couple. Food and drink are extra.

In Canada's largest city, Montreal, and throughout the province of Quebec, most celebrating will be done at home New Year's Eve. All bars and clubs must close at 9 p.m. and cannot open again until noon Sunday.

For the first time since prohibition, restaurants and supper clubs in Vancouver will sell liquor New Year's Eve. They will be open until 3 a.m.

But most Canadians will attend house parties this year. A Winnipeg baby-sitting agency says it has more than 500 reservations for baby sitters and more coming in.

But private parties can be costly, too. The average housewife who plans a party will spend about $5 on food and other items and liquor and mixers will bring the bill up to around $10, depending on the lavishness of the party.

For those planning a quiet evening watching television, the CBC has arranged special programs.

A variety show will be presented until 11:45 p.m. EST and then a film showing major Canadian cities at night, followed by a message of greeting by Governor-General Massey, will be shown.

Each community will have its own special new year's eve programs. Churches plan traditional watch night services and service clubs will entertain bed-ridden patients in hospitals.

Police in all parts of the country will be out in force, watching for drivers who ignore the year-end warning: "If you drink, don't drive."

And in This Corner...

LONDON (AP)—Getting out of a warm bed on a cold, clammy morning can be a lot easier if you wiggle your toes first, says Dr. G. K. Selborne.

He is a London physician who has made a study of getting out of bed. His findings were published in the magazine "Family Doctor."

First off, the doctor advises, don't try to make a fool out of your alarm clock. The clock always has the last word. By setting the clock for 6:10 when you want to get up at 6:30 so you can lie in bed and laugh at the clock—that only confuses the issue and yourself. The clock doesn't care.

Dr. Selborne calls it crude self-deception. He goes on:

Play the game, set the clock for the correct time and you want to get up. Then when the bell goes off, don't panic.

The first thing you must do is stretch. Move your limbs. And be certain you "twiddle your toes." That is important.

You should also plan your life so that you always wake up hungry. That helps draw you out of bed and into the kitchen.

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP)—Monkey business, with mirrors, broke out in the Long Beach pike amusement zone Tuesday.

Earl Miller, 19, was polishing glass in the Hall of Mirrors. An escaped monkey from a nearby cage dashed in.

Miller suddenly was confronted with 20 monkeys staring at him. The monkey saw 20 Millers staring back.

Miller scrammed for help. The monkey, left with nothing but other monkeys, snarled and spat at them. They snarled and spat back.

Concession workers, animal shelter people and police arrived in response to Miller's summons. Confusion was compounded and reflected in the maze of mirrors.

Finally the monkey leaped to the rafters and fled to the quiet of a rest room, where he sulked until captured.

LEICESTER, Eng. (AP)—Flying saucers by the hundreds landed on a highway here Tuesday, smashing into thousands of pieces. Flying cups, too.

A truckload of china overturned.

HAMILTON (CP)—Four-year-old Ricky Davon told Santa Claus he wanted a black and white puppy for Christmas.

But the dog under the tree Christmas morning was black. Ricky wept. His mother sighed. The pet shop workers said: "Sorry, no exchanges."

An hour later Ricky was triumphant. His mother found him with his father's shaving brush, a quart of white enamel and a bewildered and bedraggled, but definitely black and white, puppy.

Despite hours of scrubbing, the puppy is still black and white. Ricky calls him Spotty—naturally.

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Local Unemployment Picture Brightens

Three Big Construction Jobs in Nelson; Extra Help Hired For Christmas Rush

The construction picture is much brighter in the Nelson area than it has been for some time, and as a result, so is the employment situation.

The three large buildings being erected in Nelson are employing more than 100 men, the National Employment Service office reports in its monthly summary of employment conditions.

Although normal season shutdown in the logging and lumbering industry began early in December, one large operation which generally closes for the winter is continuing as long as weather permits, because of inability to maintain its logging schedule during the season. This means winter employment for about 100 woods workers who would otherwise be unemployed.

In the mining scene, there has been little change.The five major producers in the area employed full crews and maintained production. However, the Canadian Exploration Company near Salmo, which employs 340 workers, has no market for its zinc and is continuing to stockpile.

The mines are experiencing a minimum turnover of labor and consequently, production is higher.

The Aklokli Tungsten Mine at Boswell announced plans to start re-timbering the shaft on its mining property recently acquired, but has been delayed in starting owing to lack of electric power. This work will employ 20 men and is expected to continue through winter.

During December, the National Employment Service office paid $61,000 to recipients of unemployment insurance benefits. Figures for the week ending December 24 show that 1035 persons registered for benefits, 300 fewer than were registered during the same week last year.

CHRISTMAS RUSH

A considerable number of unemployed applicants were placed in employment to assist in taking care of the extra retail Christmas business, and the increased volume of mail at the Nelson Post Office.

An increase was noted in registration from students, most of them seeking casual employment during Christmas holidays. Several students were placed by the office at the Post Office.

All qualified veterans, eligible for veterans' preference, were placed with the Post Office. Veterans' inquiries at the office are still of a minor nature, being confined to Veterans' Land Act, treatment, use of rehabilitation credit and War Veterans' Allowance benefits.

Recruiting of extra Christmas help for the Post Office through the Employment Service resulted in the placement of 36 male workers.

PRICES FIRM

In the field of manufacturing, demands for lumber from United points remained firm during December, and prices for all grades held up fairly well. One large operation in the Nelson area expects to cut back its planer mill crew at the end of this month owing to inability to kiln dry sufficient material. This will affect about 20 sawmill workers.

The normal seasonal shutdown of a number of small sawmill operations took place due to their log inventories having been exhausted. It is not expected operations will be resumed until the Spring of 1955.

CONSTRUCTION WORK

The tempo in construction increased during December, especially in Nelson where work on three large buildings got under way.

One local contractor, who is building the new post office and the students' residence at Notre Dame College, has a crew of about 100 construction workers employed at present (normal Winter crew 20).

Work on the new $1,800,000 Senior High School was also started during December, and although there are only 10 to 12 men employed at present on excavation work, it is expected the total working force will reach between 60 and 70 men as work progresses. It is anticipated work on this building will continue through the Winter, weather permitting.

When the $150,000 Liberty Food Centre was completed during the month, 20 men were laid off. Some of them have since been absorbed in other work.

Construction of an $80,000 dry kiln was started by the Kootenay Forest Products in Nelson during December and is scheduled to be completed by February.

It was announced by the Kaiser Aluminum Company of Canada that test drilling work on the Castlegar dam site was completed, resulting in the layoff of about 20 men.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company at Nelson reports a decrease of about 40 men employed on the bridge and building and extra gang, compared with December, 1953. This is due to a general reduction in labor as an economy measure.

Youth Group Shows Films to Hostel Men

Pretty party dresses and bow ties and the lilt of young laughter mixed strangely but not unwelcomely Wednesday night with the quiet atmosphere of Nelson Hostel for the Aged.

The occasion was a holiday visit to the old folks home by 10 young people from St. Saviour's Pro-Cathedral.

They brought with them some films to show, some chocolates and oranges for the men to enjoy and a lot of light talk and good cheer

And the older people, there are 11 of them at the home, one in a wheelchair, sat around, watched the pictures and enjoyed the unaccustomed company of the young people.

The girls in their pretty dresses served refreshments they had brought with them.

Very Rev. T. L. Leadbeater who came along with the young folk, ran the projector and chatted with the old folks. He is a frequent visitor to the home and has won the approval and appreciation of matron Mrs. V. Mason for his friendly interest in the home.

Mrs. Mason, who has looked after the old folks a year and-a-half, was appreciative of the visit. "They enjoy an evening like this," she said. "Many others visit them over the holiday but an evening of films is a pleasant and seldom-had diversion."

Among the group was Mrs. Joan Scales, an English bride who has lived in Canada only a few months. She explained that in England "we know how to make our own fun" then proceeded to set everyone at ease with her friendly accented chatter. Also in the group was president Gordon Rain.

The group remained at the hostel for about two hours.

Crews Busy Round-the-Clock Plowing, Sanding District Highways

Both city and provincial public works crews have been working round-the-clock keeping Kootenay roads open through the first big snow storm of the season.

All roads were reported open in the district Wednesday night, and continuous plowing and sanding are under way. Motorists were urged to carry chains.

More snow was predicted for most of the district.

Reports of many minor accidents, the result of slippery road conditions, were coming into Nelson RCMP subdivision headquarters, but there have been no major accidents.

In Nelson there have been three accidents since snow began to fall. Although streets continue to be slippery, there has been none since Tuesday.

Anyone using No. 3 Southern trans-provincial highway is urged by the public works department to carry chains. Five to six inches of fresh snow has fallen on the Rossland-Cascade section. Between Nelson and Trail four inches have fallen, between Trail and Salmo, five inches, and it is reported snowing heavily.

Around Fernie and the Crow's Nest Pass, seven inches have fallen and roads in the pass are reported very slippery.

The Slocan-Monashee highway has new snow, but is in good condition.

City Crews Sand Day and Night

City public works crews have been plowing and sanding city streets day and night during the season's first heavy snowfall.

Streets, in places slippery, have been kept open by the crews.

Some complaints from motorists who have been unable to climb hills, particularly in Fairview, have been received. Anderson and Cottonwood Streets have been particularly slippery. All streets have been sanded in the city, Mayor Joseph Kary said Wednesday night. Two crews have been working continuously.

First consideration is given the bus route, which is the main travel route and must be kept open he said, but other streets are sanded as quickly as possible. Particular attention is given through streets such as Davies Street.

Front Street and Anderson Street part of the Southern trans-provincial highway, are sanded by provincial public works.

Hospital Board Election Jan. 11

A special meeting of Kootenay Lake General Hospital Society has been called for January 11 when the present board will resign and a new one will be elected.

The new board will be made up of six urban directors, six district directors and four appointees as stipulated in a bylaw amendment passed by Society members at a special meeting December 6. Four appointees are a City Council representative, a Kootenay Valley Hospital Improvement District board of trustees representative, a provincial government representative and a Hospital Women's Auxiliary representative.

The present board is following through an earlier commitment to resign when the amendment was made, to assure both district and city property owners who make up the society membership, that the directorate is representative of all interests involved in the partnership that will provide a new hospital.

The special meeting will be held in St. Paul's United Church hall.

District Economy Figures Released

The economic growth of the Kootenay country is reflected in figures released by the bureau of economics and statistics of the department of trade and industry in its recently-published 1954 edition of its Regional Industrial Index of British Columbia.

Population figures show that East and West Kootenays have 5.2 per cent of B.C.'s population, the East Kootenay 2.2 per cent or 28,200, slightly less than half of whom live in Kimberley, Cranbrook and Fernie, and West Kootenay 63,000. According to the bureau's division of the province into 10 regions, East Kootenay covers a land area of 15,984 square miles, and West Kootenay, 13,343 square miles.

Noted in the survey is the fact that in 1931, when East Kootenay had a population of 22,566, this total represented 3.3 per cent of B.C.'s total, and that West Kootenay accounted for 5.8 per cent of the B.C. total in 1931 when it had a population of 40,455.

Besides giving production figures in all lines of industry, the Index estimates potential in such realms as lumbering and power. Figures relating to industries, utilities, climate, schools, payrolls, transportation and motor vehicle licences issued, in local areas and municipalities, are also given.

Baptist Choir To Repeat Cantata

The Senior Choir of First Baptist Church will once again perform the Christmas cantata entitled "Wonderful" Sunday night. It will be a joint service, with the Presbyterian congregation attending. Rev. Charles E. Bray will deliver the sermon.

The highly successful cantata was sung Sunday, but owing to illness, two of the soloists, Mrs. L. MacLeod and H. R. Anderson, were unable to participate. However, this Sunday evening they will both be present along with soloists Miss Carla Magee and Norman Gibson and the rest of the choir.

After the cantata singing last Sunday the choir was entertained at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Joseph Kary.

Robert Bell, Well Known Here, Dies

A well-known Nelson man Robert Bell died when being taken to Kootenay Lake General Hospital late Wednesday night after he suffered a heart attack. He would have been 70 in April.

Nelson Fire Department resuscitator was rushed to the Medical Arts Building where he lived, but failed to revive him.

Mr. Bell was well-known in Nelson, where he has lived 67 years, since he was three years old.

In early years, with a brother and his father, he operated the Bell Trading Company, later called the Star Grocery, one of the city's main grocery stores.

Also in his early years he was a sport enthusiast, interested in rowing, curling and other sports.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, Jack at Silverton and Robert at Vancouver; a brother Jack at Trail and four grandchildren. A daughter Olive predeceased him many years ago.

Viet Nam Get Rail Supplies From China

TOKYO (AP) — China will provide equipment and technical assistance to build or rebuild rail, air, road and wire communications with Communist North Viet Nam in Indochina, Peiping radio said Wednesday.

The broadcast heard here gave these details of an agreement reportedly signed in Peiping Friday:

The China National Communications Engineering Corp. will restore the railway between Hanoi and Dong Dang and link it with Munankuan in China. The Chinese will furnish the locomotives, coaches and other equipment.

REPAY LOANS

PARIS (AP) — France will pay back $52,000,000 to Canada and the United States at the end of the year, it was announced Wednesday. This sum represents loans granted to France by the two countries since the end of the Second World War. The finance ministry could not say immediately how the money will be split.

Plead Not Guilty To Assault Charges

Trials on charges of common assault against two Nelson men were adjourned in city court Wednesday. Both charges arose on Christmas Eve after separate incidents.

Robert Rolick pleaded not guilty to a charge which arose when he allegedly struck Jack Kosiansic of Crescent Valley, on Vernon Street. Kosiansic, and a girl he was with at the time, Miss Bonita Buerge, both testified in court Wednesday that Rolick had approached their car on Vernon Street and struck Kosiansic through the car window. The window was down at the time. Rolick will testify in court today.

Domonic Arcavio of Nelson also pleaded not guilty to a charge of common assault which allegedly took place in a Nelson department store on Christmas Eve. He testified that Patrick G. Wilcox, whom he allegedly kicked, had called him names on a previous occasion. Wilcox told where he was in the store. He will give further testimony Friday when the trial will continue.

D. Torkineton and L. Hyssop of Nelson pleaded guilty to failing to pay parking meter fines, and were fined $1 and $2.50 costs.

All appeared before Magistrate William Brown.

CATHOLICS MAY EAT MEAT THIS FRIDAY

Catholics throughout the world may eat meat on Friday of this week due to a dispensation granted by Pope Pius XII. This was announced by local Catholic clergymen Wednesday night.

The special dispensation has been granted because Friday this week falls on New Year's Eve and also because this date in many countries is celebrated as a sort of Thanksgiving. Several bishops have requested the dispensation. Catholics ordinarily abstain from eating meat Friday.

Buy Sell Trade the Classified Way

The Weather

NELSON	26	32	1.50
St. John's	19	27	1.73
Montreal	14	20	.12
Toronto	22	28	.07
North Bay	-1	14	.01
Kimberley	24	34	—
Crescent Valley	25	34	.42
Kaslo	26	33	.10
Kamloops	22	33	.10
Penticton	31	33	.29
Vancouver	38	41	.04
Spokane	31	36	.12

MUSICLAND THEATRE
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'Peg Fracas Ends In Court Charge

WINNIPEG (CP) — Alderman Slaw Rebchuk today was remanded one week on a civil charge of assault occasioning bodily harm in a Dec. 20 fracas in the city hall chambers. The charge was laid by counsel for Helmuth Wray Williams.

Williams, and his wife Louise, were also remanded one week on a charge of being disorderly in a public place. The charges were laid following the same council flareup.

Julian Granda, a companion of the Williams at the meeting, pleaded guilty to being drunk in a public place and was fined $8.

The fracas flared before a packed gallery while a lawyer was debating a zoning bylaw on behalf of the Williams and other residents of their district.

When the Williams were asked to leave the chambers after alleged noisy comments about the by-law, a scuffle ensued. Three squad cars of policemen and a paddy wagon were called.

MONTREAL (CP) — A sharp falling-off in traffic and earnings during 1954 was reported Wednesday by Canadian National Railways in a year-end review.

Emphasizing that the loss of business took place in a relatively prosperous year, the report recalled a recent statement by the CNR president, Donald Gordon, that "our business future is a straightforward question of costs versus revenues."

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The Highways

No. 3 Southern Trans-Provincial —Hope-Princeton four inches new snow, good condition, sanding, carry chains. Princeton-Osoyoos-Cascade one and one-half to three and one-half inches new snow, plowing and sanded. Cascade-Rosland five to six inches new snow, plowing, carry chains. Rossland-Trail-Castlegar four inches new snow, plowing and sanding. Castlegar-Nelson four inches new snow, plowing. Nelson - Balfour three inches new snow, plowing. Kootenay Bay-Creston-Cranbrook-Fernie-Crow's Nest seven inches new snow, very slippery, plowing and sanding.

No. 3A Trail-Salmo — five inches new snow, snowing heavily, fair, plowing.

Rossland-Patterson—Four inches new snow, plowing and sanding.

Creston-Porthill — Three inches new snow, very slippery, plowing and sanding.

No. 6, Nelway-Vernon—Nelway-Nelson, snowing, plowing. Nelson-South Slocan - Nakusp - Needles — Snow, plowing. Needles-Monashee, good, new snow, plowing. Monashee-Vernon, plowing, carry chains, watch for soft shoulders.

No. 95, Kingsgate-Cranbrook-Golden—Generally good condition, icy, sanded.

Banff-Windermere — Plowed and sanded.

Nelson-Kaslo—New snow.

Kaslo-Lardeau — Fair, slippery sections, plowing and sanding.

Lardeau-Gerrard — Slippery and rough sections.

Snoqualmie Pass: Overcast, snow and ice on road from 19 miles east of summit and beyond to 18 miles west, 18 inches new snow for total of 46 inches in ski area. Temperature 30.

Cattle Rustlers Busy At Cowichan

DUNCAN, B.C. (CP)—The clock has turned back in the Cowichan valley here and cattle rustlers roam at night.

Irate farmers in the area will bring the matter of recent cattle thefts before the attorney-general and the B. C. department of agriculture.

Meanwhile, rewards totalling $600 have been posted towards the conviction of the modern rustler who stole a valuable 14th generation heifer from the farm of Mary Waldon.

KITCHENER, Ont. (CP)— Canadian Mennonites donated $155,000 worth of food, clothing and hospital supplies to various peoples in 1954, it was reported Tuesday. Some went to Arab refugees in Jordon and to those in need in central Europe. About 6000 Christmas bundles were distributed among children.

Unions to Try for Higher Wages And Shorter Work Hours in 1955

VANCOUVER (CP) — Two top labor leaders here Wednesday called on citizens to press for government action on unemployment in 1955 and predicted higher wages and shorter working hours.

George Home, secretary of the B. C. Federation of Labor (CCL) said unions will seek higher wages with a pattern of a five-cents-hourly increase as a minimum based on two-year contracts signed in 1954.

EXPECTS LITTLE RESISTANCE

He said there should not be too much resistance from employers because reports show profits as high or higher than last year and stable markets in 1955.

R. K. Gervin, secretary of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council (TLC) and the B. C. Trades Union Congress (TLC) said, "The last year has been good for the majority but bad for a minority."

He said government must realize they must foster flourishing economic conditions to minimize the incidence of unemployment.

NEED FLOOR SECURITY

Mr. Gervin added a floor security must be established for the individual to minimize the distress of unemployment.

He said he hoped 1955 would see the end of bickering between provincial and federal governments over responsibility for the unemployed and destitute.

Ottawa Claims Nearly $2 Million In Tax Arrears From 'Peg Firms

WINNIPEG (CP) — Certificates of judgement amounting to $2,230,235 have been filed with the Manitoba land titles office preventing the disposal of the property of eight Winnipeg residents and three businesses which some of them control.

The certificates were issued out of Exchequer Court.

Writs of seize and extent, known as "seize and hold" writs, have been issued by the sheriff's office.

ALMOST TWO MILLION

"Tax arrears reportedly amount to as much as $1,714,123 of the amount claimed for in the certificates of judgement," says the Winnipeg Free Press.

The firms named in the certificates, filed here Dec. 16 in favor of the minister of national revenue are: St. Boniface, Abattoir Ltd., St. Boniface; Slotin, Fainstein and Trepel, livestock agents; and St. Boniface Hide and Wool Co. Ltd.

Largest certificate of judgement is for $817,707 against St. Boniface Abattoir Ltd., and stipulates additional interest at six per cent annually on $616,550 from Nov. 30, 1954, to date of payment.

Other sums claimed by the revenue department with the amount requiring additional interest in brackets are:

Slotin, Fainstein and Trepel, $7,691 ($6,928); St. Boniface Hide and Wool Co. $253,245 ($197,477); Moses Levin $212,581 ($175,927; Sam Slotin and Sonia Slotin $92,232 ($71,958); Sonia Slotin $21,050 ($19,735); Elia Trepel $215,889 ($180,362); Harry Fainstein $219,386 ($182,260); Sam Slotin $22,420 (21,019); Louis Fainstein $215, 207 ($187,789); Bertha Ludwig $19,974 ($18,726); Moses Cohen $42,845 ($35,387).

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Convertible collar, fur trimmed, shrunk to fit. Sizes medium large. Grey and red. $1.49

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Cranbrook Pupils Win $500, Box Top Contest

CRANBROOK — As president of Mount Baker High School Student Council, Larry Belway has been notified that the student body has won the $500 Western Canada top prize for collecting box ends in a promotion competition across the dominion. In addition to this prize money, the organization will receive one cent for each of the 8736 box ends it collected during the contest.

When the Student Council began sponsorship of the drive, the collection lagged until contests were organized among the various classes for class privileges in basketball games and similar awards on a group basis which speeded it up.

The check will not be presented until after opening of the new term in January when it will be put into the general Student Council treasury. At that time Student Council will also consider donating part of its award to the Dr. Green Memorial Home fund.

Andrew Evans, Crow Miner Dies

KIMBERLEY—Andrew Evans, 69, a long-time Lethbridge and Crow's Nest Pass miner, died in Kimberley public hospital. Funeral service will be held today at the Sacred Heart Church and interment will be in the local cemetery.

Born in Slavinkia, Czechoslovakia, Mr. Evans came to Canada in 1900, to work at Fernie and at Frank. He later went to Lethbridge where for 40 years he was employed at the Lethbridge Collieries. In 1953 he and his wife came to Kimberley to make their home at 215 Dalgren Street.

Surviving are his wife, two sons, Elven of Kimberley and Andrew of Decker Lake, B.C., a daughter, Mrs. E. J. Kelly of Winnipeg; two brothers, Martin of Blairmore, Alta., and Jack at Lundbreck, Alta., and a sister, Mrs. Annie Kubasek of Pincher, Alta.

146 Juniors Pass First Aid Exams

KIMBERLEY — St. John Ambulance first aid certificates on completion of courses in the various schools and passing of examinations this year have totalled 146, and bring to 2148 the number of juniors qualifying in this work in Kimberley district since 1936.

In senior classes held in Spring and Fall sessions in various groups under Cominco sponsorship, 154 adults also completed St. John Ambulance first aid courses and were awarded certificates in 1954. Classes are for employees but are also open to the public and a number of women are included among the successful candidates. Total certificates include 30 advanced awards for special medallions following courses taken by experienced first aid workers and instructors.

SCOUTS SPONSOR FIRST APPLE DAY

KASLO—Under the direction of assistant Scoutmaster Jack Morris, the Kaslo Scouts received a boost when the First Kaslo Troop held its first apple day. A substantial sum was realized.

Later the Scout hall was the scene of a very gay party given by the leaders and Scouts. A variety of games and stunts created a real riot. Refreshments of a pot-luck nature were served by the leaders.

The troops are looking forward to a season of stepped-up activity, and when Spring comes a full program of outdoor training will be engaged in.

SLOCAN OLDTIMERS SAY THANKS FOR YULE DINNER GIVEN BY HOTEL OWNERS

NEW DENVER—Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Uphill of the Newmarket Hotel here played Santa Claus to the Slocan's old-timers on Christmas Day.

As they have done for the last four years, the couple invited to a party all who wished to come. A traditional Christmas dinner was served to the elderly folk, and musical entertainment was on the program.

"We would like to record our appreciation of Mr. and Mr. Uphill's kindness and generosity," the old-timers wrote in a letter to The Nelson Daily News.

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Plans Under Way for Trail's Big Home Show

TRAIL — Representatives of the Trail Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Trail Tadanac Board of Park Commissioners have formed a management committee for the presentation of the second Trail Modern Home Show April 21, 22 and 23 and the Cominco Arena.

Dante Poscente of the Jaycees was elected chairman and George Bloor of the Parks Commission, secretary-treasurer and space manager. Committees were set up for booth construction and sales ond booth rentals were agreed upon. Plans for an opening day parade and the possibilities of obtaining a special "program" display from the Department of National Defence, Navy Branch, were also discussed.

A layout of brochures that have been mailed to prospective national companies and advertisers was approved.

A report from the Jaycees that followed a survey taken by them of previous booth sponsors, showed that reaction to the show was highly favorable with over 60 persons indicating they would again take part. At least two companies have submitted their applications for space already.

It was agreed that a canvass of local merchants would take place soon, so that they may have plenty of time in which to prepare their booths.

Anyone wishing further information has been asked to contact the secretary-treasurer at the Trail Memorial centre.

Waterworks Fund Set Up at 'Forks

GRAND FORKS — The city has established a waterworks reserve account of $15,000 for improvements planned for next year.

The five per cent sales tax share of $10,307 has been received from the department of finance. Poll tax of $38 has been collected, augmented by $62, and donated to the Grand Forks Community Hospital.

Grand Forks Gets New Health Nurse

GRAND FORKS — An English girl, Miss Joan M. Till, has arrived from Athabasca, Alta., to become the new public health nurse for the Grand Forks area.

Miss Till succeeds Miss Frances Stewart, who left here early in the Summer.

Wynndel Notes

WYNNDEL — R. Musser, who has been employed at Salmon Arm, returned for the holidays.

Jim Gilders of UBC is spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. E. Gilders, here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Marcellus and family of Vancouver are guests of Mrs. J. E. Jonson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hillyers and W. Popovich of Calgary were visitors for Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. W. Popovich.

Buddy Campbell of Pincher Creek was a Christmas visitor to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Campbell.

Winners of the Women's Institute bridge tournament were Mr. and Mrs. L. Abbott. Consolation winners were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Abbott

A carol service was held in St. Patrick's Anglican Church with Rev. R. E. Hope officiating.

Mrs. J. Thompson has left to visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Calloway at Vancouver.

Coast Labor Against Grain Price Favors

VANCOUVER (CP)—Labor, in an effort salvage west coast grain shipments, will petition the federal government to abolish the grain price differential favoring eastern Canadian ports.

Delegates to the Vancouver Labor Council (CIC-CCL), concerned at last August's 40-per cent drop in shipments through western ports, voted to support a brief being prepared on the situation by the grain-handlers and longshoremen's unions.

The brief will go to Ottawa.

LONG BRITISH

England won Gibraltar from Spain in 1704 and it was formally ceded by the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713.

City Honors for Rower Glen Smith

GRAND FORKS — A silver tray, 17 by 14 inces, was presented to Glen Smith, 23, husky six-foot four stroke on the UBC rowing team which carried off top honors in the British Empire Games, at a banquet held in his honor Tuesday night at the Grand Forks Hotel.

Members of the City Council, their wives, and Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, parents of the UBC graduate, were present. Mayor O. entation.

The inscription on the tray reads: "Presented to Glen Smith, Grand Forks, stroke UBC rowing crew British Empire and Commonwealth Games gold medalist, 1954, by citizens of the city of Grand Forks."

A graduate pharmacist of 1954, Glen is entering the pharmacy faculty in January at the end of the holidays, after working in a Vancouver drug store. In his new post, he will continue rowing for UBC. He plans to enter the school of medicine next year.

The crew members earlier received small trays from the university.

FARMERS URGED TO GUARD AGAINST CALF DISEASES

CRANBROOK — The December East Kootenay Farmers' bulletin, issued by the Department of Agriculture district agent here, strongly recommends that district cattle operators vaccinate all calves three to four months old with combined vaccine, against both blackleg and malignant oedema.

Blackleg has appeared in several parts of the district during the Fall and early Winter, with a number of fatalities.

The bulletin states blackleg does not affect calves under three to four months old, nor cattle over two years old, but urges that annual vaccination program for calves should be undertaken since the shots give protection over a period of about two years, and if thoroughly carried on will stamp out incidence of the disease in time.

Several Fined in Cranbrook Court

CRANBROOK — Arthur Peachie, in town from a logging camp for the Christmas weekend, was fined $50 and costs in district court when he pleaded guilty to operating a car while his ability was impaired Charge followed his collision at the King Street railway crossing with a train. Damage to his car was about $300 and the locomotive with which it collided was slightly damaged.

Dominic Ban, travelling through from California to Alberta, was fined $20 and costs when he pleaded guilty to driving without due care and attention when his car overturned on the highway East of here.

For operating a car without possessing a driver's licence, Mrs. Nancy Parsons was fined $25 and costs in city court when she pleaded guilty.

Found guilty of supplying liquor to a minor, Brian Longstaff is serving 30 days in default of a fine of $50 and costs.

New Denver Church Packed For Cantata

NEW DENVER — Turner Memorial Church, for the annual Candle-Light service, was filled to capacity. Chairs had to be set in the aisle.

Mrs. L. R. Campbell was organist of 18 members which presented the Cantata, "Stars of the Silent Night" by Roy E. Nolte. The solo parts were taken by Douglas R. Godfrey, the solo by Miss June Stewart, and the duet part by Mrs. Harry Tibbitt and Mrs. W. G. Thring.

New Denver

Miss Chiyo Kataoka of Vancouver is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kataoka.

T. Kataoka of Toronto is spending his holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kataoka.

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Air-foam pillows, zippered cover, full size, first quality. Pink, blue, white. 5.99

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Big, 81 x 100, double-bed sheets, imperfects due to slight flaws. Plain or hemstitched. 6.66

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A nylon blend fabric that has been tested for toughness, makes this a rugged but dressy coat. Blue or grey. Sizes 4 to 6x. 8.95

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Not two—but 3 pieces! Two pair of pants and top in flannelette. Pink or blue. Sizes 3 and 4 only. 1.89

Infants' Shawls: Reg. 3.49
Imported from Scotland. A soft wool and satin weave in a large 56" square. 2.98

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Plaid Bush Jackets: Reg. 12.95
Moth-proofed, drax-processed, all-wool check jackets. Button front. Sizes 12 to 18. ..... 10.99

Winter-Season Dresses: Reg. 12.95
Wide selection in crepes, wools, taffetas. Dark and bright colors. 7.99

Women's Dressing Gowns: Reg. 8.95
All wool plaids, quilted satin and embossed nylon. Floor length, belted. 6.99

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Casual loose styled, lined, interlined, all wool novelty cloth. Sizes 14 and 16. ..... $15

Millinery Clearance: Reg. 7.95
Winter stock of velvets and velours for street or party wear. 4.99

Worsted Skirts: Reg. 12.95
All-wool worsted skirts. Straight cut, panel lining, back kick pleat. Air-force and grey. 10.99

Kenwood ¾ Coats: Reg. 39.50
All-wool, satin lined ¾ coats. Button front, in Kenwood blanket cloth. 29.50

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Men's Work Shirts: Reg. 2.98
Firmly napped cotton flannel in neat checks. Roomy cut. Sizes 15 to 17½. 1.99

Men's Work Parkas: Reg. 12.95
Heavy cotton drill waterproof shell. Warm, quilted kasha lining. Detachable hood. 9.99

Men's Gauntlet Gloves: Reg. 2.50
Warm inner fleeced lining, asbestos tan and cream hide. Sizes medium and large. 1.66

Men's Work Socks: Reg. .79
Warm, 2½-lb. weight in grey wool, nylon reinforced heels and toes. ..... .59

BOYS' WEAR

Boys' Dressing Gowns: Reg. 4.95
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The Race For Space Leadership

Scientists have long ago outstripped the fantasies of Mr. Jules Verne and are now breathing hard on the necks of purveyors of modern science fiction. Witness the latest report of activity by the United States Defence Department in exploring means of building artificial satellites capable of circling the earth. Russia, too, is said to have a program aimed at creating space satellites. Who knows, but the atom and hydrogen spies may soon be anachronisms? The rewards, such as they are, will go to espionage agents who can ferret out information on sky platforms, suggests the Toronto Globe and Mail.

U.S. Defence Secretary Charles Wilson professes to be unconcerned about Russian efforts to invade stellar space. He would rather have them on the moon or some other place than in the United States. Perhaps Mr. Wilson and Secretary of State Foster Dulles should be as much concerned about expansion of the Russian sphere of influence through the solar system as they are about Communist advances on the terrestrial plane. The race for a place in the solar regions may be even more important than the one to master the problems of the atomic bomb. Military scientists as well as pseudo-scientists who deal in fiction are of the view that the first country to launch a space station to watch all earth's activities will be master of the globe.

Military potentialities of a space platform are frightening to contemplate. Arming of satellites with hydrogen warheads is considered a possibility. An equally horrifying thought was the fantastic aim of Nazi scientists —whose studies were eventually seized by the Russians—to mount a giant "burning glass" lens on a space platform that literally could scorch the earth of an enemy.

Fortunately, in view of existing relationships in the world, it would appear that achievement of a space platform is still a long way off. It is to be hoped that by the time man conquers stellar space he will also have learned to live in peace with himself.

Press Comment

CEMENT-COVERED PILL

A cement-covered pill has been developed by a pharmaceutical company to prevent patients from chewing it. The pill was developed because some medicines stain the mouth, injure its lining or have a bitter, unpleasant taste. Once inside the stomach, the pill coating dissolves and the medicine is released. —New York Herald-Tribune.

MOTOR SPLASHERS

Something should be done about those motor splashers. We noticed one tearing along a side street the other day with his right wheel running through long puddles and throwing out muddy water which splashed pedestrians. The driver could not help knowing what he was doing, but probably he was having fun. —St. Thomas Times-Journal.

MAKING FRIENDS

Money may not make friends—but it does attract a better class of enemy.—Guelph Mercury.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor on any topic of genuine interest are welcome if they are brief, accurate and fair. No letter will be inserted in whole, or in part, except over the signature and address of the writer. Unsolicited correspondence cannot be returned.

Capitalism

To the Editor:

Sir—The editorial of Dec. 8 on capitalism is an interesting lesson on how to make the best of incompatibles, particularly so when considering the hostile evidence that confronts anyone seriously concerned in hacking this subject. Capitalism, big business or private enterprise are synonymous terms of fairly recent growth, only in the terminological sense. The accumulation of wealth is divided into fixed, such as a factory; floating, as in a bank balance; productive, as a loom for weaving, and unproductive, such as a picture, and it is distinct from labor, another element of production.

Capitalism takes its reward in the form of profits, and labor in wages. Apparently the objection of labor or socialism is not capital as such, but the concentration of large blocks of capital in the hands of a few, or combines. The instinct which prompts mankind to exploit his fellows dates back to the time when the process of mental evolution enabled him, together with his class, to realize they could improve their social status (such as it was) by the subjugation of the rest of the community. This also resulted in the people dying of hunger, and in warfare, in addition to the decrees of nature. Racial differences did little to alter the instincts of greed, love of power, self-preservation, and so on, as they are inherent characteristics of all races whose progress was due to superior mental capacities, while those who failed to emerge from barbarism eventually died out, or still exist in more or less straggling groups.

We may consider the instance of the Chinese rice crop failure from another angle. Under a Communist or capitalist regime, the forces of nature, as is well known, may be controlled to national advantage; it was done some years back in Russia when wide areas of land were rendered useless by intensely cold winds sweeping in from Siberia. The problem was solved by afforestation, which broke the force of the winds sufficiently to allow cultivation to proceed. The editorial states (quote): "What many well-meaning men seem to expect is that capitalism, the product of the last century, should be able to achieve victory over nature and the wiles of man overnight," etc. It is difficult to imagine anyone thinking, let alone expecting, capitalism or any other "ism" to achieve miracles; neither would they give religion or economics any serious consideration as a method calculated to produce "flat equality" or "equal advantages", unless the assumed person was afflicted with extreme gullibility. Under the present democratic-cum-capitalist system even equality of opportunity fails to function. The question of capitalism being "misused" is in no way involved, as it is inherently a vice; it might be qualified as a popular vice, however. In its various capacities it seems to have stood the test of time. No writers of any consequence have anything to say about this accumulation of wealth. One, Caleb Colton (1798-1873), wrote: "In proportion as nations become more corrupt, more disgrace will attach to poverty and more respect to wealth." That the influence of capitalism is universal is indicated by the present world unrest; it stops at nothing where pelf is concerned. From "Tempo", a U.S. dime weekly, we read (quote): "White Plains, N. Y., Police Chief William Sullivan said with reference to a nine-year-old boy who bossed a four-boy gang, that committed twenty-one robberies in seven months: 'I feel sure when we get him straightened out he'll make a good business man.'" This gives emphasis to the impression one gets when listening to a popular evangelist delivering a wildly excited address, and concluding with considerable unction by saying that a number of business men had claimed to have increased their profits substantially since their "hour of decision".

F. MARTIN.

Box 293, Robson, B. C.

It's Been Said

Be sincere. Be simple in words, manners and gestures. Amuse as well as instruct. If you can make a man laugh, you can make him think and make him like and believe you. —Alfred E. Smith.

Your Horoscope

Your business should prosper in the next year, and promotion is possible. Today's child may be brilliantly clever, kind and sympathetic.

?Questions? ANSWERS

Open to any reader. Names of persons asking questions will not be published. There is no charge for this service. Questions WILL NOT BE ANSWERED BY MAIL except where there is obvious necessity for privacy.

Reader, Nelson—Does anyone know the proportion of teenagers in Canada's population?

The last report we have gives it as approximately one-third.

K. L., Trail—What is the most fashionable fur at the present moment?

Mink.

Curious, Trail—Which industry employs most Canadians?

Manufacturing employs as many Canadians as agriculture and construction combined.

Ignorant, Nelson—How long was Burma under British influence?

Burma was under British influence from about 1612 under the East India Company. It was administered as part of British India from 1885 to 1937. It became an independent nation completely outside the Commonwealth in 1947, effective January 4, 1948, and became the 58th member of the United Nations.

F. L. W., Creston—What date will Good Friday fall on in 1955?

Good Friday, April 8; Easter Sunday, April 10.

Interested, New Denver—Can you please print address of Council for Social Service of Church of England in Canada?

The Church House, 604 Jarvis Street, Toronto 5, Ont.

Original, Nelson—Where does one apply for a patent?

The Commissioner of Patents, Ottawa, Canada.

K. T. L., Trail—Do you know recipe for Jewish begiels?

Begiels: About four cups flour, six eggs (separated), six tablespoons sugar, six tablespoons vegetable oil, half teaspoon salt, poppy seed, one tablespoon honey. Sift flour three times. To beaten egg yolks add sugar and oil, mix; now add salt to whites and beat. Slowly add flour a little at a time. Dough should be stiff enough to permit handling. Knead into long roll. From this cut off pieces about the size of a walnut. Roll with hands on bakeboard into strip six inches long, join ends and drop into kettle of boiling water to which has been added the honey or two tablespoons of sugar. This makes them glossy. Boil two minutes after they rise to surface, remove, drain, then place on cookie sheet, sprinkle generously with poppy seed, and bake in slow oven until they are crisp. Serve.

Verse

Attendants

The mild-eyed Oxen and the gentle Ass
By manger or in pasture that they graze,
Lift their slow heads to watch us where we pass,
A reminiscent wonder in their gaze.
Their low humility is like a crown,
A grave distinction they have come to wear—
Their look gone past us—to a little Town,
And a white miracle that happened there.

An old, old vision haunts those quiet eyes,
Whose proud remembrance drifts to them again,
Of Something that has made them humbly wise,
—These burden-bearers for the race of men—
And lightens every load they lift or pull,
Something that chanced because the Inn was full.

—DAVID MORTON.

Gems of Thought

GOOD WILL

An effort made for the happiness of others lifts above ourselves.—Lydia M. Child.

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To cultivate kindness is a valuable part of the business of life.—Ben Johnson.

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How easy is it for one benevolent being to diffuse pleasure around him, and how truly is a kind heart a fountain of gladness, making everything in its vicinity to freshen into smiles.—Washington Irving.

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Only what feeds and fills the sentiment with unworldliness, can give peace and good will towards men.—Mary Baker Eddy.

From an Oldtimer's Notebook

By R. G. JOY

Oldtimers' Association Historian, Nelson and District

Fred Hume was a very popular pioneer merchant and at one time had a store in partnership with R. E. Lemon at Sproats Landing, where some day I hope to see erected a monument to many of those pioneers, who under the leadership of the late John Houston, guided the destinies of Nelson and most of West Kootenay.

Fred Hume's building on Vernon Street was used as a general store. John A. Turner was J. Fred Hume's bookkeeper. Fred Irvine was drygoods clerk and J. A. Kirkpatrick, all Nova Scotians, had charge of groceries and other merchandise.

The top storey of the building was a social hall. Yours humbly and Billy Coles were at a social one fall in the early nineties when a Roman Catholic priest was master of ceremonies. The first item on the program was a song by a Scandinavian, "Shall I Ever See My Home Once More?" After Fred Hume vacated the premises (the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias Society fraternal also used that hall), tenants were E. Ferguson, wholesale wines and liquors, and D. J. Robertson, furniture and undertaking, Charles Walker, turkish baths, J. P. Morgan, second hand dealer, and for a time it was a hay and feed store. A bright young woman was the manager and bookkeeper and later became Mrs. George Motion. She was from the United States.

The next store along Vernon Street then was Frank Farley's grocery store and bakery. It was built of logs surmounted with a canvas roof. Farley was a shrewd, cool Yankee. I had my first business dealings here with him; I caught trout which he sold for me.

On my first day I had a dollar and fifty cents to my credit.

I cooked a square meal in front of our tent on CPR flats that night.

J. A. Dewar of Porto Rico Lumber Co. fame, Dick Richardson, a deep-sea sailor, and two Cornish prospectors and miners, later employed at the Silver King, were neighbors to myself and the late W. E. Cole in tents on the CPR flats in those first days and we reckoned them amongst our friends in later years.

It is said Frank Farley left Nelson with $90,000 in cash. Farley and Simpson became merchants on Baker Street later, sold out and biult the Grand Central Hotel on the site of the George Pease garage on the northeast corner of Ward and Vernon Streets.

Gus Erickson was the next proprietor of the Grand Central. It had a disastrous fire in later years. I was instructed by J. Holmes to offer Gus $1200 for the ruins and site. He refused.

The next building to Farley's was the Kootenay Hotel. The late Johnny Blomberg was employed as a waiter there in 1891. Later he built the old Grand Hotel and a few years later he went into partnership with D. Maglio and built the New Grand Hotel.

A few years after the Kootenay Hotel was built, the Klondike came into being. Pete Nelson and J. Johnson were proprietors. Both were in love with Kootenay Lake, especially the fishing near Balfour and Procter. On the north side of Vernon Street, about half way, Fred Kilby, a carpenter, built a semi-detached building with two small stores.

A Mr. Jischowitz opened a jewelry store there. I was present when the building was burned and the proprietor was bemoaning the fact that he had left his insurance policy in the building.

A stroll down Vernon Street with its new post office abuilding, a new super-market, the Civic Centre and boulevards presents a far different picture than those days. But still it is a place of good memory.

No Place Like Home

LONDON (Reuters) — Harry Marks, 62, Wednesday returned once again to his companionable life he loves — in prison.

He left the dock at London's Central Criminal Court to start a prison sentence for theft.

A detective inspector said of Marks:

"He is a man who likes prison life. He lives in common lodging houses. He tells me he likes to go to prison because it is only in prison that he gets the companionship which he does not get in the outside world. He has been in prison for seven or eight Christmases."

He said Marks had 30 previous convictions, 15 for theft and the rest for willful damage.

But he has never committed any serious crime. In fact, said the detective, he is "quite a decent sort of fellow really."

Stone Tossers Fined

STOKE-ON-TRENT, Eng. (CP)—Goodluck Atoto, a 29-year-old African, and Guiseppe Montarsi, a 23-year-old Italian, were fined for injuring a girl when they were throwing stones at each other in the street.

Letter to the Editor . . .

Sorokin Tells Sons Resistance to Education Bars Their Relocation

Two years after he left for South America on an apparent hunt for land for their relocation, Stefan S. Sorokin has sent a message to his reformed Sons of Freedom flock urging them to give up their renunciation of education.

Their stand is stopping the spiritual progress of the group and is a bar to solving their problem of relocation.

The spiritual leader's Nov. 3 letter, received by the "Christian Brotherhood of Reformed Doukhobors" at Krestova from Montevideo, Uruguay, follows:

Dear Brothers and Sisters: It is now almost five years since I first came to you in British Columbia and since you acknowledged and appointed me as your Spiritual Leader. I have seen and understood your extremely great need of Spiritual guidance. I undertook this resisting the will of the Heavenly Father, and became your defender, helping you with all my power, heart and soul.

Seeing your sad circumstances and unhappiness, into which you have blundered, I tried to help you, not sparing myself. Taking upon me your suffering, to lighten your burden, I realized, faithfully, that the Heavenly Father Himself sent me to lead you out unto the path of righteousness.

Two years have gone by since we parted. You are suffering and longing for me in Canada, and I, knowing your circumstances, am suffering for you here in Uruguay. You are tensely waiting that I make some change in your condition, impatiently you are grumbling and blaming me, as though I am responsible.

But I have always tried to persuade you, and am doing so now that a change in your lives may begin for the better if you yourself will heed my good advice to make this change possible.

For these years of my acquaintance with you, I have learned from experience amongst you, and am certain that your struggle and belief will lead you to the fullest destruction and transformation in your material life, and will also lead to your Spiritual and moral destruction.

I have entreated and tried to persuade you to obey and follow my advice that your lives may be led along the peaceful path of Christ. I have warned you against such acts and against the dreadful people — those that whisper and beckon towards the path of destruction. I have forwarned you of your illfaith and unnecessary suffering.

To the present time everything was fulfilled as I have prophesied to the unheedful and the stubborn, now I see that many are beginning to understand that I was not mistaken in my warnings of them, and the problems came to a full stop.

I only ask you to remember that many of you are being stubborn, are thinking you are not making mistakes bringing yourselves and others to ruination . . . The Doukhobor history was never made by a group of believers alone. On the path of their history they were led by spiritual leaders.

I, as your Spiritual Pastor, am offering you peaceful counsel; those that shall heed, they will follow the path of true Doukhobors, otherwise they shall fall and be fully transformed. The one that insists that he is a Doukhobor, but thinks it could be accomplished by a group without a guide, such destroys and rejects the true Doukhoborism as a follower of the teachings of Jesus Christ.

PRIMITIVE

All those old inventions and prejudices are today detrimental to accomplish spiritual progress for the Doukhobors. Being stubborn and not obeying the counsel of your guide, means destruction and ruin to your Society, as it now has happened. To renounce education means to be no better than a person having blindfolded his eyes and stumbling wherever his feet may take him. It also means to bar all possibilities in solving the problem of relocation. Most important though it is stopping the spiritual progress in the Society and bringing it to the state of primitive people.

DAY FOR PSALMS

This is my holy counsel, and for the wise it should be a command:

(1) Ask your Government for one day of the school week (Friday) for your children to study the singing of psalms, and all which that includes — religion for the people that follow the teachings of Christ —also for Russian education that they could learn to read and write in the Russian language. You then have Saturday and Sunday for upbringing the children in your faith. You have three days, and that is enough to teach them to be good in faith.

(2) Ask of the Government that the Doukhobor children will not be forced to fulfil national obligations, that is patriotism, war and national anthems and drilling such as the other children of different religions follow.

If you obey me then you can depend upon and expect a reunion with me, and also a movement ahead for our problems and the Doukhobor path, and also the progress of our Society. The problem is stuck on the school question, and we must give it a shove ahead. The main problem is the land question and relocation and we must get out from the bewitched circle that stopped the problem.

Such principles and faith misunderstanding—not to allow children to go to school—shuts all the outlets for relocation and not one country in the world will agree to the unheard of wonder, not ollowing children to get education. Not obeying me, you are showing to me and the public, that you do not need a leader, because he loses the power to be a leader when people do not obey. He is not mistaken and would have had you on a straightforward path had you obeyed him..

Trusting that the Spirit of Truth and Salvation of the Holy Power will enlighten you, and show you that your leader does not make mistakes, because that which he had prophesied before is now fulfilled,

S. S. SOROKIN

(Translated from Russian by John J. Perepelkin and Mike W. Hadikin).

(Reply to Sorokin from the Spiritual Council will be published tomorrow).

Dutch West Indies Celebrate Charter

PARAMARIBO, Surinam (AP) —Surinam and the Antilles—the Dutch West Indies — Wednesday celebrated their graduation from colonies to equal partners with the Netherlands in the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

A charter regulating relations between the three parties was proclaimed law at a special meeting of the Surinam Parliament. The charter had been agreed upon in long negotiations with the Netherlands in which the Dutch government agreed to advance 150,000,000 guilders ($39,450,000) in assistance on a 10-year economic development program. Half the amount is to be repaid after 10 years.

Doctors Discuss Suicide Notes

By RENNIE TAYLOR

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP)—People who write suicide notes containing admonitions to friends or relatives and instructions about what to do afterward are likely to be really in earnest about taking their own lives, two veteran psychologists reported Tuesday.

The tipoff as to their sincerity is that statements of this kind indicate the note-writer has accepted the idea that he won't be around much longer. He is leaving things to be done which he won't be able to do himself, they said.

Phony suicide notes lack this kind of finality, Dr. Erwin S. Shneidman and Dr. Norman L. Farberow told the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

EXTENSIVE COLLECTION

Shneidman and Farberow have probably the most extensive collection of genuine suicide notes in the world—721 of them. This, they said was virtually the entire output of Los Angeles county from 1944 to 1953, written by people ranging in age from 13 to 96.

Here are some of the findings:

1. All suicide threats or gestures should be taken seriously, because three-fourths of the people who kill themselves have previously threatened or attempted to do so.

2. Nearly half the people who commit suicide do so within three months after weathering an emotional crisis and seem to be on their way back to equanimity.

3. People who just threaten, show more signs of guilt or other stress than those who actually try suicide but fail.

4. Genuine suicide notes reflect deeper and more intense feelings of hatred, vengeance and self-blame than the simulated notes.

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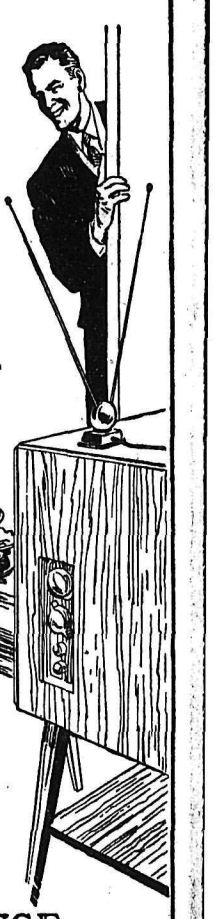

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They'll Do It Every Time — By Jimmy Hatlo

Today's Bible Thought

Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee. —Ps. 119:11.

Paul said it is no longer I that live but Christ that liveth in me. That kept sin out by faith.

Aunt Hot

12-30

I told Pa not to take cousin Joe's note. If he's honest, he'll pay us; and if he ain't I don't want anything to remind us of it.

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New Denver

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Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sherwood and two children left for Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays with the former's father and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Edwards and three daughters had as their Christmas guests the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Vic Edwards of Vancouver.

L.A.C. William Yonge of Calgary spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Yonge in Zincton.

Ana Bergeren of Calgary spent the Christmas holiday with his mother, Mrs. Lillian Bergeren.

Mrs. J. Allan Roberts and son Billit returned from two weeks' holiday in Toronto. She visited her elder son, Ted Roberts in Montreal and Winnipeg with brothers and other relatives.

Roy Yokoyama of Three Hills, Alta., arrived to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Yokoyama, at Rosebery.

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Princess' Tour Wardrobe To Set Summer Styles

By MURIEL NARRAWAY
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON (CP) — British fashion circles are wondering whether Princess Margaret will pick the long-bodies H-line for her Caribbean tour.

First royal traveller of 1955, the princess flies into the sunshine January 31 for a month's tour of the West Indies, and her clothes will help launch the New Year summer fashions. It will be her longest solo trip since the death of her father.

The tiny-waisted princess has so far stuck to the styles that emphasize her slimness. It was noted, however, that she applauded Christian Dior's H-line and later congratulated the designer on the clothes displayed at a November charity show.

HEIGHT APPEAL

Dior made the princess' first strapless evening gown. Then 19, the royal teen-ager raised a storm of comment in newsprint. Now the fashion - conscious are debating whether the princess will fall for Dior's flat-chested look, with its undefined waist and low hip emphasis. One point that might appeal is the impression it gives of height.

Long sensitiveness about her five-foot, two-inch stature, Princess Margaret wore high hats and platform-soled shoes for several years. recently, however, the petite bachelor girl has chosen flat beret shapes and slender strap shoes with light soles.

Most of the princess' clothes in 1954 have been wide-skirted and small-waisted.

For a dairy show she picked a head-hugging milkmaid cap of black persian lamb, something like a trapper's bonnet set off the face.

BUTCHER BOY'S BERET

Another choice was a butcher boy's beret in oyster satin, with narrow head band and button crown worn off the hairline and tilted slightly to one side.

The Queen Mother and Princess Margaret were present at a December style show by London's "top 12"—a private royal show emphasizing British fabrics. Princess Margaret, wearing a full-skirted black velvet dress with low-cut bodice and matching shell-shaped hat with white ermine trim, discussed each dress with the designer concerned. She was particularly interested in an enchanting evening gown by Victor Stiebel, who makes many of her clothes. In black-and-white organza and black lace, it had black strapless top with tiny waist.

Woman's Design Chosen For Statue

OTTAWA (CP)—Frances Loring of Toronto, former president of the Sculptors' Society of Canada, has won the federal government's competition for a design for a memorial to Sir Robert Borden, former prime minister.

A cabinet announcement Wednesday said her design was the unanimous choice of a selection board which examined 33 entries.

The memorial to Sir Robert, Conservative prime minister between 1911 and 1920, is to cost about $45,000. To be larger-than-life-size, it will be on Parliament Hill with statues of other Canadian leaders.

Needlecraft by Laura Wheeler

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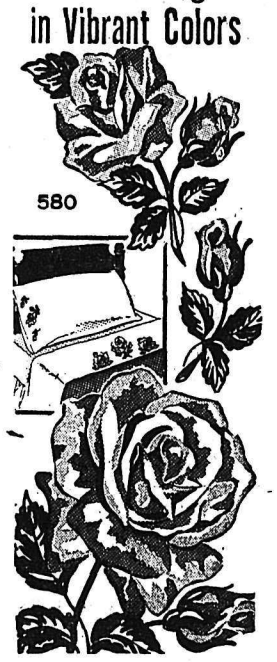

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By TRACY ADRIAN

HILARITY AND HI-JINKS typify the holiday festivities and the crowning evening of the season, New Year's Eve, will be as gay and thrilling as it traditionally is. Shown, is a wonderfully gay dress for seeing the old year out and the new year in. It's a dream dancing made of glossy pure silk parchment taffeta in the color of the tangerine—a warm, exhilarating shade of deep orange. A halter strap ripples over the bosom and is stitched into a lace banded midriff. Pleated insets and lace bands circle the dress from neckline to hemline.

Nelson Social

PHONE 141

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Beattie, 1423 Cedar Street, had as their house guests over the holiday season Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marsh of Toronto. Const. and Mrs. E. Christianson and sons, Murray and Ronnie, of Athabasca, Alta., and Mr. and Mrs. W. Christianson and daughter Gail of Invermere.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson and Valerie have returned to Vancouver after spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Williamson's mother, Mrs. A. Gillespie, Elwyn Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacQueen have left for their home on Vancouver Island after spending the Christmas holiday with Mrs. MacQueen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. McGinn, Lakeview, North Shore.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Hoover, Jr., and two sons of Vancouver are in Nelson over the holidays, the guests of Mr. Hoover's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hoover, 907 Fourth Street.

Nurses Entertain Hospital Board

KASLO — The matron, Mrs. C. R. Higgins and the nursing staff of the Kaslo Victorian Hospital entertained members of the Board of Directors and Ladies' Auxiliary at a get-together here. The rooms were decorated in keeping with the holiday season.

After refreshments, the guests extended Christmas greetings to the patients.

KINNAIRD — Holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kulcheski of Kinnaird were their daughter, Evelyn, of Vancouver, and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Art Townsend of Revelstoke.

PRINCESS ANNE "BEST DRESSED"

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Hollywood dress designer Ray Driscoll Tuesday named four-year-old Princess Anne of Britain on his list of 10 best dressed celebrities. He admits he did it because he got in hot water recently by naming the Queen Mother on the list of worst dressed.

Driscoll's best-dressed list, released Tuesday, includes film star Katy Jurado, Dominican playboy-diplomat Porfirio Rubirosa, Gholly Knickerbocker, Barbara Hutton, Gilbert Roland, Joan Crawford, movie director Budd Koetticher, Ertha Kitt, and himself.

The designer said he mentioned himself "because I'm tired of waiting for Christian Dior to say I'm best dressed."

Ex-Residents Welcome Nelson Pair To Coast

From New Westminster has come word of a former Nelson couple, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stevens, who have bought a home there.

Several other former Nelson people now living at the Coast welcomed the Stevens at a housewarming party. They were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thurman (Mrs. Thurman is the former Miss Connie Andrews), Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rushby, Mr. and Mrs. George Dick and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thompson. All except the Thompsons, Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Rushby were members of Nelson Little Theatre at various times. Mr. Dick is stage manager at radio station CBUT, Mr. Rushby is with Kerrisdale Hardware, Mr. Thompson teaches school, Mr. Thurman operates the Yates Hotel in Victoria, and Mr. Stevens is manager of the camera department at Wright's Ltd., in New Westminster.

Yule Party Given By Kaslo Legion

KASLO—At a Christmas party in the Legion hall, more than 70 children of members of the Legion branch and Ladies' Auxiliary, including parents, were entertained.

After supper, the sound of sleigh bells announced the arrival of Santa Claus. Rudolph put his head in the door, but had to be shut out. Santa Claus presented each child with a gift, a bag of candy and nuts and an orange. The party was in charge of Mrs. T. H. Horner and Mrs. G. H. Baker for the Ladies' Auxiliary and J. L. Humphrey and T. Bradshaw for the Legion branch. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. G. Sutherland.

B.C. Chief Liberal Organizer Resigns

VANCOUVER (CP) — Resignation of Jack Maltman as chief organizer for the Liberal party in British Columbia was announced Wednesday by Sydney J. Smith, president of the B. C. Liberal Association.

Mr. Maltman, 51, who has been chief organizer since 1949, will assume the post of sales manager in the newly formed Hebden Printing Company Ltd. of Victoria, in which he has acquired a financial interest.

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Salmo Couple Wed in Idaho

SALMO — A quiet ceremony took place in the manse of First Presbyterian Church in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, when Norma Mae Mang became the bride of Dennis Anthony Waterstreet.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mang and the groom is the only son of Mrs. Gertrude Waterstreet, all of Salmo. Rev. Lyman W. Winkler read the marriage vows.

The bride was charming in a dark beige suit with matching velour hat and accessories in dark brown. She wore a corsage of pink rosebuds.

The bride's sister, Miss Maureen Mang, acted as bridesmaid. She was attired in a grey-blue suit with navy accessories and wore a corsage of red rosebuds.

Mr. Lloyd Andrews of Salmo attended the groom.

After the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served to the bridal party, in the marine room of Templin's Grill in Coeur d'Alene. The table was centred with a tiered wedding cake, and tall white tapers were lit.

Present for the occasion were the bride's parents and the groom's mother from Salmo. The couple will reside in Salmo.

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Awards Presented at Wynndel Scout Party

WYNNDEL—A community carol service, in conjunction with Scouts and Brownies, was held in the Memorial hall here.

The program opened with the carol "Star of the East" by the choir. Singing of "Silent Night" and "First Noel" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" was done by the Cubs. "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "Away in a Manger," and a recitation were presented by Brownies. Presentation of general efficiency awards was made by Mrs. J. J. Firth, president of the Women's Institute, sponsor of the Brownies, to the Fairy 6 group: Pauline Hagen, leader; Marge Davidge, Janice Burch, Ann Huscroft, Lorraine Jones and June Carlson. Community singing of carols followed. Presentation of bronze arrowhead awards for training for potential patrol leaders were made to Scout Billy Fletcher, Johnnie Merriam and Joe Liens by Scout leader Frank Merriam, assisted by patrol leader Bob Merriam and George Lowery. The McDonald sisters gave an acrobatic act, "Silver Bells" and "Winter Wonderland" were sung by the choir, two skits were staged by Boy Scouts, and finally badges were presented to Boy Scouts by leader F. Merriam, assisted by Mr. Lowery. Second class badge went to Freddy Ellis, and first class badges to Billy Fletcher and Johnnie Merriam.

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Downtown Mystery

VANCOUVER (CP)—The result of what may have been too strenuous holiday celebrating was evident here Wednesday.

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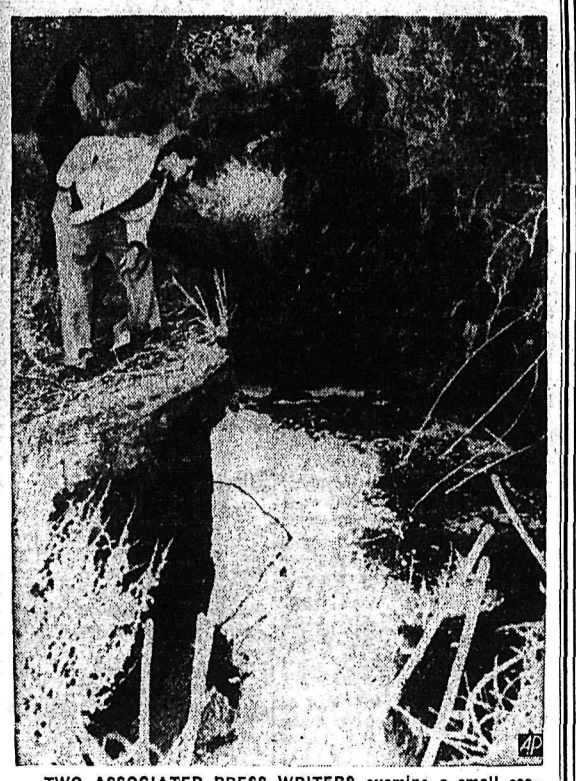

TWO ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITERS examine a small section of the 26-mile long slash in Dixie Valley in Western Nevada, caused by the earthquake of Dec. 16. The gaping trench ran along the base of the Stillwater Range and geologists said the surrounding mountains either rose or the valley dropped because of the violent quake. The writers found warm water gushing from the mountain fastness, this in an area where water has never been found in appreciable quantities.—AP Wirephoto.

Production Decline Will Affect Federal-Provincial Tax Payments

By HAROLD MORRISON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP) — Federal payments under the federal-provincial tax rental agreements likely will decline next year for seven of nine provinces.

Officials estimate the decline may total about $5,000,000, the first in the annual payments since the initial post-war tax pacts were signed in 1947.

The reason is the decline in 1954 national production. In return for renting certain tax fields to the federal government, the provinces receive annual payments based on provincial population growth and the annual value of national production averaged on a per capita basis.

Changes in national production in the preceding calendar year form the basis of payments for the following fiscal year. All provinces except Quebec have tax rental agreements with the federal government. The current pacts are for five years, expiring March 31, 1957, unless renewed before that time.

PRODUCTION DOWN

This year, national production is estimated to have declined about two per cent from the 1953 peak, the first drop in post-war years.

For two provinces, Alberta and Newfoundland, the effect of population growth is expected to more than offset the impact of a production drop. For them federal payments in the 1955-56 fiscal year may increase slightly.

But payments likely will decline for the other seven: Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

BREAK-DOWN GIVEN

Here is the latest break-down of estimated payments for the current year:

Ontario, $141,900,000; British Columbia, $45,800,000; Alberta, $31,600,000; Saskatchewan $26,500,000; Manitoba, $26,000,000; New Brunswick, $16,900,000; Nova Scotia $20,400,000; Newfoundalnd, $12,500,000; Prince Edward Island, $3,900,000.

In 1955-56 payments to Newfoundland are likely to rise by about $30,000; Alebrta, by a few thousand dollars. In comparison, payments to Ontario are likely to drop by more than $1,000,000; to Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, between $500,000 and $1,000,000; to Prince Edward Island British Columbia, by less than $500,000.

McCarthy Seeks Greater Power

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senator Joseph McCarthy is seeking a seat on the Senate foreign relations committee in the hope of influencing Eisenhower administration policies in Asia which he regards as "disastrous."

A position on the committee would give the Wisconsin Republican a new forum in which to argue for tougher measures against Communist China than the Republican administration has thus far been willing to adopt. McCarthy has said he plans to step up his campaign for such measures.

No Republican vacancy on the foreign relations committee is in prospect, and McCarthy concedes that his chances of winning a seat are slim. But he says that to attain one he is willing to give up his place on the coveted appropriations committee.

Hope Ahead for Clan Mactavish

MONTREAL (CP) — The Clan Mactavish may have a chief again after all.

Mrs. Andrew Dougald Mactavish of Montreal said Wednesday her husand is seriously considering assuming the leadership next December when he retires from his job with Canadian Pacific Railway.

"If my husband accepts," Mrs. Mactavish said in a telephone interview, "the clan will have a supply of leaders for a long time, as we have both a son and a grandson to keep up the line."

Mr. Mactavish could not immediately be reached for comment.

LONG SEARCH

The clan had searched for its rightful leader for 150 years until Mr. Mactavish's brother, John, was located in Sherbrooke, Que., in 1950. But, John Mactavish died Christmas Day without attempting to assume leadership.

Duties of the clan leader are said to be nothing more than arranging one or two annual meetings in Scotland and maintaining correspondence with members. There are no castles or fortunes attached to the title.

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Tangles With Bailey...

Richard Scores 401st Goal in 1-1 NHL Tie

TORONTO (CP)—Rocket Richard, Montreal's great sharpshooter, scored goal number 401 of his brilliant career and then ran amok during a third-period battle Wednesday night as the Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs played to a 1-1 tie before 14,051 National Hockey League fans.

The Rocket received a standing ovation from the crowd in the closing minute of the first period when he streaked in on Toronto goalie Harry Lumley, fired the puck home and then was carried head first into the net behind Lumley by his tremendous momentum.

Toronto deadlocked the score at 10:51 of the next period when Eric Nesterenko was the triggerman on a pretty passing play with linemates Sid Smith and Teeder Kennedy.

Leafs' Bob Bailey, elevated from Pittsburgh Hornets of the American League for Wednesday night's contest, touched off the Richard blow-up with about five minutes' play left. Bailey gave Richard a rough check near the boards in the Montreal end and skated toward the Canadiens' blue line.

FISTS FLY

His temper flaming, Richard got up and took off after the solidly built Leaf forward. Fists flew and both players ended on the ice with Bailey on top holding the Rocket's legs.

The two linesmen finally separated the combatants and Richard tugged a stick away from a teammate and attempted to get at Bailey twice but was restrained. The fiery Canadiens' rightwinger finally broke away from linesman George Hayes and struck the official across the face with an empty glove.

Referee Red Storey gave the Rocket a five-minute major penalty for fighting and two 10-minute misconducts. Each misconduct carries an automatic $25 fine. Bailey got off with a major and one misconduct for trying to get at his opponent.

Ray Kinasewich To Return After Two-Game Tryout

Ray Kinasewich will be lost to the Leafs for one game only, Carl Linden, publicity manager of the team, stated Wednesday.

Kinasewich has been called up to the Edmonton Flyers of the Western Hockey League for a two-game tryout, but will return to the Leafs in time for their encounter with the Spokane Flyers January 5 in the Washington city.

Linden reported Bud Poile, coach of the Flyers, as promising Charlie Rayner that the speedy rightwinger would play Thursday night and one more game in a tryout, but he would return to Nelson next week.

Kinasewich, possessor of one of the most wicked shots in the league, has thrilled fans around the Kootenays, and has showed promise of better things, working on a line with Joe Bell and centre Herb Jeffrey.

Kinasewich has played in 26 of the 27 games played by the Leafs and is the second highest scorer on the team with 16 goals and 20 assists for 36 points, one behind Herb Jeffrey, who is crowding Claude Bell of the Kimberley Dynamiters for the league leadership.

Four times this season Kinasewich has scored game-winning goals and has two hat-tricks to his credit. He has served a total of 40 minutes in penalties, placing him third on the list of Leaf players in this department.

WINNING TITLES is no novelty to Babe Zaharias, but her latest award is probably the most treasured of her entire career. The 41-year-old Texas golfer was named "Female Athlete of 1954" for the sixth time in the annual Associated Press poll in recognition of her amazing comeback from a serious cancer operation 20 months ago. The colorful athlete won five golf tournaments this year, climaxed by a 12-stroke victory in the women's U.S. open.
—Central Press Canadian

In Australia...

Demand Tennis De-Emphasized

SYDNEY (AP)—Strong demands that tennis in Australia should be de-emphasized to improve the mental attitude of the players were heard today in the wake of America's convincing Davis Cup victory.

Some observers said criticism so far is just a trickle of what can be expected later when this country starts taking inventory of its 1954 setback.

There is sentiment that Australian players—in contrast to the Americans—are getting weary of discipline and finding the sport a drudge instead of a pastime.

The first open criticism of the Australian captain, Harry Hopman, came in a dispatch by Dinny Pails, Australian professional and former national champion and Davis Cup player.

Pails said Australia can regain the cup next year "if Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall get down to fundamentals."

He said Hoad needs coaching in ground strokes and concentration. He said Rosewall was the disappointment of the challenge round.

Both Frank Sedgman, a former Hopman protege, and Hoad have stated publicly they would resent any anti-Hopman sentiment likely to arise from the defeats.

Andrews TKO's Smith; Will Meet Champion

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Cool, confident Paul Andrews broke Boardwalk Billy Smith's eight-fight winning streak Wednesday night with a smashing technical knockout victory over the No. 1 light heavyweight title contender in 2:49 of the sixth round.

The 33-year-old Smith never had a chance. Andrews floored him for a nine-count in the fourth and dropped him twice in the sixth before referee Eddie Coachman stopped the fight as Smith staggered blindly away from a left to the jaw.

Andrews, fifth-ranking contender in the division, probably won a title fight with his overwhelming victory. The International Boxing Club had promised Wednesday night's winner a Feb. 4 go with champion Archie Moore in New York.

Smith, in recent months the hottest campaigner in the light heavyweight ranks, was a 2-to-1 favorite a day before the fight, but at the last minute the odds dropped to 6 to 5 and take your pick.

Smith weighed 175 pounds, Andrews 180¼.

Russell, Ferguson Honored

MONTREAL (CP) — Ernestine Russell and Rich Ferguson were honored Wednesday night by the National Amateur Athletic Union as the top athletes in Canada in 1954.

Miss Russell, pretty 16-year-old gymnast from Windsor, Ont., was awarded the Rose Bowl as the top woman athlete of the year. She also won the title in 1953.

The presentation to Miss Russell was made by Myrtle Cook, sports writer for the Montreal Star and former member of the Canadian Olympic team.

Ferguson, 23-year-old Toronto youth who plans to end his track career next spring when he graduates from Iowa university, received the Crowe Medal as the top male athlete.

He won it mainly on his performance in the British Empire Games mile race at Vancouver, which he ran in 4:04.6, the fastest time ever recorded by a Canadian. He finished behind Roger Bannister and John Landy.

Both presentations were made on the Vic Obeck television show. Also on hand as Obeck honored top Canadian athletes of 1954 were Pat Fletcher of Saskatoon, winner of the Canadian open golf title, and Sam Etcheverry, Montreal quarterback voted the football player most valuable to his team in Canada last season.

3 OSHL Players Get Suspensions

KELOWNA, B.C. (CP) — Three Okanagan Senior Hockey League players were given suspensions Wednesday for their behavior in a game played at Vernon Dec. 21.

Don McLeod of Vernon Canadians was handed a five-game suspension by Dr. Mel Butler, B.C. Amateur Hockey Association president, for his conduct in a fight with Kevin Conway of Penticton V's. Conway drew a three-game suspension for his part in the slugfest.

Another Vernon player, Frank King, received a one-game layoff from OSHL president Bill Spear for showing disrespect for a referee.

Says Spokane to Apply For Franchise in WHL

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Vancouver Herald says Spokane is expected to apply soon for a franchise in the Western Hockey League in the 1955-56 season.

The newspaper says it learned preliminary meetings have already been held in Spokane and that directors of the Washington state city's new $1,500,000 Coliseum will probably apply for a franchise at the next WHL meeting.

Spokane applied for membership in the league two years ago but its application was rejected with the provision that it would be welcomed when the new rink was completed, the Herald said. The Coliseum was completed a month ago.

Meanwhile, the newspaper says WHL directors are planning for a 10-team league comprising two divisions — Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Edmonton in the eastern section; Spokane, Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster in the West.

Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster now are in the WHL

PORTLAND TO JOIN

The Herald says it is known Portland will join the league in 1956, probably under one of the existing franchises, to form a 10-club circuit.

Regina's application was accepted at the annual meeting of the WHL in August and it is already listed as a definite starter in 1955.

Winnipeg, also building a new arena, has not yet made application but is expected to shortly, the Herald says.

It is believed, also, the paper says, that when Seattle rejoins the league it will be under new management and that Frank Dotten will not return to professional hockey.

EILERS INVITED TO MEXICO

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver Eilers, Canadian senior women's basketball champions, have been invited to represent Canada at the Pan-American Games in Mexico City next year.

Coach Gordon McDonald said Tuesday night he expects the five-time Canadian champions to accept and final decision will be made when their sponsor, Walter Eiler, returns from holidays.

Eilers must make arrangements to play the B.C. finals before they leave for Mexico and if they win, will play the Canadian finals in the west on their return.

Originally, the western representatives would work their way across Canada and play the Canadian final upon their return.

Etcheverry Talks Terms With Als

MONTREAL (CP) — Sam (the Rifle) Etcheverry, star quarterback last year with Montreal Alouettes of the Big Four Football Union, arrived here Tuesday night for a two-day visit, to talk terms for next year with the Alouette management.

Etcheverry, voted the most valuable player to his team in Canada, said in an interview he would prefer to return in 1955 with Montreal although he is reported to have received at least two offers from teams in the United States' National Football League.

Vancouver Pays 131 Cheques To Destitute

VANCOUVER (CP)—Checks under Vancouver's emergency relief program for destitute unemployed have gone out to 131 single men and 25 families so far, it was reported Wednesday.

Relief is distributed by the city's social service department, with the provincial government paying 80 per cent and the city 20 per cent.

The program began Dec. 22. Maximum relief for a single man is $45 a month. Families receive $69.50, with $14 additional for each child.

Bannister Chosen Sportsman of '54

NEW YORK (CP) — Roger Bannister of England, who ran the first four-minute mile and then defeated Australia's John Landy in the great mile race at the Empire Games in Vancouver has been chosen "sportsman of the year" by Sports Illustrated.

The current issue of the magazine, which carries a color photograph of the Vancouver race on its cover, says:

"When it came to picking the sportsman of the year, the compelling choice was the man who set himself an athlete's severest challenge, the four-minute mile; who met the challenge superbly in exchange for a couple of small medals, and then turned to the next challenge, that of a strenuous profession; the miler-turned doctor, Roger Bannister."

May Discuss Contract Agreements With NFL

MONTREAL (CP) — Leo Dandurand, part owner of Montreal Alouettes, said Wednesday night he has invited executives of all Big Four teams to meet here Jan. 14 for informal talks prior to the annual league meeting Jan. 15.

"A number of important topics probably will be discussed," Dandurand said. "However, there's no way of telling what they will be since there is no agenda and the talks will be informal"

"Two topics which probably will come up for discussion, however, are the appointment of a commissioner for the Big Four and possible arrangements toward contract agreements with the National Football League."

WON'T LET HIM FIGHT

NEW YORK (AP) — Manager Chick Wergeles, who claims he has a contract with Beau Jack, said Wednesday he will not permit the former lightweight champion to fight again.

"I read a report that Jack is going to make a comeback in Columbia, S.C., next month," said Wergeles. "He won't fight if I can help it. I signed him to a five-year contract back in 1952 so he couldn't fight again. He'd get hurt."

"His knees are still bad," said Wergeles. "After he was stopped by Gil Turner in 1951, I told him he'd have to quit for his own good."

The New York State athletic commission refused to give Jack a licence in 1952.

HOCKEY SCORES

WESTERN JUNIOR

Moose Jaw 6, Regina 14

MANITOBA JUNIOR

St. Boniface 10, Winnipeg Barons 6

Sunday To See Mixed Bonspiel

With the festive season over, Nelson Curling Club will be starting the new year with a mixed bonspiel to be held Sunday at the curling rink.

Curlers do not have to belong to the club in order to join in the fun, but are being asked to make up their rinks of two men and two women players. The spiel will be a one-day affair and is expected to provide good entertainment.

Two events will take place, with each rink guaranteed at least two games. W. W. Wait is handling registrations up to 6 p.m. Friday.

Believed Longest Basketball Shot

DOVER, N.H. (AP) — In what state sports officials believe to be the longest high school basketball shot on record, Andre Bib Paquette of Laconia Tuesday night sank a 72-foot, three-inch basket.

With Portsmouth leading Laconia 21-7 in the closing seconds of the first half of the southeastern N.H. tournament finals, left-forward Paquette picked off a rebound, spun around and pushed the ball in a high arc toward the Portsmouth basket. As it rose the buzzer sounded, ending the half.

The ball slapped the backboard and dropped through the hoop.

Laconia took the title with a 52-48 victory.

TRABERT, SEIXAS GIVE CREDIT TO CAPTAIN TALBERT

By WILL GRIMSLEY

SYDNEY (AP) — Tony Trabert and Vic Seixas, whose tennis racquets won back the Davis Cup for the United States, said Wednesday their Australian campaign would probably have not been successful without captain Bill Talbert.

"I don't think we could have done the job without Bill," Trabert said. "No one knows how much credit he is due for our winning of the cup."

"We have been hearing for years what a genius Harry Hopman is," added Seixas. "We thought Talbert did the finest captain's job possible. He is trying to pass all the glory over to us but he deserves plenty himself."

Bobby Thomson Signs

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Outfielder Bobby Thomson, whose ankle fracture last spring was the first of a series of injuries to Milwaukee Braves' players, signed his 1955 contract Wednesday.

Terms were not revealed. Guesses were he will receive the same salary as a year ago, estimated between $30,000 and $35,000.

Thomson, the first Brave regular to sign his contract, appeared in 43 games for Braves, mostly as a pinch-hitter, and compiled a .232 batting average.

Kimberley Curling

Results of play in the Kimberley Curling Club competition Wednesday were:

G. Bannantyne 8, S. Case 6;
A. Archibald 7, H. Bates 10;
S. Ohnstad 7, J. Thorleifson 9;
D. Yuill 5, L. James 10;
A. Nelson 8, R. Murray 6;
D. Morrison 11, J. Popovich 10;
E. Nesbitt 9, R. Sowychyn 8.

Win by 9 Wickets

NEWCASTLE, Australia (CP) — Alec Bedser, Britain's giant fast-medium bowler, ripped through the early batting of the Northern Districts team here Wednesday to help the Marylebone Cricket Club gain a comfortable win by nine wickets.

Final scores: New South Wales Northern Districts 211 and 246; MCC 438 and 20 for one wicket.

In an impressive spell of eight overs this morning, Bedser took three wickets for 18 runs.

Cupid Breaks Up Godfrey Program

NEW YORK (AP)—Arthur Godfrey was reported Wednesday to have fired another one of his hired hands—though only partially.

Larry Puck, veteran showman, was said to have been ousted from his job as producer of one of Godfrey's shows because he became engaged to a Godfrey singing star, Marion Marlowe, some 30 years his junior.

However, it was reported, Puck was retained as producer of another of the Godfrey programs.

The reports are published in a New York Journal-American story written by Jack O'Brian.

RECALLS OTHER INCIDENT

The account of the new to-do in the Godfrey radio-TV family revived memories of the celebrated firing of singer Julius La Rosa during a television show.

Puck had been producer of the Wednesday night program "Arthur Godfrey and his Friends," as well as the Monday night show "Talent Scouts."

Miss Marlowe is the singing star of the Wednesday night show. She is 25, Puck between 57 and 60.

As a Christmas gift, it was said, Puck presented Miss Marlowe with a 6½ carat diamond solitaire engagement ring.

Shortly after Godfrey heard of the engagement the report continued, Godfrey announced at one of his regular meetings of his troupe:

"I will produce the Wednesday night show myself."

He gave no reason, it was said.

SCARE FLOORS DRIVER

ROME (Reuters) — Francesco Bindi Sergardi, a travelling salesman, fainted in the arms of highway police when told that he had driven here from Siena, 138 miles north of Rome, with a bolt missing from his steering wheel. The police were asked to try to stop Sergardi after mechanics in his garage discovered that they had forgotten to put back a vital bolt.

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CHILDREN
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COACH PAUL BROWN and quarterback Otto Graham of the Cleveland Browns are shown in the dressing room after the Browns upended the Detroit Lions 56-10 in the National Football League title game. "That's the way to quit, go out on top," Graham remarked after an announcement that he is quitting professional football. Otto scored three touchdowns on the ground and three through the air to rout the Detroit team.—AP Wirephoto.

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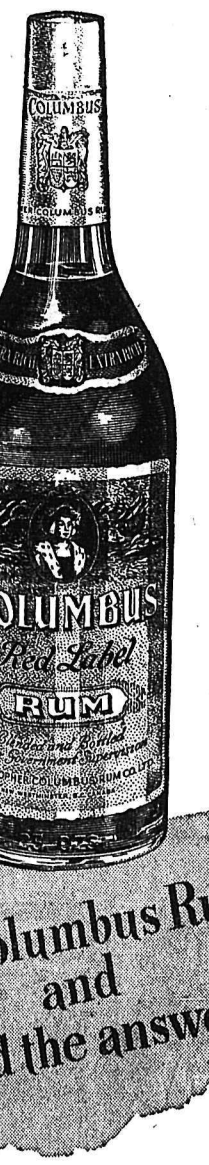

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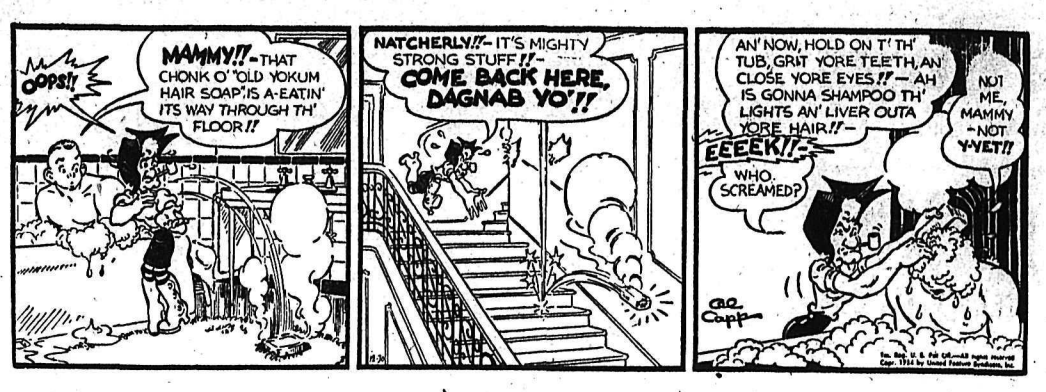

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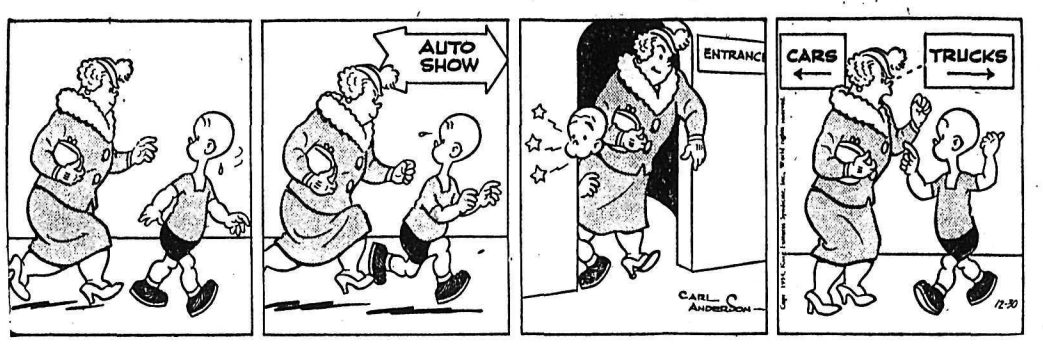

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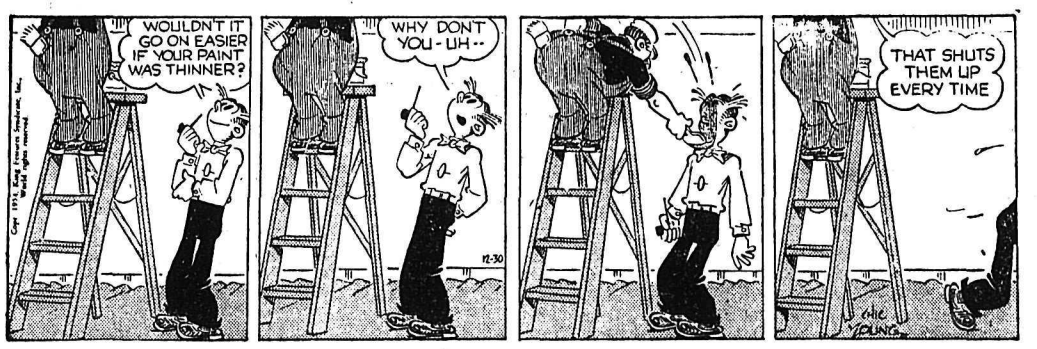

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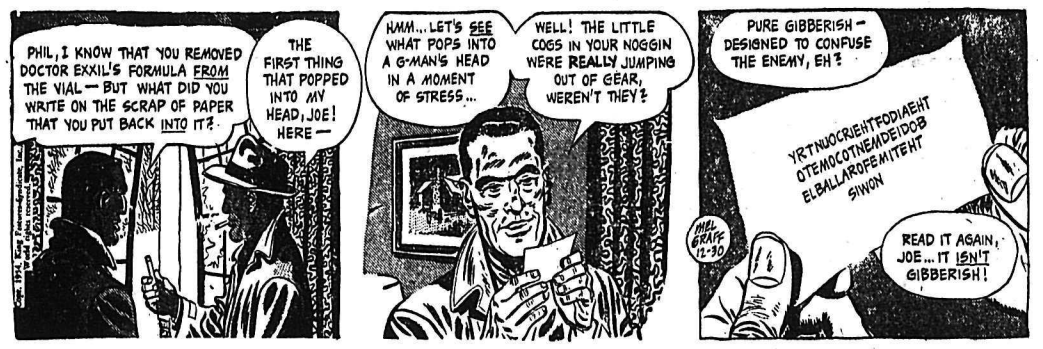

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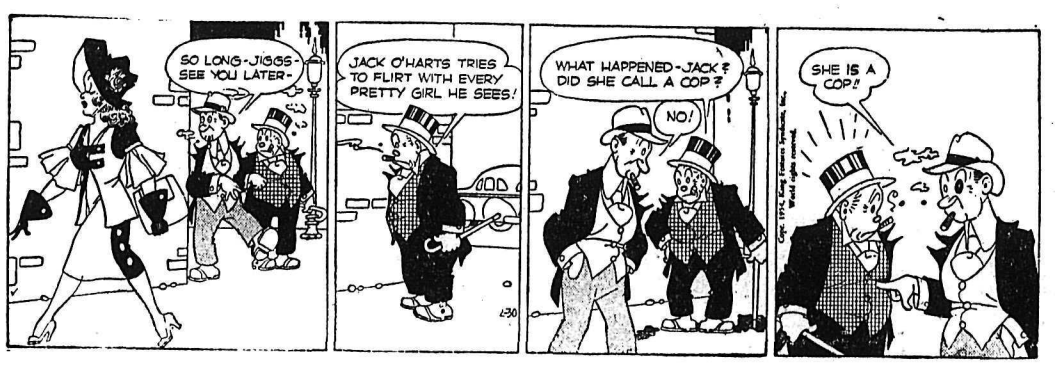

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Akaitcho	.62
Amal Larder	.13
Anglo Huronian	13.25
Area	.47
Armistice	.12
Atlas Y K	.14
Aumaque	.12⅛
Aunor	2.18
Bagamac	.14½
Barymin	2.50
Base Metals	.32
Belloterre	2.85
Bevcourt	.18
Bobjo	.28
Bralorne	2.90
Brewis R L	.11½
Broulan	1.45
Brunswick	9.50
Buffadison	.06½
Callinan	.16
Campbell R L	8.30
Chimo G	1.37
Cochenour	.87
Coniaurum	.43
Cons Denison	29.50
Conwest	3.10
Cons Discovery	2.75
Delnite	1.10
Detta R L	.20
Dome	17.25
Duvex	.18
Dyno	1.05
East Malartic	2.82
East Sullivan	5.25
Eastern Metals	.75
Elsol	.11
Estella	.10½
Eureka	1.10
Falconbridge	23.62½
Fed Kirk	.10
Frobisher	4.30
Geco	10.75
Giant Yel	7.80
God's Lake	.73
Gold Hawk	.31
Goldcrest	.19
Golden Manitou	1.63
Gunnar Gold	10.00
Hardrock	.11½
Hasaga	19⅞
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Hudson Bay	53.35
Inspiration	1.95
Int Nickel	56.75
Jack Waite	.10¼
Jellicoe	.10
Joliet Que	.50
Kerr Addison	16.75
Kirkland Lake	.41
Kirk Townsite	.14
Labrador	8.05
Lakeshore	5.90
Lamaque	4.10
Lapa Cadillac	.18
Lapaska	.19
Lexindin	.13½
Lingman (new)	.18
Louvicourt	.15½
Macassa	1.80
MacDonald	.63¼
MacLeod Cock	1.75
Malartic G F	1.74
McIntyre Porc	71.00
McKenzie R L	.37
McMarmac	.17
McWatters	.14
Mining Corp	17.00
Moneta	.47¼
Negus	.18½
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New Bidlamaque	.38
New Calumet	.59
New Goldvue	.11
New Kelore	.20
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New Mylamaque	.33
New Thurbois	.38
Noranda	82.00
Normetals	3.65
O'Brien	.54
O'Leary	.25
Osisko	.45
Pamour	.68
Paymaster	.40
Pickle Crop	1.30
Pioneer	.22
Placer Develop	32.00
Powell Rouyn	.62
Preston E D	6.05
Quebec Man	.70
Quebec Nickel	1.44
Queenston	.22
Quemont	22.15
Radiore	1.00
Rayrock	.84
Reeves Mac	1.53
Roche L L	.40
San Antonio	2.05
Sherritt Gordon	5.00
Sigma M	5.15
Silvermiller	1.10
Silanco	.11
Siscoe	.41
Stadacona	.26
Starratt Olsen	.14
Steep Rock	7.65
Sudbury Cont	.42
Surf Inlet	.10
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Teck Hughes	4.30
Thompson-Lund	.15⅛
Trans Cont Res	.31½
Union Mining	.28
United Keno	6.15
Upper Can	1.28
Violamac	1.89
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OILS	
Anglo Can	4.80
B A Oil	29.75
Cal & Ed	14.00
Cdn Atlantic	7.00
Central Leduc	1.30
Chemical Research	3.70
Commonwealth Pete	3.90
Dalhousie	.18⅛
Del Rio	1.03
Federated Pete	3.60
Home	7.50
Imperial Oil	39.25
Inter Pete	27.00
Kroy	1.10
Mid Cont	.38
Nat Pete	1.95
Nordon	.12
Okalta	1.40
Pac Pete	12.00
Royalite	12.25
United Oils	1.04
INDUSTRIALS	
Abitibi	27
Algoma Steel	50⅜
Aluminum	74¼
Atlas St	14⅛
Beattie Bros	7
Bell Telephone	48⅞
Brazilian	7⅞
B C Elec 4¾s	83¼
B C Power A	26
Burl Steel	26
Can Cement	143
Can Malting	70¼
Can Packers B	35⅛
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Can Celanese	24¾
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Can Oil	18
Can Pac Rly	31⅝
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Cons Papers	61½
Dist Seagram	33
Dom Foundries	19½
Dom Steel & Coal B	10¾
Dom Magnesium	13⅜
Eddy Paper	34
Ford A	109½
Gatineau	27½
Gatineau 5% pfd	111
Great Lakes	30½
Gypsum Lime	55⅛
Hiram Walker	68¼
Imperial Oil	39¼
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Int Utilities	21
Lake of Woods	44
Loblaw A	45⅜
Loblaw B	68
Maple Leaf Milling	9½
McColl Frontenac	35¼
Moore Corp	33½
Page Hershey	70
Shawinigan	53½
Sicks Brew	29
Simpsons A	20¼
Steel of Can	45½
Standard Paving	27¼
Taylor Pearson	10
Union Gas of Can	44½
United Corp B	18¼
United Fuel A	61
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Winnipeg Grain

WINNIPEG (CP) — Winnipeg grain cash prices:

Oats—No. 1 feed, 80⅞.

Barley — No. 1 feed, 1.13⅛.

TELEVISION for TODAY

KXLY-TV
Channel 4

10:45—Portia Faces Life
11:00—Welcome Travelers
11:30—Road of Life
11:45—Secret Storm
12:00—Big Payoff (L)
12:30—Bob Crosby (L)
12:45—Bob Crosby (L)
1:00—On Your Account
1:30—Valiant Lady
1:45—Brighter Day
2:00—Kitchen Kapers
2:30—Search for Tomorrow
2:45—Guiding Light
3:00—Love of Life
3:15—Robert Q Lewis
3:30—Garry Moore
3:45—Garry Moore
4:00—What's Cooking
4:30—Strike It Rich
5:00—Dale Starkey Show
5:30—Range Rider
6:00—Barker Bill Cartoons
6:25—Weather Girl
6:30—Doug Edwards (L)
6:45—Jane Froman
7:00—Star Showcase
7:30—Ramar of the Jungle
8:00—TBA
8:30—Climax
9:30—Lone Wolf
10:00—Four Star Playhouse
10:30—Musical Merry-Go-Round
11:00—The Late Show

Channel 6
KHQ-TV

12:15—Test Pattern
12:30—Color Test Pattern
12:45—Mountain Moonlight
2:00—Elaine Gray Kitchen
3:00—The Greatest Gift
3:15—Golden Windows
3:30—Your Own Home
3:45—Concerning Miss Marlowe
4:00—Hawkins Falls
4:15—Lady Fair
4:30—Bar 6 Roundup
5:00—Pinky Lee
5:30—Howdy Doody
6:00—Hopalong Cassidy
6:30—Bar 6 Bunkhouse
6:45—The Front Page
6:55—Newspaper of the Air
7:00—Cisco Kid
7:30—Dinah Shore
7:45—News Caravan
8:00—You Bet Your Life
8:30—Waterfront
9:00—Dragnet
9:30—Treasury of Plays
10:00—Lux Video Theatre
11:00—Dangerous Assignment
11:30—Bible Reading
11:35—News Headlines

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Sheep Creek	.81
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Silver Ridge	.25
Silver Standard	.71½
Surf Inlet	.09
Utica	.01
Vananda	.01½
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Western Ex	.51
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Yale	.39
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Mid West Gas	1.65
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ON THE AIR

CKLN PROGRAMS . . 1240 ON THE DIAL

(Pacific Standard Time)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1954

6:30—Koffee and Kay
7:00—News
7:05—Koffee and Kay
7:15—Chapel in the Sky
7:30—News
7:35—Koffee and Kay
7:45—Rise 'n' Shine
8:00—News
8:10—Sports News
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—Serenade
8:55—Woman's World
9:00—Homemaker Harmonies
9:30—Harmony House
9:45—Homemaker Harmonies
10:00—Carnation Entertains
10:15—News
10:20—Musicale
10:30—Story Parade
10:45—Coleman Concert Hall
11:00—Christmas Pageantry
12:00—Noonday Merry-Go-Round
12:15—Sports News
12:20—News
12:30—Farm Broadcast
12:55—Report From Parliament Hill
1:00—The Toy Shop
1:15—Hollywood Calling
1:30—Specialty Shop
1:45—The Baby Show
1:55—Women Today
2:00—The Coming of the Lord
2:30—Trans Canada Matinee
3:30—Pacific News
3:45—Sacred Heart
4:00—Concert Hour
4:30—The Quiet Force
5:00—Wax Wagon
5:15—The Lighter Side
5:25—Fashions for You
5:30—Sports News
5:35—Today in History
5:40—Spotlight on a Star
5:45—Bowling News
5:50—News
6:00—Rawhide
6:15—Hit Parade
6:45—Cavalcade of Melody
7:00—News and Roundup
7:30—*Christ Back in Christmas*
8:00—A Christmas Cantata
8:45—Notre Dame to Entertain
9:00—Concert Orchestra
9:30—Winnipeg Theatre
10:00—News
10:15—Night Spot
10:30—Sports News
10:45—Evening Devotions
11:00—NEWS Nightcap

CBC PROGRAMS

(Pacific Standard Time)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1954

7:00—Fisherman's Broadcast
7:15—Musical Minutes
7:30—News
7:35—Musical Minutes
7:40—Morning Devotions
7:55—Musical March Past
8:00—News
8:10—Here's Bill Good
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—Laura Limited
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Aunt Lucy
9:30—Morning Concert
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—Happy Gang
10:45—Musical Kitchen
11:00—Kate Aitken
11:15—Kindergarten of the Air
11:30—A Man and His Music
12:15—News
12:25—Showcaes
12:30—Farm Broadcast
12:55—Five to One
1:00—Art Gallery Recital
1:30—Afternoon Concert
2:00—Festive Season
2:30—Trans Canada Matinee
3:30—Programe Resume
3:45—Share the Wealth
4:00—B. C. Roundup
4:30—The Little Loyalty
5:00—Current and Choice
5:15—International Commentary
5:20—News
5:30—Folk Song Time
6:00—Rawhide
6:15—Roving Reporter
6:30—Sing for Your Supper
7:00—News
7:30—Toronto Symphony Pop Concert
8:30—Ballad Time
8:45—Windsor Greets New Year
9:00—Hart House Glee Club
9:15—Vancouver Theatre
9:45—Winnipeg Greets the New Year
10:05—News
10:15—Musical Program from Winnipeg
10:45—Edmonton Greets the New Year
11:05—Hot Air
11:55—B. C. Welcomes '55
12:30—New Year's Dancing Party

DAILY CROSSWORD

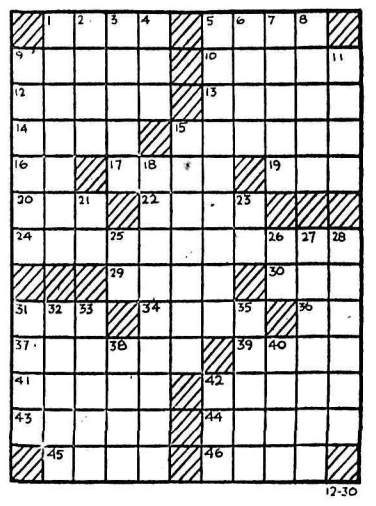
ACROSS

1. Rapid current of water
5. Watch pockets
9. Kind of wood
10. Egg-shaped objects
12. A shade of green
13. Reignited
14. Network
15. American Indian
16. Sun god
17. A small merganser
19. Area over the earth
20. Man's name
22. A North Caucasian language
24. A U S. marine (slang)
29. Merit
30. Male adult
31. Administrative territorial division (Den.)
34. Remainder
36. River in Italy
37. To read over again
39. Jewish month
41. Fruit of the oak
42. To angle in a lake
43. Scottish tea cake
44. Anglo-Saxon serfs
45. Projecting end of a church
46. Encounter

DOWN

1. Free
2. Mine entrance
3. Caverns
4. Before
5. Warns beforehand
6. Baking chamber
7. Large bundles
8. Sleek
9. Enclosure for horses
11. Remain
15. Cut
18. Wife of a Maharajah
21. River (Lat.)
23. Registered Nurse (abbr.)
25. Tellurium (sym.)
26. Printer's measure
27. Family name of Juliet ("Romeo and Juliet")
28. Hillocks
31. Macaws
32. Birthplace of Mohammed
33. Group of Boy Scouts
35. Concise
38. Sea eagles (Eur.)
40. Solitary
42. Evening sun god

Yesterday's Answer



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A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

DAP PKDZKZ IGNSS, GJZHEBJ DO• IKAVK, BZHMI GJK UKUHZF HC GJK LDIG—OEZAI.

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Continued Business Climb in 1955 Foreseen, But Sales Effort Required

(Editor's Note: The business and financial forecast prepared annually by the noted economist, Roger W. Babson of Boston, is released today. While the forecast deals essentially with the United States business scene, it is carried by the Daily News because of its interest to businessmen of the district.)

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL FORECAST FOR 1955
By ROGER W. BABSON

1. GENERAL BUSINESS. Despite wails from some quarters, 1954 saw a drop in the average physical volume of business of only five per cent from the record year 1953. 1955 could see a rise of about the same amount. Certainly, the direction of business until mid-1955 will be upward.

2. BUSINESSMEN WILL WAKE UP. During 1954 many businessmen rediscovered the meaning of the word "competition". Sales will continue to be made only with real effort in most lines.

3. CONSUMPTION OUTLOOK. Consumption in a number of lines has been proceeding at a more rapid rate than has production. I forecast a better record in early 1955 for both steel and automobiles.

4. TEXTILE INDUSTRY. Textile industry operated at extremely low levels throughout most of 1954. Coal and railroad equipment also exerted a strong downpull. I forecast that the textile and coal industries will be in a recovery phase after their long stay in the doldrums.

5. PRIVATE CONSTRUCTION I forecast that home building and general construction will be somewhat lower in 1955 than in 1954, but this important industry should still operate at high levels next year.

6. PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION. I forecast that public construction will increase during 1955. This should mean a rise in the output of cement.

7. AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT. This industry has been suffering from a decline in demand, but should now improve. Government-sponsored planting curtailment and crop loans have reduced free supplies, and may make for higher agricultural prices later in 1955.

8. ARMAMENT INDUSTRY. The armament industry will still be one of the main floors beneath the economy. The electrical and chemical industries will move at a rate close to that of 1954.

9. OTHER INDUSTRIES. I am somewhat optimistic on clothing, aircraft manufacturing, air-line transportation, office equipment, electricity output, petroleum production, natural gas, and shoes. I am also fairly bullish on rubber, paper, electrical equipment, certain types of building, and nonferrous metals.

10. WEATHER CONDITIONS. It is foolish for me to attempt to forecast rains, droughts, frosts, etc., for any special section. However, taking the nation as a whole, I look fc better weather in 1955.

11. RETAIL SALES. I forecast that the outlook for retail sales is encouraging, at least through the ..rst half of 1955.

GONE FOR AWHILE

12. PROFITS. Stiffening competition is chipping away at the profit margin. Return on invested capital is in a long-term downtrend. The first few years after World War II were the golden years for the novice in business and for the inefficient. Those days are gone for awhile.

13. SELECTIVITY. Higher labor and other costs, plus intensified competition, will continue during 1955. I forecast a high degree of selectivity in the effect of this trend on individual activities and companies. Victory will be for the nimble and for the strong!

14. DIVIDENDS. Recent high expenditures for new plant and machinery have left some concerns with very high depreciation charges. As new capital commitments are cut and depreciation remains high, cash inflow could expand. Such companies should be able to pay out in dividends a higher percentage of earnings in 1955 than in recent years, notwithstanding a moderate profits shrinkage.

15. INVENTORIES. Inventories have been permitted to run down during 1954. As total business expands, there will be a tendency to replace reduced stocks, especially during the first half of 1955. Total manufacturers' inventories however, may build up more rapidly than total business inventories. I forecast that total wholesale and total retail inventories will show little change from 1954 levels.

16. PRICES OF MANUFACTURED GOODS. Even with the expected pickup in demand, I see no sharp markup in industrial prices next year. Over-all supplies are generally ample. Hence, I forecast that industrial prices in 1955 will show little change from recent levels.

17. FOOD PRICES. Food prices may firm later in 1955. The strong move into Government crop loans this year has made free supplies of most agricultural items less burdensome. I forecast that new advertising programs by canners and other great food distributors will help farmers, stock raisers, and fruit growers.

18. CONSUMER INCOME. Consumer income will hold at satisfactory levels. Most goods should move readily into consuming channels.

LITTLE CHANGE

19. LIVING COSTS. I forecast that during 1955 living costs will show little over-all change from present levels. There may be some firming during the first half, but the late months may again witness a minor softening.

20. RENTS, ETC. I forecast rental expenses may edge somewhat higher; clothing costs should be steady to moderately higher. There is small chance that food expenses can b· greatly reduced.

21. MONEY SUPPLIES. I forecast that money supplies will be ample for all legitimate business needs during 1955. With little likelihood of businses getting out of hand on the upside, credit easing is more likely than credit curtailment in 1955.

22. INFLATION. Fears, or perhaps hopes, of an inflationary boom should be buried. Barring outbreak of war, our productive capacity is sufficiently large to meet all demands for goods. I forecast that no runaway inflation is probable, even if the money managers increase the supply of money or ease credit.

23. INTEREST RATES. Until the Treasury finds a way to balance the budget, hold business at high levels and unemployment at a minimum, I forecast little likelihood of higher interest rates.

24. BOND PRICES. With the possible exception of tax-free bonds, I see no reason for increased bond prices in 1955. I forecast an increase in the issuance of tax-free revenue bonds.

25. STOCK PRICES. After so sharp a rise, the market could have a reaction; but I am forecasting no crash in 1955 such as we had in 1929. In fact, the situation changed for the better October 11, 1954.

26. WAGES. I forecast that the wage trend in organized industry will continue to move higher at least in the first half of 1955. During the first half year, when business will be improving, the labor chieftains will also be quick to resort to the strike weapon.

27. OTHER LABOR GAINS. I forecast that the heavy guns of the labor bigwigs will be trained on the guaranteed annual wage, shorter work week, and more pensions. With a better congressional control of appointments to the National Labor Relations Board, the decisions of that body will swing more toward labor than toward management.

28. NEW INVENTIONS. These will mostly be a labor-saving type. I forecast a marked increase in automation and cybernetics, and other marvelous changes in production methods.

SEES MORE JOBS

29. EMPLOYMENT. Unemployment outlook is brighter, since business will be on the upgrade during the first half. I forecast that local and seasonal unemployment will still prove a knotty problem.

30. FAILURES. The salient business characteristic of 1955 will be bitter competition. Many companies already weakened by competitive conditions will no longer be able to keep afloat. I forecast a rise in both the number and the total value of failures during 1955.

31. MERGERS. I forecast that mergers and consolidations will be encouraged by federal officials, if, by merging, a weak company can be saved. But while every effort will be made to prevent bankruptcies, Washington will frown on large mergers and consolidations.

32. GENERAL REAL ESTATE SALES. The time is already past due when real estate prices should have been falling. Only a fear of World War III and easy credit have prevented this. Therefore, I forecast that a downturn in prices cannot long be postponed.

33. URANIUM CRAZE. The greatest speculation will take place in the seeking and trading of land with uranium prospects. This is now centered in Colorado, Utah, and vicinity; but I forecast it will spread in a limited way to many other states and even to "offshore" property. It could exceed the gold rush of 1849. Another demand will be for woodlands which can be bought for a few dollars per acre.

34. COMMERCIAL FARMS. These have suffered a decline in price as a result of the slump in agricultural prices and farm incomes. Unless more will be done politically for the farmers next year, I forecast that the recent decline in commercial farm prices may continue during 1955. **Subsistence farms on the fringes of larger cities should hold up well in price as migration toward the suburbs continues.**

35. VACANT LAND IN CITY AREAS. With the exception of parking lots, city vacant land should experience a continued slow reduction in price during 1955; but no marked change in suburban vacant land, except for parking. I am very bullish on land anywhere suitable for parking.

36. BUSINESS PROPERTY. I foresee little hope for improvement for such property in the larger cities during 1955. Business property in the suburbs has not been so inflated, and therefore will not be so vulnerable to declines and high taxes.

37. INDUSTRIAL BUILDING. The construction of new industrial plants gives every indication of continuing to mark out a downward course during 1955. I forecast that the brightest spot on the construction horizon for next year is the prospect for increased municipal construction—schools, hospitals, etc.

38. RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION. The building of new homes has held at very high levels during 1954. Although I expect the trend of new home prices to be downward during the year 1955, they will still persist at very high figures, at least during the first half of the year. New homes will continue to be the choice of purchasers, even though older homes give better values.

39. TAXES. The Eisenhower Administration has clearly recognized that expanding business and increased expenditures for plants and equipment are the true sources for rising employment and more jobs. I forecast a continued aim during 1955 will be to have taxes aid business—and thereby help employees to more and better jobs.

40. INCOME TAXES. I forecast there will be no further relief, in 1955, of the double-taxation feature on dividends or of the 25 per cent capital gains tax. Furthermore, corporation income taxes will not be permitted to decline as scheduled next spring. I forecast that, unless business slumps more than I anticipate during late 1955, there will be no reduction in personal income taxes next year, except to correct some technical errors. Any relief for the individual "small" taxpayer will be saved until the election year, 1956.

41. POLITICS. The really big political news in 1955 will not be made by the laws that will be enacted, but by the tremendous preparations for the 1956 presidential campaign. Those who claim that President Eisenhower is at heart a liberal and will get along well with a Democratic Congress should remember the lessons of politics.

42. WORLD WAR III. In my opinion, the initiative in international affairs still rests with Russia. **The Kremlin is not yet ready for an all-out attack and no one in the West wants World War III. Malenkov is now pushing a "Peace Offensive." I am referring here to the year 1955—over the long term, I still feel that a major holocaust is inevitable, but I forecast no World War III in 1955.**

43. FOREIGN AID. Our foreign efforts during the year will continue to aim at plugging the leaks and building new dykes against the flooding tides from the East. I forecast we will work hard to build up Europe, with Germany as the core; but Russia will make spectacular gains in the Far East, particularly in India.

44. FOREIGN COMPETITION. As Germany rearms and the Brussels Treaty Organization goes into gear, I forecast further improvement in Europe. Competition from European manufacturers will, however, intensify. Reciprocal trade deals will be pushed. I would not be surprised to see a decline in our exports in 1955 and an increase in imports.

45. CHURCHES AND CHARITIES I forecast that the spiritual awakening which started in 1954 will continue into 1955 with an increase in Church members. This is a very important sign. Gifts to charities will also increase, due to the more liberal allowance on taxes, up to 30 per cent, provided 10 per cent goes to churches, schools, or hospitals.

46. TRAVEL AND SPORTS. I forecast more money will be spent on travel and sports in 1955. This is becoming an important new industry and should especially benefit Florida, California, Arizona, New Mexico, the Great Lakes Region, New England, and the Northwest.

47. NEW METALS AND ALLOYS. Next to air-conditioning, I expect great growth in the use of new metals and alloys. I forecast the rare metals stock will be sought in 1955 as were the oils in 1954.

48. ADVERTISING. I forecast business spending in this field will increase further in 1955. It not only is the salvation of individual businesses, but is the best stimulant for national prosperity.

49. POPULATION. I forecast the population will continue to increase during 1955, with a growing percentage of young people between 18 and 22. This means a greater demand for clothing, college education, and especially for new school buildings.

50. CONCLUSION. Develop Faith, Meditation, Health, and Good Works —with more attention to your family—to create reserves for real trouble which some day will come. GO TO CHURCH!

Snow Piles Up In Fort Scott, Kansas

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The weather bureau reported 17 inches of snow piled up at Fort Scott, Kan., this morning, with the fall continuing.

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Pretty Woman Talks Mau Mau Leader Into Sparing Her Life and Babies

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)—A pretty young Englishwoman told today how she "chatted in Swahili" with Mau Mau terrorists on her isolated farm Tuesday night and talked them into sparing her life and her two babies.

Mrs. Lovat Carnelly said Mau Mau leader "General Gomai" interceded to free her from terrorists who caught her as she fled from the farmhouse clutching her crying children.

GENERAL INTERVENED

She said she chatted in the Swahili dialect with the general, telling him "I never heard of an African killing children." The general, she said, agreed they would not kill the children, aged one and two, but said nothing about her.

The Mau Mau men then grabbed her, she said, molesting her and ordering her to take off her dress. The general again intervened, Mrs. Carnelly said, ordering his men away.

She said he told her she must leave the country. He warned that he would check whether she had gone, she related. If she did not he promised to return and kill her.

Other Mau Mau men burned down the farmhouse, Mrs. Carnelly, whose husband was visiting friends at the time of the attack is in her early 20s.

Market Tends

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market rolled ahead strongly Wednesday in what promised to be the busiest session of the year.

Canadian issues shared the rise, headed by Canadian Pacific, up 1⅜. Other gainers were Dome Mines and International Nickel, up ½ and Distillers Seagram, ⅛.

TORONTO (CP) — The stock market shot ahead for its best gains in almost two months.

The industrial index hit successive record highs through the day and at 2 p.m. was ahead 2¼ points, its best gain in any session since a climb of more than five points Nov. 4.

MONTREAL (CP) — Stock market prices were stronger in moderately active trading.

General Dynamics improved 1½ and CPR 1⅛. Canada Cement moved up a point while Howard Smith was ⅞ better. Half-point improvements were made by Industrial Acceptance, Aluminum, and Algoma.

LONDON (CP) — The London stock market showed advances despite the threat of a rail strike, influenced by Tuesday's Wall Street advance.

Canadian Pacific was firm among rails and there was good demand for selected industrials.

Calgary Livestock

CALGARY (CP) — Trade was strong and active on offerings of 2100 cattle and calves, including 650 head held over, on the livestock market today. Bulk of offerings were good butcher steers and heifers.

Good to choice butcher steers and heifers in good demand at steady prices; medium to near good kinds steady to strong; all classes of cows 50 cents to $1 higher for the week, with top heifery cows 12 and above; bulls steady; insufficient stocker and feeder steers to meet demand; prices steady; veal calves steady to strong.

Good to choice butcher steers 19-21; common to medium 15-18.50; good to choice butcher heifers 16-18.50; common to medium 11-15.50; good cows 10.50-11.50; common to medium 8.50-10; canners and cutters 5-8; good bulls 10-10.50; common to medium 8-9.50; good stockers and feeders steers 15-17; common to medium 11-14.50; good to choice veal calves 17-19; common to medium 12-16.50.

Hogs sold 50 cents higher Tuesday 24; sows 14-14.25.

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Algae Supplies Nitrogen to Growing Crops

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Air can be turned into fertilizer by algae, raising the prospect of growing food crops without soil.

Algae are one-celled plants which grow in water. One blue-green type of algae now is found to have great ability to take nitrogen out of the air and make it available for growing crops.

This is the main thing that fertilizers do—supply nitrogen for growing crops.

The first success in growing rice plants using nitrogen grabbed from the air by the algae is described in a paper prepared for the American Association for the Advancement of Science by Dr. Daniel I. Arnon, department of plant nutrition, University of California.

The finding offers a cheap, effective way of fertilizing various food crops. It could be of immense significance, especially in the Orient.

Dr. Arnon added the blue-green algae, named Anabaena cylindrica, to rice plants, and found the rice grew without needing nitrogen from the soil. They got it all from the air through the algae.

It's long been known that certain algae can take or "fix" nitrogen from the air and secret it for the use of rice plants, or add it to the soil when the algae dies.

But this process was thought to be too slow to be of any real significance.

Dr. Arnon found that under proper conditions these algae can take nitrogen from the air at rates almost 200 times faster than had been believed. The algae grow faster than credited.

The algae get their energy from the sun, and don't need materials from the soil in order to produce nitrogen. Thus they could be of great importance in agriculture.

Says Individuality Far From Popular

TORONTO (CP)—Rev. R. S. K. Seeley says democracy has developed a morbid fascination for the normal.

Dr. Seeley, provost of Trinity College of the University of Toronto, says people become suspicious of persons with unusual thoughts.

He told the annual meeting of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation that people "feel safer with those who will accept the current second-hand opinions and base their thinking on the regular literature which everyone is reading."

"We feel uncomfortable with the person whose house is of an unconventional architecture or whose furnishings show undue individuality.

"The independent thinker is quickly labelled as subversive and standardization rules the pattern of our lives."

Cow Gives Birth To Healthy Triplets

ELMVALE, Ont. (CP)—A cow gave birth to triplets on a farm near here, a feat described as "one in a million" by a veterinarian.

The calves, Holsteins, are strong and expected to live, veterinarian J. Windram said.

Dr. Windram said multiple births occur occasionally but one of the calves usually dies soon after birth.

The owner, Wesley Johnston, said from his farm near this village 45 miles north of Toronto, that the mother, a six-year-old, is doing well.

Satellites Gain In Steel Output

NEW YORK (AP) — The Free World's advantage in steel production over Communist-dominated lands slipped in 1954 from its previous lead of 4 to 1 to 3 to 1, Iron Age, the national metal-working weekly, says.

Impressive gains in steel production by countries behind the Iron Curtain combined with a decline in output by the Free World are shown in a special world steel production study completed by the magazine.

The world's total steel production this year dropped 5.2 per cent from 1953 record, largely because of a 20.8-per cent decline in United States output, says Iron Age. World production in 1954 is given as 245,190,000 net tons compared with 258,706,000 tons in 1953.

PRODUCE MORE STEEL

The Soviet bloc porduced 7.7 per cent more steel this year than in 1953 while output in the Free World sank nine per cent below the 1953 record, according to the study.

Production of Russia and her satellites is listed as 62,825,000 tons this year compared with 58,337,000 tons in 1953. In the Free World this year's producton was 182,365,000 tons compared with 200,369,000 tons last year.

In the United States, steel production this year totalled 88,300,000 tons compared with 111,600,000 tons last year. Russia's production this year was 44,900,000 tons compared with 41,800,000 tons last year.

So the advantage of the U. S. over Russia dropped from about 3 to 1 last year to 2 to 1 this year.

Of the 27 countries listed in the Iron Age study, all but two—the U.S. and Canada—gained over 1953. The Canadian decline was 24.1 per cent.

Iron Age reports that the Russians poured 71.5 per cent of the steel made by the Communist bloc while the U. S. produced 48.4 per cent of Free World steel.

Steel production in Spain gained 23.4 per cent, Yugoslavia 21.5 per cent, Italy 16 per cent, Western Germany 12.4 per cent, Belgium 7.8 per cent, Netherlands 6.5 per cent, Sweden 5.9 per cent, United Kingdom 5.1 per cent, Luxembourg 4.7 per cent, the Saar 3.9 per cent and France 2.8 per cent.

Accuse Landlord Of Torturing 73-Year-Old Man

OTTAWA (CP)—A husky rooming house landlord police accuse of inflicting days of torture with hot irons and pliers on a 73-year-old tenant was remanded Wednesday to Jan. 3 on a charge of causing grievous bodily harm.

Alex Keninski, 65, made on plea when he appeared in police court to face the charge in connection with the injuring of roomer Iwan Onowrichuk.

He was released on bail of $1500.

Police arrested the 265-pound Russian-born Keninski after piecing toegther a story of torture told by Onowrichuk. He said he was burned with red-hot wires and a hot poker, his teeth were pulled with pliers, he was kicked and beaten and his hands and wrists were hammered.

OVER MISSING MONEY

Police said there were no witnesses to the torturing. Onowrichuk, a Ukrainian, speaks no English but told his story through an interpreter. Police quoted him as saying the torture was inflicted in an effort to force details from him about $800 in rent money belonging to Keninski which is missing. Onowirchuk denied knowing of the money.

Officers said hospital authorities told them Onowrichuk's injuries are consistent with his story of torture.

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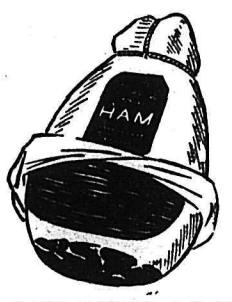

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