



ROYAL COUPLE IN LOS ANGELES

Princess Margaret (center) and Lord Snowdon (right) meet dignitaries in the reception line at Los Angeles International Airport Sunday as they arrived from San Francisco. British Consul-General P.G.F. Dalton (left foreground) makes introductions. In background are California Gov. Edmund G. Brown (left) and Los Angeles Mayor Samuel Yorty (center). (AP Wirephoto)

Greek Parthenon Suffering From Pollution, High Heels

By PHILIP DOPOULOS (AP) — The Parthenon, symbol of Greece's glorious history, is sick. Cause — air pollution, airplanes — and women's high heels. Archeologists carefully examining the 2,500-year-old monuments on the acropolis above Athens discovered the white marble of the Parthenon temple is affected by the growing industrialization around the Greek capital. A high degree of air pollution is causing corrosion of the honey-colored marble from which ancient Greeks constructed the Parthenon to the glory of the goddess Athena. Another danger, a private study of Athens architects and engineers found, are the jet planes using Athens airport, eight miles away. Though it is illegal to fly near the acropolis, visitors to the famous rock claim they can feel slight vibrations from passing jet liners. The private study also discovered women's high heels are chipping away the Parthenon temple's flooring. REMEDIES PROPOSED Several measures have been proposed, such as: Follow the example of the Louvre in Paris, which admits only persons in low heels or sandals, or close the Parthenon temple — but not the acropolis — to visitors. German archeologist Dr. Ernst Langlotz of Bonn University says the Parthenon is suffering from another, more serious, ailment — sea breezes. He reported the marble columns of the Parthenon that face the sea three miles away have been badly corroded. He proposed several measures to the Greek government to preserve the 46 outer columns from eventually crumbling. A short-term measure would be to spray the marble with a special chemical. The long-term approach, which is seriously be-

Mentally-Retarded Twins Are Baffling Psychiatrists

NEW YORK (CP) — A set of 26-year-old mentally-retarded twins at the New York Psychiatric Institute are baffling the experts by giving correct answers to almost impossible questions and incorrect ones to those that could be answered by any school boy.

Dr. William Horwitz, assistant director of the institute, asked the twins for the date of the first Wednesday in July, 1961, and they replied correctly, almost instantly. "That was on the third." The doctor then asked: "If a box of candy costs 35 cents and I gave you a dollar, how much change would I get?" The pale-blue eyes of the identical twins blinked almost in unison behind thick spectacles as they concentrated for several seconds.

GIVE WRONG ANSWER "Fifty cents," said George, the quicker of the twins. His brother, Charles, echoed the same answer. Dr. Horwitz then went briskly along to other questions. When told a date on which a person died a few hundred years ago, and asked how old that person would be if alive today, they can respond correctly at once. Or when asked how they know that Feb. 15, 2002, will be on a Friday, or that April 21, 1965, will be a Sunday, as it had been in 1963, 1957 and 1964, they say simply they do not know. Experts are confounded. The twins' intellectual achievements go far beyond trick memory of calendars. They seem to possess some complex mathematical ability, yet they cannot do the simplest multiplication or division.

For many years psychiatrists have known of the idiot savant, a mentally-retarded person with some extraordinary mental gift. But George and Charles are the only known twins who are idiot savants. They have an intelligence quotient of 70-100 being considered average.



WARM HEARTS AID NEGRO FARMER

Frank McRee, left, a Madison, Ga., furniture salesman, turns over to Lamar Thomas some of the checks that have been sent to the Negro farmer following nation-wide publication of AP photographer Horace Cort's picture showing thomas watching helplessly as his home burns. McRee rescued Lamar Thomas Jr., shown here being held by his mother. One child died in the fire. Thomas said not of the contribution of money and household items have come from white persons. "This showed us that white folks don't hate Negroes," Thomas said. (AP Wirephoto)

No Appreciable Slowdown Is Seen In Construction

By KEN SMITH Canadian Press Business Editor The government's mid-summer suggestion that pressure on Canada's construction industry be eased doesn't seem to have resulted in much appreciable slowdown. In fact, the latest survey by the Southern Building Guide shows the total dollar value of Canadian construction in the first 10 months of this year already has surpassed the record established in all of 1964. The total so far this year is \$4,586,804,000, the guide says, up \$1,001,223,000 from the similar 1964 period, chiefly because of a continued strong performance in contracts costing \$1,000,000 or more. There were 82 of these contracts awarded in October across Canada worth \$263,100,000, raising the total in this category so far this year to \$2,238,000,000 compared with \$1,618,600,000 in the similar 1964 period. It was this category, the government apparently was aiming at last August when it announced it was deferring some federal construction projects and asked business to consider doing the same. It expressed fears the pressure on the industry's facilities would result in higher costs. BUILDING CLIMBED The Southern survey shows more construction activity in all five major categories and in four of the five geographical regions. Only the Maritime area showed a total decline. The totals by category and region, with 1964 figures in brackets, are: Residential \$1,243,348,000 (\$1,174,193,000); business \$667,170,000 (\$557,028,000); institutional \$629,124,000 (\$620,714,000); industrial \$456,340,000 (\$456,257,000); engineering \$1,190,814,000 (\$777,387,000). Maritimes \$164,112,000 (\$238,635,000); Quebec \$1,138,933,000 (\$916,714,000); Ontario \$1,830,277,000 (\$1,486,268,000); Prairies \$738,167,000 (\$632,428,000); British Columbia \$645,313,000 (\$310,545,000). An indication that major contracts may even increase in importance is contained in the monthly review of the Bank of Nova Scotia. Examining the role of apartment building in the construction industry, the bank decides it has begun to play a dominant hand in total residential building. "In the mid-50s, Montreal and Toronto accounted for the bulk of new multiple dwellings across Canada," it says. "Single-unit rather than multiple housing was still the dominant figure of residential construction in the majority of Canadian cities. MARKED SHIFT "Since then, however, there has been a marked shift in housing demand toward multiple dwellings and this has also become noticeable in the smaller metropolitan areas." It notes the trend will probably continue, quoting a study prepared for the Economic Council of Canada predicting that apartments will account for 41 per cent of residential building by 1970 compared with 35 per cent in 1963. Actually, the bank says, the increase may be much greater than that. Elsewhere on the business scene that on-again, off-again, up-again, down-again plan to develop the resources of Labrador's Churchill Falls appeared closer to a long-delayed settlement. Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland said the \$1,000,000,000 project "looks brighter than it ever did before," while in New York Consolidated Edison, the big U.S. utility expected to be a major customer for Churchill Falls power, said negotiations are proceeding harmoniously. The sudden boom in trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange pushed at least six Toronto brokerage houses to seek west coast seats. Others are reportedly interested in buying a place on the Vancouver Exchange. The excitement, which pushed the VSE's daily volume last week well above similar totals at the much larger Toronto and Montreal exchanges, was touched off by speculation involving some companies with holdings in the Pine Point area of the Northwest Territories.

Committee On Corrections Starting Work This Week

OTTAWA (CP) — A committee which will eventually make recommendations to the federal government on reform of the whole Canadian correctional system starts its preliminary research work in the Atlantic provinces this week. The Canadian Committee on Corrections, appointed by former Justice Minister Guy Favreau in May, 1964, has broad terms of reference, covering nearly every aspect of Canada's treatment of offenders; from the time of arrest to final release. Chairman of the committee is Mr. Justice Roger Ouellet of the Superior Court of the province of Quebec. Other members are former deputy commissioner of the RCMP, J. R. Lemieux; Mrs. Dorothy McArthur of Winnipeg; G. Arthur Martin of Toronto and W. T. McGrath of Ottawa. Mr. McGrath, who is also the committee's secretary, said in an interview Saturday the members will not hold public hearings in the initial stages of the inquiry. WILL DO INTERVIEWS "We'll be interviewing officials of penal institutions, welfare workers, a great variety of people working in the corrections as well as touring the correctional institutions." The committee plans to confine its first research work to private interviews because members feel they have to outline the size of the reform problem before holding public hearings. "It is very hard to estimate how long it will take us to carry out this inquiry. Two years is a likely guess, but we really don't know." Under its terms of reference, the committee is to study and make recommendations about needed reforms dealing with arrest, summoning, bail, representation in court, conviction, probation, sentencing, training, medical and psychiatric attention, release, parole, pardon, post release supervision and guidance and rehabilitation. The committee will begin interviewing officials in the Atlantic provinces on Tuesday. Its schedule follows: Fredericton, Nov. 9-13; Halifax, Nov. 14; St. John's, Nov. 14-15; Sackville, Nov. 19-20; Charlottetown, Nov. 21-25. LACKED PLUMBING The White House did not have a fitted bathtub until 1891. NEEDS A BRUSH-UP The statue in Washington's Lincoln Memorial has to be washed every time the weather takes a warmer turn as the marble transpires grime.

New Effort In Education Paying Off

EDMONTON (CP) — Keeping Indian and Eskimo children interested in school is the most difficult job facing teachers in the North, says the principal of the school in Akivik, N.W.T.

R. H. Anderson, 34 years old and a former RCMP constable, is in charge of 180 children in Grades 1 to 8. About 120 of the pupils are Indian or Eskimo. To check some of the student apathy, Mr. Anderson has introduced a "terminal program" in his school for students 12 years and over. Two afternoons a week he brings in fishermen, trappers, and hunters and the like to give practical instruction. "We are trying to equip students with some knowledge of the occupations they will pursue when they leave school," he said. Although it is too early to assess the fruits of the project begun a year ago, student interest has been impressive enough for Mr. Anderson to hope the program can be extended to three afternoons next year. Unlike Alberta, where laws insist that a child attend school until he is at least 16, the Northwest Territories has no such law. One reason for this, Mr. Anderson thinks, is that sheer survival in the North is difficult and a family needs the help of its children as soon as they approach maturity.

Sophie Tucker's Condition Good

NEW YORK (AP) — Singer Sophie Tucker was reported Saturday in good condition at Mount Sinai Hospital, where she has been undergoing tests. A hospital spokesman said the 77-year-old singer probably would remain in the hospital another week. The spokesman refused to disclose the nature of the tests, but Miss Tucker's manager, Charles Abruzzo, has said she is suffering from an intestinal inflammation.



JERVIS BAY SURVIVORS MEET AGAIN

These three survivors of the German supercruiser A-19 sank at St. John's, N.B., for the first time since the armed merchant cruiser sank 25 years ago in defending a convoy from the German supercruiser A-19. The survivors are: Royal Navy Commander R.A. Butler of Sevenoaks, England (left), Everett Morrow, Guelph, Ont. (centre) and Robert Squires, Saint John, attended memorial services for the 190 men lost. They stand in front of a monument to the Jervis Bay dead. Survivors of the sinking numbered 65. (CP Wirephoto)

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