

# Manitoba Gov't Making Survey of Province's System of Power

By KEN CLARK  
WINNIPEG (CP)—Two levels of government are taking a \$2,000,000 look at a Manitoba river system. The result could change the face of the hush-and-prairie province and make it a big-scale power exporter.

Primary subject of the careful scrutiny is the Nelson River, a 40-mile-long wilderness waterway. It flows from the north-eastern tip of Lake Winnipeg into Hudson Bay.

In British Columbia and at Hamilton Falls in Labrador. The cost is a shade less than the bill for the St. Lawrence Sea-way and its allied power facilities.

E. L. (Ernie) Scott, head of the systems planning division of Manitoba Hydro, the provincial public power agency, hopes 30 per cent of the current study will be completed by fall.

TEST FIVE SITES  
All told 150 men are involved in field studies this summer at five prospective generating sites. Diamond drilling and soil testing are included in the planned geological work.

Meanwhile theoretical studies, including costs and other factors are going on at Manitoba Hydro headquarters in Winnipeg. On-site field work is continuing all winter.

The current study is the final phase of investigations which got seriously under way in 1962.

If the green light is given to its plans, Manitoba Hydro says first power could flow into long distance transmission lines in 1969. Planners hope Nelson power would feed the industrial markets of the north - central United States and Southern Ontario.

sources in the rugged, sparsely populated north. Bulk of the population of 1,000,000 in the province lives in the prairie south, half in Metropolitan Winnipeg.

Project plans call for eight new generating sites (each including a dam) along the course of the Nelson, which drops 715 feet in a series of rapids and falls from source to mouth.

In addition an existing generating station on the river, the Kelso, would have its output doubled. Another station, the Burnwood, would be planted on the Burnwood, a Nelson tributary. Kelso supplies electricity to the International Nickel Company mine at Thompson, 400 miles north of Winnipeg.

Also envisaged is a \$600,000 diversion of part of the Churchill River flow through a one-mile channel into the Burnwood and thence into the Nelson Bay to the north of the Nelson.

The diversion would serve to increase both the flow of the Burnwood and a considerable portion of the Nelson below its junction with the Burnwood. Increased flow means increased hydro-electric potential.

## POPE CELEBRATES MASS AT SUMMER RESIDENCE CHURCH

### Congo Republic Moving Left As U.S. Gives Tshombe Aid

Pope Paul VI surrounded by prelates and Swiss guards, enters the church at his summer residence, Castel Gandolfo.

BRAZZAVILLE, Congo Republic (AP)—Bitterness toward U.S. policy in the neighboring Congo is speeding the Congo Republic's drift toward communism, Western diplomatic sources here say.

Premier Moise Tshombe's expulsion of Brazzaville Congolese came at a time when U.S. military support for the Tshombe government was being increased.

U.S. aid was stepped up when President Fulbert Youlou's conservative and corrupt Brazzaville government fell in a largely bloodless coup sparked by trade unions one year ago.

Potent tribal influence and heavy reliance on France have been sharply reduced. Leaders in several Western embassies agreed that in the year since the revolution, the

Italy, Tuesday to celebrate mass for nuns. The Pontiff announced that an unspecified number of women, including nuns and leaders of International Catholic women's organizations, will be admitted into the Vatican Ecumenical Council as wiretheas via cable from Rome.

This has been done in the name of non-alignment. A U.S. embassy official insists the country "has not irreversibly gone over the edge" to communism.

"But," said another Western diplomat, "the once-influential French business interests and conservative supporters are powerless now. There is nothing in the way, not a single cent - balance, to slow the drift toward Peking."

The study, paid for on a 50-50 basis by the two governments involved, began this spring. It will last two years. Under examination is the feasibility of a project with an estimated cost of \$1,000,000.

It ranks with the much-discussed hydro - electric project on the Columbia and the Peace

## Traffic Laws Crackdown Urged by Quebec Police

MONTREAL (CP) - Pleas, preparations and publicity aimed at a highway safety drive in Quebec during the Labor Day weekend, brought early half success: is the opinion of the safety-conscious organization that spearheaded the campaign.

At the same time Quebec Provincial Police called for a crackdown on traffic violators not only through new and tough regulations but stricter enforcement of present traffic laws.

Traffic deaths reached 186 more than during the 1963 Labor Day weekend. There were nine other deaths - seven by drowning, one in a fire and one in a fall.

Despite the high toll, traffic authorities found the main highway on the province were virtually free of fatal accidents. The majority came on secondary highways, some in well-populated areas.

The campaign was inaugurated by the Quebec Highway Safety Committee - called Prudentia. It was joined by provincial police, the various municipal bodies.

Safety was urged by 40,000 signs on buses, trucks and other vehicles; 600 pennants were installed on bridges, viaducts and other spots along main highways.

First-aid posts were set up at all reminders to motorists. Dr. Armand Roux, chief of police, chairman of Prudentia, described the campaign as successful.

## Doctors Start Action For Defamation

SASKATOON (CP)—The College of Physicians and Surgeons has launched a defamation suit against the Prairie New Democratic Commonwealth, published by Co-Operative Commonwealth Printing Company Limited, and its editor-in-chief, Frank G. Hanson of Regina.

The suit involves an article on the hospital privileges appeal board.

In district court here Tuesday, N. W. Sherstobitoff, counsel for the Commonwealth, asked permission to name the Saskatchewan Post and Editor Tom Melville as co-defendants.

Mr. Sherstobitoff said two of these phrases cited as libellous in the statement of claim were published in the two newspapers several days before they appeared in the Commonwealth.

Judge W.E.G. Campbell reserved decision.

## River Runoff Figures Given

OTTAWA (CP)—River runoff during August was above average or excessive over most of Canada but continued below average in the Great Lakes and Prairie regions, the federal water resources branch reported Tuesday.

In the Pacific region, runoff remained above average.

In the western Hudson Bay and James Bay region, average flows occurred in the Bow River but the North Saskatchewan and Assiniboine rivers both were deficient.

Excessive runoff was recorded in both the English and Mississibi rivers in Northern Ontario.

Runoff to the Great Lakes varied from excessive in the Sauger River to well - below average and deficient in the Muskeg and North Magnetawan Rivers, respectively.

In the St. Lawrence River region of Quebec, runoff was below average on the south shore but generally above average or excessive on the north side.

Flows were excessive in all typical rivers in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick except for the Unashook River in northern New Brunswick in which above - average flows were measured.

Above - average runoff was recorded over much of Newfoundland.

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