

CONVEYOR BELT LOOKS LIKE SWITCH-BACK TRACK

Looking more like a carnival roller coaster ride, six-miles of conveyor belts are being built at new facilities under construction for Pacific Coast Bulk Terminals at Port Moody, just outside Vancouver. The conveyor belts will lift coal, potash and sulphur into storage sheds when construction is finished later this year. (CP Wirephoto)

Congress Plans Park To Mark Pig War Site

By ARCH MACKENZIE
WASHINGTON (CP) — The Canadian-American pig war of 1859 wasn't much of a campaign — one shot fired in anger and the lone casualty a Canadian porker.
But it is represented in history as a classic case of settling military escalation by international arbitration.
And the U.S. Congress has moved closer to creating a fitting memorial in the shape of a national park on the battlefield on San Juan Island, just off Victoria, B.C.
The necessary bill was approved by the House of Representatives' committee on interior and insular affairs and now awaits House approval.
The pig war arose from the Oregon Boundary Settlement Treaty of 1846. This further step in defining the international boundary left unsettled the ownership of assorted islands between Vancouver Island and Washington State.

Mr. Knowles said the raising and dashing of hopes was a shameful story of pushing around former civil servants who were entitled to pensions which would keep up with rising living costs and rising living standards.
The government had accepted the principle of escalating pensions in changes in the Old Age Security Act and in the Canada Pension Plan. How could Mr. Sharp now reject that principle with respect to civil servants on pension?

Suggests Groans Reference In Financing Crown Firms

OTTAWA (CP) — A former chairman of the Commons public accounts committee suggested here that a new way of financing the CBC and some other Crown corporations should simply be called Groans.
G. W. Baldwin (PC—Peace River) said the word is a contraction of "grants" and "loans".
Auditor General Maxwell Henderson had questioned a loan of \$14,250,000 made by the federal treasury to the CBC to cover some of its expansion several years ago. Mr. Henderson said there was little likelihood that the CBC will ever be able to make enough money apart from parliamentary grants to repay the loan, and it should simply be called a grant.
R. B. Bryce, deputy minister of finance, told the committee the system was adopted initially with the national capital commission when it began to buy farmlands on the outskirts of Ottawa to create a green belt around the city. Ultimately rents from this Crown-owned land will pay the interest on the government loan.
Mr. Henderson said the difficulty the loans create on the government's balance sheet is that they appear as an asset, and this in effect reduces the amount of the government's deficit. Since there is little chance the loans will be repaid, they should not be called assets.
Mr. Bryce said it is government policy to carry the loans as an asset on the balance sheet, and that Parliament has approved the plan by passing appropriations for the loans. Whether members of Parliament fully understood the implication was another question he couldn't answer as a civil servant, he said.
The principle is also applied to some loans and purchases of bonds the federal government has made in financing the 1967 world exhibition in Montreal, Mr. Bryce added.

Artificial Arm Unveiled For Use By Small Children

MONTREAL (CP) — Doctors at the Rehabilitation Institute of Montreal Thursday unveiled what was described as the world's first completely motorized artificial arm suitable for small children.
The arm received its world premiere at a press conference at the institute where a four-year-old thalidomide victim played with balloons, held various objects and moved her arms back and forth.
The arm is the result of 15 months work which began early last year when the institute gained possession of the plans for an artificial electric hand developed by Russian scientists.
The Russian scientists have since developed a motorized arm for use by adults, but the institute's prosthesis is said to be the first of its kind suitable for small children.
The motorized limb allows a child to open and close the hand, turn the wrist, flex the elbow and move the upper arm forward or backward by means of electrical energy.
The arm, developed in conjunction with Northern Electric Co., weighs less than three pounds and is powered by miniature rechargeable batteries worn by the child.

It is moved by a set of switches attached to a plastic jacket which the child operates with his fingers—some thalidomide children are born with fingers directly connected to their shoulders.
Dr. Gustave Gingras, executive director of the institute, arranged for the institute to acquire plans for the Russian arm last year. Patent rights were purchased with a grant from the provincial department of health.
The institute director said he would not like to set a deadline for full-scale production of the new arm, but mentioned that plans for production are nine months ahead of schedule now, and that the arm will be "available for all" within less than two years.

CS Pensions Showdown Is Planned

OTTAWA (CP) — Opposition spokesmen have served notice on Finance Minister Sharp that they plan a showdown with him over higher pensions for retired civil servants.
The warning came from Richard A. Bell (PC—Carleton) and Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre).
Mr. Bell said retired civil servants have been shabbily treated, not least by the fact that the government has raised their hopes of adjustment then dashed them.

Mao's Health Reported Good

TOKYO (AP) — Mao Tse-tung is in good health and attended a recent public meeting in Peking, the New China news agency said today.
Mao emerged May 10 from a six-month public absence that had raised speculation he was seriously ill or dead. The agency at that time reported he met with visiting Premier Matmet Shehu of Albania, China's only Communist ally in Europe.
The latest mention of Mao was contained in a report on talks the agency's correspondents had with the Viet Cong in South Viet Nam.
"We told them," the account said, "that chairman Mao enjoyed good health and that he recently attended a meeting held in Hanoi and Mer square in Peking in support of the Vietnamese people's struggle against U.S. aggression."
Some Western governments remain convinced that the health of 72-year-old Chinese Communist party chairman is bad and his power is slipping."

NATO Streamlining Talks Are Undertaken In Paris

PARIS (AP) — The North Atlantic Treaty Organization has set to work to streamline its military organization and to prepare for moves imposed upon it by President de Gaulle of France.
At the same time, France officially informed its 14 NATO partners in a meeting of the permanent NATO council that it had withdrawn 15 planes from duty in West Germany as part of de Gaulle's decision to pull out of NATO's integrated military command by July 1. The French, however, said they had not made a decision yet on the other French air units in West Germany.

National Press Club luncheon reorganization to meet the "re- that France still is loyal to requirements of a changing NATO but feels that it needs world."

France is said to have some 46 planes still in Germany.
In other business, the council, which acts as the alliance's board of directors, fixed July 1 as the date to scrap the standing group, NATO's highest military body.
The action, ordered by NATO foreign ministers in Brussels, Belgium, a week ago, is part of a move aimed at making the alliance more efficient and cutting down on its multiple separate structures.
The standing group, based in Washington and composed of representatives of the United States, Britain and France, will be replaced soon by an integrated international staff. This staff will work closely with Supreme Allied Headquarters, Europe, which is to be moved to a site near Brussels. Meanwhile, the NATO military committee, on which all the alliance members are represented, will handle the standing group's functions.
The NATO council also took steps to knit closer together the separate land and air force commands in central Europe.
The commands now are located at Fontainebleau, near Paris, and the new headquarters will go either to one of the Benelux countries — Belgium, The Netherlands or Luxembourg — or to West Germany.
The council asked for recommendations by members on a new commander for the combined central European staff.
French Gen. Jean Crepin, the present commander, will be withdrawn in two weeks by de Gaulle.
De Gaulle is cutting all his forces from the NATO military command July 1, and has ordered SHAPE and other NATO installations out of France by next July 1.
The NATO council also began preliminary discussions on the role and mission of France's forces in West Germany after they are pulled out of NATO.
All told there are 23,000 French troops in West Germany and the alliance wants to set up co-operative arrangements with France for use of the troops in case of war. De Gaulle's aides have said that if the alliance wants to impose anything suggesting continued integration of the forces, he will summon them home.
In Washington, Ambassador Charles Lucet of France told a

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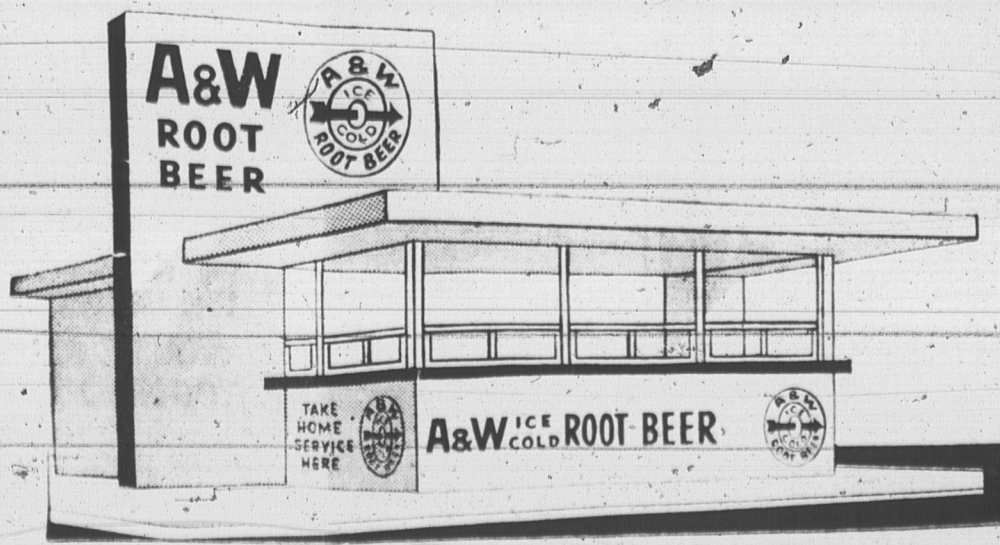
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