

MONDAY,

Weighing Ceremony For Aga Khan In Platinum

By PETER JACKSON

KARACHI, Pakistan Reuters — More than 50,000 persons will watch the Aga Khan being weighed in platinum here Feb. 3 to celebrate his 70 years as leader of the Ismaili sect of Moslems.

The 78-year-old Aga Khan, one of the world's richest men, will be returning to his birthplace for the ceremony; he was born in a house known as honeymoon lodge, on a small hill outside Karachi.

He will take his seat on specially-constructed ivory scales, which cost 10,000 rupees (\$3,000) and the platform on which they are placed will revolve so that all may see the ceremony.

As the platinum is placed on the scales a vertical strip light will record the advancing weight. The Aga Khan is expected to turn the scales at about 202 pounds and the platinum to equal that is worth

about 800,000 rupees \$225,000.

Invests in Community

In the earlier days of the community, all this might have gone to the leader, but when he had his diamond jubilee, the Aga Khan set the practice of distributing the value by investment in the community.

The Aga Khan's followers are spread throughout the world, in India, Pakistan, Burma, Ceylon, Africa, and South America. Most East African Moslems are Ismailis. No one knows just how many there are, but there are about 25,000 in Pakistan.

This year's ceremony marks the longest imamate — imam means spiritual leader — in the history of the Ismailis. The Aga Khan is the 40th direct descendant by male line of the prophet Mohammed's son-in-law, Hazrat Ali who was fourth caliph of Islam.

Reducing Before Weighing-in Ceremony



Due to a slight illness, the plump Aga Khan is eating lightly these days in Cairo, Egypt, even though every ounce he loses will be worth its weight in platinum when the 78-year-old Moslem spiritual leader climbs into a special chair scale at Karachi, Pakistan, to receive—at least symbolically—his weight in precious platinum. Whenever the annual weighing in precious metals or gems comes around, the aging Aga, seen above with his wife, the Begum, customarily gives the contributions back to his followers to be used for charitable and development work. This is the 70th anniversary of the Aga's leadership of the Ismaili Moslems, and tradition demands that at the end of January he receive his weight in platinum. His weight was last estimated at 202 pounds which makes him worth \$181,800 at the current price of \$75 an ounce for platinum.

East German Spy Linked With Loss Of Empress Ship

LONDON, (CP) — Ernest Wellweber, whose name was mentioned in a British government inquiry into the loss by fire of the liner Empress of Canada, is regarded as East Germany's chief expert on sabotage.

British press reports portray him as currently engaged in a "spy war" in Berlin. His counterpart in West Germany is Gen. Gustav Gehlen, once head of Hitler's "foreign armies, east," a propaganda and espionage section concentrated against Russia.

Wellweber's name was mentioned in the Jan. 7 session of the hearing, since adjourned, into the loss of the Empress of Canada, which capsized after being swept by fire Jan. 25, 1953. A London newspaper, The Daily Sketch, said Wellweber may have had a hand in the loss of the ship.

Wellweber, described in reports from Germany as a bald, bullet-headed and unsmiling, began his career by taking part in a naval mutiny at Kiel in 1918. Antony Terry, a British correspondent in Berlin, said in a dispatch this month to the Sunday Times that Wellweber "won Communist promotion by planting explosive charges" in ships carrying arms to General Franco during the Spanish civil war.

"During the Second World War, he was sentenced to three years in a Swedish jail for sabotage," wrote Terry. "Later he vanished to Russia. When he returned to Germany in 1945."

Recent reports said Wellweber also is training British sailors, who are Communists, in ship sabotage.

Old Toronto Landmark To Be Replaced

TORONTO (CP) — An outworn bit of old Toronto will come under the wrecker's hammer next month. But although the bricks and mortar will disappear to make way for a modern structure, Yonge street's arcade will live on in the memories of those to whom it has been not merely a building, but a personal and intimate association.

In its 71 years of existence the big store-lined archway has seen the growth of downtown Toronto. Harry Houdini, one of the stage's great magicians, and Sir Harry Lauder, famous Scottish comedian bought their greasewood in an arcade store in the old vaudeville days. Milton Berle is said to have purchased his first trick at the Arcade's magic and novelty shop.

The younger fry—some of their siders too—will miss the display of livestock to be seen in the window of the sporting goods store—frogs, hamsters, snakes, fish and the like.

Although most of the tenants in the arcade have found new locations to carry on business, to a man they agree that it "just won't be the same." And it won't be the same for those thousands whose old habit is to browse around the old building's stores — or for those who found the arcade a convenient short cut from Yonge street to Victoria street.

Big Expansion Noted In Canada's Steel Industry

MONTREAL (CP) — By a series of post-war leaps Canada's steel industry has been transformed from a near nonentity into the world's seventh largest producer of iron and steel.

A recent survey estimated Canada's steel ingot capacity at the end of 1953 as 5,000,000 tons, of which 4,750,000 tons would be output. In 1946 output was only 2,252,000 tons.

A booklet released by A. C. Leslie and Company, warehousing agents for four of this country's major steel producers, discusses this rate of growth and tells of future expansion plans.

The booklet recalls the end of the Second World War when widespread fears of a curtailment in production were prevalent. In spite of this, steel producers announced new development plans and a heavy spending program.

Imports Slowed

The move paid off. Vastly increased steel production was absorbed in Canada and imports progressively slackened off.

The booklet points to the Steel Company of Canada at Hamilton as typical of Canada's mushrooming steel manufacturers.

Since 1954, Stelco, with nine

plants in five cities, has spent more than \$120,000,000 on capital installations and improvements, boosting its production from 1,146,000 tons to 1,817,000 tons in 1952. Ingot capacity-potential capacity now is almost 2,000,000 tons.

The Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation at Sydney, N. S., now is in the midst of a \$44,000,000 expansion program, begun in 1951, which will raise its ingot-making capacity to 820,000 tons a year, compared to the 1949 figure of 550,000 tons.

Output Above Capacity

The capacity of the Algoma Steel Corporation's plant at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., is expected to increase by 70 per cent in 1954 over the 1945 figure.

Normally a plant's production is below its capacity, but not in the case of Algoma. Steel production in 1952 was 106 per cent of rated capacity. Production of steel ingots was 1,097,921 tons, an increase of 170,000 tons over 1945 output.

"The same 'success story' applies to secondary mills.

With big developments now in hand, and present economic conditions, Canada shortly should rank sixth in the list of steel producers, the booklet concludes.

Working Model Of Human Heart To Go On Display

COLOGNE, West Germany Reuters — A working model of a human heart—500 times life size—will go on display in Berlin soon.

The heart is the handiwork of a team of 80 German doctors, scientists and technicians on the staff of the German Health Museum.

The museum maintains workshops to make exhibits of parts of the human body, produced to scale, normal or in some diseased condition. The specimens are sold all over the world to public health authorities and museums.

The outside heart, which took 18 months to make, has several "portholes" let into the sides, so that spectators can see its main vessels, partitions and nerves in action.

When the doctor throws an electric switch, the heart begins to move. The blood vessels and canals are painted a bright color—mostly blue or red—to be easily distinguishable from one another. The nerves and tendons connecting with the heart and partitioning "valves" inside the heart and partitioning its red chambers are clearly labelled and exposed to view.

The Comedie Francaise, the national theatre of France, was established in 1680.

Free Booklet Tells How Deaf Hear Again With Startling Clarity, Ease

CHICAGO (Special)—New hope for the 15 million persons in the United States who are hard of hearing was voiced by a noted Chicago acoustical scientist.

He reported that through the miracle of modern electronics it is now possible to overcome deafness even if the loss is severe.

He demonstrated how the deaf can hear again with a clarity and ease they never dreamed possible.

According to this electronic engineer, Mr. Sam Posen of Beltona, "the longer a hearing loss is neglected, the harder it is to recapture certain speech sounds and understand them."

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To obtain your free copy, simply send your request to: Electronic Research Director, Dept. 3902, Beltona Hearing Aid Co., 2906 W. 36th St., Chicago 32, Ill. A postcard will do.

Named To Dal University Post

HALIFAX (CP) — Sir James Hamet Dunn, QC, of St. Andrews and Bathurst, N. B., was appointed to the board of governors of Dalhousie University here Thursday.

Sir James is internationally known as a financier and industrialist. He is president of Algoma Steel Corporation and founder of a firm of investment bankers in London, England.

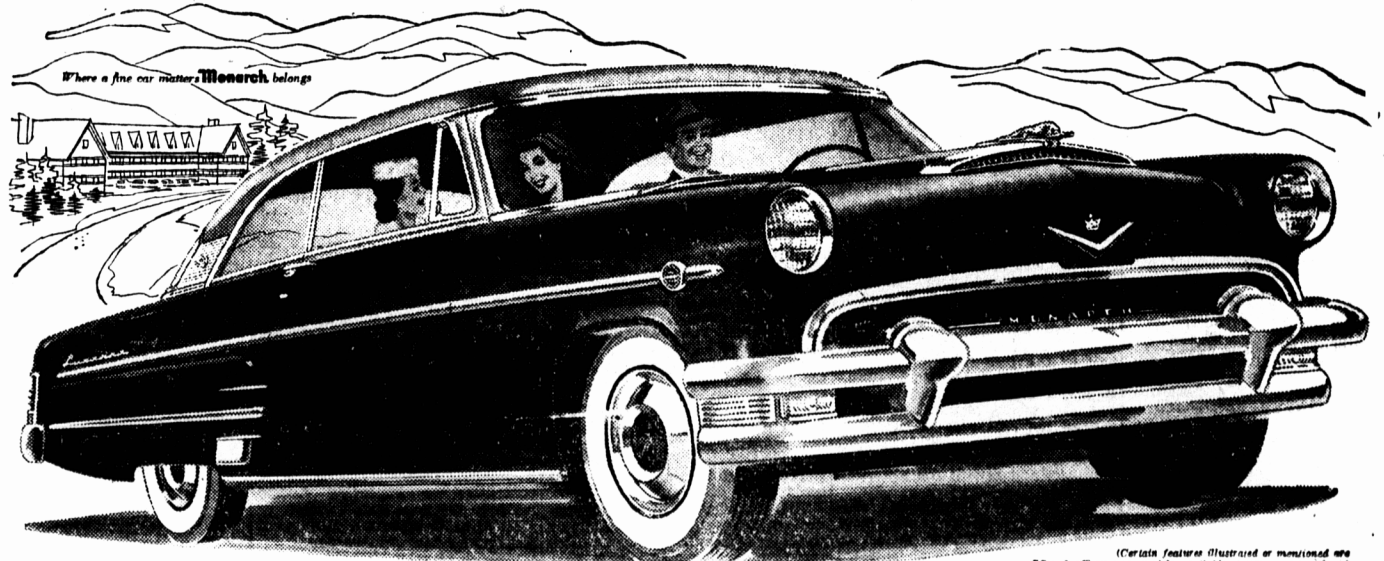
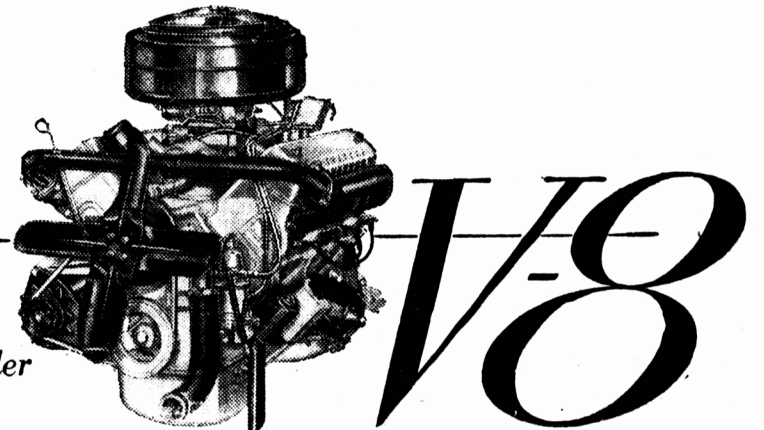
In 1948 he received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Dalhousie and was appointed president of the Dalhousie Alumni Association, succeeding Viscount R. B. Bennett.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Man. (CP) — Mr. and Mrs. A. Batters celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary here. Retired from farming in 1924, the couple have three children, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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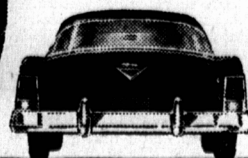
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