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No More Self-Sufficiency . . .

ti Manufacture of all British Columbia's logging, mining and farming equipment within this province is one of several suggestions which were advanced at a reconversion conference held in Vancouver with a view to looking into the situation arising from the lay-offs in war industries. Frank Woodside, manager of the British Columbia and Yukon Chamber of Mines, said: "We are bringing in stuff from all parts of the world when our men here are capable of manufacturing anything for mines, logging or farming."

All of which smacks of the idea that British Columbia could be selfcontained as far as her own needs are concerned and yet dispose of her goods to the rest of the world. In other words, British Columbia could sell to the world but buy nothing from the world-which is exactly the process that all nations seem to plan on pursuing to maintain their individual prosperity.

Of course, it is obvious that, if there is to be no buying, there shall be no selling. If each nation is sufficient until itself, there shall be no world trade and that idea of establishing prosperity either nationally or internationally will have been ex-

> The fact of the matter is that national self-sufficiency is no longer possible in this new world of ours with its great developments in transportation and communication.

The day has arrived when nations cannot live unto themselves so there must be the freest exchange of goods and services based on an economic system designed to make available those goods and services in measure to provide a good living and all that a good living implies for every person in the world.

The time may still seem a long way off before such a state of affairs may become a reality but if the people of the world are to survive it must some day come. Scientific achievements, properly harnessed and utilized, should speed the day.

Meantime, prosperity of one section of the world at the expense of the other can only lead to discontent and aggrandizement and these are the seeds of conflict the elements of which now are potent with the means of universal destruction.

Trained Recreational Leaders

Trained recereational leaders, equipment, and organization are the outstanding needs for the development of leisure-time programs.

Of these three needs, good leadership is the most essential for the continuing life of a program. There have been instances of fine new buildings — churches, schools, community halls, having been erected and opened amid great enthusiasmonly to gradually lose their appeal to young people. Those who contributed to their erection and equipment are left with a sense of disillusionment at what they consider the lack of appreciation by youth for what has been offered.

The failure of such projects may be due, in most cases, to the lack of good leadership. Given good leadership, people can learn how to make better use of existing facilities and to adapt even modest means with satisfying results.

A good recreational leader is one who acts as a stimulator and guide to young people in planning and conducting their leisure-time programs. Since youth's interests are often limited by lack of experience, the leader's task is to widen the horizons of youth by helping to open up new interests and activities that individuals and groups may develop into. responsible and mature citizens. The good leader is not a dominating personality — but a professional "educator" with special training in the leisure-time field and his or her job can no more be achieved through amateur efforts than can school teaching or any other professional or branch of public service.

The governments of Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba have made valuable contribution to the solution of this problem through leadership training courses financed partly from federal and partly from provincial funds. Any community conscious of its need may thus have a leader equipped with certain basic skills in the field of recreation—although training acquired during such short courses (six weeks) cannot be expected to provide highly specialized professional leaders.

Recognizing the need for leadership several Canadian towns have appointed youth leaders or counsellors. Kelowna is one instance where a youth consellor has been appointed by the city council, his services being paid for out of public funds. His responsibilities are two-fold. As a personal counsellor he deals with juvenile court cases referred by the magistrate and helps problem youth who are not brought to court. As a community organizer he co-ordinates youth activities generally, working through existing agencies like schools, churches, and social clubs. Leadership training classes are being planned to include hobby classes and playground activities.

With a large list of 190 passengers, C.N.R. steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. Ernest Caldwell, terday from Vancouver, Powell River and Ocean Falls, and sailed at midnight for Ketchikan whence she will return here this evening southbound. Among the passengers for Prince Rupert were Mr. and Mrs. S. Peacock, Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor, J. Winteiskey and two children, Mrs. H. G. Haisler, R. Jenkins, R. Darkis children Jean and Robert, Miss E. A. Cavalier, Miss S. Mc- 10:30-Mystery Playhouse

PARISHIONER-BUILDERS parts of the church.

AUSSIES SCORE WITH JAPANESE

OTTAWA, Aug. 30-Australia has a long account to settle with Japan. Exactly how long will be known when the survivors of the 19,000 Australians who have been prisoners of war in Japanese hands are freed.

Almost all of these Australians have been in Japanese prison camps for 31/2 years. They are the men of the 8th Division, A.I.F., who were captured when Singapore fell Feb. 15, 1942.

Former Prime Minister Churchill described the fall of Singapore as the greatest disaster that ever befell British arms. It was certainly by far the worst military disaster that Australia ever still worn in court by English had to face.

When Singapore capitulated, Maj.-Gen. Bennet, the commander of the 8th Division, escaped as did a few of his officers. A few others escaped by various means but practically the whole division From the Eastwas captured. It formed a fourth of the land force that Australia then had overseas. Three other divisions, the 6th, 7th and 9th, were in the Middle East.

In the early stages of the war, Japan's treatment of these Aust ralians was extremely severe. Not only were they put to the hardest of work in bad conditions and with little food but in many cases there were honorable exceptions, they were brutally treated. Many were used to build a railway through the fever ridden districts of upper Siam. Others worked on the wharves at Bangkok and elsewhere.

Reports filtering through suggest that since Japan's war started going from bad to worse, the Japanese have been treating these prisoners somewhat better.

How many of them are still alive will be known only when we collect them from their places of detention.

The number of Australians captured by the Japanese since the fall of Singapore is comparatively small. Their treatment has, in many instances, been even worse.

There are few more horrifying documents than the report on Japanese atrocities in New Guinea which Mr. Justice Webb took to London to lay before the War Crimes Commission. Mr. Webb was appointed a special Commissioner to inquire into these crimes. As the Australian Sir Thomas Blamey, has revealed, there were authenticated cases of cannibalism. It is reported that Mr. Webb's report details horrible cases of torture and sadism.

The Australians are a goodnatured, easy-going people, slow to wrath. But as the Australian External Affairs Minister, Mr. H. V. Evatt, pointed out, the treatment which the Japanese have given to prisoners and to the wounded has burned itself into the Australian mind.

Since it has been solemnly decided that all war criminals are to be punished, Australia wants No work too large or too small the principle to be fully applied. On the other hand there are reported to have been instances where Japanese officers and soldiers showed themselves decent and merciful toward captives. These, too, have been recorded.

Nor does Australian experience altogether bear out the legend of man in fanatical devotion to the Emporer Hirohito and the sun goddess, his ancestor. Japan's capitulation before any hostile force had even tried to land on Public Accountant, Auditor, etc. the sacred soil of the homeland did not astonish some Aus-

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SEEK BRIDGE OVER NECHAKO

FORT FRASER, Aug. 30- A petition asking that the provincial government build a bridge across the Nechako river just west of Fort Fraser is being circulated in this district and is receiving an increasing number of signatures. The petition points out that the farming population south of the Nechako is great enough to justify the construction of a bridge to serve them. The the river is a ferry south of the town.

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From The Waterfront

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tholin's church in Peckham, 1940, is being repaired by a party of churchgoers, under the leadership of the vicar, Rev. Charles 10:15-Lynn Murray again by the end of September. Most of the materials for repairs are coming from the irreparable