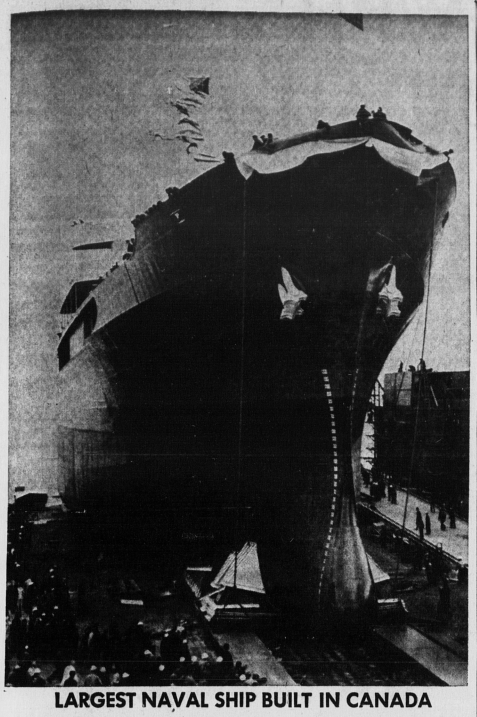

LARGEST NAVAL SHIP BUILT IN CANADA

The tanker-supply ship Provider, largest vessel ever built in Canada for the RCN, made an impressive sight — and splash— when she was launched in July, 1962, at Lauzon, Que. The 22,000-ton ship is due to commission in July, 1963, and will serve as an on-the-spot source of fuel and supplies for ships deployed in operational areas. She will also have a helicopter landing platform, hangar and repair facilities.

Airport In Mountains Is Busy Spot In India

By DAVID LANCASHIRE

LEH, India (AP)—Indian and American pilots flying in the massive Himalayas provide the lifeline to this remote valley of monasteries, where the war with Communist China has broken the centuries-old quiet.

At 11,200 feet, Leh's steel-planked runway is one of the world's highest airports. On days when clouds lift from the mountain passes it is also one of the busiest, with up to 25 planes an hour carrying weapons, food and equipment for troops facing the Communist ceasefire line in Ladakh.

Buddhist monks and long-robed Ladakhis watch as chunky Russian - built Ilyushin 14s, U.S.-made DC-3s and C-119 flying boxcars from the Indian air force swoop along the Indus River Valley to land.

Straining to reach altitudes thousands of feet higher than they are designed to fly, the unpressurized planes buck through the winds of the Himalayas in Zogi Pass. Their wing tips almost seem to brush snow from the jagged peaks less than a mile away and towering above the flight route. Pilots breathe from oxygen masks.

TOP MOUNTAINS

The big C-130s fly high above the mountains that stretch white and meancing as far as the eye can seen.

But the weather is so unpredictable planes can land at Leh only about 180 days a year, Indian officers report.

With the Himalayan passes blocked by winter snows, Leh and all of Ladakh relies on the airlift.

The last army convoy to reach here by road took eight days to fight through snowdrifts on the 245 - mile road from Srinagar, capital of Kashmir.

Leh is the supply centre for all of Ladakh and India's northwest front against China. From here, supplies are taken to remote outposts by parachute airdrops, lengthy hauls over switchback mountain roads or through the high passes by caravans, yaks or ponies.

FOLLOWS OLD PATTERN

As a supply centre, Leh is following an historic role. The ancient town once was a prosperous assembly point for caravans into central Asia and Tibet across the rolling three - mile-high plateau now held by the Chinese.

It lies in the valley that inspired James Hilton to write Lost Horizon, his novel about the mystic hideaway of Shangri-la.

The 20th century intruded only recently—in 1948 when the first military vehicle arrived.

The mud - plastered stone houses of Leh's 4,000 inhabitants spread out from a main street churned to mud by the shaggy yaks, ponies and donkeys.

Pigtailed, slant - eyed men in felt boots and robes and women in tall hats with sheepskins and babies slung from their backs gather daily in the market place.

CASTLE DOMINATES

The scene is dominated by the massive stone and mud castle of the Rajah of Leh on a hilltop above the town.

Although the Chinese infantry is no closer than 160 miles from Leh by road, the undeclared war with Peking has brought changes.

The Rajah has taken an army commission. A bright red gasoline pump now stands next to a prayer wall of stones.

From a pad beneath the 900-year-old monastery, helicopters take off daily for the cease-fire line east of Leh.

Casualties — many suffering from frostbite or pneumonia— are flown out of the isolated posts and emergency supplies are flown in by a fleet of Soviet-built helicopters. Eight Indian pilots, all trained in the Soviet Union, risk their lives daily by flying their bulky grey machines far beyond what their Russian builders set as their limitations.

The helicopters are designed to fly to 15,000 feet and land not higher than 6,000. Rattling with effort, they grind their way to 20,000 feet and land as high as 16,000 feet in air almost too thin to catch the rotor blades.

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Khrushchev Places Ad In Paper

LONDON (AP) — Nikita Khrushchev has placed an ad in a London newspaper.

The advertisement — in The Daily Express—fills two pages.

It is the first part of the text of the Soviet premier's world affairs report to the Supreme Soviet in Moscow Dec. 12—about 12,000 words of closely packed print.

And it was paid for by the Soviet government, The Express says.

The advertisement competes for attention with ads on other pages of the express for Scotch whisky, Christmas turkeys and a cure for coughing at night.

The Express draws attention to the advertisement in an editorial on another page.

"The Daily Express believes that within the bounds imposed by decency and libel its columns should be open to those willing to pay its advertising rates," the editorial says.

"As the only paper giving unqualified support to the Americans over Cuba, The Express has no need to fear misunderstanding."

How much the Soviet government paid for the insertion The Express does not say.

But its rates for a full-page advertisement vary between £7,000 and £10,000 ($21,000 and $30,000) a page.

With a circulation of around 2,600,000 copies, the express is Britain's second biggest-selling daily.

The Express editorial says the paper will print the full text of the speech by Khrushchev "whose Communist philosophy is quite opposed to all this newspaper stands for."

A second advertisement, winding up the speech, will appear Thursday.

LONG COASTLINE

Brazil has an Atlantic coastline of 2,676 miles. The whole country occupies 3,288,040 square miles.

Escape From Alcatraz Is Probed

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — FBI agents are pushing an intensive inquiry into the Sunday night flight of two bank robbers from Alcatraz—the island home of the nation's toughest convicts. Both were recaptured within three hours from rocks in chilly San Francisco Bay.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons in Washington said that director James V. Bennett plans to inspect Alcatraz this week to determine whether transfer of convicts from the aging and run-down island prison should be speeded up.

Bennett announced last June following the escape of three convicts, that Alcatraz would be closed down after a new federal maximum security prison is completed at Marion, Ill., in 1963. The June escapees are presumed to have drowned.

One of the men in the Sunday night break became the first convict known to have reached the mainland shore in 42 flight attempts from Alcatraz.

The other partner in the laborious but futile escape effort gave up his try on a low-lying rock just 100 yards from Alcatraz. He was Darl Dee Parker, 21.

John Paul Scott, 35, was picked up in shivering and helpless shock on the craggy shore at Fort Point, under Golden Gate Bridge. He was spotted there by two children.

VOTE CONFIDENCE

QUEBEC (CP) — Union Nationale elected members and candidates in the Nov. 14 Quebec election passed a unanimous vote of confidence in party leader Daniel Johnson Friday, the party announced Saturday.

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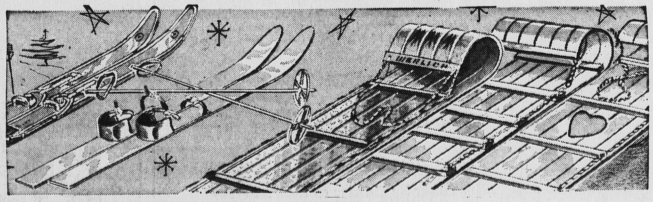

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