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Uranium Prospecting: The Canadian Press reports this morning as follows on uranium prospecting in Canada:

Ottawa, July 18 (CP) -- Canada, one of the world leaders in atomic research, has been stricken with uranium fever. The results are spectacular.

The Dominion, three-quarters covered by the mineral-rich pre-Cambrian Shield, is in the throes of a uranium rush that is no less exciting than the romantic Klondike gold boom that ushered in the 20th century.

Hundreds of prospectors, many striking out on their own, are stalking the rugged hinterlands, watching their Geiger counters for reaction that will indicate presence of radioactive minerals in the earth below.

Thousands of claims have been staked from Quebec to the Pacific coast. While production in most cases is still years off, indications are that there is enough uranium-bearing ore to maintain Canada as a leading producer of raw materials for atomic research.

One expert on the subject said that most promising discoveries in the world have been made in Canada....

"Canada Night" In New York: The Canadian Press reported in part as follows on the opening of the Lions Third International Convention in New York:

New York, July 18 -- (CP) -- Canadians resplendent in purple-and-gold satin today joined in a monster parade following the formal opening of the Lions 32nd International Convention.

Fifty bands and some 7,000 from among the 30,000 delegates to the convention rattled the windows of New York as squads of extra police controlled crowds watching the noisy pageant.

A day of fun for the delegates led up to "Canada Night" entertainment in Madison Square Garden.

Top Canadian radio talent headlined the show, staged by Jack Arthur, of Toronto, with music by Guy Lombardo, formerly of London, Ont., and his "Royal Canadians." Forty girls of the Leslie Bell Choir of Toronto and 20 girl pipers of the Georgetown, Ont., girl pipers' band added to the entertainment.

Other Canadian performers were radio comedians Wayne and Shuster, singer Gisele Lafleche, of Winnipeg, veteran broadcaster Lorne Greene, and Howard Cable, Toronto arranger-composer, who directed the music....

Annual Art Competition: The Royal Canadian Academy of Arts has announced the establishment of an annual competition aimed at stimulating and encouraging serious art students, who are in the closing years of their formal training and who contemplate art as a career, according to a Canadian Press report from Toronto.

The competition, providing a \$250 prize for the best painting submitted each year, will be open to bona-fide senior students enrolled in the third or fourth year of full-time day courses in art in recognized schools, colleges and universities where art is taught in Canada.

The academy said the competition will be extended through succeeding years to include all branches of art and architecture.

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