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Canada: Duke's Tour continues 17th August 1954

Canada: Leaving Vancouver - the R.C.A.F. Constellation, carrying the Duke of Edinburgh, headed North - bound for the fabulous gold-rush territory of the Yukon...

The first stop was at White Horse, which the great rush to the Klondike Gold Fields in 1898 - transformed overnight into a boom town...

And the Duke took a trip on one of the veterans of those hectic days, the stern-wheeler "Klondike", which carried prospectors up river - in search of gold.

To-day, the search is for uranium, and the Duke visited the second largest source in the world at Port Radium, just south of the Arctic circle, and examined some of the precious metal used in atomic energy production.

At Coppermine, in the Arctic ocean - the Duke became the first member of the Royal Family to visit the community.

And at Yellowknife, a mining centre and trading post on the Great Slave Lake - the Duke joined the youngsters in eating "Buffalo Burghers" - a local delicacy.

At a Research Centre, Prince Philip watched the speed of missiles in flight being measured - a baseball thrown by - Commander Michael Parker. The Duke's throw was recorded at 51.8 miles per hour.

Then - it was Farewell, Canada - as the Duke boarded the Royal Yacht Britannia at Goose Bay, Labrador, soon to be bound for home and that eagerly-awaited re-union at Balmoral.