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# IBEW labor leaders refreshing change

twas both refreshing and pleasant 'Hriday night to hear two high-rankvention in Vancouver.

and will continue to do so. if that was one of its goals.

For top management and union offi- tion endorses. cials to sit down and talk together on. There are other ways, as Mr. Ross how they can solve the problems be- suggests in which the trade union can setting each individual industry. It improve the lot of labor and it is not ble, no good can come of disrupting business. Calmness, co-operation and funion action aimed at merely creating honest-to-God efforts in seeking the Junrest when what is called for is co- best solution for all concerned, is the pperative action by both management answer.

and labor toward reasonable solution.

Mr. Ross also pin-pointed a growing ing labor leaders speak their pieces realization by both non-union and without ranting and raving about the labor groups, that trade unionists depressed masses, capitalist war- would do well to steer clear of polimongers and other such cliches often tics. He was referring to the fact that used by the more vitrolic union chief- the IBEW had shunned the labor-CCF tans. From John Raymond, vice-presi-merger talks and that the union as an dent of as large a union as the Inter- entity planned to have no part of the national Brotherhood of Electrical New Party. There are certain things Workers and Jack Ross, international that a man with any pride at all claims representative, their talks were a wel- as his own right—the right to choose come contrast to the revolting dia- his own profession, who he works for, time issued recently at the British who he marries, what church he will Columbia Federation of Labor con-attend and how he shall vote. The New Party exponents can talk them-Raymond was quite firm on the selves blue in the face about not insafety of Canadian trade unionists in fluencing the way a person should remaining within international or- vote, but just like any other organizagarizations and claimed that Cana- tion affiliated with a political party, dian unions have their own autonomy it wouldn't be formed in the first place

Ross urged unions to look at Even so-called non-partisan assotheir own shortcomings and made a ciations have a similar aim. They are plea for both management and labor organized to fight groups of which confer and co-operate in seeing they do not approve and therefore that Canada survives the current they are partisan to their own group economic crisis. Not for many, many and call on people to elect the candi-Lears has there been a greater need dates which the non-partisan associa-

stands to reason, that if, for one rea- through dissession, bitterness and tellson or another, an industry is in trou- ing management how it should run its

## No illiterates wanted

The University of Illinois: announced this week that no illiterate freshmen need apply: Many citizens will be surprised to learn that such an announcement was necessary; but all college faculty members will understand. With the exception of privately-endowed colleges which have been blessed with enough applicants so that they could afford to enforce adequate entrance standards most American institutions of "higher learning" have been struggling with many students who haven't yet learned to read and write.

In the worst plight have been the stateowned schools which are under pressure to accept any kind of kid who has a high school diploma. Faulty methods of teaching reading, lack of insistence on regular theme-writing, tolerance of misspelling, etc. have produced a large number of practically-illiterate high school graduates.

The answer of the universities has been courses in "remedial reading and writing," i.e. an effort to do in three hours a week during one semester what the lower schools should have done over a period of years. It was this course, described gently as "Rhetoric 100," which the University of Illinois has just thrown into the ash can.

The decision was made after statistics proved that incompetence in reading and composition was steadily increasing among Illinois high school graduates. More than one out of

four of last year's incoming freshmen were so shaky in handling their own language that they were required to take Rhetoric 100, and although it was a high school level course 20 per cent flunged it flat and another 23 per cent made the passing but no-credit grade

So the University has decided that it is too busy to teach high school and it has thrown the job back at the high school principals of Illinois. The reason, as described by Professor Charles W. Roberts, is not that the university wishes to be cruel to students, but that it wishes to be kind.

You see says Doctor Roberts, the student who can't write clearly not only has difficulty passing examinations, but he will find difficulty later in life in expressing himself. Worse yet, he probably won't read with comprehension. He may be natively bright, but his ability to absorb and transmit information will be crippled. So why kid the poor youngster by letting him into college and later break his spirit by flunking him out?

Hooray for the University of Illinois! If we're ever going to meet the challenges that face the oncoming generation Amrica's high. schools are first of all going to have to get down to the no-nonsense business of teaching their students how to handle the English language. Tulsa Tribune

Charlotte Whitton has never been in retirement, so it would be incorrect to say that she is trying a comeback in her current campaign for the Ottawa mayordity. Since she stepped undefeated out of the office four years ago she has been a controversial columnist in the Ottawa Citizen, a hard-working if unsuccessful candidate for the House of Commons. a frequent and voluble visitor to

Minister Diefenbaker's office and a participant in almost any available argument. She has visited Japan, called Toronto "arrogant", inadvised by ... United Church minister to get married, She has come through it all and has now decided to go back to City Hall. Her opponents will know

INTERPRETING THE NEWS.

Rome has become a pleasanter port of call for British prime ministers since Neville Chamborlain wont there in 1989 to be harangued by

Invective line not disappeared from the diplomatic arsonal of the 1060s and Primo Minister Macmillan has been subjected to his share. But other tables are politided by other statesmen today.

Today, Italy stands as Britain's pertner in problems of significance to divide them.

other continental nowers, signed othe agreemont that produced the European Common Market: the igreat trading bloc that threatens to leave Britain isolated from her traditional

In his tolovision talk to the Italian people,

between the six Common Market powers and the seven-nation European Free Trade Area which Britain leads could breed political

But it was clear from the communique that 'followed Macmillan's talks with Premier Am-Intorb Fansai that both countries are equally innitious to heal the breach and that unofficial talks are to be launched between them.

The forthcoming talks, coupled with ouriront discussions between British and West Economically, Rome has a more sinister ring German trade experts, are viewed by Britain in British cars, It was there that Italy and five cas a usoful proliminary for any agreement that may evolve.

The communique stressed the desirability of resuming East-West disarmament negotiations and indicated that the two prime ministers see eye to eye in supporting the United Nations

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airs writing in Imperial Oi.

the (Eskimo) children for?. How are we going to establish them in jobs after they are through school? I think the answer would be to let us educate them and see what they can do for themselves in the

Dr. Charles Glen King, head of the Nutrition; Foundation,

"You can reduce on 900 calwhite bread and ice cream. even champagne and pate de foie gras—if that is all you

George Shea in the Wall Street Journal:

"The real key to business recoveries is enterprise, not retail buying. It is true that the government can, by sufficient spending, add to employmen and as a result of that stimulate retail buying somewhat. But a recovery of that sort the experience of the 1930s indicates, is not self-sustaining or even very stimulating to the economic system as a

"In turn the key to enter prise is lowered costs. One of today's problems is high costs, and any attempt to make them even higher by raising the wage minimum generally, to substantial degree would merely increase costs. further and pay rates aggravate the

From an editorial in the American Metal Market, New

"It is an old economists cliche that trade must be a two-way street — but it still; holds water. How can Canada buy our finished goods if we, by the introduction of high tariffs, should handicap her in selling her raw materials in this country?"

## Letterbox

CONFUSED BY-LAW

The Daily News: After reading Alderman Ritchie's letter in the November 24 Daily News I was surprised to see that our Woodworth Lake dam is owned by the Northern B.C. Power Company.

Has city council in its goodheartedness, given this away? His. Plan No. 1 combination pumping and gravity from Woodworth lake is very confusing to the average taxpayer. I presume he means gravity system plus a pumping standby unit. If so, a good standby pumping system for emergencies is a good idea, keeping in mind of course, the overhaul of our present gravity system through the years, a litle at a time paid for with revenue coming in.

Speaking of the water utility revenue, where is it? It is time we realized that during the last 15 years or so, we have spent absolutely nothing in overhauling our lines except of course, breakdowns, but still just before every election time we did and are still doing a lot of talking. Any business, if run right, has to keep its machinery and equipment in top shape. Now where have the profits from this utility been going? Do not tell us that we are working at a loss. If so our financial experts should have let

the taxpayer know years ago. The whole waterworks administration, it seems to me, also needs an overhaul. When truck plus two men to read water meters? Have, we the taxpayer, this kind of expenses to contend with? If so think I will start digging my-

worth Lake dam is not the city's to give away. The North-Power Company hought the dam from the city still rotains its water rights on Woodworth Lake and will continue to do so.

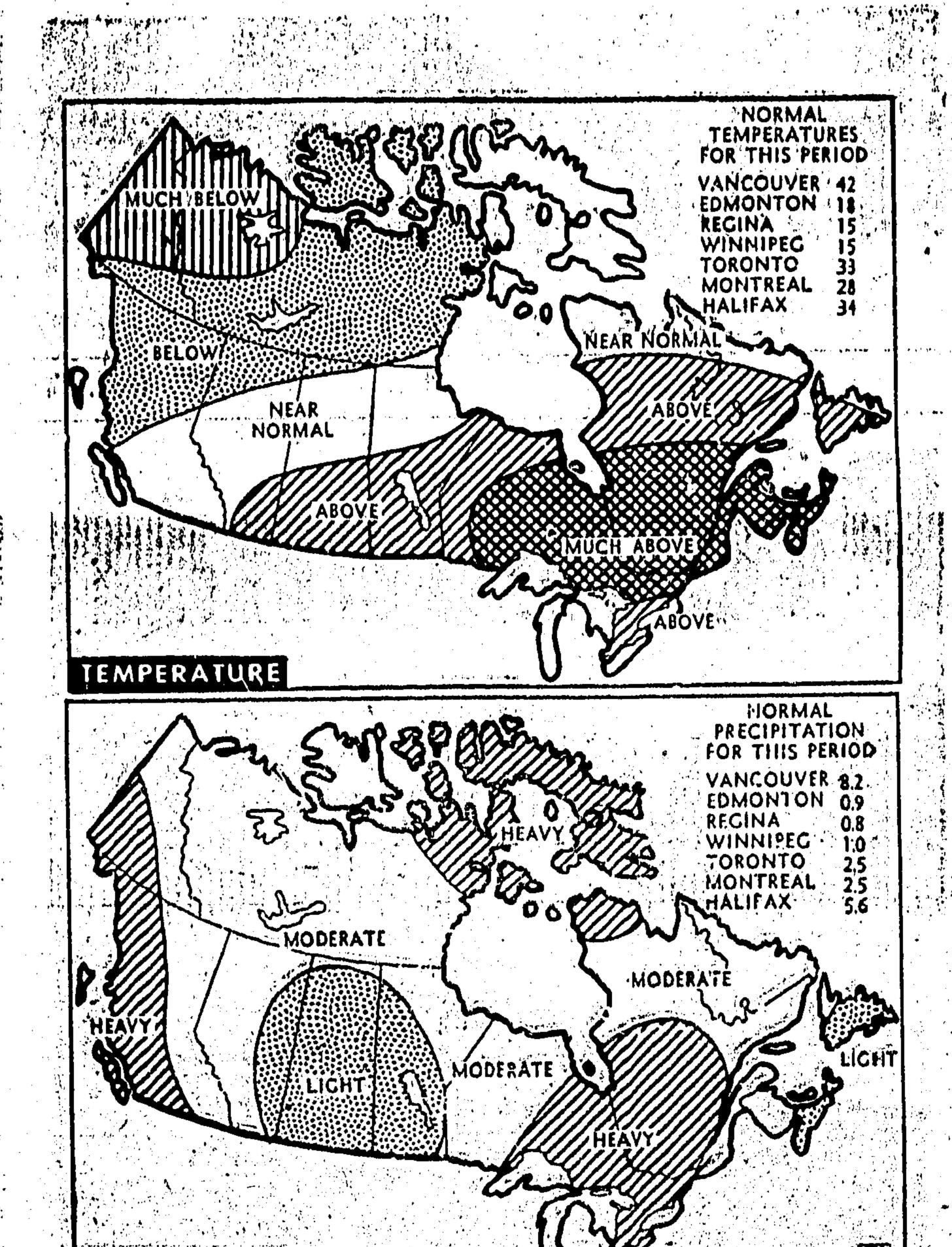
GRATEFUL THANKS

The Editor. The Daily Nows: oanbid nov blucw this to thank the lady who found my walldt and delivered it to my home.

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PRECIPITATION BELOW NORMAL temperatures are in store for Prince Rupert up until mid-December according to the United States weather bureau's long-range forecast. Southern British Columbia and the rest of Canada east of this province will have near or above normal temperatures for the next 20 days. Heavy precipitation is predicted for this area and the rest of the B.C. coast.

## Victoria Report by J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA—The British Columbia Chamber of Commerce came calling on the government a few days ago and handed out to the cabinet (Premier Bennett was not there, being absent on business) a mighty bagful of ideas and suggestions as to what should, and should not be done, in the chamber's view, for the betterment of this province and its people.

The cabinet ministers listened, mostly in silence, asked a few questions, gave no opinions. They promised digest everything that

the government learns what people are thinking - right from the grassroots, so, to

In its brief the Chamber of Commerce delegation showed its worry about how governments are going more more into private business; look at this province—the government in the liquor business, the railway business, the clectric power business, the ferry business. Premier Bennett says his government only goes into business when private business will not do so. But this is not quite so, because the government wouldn't for one minute dream of letting private business go into the retail liquor business, not while booze turns into the gov-. ernment's coffers about \$30,-000,000 a year in profits.

The Chamber of Commerce told the government there go.

should be more freedom of enterprise in British Columbia. So there should be, but unfortunately today, more and more people want their paths through life cushioned, the pills of life coated with candy; they want a painless path to paradise, when there's no such thing. Young people, taking employment, look 50 years ahead to pensions at the end of the road. Why, when one is 20—magic age—there should be no end of the road—it's millions of miles away. The result of this is that too many young folk are stifling themselves, bogging down in hum-drum jobs they hate, tolerating them only because there's a pension the dim, distant future. The chamber brief said: Freedom of enterprise is not

negative concept for the defence of vested private interests. It is positive and dynamic. It imposes on the individual the duty to be enterprising, to maintain a high standard of ethics in the community, and contribute to the common welfare. In short, freedom of enterprise is the individual's freedom to enterprise, rather than his right to preserve from interference what he has. It is the freedom of the individual to make his own choice, and to take his chances, and, at times, to make his own mistakes."

Wise words, these, sage advice-most people would be far happier, live far more fully, if they had more get-up-and-

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One of the little-mentioned skills of our time is that of the dining car watier. He is usually a tall thin man, which makes his performance all the more remarkable. I have seldom seen a short fat dining car waiter. Much has been written about the skills of the racing driver, the ballet dancer, the floor man on the stock exchange, the baseball pitcher, the tightrope walker. But the

salads, and walking with absolute rssurance down the dining car nisle with the train lurching feat deserving of far more gen his hips, as he gyrates and mental hazard can be imaginod than having a trayful o.

your linger tips above your

Let us not always say, "Spite of this flesh today I strove, made head, gained ground upon the whole!" Astho bird wings and sings

Lot us cry, "All good things Arn ours, nor soul trelps Alesti more, now, than flesh helps -Browning.

shoulders, and the president of the railroad on an aisle seat half way down the car.

I think of this because only last night I went rather late into the diner, and the boys, after a successful run, were all clustered at the far end of the car having their own dinner. I was observing them from my table when the train gave a violent jolt, Some had coffee cups half way to their lips, Others had forkfuls of Boston cream pie aloft. Those who hadn't, got their plates in their laps. I felt it was one of the grossest injustices I had ever witnessed. And were they

traffic court for speeding and took his young daughter along to show here how

He plended guilty but pointod out it was his first offense. "Yos," piped up the innocent

"My husband just lost his entire fortune in the stock

"Oh how drondful, I know you fool sorry for him." "Yos, holl cortainly miss

Bob: "You should girl. Protty as a mirago." Tom: 'That's the wrong simlle, A mirage his asomething. you can see but can't get your

hands on," Bob: "That's my girl."

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"It's the simple gestures, not!" the magnificent ideas, that, reincarnation, judging by the

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## NORTHLAND NAVIGATION

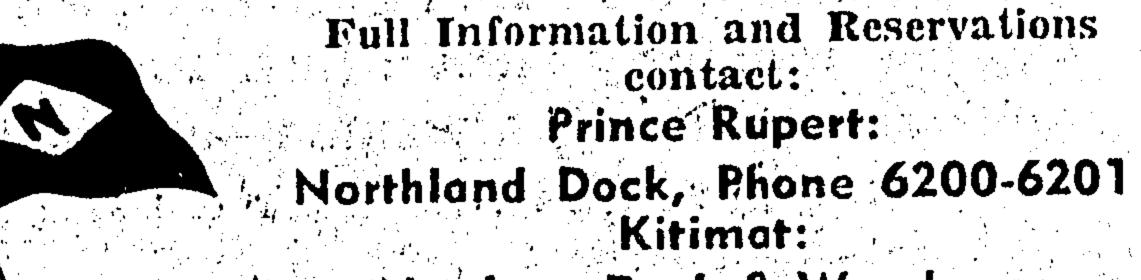
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