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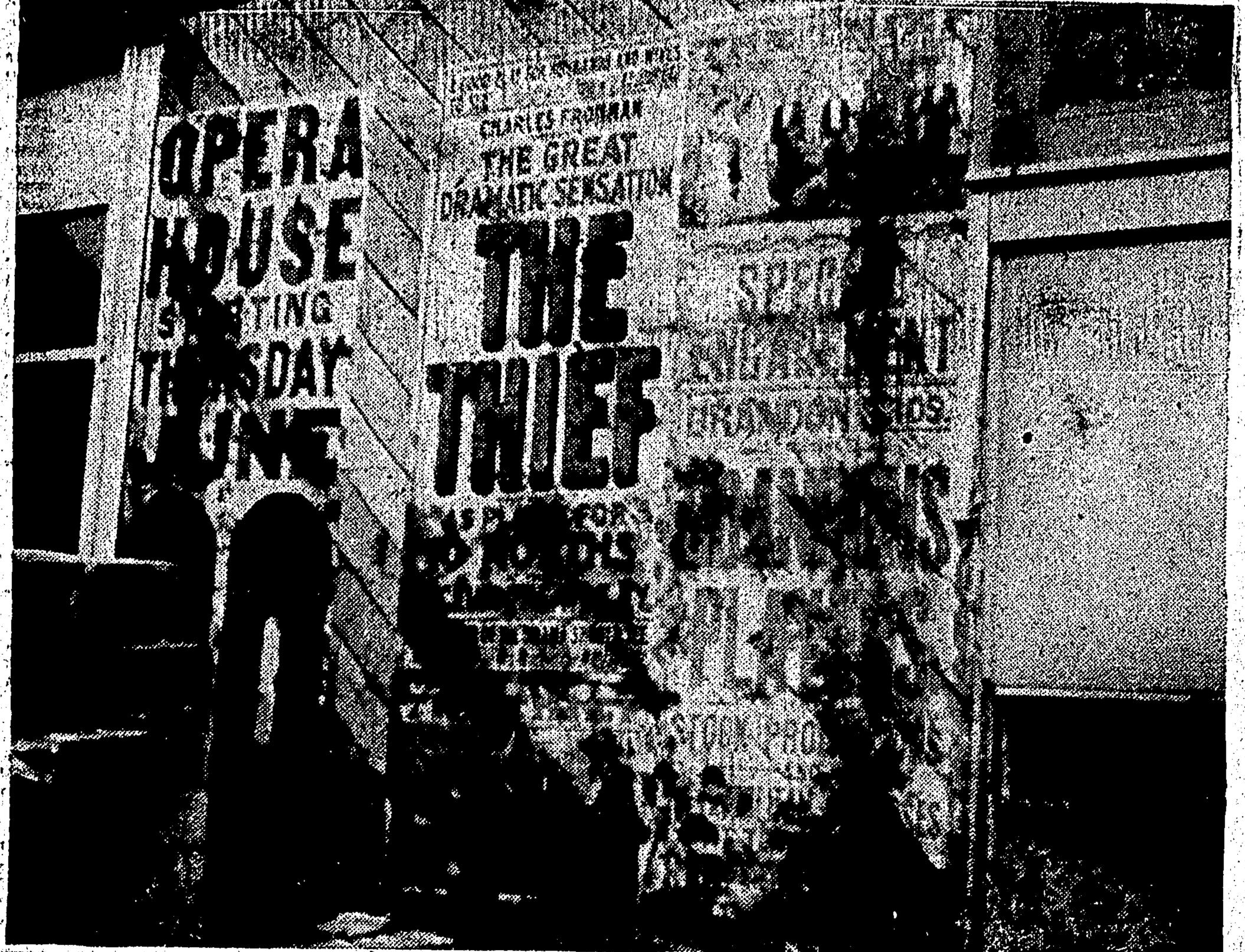
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PRICE TEN CENTS



Council to buy lifesaving net for big fires

A recommendation that tenders be called for the purchase of a lifesaving net for the fire department raised conflicting views at city council last night.

Utilities committee chairman Ald. T. Norton Youngs asked that the purchase be dispensed with

was only useful at the outbreak of a fire and that there were

the purchase from the commit- the proposal for some time. cited the case where a net could islature January 29, calls for en- everything else." Exchange Block fire had it brok- run down areas can be granted Smith said: en out at night.

He was backed by Ald. Gordon E. Carlson, who added that during the King George Hotel fire property owners in the older older properties enhance all people were cut off from escape areas "have a darned hard time property values with the muni- he thought that the Parks Com-

stumps in an adjoining lot. Ald. Norman Bellis said that only once and saved a life the cost was justified.

chijse from the recommendations Ald. Youngs argued unsuccessfully that the department restricts handle the net.

"How in heaven's name are the safety net if they don't got one?" debentures asked Ald. A. Donald Ritchie. Tenders will be called.

Workers given 5½ per cent Increase

*Ofty workers have won a total! wage increase of 51/2 per cent incial government immediately conceivable that the Equalization Council was told last night, "Council's wage committee reported that a mosting had been to offer the issue for sale. held with G. A. Carmichael, i provincial conciliation officer, are to be requested by tender and sons before any action was centre. Civic Employees Union, Local

Chairman Ald. Norman Bollis pared to accept. | Reeve Murison. said the union and agreed to a two-year contract giving thom at a per cent increase in wages for 1989 and a 21/2 per cont increase)

Total accumulative sick leave! days granted in the 1988 agreement have been increased this! year to 30 from 24.

ORMES DRUGS LTD,

CITY RESIDENTS passing by the Helgerson Block on Sixth Street within the last week may have thought they were seeing things as a small portion of construction to the building uncovered three old vaudeville posters (above). As far back as can be traced in Daily News files Brandon's Players as vaguely shown on the poster at right staged many such shows in the Empress Theatre which is now the Elk's Lodge. No sign of the production "The Thief" in centre poster could be traced and the sign at left reads that the stage show, started Thursday June 30 but the year is not known. It is believed the posters were put on the building when it was constructed in 1910.

City council cautious on tax incentive plan

Staff photo by Charles E. Giordano.

City Council last night decided to proceed exand added that Fire Chief Earl tremely cautiously on a proposal by Victoria MLA J. custody and development of an and added that Fire Chief Earl tremely cautiously on a proposal by Victoria MLA J. parks lands in the city to be the W. Becker did not favor the pur- Donald Smith, which calls on British Columbia muni- responsibility of the Parks Com-Ald. Youngs—said Fire Chief cipalities to press for legislation on the need for war ing parks being subject to ratif taken to Vancouver for overhaul will be waiting at Terrace air—when Mr. Vargas had tried to for the Department of Transport. Becker believed that such a net incentive improvement for older homes."

Council decided that it would 1-

assistance in improvement and

tax abatement. Mr. Smith said that many (1) Through improvement of be informed. by flames and one woman was making ends meet what with cipality.

If the lifesaving net was used task in scraping up enough materials.

an amendment striking the pur- Government

toed municipal debentures to secondly," said Roove Muri-

ing orderly marketing of guar- mental principal," anteed debentures. Municipalides are being asked by the exemptions applied a school as! department to notify the prov- well as municipal taxation it is ["

Bids on guaranteed debentures [qualified to set out all the pros] and the department notified by taken. council of the bld they are pre-

ly opposed his motion to remove B.C. Municipalities and study pairs. But when we do improve designated as parks properties. our older properties along comes

incentive bylaw would:

serious unemployment problems troller level.

"They have an even harder through greater use of men and Council then approved a mo-

(3) Serve as an effective beauification program,"

Reeve Murison in his letter to Commission's jurisdiction. members of UBCM warned that! councils should "be cautious in lendorsation of the ideas proposed without prior expert investigation of their worth and practleability."

He said in a letter to Mr. |Smith that "tax_exemptions at |

ing \$500,000 in any one 30-day is based on actual values and exemptions of the kind you suggest!

Thirdly, the reeve said, that if

date on which council wishes! He said that the case should be

City Council agreed with slons on referestation plans, the

UP TO PROVINCE TO REQUEST LIQUOR RIGHTS FOR INDIANS

OTTAWA (P)---Officials of the Indian affairs branch said Monday the federal government grants liquor privileges to Indians only at the request of Provincial governments. They were commenting on a request by Andy Paull of

Vancouver, president of the North American Indian Brotherhood, asking Citizenship Minister Pairclough to pernit British Columbia Indians to buy liquor in B.C. liquor stores. The officials said the federal government will grant Indians [r not living on reservations the right to buy liquor in stores provided this is requested by a province. This was the case

However, this right is extended to Indians on reserves only at the request of a province and after the band council has approved the sale by a referendum.

a lighthouse shooting tragedy Written

DOICY on parks

R. W. Long will be instructed to draw up a statement of policy of city dealings on parks, council decided last night.

The move was taken after receipt of a letter from the Board of Parks Commissioners which said that the Parks board had taken exception to council plans' to change the status of some parcels of land now designed as parks land.

"These plans have been put into motion without the express! knowledge of the Parks Commission and seemingly, no thought has been given as to whether or not the commission favors such

The commission said that it felt as that as an appointed body for the use of administrating a parks program, it had been by-

custody and development of all

It asked that written advice as seldom enough firemen present go along, for the time being any- money to pay for much-needed to the status of the Parks Comat such a time to handle the net. way, with Reeve C. A. P. Muri- improvements—new roofing, sid- mission be given with respect to the job. Ald. A. Donald Ritchie strong son, president of the Union of ing, fences, paint and general re- reclassification of lands now

When it was pointed out that tee's recommendations. He said Mr. Smith's plan, which he our the assessor and there are what the Parks Commission was the net was very important and outlined in a speech in the leg- much higher taxes on top of referring to was possibly the proposed erection of a television have saved 10 or 12 lives in the abling legislation by which and In his letter to council Mr. station at Roosevelt Park, Mayor P. J. Lester said that the Parks' "I believe that a proper tax- Commission was not opposing the plan, it was merely asking to will leave Terrace at 12 noon and

Alderman Norman Bellis said mission was automatically inforced to jump among tree taxes, utilities, fuel and the (2) Help solve some of our formed on the city clerk-comp-

> tion to have City Clerk-Comptroller R. W. Long draw up a policy statement as to Parks [

City forester at V.I. parley

Special to The Daily News any time are dangerous and un-Officers from many parts of the Club annual general meeting last less the qualifications can be ex- province are gathering at the night in the new clubhouse. City council learned Monday plicity and simply defined, they Cowichan Lake Forest Experiin a letter from deputy minister are highly explosive material ment station, Vancouver Island, ficers are Dr. W. S. Kergin, of municipal affairs J. E. Brown, since they might well open the today for three days of discus- Charles Bothom, Dr. J. A. Macthat restrications' have been door to every form of partiality sion and field-demontsration of donald and Norman Moorhouse. forestry problems.

day of meetings.

The move is aimed at achiev- might well negate this funda- be R. H. Spilsbury, Forester-in-Charge of the Forest Research a future executive meeting. Division, Victoria. Among those attending will be Kelth Illing | cessful year financially and proworth, Prince Rupert research gressively, Dr. Macdonald, club stop in time at the intersection of lights for the Department of it, is still a "possibility that following the adoption of auth- tion of Assessment Act would fail orncer; M. B. Cark, Ramboop secretary, said they were look- original hylaws advising of the in its purpose.

Original hylaws advising of the in its purpose. Aloza Lake Forest Experiment activity now that the major pushing it into a third car and from the lighthouse Sunday the B.C. Vederation of Labor, studied by those someone fully station, Prince George; and Michael Stewart, Nelson research | way.

> The agenda calls for discus-I problems of cone collecting, procodures for seed-registration and | for the coming year. tree farm licence working plans. plus many other matters of importunee in the vital work of forest resourch.

DUBLIN (Routers) --- Ton more donce, prisoners were released Monday from the Currugh, a detention camp outside Dublin where suspoets of the outlawed Irish Republican Army have been held.

uccident.



Canso overhaul set April 6 to April 11

The Canso aircraft which provides the Canadian Pacific Airlines Prince Rupert to Sandspit flight, will be out of service for its annual overhaul from jury of four days he went with-"The commission considers the April 6 to April 11 inclusive, B. I. Anderson, agent for the airline said today.

Mr. Anderson said that the sengers from Prince Rupert to as had been the custom in the port when the Vancouver plane take his own life. past, but extra maintenance arrives from Sandspit on the recrews will be sent up here to do turn journey.

where Canso' is shown above.

April 11, passengers for Vancou- will be made at a later date, Mr. ver will go via Terrace directly Anderson said.

to Vancouver aboard CPA's 72- more more more more above. passenger DC-6B. Vancouver to Rupert service will be via Sandspit and Terrace!

The Vancouver-bound flight arrive in Vancouver at 2:40 p.m. For the week of April 6 tol April 11 a specially-chartered bus will be provided to take pas-

plans more! activities

Topping a successful year, 33 enthusiasts turned out to the VICTORIA - Forest Research | Prince Rupert Rowing and Yacht |

Re-elected as directors were On Friday, March 13, the group Sidney Elkins and Henry Seppa, an issue or issues not exceed- son, "our system of assessment will move to Victoria for its final with one new member, William Scuby, added.

Positions of commodore' and vice-commodore will be filled at least to by following too close to Mr. Vargus came originally from new labor legislation has been With the completion of a sucbuilding projects are out of the causing an estimated \$200 dam- night stating that Mr. Vargas said Monday night,

An annual Yacht club dance, and possibly a winter navigation course are on the agenda UFAWU to send protests

to Sten Didricksen, yacht club on new labor legislation ing the clubhouse in his spare, time and for his courtesy to The newly-formed political to use all the means at his dis-Release IRA suspects visiting boatmen, which has action and education committee posal to defeat the bill. been the subject of correspon- of United Vishermen and Allied. The committee also drafted a | Workers' Union in Prince Rup-| resolution for presentation to ert will send telegrams to Prom- the annual convention of the

Norwegian ship here for W. A. C. Bennett and Labor UPAWU scheduled for March 21

A Norwegian ship, MV Sun- withdrawal of proposed restric- of organized labor in the prov-Collulose Company Limited yes- Othere wires were sent to hour general strike in protest TIDES-I torday from Vancouver and will William H. Murray, MLA for against the legislation. take on about 970 tons of pulp Prince Rupert, and to leader The resolution will also ask clays and 153 long tons of chemicals of the opposition Robert Stra- organized labor to involve itself which will be delivered to the chan. Mr. Murray has been ask- in the political field to assure United Kingdom. ed by the committee to vote in the election of a government

also loaded grain in opposition on the legislation and more favorable toward organized Vancouver.

Announcement of the bus de- bed. From April 6 on and including parture time from Prince Rupert

still planning strike Friday

VANCOUVER (CP) - British Columbia civil servants have demanded a meeting with the cabinet before they will call off a threatened strike scheduled for Friday.

ployees' Association said an announcement by provincial secretary Wesley Black that the civil servants would be granted wage increase recommended by the civil service commission was unsatisfactory because it did not specify what raises were planned.

The association said earlier the strike would not be called off until they received written promises on the wage in-******************

Driver fined \$10

posed on Peter Yerema, in police | nose". | court today when he was charg-

Mr. Strachan has been requested labor.

| Minister Lyle Wicks demanding in Vancouver, asking all sections

Civil servants

The B.C. Government Em-

Storms, rough seas stopped rescue bid Rough seas and stormy weather prevented RCMP

was told last night. from here, from a self-inflicted had been received when the

told the jury that on receiving a Beketov said he received a mescall to the effect that Mr. Var- sage that Mr. Vargas was comgas was in a serious mental pletely mental but did not restate, he left immediately for the lighthouse aboard the De- pletely" in the dispatch. partment of Transport light-

Mackenzie. first attempt to land at by did not realize the seriousness of lighthouse was thwarted heavy seas and a 40-mile per the situation.

the second attempt was successful and on landing he found Mr Vargas lying in a pool of blood in the basement of the light- the second call. house with the rifle nearby.

from "committing suicide."

He said that on Monday Vargas was talking to himself in foreman Richard Farmer were:

The next day he went down to the engine room and found Vargas standing in a pool of vert. blood with an eight-pound sledge hammer beside him,

engine room, from where the appeared in city police court on sound of the shot came and a charge of possession of stolen found Mr. Vargas lying in a pool goods.

Text of a letter written day mother I am going to wir occurred in October last year. you about the end of your lost lal in Tilleman's possession in-

Another note found in Vargas' for my death."

lound "I'm an invalid, pleuše! leave me alone," and "I don't A fine of \$10 and costs was im- know why you want to broak my

The letters were all interpret- general strike in British Columed with causing a three-car col-ed to the jury by Mario Seccia. bin because of the government's

shelved, at least temporarily, by Yerema apparently failed to 1. M. Campbell, superintendent top provincial union leaders: had hemorrhaged from the nose | More than 24 wires had been

District Marine Agent for the

member seeing the word "com-

why no action had been taken

between Sunday night when he

received the message and Tues-

Mr. Beketov said that had it

ppeared to be an emergency at

that time he would have dis-

patched a tender to the scene at

once, which he did on receiving

After a verdict had been

reached, Coroner Dawes told

the jury "Although I concur

with your verdict, somebody

He said that had prepara-

Mr. Vargas came to Prince Ru-

Members of the jury under

William Bailey, John Pallister,

Two months jail

Tilleman entered a guilty plea

cluded a duffle bag and cloth-

ing stolen from Rupert Lundri-

gan of Port Edward, and that

dating back to 1943.

Tilleman had a police record

Unions consider

strike against

new labor laws

VANCOUVER MO-Trik of D

tor possessing

stolen goods

Charles Currie, James Fields,

Christian Fossum and Max Sei-

tions been made Mr. Vargas

for about a year and a half.

"might be here today".

has slipped up."

When asked by Coroner Dawes

from saving the life of 32-year-old assistant lighthouse keeper Remite Erneste Vargas, a corner's jury

gun shot wound by a 30-30 rifle Alexander Mackenzie was disbullet, the seven-man jury de- patched to the scene. RCMP constable J. E. Bragg Department of Transport; N. A.

house tender CGS Alexander Constable Bragg said that a the day night, Mr. Beketov said he

hour gale. However, the constable sai

L. M. Clifford, who was ir charge of the lighthouse at the time of the shooting, told the out sleep waiting for assistance and trying to prevent Mr. Vargas

Mr. Clifford related to veteran amphibian will not be the Terrace airport and a bus Jury two previous instances three years ago and had worked

Mr. Clifford said. Mr. Clifford told the inquest that he then took his assistant back upstairs where he started to tear "at his wounds to make

himself bleed". On Wednesday morning Clifford said he fell asleep and was

awakened shortly afterwards by Tilleman, was sentenced to two He said he ran down to the months in jail today when he

on the charge before Magistrate Vargas to his mother and found E. T. Applewhaite March 4. The in his room by RCMP road, "To- charge arose out of a theft that

I won't bother you any longer, today is my end, remember this date." "Destiny wanted it this way."

room said "Of all the people I! work with nobody is responsible! On a third sheet of paper was

received through the province advocating such action against Bill 43, which lubor officials here have ealled

the toughest anti-union legisla-

tion in Cunada.

from local unions

Cloudy, clear periods Wednesday. Showers again, Little change in temperature. Winds veering early Wednesday morning to southorly 30. Low tonight and high Wednesday 35 and 45.

Wednesday, March 11, 1950 (Pacific Standard Time) 21.3 feet

20.5 feet 14:45 3.9 feet

4.3'1006

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