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Hirohito Accepting Responsibility For

wo American Army lessels Adrift and Jelpless in Pacific Ocaen

SEATTLE (CP)-Navy rescue ships raced over tossing North Pacific today to aid two disabled ited States Army vessels—the rudderless, drifting by occupation were tonight the ker El Caney and the partially-flooded cargo boat only frail clues to the identity

salvage vessel Bolster.

Is Back In Halifax

The El Caney, which had drifted more than 100 Canadian, who is in St. John's

AYOR'S FUND CLOSE IN WO WEEKS

ment of canned salmon to ride out a storm. ain, now stands at \$248. The The El Caney has a crew of small indenture. ment will be made to Poole, forty-two. The FS-245 has The young man was found last land, in co-operation with twenty. local Rotary Club.

he Rotary Club drive for food Empress of Canada le is meeting with "fair' onse, according to P. H. Linwho is in charge. The Rotary

he Mayor's fund will close The big vessel had been in govember 31, according to an ernment service during and after ouncement made by Mayor the war period, and is now re-Arnold today.

ld provide a much-needed passengers. old said. "Any donations can www.ledged.**

clothing and food articles, Linzey said. The whole ship-It will be sent to Poole at the of January.

istribution will be made by Rotary Club of Poole, Eng-

ontributions to the Mayor's d to date are as follows: of Prince Rupert .. yor Arnold L Jessie Jacobs th & Elkins adian Legion S Daughters siness & Professional Women's Club ld. Nickerson men's Canadian Club ties' Reading Club R. G. Large

ANT TIBER GOLD OR CIVIC DEBT

OME O-An age-old story bottom of the Tiber has put forward by Rome newspers as a solution to the muni-

a dredging machine working ich made the contact.

They believed the "discovery" tion was taken.

It has now been proposed a cond attempt should be made anearth the "treasure."

rish Cattle Is anded In Canada

MAN IN LONDON

Sailor In St. John's Hospital Suffering From Amnesia

LONDON (-A hazy feeling that he "belonged" to Vancouver, that his name was "Lou" or of a young man, apparently a miles since her rudder was torn Hospital suffering from amloose and its propellor damaged nesia with no recollection of his late Monday, was expected to be identity.

intercepted tonight by the Navy | The young man had no money, documents or identification cards The Navy fleet tug Tekesta when he was found helpless in is enroute to aid the FS-245 which | central London last Tuesday. He hit a rock near Herbert Island is described as six feet tall with th two weeks to go before in the Aleutians in a storm. The light brown hair, blue eyes and oses, the Mayor's fund to vessel was pulled off the rock clear complexion. He has a scar ide a wedding gift for Prin- and was last reported proceed- at the bass of his left thumb Elizazbeth in the form of a ing toward Sequam Island to and five false upper teeth. The shinbone of his left leg bears

week in a central London park, suffering from a head injury Yesterday, under a "truth" drug he shouted orders to "abandon ship" and talked loosely of Nel-HALIFAX-In heavy rain and son Street, Vancouver, speaking gale, the Empress of Canada, of shipping and naming the rt at the beginning of the back as a luxury liner, arrived Danish ships Tal Marie and at Halifax yesterday afternoon. Karl Walmstoff (or Vernstof).

GGREAT YARMOUTH, Eng ()-William Chapman has com-Donations of even \$1 or less plying the seas with plenty of pleted 50 years as organist for Deneside Church here.

At the moment, these Prince

Rupert stores have many inter-

esting and delightful gifts to

Hardware and house furnish-

ing stores of the city are stress-

ing practical items as gift sug-

moment but going fast. Next

The trend in table lamps is

toward old fashioned styles, like

Christmas season.

their weight in gold.

grace any Christmas tree.

GOOD CHINA DISHES

ARE BACK AGAIN

ant British people" Mayor MERCHANTS ADVISE:

appearing in her original dress.

BUY HOUSEHOLD AND SPORTS ARTICLES NOW TO AVOID TAX

"It's later than you think!"

You had better take the tip today and not delay your Christmas shopping at the furniture, hardware, sports and electrical stores. The stocks are going fast. New shipments will be short, and many items soon will carry the new 25 percent tax. Apart from your gift needs, i

Next Assizes Here Set For May Tenth

VICTORIA (The spring the articles may well be on the 20.00 assizes of the Supreme Court very short list—and they wil of British Columbia for next cost you a great deal more. 15.00 spring are set for May 10 at 5.00 Prince Rupert.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

Skies cleared briefly during gestions. Stainless saucepans the night in the coastal areas with copper bottoms are enjoybut increasing cloudiness will ing a big run in some stores. occur today from a storm which While pressure cookers are still is approaching the coast. Rain available, they are not in the has already commenced over the same demand as last Christmas lewels buried in the mud at Queen Charlottes and should spread to the southern British Columbia coast by tonight. Southeasterly gales will also accompany this storm in the north- find good China dishes in sets, 1889 struck a heavy object Kootenays this morning and "Years ago, when a woman ter at Rossland. There are also During the same year the avong the left bank of the river day. Snow was falling in the again. mly planted in the river bot- cloudy weather prevails in most couldn't think what to give a two nephews in Vancouver. Engineers reported they other sections of the interior. friend, she frequently sent a cup the unable to raise the object Showery weather will be general and saucer or a pair of stock. Canada and the Control of the control of newspaper production is int claimed traces of gold were throughout the entire province ings," recalled one merchant. exported to Canada and the Parcels to Britain and certain volved in notification received

inward. Forecast oved the legend that one of Prince Rupert, Queen Char- year." emperors had hidden his lottes and North Coast-Coneasure there. Plans of where tinuous rain today. Cloudy with ers are in fair supply at the object was struck were giv- showers, mixed rain and snow city officials but no further tonight and Thursday. Winds shipments will go on the shelves southeast (30 m.p.h.) today, at higher prices. shifting to westerly (20) this perature. Lows tonight and the women's wearing apparel, evening. Little change in temhighs Thursday—At Port Hardy and are selling well. 35 and 40, Massett 30 and 40, Prince Rupert 32 and 40, overcast with snow flurries today. ST. JOHN, N.B.—An ocean Northern British Columbia—Inner, with hundreds of select termittent snow tonight and Westock, each one with pede- Thursday morning. Cloudy docked here yesterday. Thursday afternoon, clearing in wooden rules are veritably worth he stock hails from Ireland the evening. Winds (15). Little will be distributed through- change in temperature. Lows to-Canada. The animals are night and highs Thursday—At RY CIVING TOOLS less than a million dol- 24 and 30, Smithers 20 and 30. "My wife has been giving me ent time is weather. Rain trans- stands of spruce, balsam and Downham's 14th century church forms the island into a grant of hamlands." not have a total valuation Quesnel 24 and 30, Prince George

SIX PERSONS DIE IN SEATTLE AIRPORT CRASH-Firefighters spray chemicals on the burning wreckage of the automobile which was hit and crushed by an Alaska Airlines DC-4 passenger plane that crashed and burned in an attempted landing at the Seattle-Tacoma Airport. Six persons, including an infant and a blind wonan, were killed and 23 others were injured. One of the ill-fated plane's four motors is shown at the left.

SPECTACULAR BUS CRASH

Three Injured and Forty Escaped Death In Vancouver This Morning

death in a spectacular collision of a city-bound bus and a taxi at 8 o'clock this morning at the corner of Forty-Ninth and Granville. The bus, after the col-

COLLAPSES, DIES

Mrs. Peter McCormick, who than Thomas' 955. the pioneer residents of Prince Rupert, collapsed and died short ly after 8 o'clock this morning you'have any idea about buying while attending Mass at the something early next year for Catholic Church. She succumbed the house, you had better buy to a heart condition. now. After the turn of the year,

Mrs. McCormick was born a St. Norbert, Manitoba, and had southern B.C. where Mr. McCormick worked at Rossland. They came here 35 years ago.

Mrs. McCormick was 61 years old and survived by her husband who retired a couple of years WAGE SCALE IN ago from his position as locomotive crane operator at the dry dock. There are no children.

A devout church goer, Mrs. McCormick regularly attended masses at Annunciation Church. She collapsed suddenly at 8:25 while the services was in pro- bia industrial payrolls in 1946 Housewives will be pleased to gress.

ern coastal areas throughout the and cups and saucers are back at Vancouver and the other on 000, the Department of Labor Vancouver Island, and one sis- reported today.

and in the teeth of the dredge tomorrow as this storm moves "For a time these items were al- United States this year earned scale rate went up \$1.37 in 1946 parts of the continent have most unobtainable but the situ- Britain nearly \$1,000,000. ation is happily much better this

Island, site of the Columbia Cel-

Pyrexware and better grade the work is expected to be fin-

relatively small.

saucepans are popular this ished late in February.

Excavation work on Watson ing machines.

Post Office Staff on Brink of Hectic, Pre-Christmas Period

CARIBOO NAMES VANCOUVER — Three persons C.C.F. CANDIDATE were injured and forty escaped C.C.F. CANDIDATE

Charles A. Thomas of Prince George to Be Standard Bearer In By-election

VANCOUVER - Charles A. clerks-10 hired specially for lision, crashed into a stone wall Thomas of Prince George has Christmas-will be in the midst sidewalk. It was been nominated C.C.F. candi- of it. date in the forthcoming provin- "We are busy now and we are cial by-election in Cariboo, Sec- going to be busier," said Mr. retary Frank McKenzie an- Morison as he paused from sortnounced last night.

WHILE AT CHURCH the death of Louis Lebourdais, noon. "So far we are handling reemed the liberal, who polled 1370 at the only outgoing mail. At the end many. last provincial election, 375 more of the week we will have in-

IS IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER ()-Blind Thomas Meilas of Prince Rupert has arrived here to receive surgical treatment which it is hoped will Tuesday afternoon. lived in Prince Rupert since the result in the priceless gift of his early days. During the early part eyesight being restored as of the century they lived in Christmas present. He will undergo an operation made possible by donations of fellow citi-

Was Highest In Twenty Years During 1946

VICTORIA (P-British Colum reached a record total of \$403, There are two brothers, one 000,000, an increase of \$1,000.

erage wage figure for an adult daily. male wage-earner was \$39.57, the Overseas mailing did not hit Further increase in the cost

ing altered as the work pro-

office is anticipating a pre-Christmas mail rush at the end of the week that will keep its augmented staff working at fever pitch right up to Christmas eve. According to Postmaster J. R.

Morison, the incoming mail rush will begin at the week-end and, from then on, his staff of 28

ing parcels which deluged the The by-election is caused by downtown office Tuesday after-

Prince Rupert's downtown post

coming as well." The rush of outgoing postal THOMAS MEILAS matter actually started on Monday when the whole staff was

> kept busy from morning to night handling parcels. It eased of Tuesday morning because of the weather but resumed in force

Monday, the staff labored to keep abreast of the flood by getting it off on that night's train. Tuesday, the urgency was not so great because no train

they had to have the decks cleared for today's spate which will go out by train tonight. Mr. Morison anticipates that this year's Christmas mailing will be about as heavy as last year's and has increased his

went out that night. However,

staff accordingly. Downtown, there are 25 clerks, while Doug Kerr, who usually works alone at Station B, has two assistants. Lines of parcel-laden men and

women this week have been filing up to the stamp wickets to have their parcels weighed by fast - moving clerks who Newsprint Takes handle hundreds of bundles Another Advance

ceased to be a once - a - year by the firm which supplies it proposition.

"Overseas parcels, especially Electric toasters and food mixfor Britain, are now a continu- would be an increase of \$6 ous stream," Mr. Morison ex- per ton in the price of such Excavation for Celanese Mill mud which hampers the work plained. "People don't save paper. Within the last four to be Completed by February of the men although it does not them for Christmas. They years the price of newsprint | hinder the earth and rock mov- usually mail them about once has advanced 100 percent. a month. For that reason, the There have been successive. Amount of rock which will lulose Corporation's proposed have to be cleared away for the did not show any great in- the past few months. \$15,000,000 pulp plant, is now celanese plant is not known ex-"more than half completed" and actly since specifications are be-

LOCAL TIDES

CI -	Meniatmas spason			LOCIAL LIE	
av.	Christmas season.	According to Earl Barr of the	Mr. Barr, who is in charge of	Thursday, December 18, 1947 High 5:22 17.7 feet 16:50 17.8 feet	
ay.	For the men, the nardware	local office of the company. B.	arranging the supply of pulp	Thursday, December 18, 1947	
n-	stores are selling many tools in	Total office of the company, 2.	timber for the plant said that	High 5:22 17.7 feet	
nd	Stores are series wood planers are	C. Bridge and Dreaging Co.,	timber for the plant, said that	10.50 179 foot	
.1	limited lines. Wood planers are	which has the contract, is now	logging operations to build up	16:50 17.8 1660	
lay	but a memory and three-foot	which has the contract, is now employing more than 80 men who work two shifts. Turnover	an initial reserve of cut timber.	Low 11:08 10.2 feet	
in	the miles are veritably worth	employing more man of men	all milital reserve or our future	23:29 6.4 feet	
+10	wooden rules are vericably works	who work two shifts. Turnover	will start in the near future.	23.25 0.4 1000	
1.100			A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH		

in labor at the present time is Logging will be begun by the DOWNHAM, Kent, Eng., (P)company on Khutzamateen In-Greatest obstacle at the pres- let where there are extensive Silent for the last 2 years,

Appear Before Court

ATOMIC SUPREMACY

field of atomic energy for a

decade at least," General A.

G. L. McNaughton of Canada

told the Canadian Club here

today, "provided research and

development are maintained

VANCOUVER TUG ASHORE

tug Snohomish, which left

Victoria early in October with

a barge to which six former

American tugs were attached

for a 10,000-mile voyage to

Buenos Aires, went aground

onSan Marcos Island off the

east coast of Brazil. There

are no immediate details of

TO RECONSIDER POLICY

LONDON—Highly placed gov-

ernment sources said today that

the cabinet will probably "re-

consider the whole structure

of its foreign policy" tomorrow

as a result of the four foreign

ministers' failure to reach ag-

reement on the future of Ger-

PREMIER KING 73

kenzie King today celebrated

his seventy-third birthday with

cluding an early start at his

office, a cabinet meeting and

CRASH AT TUCSON

20 members of the crew of a

Jamaica-bound B-29 died in

the flaming wreckage of the

four-engined bomber a few

minutes after it took off from

Davis - Monthan field last

night. Unofficial reports said

that one engine, and possibly

two, failed a few minutes after

STALIN IN MOSCOW

returned to Moscow today

from a holiday in the south,

looking "well, tanned and

rested." He will be 62 on Sun-

with white newsprint in rolls

that, effective January 1, there

MOSCOW - Premier Stalin

the take-off.

day next.

attendance in Parliament.

OTTAWA-Still hale and

the grounding.

HALIFAX - The Canadian

on the scale authorized.

NEW YORK - "The United

UNITED PRESS DISPATCH FORECASTS IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS AT IN-TERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL IN TOKYO

NEW YORK-A United Press dispatch from Tokyo says that Emperor Hirohito will appear before the international tribunal next week to accept full responsibility for the decision to attack Pearl Harbor and the war against the United States. He will also accept responsibility for the killing of the

Doolittle fliers and the slaughtering of Chinese on the Burma BULLETINS road. He will contend that Japan's war was a defensive one resulting from what was conresulting from what was considered an ultimatum by the United States.

States should be able to main-tain its ascendancy in the COMPANY IS APPRECIATIVE

Union Steamships Wish to Retain Support and Goodwill

Appreciation of support and goodwill of Prince Rupert and all coastal points in the endeavour to maintain the best service possible under present conditions is expressed by Union Steamships Ltd. in a message received by the secretary of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce from G. McBean, managing director of the company, in reply to representations made last week against a proposed curtailment in coastal service, which proposed curtailment has now been repealed by the com-

"We fully appreciate your observations and representations," says Mr. McBean's telegram, confirming the previous announcement that, despite operating losses, it had been decided to keep the steamer Cassiar on the present run to the Queen Charlotte Islands and to maintain the existing weekly service along the coast and by the hearty, Prime Minister Mac- steamers Catala and Cardena.

The steamer Coquitlam will be withdrawn from the Vancouvera customary working day in- Prince Rupert-Stewart service after next week's voyage and will be replaced by the Catala. The Vancouver - Bella Coola-Ocean Falls-Prince Rupert service will be carried out by the TUCSON, Arizona-Twelve of | Cardena.

Delayed twelve hours awaiting the transcontinental train at Jasper, the westbound passenger train which was scheduled to arrive in Prince Rupert at 10:45 last night, pulled into the depot here at 11:35 this morning.

Snow conditions in the Kamloops division south of Jasper delayed the eastbound transcontinental train, causing the connecting train to Prince Rupert to wait at Jasper for its arrival.

There have been no delays in the division between Prince Rupert and Jasper, Superintendent C. A. Berner's office reported this morning. There has been considerable snowfall between Terrace and McBride but this has been taken care of by snow plows which have been running periodically from both ends.

Tonight's eastbound train. scheduled to leave at 8 o'clock, will depart on time.

LONDON,- Wimborne House, said to be London's largest private house, was sold for \$1,000,00.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYS

TONIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK

"The Enchanted Christmas Tree" "The Fair Maid of Fressingfield" and "The Florist Shop"

CIVIC CENTRE

Rush Seats 50c Reserved Seats 75c