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HARD SURFACE ROAD TO PORT EDWARD

Highway Reconstruction To Industrial Project Is Assured by Minister

Final Settlement of Jurisdiction of Railway Right-of-Way is Still Outstanding

Arrangements have been completed for the reconstruction and hard surfacing of the highway from Prince Rupert to Port Edward, site of the new celanese pulp mill project of the Celanese Corporation of America, and there will be a good road between the two points in plenty of time to take care of the traffic needs of the new industry, it was announced this morning by Hon. E. C. Carson, minister of public works, who is a visitor in the city. The work will be started as soon as possible or immediately that the necessary equipment becomes available. Nor will the government necessarily await the securing of its own equipment but will avail itself of any suitable local equipment that may be obtained, providing proper arrangements can be made. Survey of road re-routing just outside of the city limits has already been completed, Mr. Carson pointed out.

CONSERVATIVES VOTE AGAINST ATTLEE PLAN

LONDON, (CP)—The Conservative Opposition was expected to vote in the House of Commons today against the Labor government's new crisis measures which impose greater austerity on hard pressed Britons as a means of saving the country from the brink of economic chaos.

While a large Labor majority is expected to push through the crisis plan, the Conservatives will probably vote against it on grounds that Prime Minister Attlee has failed to convince them that the government has an adequate program to launch Britain on the road to economic recovery.

Nanaimo Strike Has Been Ended

Girls Returning to Work Under Agreement Reached Between Labor and Management

NANAIMO, (CP)—Settlement of the strike of 28 women workers who walked out of the Imperial Laundry at Nanaimo June 9 in protest at the dismissal of two workers for absence without permission was made Wednesday in an agreement signed by labor and management.

The girls will return to work as called, according to seniority. Question of re-hiring workers dismissed will be arbitrated.

EENNETT'S HEIRS

LONDON—The brother and two nephews of Viscount Bennett, former Canadian Prime Minister who died here June 27 in his English country home to which he retired, are the principal heirs to his gross estate of \$3,515,000, it was disclosed today in his will submitted to probate.

Divide Over P.G.E. Policy

A resolution proposing final action by the provincial government in extending the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to Prince George and into the Peace River country caused a rift in the opening session of the Associated Boards of Trade convention this morning before it was tabled at noon for further consideration Friday morning.

The resolution, presented by the Prince George Board of Trade, urged that Premier John Hart endeavour to bring present negotiations to an early and successful conclusion, or failing that, the provincial government take steps to extend the railway without outside assistance.

H. G. Perry, speaking in support of the resolution, declared that the benefits of a Pacific outlet from the Peace River would be felt throughout all of central British Columbia.

Will Robinson, of Terrace, countered Mr. Taylor's plea for separate rail and highway routes by reminding the delegates that only a short time before they had approved a resolution asking for completion of the Yellowhead Pass highway between Prince George and Jasper.

"One of the arguments given when that resolution was passed was that a railway alone is not sufficient to develop a territory—that it also needs a parallel highway," Mr. Robinson said.

"Now Mr. Taylor asks that the situation be reversed."

The meeting also passed a resolution presented by the Terrace Board of Trade, backed up by McBride and Prince George. It was endorsed unanimously.

The meeting also passed a resolution asking that the successful land-clearing policy which has been carried out by the provincial government, be supplemented with a land-breaking policy so that the cleared land could be speedily brought into production.

H. V. Taylor, Vanderhoof delegate, hit at the proposal, which he said was made by Mr. Hart, to put the railway through the Pine Pass route where a highway is already being built. He asserted that while he was in favor of a rail extension to the Peace River, it should go by Findlay Forks and Summit Lake, where it would open up more agricultural land.

E. T. Applewhite, secretary of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, charged that the resolution was sectional and suggested that it be withdrawn. He deplored the fact that none of the delegates had received copies of the resolutions in advance, and therefore were voting personal opinions rather than the considered views of the groups they represented.

Frank Dockrill, Tetkwa delegate, told the meeting that the Peace River rail extension had been approved by the British Columbia—Alberta continuing

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Quered as to the progress of negotiations on jurisdiction of right-of-way where the highway runs alongside the Canadian National Railway tracks beyond Tyee, Mr. Carson said that this had not yet been finalized. The provincial government had asked for certain changes in the agreement with the Canadian National Railway and an answer was being awaited from Montreal.

Meantime, the minister had no comment to make as to a permanent policy of road maintenance there, agreeing, however, that periodical re-grading, as now being carried out, was, of course, not the permanent solution.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis
Cooler air from the Pacific was spreading inland over British Columbia this morning after bringing cloudy skies and widely scattered showers to the coastal sections of the province.

Forecast
Increasing cloudiness is expected over the southern interior of the province today while the northern sections will be clear. Widely scattered showers will be confined to the areas west of the coastal mountains today. Only slight improvement is expected Friday. Forecast, Prince Rupert Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast with widely scattered showers vicinity northern Vancouver Island today. Cloudy elsewhere. Clear along the mainland Friday, and cloudy elsewhere. Light winds today northwest (20 m.p.h.) Friday. Normal temperatures. Lows tonight and highs Friday—Port Hardy, 52, 62; Massett, 50, 61; Prince Rupert, 50, 63.

OIL QUOTATIONS

A. P. Con.	15
Calmont	40
C. & E.	2.35
Footfills	2.50
Home	3.90

'Stand-up' at Products Show

Gospel of "Buy at Home" Expounded in Talks, Moving Pictures, Entertainment, Quiz

The B. C. Products Show had a stand-up audience of over 600 persons in the Civic Centre auditorium last night. A few brief speeches, moving pictures, variety program and quiz contest, made an effective setting for the lesson in the advantages of using B.C. Products so that industries of the province might be built up, payrolls created and jobs made to keep the boys and girls at home. Throughout the afternoon, there had been a steady flow of callers at the auditorium to see a revealing display of B.C. products including a considerable number prepared by local industries.

W. D. Grey, chairman of the B.C. Products Bureau of the Vancouver Board of Trade, was chairman and principal speaker of the evening. He ably expounded the gospel of B.C. Products, marshalling an impressive lot of cogent reasons in support thereof. One impressive statement he made was that a factory of 250 men created an annual payroll of \$200,000. It was obvious, therefore, what it would mean to Prince Rupert in dollars to have a payroll of 1000 to 1500 men, which the new celanese mill here would employ. Subsidiary to such an industry, there would follow many other smaller industries and employment in many lines of business and services.

"It is quite evident that we definitely benefit ourselves when we buy B.C. products for we provide jobs for members of our own families," asserted Mr. Grey. "Every father and every mother in this hall can do a little to insure a future for their children's jobs in this way. Too long have we been exporting our most precious British Columbia product, the youth of our country. So let's not sell British Columbia short! Buy B.C. products and do more than just sit around and hope we can keep our men employed!"

And, with it all, Mr. Grey added: "We have demonstrated not only to ourselves but to all Canada and some of the largest and most sensitive export markets of the world that the quality of our products is equal to the world's best."

Mr. Grey announced the winners in the "B. C. Products" week window dressing contest as follows:

First, \$15 prize, Garnet Hull, Watts & Nickerson.

Second, \$10, William Bremner, Kaizen Hardware.

Third, Walter Smith, W. F. Stone.

Acknowledgement was made of assistance that had been given in connection with the staging of the B.C. Products Show with special mention of Bobby Woods, the "live-wire" local chairman, and the special edition of the Daily News.

MAYOR ARNOLD IN GOOD FORM

Mayor Nora Arnold was in good form in extolling the quality of B.C. products and advocating their fullest use. She introduced representatives of ladies' organizations on the platform—Miss Audrey Wrathall, Business and Professional Women's Club; Mrs. S. R. Donaldson, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire; Mrs. G. H. Johnson, Women's Canadian Club, and Mrs. J. S. Black, Women's Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion.

Mayor Arnold Wins Plaudits Of Delegates

Mayor Nora Arnold won the plaudits of the Associated Boards of Trade delegates at the opening of the convention this morning in a manner that caused President George McAdams to see an omen for excellent results for the work of the gathering.

A compressor engine, working just below the convention hall in the Civic Centre roared continuously for the first half hour, making it difficult for the delegates to hear the speakers. H. V. Taylor, Vanderhoof delegate wished publicly that something could be done about it.

"I'll see what I can do about it," said Prince Rupert's woman mayor after she had concluded her address of welcome. She left the room, returning a few minutes later. The engine roar stopped abruptly.

The delegates applauded. "That seems like a good omen," commented President McAdams. "If we can get as speedy results from other governments as we just received from the City of Prince Rupert, this should be the most successful convention on record."

BAD FIRE IN MARITIMES

HALIFAX, (CP)—With Cape Breton Island experiencing the hottest August in history, three fires were burning today on the forested western slopes of Inverness County, while in the woods, fires broke out in scattered sections of the Nova Scotia mainland and in New Brunswick. The most serious Cape Breton fire is on Cheticamp Island. It has been blazing since Tuesday.

Local Tides

Friday, August 8, 1947

High	5:04	17.4 feet
	17:35	18.5 feet
Low	11:10	6.1 feet

MUCH PAPER DESTROYED

Half Million Dollar Fire on New York Waterfront

NEW YORK, (CP)—Fire damaged five thousand tons of newsprint for delivery to New York newspapers this morning. The paper is regarded as practically destroyed. It was a five-alarm fire in a warehouse in lower Manhattan. The fire commissioner Frank J. Quayle estimated the loss at \$500,000.

The cause of the fire, discovered shortly after midnight, has not been determined.

BULLETINS

EXPLOSION IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM—British authorities announced today that twelve oil tank cars had been wrecked by a mine explosion which tore up 300 yards of railway track between Tel Aviv and Haifa about eight this morning. There were no casualties.

HINDU-MOSLEM FIGHTING

NEW DELHI—At least forty-five persons were reported killed and hundreds injured in Hindu-Moslem fighting in the Punjab Wednesday. Sixteen villages were raided in twenty-four hours in the Amritsar district and police said the raids amounted to attacks and counter-attacks by Moslem and Hindu bands.

CALIFORNIA FIRE

LOS ANGELES—Weary fire fighters fought grimly today against a still uncontrolled Tujunga brush fire which has killed two men, injured or burned 75 others and scorched 35 acres of the watershed.

SEAMEN ARRESTED

MONTREAL—Twenty men, described by police as seamen have been arrested on the Montreal waterfront during the past 24 hours, it was disclosed today. Routine charges such as loitering were laid by the police who said they feared the men were preparing to impede the progress of ships through the canal locks. Sentences of \$10 and costs or eight days in jail were imposed.

IMMIGRATION AND INDUSTRY

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Daily train service between Jasper and Prince Rupert, submitted by Prince George.

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Establishment of a land registry office at Prince George.

Countering measures to adverse publicity on the Prince George-Prince Rupert highway. Submitted by Smithers.

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Regional, National and International Matters Ass'd Boards Session

Variety of Important Subjects Included in Resolutions—Full Membership For Alaska Proposed

Delegates from eleven towns and cities in Central British Columbia and Alaska, about 100 strong, convened at the Civic Centre this morning at the opening of the sixteenth annual convention of the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia to consider more than 30 resolutions on regional, national and international subjects from places as far apart as McBride and Juneau.

The opening session followed a meeting of the resolutions committee under chairmanship of A. M. Patterson of Prince George which began at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and continued until midnight as a mass of resolutions were immediately directed at the interests of Central British Columbia, several by the Juneau and Ketchikan delegates had an international character which made some committee men feel that a revision of the Associated Boards' bylaws was necessary before they could government.

At the present time, the Alaska Chambers of Commerce are only affiliated with the Associated Boards, but a special bylaws committee, appointed last night by President George McAdams of Terrace may recommend the inclusion of the Alaska Chambers into full membership.

This would overcome the possible indelicacy of a completely Canadian body sending petitions to the government of the United States, such as one seeking abolition of the Jones Act.

Major resolutions which the convention consider during its sessions today and Friday are:

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