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### THE NEW YEAR

In the New Year which begins tomorrow, we hope Prince Rupert people and the people of the whole of Northern and Central these time of national presperity, we already British Columbia and Yukon White House. British Columbia, most of whom read the Daily News, will be suc- put aside a sum for rainy day expendi- Territory have decided to co-operate Premier King paid a visit to Washingcessful, cheerful, healthy and therefore happy. We wish them tures. Then when good times were over with the Dominion in bringing it into ton on November 25 and the Governorenough wealth to keep them from want and enough adversity to keep and trade slackening, we might open them from deteriorating.

We believe that the year 1928 will see great happenings in Prince Rupert. We have consulted the horoscope and see there a new era of advancement coming from an unexpected source. This vision will put new hope, new life, new vim into us all and help us to realize that for which we have been patiently waiting and feebly struggling.

We hope that some definite step will be taken to make Prince ada is one of the world's greatest ex-Rupert the outlet of the Peace River country. We believe there is port nations, but that can be left for nothing to fear from the extension of the P.G.E. to Prince George my next letter. It fits in better at the but that from that point or some other on the Canadian National opening of 1928. northward the line will be built by one of the big transportation companies. If it is not, it should be. To help a private company would be but to invite ultimate disaster.

## THE PAST AND FUTURE

The past year has been a quiet one in every respect, yet advancement has been made. A commencement was made on the paving of the city with concrete sidewalks, on the trunk sewer which Syd Chaplin as Old Bill Makes a was badly needed and good progress was made on the road which is the beginning of the Skeena Highway.

The end of the civic year is approaching and good candidates are offering for the position of mayor. Prince Rupert can make no mistake in supporting any one of them.

Prince Rupert has been fighting her way to the fore as a sea- little Cockney private. But Old Bill diated such a policy with considerable port. The first step has been taken in establishing this as a grain had more important things to think force. On the third day the convention port. During the year other developments may be expected that about. Especially his missus, Mazgie, ballotted for a new leader, the choice should be even more important than the elevator.

People sometimes get tired of hearing us sound a cheerful note of hope and faith in regard to the future of the city. We wish, the incipient love affair between his the meantime having been conducted however, to say that we are just as optimistic as ever in regard pal, Bert, and Joan, the pretty sister by Hon. Hugh Guthrie, M.P., of Guelph. to the future of Prince Rupert. We feel that there are great things ahead for us and that the day is not far distant when we shall begin to feel a change.

## C.P.R. AND PRINCE RUPERT

The suggestion was made yesterday that the C.P.R. should build the western outlet to the Peace River and that the company should get running rights over the Canadian National and make its terminus at Prince Rupert. We are not concerned over which the inn, where he confers with Gaspard, on August 17, of Hon. John Oliver, who company builds the line as long as it comes to the Canadian National and together they are about to release had been head of the government from line at or west of Prince George. We believe this to be the natural outlet although we also admit there are good arguments in favor of Portland Canal. If the C.P.R. decided to come here, Prince Rupert Bill, chasing a pig. tumbles into the would welcome the big company, but we hardly think it likely that cellar grasps the situation, grapples such will be the case. We look to the C.N.R. as the natural system to serve the great northern section of the country.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO TERRACE

Terrace is about to set out as a village municipality. It is al- eral and is acclaimed a hero, while the was appointed the first minister pleniready incorporated and when it has complied with the necessary pursuit of Gaspard begins. forms and elected officers for the year it will be ready to do busi- That night, the soldiers stage an up- He presented his credentials to the ness. It is probably the beginning of a period of improvement for the community. Of one thing it is necessary to warn and that is gags. Bill and Alf take part as the Canada on June 2 and has since be- at whitney, Ontario, on July 11; five against spending too much money and thus so increasing the taxes the Germans attack. Bill and Alf are life. that the cost of living there is too great. However, roads are easy to sewed in the fake horse's body too tightbuild, and sewers to dig and there is plenty of gravel close by for ly to join in the general retreat. concrete sidewalks. Possibly that new village will give Prince Rupert a lead in some things.

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A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS

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# REDUCE DEBT

Expected That Matter Will be Dealt With at Coming Session

(By R. J. Deachman) two. Mr. Robb may be expected to take of all ages.

a middle course. the Canadian Bond Dealers suggested the definite appropriation of approximately \$23,000,000 a year for debt reduction More than that amount is now being applied to that purpose, but there is danger when debt reduction is not definitely budgeted, that a raid will be made on the treasury. The picture of a finance minister sitting, gun in hand on the treasury-chest, is not a mere fancy. It takes courage of a high order the fall, yet the result was such as to to meet and refuse the many demands. It on the other hand, definite provision were made for debt retirement, it would have a tendency to steady the situation.

Of course there is no law to prevent diamond jubilee. governments from ceasing to live a \$7.50 hand-to-mouth existence. There is no reason why expenditures that is large and necessary expenditures, should not funds. We have built the Welland Canal was short and not exciting. Another by votes from year to year. It would be Robb budget, reducing taxation, was interesting if some time, we adopted adopted by the House of Commons on the course of building out of the sur- March 1. The Senate on March 24 plusses of previous years.

the savings and go ahead with some constructive enterprise-not only preparing for better times, but hastening its coming by our own thrift and pre-

improving world conditions—this is an important matter to Canada, for Can-

Hit in Soldier Story so Well Known

'ave 'is mind on the war," said Alf, the guson, premier of Ontario, who repuback in Blighty. Meanwhile, in back falling upon Hon. R. B. Bennett, M.P. of the front at Boucaret, he has a for Calgary, who will take command at chance, between air raids, to observe the coming session, the leadership in of Gaspard, the innkeeper, and to The Dominion and provinces met in make close 'armony with his other pal, conference at Ottawa on November 3 and

So the hardboiled corporal, Quint, puts augurs well for the future. him on fatigue duty.

a pigeon, with a message to the Germans 1918. Hon. J. D. Maclean, being sworn as advising them to attack at once. Old the new premier on August 20. with Gaspard, and ropes him, crying,

front and hind legs of a horse. Then come a leading figure in Ottawa public

There's more to it than that but the fun lies in the succession of gags.

Vancouver, B.C.

## "DON JUAN" SEEN AT THEATRE LAST NIGHT

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holme last night, has been most famillarly known to lovers of literature through Lord Byron's unfinished peem of the youthful Spanish lover who conducted his amorous adventures all over the map of Europe. To music lovers A' resiliproblem is that of debt reduc- there is only one Don Juan-the "Don tion. For some years now the reduction Giovanni" of Morart's opera. The theahas been fairly steady. Last year's final tre in modern times has produced a long figures revealed the largest net surplus peries of Don Juans-Rostand's, Bernard in Camadian history. Some people-as Shaw's and Arnold Bennett's being the for instance, the Canadian Shoe Manu- mist prominent. These Don Juans have facturers, are urging the government to tended to rob the great lover of much reduce taxes rather than reduce the of his magic glamour, but the old magic ebt. On the other hand, there are far returns in the screen version, by Eess sighted people who urge the other aids Meredyth. Here is the Don Juan of roof the problem-reduce debt and there- mance; as played by Barrymore, a conby you will reduce taxes. Between the vincing portrayal of the greatest lover

It will be recalled that some time ago CHIEF HAPPENINGS IN CAN-ADA FOR 1927 OUTLINED BRIEFLY SHOWS THE YEAR TO HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT

was one of great progress and prosperity. A bumper crop in the West was somewhat damaged by bad weather in send through the whole business and industrial community an electrifying influence which promises to make 1928 even more prosperous than the year of

POLITICS IN 1927

The year was, like most post-election years, a quiet one in federal politics. c made from previously accumulated The session of the Dominion parliament passed Old Age Pensions Bill, which it Maritime Provinces.

consequence of the continued anti-Brit- Washington. There are many signs of gradually ish propaganda from Moscow, but dur- Towards the end of the year the

NEW CONSERVATIVE LEADER

The regisnation by Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, of the leadership of the Conervative Party in October, 1926, caused the holding of a great party convention at Winnipeg on October 10 and following days. Mr. Meighen was present and caused turmoil in the convention by. on the opening day, defending his Hamilton speech in which he advocated a general election in the event of war. He "The trouble with Old Bill is 'e don't was answered by Hon. G. Howard Ferfor 10 days discussed various question He does not notice the arrival of in dispute between them. On the whole Major Russet of the Highgloom Guards, the spirit of the convention was good whirling into Boucaret on a motorcycle, and indicated a national unity which

In British Columbia there was a change The Major adjourns to the cellar of in the premiership owing to the death,

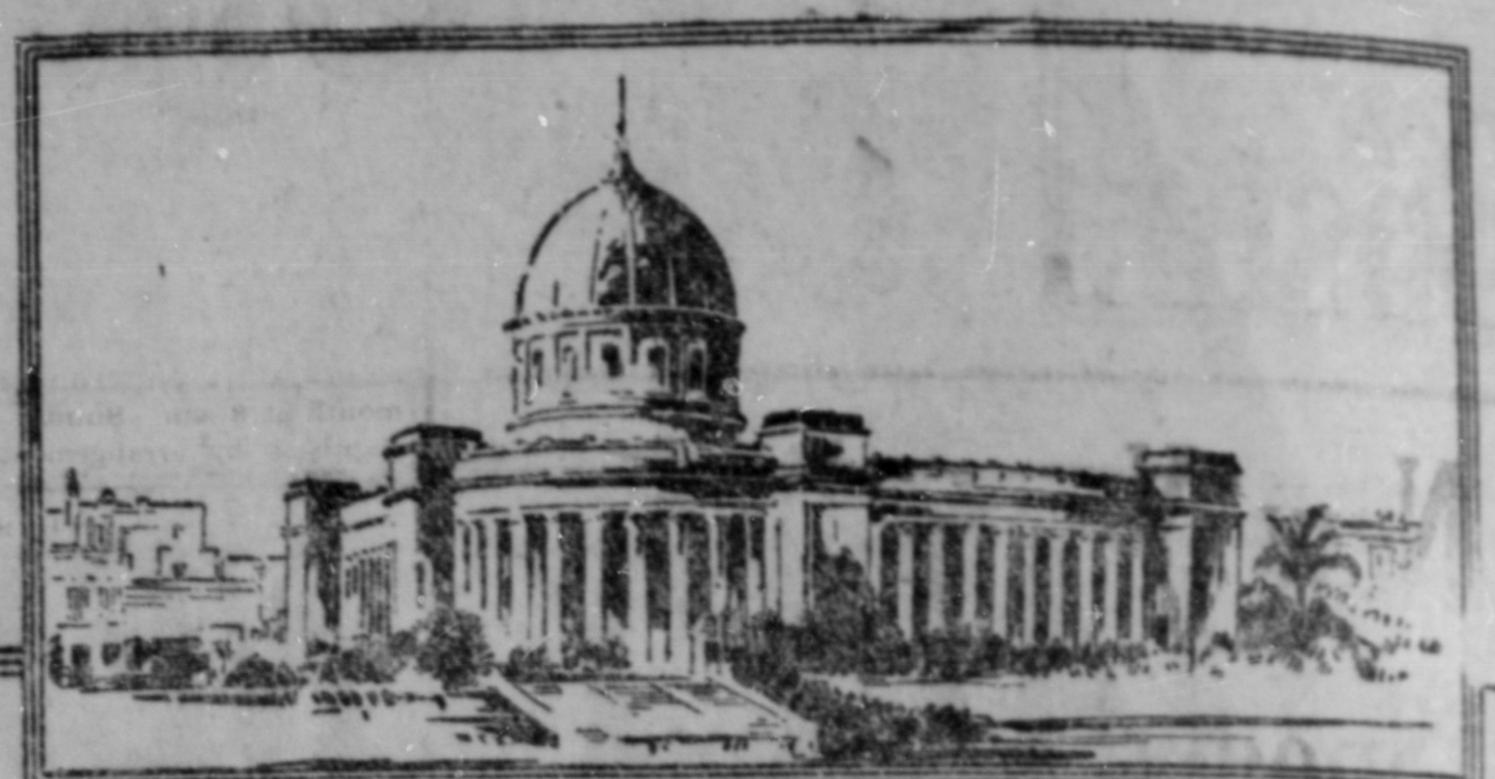
RELATIONS WITH U.S.

One outstanding feature of the Diamond Jubilee Year was the rapproche-The Major orders everybody out and ment with the United States. On Febreleases Gaspard, firing after him to di- ruary 3 Hon. William Phillips, who had vert suspicion. He reports to the Gen- been American minister to Belgium, potentiary to the Dominion of Canada.

dian minister plenipotentiary to the to President Coolidge on February 18. of the front rank.

On August 7 a notable international six others. ceremony took piace at Buffalo and Fort Erie, Ont., when the new Peace Bridge to crops and property in many sections between the two cities was formally in- of the country, but the loss of life augurated by H.R.H. the Prince of was small. In the eastern townships of Wales, who was accompanied by Prince Quebec floods were experienced in No-George, Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, prime vember, akin to the New England floods, minister of Great Britain, and a dis- and several lives were snuffed out in tinguished company of public men. railway accidents caused by washouts They were welcomed by the secretary of and wrecked bridges. state of the United States, the governo of New York State, and other notables. UNIQUE CEREMONY

Armistice Day, November 11, saw a unique ceremony in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D.C., when a Cross of Sacrifice in honor of the citizens of the United States who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force during the war with Germany was unveiled by Hon. Vincent Massey and Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of defence of Canada. It was the first occasion for over a century that British troops had been seen in the United States capital and the circumstances were marked by President Coolidge paying the Canadian soldiers



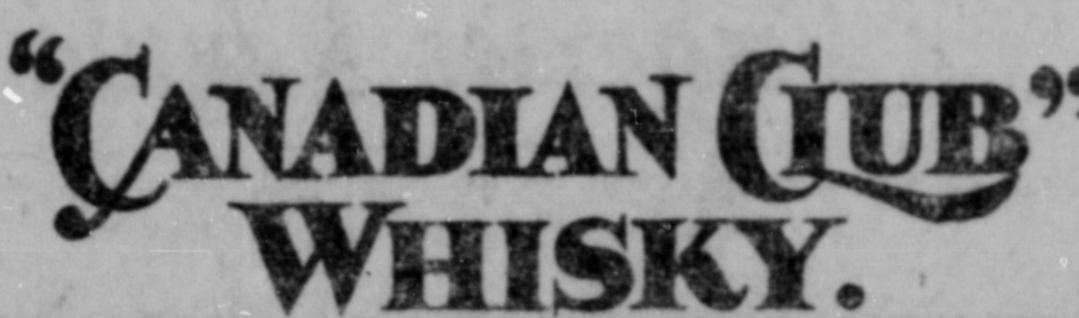
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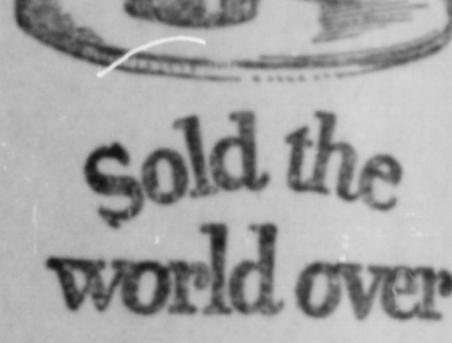
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How much better it would be if in had rejected the previous year, and the compliment of reviewing them at the

force in their respective districts. In- General and Viscountess Willingdon paid terim extra subsidies were voted to the an official visit there on December 6. being received with all the honors Canada on May 30 terminated a trade worthy of the occasion of the first visit agreement with the Soviet Republics in of a governor-general of Canada to

ing the year new trade agreements were United States government paid commade with Czecho-Slovakia and Cuba. pensation for the seizure of the schopner Fort Churchill was definitely selected "Lord Nelson" on Lake Ontario two as the terminus of the Hudson's Bay weaks before the declaration of war in Railway on August 10 after a visit from 1312, thus giving further proof of good Frederick Palmer, an English expert, and will towards Canada and terminating a reconstruction of the railway is being claim which had been pressed for over

DISASTERS OF 1927

Canada was as a whole free from great disasters during the past year. She had none of the great cataclysms of the nature which visited other countries and although there were periods of reakish weather the loss was more maerial than human, the sacrifice of life being small indeed when compared with. r instance, our neighbor to the south.

The most terrible happening of the rear took place when the Laurier movng picture theatre at Montreal took re on Sunday, January 9. It was rowded to the doors, mostly with childen, and 78 of them were killed in the panic which ensued. There was, of course, a great storm of public indigna-Mon that such a catastrophe was possible and months later the proprietor and wo of his employes received prison senences, which did not, however, bring back the children sacrificed to human reed and criminal violation of civic bylaws. More than 30 children lost their lives when fire visited the Hospice St. Charles, Quebec City, on December 4. One adult met death. Twenty other children were burned to death in a fire in an orphanage at Lac La Blonge Sask., on September 19. In that case to one can be blamed; the fire was sudden in the dead of the night; and i he victims were trapped despite heroic work by the sisters in charge.

There were a number of other fire fatalities during the year. Four were jurned to death at Ottawa on January 11: four children at Toronto on January 16; four other children at Thetford Mines, Quebec, on February 27; eight were burned, some fatally, in an apartment house fire at Vancouver on July roarious amateur show, replete with governor-general and the government of 10; four other children were cremated were killed in a fire caused by a mysterious explosion at Montreal on August Hon. Vincent Massey, the first Cana- 15; four were lost in a fire near Pasqua, Sask., on September 24; four United States, presented his credentials others near Darmoody, Sask., on September 30; and three others at Hun-The Canadian delegation at Washington toon, Sask., on the came day. A myss now recognized by diplomats as one terious gasoline exp. non at Toronto on October 2 killed three and injured

Storms and floods caused must loss



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