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## CITIZENS ALMOST UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR POWER BYLAW

## Delegation Will Go to Calgary Representing City Council and Board of Trade Regard Elevator

Mayor McMordie, F. G. Dawson and M. P. McCaffery TO WIPE OUT First and Later by Personal Visit

Between the Prince Rupert Board of Trade and the city council, quick action was obtained last night in the matter of this port's protest against the "dog in the manger" tactics that are apparently being employed by the Alberta Wheat Pool, as far as the local terminal elevator is concerned. The Board of Trade recommended that a delegation consisting of Mayor S. P. McMordie, Ald. F. G. Dawson and M. P. McCaffery be sent to Calgary to interview the heads of the Wheat Pool with a view to ascertaining

**QUIET HINT** 

TO U. S. ON

Fiscal Policy of Canada Will

Depend on Policy of

Other Countries

OTTAWA, Mar. 2:--In his

"It is our desire to trade

budget speech yesterday Hon.

James Robb, minister of fin-

freely with any and all who

are willing to trade with us.

What may or may not be

possible in this regard nec-

essarily depends in some

measure on the purchasing

power and fiscal policies of

istration is not a high tariff

policy. Its policy is to en-

courage production at home

and marketing of our excess

production abroad. In ap-

plying this policy, both do-

mestic asd international fac-

tors must of necessity be

Commerce for the Hoover cabinet. \*\*

considered."

"The policy of this admin-

nance, said:

other countries.

THE TARIFF

many that there was

why so little use was being made "of the elevator this season and, if possible, rectify the situation. This recommendation, presented to the council by Ald. Collart, was immediately adopted, the city undertaking to pay the expenses of the delegation on the trip. This committee is losing no time in getting busy and today laid its case by wire before Wheat Pool headquarters. Failing any satisfaction being obtained by this means, the delegation will be prepared to leave early next week for Calgary. In presenting his motion, Ald. Collart referred briefly at the special meeting of the council to what (Continued on Page Six)

### BIG FIRE AT ROSSLAND IS DESTRUCTIVE

Main Business Section of City Destroyed North of Columbia Avenue

ONLY EMBERS REMAIN

Blaze Started in Vacant Store and Spread Rapidly Carried by Wind

ROSSLAND, B. C., Mar. 2:- SECRETARY OF COMMERCE Fire, which broke out here shortly before midnight last night was brought under control at 9 ert P. Lamont, Chicago engineer, & entertain the visitors. o'clock this morning with esti- has bee nchosen secretary of (Continued on page three)

# UNEMPLOYMENT

Lloyd George Sounds Battlecry of British Liberals

BRAND NEW POLICY

Would Borrow Millions to Carry Out Work Instead of Paying Dole

LONDON, March 2 .- David note of the Liberal party today, pledged that if the party was put into power it would wipe out the unemployment within a year without adding a penny to the taxes. It would be done, he said, by putting into operation extensive plans for the systematic development of the national resources, notably roadbuilding, re-organization of the national transport, draining of vast swamp and other work adding to the national wealth and efficiency,

He held that the government would borrow the money and anticipate an increased revenue from the undertakings just as easily as it could borrow millions to perpetuate the present unemployment. He said that one of the country's outstanding needs was the removal of the nation's present "colassal drink bill."

\* CONVENTION WILL BE HELD HERE IN MONTH OF AUGUST 4

The definite acceptance of \* + an invitation sent by the + ◆ Prince Rupert Board of ◆ ♣ Trade to the Canadian Fish- ♣ reies Association to hold \* their convention this next \* \* read at the meeting of the \* & Board last night. This will & + be a large and important + \* convention and the Board \* WASHINGTON, Mar. 2:-Rob- + will take necessary steps to +

## TOOK POISON; KILLED SELF

president of the B. C. entomological society, died here in hosmanner yesterday when he was in the Post Office funds.

back he put something in his started. mouth. A few seconds later he President G zales explained potassium-cyanide.



Above are the two men upon whom the Government and official opposition parties in the Federal House will rely for a complete representation when any motions of importance are to be discussed, during the present Session. They are, left to right: P. Casgrain, Chief Whip of the Government, and General McRae, or-Lloyd George, sounding the key- ganizer of the Conservative Part and Chief Whip.

### Airplane Race Into the Mining Areas of North Part of the Province

VICTORIA, March 2.—A thrilling race by airplane is being staged by prospectors into northern British Columbia back of the Alaskan panhandle.

Dispatches from Telegraph Creek today announced that W. R. George had reached there by airplane from Skagway and White Horse and thus jumped into the lead over a group of prospectors rushing into the area by way of Edmonton with a fleet of three planes of the Northern Aerial Mineral Exploration Company. Both expeditions will be weeks ahead of thousands of prospectors expected to invade the northern area with the spring opening.

The prospectors are facing danger not only from cold, but from Nahanni Indians, who are reported to have threatened death to white men attempting to enter their country. Mineral wealth consists, it is said, of big copper and lead deposits in the Cassiar and Liard district.

### August in Prince Rupert was : Major McLaren Has Contract to Make Air Survey of Route for Highway Pr. Rupert to Terrace

That a contract has been let to Major McLaren to make a thorough survey of the highway possibilities between Prince Rupert and Terrace was reported to the Prince Rupert Board of Trade at its meeting last night. Also, it was decided to make further representations to Victoria with a view to securing the building of the bridge IN VICTORIA across Galloway Rapids and the continuation of construc-

The matter was brought up by Sid Thompson, who

H. spoke of the road to Terrace as" Blackmore, senior clerk of the "Prince Rupert's best bet." Last a first-class plane in doing it. Victoria Post Office, former year \$50,000,000 was spent by tourists in British Columbia, but ed, S. E. Parker moving that furhow much did Prince Rupert get? pital this morning following the He was ready to wager that if the taking of poison in a dramatic 5000 cars come through from the road was opened there would be outside the first year. It was questioned concerning shortages reported that 1300 visited Smithers last year. It would bring such According to available details prosperity as no one ever dreamed the river who are idle from Friday Mr. Blackmore when questioned of. He was willing to give a by officials, admitted the respon- check of \$100 toward a campaign that the route should go by way of sibility and then, turning his ir its favor if such should be the canneries.

THE RESIDENCE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY

Considerable discusion followther representations should be made in regard to the matter:

George Nickerson thought the road should go by the canneries, FORTUNE I FFT BY as for three months every year there are 2000 people employed on to Sunday. He strongly urged

The resolution was carried.

became ill and it is believed that that he understood a contract for VANCOUVER, Mar. 2:-Wheat ractor, who died here on January + is 4,195 miles. he took poison in the form of survey of the route had been let was quoted on the exchange to- 26, leaving a net estate of to Major McLaren, who would use day at \$1.28%.

## Bylaw Providing for Sale of Power Plant Gets Large Majority

Plant Will Be Taken Over at Once Under J. J. Little as Manager for Northern B. C., and Surveys of Power Sites Made

By the decisive vote of 583 to 80, which gave a majority of 185 over the 60 per cent required to carry, the ratepayers of Prince Rupert at the polls yesterday ratified the agreement between the city and the Power Corporation of Canada whereby the latter, in consideration of a cash payment of \$375,000 and an undertaking to furnish an additional 5000 horsepower of electric energy within two years, takes over the city's hydro-electric plant with a 25-year franchise for the exclusive supply of light and power to

the municipality. Immediately -the council was held to finally re-consider and adopt the agreement, STEAMER FOR the resolution to this effect being moved by Ald. Collart, seconded by Ald. Prudhomme, and carried unanimously.

of the vote, Mayor McMordie stated that he felt sure that the members of the council would be all greatly satisfied that, after

very well prove to be one of the Rupert for local business. most momentous decisions that The letter was ordered suitably has ever been concluded in the acknowledged and the president municipal history of this city. | expressed thanks to George Nick-

cil, two copies of the agreement with securing this. were duly signed by the mayor and city solicitor on behalf of the City. These will be taken by H. BUDGET TAX

### MAKEREADY FOR PLANES

Service Like'y to Be Established Seattle to Juneau, Calling at Rupert

Two interesting matters in relation to air navigation came before the Board of Trade last night. A chart was received from the hydro graphic department at Washington and the board was asked to mark on it any suitable landing sites for airplanes. This went to the navigation committee for action. President Gonzales brought up the matter of a mail contract for airplanes calling here on the way to and from Juneau from Seattle. No opposition to the suggestion was expressed, but it was left to the trade and commerce committee for report. It was stated that two companies were planning putting on airplane services and one would doubtless establish the line this coming summer.

bate was ordered in the supreme + less. court today of the will of William & Going by way of Dixon & P. Tierney, pioneer of British Co- + Entrance the distance to + lumbia, railway and highway con- Panama from Prince Rupert \* \$363,000.

# PRINCE RUPERT

Briefly referring to the result | Sum Placed In Estimates for Construction of Vessel for This Port

At the meeting of the Board of months of deliberation and nego- Trade last night a letter was read tiation, the citizens had seen fit from B. C. Keeley of Vancouver to so generally agree with them. stating that a sum would be placed Apart from this, there was no in the estimates this year at Otfurther discussion in connection tawa to provide for the building with the final act of what may of a steamer to ply out of Prince

After the meeting of the coun- erson for his work in connection

## CHANGES ARE IMPORTANT

Reduction Made Through Increase of British Preference and Abolition of Several

SALES TAX REDUCED

OTTAWA, Mar. 2:-Important changes outlined in the budget lyesterday include an increase in the British preference, a reduction in the sales tax, abolition of the tax on telegrams, on railway and steamship tickets and on insurance premiums. There are 34 changes in the tariff, mostly in the matter of adjustments.

The sales tax is reduced from three to two per cent. Rates of (Continued on page three)

\* ALMOST AS NEAR PANAMA AS PORT OF VANCOUVER +

Captain Elfort, harbor \* \* master, reported to the Board \* of Trade last night the of-+ ficial distance from Prince + \* Rupert to Panama by Hecate \* → Strait was 4,090½ miles. → WILLIAM TIERNEY & From Vancouver to the same \* P place the distance was 4,- \* VANCOUVER, March 2.-Pro- + 043 miles, only 471/2 miles +

### POWER CORFORATION'S APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Power Corporation of Canada, Limited, I wish to thank the citizens of Prince Rupert for their most generous endorsation of the Power Bylaw yesterday.

I should also like to express our appreciation of the invaluable assistance we have received from our supporters ever since the commencement of negotiations for the sale of the Prince Rupert power plant.

I believe the future will prove that the confidence shown by the people of Prince Rupert in a Canadian enterprise has not been misplaced.

Personally, I desire to express my very sincere gratitude for the innumerable courtesies and wonderful hospitality shown to me during my pleasant sojourn in Prince Rupert.

H. E. PAWSON, Assistant Commercial Manager, Power Corporation of Canada, Limited.