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Chamber of Commerce Hears of Developments

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North. This was turned down but through our insistence, R. Irvine of the Radio Inspection Branch was sent to Prince Rupert to check on reception conditions, spending several weeks in the city and district.

"The chamber felt that war conditions imposed on the government an obligation to provide the north with accurate radio news coverage from Canadian sources. Strong efforts were accordingly made to have Prince Rupert hooked up with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation through Jasper. As an alternative it was urged that a short-wave station be established to serve the district Corporation placed shortwave station CBRX in operation during the fall and, although reception from this station is by no means satisfactory, correspondence is being carried on by the radio committee with a view to possible improvement.

"Broadcast interference from the naval transmitter located in the Besner Building has been protested on several occasions by the Board. We have been assured by the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, that, as soon as the equipment is moved to new quarters now under construction, this interference problem will be cleared up.

"A resolution from the Terrace Board of Trade directed to Premier Pattullo and others, requestng that a sum of not less than \$200,000 be allotted for the completion of the highway between Terrace and Hazelton, was supported by this Chamber.

"For the purpose of co-ordinating Canadian industrial production for war purposes, British Columbia was divided into industrial zones. Col. J. W. Nicholls was appointed by this Chamber zone director for Northern British Col-

"At the request of James Crone, British technical adviser to the Canadian government, a registration of tool and machine shops with details of equipment and condition, was carried out.

'A communication was ad dressed to the Minister of Trade and Commerce asking that serious consideration be given to the possibility of moving grain through the local elevator to Vladivostock.

"The President of the Canadian National Railways was asked to halibut landings totalled 9,680,000 public service to this city and to DAILY NEWS WANT ADS BRING Frank Wells, Sidney; L. Bridge being carried out in connection with proposed repairs to the United States Army Transport vessel Kvichak.

"A delegation from the Board met with Col. Thrasher, United States Army transport officer, and W. H. Bunker, who were here to survey the possible utilization of port facilities in the movement of supplies to Alaska.

"A resolution was passed asking for the formation of a national war Cabinet to include men of ability and integrity irrespective of political affiliation.

"A recommendation from this Chamber, directed to the Federal government, asked for the immediate extension of the National War Services Act to include the complete mobilization of wealth, industry, and man power.

"During the past year the and the United War Services ap- increase of 35,000 cases over 1940.

Several Addresses

It was our pleasure to hear several addresses during the year on cases. current topics and the speakers were listened to with interest. Hon. William Asselstine, Minister of for a concise report on lumbering Trade, and Lloyd Craig, British and logging. The comparative Columbia trade representative in statement for 1940 and 1941 on Ottawa, addressed the board on materials produced is as follows: trade developments in the province as a result of the war. Alan feet; 1941, 227,000,000 board feet. Cormack spoke on shipbuilding with particular reference to Prince Rupert. Major O'Brien discussed our benefit the problems of war finance and the Victory Loan. Capt. G. W. Marsden R. C. E., spoke on conditions in Germany prior to the outbreak of war. To these gentlemen we have accorded our appreciation and our thanks.

"Invitations were extended to H. R. MacMillan, President of Wartime Shipping Ltd., and to James Crone, British technical adviser to the Canadian government, to visit the city. To our regret they were unable to accept. Joseph M. Pig-

inspection tour. "Due to the war, no convention of the Associated Boards of Trade was held this year. It is of interest that the United Brother-

hood of British Columbia held their annual convention in Prince lineal feet; 1941, 2,613,000 lineal JAPANESE Rupert in December. City Commis- feet. sioner D. J. Matheson and your Hewn ties, 1940, 63,000 pieces; President were invited to welcome 1941, 103,000 pieces. the Brotherhood to the city.

Steamship Company, the Chamber crease of 80 percent over 1939. made a presentation to Capt. H. War requirements and the entry E. Nedden, in token of his out- of the United States into the war standing record as a mariner on have intensified the demand for the coast.

good work done by the Junior Charlottes. It is of some interest tion of action regarding the Jap-Section of the Chamber during that small shipments of aero stock anese situation. A letter had been the past year, and the many have moved through Prince Rup- forwarded by air mail from the courtresies extended to your Pre- ert in 1941, destined for the Bri- provincial executive to the Dosident. We wish the members of tish Supply Board. Mr. St. Clair minion command at Ottawa supthe Junior Section every success indicates that the forest products porting all recommendations made in the year ahead.

of this Chamber has not deterior- pinch of priorities in securing Col. MacGregor Macintosh, first ated during the year as evidenced machinery parts and new equip- provincial vice-president of the by the treasurer's report, a marked ment. Also a shortage of man- Canadian Legion, is a member of improvement in attendance and power is becoming more and more that committee, membership is much to be desired. evident throughout the district. Chamber of Commerce.

Primary Industries

on the whole the season has been proved its value during the year. moderately satisfactory to the far- "I regard it as an honor to have mers. Of special interest this year held office as your president durwas the attempt by the producers ing the past year, it is an office of beef cattle to market their that should not be held lightly product by trainload. Thirty-two and I have endeavoured at cars of cattle and sheep were times to serve to the best of my shipped to Kamloops in October ability. and auctioned off. Good prices were realized on most classes. Mr. Preston states that the sale of executive council, members of the farm products in Prince Rupert standing committees and memappears to be deadlocked, with bers of special committees perhaps a lack of co-operation on valuable co-operation throughout

both sides. "Fisheries— We thank James tion little progress could be made Boyd, Supervisor of Fisheries, for in solving our problems. I acknowhis report covering the landings ledge gratefully the assistance giv- usual monthly gift of fruit. and values of fish in District No. en me by Arthur Brooksbank. 2 during 1941. The fishing in- Without the aid of an experienced dustry, major factor in the econ- secretary, the President would be omic well-being of this port, lost in a maze of uncertainty and appreciation for services rendered the Catala's run and the Vent would appear to have kept in step indecision. You are to be con- to one of their members who had will replace the Cardena. with the record of general im- gratulated on retaining his serprovement in the year just closed. vices for the coming year. Acknow- ment. Six and a half million dollars ledgment is made of our debt to worth of fish of al varieties was Arnold Flaten, who has again been landed in the district. Of this kind enough to audit the books of who presided, W. J. Rance, G. W. total 75 percent was Canadian the Chamber. Thanks are due to Slater, R. C. Bamford, J. M. Walkand 25 percent American. The our Honorary President for con- er, George Abbott, C. L. Youngcomparative figures are five mil- siderate help and we congratulate man, Edgar Woodward, Neil Camlion dollars in 1940 and four mil- Mr. Pattullo on having passed, in eron and Harry Breen. lion dollars in 1939. Canadian 1941, the quarter century mark in pounds, compared with 9,590,000 the Province of British Columbia. pounds in 1940. For about the The assistance received from our same quantity the fishermen re- Honorary Vice - President, Olof ceived \$125,000 more than in 1940, Hanson, is likewise acknowledged. or a price-average increase of 15 Mr. Hanson has been untiring on percent. The figures on American our behalf, whenever help was rehalibut landings are 10,040,000 quired. pounds in 1941 as against 11,210,- "In concluding, gentlemen, 000 pounds in 1940, in this case thank you for your patience. I a drop of over a million pounds. know that the affairs of the I am told that this can be ac- Chamber are in good hands for counted for to some extent by a the year ahead. To President Archange in the lay-over regulations, nold Flaten and to all the memcausing more trips to go south. bers, I extend best wishes for a Canadian salmon landings for the year totalled 64,030,000 pounds with a value to the fishermen of 1942. \$3,536,999. The comparable figures for 1940 are 65,201,600 pounds, valued at \$2,341,019. Although the salmon catch in 1941 was over a million pounds below the previous year, the fishermen received \$1,- Start the Year Right By 195,981 more. This is accounted for largely by the higher prices Chamber has supported actively paid for cohoes, chums, and pinks. with its membership the Victory A total of 778,000 cases of salmon Loan drive, war savings program were packed in this district, an

> proximate only as final figures have not been received in all "Lumbering— We are indebted to District Forester R. C. St. Clair "Sawlogs, 1940, 223,000,000 board

> The statistics quoted here are ap-

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"Sawlog production shows a "On his retirement from the ser- slight increase over 1940, which vice of the Canadian National year showed the remarkable in-"Acknowledgment is made of the has been coming from the Queen Canadian Legion will be the ques-"Though the financial position that operators are feeling the Orientals now in Ottawa. Lieut.-

As responsible business men, it is "Mining- The report of Dr. ular executive meeting of the Lenot only our privilege, but also Joseph T. Mandy, district mining gion last evening included letters our definite duty, to take an ac- engineer, on conditions in the of thanks from many organizative part in the affairs of this mining industry is very much appreciated. Dr. Mandy points out Legion had sent Christmas cheer. that the industry has been affect- There were letters from Colonel "To this report I attach re- ed by world war conditions. Genviews of conditions in the district eral prospecting has decreased but Major C. V. Evitt, on behalf of the in each of our primary industries. search for strategic mineral de-"Agriculture— A comprehensive posits has increased. Placer-gold survey of agricultural conditions mining activity has shown an inin the district has kindly been crease, particularly in the Atlin provided by district agriculturalist district. The government sampling S. G. Preston, who notes that plant at Prince Rupert has again

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aeroplane spruce, most of which Wednesday's regular meeting of the market will be steady in 1942 but by the standing committee on

> Correspondence read at the regtions and individuals to whom the Walter Bapty, Canadian Scottish; men at Barrett Fort, Frederick Fort, Charles Point and Dundas Point; commanding officer of the Royal Canadian Air Force at Prince Rupert; Sergeant Lanning, of the Canadian Provost Corps at Prince Rupert; J. H. Storrie, John C. Shelford, Ted Mills, Jim Irvine, Harry Robb, Robert McKay, R. D. Minnion, W. Earl Eby, all of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and Lieut. Wiz. Bryant, Canadian Army overseas.

Acknowledgement of donations for overseas men were received from the secretary of the Navy Auxiliary, Prince Rupert, and the secretary of the 102nd. Women's nest Sheppard, returned to me Auxiliary.

nowledged receipt of special thern points and sailed at 1 Christmas cheer in addition to the this afternoon for Vancouver The Stewart branch of the Ca- this voyage the Catala is &

nadian Legion extended fraternal withdrawn for annual overhand greetings and an expression of Vancouver. The Cardena will been sent south for medical treat-

Those in attendance at last night's meeting were Jack Preece.

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