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CONSIDER OKANAGAN

HERE IN PRINCE RUPERT we may be inclined to grumble when a week's rain interferes with cleaning up the raspberry crop, for which we may not have enough sugar anyway, blows down our flower gardens, from which we have had a lot of pleasure already, or prevents us from mowing the lawn, which we reluctantly rise Sunday morning to do. We might, instead, consider sympathetically the plight of the Okanagan country after the big hailstorm and reflect on how inconsequential are our own little horticultural troubles.

One afternoon's vagary of weather has wiped out the whole fruit crop of many of the people in the Okanagan just as it was about to come into the height of harvest. The revenue which they had been counting upon as their financial maintenance for a year is wiped out with one terrific barrage of hailstones. And, ironically enough, the disaster, and it is a disaster for the people down there, came as the prospects were that they would be able to realize through market conditions and favorable prices one of the best returns in recent years.

Worried over shortage of box lumber early in the season and with their crops now wiped out with hail, the Okanagan farm folk are having troubles heaped upon troubles this first postwar year. When we consider their reverses, we can well conclude that we complain unjustifiably when we even think of frowning at a week's gentle rain, even though it may be mildly windswept at times.

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RATIONING OF BREAD

BRITONS ARE NOT very happy just now about bread. Part of their troubles were caused by slowness of American action. Britain, after nearly seven years of a very monotonous diet, decided to ration bread—which had escaped rationing even during the war. Many sections of the British public have questioned the necessity. Bakers threatened to revolt and Parliament somewhat

reluctantly voted to go through with the plan.

The London Government decided on rationing in order to release for emergency use in Europe 400,000 tons of wheat Britain had on hand or promised. This helped to make up the early shortages in American shipments—due primarily to the reluctance with which Washington moved in establishing set-asides and price bonuses to get the promised wheat.

Odious comparisons can do little good. It is perhaps only natural that the American people, not having been so close to the war or the famine, did not feel the same sense of urgency about relief that the British did. But certainly one can wonder at the political timidity of Washington in not being ready earlier to call for sacrifices which most Americans were eager to make. Beyond that, the world can be grateful for America's ability to make such a large contribution and for Britain's hard decision to tighten even further the belt of self-denial.

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THE CHANGE-OVER

WAR INDUSTRY was heavily concentrated in the two central provinces and to a lesser extent in British Columbia and Nova Scotia and readjustment difficulties are obviously more widespread in these provinces. In the Prairie Provinces, where war manufacturing was of comparatively minor importance, there has been little perceptible decline in employment from the wartime peak. Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia and Nova Scotia, on the other hand, show a common downward trend, the sharper decline in the last three resulting from the fact that a much larger percentage of war employment was in industries like shipbuilding, aircraft and munitions, which have limited peacetime usefulness.

The real core of the change-over problem is, of course, the impact on specific local areas. In centres with a well-established and widely diversified industry, where many war plants could be converted and where the absorptive capacity of the civilian branches of manufacturing and of such industries as construction, transportation and trade was high, readjustment difficulties have been at a minimum. On the other hand, in places where employment had been abnormally inflated by the rapid growth of war industries with undeveloped peacetime possibilities, the change-over has been much more keenly felt. Prince Rupert is one of such latter places, but, eventually its strategic position as the gateway of a great hinterland must bring it permanent industrial prosperity.

Ocean Dock Is Offered

War Assets Calling for Bids For Important Installation On Local Waterfront

Crown-owned additions to the former salmon and Oriental wharf in the dock area at Prince Rupert are being offered for sale by War Assets Corporation. Structures for sale include extensions to the deep water wharf, extensions to the transit shed and the cold storage and marine repair buildings. Also offered are two marine elevators of 15,000 pounds capacity each and a gantry crane of 150,000 pounds capacity.

Additions to the wharf include a 16-foot widening of the previous wharf, an extension of 700 feet by 175 feet to accommodate the transit shed, cold storage plant, and a few smaller buildings, and a contiguous extension of 175 feet by 160 feet to accommodate the marine repair building.

The transit shed is 400 feet by 146 feet and contains 58,400 square feet of floor space. It is equipped with 27 manually operated overhead doors and is wired for electricity. The cold storage shed which abuts the transit shed is 130 by 60 feet and contains work rooms, offices and two large cold storage rooms with automatic refrigeration units. The marine repair building is of wood frame construction 160 feet by 51 feet, wired for electricity and has heating units.

The corporation announces that intended use of the property and anticipated employment fig-

DEVELOPING PT. DARWIN

Northern Australian Territory Is Gateway From the East and Europe

By JACK HOLDSWORTH
Canadian Press Correspondent

CANBERRA (AP)—The federal government has drawn up big development plans for Australia's frontier province, the Northern Territory, and its capital, Darwin.

The Territory covers an area of 523,620 square miles in the extreme north of Australia. It is of vital defence importance with Darwin and its harbor and airport providing the gateway to Australia from the East and Europe.

It is a tropical region of sweltering heat and torrential rains, of areas untrodden by the white man, but roamed by aboriginal tribes, of contrasting barren and well-watered, timbered regions, sparsely populated and little developed.

The government's plans call for the erection of a garden city in Darwin with accommodation for 15,000 civilians and a garrison force of 10,000, as against a pre-war population of nearly 3,000 out of the Territory's 5,000 inhabitants exclusive of aborigines.

The project will cost \$108,000,000. Darwin was heavily bombed by Japanese aircraft during the war, and is still largely in a blitzed condition. Only about

ures will be determining factors in considering offers. The portions of the ocean dock being offered for sale are in addition to the original pre-war portion which is still the property of the Canadian National Railways.

170 of the town's original 400 homes are inhabitable. It came under military control in 1942, and all civilians were evacuated. Since then it has been returned to civilian control, and about 3,600 now are living there.

The housing shortage has become so acute that many people are living in tents, iron and hessian huts and sheds made from packing cases. Many are also using abandoned army and air force camps outside Darwin.

Isolation Overcome
But the war, although it has created housing problems, has also solved one of the main problems of Darwin and the Territory—Isolation.

Darwin lies hundreds of miles from the nearest capital city and before the war relied mainly on shipping for its supplies. There were a few roads leading into the Territory from the south, but these were in bad condition and often impassable because of floods. Air services were few and not very frequent.

But during the war, a north-south highway linking Darwin with Adelaide in the south was built with a branch road running through to Brisbane. Dozens of airfields were also constructed.

Frequent air services have been started and these, in conjunction with the good overland route, have brought many parts of the Territory within 48 hours reach of a capital city.

This is expected to result in a big development of the Territory's potentialities. At present, the main industry is cattle grazing, with a goldfield at Tennant's Creek, and pearl fishing at Darwin.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He is likely to be injured if he attempts to do it."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "floral"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Bagage, bagatelle, bailiff.
4. What does the word "chaotic" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "iv" that means "incapable of being conquered"?

Answers

1. Use liable to express a possible event regarded as disastrous. 2. Pronounce flo-ral, o as in no (not as in or), a unstressed. 3. Baggage. 4. Resembling confusion or disorder. "He brought the country out of this chaotic condition." 5. Invincible.

NEW TELEPHONE LINK

LONDON (AP)—A new type of under-sea telephone cable for use between Britain and the continent is being tested experimentally between Portsmouth and Ryde in the Isle of Wight. The cable is of the "multi-channel" type capable of handling several simultaneous conversations.

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Jim Moran recently hatched an ostrich after sitting on the egg for 23 days. He said: "It took a lot of warmth and determination."

But gold has recently been found in other areas, and experts say that the Territory is potentially rich in other minerals. Experiments have proved that rice, tobacco, coconuts, mangoes, cotton and peanuts can be successfully grown.

Smiles

The distinguished imported expensive...
"What do you want to justify his existence?"
The three scenarios written had been...
"Well," said his...
guess the public is...
thing on the good...
bodying a certain...
sphere, the element...
surprise, sex appeal...
The author promised...
best and went home...
day he returned and...
his script. It ran...
"My lord bishop,"...
the duchess at the...
"please stop pinching..."

Girl's Father—
we turn the light...
in this house."
Young Man—"Gee...
nice of you."

Movie Star—"I...
cigarette for \$50.00...
Advertiser—"I'll...
first."

To the dismay...
staff of a smart...
customer sat down...
his table napkin...
neck.

There was a whispe...
over, in which the...
structed the waiter...
the customer's feeli...
make him understand...
that this wasn't done...
The waiter approac...
customer with a grin...
"Shave, sir, or hairc...



STUDENTS RECEIVE BOARD, ROOM AND EDUCATION AT CANADA'S LARGEST REHAB BOARDING SCHOOL

The dormitory room, shown above, reflects the "college humor" of youthful veterans who live two to a room at the Brockville Training and Re-establishment Institute. Surrounded by books and pin-ups, they spend week-end nights listening to records, radio or playing their own music. The twenty-five cent meals are served in shifts. First to eat are those taking training like the she-repairers and (lower right) ex-Army student mechanics, Don Barringer, Sam Oxboro and Gordon McCoo, who listen intently to Instructor Charles Woodland. Jim Henderson, ex-Navy lad from Oshawa and Mary Gregory of Montreal, get together (lower left) for serious study and evening snack in the Common Room next to the girls' quarters. Jim intends to enter university in the Fall and Mary to enter the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal. Each year of High School is covered in three months concentrated course at the Brockville School. —Photos by Chris Lund.



SYDNEY, Australia (AP)—The New South Wales State government plans to introduce at the next session of the legislature a measure for compulsory voting in all municipal and local elections. Voting is compulsory in federal and state elections.

Higher Food Prices Coming In States

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP)—Government officials predicted higher price ceilings for canned vegetables, breakfast cereals, coffee and possibly bread and other bakery products. Price increases on clothing were announced earlier.

Steamship Sailings

For Vancouver—
Monday—ss Princess Adelaide, 10 p.m.
Tuesday—ss Catala 12:30 p.m.
Thursday—ss Prince Rupert, 11:15 p.m.
Friday—ss Cardena, 9:00 p.m.
July 24, August 3, 14, 24—ss Princess Louise, p.m.
July 17, 27, August 7, 17, 28—ss Princess Norah.
For Alaska—
Wednesday—ss Prince Rupert, midnight.
July 19, 24, August 9, 19, 30—ss Princess Louise.
July 22, August 2, 12, 23—ss Princess Norah.

BELFAST (AP)—Senator W. M. Wilton told the Northern Ireland Senate recently that dogs were being trained in Belfast to fight behind closed doors, in halls and yards.

DAILY NEWS HONOR ROLL

Your Assistance Invited

The Daily News is completing a Roll of Honor which it is hoped may contain the name of every man and woman of this city to serve with the armed forces at sea, on land and in the air. To make this list complete, it is essential to obtain the co-operation of the public as a whole in submitting the names.

It is impossible for the Daily News or any one person to compile the list complete so we are asking YOU to be responsible for the submission of the name of YOUR boy, YOUR girl or YOUR friend.

The following is the information we would like you to fill in and send to—

ROLL OF HONOR EDITOR
Daily News,
Prince Rupert

Name

Service (Army, Navy, Air Force)

Rank

Next of Kin

Relation

Address

Date of Enlistment

Date of Discharge

If Casualty, Nature and Date

Remember, if YOU do not submit a certain person's name, no one else may. You are responsible.

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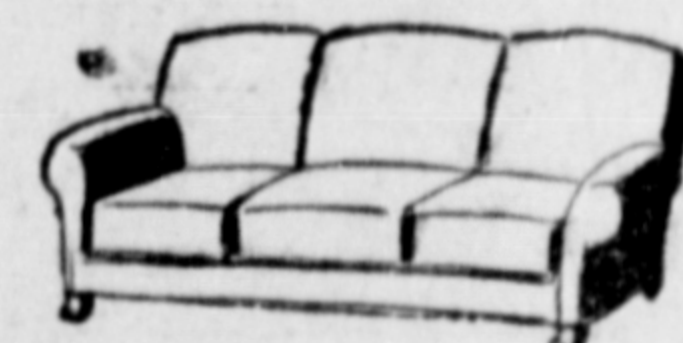
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