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No Inflation, No Deflation

ANADA did not have the serious inflation of prices of cost-of-living goods owing to the effective and persistent implementation of price ceilings sometimes against strong opposition in powerful places, so Canada may not have to suffer the boomerang of deflation, equally as damaging, which now appears to be in store for the United States. As spokesmen at Ottawa point out, the situation in Canada is not parallel to that in the United States so the price collapse that has commenced in the States and which, if not checked, may have most distressing economic repercussions there, may not be felt in Canada—at least not in as drastic or distressing degree.

What United States has suffered in the way of inflation during the past few months was reflected to mild degree in Canada, of course, but the courageous policy of the government in keeping on measures of control, even if it seemed unpopular at times, ameliorated the shock to great extent as every one who buys goods knows. The demoralization which goes with a sharp recession in commodity prices may be similarly averted to large extent in Canada, it is to be expected.

Canada still sets an example to the rest of the world in the matter of economic stabilization.

Railways and Rates

STRONG CASE in support of increase in railway freight rates is, of course, made out in the annual statement of R. C. Vaughan, president of the Canadian National Railways, when he shows how railway costs have mounted while revenue has decreased due to the falling off of the traffic which had been so stimulated by war traffic and the urgency of moving of Canada's production to supply the rest of the world at war.

The plight of the railways, of course, does not change the situation as far as the inability of such parts of the country as British Columbia to add increased freight rates to already mounting costs of production and, further in the face, of existing inequalities in regard to rates is concerned. To reconcile the financial position of the railways with

the ability of the providers of traffic to pay the costs is a problem similar to that which exists in many other situations in the Dominion today.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter

N AMBITION cherished from boyhood was realized when Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, whose death is recorded, filled vacancy on the New Brunswick supreme court bench in 1931. On two later occasions he declined opportunities to go to the Supreme Court of Canada. Four years later his appointment as chief justice of New Brunswick came exactly 150 years after the first Saint John sitting of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick.

When Mr. Baxter was appointed chief justice he re-

From The Waterfront

new flagships of Union Steam-

ships Ltd. in port simultaneously

and sailed at midnight for Stew-

art and other northern points

when she will return here to-

morrow morning to sail at 1:30

VETS AIDED IN BUSINESS

PORT HARCOURT, Nigeria (1)

-A number of ex-soldiers who

desired to start in business were

recently given new lock-up shops

in the market by the township

advisory board, which also al-

located market stalls-in great

demand-to soldiers who had

served overseas in Burma or the

p.m. for the south.

marked: "Although I am the thirteenth to hold this office, and therefore the unlucky number, I will do my best to ensure that the ill luck shall fall upon the litigant who does not deserve to win!"

The new chief justice chuckschool at the age of 14 to earn his own living, how his first position two years later because of insubordination.

John Babington Macaulay Baxter, named after Lord Macaulay, was frequently asked if he were a lineal descendant of the famous historian. Always replying in the negative. he once remarked that "Lord Macaulay's reputation is all the better because I am not his grandson. You see, Lord Macaulay never married."

of Commons should unite, regardless of party affiliations, whenever questions concerning the Maritime provinces were introduced.

Appointment of Mr. Baxter as chief justice of New Brunswick in succession to Sir J. Douglas Hazen was made Jan. 31, 1935, less than three years after he resigned as premier to take a place on the supreme court bench of this province. Previously he was attorneygeneral of New Brunswick and Dominion minister of customs.



MINING "WOOLLY" ROCK-More than half the world's supply of asbestos comes f & Thetford Mines in Quebec's Eastern Townships. Production in 1945 was 250,000 tons compared with the first 50-ton shipment made just 70 years ago. Recovery of asbestos fibre from crushed ore is a science developed by mines in Thetford area. Both open pit and underground mining methods are used to take out the ore. At left a miner drills in an underground ore body preparatory to blasting. At right ore is loaded into a truck to be hauled to the mill from an open pit.

-Canadian Pacific Railway Photo.

Latest from Portland Canal Mining Centre

CHRISTMAS OBSERVED - HOSPITAL TO REOPEN -- T. HANSEN SUCCUMBS

STEWART-The week before Christmas was a maining on the panel is Nigel busy one for the children of the district. The Primary Sherwood, with the position of Grades at the Stewart Superior School had a party at the school on the Wednesday. On Thursday the Women of the Moose gave their annual Christmas party to their members and friends to which the pupils of the higher grades were invited.

Severe snowstorms have been

experienced here and the Pro-

vincial Public Works have been

kept busy clearing the highway

to the Silbak Premier Mine.

early stages of its development

and had latterly been in the

employ of the Hawkinson Laun-

dry both here and in Prince Ru-

pert. The funeral took place on

Sunday, December 22. A. Russ-

wurm, a warden of St. Mark's

Over three feet of snow fell.

On Friday the Community boat south for the Christma Christmas Tree was held in the holidays. However, the arrival led as he recalled how he left Legion Hall where 88 children in town of several more men met Santa Claus and received from the mine relieved the tentheir gifts. The Parent-Teach- sion as they brought the missemployer told him that he was ers' Association initiated the ing men with them. It trans unsatisfactory for the dry- latter and, with the assistance pired that the men had been goods business, and how he of the other organizations, car- overtaken by bad weather on was dismissed from another ried it to a successful conclu- the Salmon Glacier, which they sion. Several playlets were pre- had to cross, and took refuge For Vancouver sented by the pupils and were in one of the cabins on the well received by a large and en- Glacier, holing up there until 10 p.m. thusiastic audience.

A public meeting was held to discuss the possibility of reopening the Stewart General Hospital. Seven new members were appointed to the Hospital Board replacing those who had left the district or resigned from the board during the past year One of his chief interests These were F. Harrison, H. when premier of New Bruns- | Spooner, W. R. Tooth, Mrs. L. A. wick was the furtherance of Behnsen, Mrs. F. H. Lewis, W. J. co-operation between the three | Crawford, and J. J. McKenna. Maritime provinces, and he Arrangements were made to believed that a union under a | hold a dance on New Year's central government would be Eve in the Moose Hall. A comof mutual benefit. One sug- mittee is also being appointed gestion he made was that to canvas the town with a view eastern members in the House to getting full support of a scheme of yearly contributions to cover the operating costs This has every likelihood of succeeding and it is hoped that in the near future the hospital will reopen with a qualified nurse in charge.

> Considerable anxiety was Anglican Church, conducted a caused through the non arrival short service at the graveside. here of two men who had left H. A. Stewart was in charge of the Morris Summit Mine at the funeral arrangements. beginning of the week for town intending to take the Monday The tramline of the Big Four

OVER OFFICES IN TERRACE LEGION

The newly elected president is Lloyd Johnstone, Air Fonce veteran, first vice-president is Kenneth Keir and second vice-president is A. Grant. J. Calder is sergeant-at-arms.

There was a good attendance at the meeting, and several new members were sworn in. Following the business meeting, a social gathering was held.

Steamship Sailings

three safety posts and these are Thursday-ss Prince Rupert. amply equipped with supplies 11:15 p.m.

> Saturday-ss Camosun, 9:15 rom Vancouver-

NEW VETS TAKE

TERRACE-Second World War veterans took over all but one After serving the town of Mount of the executive positions of the Royal, a residential suburb of Terrace branch, Canadian Montreal as alderman for four of officers held recently. Only 1941, an office which he held for First World War veteran re- four years.

Monday -- ss Princess Adelaide

the weather abated. The com- Tuesday-ss Coquitlam, 1:30 pany has established two or p.m.

Friday-ss Catala, 10 p.m.

Sunday-ss Coquitlam, p.m. Monday-ss Princess Adelaide.

has been completed and is now Thomas Hansen, aged 70, in operation according to infor--passed away after a severe ill- mation received here. Work is ness on Sunday, December 15. proceeding satisfactorily on this Mr. Hansen resided here for 25 property. With the resumption years. He was a native of Nor- of work at this property the way and became naturalized prospects in the district look shortly after his arrival in Can- brighter and a note of cheerfulada. He ws in the employ of ness is in evidence. the Premier Gold Mine in the

VICE-PRESIDENT OF C.N.R. NAMED At the happiest

Maynard A. Metcalf is Appointed Executive Assistant

MONTREAL-Maynard A. Metcalf C.B.E., executive assistant to the president, Canadian National Railways, has been appointed vice-president and executive assistant, it was announced yesterday by R. C. Vaughan C.M.G., chairman and president. The appointment becomes effective January 1

Beginning as a Junior clerk at Toronto when he was in his fifteenth year, the new vicepresident has served the National system for nearly 37 years and in his long career has become one of the most popular of Canadian transportation men, known throughout the business community not only of Canada but also of the United States and Great Britain.

For his part in the large-scale contribution made by the Canadian National to the Allied cause during the war, he was honored by His Majesty the King last June when he was created a Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

While he is a dyed-in-thewool railroader, Maynard Metcalf, nevertheless, has time and energy for other activities. One of these is municipal affairs. Legion, at the annual election | years, he was elected mayor in

FUND AIDS BLIND

LONDON ()-Excess of the Hospital Welfare Fund to which members of the Canadian and South African forces contributed at Oflag IX A-H, has been handed over to St. Dunstan's hospital for the blind.



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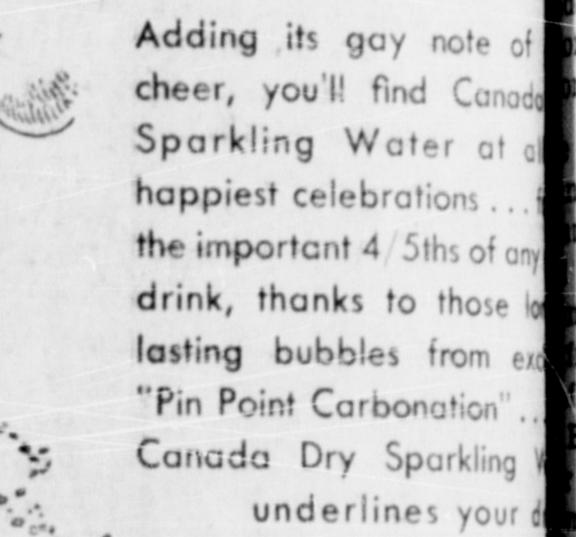
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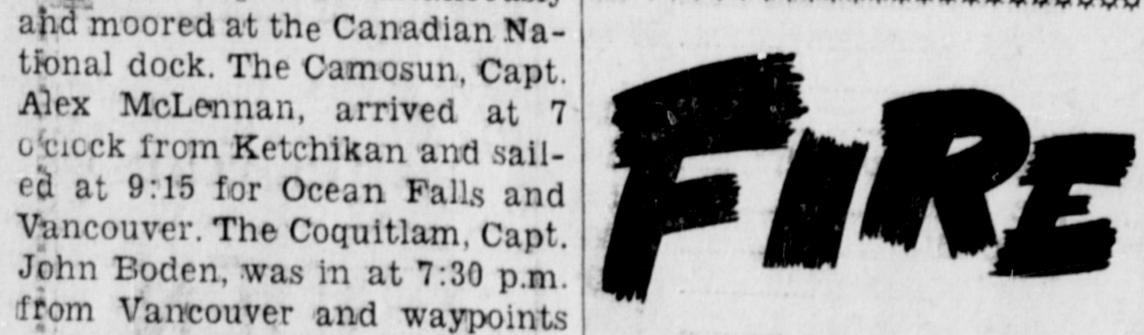
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