

ment workmen who clearcient snow from the sa snowslide to make the av at that point "passable" ffic, it was announced the ng at the Public Works of

road is not 'clear' yet, man informed the Dail "but sufficient snow ha ared away to make the a nassable. Work crew

he last two days, gangs nen from Prince Rupert Terrace have been working e slide, aided by a warm hich has been of considerhelp in softening the snow. ver, the huge pile which down the mountainside last is still packed "pretty

ather conditions during the lew weeks have made i to open the road to trafnore than two weeks prior time estimated by Public Bangineer J. C. Brady, who time ago announced May the probable opening date. wer, he said that if it was practicable to open the eries. sooner, it would be done. nstruction this summer of 11-foot causeway which will that section of the nighway from the mountainill eliminate the blockage has stopped the road to during the last two win-

Road Foreman and Magistrate Drive in From Terrace

First car to get through from Terrace to Prince Rupert following the opening up of the Kwinitsa snowslide, Gen-

eral Road Foreman Art Kennedy of Terrace and Stipendiary Magistrate Will Robinson arrived in the city late this morning. Bulldozers from both ends by last evening had cut a twelve - foot trench through the Kwinitsa slide which is about 700 feet long. Mr. Kennedy said that the road seemed fairly safe from further avalanche now, two days of heavy rain recently having brought down the most of overhanging snow.

It was May 22 last year that the road was opened so it is more than two weeks earlier this year.

HALIBUT SALES

Relief, 30,000, sold to Co-op. Prosperity A., 36,000, to Co-op. Tugwell, 7,500, to Atlin Fish-

Smith Sound, 15,000, to Cold Storage



BEAVERBURN FIRST TO OPEN NAVIGATION SEASON IN MONTREAL PORT-The coveted gold-headed cane, presented annually to the first deep-sea master to reach the port of Montreal and open the navigation season was presented this year to Captain J. Bisset Smith, O.B.E., master of the Canadian Pacific Steamships' cargo-passenger liner Beaverburn, seen here nosing alongside her dock in Montreal.

TAX RELIEF **METHOD HIT**

> OTTAWA, (P) - A vigorous, three-party attack on the government for failure to remove or reduce indirect taxes in the 1947-48 budget developed in the House of Commons Tuesday as the budget debate opened. The customary want-of-confidence motions were moved by the progressive - Conservative and and C.C.F. panties in the

Riches of Groundhog Coal Fields Are Shown in 34-Year Old Report

The fabulous Groundhog coal fields of central British Columbia whose riches have been ignored for more than a generation since they were first explored and surveyed by adventurous geologists are once more becoming the centre of nation-wide industrial interest as coal resources, particularly in the southern part of British Columbia, become reduced.

The wealth of the Groundhog never has been more completely surveyed than by the late R. C. Campbell-Johnston, M.E., whose ability and integrity as a mining engineer and coal surveyor, were widely known and respected a quarter of a century ago. His surveys of the Groundhog, made at request of Lord Rhondda, Welsh coal magnate, in 1910 and 1911, remain the most complete of any ever attempted, and his reports are now in possession of his daughter, Mrs. Sadie Armytage-Moore of Vancouver.

13-Year Period

MARYSVILLE, Ohio. (P)-Nearly 13 years of freedom ended last night for Margaret Ann Martin, 39, who was returned to the Ohio Reformatory for women to resume serving 2 1-to-20-year sentence for cheque forgery.

She escaped in 1934 and apparently had led a crime-free life during the 13-year period. She was arrested on Saturday when recognized by a store detective

PRESSING FOR NORTH OUTLET

Matter to be Brought Before Session of Alberta-British Columbia Committee

One of the matters which F M. Dockrill, who will represent the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia and the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the Alberta-British Columbia Committee in Vancouver, is being asked to take up at that the blast. gathering is the question completing the gap between Sinclair Mills and McBride. east

terials.

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VANCOUVER (CP) — Searchers seeking the missing TransCanada Airlines transport, which disappeared with fifteen persons aboard nine days ago, today reported finding items of clothing and oil slick in the waters off the Gulf of Georgia close to where "undetermined contact" was made with anti-submarine detection equipment.

The frigate H.M.C.S. Antigonish made "contact" after a wide sweep off the southeast coast of Gabriola Island. Preparations for diving operations were under way but it was unlikely that work would be possible before noon today, when the tide was slack, because of the rocky sea bottom and strong inshore currents.

The tug Heatherton and a diving tender have been sent to the location where the "contact" was made.



A police "crackdown" on traffic violators has resulted in two First reports blamed a short drivers being hailed into court circuit in an electric line for on charges under the city traffic bylaw, and in the issuance the British mines since the gov- of dozens of warnings against ilernment took over ownership legal parking of cars on nar-

T POSSIBLE PARLEY TH GOV'T

TAWA, (P) - The federal city has written back to Vicmment is likely to give con- toria asking that extensive imation to the possibility of provements from the city limits g a Dominion - provincial to Galloway Rapids be also intrence to discuss national cluded in any contemplated proth social welfare and public gram. Recently both the city sment matters as a result | council and Prince Rupert presentations by the pro-. Chamber of Commerce made a ministers in the last two representations to the public It was learned here last works department that in view

mier Hart of British Col- of a large new industry at Port and Douglas of Saskat- Fd-ard extensive improveand made verbal requests ments he made to the road inconference to the federal cluding wideneing and hardministers, but they have surfacing. tent on the stand taken

TER DIES SCOTLAND

Dominion.

Low A. Guyan and Mrs. G. des have received word of death of their sister, Mrs. garet Milne, in Peterhead, and, after a short illness

Improvements To form of amendments to the main motion to go into 'com-Port Edward Road Recent Request for |Hard

Surfacing Being Followed Up

Local Tides

Thursday, May 8, 1947

High

2:47

15:47

9:26

21:20

mittee stage on the budget resolutions. The Social Credit party also joined in the criticism that the Having been advised by the budget confined relief to inprovincial department of public re tax rates, and provided for

works that it is the initention to no benefit for the 2,000,000 wage resurvey the road between Port earners who made contribu-Edward and Galloway Rapids, tions through hidden and nuiwith a view to relocation, the sance taxes.

At the opening, the House gave third and Jual readings to two government bills. One made amendments to the Canada Evidence Act and the other rescinded the Chinese Immigration Act. Both now go to the Senate.

of the proposed entablishment **Violence** Feared In Brazil City

RIO DE JANEIRO, (P- Soldiers with fixed bayonets guarded vital points in the Brazilian capital today as the city awaited a high court's decision on the government case for declaring the Brazilian Commun-20.5 feet ist party illegal. Streets were almost deserted

17.7 feet 3.3 feet as most people stayed at home.

'PEG'S SNOW "TOUGH" WINNIPEG, @-If the snow tions, including control of Rio's tity and high-grade quality of all naval purposes as those sel

The following summary, supplied to the Daily News through courtesy of Mrs. Armytage-Moore, is one that was published in the British Columbia Magazine of October, 1913, a short time after Mr. Campbell-Johnston had completed his surveys. The article is re-published in complete form, in three installments, because the editor of the Daily News believes that the information contained in it is of vital interest to the industrial development of central British Columbia-indeed, of the province as a whole.

Recently, in the House of Commons, Minister of Mines and Resources Glen announced that a preliminary aerial survey of the Groundhog coal fields would be undertaken in the near future. There also have been reports of a stirring of interest on the part of private industry in the region.

Geographically, the coal fields lie about 100 miles north of the northern transcontinental line of the Canadian National Railways and, according to estimates of Mr. Campbell-Johnston, run 70 miles north and south and 30 miles east and west, comprising an area of roughly 2,000 square miles of commercially rich territory.

The Importance of Groundhog Coals

The salient reasons why the ed article and the practicability smokeless, hard steam coals de- of preparing such at any time rived from the Groundhog coal in order successfully to compete fields of Northern British Colin the world's markets as a umbia will play a most important 8.2 feet fearing violence. The Commun-ist party gained considerable part in the world's commercial product low in ash, high in fixed future are partly on account of carbon, and at the same time successes in recent state elec- the almost inexhaustible quan- smokeless, equally adaptable for

of Prince George, on the northlast January. Barnsley, a town row streets. The police action ern transprovincial highway of about 70,000, is in southern followed complaints of disrefrom Prince Rupert to the Al-Yorkshire, about 40 miles eas' gard for traffic regulations, parberta border. The Prince Ruticularly on Seventh Avenue. of Manchester. pert Chamber of Commerce, at Charged with driving in exdorsed a move which has orig-inated in Edmonton to have the FOUR KILLED IN the 25-mile-an-hour of speed limit were R. H. Morgan and Oliver J. Keays. Both were Yellowhead Pass Highway with two branches to Vancouver and THEATRE BLAST alleged to have been speeding on Seventh Avenue East. Keays Prince Rupert developed as CAIRO, (P) - Four persons pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 federally aided project. were killed and 12 injured last by Magistrate W. D. Vance, night when a bomb blasted the while Morgan pleaded not guilty. interior of Cairo's largest mov- and had his case adjourned. SEATTLE FLEET ' ing picture theatre, the Ameri- Police Sergeant L. A. N. Pot-**REMAINS HOME** can - owned Metro - Goldwyn terton taid today that a dozen Mayer. motorists and all taxi drivers SEATTLE, (P) - The Seattle The explosion, which police had been warned against illegal halibut fleet is still remaining said was caused by a time bamb, parking on city streets, and in port as fishermen wait the placed under a balcony seat, urged all motorists to brush up settlement of their dispute with came at the conclusion of day- on the parking regulations. the boat owners. long national celebration mark- The drive was inspired by a ing the 11th anniversary of petition signed by 50 residents King Farouk's accession to the of Seventh Avenue East, who MAKE OWN BOTTLES Egyptian throne. complained to city council India now is making many of against speeding on that thorits own glass bottles, using ex-WADI FOR RIVER oughfare and against indiscrimcellent quality native raw ma-A "wadi" in North Africa inate parking which made a safety hazard along the narrow a river or a river bed. "We intend to continue en-:: TODAY'S STOCKS :: forcing the speed limit and parking regulations," Sergeant Potterton said this morning. Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd. 'Motorists should remember that the speed limit is 25 miles Vancouver Toronto an hour, and 15 in school zones Bralorne 10.25 Athona while schools are open." B.R. Con. .051/2 Aumauge

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