

Railways Ask For Another Rate Increase

Rise Move Before Transport Commission

WA—(CP)—Canada's railways have applied for another increase in freight rates. In a survey, the Railway Association of Canada told the Board of Transport Commissioners to March 1 increase award by another 3.4 per cent.

of the application about \$11,000,000 to freight bill. The award boosted by 7.4 percent.

Minister Is Appreciative

"The minister of public works is most conversant with and appreciative of the situation regarding parts of the highway under construction and is actively giving all necessary support to keep the road passable," says Hugo Kraupner, secretary of the Prince Rupert Automobile Association, who has been taking up road matters in the south with reference particularly to that section between Prince Rupert and Galloway Rapids which is now under construction.

The vote of the minister of public works for Prince Rupert area is not yet presented to the House but he states that completion of the section from the bridge to Port Edward is in his estimates as well as for graveling of the lower Skeena Highway, according to Mr. Kraupner.

The minister intends to black top the road from Prince Rupert to Port Edward on completion of the whole section.

Belgians Fight Over Leopold

BRUSSELS (CP)—Fifty demonstrators were injured in Antwerp last night in a violent prelude to tomorrow's advisory referendum on the future of the exiled King Leopold III. Hand-to-hand fighting of Leopoldists and larger numbers of his opponents broke out during a fireworks display.

Make Safer Apartments

Tightening up of fire prevention and protection regulations in multiple dwellings at Ocean Falls community town was called for in several recommendations attached to the verdict of a coroner's jury following the tragic fire there early Tuesday morning which resulted in the deaths of eight persons in the Fleming Balmers Apartments.

The jury recommended: 1. That all apartments and dormitories be equipped with alarm systems directly connected with the fire hall recorder.



BAHAMAS HEARS NEW GOVERNOR—Sir George Ritchie Sandford is shown as he delivered his address following his formal inauguration as governor of the Bahamas. The ceremony was held in the legislative council chamber which was taxed to capacity by the big audience that turned out for the event.

Alberta Nurse Is Bride Here

Miss Victoria Rosalie Batter, R.N., a member of the nursing staff of the Prince Rupert General Hospital, and Glen E. Silsbee, a steel worker with the Dominion Bridge Co. on celanese construction at Watson Island, were the principals in a quiet marriage ceremony Thursday night at the manse of First United Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antole Batter of Saskatchewan and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Silsbee of Alberta.

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Central B.C. Milk Popular

Juneau Dairy Cries "Ouch" in Face of Competition From Rupert-Shipped Product

Good fresh milk from the Bulkley Valley, shipped through Prince Rupert, is getting into the Alaska market at Juneau and Ketchikan and milk dealers in those cities are crying "ouch," according to advices in the city from the north.

In the Juneau, Alaska Daily Empire newspaper, large advertisements are being published urging the people of the capital city to drink local milk instead of "foreign" milk.

Recently Northland Dairy of Prince Rupert has been shipping considerable quantities of milk to Juneau and lesser quantities to Ketchikan and reports are that the people of those cities are clamoring for more.

A few days ago one 5000-quart shipment was made.

Al Sheardown, manager of Northland Dairy, is optimistic about the future for Bulkley Valley milk in the Alaska market. He sees the possibility of a large development for the central interior milk producing industry with a ready market for all the surplus that can be produced over and above the demands of Prince Rupert.

In addition to the local milk, Juneau and Ketchikan have been importing frozen milk from Seattle.

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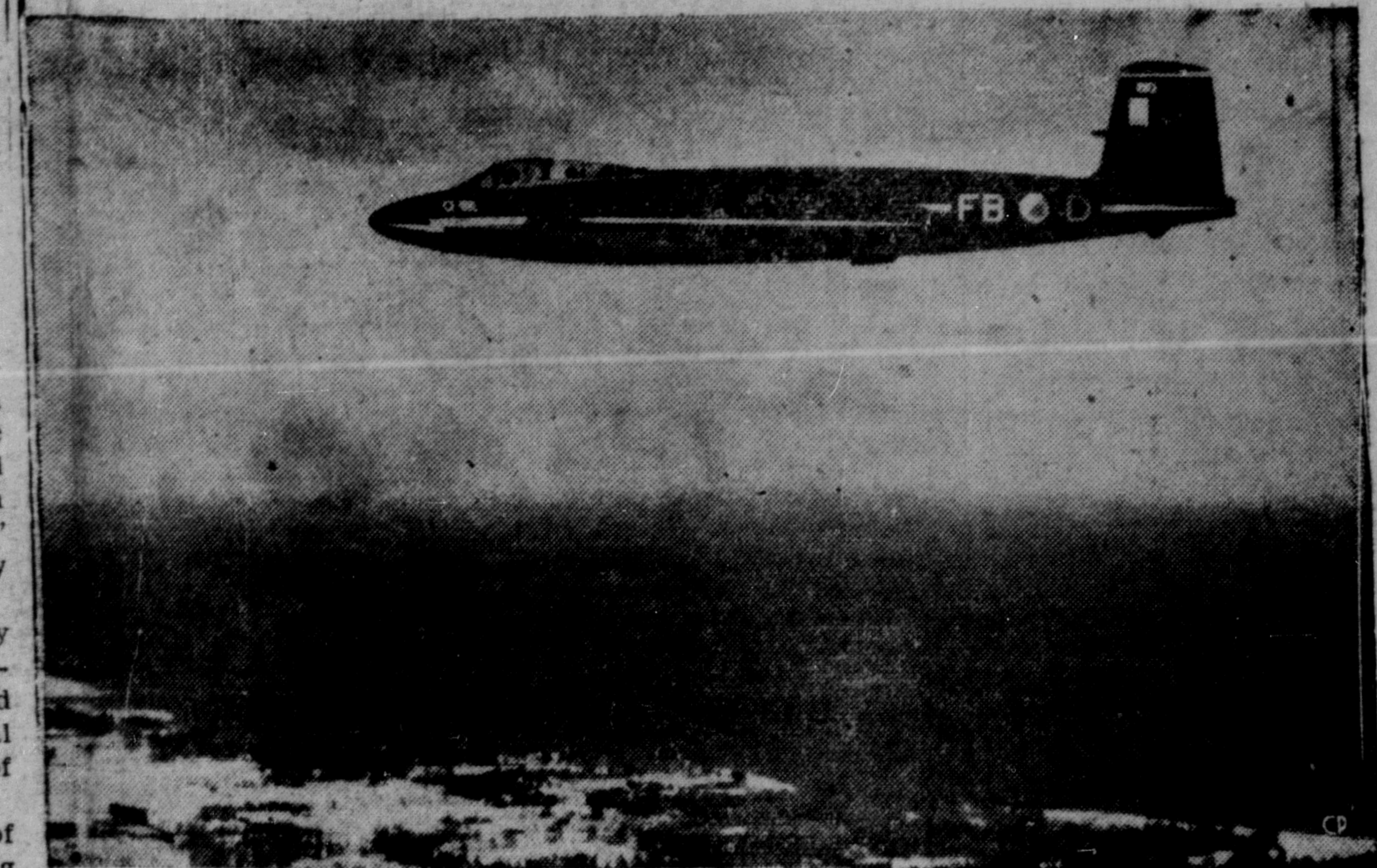
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FLIES TO OTTAWA—Canada's new all-weather, long-range jet fighter, the Avro CF-100 was put through its paces before a distinguished audience including Viscount Alexander, the governor-general, and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, in Ottawa today. The fighter, designed to meet R.C.A.F. specifications by A. V. Roe Canada Ltd., at Malton, near Toronto, is Canada's bid for supremacy in the long-range jet fighter field. The fighter flew from Toronto to Ottawa yesterday in 36 minutes and 5 seconds. (C. P. Photo)

Election Accounts—Twenty-Five Candidates Fail To Make Returns—Some Costs

VICTORIA—(CP)—Twenty-five of 138 candidates in last June's provincial elections failed to make expense returns. Expense accounts have been tabled in the Legislature and showed that nine C.C.F., six Coalitionists and ten listed under other parties failed to make returns.

The election of Premier Byron Johnson cost \$4,938; Opposition Leader Harold Winch in Vancouver East \$716, and Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb in Oak Bay, \$585.

The costliest Coalition candidate was Hon. R. C. Macdonald in Dewdney. His expenses totaled \$9,512.

The smallest Coalition account was filed by Tom King of Columbia, \$560.

The first Indian candidate, Frank Calder in Atlin, turned in accounts for \$297.

J. D. McRae's expenses in Prince Rupert were \$3,593.

Nine Million Paper Profit

TORONTO (CP)—Abitibi Power & Paper Co. Ltd., and subsidiary companies had a net profit for the year ended December 31 of \$9,780,947. The annual report for the first time consolidates report of the parent company and Provincial Paper Ltd. Comparable profit for the preceding year was \$11,770,586.



MODERN RELAY SYSTEM FOR ARMED FORCES—A Canadian Navy communications project over three years in the making, was officially completed and put in operation recently when Rear Admiral E. R. Mahnguy filed the first message to Ottawa in Halifax. The system, considered the most modern semi-automatic relay on this continent, will speed up message handling and integrate main lines of armed forces communication. Left to right, Admiral Mahnguy; sqdr. Leader A. A. Stephens, R.C.A.F.; Capt. R. J. Auty, Eastern Command Signals Regiment; and Commander Michael Stirling, R.C.N. In background is F. W. T. Lucas, R.C.N.

Bus Tires Flattened

Nocturnal Incident—Five busses and three trucks of Arrow Bus Lines were out of commission for a short time this morning, it was reported to city police. Complaint was that air had been released from all the tires by removal of caps. A distributor cap is missing from one of the trucks. Vandalism is alleged to have taken place last night.

At 11:45 p.m. the manager of Arrow Bus Lines, Clarence Jixon, making a routine check of the busses at the Second Avenue terminal and discovered the damage. Prior to transporting the Columbia Cellulose employees, bus crews used hand pumps on the truck tires in order that the vehicles be driven on an air pumping station. The five busses were not used, the manager stated, because they would be too difficult to roll in that condition. Employees were dispatched to the plant by trucks for the morning shift at 8 o'clock. The busses were back in service later.

B.C. Police are continuing the investigation.

Mike Rozin Is Remanded

Mike Rozin, charged with attempted murder of his employer Oscar Dunlap at Crow Lake March 2, was remanded for preliminary hearing until March 17 by Magistrate H. F. Glassey in provincial police court Friday afternoon. Reason for adjournment was due to the absence of defense counsel R. MacLeod and victim Dunlap who is expected to be out of hospital at some date next week.

Great Britain May Lose Out

WASHINGTON D. C. (CP)—Paul G. Hoffman said that Great Britain stands to lose \$150,000,000 of Marshall Plan aid unless she joins other countries of Europe in a plan to lower trade barriers.

The administrator of economic co-operation told reporters of a big cut-back, amounting to almost one-quarter of the sum earmarked for British recovery next year, would not be put into effect of "punitive" action. The money will simply go into a proposed European payments union whether or not Great Britain joins.

Garage Collapses; Damage of \$10,000

VICTORIA (CP)—Fourteen new automobiles yesterday crashed down on the used car section of Wilson Motors when concrete supports collapsed under garage roof-top parking space. There were no injuries but property damage is estimated at more than \$10,000.

Charlie Fusari Beats Jim Flood

NEW YORK (CP)—Charlie Fusari, sharp-shooting welterweight contender from Irvington, New Jersey, last night handed Jimmy Flood a terrific lacing, winning a unanimous ten-round decision over the game middleweight in Madison Square Garden. Fusari was outweighed 158 to 151 1/2 lbs.

Two Local VC's To Attend Opening Of New Canadian Legion Building

Invitations extended by the local Branch of the Canadian Legion to its honorary president, Col. Cy. W. Peck V.C., D.S.O., and the honorary first vice-president, Lieut.-Col. J. McGregor V.C., M.C., D.C.M. to take part in the opening ceremony of the magnificent new Legion premises on First Avenue, on Wednesday, March 29, have been accepted by both officers.

This news will be welcomed by many veterans of World War I, still residing here who served under these officers and the "opening" will be a great "re-union night" for many of this city.

Notice: to Consumers

To effect alterations on sub-station structures and as a safety measure, supply of electrical energy to the city will be interrupted on Sunday, March 12, from 11:00 p.m. and 11:15 p.m.

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