PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY, 2, 1949

Stalin offered to meet Tru-

man either in Moscow, Kalin-

-or, alternatively, in Poland or

A White House spokesman at

Washington said today that

States to see Stalin. So far, it

# emier Stalin Sends Invitation To Truman For Meeting

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The House-approved

ould cost less to out- might develop. e Rupert where food. iel would cost less. MacKinnon, busievery merchant in

### EERS HERE ULP MILL

and, Port Edward, badly needed fuel. ames Macri and S. arrived in the city been engaged in at Hole-in-the-Wall. with the construc-Corporation, There me 80 men working sland, most of them



CAPTURED - Sam ted in Canada as a in th eSoviet spy sed in 1945, was ar-New York last Wed-F.B.I. agents. The cretary of the Canmunist party is acacting as recruiting Soviet spies and of

overnment. (CP Photo)

information to the



M.P.'s "CROOKS"-Young, C.C.F. memancouver Centre, has der fire in the House ons for a speech a political rally in city last July, James Liberal member for | pert 25 and 35. er North, asked that be unseated since he orted to have said in ch Commons members "bunch of crooks." | High has declined to with-

e remark.

(CP Photo)

Thursday, February 3, 1949 10:43

### GREEN URGES . PACIFIC PACT

(P-C. Vancouver South) told Parliament that he considered nt tax on halibut there was risk of the Pacific siderable difference Coast becoming more of a dan-The tax is contained ger zone than the Atlantic and. assed in the Alaska because of this possibility, the United Nations should sanction eorge of the Juneau a North Pacific as well as North re Co. declared the Atlantic pact. Mr. Green did orce vessels to Prince not suggest when, or under what circumstances, danger on aurstad concurred, the North Coast in the west

# RAIL BLOCKADE INTENSIFIES COAL SHORTAGE

Scores of Prince Rupert householders are keeping anxious eyes on their dwindling coal piles and, at the same time, e Celanese Corpora- hoping fervently for resumption! erica for the erec- of railway service into the city new \$25,000,000 mill, which will bring carloads of

City coal dealers have been cleaned of their stocks as a reon the Prince Ru- sult of freezing temperature levels and have been unable to reheir families Both new them this week because of and Johnson have the rail blockade which resultfrom Mexico where ed from last Sunday's rock blast

> About 20 carloads of coal are reported to be standing on sidings at Terrace unable to roll westward until the line is cleared.

Railway authorities hope to camp construction have the line cleared in time to permit train movements by noon Thursday.

### WET SNOW COSTS VALDEZ \$25,000

VALDEZ-A five-foot fall of wet snow has cost this city about \$25,000. It's weight resulted in the collapse of the roofs of a business block, a warehouse, an airplane hangar and a store Plane travel was disrupted.

# ALASKA PASSES NEW FISH TAX

JUNEAU, () - The Alaska House yesterday passed the bill Hungary Becomes to tax raw fish. It carries provision for a four per cent tax 'People's Republic' on canning salmon ,the taxing value to be 50 per cent of the average wholesale price of Seattle brokers.

The halibut tax will be one per cent with the same for sal- al Front of Independence, name mon and butter clams for noncanning purposes.

### THE WEATHER

Synopsis

ern British Columbia coast as an active storm centre moved down of the storm this morning. Sweden 4 to 2 yesterday. It was The cubic capacity of a hip- jump clear of a doomed plane. pected along the coast this af- beaten them. ternoon and tonight. In the interior of the province the weather remains generally cloudy with scattered snow flurries. Colder weather is expected over most of the province on Thursday.

Forecast

Queen Charlottes and North Coast-Clear and cold along the mainland. Elsewhere cloudy, occasionally overcast. Scattered snow flurries today, tonight and Thursday morning, clearing Thursday afternoon. Winds northeast (20 m.p.h.). Colder. Lows tonight and highs Thursday-At Port Hardy 30 and 38, Massett 28 and 38, Prince Ru-

# LOCAL TIDES

...... 4:31 19.3 feet 17.8 feet 7.3 feet 6.4 feet

DAYLIGHT SAVING?

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VANCOUVER-If the electric power shortage continues daylight saving may be resorted to in Vancouver. With cold weather continuing, the power gale last night.

ST. LAURENT ON ELECTION OTTAWA-Prime Minister St. Laurent hinted today that the general election may not take place for several months. He told a press conference that his colleagues were happy and were looking forward to an interesting session.

N.W.T. PLANE CRASH YELLOWKNIFE-Pilot Grant Ford and Henry Dennis and Thomas Lee, mining men, are dead as a result of the crash of a plane on the south shore of Great Slave Lake. The plane had been missing since January 22. The wreck was located yesterday.

POWER FROM B.C. OLYMPRI-Storage of water in the Arrow Lakes may solve the power shortage of the Pacific Northwest, it was suggested in the state legislature yesterday.

END OF DIFFERENTIAL

VANCOUVER-May Charles the end of the mountain differential in railway freight "before this month is out." He termed the differential as "old and archaic,"

DENIES STATEMENT

OTTAWA-Walter Harris, Parliamentary assistant to Prime Minister St. Laurent, denied yesterday that he had said in a speech at Brantford that there might be war with there be an emergency debate on defence matters.

BUDAPEST @-The Republic of Hungary, on its third anniver- MADAME CHIANG sary, yesterday became "people's republic." The Nationof the coalition of communistdominated parties in the government, was renamed the People's Front of Independence.

# Light snow fell over the south- SUDBURY WOLVES BEATEN AGAIN

the coast during the night. STOCKHOLM (CP)-Sudbury band had been a high-ranking SHIP HARBOR, Nova Scotia, Southeasterly winds of near gale Wolves, Canada's representa- official in the Kuomintang gov- A Navy fighter pilot was force accompanied the storm tives in the international hockey ernment and is now in the ser- dragged to death yesterday over southern coastal waters but championships which begin to- vice of the Bank of China. these are decreasing in the wake day, lost an exhibition match to Gradually clearing skies are ex- the secon dtime Sweden had popotamus' stomach is equal to The plane had caught fire in

Seventy-Five Percent Curtailment in Vancouver

VANCOUVER-"Realizing the seriousness of the present power shortage on the Lower Mainland we have issued instructions to situation is no better and all departments of the Canadian drastic restrictions went into National system in this area to effect last night. There was cut the use of electrical energy more snow with a southwest to the lowest possible minimum," said J P. Johnson, vice-president of the National system's western region, before his departure on Tuesday night for his Winnipeg headquarters following an inspection tour here.

> "There'll be a lot of stairclimbing in our Vancouver station until the situation is improved" said Mr. Johnson, "as elevator service has been cut from eight hours to two-andone-half hours daily. Exhaust fans, ceach charging generators, meters and, of course, all types Smithers Has will be used very sparingly. Faccluding water pumps, compress- \$30.000 ors, electric welders and drills exhaust fans, lighting etc., are all affected.

"In some cases," continued Mr. Johnson, "the reduction in power will be as high as seventyfive percent which we are happy to say is considerably more than the thirty percent requested by the authorities

Johnson with a twinkle in his leve, "here's wishing this rain-Thompson last night forecast parched district several days of the good old liquid sunshine.'

Johs Curtailed as Result if Cut in Vancouver Power

VANCQUVER (CP) - A Vancouver newspaper last night estimated that \$270,000 weekly Russia within three months. wages will be lost by Lower TIMES CHANGE The House rejected 133 to 55 a Mainland industrial workers as TIMES CHANGE resolution by Leader of the a result of the 30 percent cut in Opposition George Drew that industrial power consumption which started at midnight.

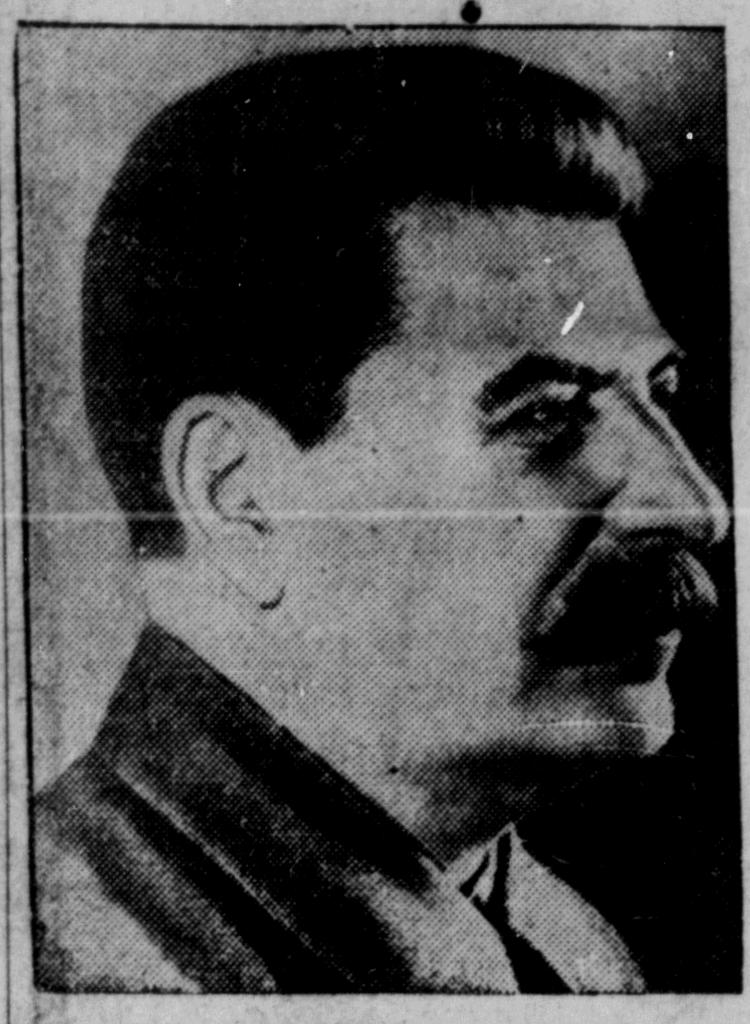
About 21,000 of the area's 53,-000 workers are expected to feel the punch

Few lay-offs are predicted but working hours will be reduced as much as twelve hours per week.

# a IN SECLUSION

NEW YORK-Madame Chiang Kai-Shek is in seclusion here at the home of her sister, Madame H. H. Kung. She could not be reached for comment or interview on the retirement of her husband as president of China. Madame Chiang had flown from China to Washing- IS DRAGGED TO ton to seek aid for China, without success. Her sister's hus-

labout six bushels.



PRESIDENT TRUMAN

OF UNITED STATES

TORONTO (CP)-A 49-year-

old barber, unable to sleep and

too nervous to work, yesterday

ended a police search by giving

himself up. The police had

sought the driver of a car which

Miller, 21, and injured a 19-year

BIG JOB

Vancouver

Cariboo Quartz ..... 1.45

Congress .....

Hedley Mascot .....

Pacific Eastern .....

hotel-2,500 copies.

Bayonne

Bralorne

B. R. Con.

Pend Oreille

Pioneer .....

Premier Border

Reeves McDonald

Sheep Creek .....

Silbak Premier

Privateer .....

Reno .....

Taku River

Salmon Gold

Spud Valley

A. P. Con. .

Atlantic

Calmont

C. & E.

Home Oil

Mercury

Princess

Athona

Okalta

Anglo Canadian

Central Leduc

Pacific Pete

Royal Canadian

South Brazeau .....

Toronto

Vananda

Oils-

B. R. X. .....

Garage Building Is Destroyed-Theatre Has A Close Call

A \$30,000 fire visited the main street of Smithers at 4 o'clock this morning, ac-"And before I leave." said Mr. cording to advice at prostroyed.

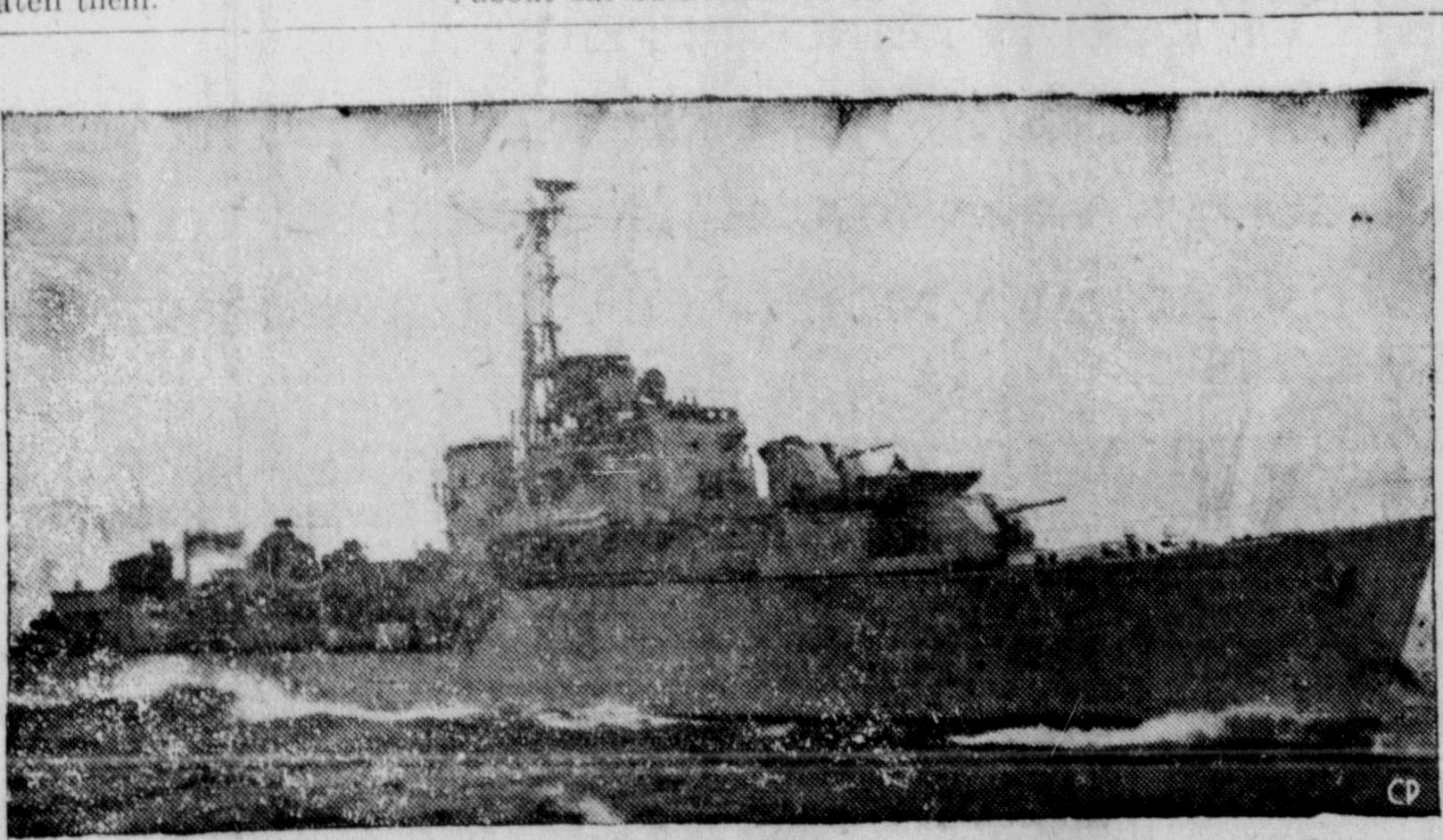
CAR SURRENDERS CUT SOUGHT Valiant efforts of fire fighters saved the nearby moving

William Lyon MacKenzie King, give himself up when he heard in half. now sitting as private member, that his girl friend's leg might first entered the House of Com- be amputate. mons forty years ago, the political complexion of the House was vastly different from what it is today. Liberals and Conservatives monopolized electoral trucks three weeks to deliver er's earned income) be added to support. The House comprised all the phone books in New the basic exemption. The exonly three members listed as York. The largest customer-a emption would apply on incomes

In terms of percentages, figures show that in 1909 the Lib- northeast of Halifax. The un- maximum exemption for single eral representation of 133 ac- fortunate pilot was Lieut. Thom- persons would be \$1500 and for counted for 60 percent, of the as Coultry of Dartmouth Conservative strength of 85 was in the ratio of 36 percent.

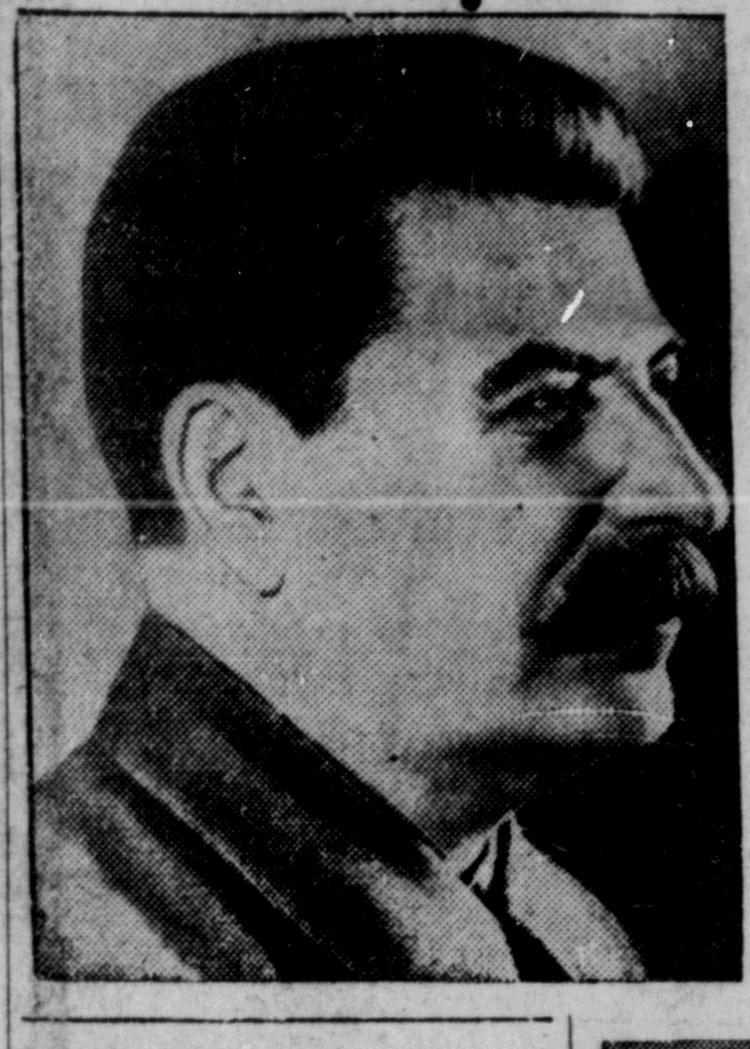
# DEATH BY CHUTE

when a parachute caught on the tail of a plane as he tried to the air and crashed 35 miles



HEADING FOR FAR EAST-The Canadian destroyer Crescent is being sent to the Far East for use in event of emergency. Disturbed conditions in the east led to the action, Defence Minister Claxton said. The Crescent, shown in this Royal Canadian photo, sailed from Esquimalt today She is well known in Prince Rupert. (CP Photo)

# WILL THEY AGREE?



STALIN RUSSIA

PRICE FIVE CENTS

vincial police headquarters here. The spectacular plaze destroyed an oid garage which had been used by William Vinson as a second hand were and by other persons for DRIVER O FDEATH INCOME TAX the storage of cars. Building and all the contents were de

picture theatre.

OTTAWA - When Rt. Hon. old girl friend. He decided to "Independents."

# Would Have Session Behind Iron Curtain; Pleads Health For Inability To Come Over

PARIS (CP)-Prime Minister Joseph Stalin today invited President Truman to meet him in Russia, Poland or Czechoslovakia. The invitation was extended in a telegram sent to the Paris office of the International News Service. The telegram was reproduced in a special edition of the evening newspaper, France

### **BIG ADDITION TO** EDMONTONHOTEL ingrad, Odessa and Yalta-

EDMONTON-M. A. Metcalf, "wherever the President chooses" vice-president of the Canadian Czechoslovakia if there are ob-National Railways, announces jections to a meeting in the the Dominion government has Soviet Union. approved a recommendation by Stalin said that, although he the C.N.R. board of directors to had wanted to go to Washingbuild a four million dollar ex- ton for a long time, he had been tension to the Macdonald Hotel advised medically against a long here.

### TRAINS TO MOVE Truman had not changed his AGAIN THURSDAY position against leaving United

Noon tomorrow has now been was reported that Stalin had set as the time for the depart- sent no direct invitation to ure of the next train for the Washington for a meeting with East following the blockade of the President to discuss United the line during the last few days States-Russian differences. ollowing a large blast which was put off three miles west of Sala temporary track will have been laid by tomorrow after-This would permit the train due without delay at that point.

724,000 Persons From Rolls

married, \$2,000.

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Beattie

Bobjo

Buffalo Canadian ....

Conwest .....

Donalda .....

Eldona .....

God's Lake .....

Hardrock .....

Harricana .....

Hosco .....

Jacknife .....

Joliet Quebec .....

Lake Rowan

Lapaska .....

Little Long Lac ......

Moneta .....

Noranda .....

Louvicourt .....

Pickle Crow .....

Regcourt .....

Senator Rouyn .....

Steep Rock

Sturgeon River

Silver Miller .....

Madsen Red Lake ..... 2.85

McLeod Ceckshutt ..... 1.14

Negus ..... 2.45

San Antonio ...... 4.30

Sherrit Gordon ...... 2.22

1.60

McKenzie Red Lake .... .41

Consol. Smelters ...... 110.50

East Sullivan ..... 2.96

Giant Yellowknife .... 5.90

:: TODAY'S STOCKS ::

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.)

OTTAWA (P)-Fifty percent re-

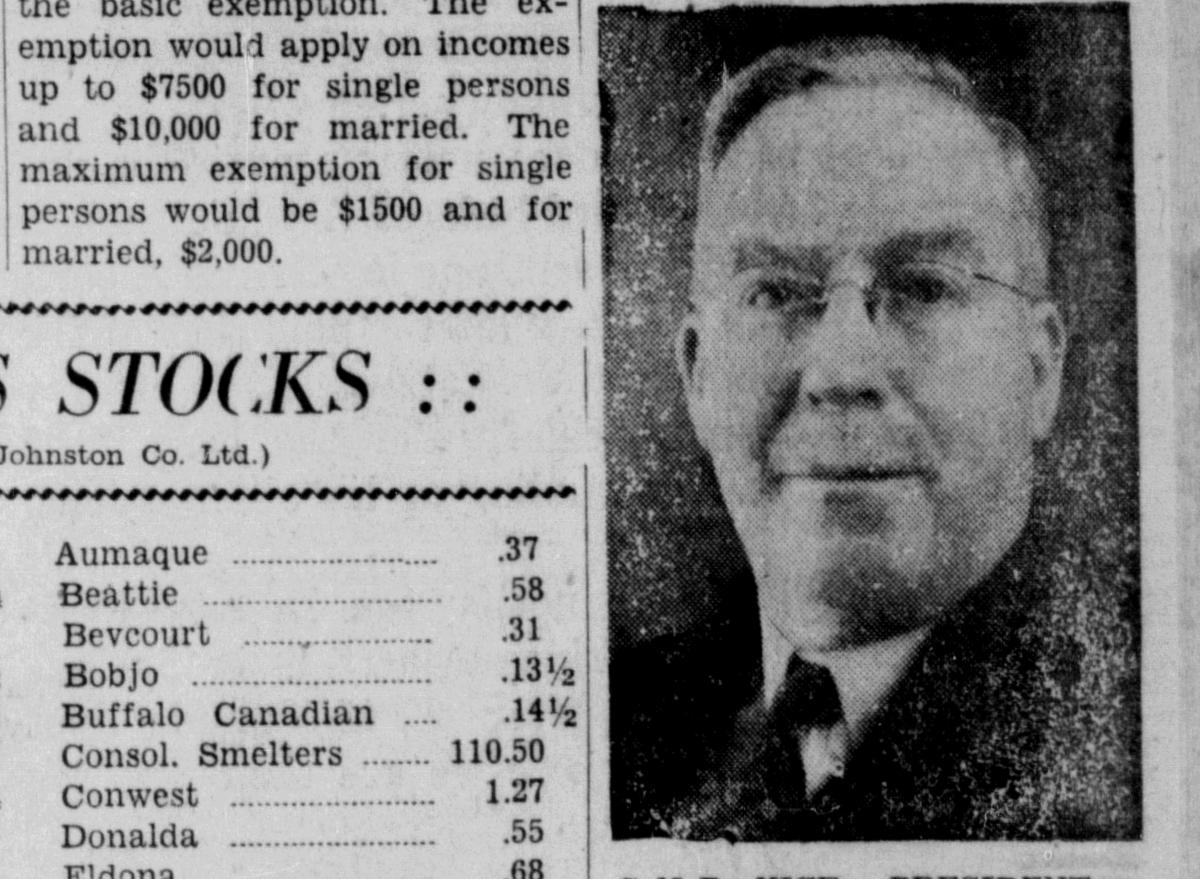
# vus station on Sunday. Railway Weekly Wage Rate offices forecastthis morning that Hits High Record OTTAWA-The average weeknoon so that trains could pass. ly wage of hourly paid workers

sea or air journey.

in Canadian manufacturing from the East to get through reached a record high of \$41.16 in November. A new high for hourly earnings of 45.5 was also shown. The previous weekly top was \$40.68. In November 1947 it was \$36.34 in 1946 \$30.91 and in 1945 \$30.31.

### LOOKS FOR MORE FLOODS IN 1949 Quebec Member Would Remove

VANCOUVER-H. T. Mitchell, retiring president of the Vancouver Board of Trade, in his duction in personal income taxes report, warned that there is a was urged yesterday in Parliapossibility, in view of general Saturday night killed William ment by Roland Beaudry, Libsnow conditions of another eral, Montreal. He said the govflood this year. Because of this ernment could afford to cut taxes he urged that a substantial part of the fund, available for Beaudry's plan would remove relief purposes, be held in case 724,000 persons from the tax rolls an emergency arises If it does by changing exemptions. He not, then the money can apply urged the income exemption further to the 1948 flood vic-It takes 330 men with 30 (twenty percent of the taxpay- tims.



C. N. R. VICE - PRESIDENT-Tells of electric conservation measures in Vancouver.



VISITING DISTRICT-Bernard Allen, general manager of Canadian National for British Columbia.