

# 50,000 Winnipeg People Battle Floods

## Local Support Being Sought

### Vancouver Board Of Trade Party To Visit Wednesday

A royal welcome is being prepared by the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce for a goodwill delegation of about 60 members of the Vancouver Board of Trade as they step off the steamer Prince George next Wednesday morning. It is the first mass tour the Vancouver Board has made since the war, and members of both organizations are looking forward to it.

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### LaMotta May Defend Crown

NEW YORK — Paddy Young, game, youthful New Yorker, last night spurted in the last round to win a split 10-round decision match over Charlie Fusari of Irvington, N.J. Meanwhile, it was learned that if the international boxing clubs, Madison Square Garden and New York boxing managers' guild can get together on a television money settlement, they can count on midweight champion Jake LaMotta to defend his crown against Rocky Graziano June 14.

### HOST SCRATCHED IN WITHERS MILE

NEW YORK — Your Host, Kentucky Derby favorite who ran out of gas after a mile, was scratched today from Belmont's Withers Mile, making \$25,000 added to the even duel between Middleground and Hill Prince.

### Condemned To Death

VERNON — Joseph Arthur Ouellette, 21, yesterday was convicted of murder in the shotgun death last year of market gardener Mah Siag. Mr. Justice A. N. MacFarlane sentenced Ouellette, captured at gun point in a Vancouver hotel, to be hanged August 3. Ouellette, employed by the two Chinese, fled to Vancouver with a 16-year old Indian girl, police said.

### Seek New British Wheat Contract

LONDON — Reports that Canada hopes to negotiate a new wheat contract with Britain, "not dissimilar" to the present one, has received no official comment in London. But informally officials have said in the private opinions this would be a "very reasonable process." Private traders and circles close to the International Wheat Council also have given the idea their informal blessing.

CHICAGO — The striking locomotive firemen's union extended its strike to include a stretch of the Union Pacific Railway today and set up picket lines in an effort to halt Eastern and Southern operations on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Picket lines were set up at Harrisburg, Pa.

#### Baseball Scores

##### TODAY

##### National

Boston 12, Brooklyn 2  
Philadelphia 7, New York 1

##### FRIDAY

##### American

Washington 1, Boston 3  
Philadelphia 2, New York 3  
Chicago 1, Cleveland 3

##### National

Cincinnati 3, St. Louis 1  
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago 6

### Enlarged Group Operation Would Be Big Thing For Portland Canal

Another producing mine operation in the Portland Canal area comparable with the famous Silbak-Premier is predicted by L. S. Davidson, veteran operator of that area. The operation would ensue from the enlarged amalgamation of the Big Four group of properties originally consisting of the Prosperity, Porter-Idaho, Silverado and Silver Range properties on Rainey Mountain, across the Canal from Stewart, with which have now been linked up the Dunwell and Ben Bolt properties up the Bear River valley to the north of Rainey Mountain. The original Big Four group are primarily silver properties while Dunwell and Ben Bolt are gold.

The ambitious program for the joint operation includes the driving of an 8000-foot tunnel right through Mount Rainey to a central milling plant at Stewart. The mill would be of the sink and float process and would have a daily capacity of 200 to 300 tons. The Big Four ore, 120,000 tons of which has been developed, would eventually come through the tunnel to the mill. The Dunwell and Ben Bolt ore would come to the mill for the distance of five miles by road.

The driving of the tunnel being a long operation (about 1000 feet is already driven).

During the past three years some \$150,000 has been spent on exploring Big Four ground and preparing for the driving of the tunnel.

Arrangements are being made for the smelting of ore at Tacoma and the transporting of the ore by Frank Waterhouse line.

Mr. Davidson, who has been in the city for the past few days on business, is returning to Stewart on the Coquitlam tomorrow night.

### Financing Of Local Hotel

Frank Kafel Meets With Local Business Men

With a province-wide stock selling campaign being undertaken, the next thirty days will determine the future of Prince Rupert's new Sir Charles M. Hays Hotel, Frank Kafel, Toronto and Vancouver financier, who is organizing the project, indicated here last night. Mr. Kafel is confident, however, that the money will be raised for the project on which he himself is sold—both from the standpoint of Prince Rupert's great need for adequate good hotel accommodation, and the prospects of its financial success in view of impending large industrial development in the area and the possibilities arising from the tourist trade. The fruition of the project depends on two-thirds of the money required being obtained by a stock selling campaign. Mr. Kafel being ready to put up the other one-third himself. Already he said, he is committed to preliminary expenses of \$125,000 in promoting the project. Mr. Kafel is very anxious to see a substantial proportion of the stock being subscribed right in Prince Rupert although a province-wide campaign is being conducted.

The size of the hotel, Mr. Kafel said, would depend upon the amount of money raised. A 50-room hotel and theatre building would cost \$500,000 or 100 rooms \$750,000.

All moneys raised by the sale of stock, Mr. Kafel said, would be kept in escrow until sufficient had been raised to proceed with construction. If not sufficient could be raised, the money would be returned.

Mr. Kafel declared that he was most anxious to make the project a success. Every dollar invested, he felt, would come back manyfold to the community. Robert Simpson Co. Ltd. had already applied for space in the hotel.

Mr. Kafel expressed the opinion that Prince Rupert people, above all others, should be interested in the hotel project. They would be the ones to really benefit far and above the straight investment return through the new business that the hotel would bring to the city. "I venture to say," he commented, "that, for every dollar they put in, they will get ten dollars back. They should invest in this proposition for their own good."

#### Apartment Building

As for himself, Mr. Kafel said: "I feel pledged to do this job and I'm going to see it through."

Regarding the conversion of the former United States Army administration Mr. Kafel said there had been certain unforeseen delays. However, this was all being cleared up and the \$200,000 reconversion job would commence shortly. "It will certainly be ready for occupancy by the end of the year," Mr. Kafel said.

Mr. Kafel arrived in the city by yesterday afternoon's plane from Vancouver. He is returning south by air this afternoon. He was accompanied here by Oliver Besner.

Mr. Kafel met last evening with the executive of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce when the whole hotel project was discussed with particular reference to the possibilities of local financial support of the hotel undertaking.

#### LOCAL TIDES

Sunday, May 14, 1950

High	12:10	17.6 feet
Low	6:01	4.6 feet
	17:58	7.0 feet

## Flash

EARL LAWSON DIES  
TORONTO—J. Earl Lawson, 59, president and managing director of Odeon theatres of Canada, died today. Mr. Lawson, one time Minister of National Revenue, had been in hospital for more than a year.

U.S. SHIP RELEASED  
SAN FRANCISCO—Chinese Communists have released the United States freighter, California Bear, held since it collided with and sank a small Chinese ship in the Yellow Sea April 20.

NEW PRICE HIGH  
WASHINGTON—The United States Government's daily index of prices hit a high for the year in the week ending May 9, it was reported today. An index of 28 commodities climbed two percent during the week to 259 percent of the August 1939 level.

### SLIGHT TREMOR IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES — A slight earthquake was felt today in the southwest section of Los Angeles in the vicinity of the international airport. Apparently there was no damage. The weather bureau said the tremor was "very slight."

### BIG THREE TALKS IN LONDON END TODAY

LONDON — The West's big three Foreign Ministers today gave urgent consideration to strengthening the Middle and Far East economically and militarily against Russian aggression. In their final day of conferences before the meeting of Atlantic Pact Foreign Ministers.

### House Urged To Aid North

OTTAWA — The Government was urged in Commons this week to take measures to encourage development of Canada's rich Northwest Territories. George Murray (Cariboo), publisher of the weekly Alaska Highway News, said as far as defence of this country is concerned: "It is in the interest of Canada to get as large a population in Northern British Columbia and the Yukon as possible, especially in the territory contiguous to the Alaska highway."

### Chuck Place Adjudged Best Fighter in Pr. Rupert Area

Many Trophies Awarded At Big Pugilistic Show Last Night—Miss Northern B.C. Honored

By unanimous decision, 134-pound Chuck Place was acclaimed best fighter in the Prince Rupert amateur boxing tournament in the Civic Centre last night and the blond, curly headed battler was awarded the Norm Applin best fighter Trophy by Sgt. Lance Potterton. In accepting the large golden award, Chuck gave tribute to his trainer Joe Ward, "who has trained me for almost four years." Chuck also took the lightweight trophy.

Sgt. Potterton remarked that "the boys have given us a good fight" and that the bouts were "one of the best fight programs in Prince Rupert." He was of the opinion that a larger crowd should have gathered for the program. He added that he hoped to see larger crowds at future bouts.

Miss Joyce Tattersall, Miss Northern B.C. for 1950, was awarded a gleaming silver cup by Norm Applin, director of the Northern Sports Boxing Club. Then Miss Tattersall presented pounds.

## Greatest Evacuation In History Going On

WINNIPEG (CP)—Fifty thousand men, women and teen agers are manning and building dikes in Greater Winnipeg's fight against the Red River and its tributaries, Premier Douglas Campbell said last night. In a radio address he said: "No words of mine can describe the service these people are performing for the community."

## Prepared To Crash

Wheeled Aircraft Comes Down At Seal Cove

A Cessna 140, carrying two United States Civil Aeronautics Administration officials, made a forced landing at Seal Cove air base here this afternoon when bad weather at Dundas Island prohibited their completing their trip from Arlington, Wash., to Annette Island, Alaska. They brought their plane down easily with full flaps on the quarter mile strip, using only one half its length. The plane has no pontoons.

The pilot, Ralph Pott, Controller of the C.A.A., and Bruce Ingalls, Communications chief found good flying conditions from Arlington to Smithers, where the weather began to thicken. At Dundas Island they gave up their attempt to get to the base at Annette Island and turned back.

It was feared that the small plane would be forced to crash land and word was dispatched to the police and Fire Department. As the plane came in the police wagon, fire truck and ambulance stood by. But, fortunately, the plane had ample landing area.

## Air Mail Service For Q.C. Islands

E. T. Applewhaite, M.P. for Skeena, sent word to the Daily News today that an order-in-council had been passed providing for a first class air mail service between Aliford Bay and Masset Inlet including Juskatla and Port Clements once a week as soon as necessary arrangements can be made.

Mrs. E. A. Rutledge, who is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, leaves Sunday night aboard the Camosua for her home at Vancouver.

Mr. Applewhaite stated that this service was being made possible largely through co-operation of the Queen Charlotte Air Lines which concern had accepted a very reasonable figure.

The new air mail service on the Islands, connecting with the Canadian Pacific Airlines service between Prince Rupert and Sandspit, will complement the weekly steamship service provided between Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands by Union Steamships Limited.

## Czechs Break Off Relations

WASHINGTON — A mass ouster of 22 of 33 Czech diplomatic corps employees in the United States was ordered by the American Government today. The action was taken in retaliation for the ejection of about 40 Americans from Communist Czechoslovakia. In addition, the United States has ordered the Czechs to close their consulates in Cleveland and Pittsburgh.

Prague—The British Information service and British Consulate closed their offices in Prague at noon today in accordance with the demand of the Czech government, which yesterday denounced Anglo-Czech cultural agreement.

### Baseball Tomorrow

of the 1950 season Prince Rupert Baseball gets underway at Park tomorrow. The Abel and Odowdes, and Hotel hope for a good crowd.

the association conference teams, the two named clubs, a team organization at Watson Island, a good brand of base-ball fans this year. Last year's players will be on the field.

Commercial Hotel entry, by Eddie Davis, have a centre fielder, Stan the strong opposition. A good first base year with the Com-mall be missing. Lorne interior with the Over-company. Ken Guthrie, second base last year, ground. He's out on the with the Royal Can-

edick, third baseman, Arm and "Deacon" year's left fielder, is Donald Toews, Com-mucker last year is liv-ing.

Davis stated that his, med on Page 4)

### Officer Present

to the retiring Mrs. George Howe, highlight of the fourth meeting of Prince Rupert of the United Women's Missionary Society in the church Wednesday. The was made by Mrs. on behalf of all

ay evening out of gates and guests from churches joined mem-auxiliary to hear an Mr. F. E. Anfield.

Communion Thursday was followed by a meeting Delegates in Robert Williamson, and Mrs. Kilpatrick. Greetings were from St. Andrew's Ca-Mrs. Gordon Reade, Lutheran Church by stay, Baptist by Mrs. Calderwood and from Army by Mrs. W.

afternoon session Mrs. reported as delegate vice branch. Other re-ceived from local and auxiliaries The following were elected and in-a ceremony conducted G. Sieber:

president, Mrs. R. W. president, Mrs. J. R. vice-president, Mrs. second vice-president, Thompson; secretary, R. Barclay; treasurer, Green.

stewardship, Mrs. Williamson, Ocean Falls; circles, Mrs. C. Gibson, C.G.I.T., Miss Mar-Leod; mission bands, Stewart, Laby bands, Chocoma; associate mem-A Lawton, Port Simp-ly, Mrs. A. Thompson, friendship, Mrs. D. literature, Mrs. G. S. Irvine; temperance mission month-Asian citizenship, Mrs. press, Mrs. L. G.

### Offices Red Shut

—The Czechoslovak government has called the British Embassy to close of the British information and the British Con-Czechoslovakia by the demand was made page note delivered at Embassy here.