

The Imprisonment For Hungarian Cardinal

PERCENT REDUCTION IN POWER NEEDED TO ENSURE SERVICE

Co-operation Shown by Industrial and Domestic Users Since Hydro Crisis Began

Industrial and domestic users in the city today are taking steps to cut down their consumption of electricity during the current hydro crisis. Mr. Black, Northern B.C. Power Co. manager, said, "Despite appeals, consumption of power has increased noticeably, a situation that may presage a further reduction in power."

to cut down on electrical use. "Porch lights, window lighting, electrical heating and appliances can be eliminated without hardship," Mr. Black said. "With co-operation in this regard, we can ensure continuity of service for the greater part of the time."

Chiang May Come Back?

NANKING, (CP)—China's dormant civil war flared into a light fight on the Yangtze River 40 miles west of here today.

Government patrol boats attacked a flotilla of Communist supply craft west of Wuhu. Several Communist boats were sunk and 31 junks were captured along with a few Communist prisoners.

Meanwhile there were suggestions that Chiang Kai-Shek may be coming to the fore again. It is announced he will preside over an important Nationalist government meeting next week.



MARK DISAPPEARING—Walls of the old Hotel Vancouver are tumbling under the wreckers' hammer now the building has been stripped. In the background is the rear of the new building. The workmen are on the lower section of the building. A large department store may eventually be built on the site. (CP Photo)

NOTICE

There has been very little co-operation from the great number of users of electricity to date, as outputs from plants show very little reduction. It is extremely important to avoid more drastic measures than every economy be affected in the use of electricity throughout the community. We appeal to you to cut your requirements by at least 10% while the present situation lasts. Porch lights, window lighting, unnecessary use of incandescent lighting, electrical heating, and appliances, can be eliminated without hardship. We urgently request your co-operation to ensure continuity of service for a greater period of time.

NORTHERN B.C. POWER CO. LTD.

Pro-Cons Win Seat

St. Laurent Suffers Reverse in First Test of Leadership

NICOLET, Que., (CP)—Rene Chapdelaine, 37-year old lawyer, carried the Progressive Conservative banner to victory in the Nicolet-Yamaska federal by-election. It was the first time the Liberals have lost the seat since 1921.

From the beginning of returns, it was clearly a two-man race with another lawyer, Paul Trahan, 40, the Liberal candidate, giving a stiff battle. The Canadian Press reported Chapdelaine elected at 7:50 p.m. on 85 of 103 polls. The final vote:

Chapdelaine 8,295
Trahan 7,999
Manseau 432

TODAY'S STOCKS

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

Vancouver	
Baymeo	.06 3/4
Bralorne	9.00
B.R. Con.	.03 1/4
B.R.X.	.12
Cariboo Quartz	1.30
Congress	.05 1/2
Hedley Mascot	.51
Pend Oreille	5.80
Pioneer	3.25
Premier Border	.03 1/2
Privateer	.19
Reevys McDonald	3.10
Sheep Creek	.06 1/2
Sheep Creek	1.43
Silbak Premier	.38
Taku River	.33
Vananda	.36
Salmon Gold	.15
Sheep Creek	.06 1/4
Oils—	
Anglo Canadian	4.60
A.P. Con.	.22
Atlantic	.72
Calmont	.41
C. & E.	5.40
Central Leduc	1.16
Home Oil	11.65
Mercury	.15
Okalta	1.25
Pacific Pete	2.40
Princess	.34
Royal Canadian	.09 3/4
Toronto	
Athona	12 1/2
Aumaque	.33
Beattie	.57
Bevcourt	.28
Bobjo	12 1/2
Buffalo Canadian	.14
Consol. Smelters	110.00
Conwest	1.20
Donalda	.55
Eldona	.65
East Sullivan	2.95
Giant Yellowknife	5.50
God's Lake	.44
Hardrock	.16
Harricana	.09 1/4
Heva	11 1/2
Hosco	.27
Jackknife	.04 3/4
Joliet Quebec	.41
Lake Rowan	.06 1/2
Lapaska	.08 1/4
Little Long Lac	.92
Lynx	.13
Madsen Red Lake	2.76
McKenzie Red Lake	.40
McLeod Cocksbutt	1.10
Moneta	.48
Negus	2.35
Noranda	57.00
Louvicourt	.39
Pickle Crow	2.16
Regcourt	.06 1/2
San Antonio	4.25
Senator Robyn	.43
Sherrit Gordon	2.15
Steep Rock	1.55
Sturgeon River	.19
Silver Miller	.33

TOO MUCH FOR LOCAL FINANCE

Local financing does not appear to be available for the conversion of the former United States Army administration building on First Avenue, now in the hands of War Assets Corporation for disposal, into an apartment building so a special housing committee of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce is now endeavouring to interest outside sources in the project.

The special committee, through R. E. Montador, so reported to the Chamber at its regular monthly meeting last night. There have been estimates varying from \$75,000 to \$200,000 on the cost of such conversion. The Chamber, at its January meeting, received a complete structural report from W. H. Shortridge who had been employed for the purpose. In order to encourage the project, the Canadian National Railways has advised that it would be willing to sell the land on which the building stands at the assessed valuation which is comparatively low.

A threatened housing shortage

Norman Baker of the Civic Centre dining room made a week-end trip to Terrace.

CONVERSATION STOPPER

Dumb cane, a plant found in tropical Africa, has an acrid juice which paralyzes the power of speech of one who chews the stem.

DYNAMITE FREES STEWART HARBOR OF ICE MENACE

Dynamite charges were used last week by the provincial public works department at Stewart to clear the wharf area at the head of the Portland Canal to permit the entry of the Union steamer Camosun which made its first mooring to the wharf in three weeks Monday, notwithstanding 14 below temperature there Sunday night.

The dynamite was laid on the ice at the edge of the formation in sufficient charges to break off the outer edges. Then the process was repeated until the ice had been broken back to the wharf. The loose floes then drifted harmlessly before the wind down the canal.

The foot-thick ice formation previously had denied the Camosun entry to the Stewart wharf for three weeks. During that time, cargoes were lightered to the wharf at Hyder, farther down the canal.

Capt. John Bowden, who brought the Camosun to port this morning from Stewart, said that the vessel had taken the role of an ice breaker to clear out the remaining chunks of ice along the channel. The area is cleared right back to the tide flats at the head of the canal and no further trouble in that respect is anticipated.

Temperature at Stewart on Monday was eight degrees below zero, Capt. Bowden said, and a moderate northerly wind was blowing.

Snow level at Stewart is more than 23 feet, believed to be an all-time record and five feet greater than normal. Weight of snow has broken down the roof of the mine hospital at Premier, despite snow-shovelling efforts of a skeleton crew which remains at the mine. About \$300 worth of dynamite was used to blast the wharf area at Stewart free of ice.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis: An active Pacific disturbance was moving inland over the southern British Columbia coast this morning. Mixed rain and wet snow has been associated with the passage of this storm and some scattered shower activity will follow. Cloudy skies and widely scattered snow flurries will be quite general over the interior. Another Pacific storm which is 1200 miles west of the Queen Charlottes this morning will move into the northern coastal areas tomorrow morning. Milder weather is gradually spreading to most of the B.C. coast.

Forecast: Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Variable cloudiness and

Extenuation Is Found In Case of R.C. Primate

BUDAPEST (CP)—The Hungarian People's Court today convicted Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty of treason and sentenced him to life imprisonment. The 56-year-old Primate of the predominantly Catholic country was also found guilty of trying to overthrow the Communist government and speculating in foreign currency.

The court rejected a prosecution demand for the death sentence but ordered the confiscation of all the Cardinal's possessions and the depriving of civil rights for ten years.

All six of the Cardinal's co-defendants were convicted on treason charges, sentence: ranging from three years to life. Mindszenty's sentence will be reviewed by the Supreme People's Tribunal following an appeal by the defence.

The court found extenuating circumstances in the Cardinal's case. He had confessed and expressed regret and had lived far from worldly affairs.

The United States, through the minister here, had "made him hope that the United States would start a war and this war would help him attain his aims."

The Cardinal is the first Primate of the Catholic Church to face penal measures of the government while actually a member of the Sacred College of Cardinals.

Installations May Be Saved

War Assets Taking Customary Action But Demolition May Be Averted

While waterfront installations left by the United States Army here after the war may be offered for sale by War Assets Corporation in the usual way, there is every reason to believe that their demolition may be forestalled. This was indicated last night at the monthly meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce which for the past year has been actively campaigning for their retention.

The War Assets Corporation notified the Chamber of Commerce that it is the intention to advertise the administration building for demolition but, in connection therewith, notice will be given to the effect that the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce has some interesting information for prospective purchasers in regard to possible conversion for housing purposes.

As for the ocean dock extension, it was indicated at the meeting that this would fall in.

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Margarine, Public Works, School Tax Relief, Help To Industries, In Speech

VICTORIA (CP)—The Speech from the Throne, presented by the Lieutenant-Governor as the session of the Legislature opened this afternoon with usual formalities, included the following proposals:

- Removal of the provincial ban on sale of butter substitutes.
- Equalization of borrowing powers for public works and power development.
- Relief of school taxes.
- Extensive program of public works including main highways, bridges, secondary roads, schools, hospitals, public institutions and office buildings.
- Further financial assistance to enable the University of British Columbia to proceed with its program of expansion.
- Further alleviation of the burden of text-books costs.
- Improvement and development of the government-owned Pacific Great Eastern Railway.
- Revision of the policy for irrigation.
- Further expansion of forest protection work.
- Establishment of a New Haven Borstal-type institution for young offenders on a basis which will make it more effective as a corrective institution.
- Further development of Mount Seymour Park near Vancouver as a recreational outlet.
- Encouragement of industries particularly pulp and paper manufacture and processing of aluminum ores.
- Flood control measures.



QUEEN OF CARNIVAL—Eighteen-year old Shirley Williams, only blonde contestant, was crowned queen of the Winter Carnival at Fort William this week. This photo by Fryer shows the pretty queen wearing her crown after the coronation ceremonies.

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LOCAL TIDES

Wednesday, February 9, 1949	
High	9:58 18.8 feet
	23:28 16.4 feet
Low	3:44 11.0 feet
	17:04 5.4 feet

Basketball TONIGHT

7:00 p.m.—Port Simpson Series

Basketball

Vancouver vs Prince Rupert

ARROWS

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

8:30 p.m.

PRELIMINARIES:

Wednesday, 7:15—High School vs. Morgans

Thursday, 7:15—Merchants vs. Stones

ADMISSION: 80c - 55c - 30c (tax included)

Claim Reservations by 5 p.m. Night of Game