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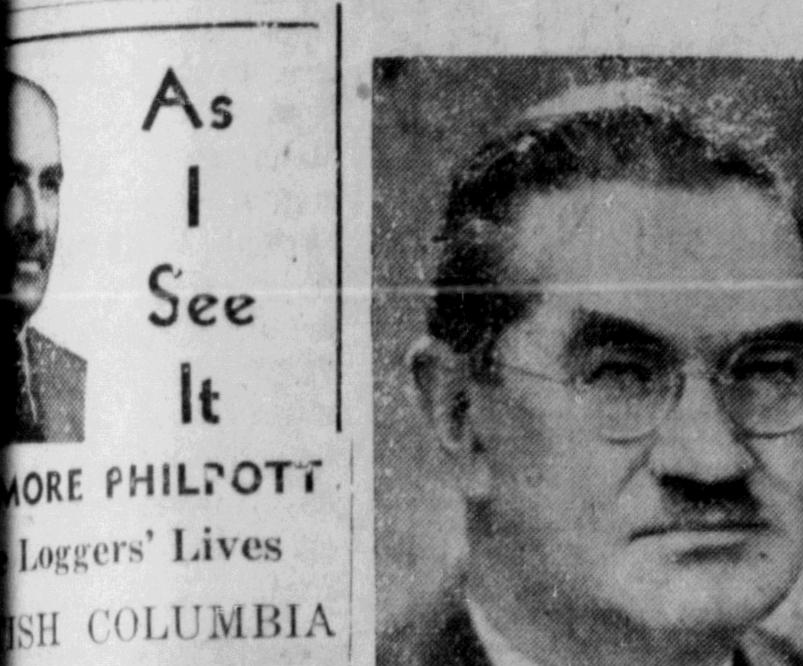
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# lu Epidemic Feared In Fire Smitten Cabano



DONALD GORDON-Here tonight looking over company property is President Donald Gordon of the Canadian Naional Railways. During hisfour hour stop he will attend dinner meeting of Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce.

a major slice of this "When unions are deprived of it is not too much to the right to strike." George Wilkinson, Labor Relations Board, Victoria, told last night's regular to think of it-why meeting of the Canadian Legion, 'we will see the end of democracy in Canada."

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The speaker asked the co-opne is out of date. It eration of Legion members in George VI is "King helping bring about an undermperor of India, De- everyone is needed to retain peace, he explained.

Questioned on Communist perhas declared her-sonnel in high union positions. the Commonwealth" Trades and Labor Congress were and 50. eased that process taking active steps to rid unions ng the adjective "Briof that influence. The membership, he felt, would not be swayed a bit confusing—but by any influence that threatened inspiring. Personally the Canadian way of life. "Canthe sense in changadian unions," he stated in conold form might tend clusion, "are one of the strongest mankind, instead of forces in the country in supportmuch of it as possible. ing that way of life."

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Baseball Scores TODAY

American New York 5, St. Louis 1

## Hit Winnipeg

WINNIPEG ()- Most of the 25,000 persons left homeless by Southern Manitoba flood waters are crowding today into stricken Winnipeg, itself a victim of the rampaging Red River. The influx has posed more problems for harried city officials in the prairie city.

They have already appealed for the evacuation of the city's 200,000 women and children. A track wash out eight miles south of here has stalled a Canadian National Railways train carrying 550 evacuees from the flooded Red River valley, but a Navy ferry service began the task of carrying passengers across the water gap to safety.

Meanwhile, "Get out while you can go in comfort," was the army's warning to Winnipeggers. Extra coaches were hooked onto Unions Must Have trains moving in and out of the same time pumping equipment and supplies continued to move in from cities all over Canada.

> MONTREAL - Railways announced today they are sending extra equipment into Winnipeg passengers leaving the flood stricken area. A Canadian Pacific are being attached to every C.P. R. train leaving or entering Win-

### THE WEATHER Forecast

today and Friday. Occasional the Junior Chamber of Com-Britain, Ireland and standing between labor and man- light rain today. Fog banks in the merce last night following the people Mr. Wilkinson said, that Dominions beyond agement. The co-operation of waters off the Queen Charlottes. club's monthly dinner in the the overall labor picture in this Little change in temperature. Civic Centre. Winds southerly (15) in the exposed areas and light elsewhere.



PROBING DEVASTATED HOMES-Residents of Rimcuski search through debris of their homes after a \$20,000,000 blaze raced through at least 3 12 buildings in the industrial centre some 200 miles east of Quebec City. In the background can be seen Rimouski Cathedral which escaped the flames while surrounding buildings were gutted.

### meet the heavy demand of ssengers leaving the flood stric- Labor Relations Best in Mr. Wilkinson said unions were growing up and realizing their of 65 cars was on the way west responsibility to the community today. In addition, extra cars

Industry in B. C. may have a bad time this year, but extra effort in conciliation and appeals for reasoning to both labor and management may still get us out easily, declared George Wilkinson of the Labor Relations Board, Victoria. Mr. Wilkinson delivered ed to protect the welfare of the North Coast Region - Cloudy a powerful and thoughtful address to members of

by the board which administers that in many states across the the Industrial Conciliaiton and border.

He spoke of the work done minion and no doubt better

emocratic republic. Mr. Wilkinson said there was Lows tonight and highs Friday— Arbitration Act of B. C. and how, In 1947, he explained, one miltaneously she has de- some, but that both the Canad- at Port Hardy, 45 and 55; Sand- since its inception, has helped lion man days were lost due to many times, Mr. Wilkinson intentions of stay- ian Congress of Labor and the spit 40 and 50; Prince Rupert, 45 to conciliate strikes and lock- strikes and \$9,000,000 was gone stated. It is far from perfect,

In 1948, through bargaining of " labor and management, man Oilstime loss dropped to 105,000 days Best records were shown in 1949 as only 14,722 man days were lost. The board was set up in 1948 although the original act was put into effect in 1937. A few years later, revision of the act was the basis for great deal of controversy.

Primarily, Mr. Wilkinson pointed out, the act was designentire province. Before the act was initiated, trade unionists fought to get toe holds in industry. They met with a great deal of resentment from management. As a result, the government was forced to pass legislation to protect this province from the effects of wildcat strikes and work stoppages.

outs. It is the opinion of many forevr to the economy of B. C. but in the main it functions

"You may not realize," said Mr. Wilkinson to members, "that every time an industrial upset occurs in B. C., Prince Rupert helps to pay the shot." One of our difficulties is to convince people that all citizens are affected by industrial unrest."

"Each community depends on one another", he declared.

The act, he said, has been accused of fostering company unions, but out of 119 unions cetified last year under the act, only six were employer dominated. They were passed under rigid examinations.

### Both Sides Guilty

In his opinion unions are not the only ones guilty of causing trouble. Nor are they altogether innocent. He added that the board has seen several things employers and unionists heve done to cause industrial dis- Canada and U.S.A. and many putes.

Mr. Wlikinson classed employers in three sections:

1. Bad dreamer-trys to hide from unions.

2. Fighter-Decides he is going to fight unions. We admire his courage-deplore his diplomacy.

3. Co-operator-Sits in a sincere attempt to reach an agreement.

He classed unions as:

Extremists-Refuse to se any good in management. constitution calls for." Would rather fight than not. Take every opportunity to show that they are running the show

2. Co-operators-Are in the majority. Try to drive a good bargain. They remember that management has rights.

He classed disputes as eco-

nomic when workers battle for higher wages, better pension schemes, conditions, etc. and colitical, when interests seek to take trade unions and use them for their own purposes. Politicai strikes are found throughout

### Contaminated Well Water

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver

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Premier Border

Reeves McDonald

Pioneer

Privateer

Sheep Creek

Taku River

Salmon Gold

Spud Valley

A. P. Con

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Calmont

C. & E.

Home Oil

Mercury

Pacific Pete

Athona .....

Aumaque

Beattie

Bevcourt

Conwest

Eldona

East Sullivan

God's Lake

Hardrock

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Joliet Quebec .

Lake Rowan .

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a great deal can be done to rem-

The act, he said, provides that

certain steps be taken by both

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Under the Act, he explained

the Labor Relations Board con-

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Mr. Wilkinson was introduc-

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CABANO, QUE (CP)-To prevent an epidemic starting from polluted well waters in this devastated lumber town, Quebec Health Department authorities today issued emergency orders. Doctors found residents, deprived of their normal water services, turning to abandoned wells. Physicians warned

that all water from stagnant wells should be boiled before drinking.

There are 1,500 homeless in this isolated community where .031/2 the industrial community and 118 homes were reduced to ashes in a few hours Monday.

> A Montreal dispatch says the St. John's Ambulance Association today received word from its Cabano representative that homeless residents are "coming down with 'flu'. Medical supplies are needed.

QUEBEC-Quebec Health De-.121/2 partment officials said today 2.55 they had not been informed of any outbreak of influenza in fire wrecked Cabano. A department spokesman said two doctors, four provincial health inspectors and 12 nurses are working among the 1,500 homeless and are taking all precautions the protection of public health. The spokesman said is less danger of disease after a big fire than, for ex-

### ICE BROKEN

FRANCOIS LAKE-The lake is now open for traffic. The ferry crossed for the first time this year yesterday afternoon pushing through the rotten ice.

### Water Expert

Ald. T. B. Black, at the regular meeting of Prince Rupert City Council asked about a report from the Provincial Underwriters Association engineer condemning the waterworks and suggesting a possible raise in insurance

Mayor George Rudderham replied Mr. Ford had called at his office and mentioned that insur-.071/4 ance rates might have to be increased because of the condition .181/2 of the water system. Asked what .051/2 line the engineer referred to, His Worship said the line from the power house down to the pas-

> City Clerk H. D. Thain told the council it was part of an underwriters' engineer's job to frighten cities into having perfect condi-

Ald. Black asked City Engineer D. Stewart what he thought of the condition of the line.

Mr. Stewart replied the line on this side was safe and in secure condition and that lines on the other side that had been exposed were all right. However, sections of the world, and not the line across Hays Creek had suffered during the severely frosty spell. It was the weak link, he told the council. Asked

art replied 3,750,000 gallons. Ald. T. B. Black, on being told board are not final and binding, Mr. Ford had not looked over the line asked how he could be Mr. Wilkinson said the board in a position to know its condialso settles jurisdictional prob- tion. "Does he pick it up from

the daily consumption, Mr. Stew-

lems between unions. "We would street corner gossip?" he queried. Ald. George Casey said a complete report from a hydraulic engineer would be obtained as soon as possible. With the Daily News plugging away at the poor condition of the water system. the city was getting a lot of bad publicty, he said. Negotiations to get an engineer were being followed, he continued, but locating a man who had been recom-

ed by Alf Worthington and The subject was dropped with thanked by Vice-president A. Speers who took over the chair little more discussion with the in the absence of President idea of reopening it when the engineer's report cams in.

mended to the council was hard.

CRITICAL DAY NEAR-These Siamese twins, Brenda and Beverley Townsend, now nearly six months old, are in Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton where an operation to separate them will be attempted May 14. Doctors will seek to cut through the bone, skin and tissue to separate them and divde their common liver. Here, Miss Anne Dickson of Edmonton, one of the few persons permitted in the babies' isolated ward, gives orange juice to one while the other anxiously awaits her bottle.