

Field at Prince Rupert Held Defence 'Must'

Pacific Cable Rates Useful To Iron Curtain

Present high rates for commercial cables and radio messages across the Pacific from British Columbia to Far Eastern ports are on the floor of the House of Commons, Transport Minister, brought in his Canadian crown...

Following his statement in the House of Commons, Mr. Murray gave newsmen to understand that, when the bill came before committee, he would urge an amendment to safeguard British Columbia's interests. He referred to the recent launching of an air service via northern British Columbia and the Yukon to Asia by the Canadian Pacific Airlines.

"I am informed that opening of the Canadian airline service has already resulted in new business from Asiatic ports for B.C. growers, manufacturers and brokers. Low cable and wireless rates direct to Shanghai, Hong Kong and Singapore from Vancouver will stimulate business across the Pacific.

"The old order placed the Canadian ports on the Pacific under a severe handicap. Messages from North China had to be routed all-round the world via London and Montreal to Vancouver. Such rates were often so high that B.C. businessmen hesitated to use either cable or wireless.

"Ocean freights also discriminated." (Continued on page 4)

STEELWORKER HURT IN FALL

G. B. Ludvigson, a steelworker for Dominion Bridge Co. on the Watson Island project, was taken to hospital at 5 pm. Monday suffering injuries resulting from a fall while at work. Ludvigson fell from an upper part of the steel framework of one of the buildings under construction about 4:30. He suffered bruises to his chest and back. His condition was reported "good" this morning.

Tides	
Wednesday, October 5, 1949	
High	0:10 19.4 feet
	12:38 20.0 feet
Low	6:24 5.1 feet
	18:46 5.2 feet

WOULD BREAK UP MONOPOLY

AYRSHIRE, Scotland—Emphrys Hughes, teacher and school teacher and Labor member for Ayrshire, will ask Prime Minister Attlee when Parliament opens October 12 to make production and export of whisky a state monopoly.

Hughes said that a "little group of wealthy monopolists in the United Kingdom are cashing in on the thirst of America."

His proposition would mean a reduction in the price of Scotch in Canada and the United States.

Catholic Bazaar
Wednesday and
Thursday Afternoons
SCHOOL HALL
(234)

Apprentices Few Here

Boys, Rather Than Employers Held Responsible

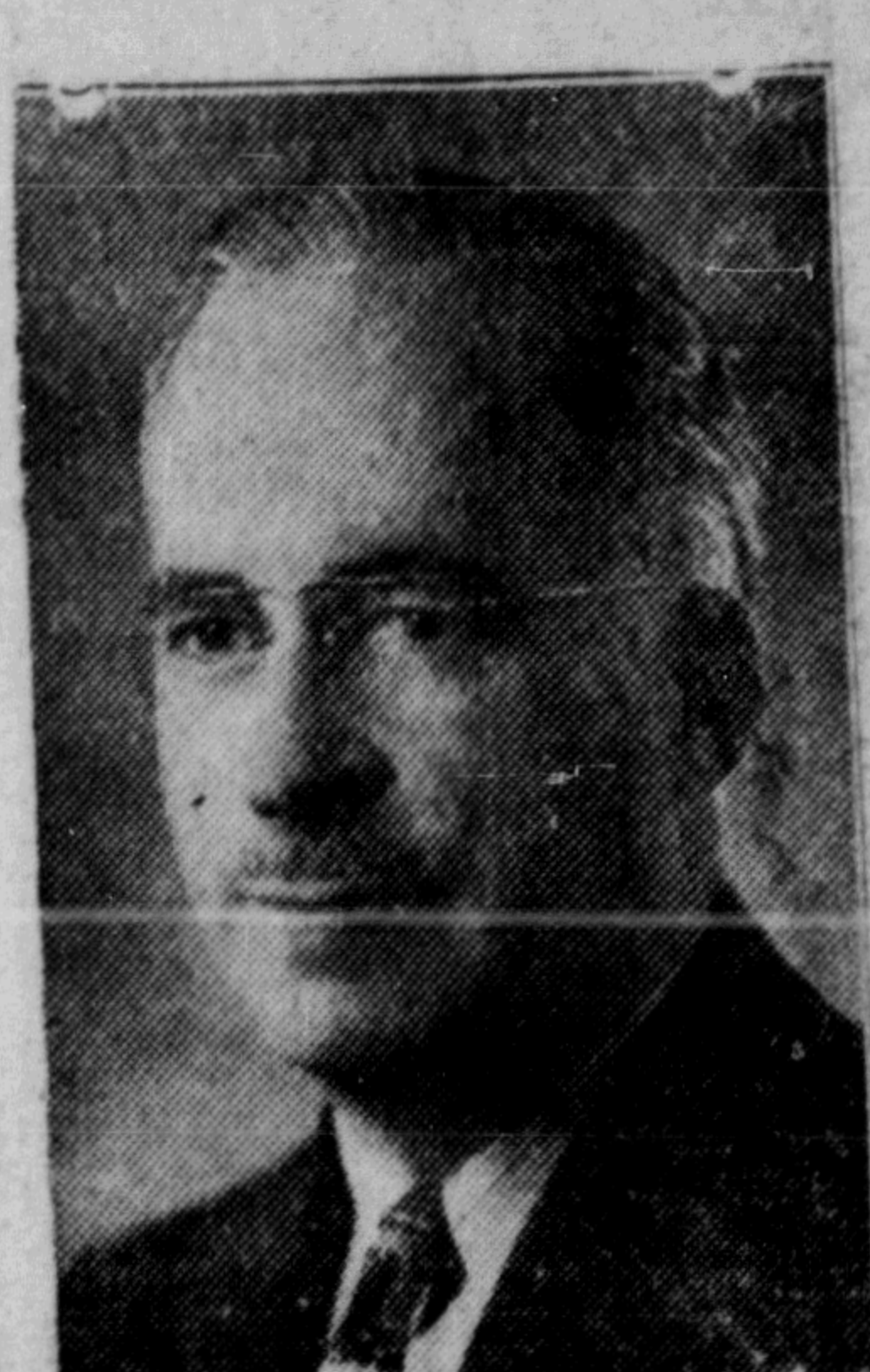
There are only ten apprentices signed up to trades in Prince Rupert, making this the worst place in British Columbia for acceptance of the apprenticeship system, Ted Ivay of the apprenticeship branch of the provincial Department of Labor told the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce which he addressed briefly at its monthly dinner meeting last night. "What is the matter?" he asked.

Pointing to a situation last winter in Vancouver where 40,000 unskilled unemployed were seeking work while jobs for skilled and highly paid tradesmen went unfilled, Mr. Ivay told the Chamber of the joint federal and provincial government program for the training of boys in the trades, a program which was designed for the aid of business men, industries and the boys themselves. The contracts involved unertakings and obligations on both sides.

The whole idea was that there would be an adequate supply of skilled tradesmen and to eliminate in the future such situations as there had been in the past where large numbers of unskilled workers become a charge upon the country.

In discussion that followed, Mr. Ivay's address concurred appeared to be that the fault here did not lie with the employers but with the boys themselves and their parents who were lured by the transient but imprudential prosperity of high wages for unskilled labor.

The importance of getting in touch with the boys in the schools was stressed.



JAMES J. BEHAN—Who has been promoted to General Superintendent of Transportation, Western region, Canadian National Railways, who has retired from active service after 50 years of railroading in western Canada.



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WORLD SERIES—

"This Is Bums' Year," Say Brooklyn Die-hards

Allie Reynolds Named Starting Pitcher for New York Yankees

NEW YORK (CP)—Allie Reynolds will be the starting pitcher for New York Yankees in the World Series at Yankee Stadium tomorrow. Manager Burt Shotton is keeping silent about the choice of moundsman for the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The "Ten Cent" World Series boomed into a \$10,000,000 bonanza for New York City.

Victories of the Yankees and the Dodgers in the frenzied baseball pennant race finals have brought thousands of fans to the city, jamming hotels and putting a heavy premium on Series tickets.

The weather outlook is bad with predicted cloudiness and showers. The Yankees, American League champions, are favorites over the Dodgers of the National by 5 to 9 which means that the bettor must put down \$9 on the Yankees to \$5 to win over Brooklyn.

There are those, however, who predict that the Series will be as close and exciting as were the league finals and, if it is true, then it is not too fan-tastic. (Continued Page 6)

ATTEMPT TO FIND SUNKEN SEINE BOAT

An effort was made today to locate the sunken hulk of the Francis Miller seine boat Rose City which went to the bottom early Monday following a collision Sunday night with another seiner, the Invercan, in Edye Pass, 20 miles west of Prince Rupert.

The Invercan, which rammed the Rose City stern, was towed to port here Monday evening for repairs after she had taken the six-man crew of the Rose City aboard following the collision. A survey of her hull showed that damage was not as great as had been previously feared.

This morning, James Bruce, manager of the Francis Miller cannery at Seal Cove, left for the scene of the collision aboard the chartered packer Pauline V. Seattle Chamber of Commerce Capt. Chris Viktil in the hope of locating the wreck which may be drifting submerged.

The Rose City sank about 4 a.m. Monday after receiving severe damage on the starboard side near the stern in the collision with the Invercan about 9:30 Sunday night.

Mr. Bruce said that he hopes to salvage the seine net a valuable piece of equipment, which was stored in the hold of the Rose City as she set out across Hecate Strait for the Queen Charlottes.

"She may have drifted up on some beach where we can get at her long enough to get the net," he said.

Damage to the Invercan's bow at first thought to be serious, was revealed to be only "slight" following a survey last night. However because of the engine failure after the collision, she had to be towed to port here by the Armour Salvage and Towing Co. tug Kalen which left port here at 2 a.m. Monday to give aid.

A search of the area near (Continued on Page 5)

Chamber of Commerce Is Taking Its Case To International Board

Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce is carrying its case for the establishment of a landing field for aircraft here direct to the International Joint Defence Board at Washington, D.C. and Ottawa. The Chamber, at its meeting last night, decided to dispatch a brief on the subject to the Defence Board. The strategic position of Prince Rupert from the defence standpoint in the light of existing international conditions is being emphasized in addition to the need of an air field here for the efficient carrying on of commercial air transport. The brief is also being sent to Prime Minister L. St. Laurent, the minister of transport and the minister of national defence. Support of the Chamber of Commerce will also be sought in view of Prince Rupert's position on "the first line of defence."

PILOTAGE SERVICE

Pilotage service at this port was also discussed at last night's meeting and a brief is being forwarded to a federal committee on pilotage which is coming to the coast and will be asked to visit Prince Rupert. One of the suggestions is that, in the appointment of a new harbor master here, endeavour be made to have a person who will be able to do pilotage. It was felt unfair to charge ships the expense of bringing pilots here from Vancouver and the Chamber is asking that such expenses be absorbed by the pilotage board rather than be made a charge against the ships.

Among other matters coming before the Chamber at its meeting was that of the annual winter overhaul of Canadian National coastal ships. A letter from E. T. Applewhite, M.P., said it was too late to do anything about the steamer Prince Rupert this winter but that it was a matter on which the Chamber might well keep pounding. Representations have now been made to the minister of transport, emphasizing the importance of keeping the local yard functioning.

In the matter of senatorial appointments, Prime Minister St. Laurent advised the Chamber that the matter on representation of Central British Columbia in the Upper House should be kept in mind when filling future vacancies.

The Chamber meeting heard three speakers—Ted Ivay of the provincial Department of Labor who made an appeal for local support of the apprenticeship program of the two governments; A. B. Brown, who explained the forthcoming money bylaws for schools here and urged support in the voting this Thursday, and E. D. Forward, Civic Centre director, who spoke of the current Civic Centre membership campaign and won an increase in the Chamber's annual sponsorship grant from \$50 to \$100.

Vice-President L. M. Felsenthal occupied the chair at last night's meeting in the absence through indisposition of President G. R. S. Blackaby.

C. A. Berner was elected delegate of the Chamber to the forthcoming annual convention of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Montreal with E. T. Applewhite, M.P., as alternate. Mr. Berner was also nominated to the national policy committee of the convention.

SHOOTINGS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

PRAGUE—Three men were killed and several others injured in shooting incidents here Saturday night.

One man, before he died of bullet wounds in the stomach, is reported to have said: "Comrades, why have you done this to me?"

Eye-witnesses, in one instance, said that tommy gun fire came from a car carrying uniformed passengers. They sprayed it into people waiting for a public transport vehicle outside of Prague's big Pankrac prison.

WOULD TAKE OFF B.C. ELECTRIC TAX

VANCOUVER—Elimination of federal income taxes on the British Columbia Electric Co. as one step toward reducing of transit fares here will be sought by Vancouver. Mayor Charles Thompson said yesterday that the tax is "discriminatory" in that privately-owned utilities pay it while publicly-owned firms do not.

Flash

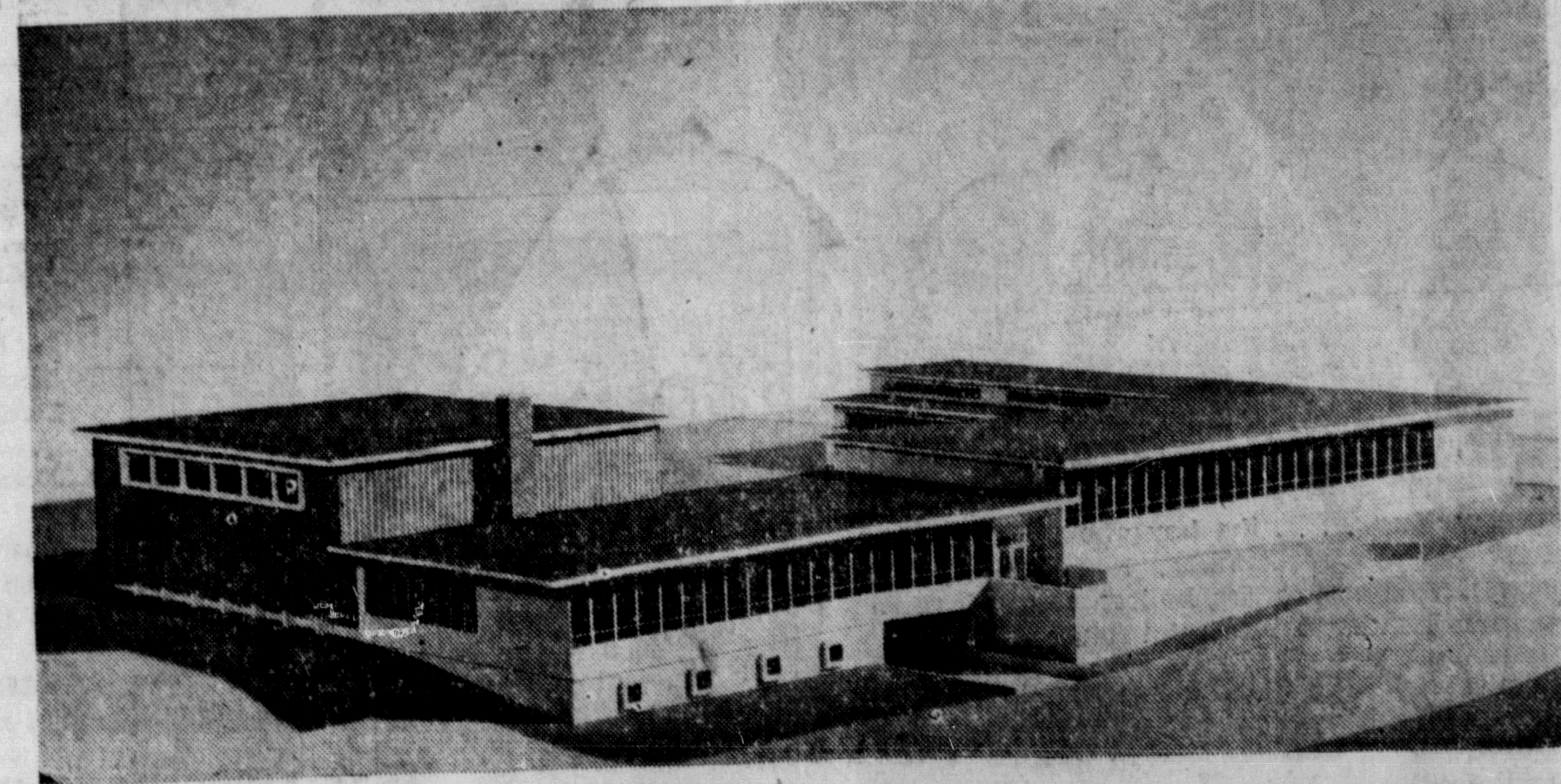
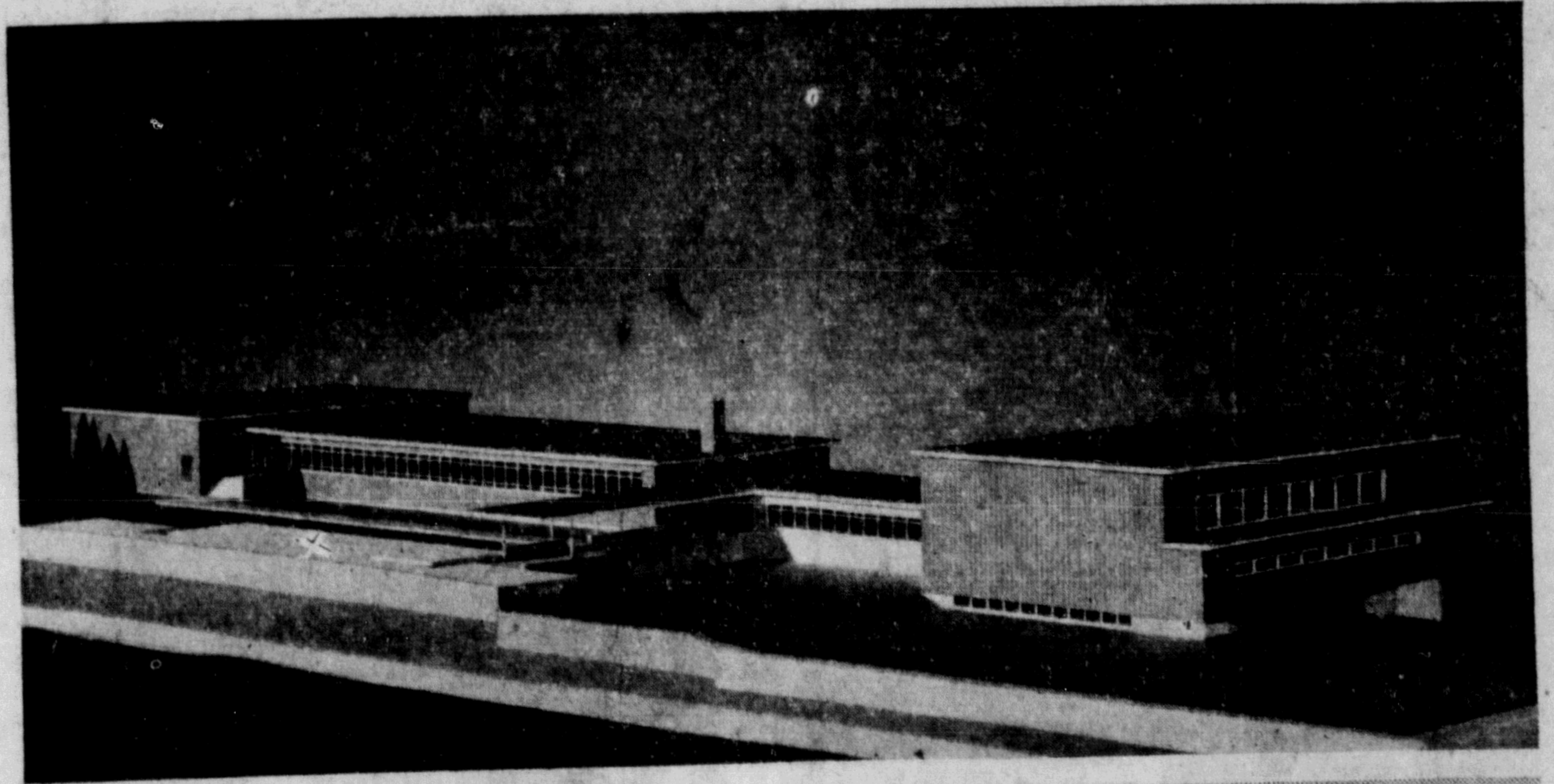
BIG TEXAS WIND
HOUSTON—A vicious hurricane smashed across the Texas coast, hit Galveston and Houston a walling blow and sped inland today. Winds of 100 miles per hour whipped the area but there were no fatalities. This city was buffeted for more than an hour.

VIOLENCE IN STRIKE
PITTSBURG—Gunfire and death broke a brief calm in the strife-scarred mine fields as twin strikes of 900,000 United States steel and coal workers continued today at the staggering cost of more than \$30,000,000 per day. Violence flared in Tennessee. A Virginia miner was killed in a rock fall.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA BREAKS
PRAGUE—Czechoslovakia, as expected today scrapped its friendship pact with Yugoslavia and demanded that the Yugoslav ambassador to Prague be recalled immediately.

MAY HIT P.G.E.
VICTORIA—The crippling strike of 500,000 CIO steel workers in the United States, already threatening to throttle American production, may reach out to block plans of the British Columbia government to have the Pacific Great Eastern Railway rolling into Prince George by 1951. The provincial department of railways here reports the strike will probably delay the Quesnel-Prince George extension.

MAXIM SCHAPIRO
Pianist
Wednesday — 8:30 p.m.
JOIN — TODAY
CIVIC CENTRE
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RATEPAYERS will decide on Thursday whether or not they approve of bylaws to authorize the borrowing of money to build schools such as these to augment the restricted facilities of Booth Memorial High School and to replace the present inadequate King Edward elementary school. Over-all cost of the projects would be \$815,030, of which district ratepayers would be required to pay half—\$407,515 over a 20-year period. Complete cost of the new Booth unit (top) would be \$245,055, while the total cost of the new King Edward school will be \$162,460. A complete majority of three-fifths or 60 per cent of city and rural voters will be required for approval of the bylaws. City's share of the combined cost would be \$356,331 while the rural share would be \$51,184. (Present Booth School stands on the space marked "X" in the sketch.)