



## SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

**Catherine B. Quits Historic Ferry Service—Cardena Takes Over Camosun's Run**

An historic harbor ferry service has ended. The Department of Transport's motor vessel Catherine B. made its last run to Digby Island at the end of the week. Henceforth it will be engaged in lighter duty of servicing aids to navigation in the close proximity of local headquarters unless some other decision as to her future disposition is made. It is close to forty years since the Digby Island service which the Catherine B. has now relinquished was instituted. It started when first the construction of quarantine hospital, former marine depot and wireless station commenced and was maintained throughout the years in order to provide transportation to and from the city from those establishments and the small communities which formed around them. First the old Rhona carried out the service to be replaced some fifteen years ago by the Catherine B. which had been acquired by the department after, as an American fishing vessel, she

had been seized and confiscated for illegal fishing. At one time or another the Rhona or Catherine B. would make as many as four trips a day. However, since the marine depot was moved from Digby Island to Seal Cove about a year ago, the service was gradually curtailed. Withdrawal of the Catherine B. isolates the Digby Island wireless station but it is understood that arrangements for a new ferry service will be made by the radio division.

Taking over the run from the Camosun which has been withdrawn for an overhaul, Union steamer Cardena, which recently came off the Vancouver-Bella Coola-Ocean Falls route, arrived in port at midnight last night and sailed this morning for Alice Arm, Stewart and other northern points. She will be back here tomorrow morning to sail at 1:30 p.m. on her return south. After completing her overhaul, the Camosun is expected to go on the Queen Charlotte Islands run in place of the Coquitlam which will then receive her annual reconditioning.

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## LIVED LIFE OF DANGER

LONDON—Viscount Greenwood, 78, who died recently, was a native of Whitby, Ontario. It was in 1906 he made his political debut in Great Britain. He was the centre of bitter controversy between 1920-22 when he served as Chief Secretary for Ireland. Relations with England were strained to the breaking point. He was censured in both Britain and Ireland but many insisted that, when near-anarchy was prevailing, a firm hand was needed. Long after his retirement from active politics a police guard, given him when he was Chief Secretary was maintained outside his law offices at Grays Inn. His life had often been threatened.

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## COAST SALMON PACK SMALLER

Despite an exceptionally fine run of sockeye on the Skeena River, British Columbia's canned salmon pack this year is almost 65,000 cases under 1947, according to figures contained in the latest bulletin issued by the Chief Supervisor of Fisheries, Vancouver.

Production to the week ending September 11 was 932,754 cases of all varieties for the coast, while for the comparable period last year, it was 1,069,880.

However, in the Naas and Skeena areas, cannery output this summer was 374,942 cases, the greatest output since 1945, while the sockeye pack of 119,929 cases in those areas was almost double that of last year.

Other parts of district Two, of which Prince Rupert is administrative headquarters, produced 291,276 cases, which was less than a year ago, but greater than 1946 production.

Canned salmon production 60,841.

## Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "She was born the tenth of February."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "anti" (prefix)?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Mackintosh, mademoiselle, magnanimous.
4. What does the word "refulgent" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with emb that means "undeveloped"?

### ANSWERS

1. Say, "She was born on the tenth of February." 2. Pronounce the i as in till, not as in tie. 3. Mademoiselle. 4. Radiant; resplendent. "From brightening fields either fair disclosed, child of the sun, refulgent summer comes." —Thomson. 5. Embryonic.

on the Naas and Skeena this summer, by varieties is as follows: sockeye, 119,929; springs, 4,569; steelhead, 3,350; coho, 24,752; pink, 151,501; chums,

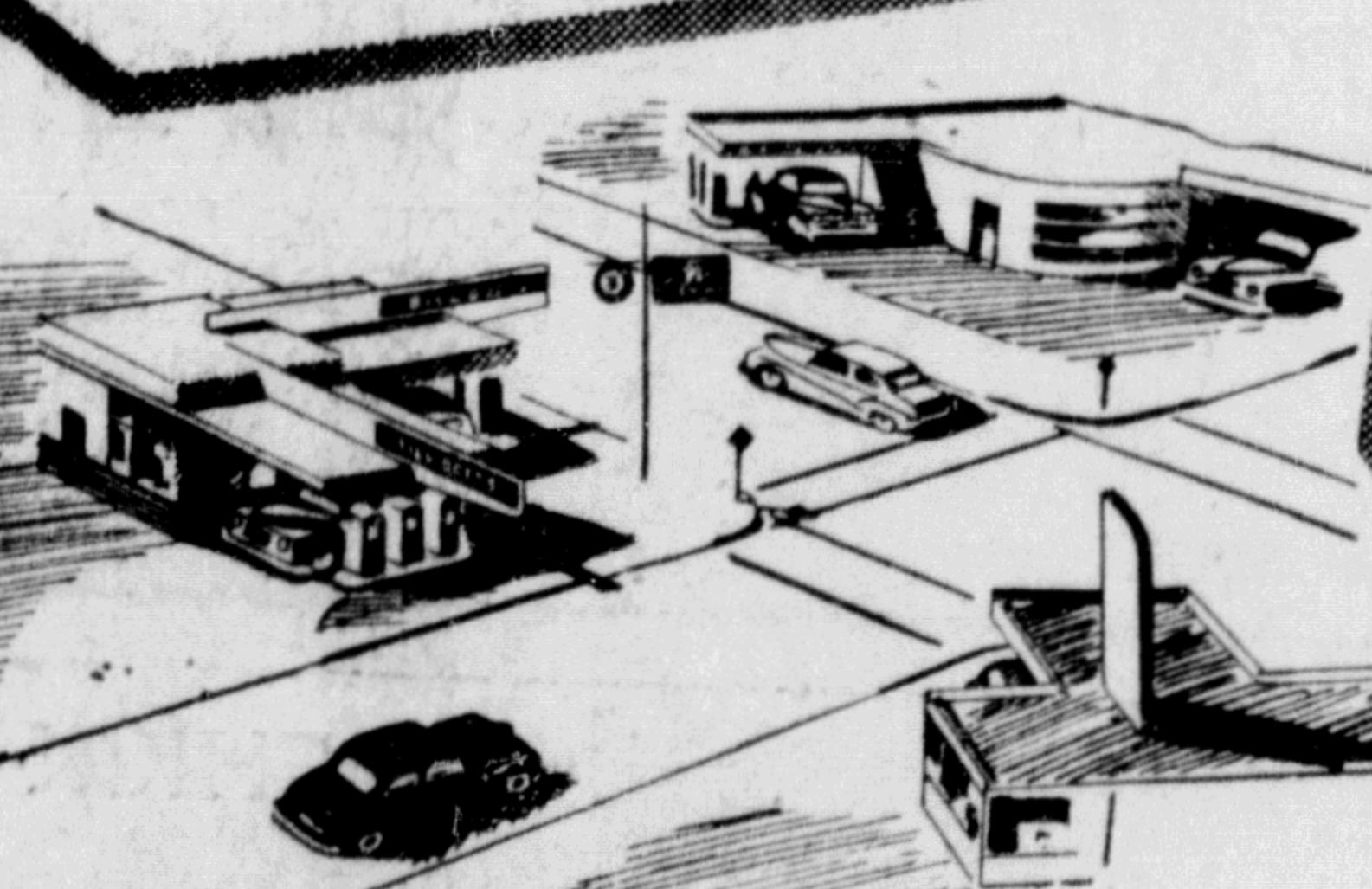
## Going Steady... ...15 Tons at 40 Per

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## NAVY OFFICERS SEE

(Continued from Page One)

A small group of soldiers, on maintenance duty at abandoned Fort Greely, and a token unit of Marines made up the rest. Three companies of defenders.

The plan called for an air operations officer, but it left him no aviators. They were busy commanding ground units. They were busy mounting broomsticks on the dismantling concrete anti-aircraft battlements which dot the islets and mountain shoulders surrounding the airfield.

The invaders blundered, they didn't slip into Kodiak base the way the defenders would have come, had the situation been re-

versed, and the Army was repelled.

"If they had been a little smarter," one officer commented, "we couldn't have done a thing about it. If they had a larger force, we would have been out of luck."

The officers, of course, blame public apathy for the sad state of Alaska's defenses. Congressional economy has choked off the stream of men and material needed.

Even this winter, because of the lack of permanent housing, the Army will be forced to withdraw 7,000 combat troops from Alaska. And this with Kodiak's Fort Greely standing virtually abandoned.

## Reminiscences and Reflections

Prince Rupert's city engineer, in submitting a report back in 1911, wrote: "In designing a system of waterworks for the city of Prince Rupert it is necessary to provide now for a population which will probably reach 20,000 in five years." We know better.

There is one thing that can be said of John Diefenbaker who announces his willingness to be a candidate for the Progressive-Conservative leadership. When he speaks in Parliament, he is, as a rule, listened to. That's more than can be said about everyone who journeys to Ottawa.

Sport involves a certain proportion of physical injury but nothing is gained by going to excess or taking hazardous risks. A fatality is by no means uncommon. Every fighter is not made like Joe Louis. A fractured ankle or impaired knee can provide ample time for sober reflection. It is not always a coincidence that athletic renown in youth can mean early decline later in life. There is always a point where unholiness to win should stop and horse sense begin. The human

body was intended to be reasonably well taken care of.

Mr. Truman will visit the Pacific coast soon on what, frankly, will be a political tour. Henry Wallace is back from the Southern States. His presence there was more of an experience than a sojourn. Mr. Dewey is quietly making policy medicine and keeping his weather eye open. All in all, the United States presidential campaign appears normal.

Four million dollars worth of salmon was unloaded from one freighter, at Prince Rupert, during the week-end. It was the late Charles M. Hays who once said the day would come when freight trains would run from Prince Rupert, carrying nothing but fish. And some folks gave him a fishy look.

Suppose Diefenbaker wins the election and the first Tory in many a long year presides at Ottawa. And he hails from the first and only C.C.F. province in all Canada. Moreover, there is no love lost between the Conservatives and C.C.F. The old maxim that politics make strange bedfellows seems still to hold true.

ARCHER WANTS ELEPHANT  
PRETORIA, South Africa — Armed with only a bow and arrow, a young archer here joined a party of five hunters on a three-week expedition in Northern Rhodesia to hunt a grown-up buck and a rhinoceros. He is convinced he will kill a rhinoceros on a three-week expedition in elephant-land.

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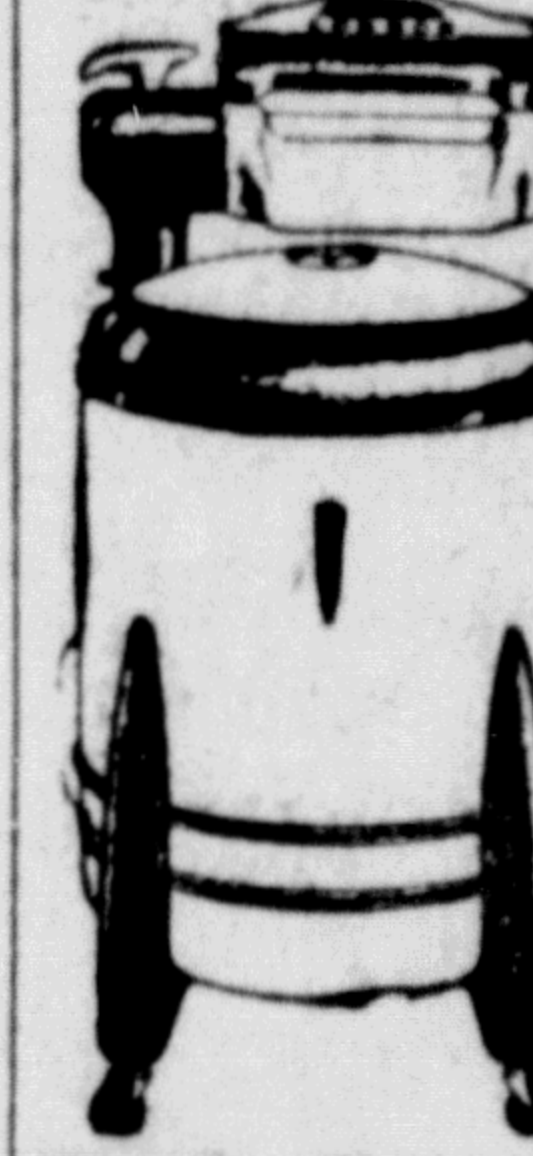
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