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# Hong Kong Is Being Placed On War Basis

# Policy In Asiatic Arena

of In Far East Being Strengthened To Put. Teeth In Anti-Communism

WASHINGTON D.C. (CP)—The United States backed by a strengthened Asiatic fleet—to block Storm-Lashed oread of Communism in the Far East.

the United States Navy said that the 25,000-ton .five plane aircraft carrier Boxer and two de-

nothen the Seventh Task Bulkley Dropping-

m's approval.

Vancouver

McDonald

danners have prepared a

mint of Asiatic policy for ing to worry about was the advice received today by E. T Applewhaite, M.P. for Skeena, on main lines started moving in from Len Evans with whom he since last night. Some trains yesterday of the Bulkley Valley routed over United States lines IYWOOD O- Bob Hope river.

whis pal, Bing Crosby, for I movie money-making Applewhaite was that the river which blew through British Col- tween 1 and 4 a.m. At noon to-1949. Motion picture ex- was plugged with ice for a dist- umbia during Wednesday, caused day, in spite of bright sunshine, ty foreign minister, and Andre of the United States ance of eight miles immediately more floods and power failures, it was 19 above—the warmest for the choice in a poll by the below Quick but the level of the cave-ins and slides as the prov- 2 or 3 days. Picture Herald, trade pab- water had fallen three feet which ince reeled from the most freakwhich will make the ane made the situation less perilous. Ish weather it has experienced in were feared because of shallow enument did not recognize the mainland inlets as the cold

No damage had been done, Mr. twenty years. ment in its issue on Sat-Evans assured Mr. Applewhaite. At Qualicum Beach on Vancou-The Post Office and store at ver Island driving rains caved in Quick had been surrounded with an embankment and sent tons of water but it had not entered the 'earth and rock crashing down on premises.

## Veteran Coast

George William Robarts, known laid a three-foot blanket and near Victoria, is virtually isolated quake scale. up and down the coast as "King piled drifts fifteen feet high, by flood water. of British Columbia sea pilots," winds and rains had meant died Wednesday at his home here. floods and silver thaws. The snow | REFUGEES ARRIVE He was 77 years of age.

shipping friends, Capt. Robarts of Vancouver, dropped one-and- overnight as winter slowly re- but all were reported saved. was a coast pilot for thirty-one a-half feet in ten hours during leased its grip on British Colum- In the town of Naguilan, 250 years before his retirement in Wednesday night but, with the bia's interior roads and passes miles northeast of Manila, a September 1941. He arrived in arrival of cooler temperatures, it Nine Canadian Pacific trains, jeep was reported swallowed up of chocolate bars as announced Vancouver as second mate of a began to tighten up there yester- carrying more than 1800 passen- by a fissure. Several nearby yesterday, is effective January sailing ship in 1900.

9.60

1.20

## Prince Rupert Close To Eleventh Hour Victory

Alaskan Elks Live Up To Expectations As Fast Moving Outfit

Ketchikan Elks were just as good as their ad- being restored by line crews who Life," over the trans-Canada shipments of the smoke-bearing vance publicity claimed as they won a thriller at the had been working steadily in network, on January 1, at 7.30 luxury will undoubtedly be priced Civic Centre last night by a narrow margin, over shifts since the storm began. to 8 p.m., Pacific time. Prince Rupert All-Stars, the final score being 56-54.. Their team was young and very fast, rather weak on

have plenty of scoring ability. Hi into their stride, with handthrough the hoop. They use the weak on rebounds, depending thriller and Prince Rupert re-

entirely on their speed, shoot- deemed themselves with a ing and deceptive passing plays, twenty point spurt that nearly Ketchikan took the lead from won them the game. At five the first and held it all the way, minutes to go the Elks were and it wasn't until the last half leading by a one-sided score of the final quarter that Prince 54-39. Then the fireworks Rupert started to click. There started with Rupert scoring 15 in the first half of the game. the proverbial firecracker and entirely new line-up on this game total to 14. Spring was years Jets. The Ketchikan team good for four in the first perbeen playing together lod, was scoreless in the next since the start of the season two, and his ten point drive in

Floods Threat Easing in Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island

VANCOUVER O A wave of cold air, moving down over southern British Columbia yesterday, brought relief from heavy as crews are working to restore telephone and power services. Fourteen passenger trains stalled town of Quick being almost cut to by-pass interior areas but with difficulty.

65-foot Christmas Tree in Vic-

Recuperating slowly from the with ice.

Ketchikan Wins-

rains, sleet, snow and snowslides to normal rail and highway communications and telegraph,

an unoccupied summer cottage, pushing it more than forty feet. Two inches of rain fell.

tory Square.

defense but exceptionally strong on the offense.

They are quick-breaking and most of their shots swishing some wins over both. backboards very little and are

.3.1/2 was some excuse for the poor dazzling points to two for the show put on by the home team Elks. Ray Spring was as hot as .131/2 It was their first game together rattled in four beautiful bas-1.95 this season. In fact, coach An- kets and two foul shots in the .041/4 gus MacPhee has just about an last few minutes to bring his and has taken such teams as the last spark-plugged Prince the Metlakatla Vets and Bo-Me (Continued on Page Four)

The last quarter was a crowd

## OPENING OF NEW ROAD IN SUMMER

The 61-mile new highway from Jake's Corner connecting the mining town of Atlin with the Alaska Highway and the outside, which was recently opened to traffic, will be officially opened next summer, it has been announced. Financed by federal and provincial appropriations, this road was recently completed by the Canadian Army which will undertake to keep it open the year around. Its building has given the camp of Atlin a new lease

## Snow Flurries But Still Cold

Long before daybreak today communicated by long distance were almost three days late. Tele- there was a light snow flurry. after reading newspaper reports graph communications have been What the weather is going to do continues to keep people guessing, although continued cold is off as a result of ice blocking the service is being maintained only still officially predicted. The lowest official overnight thermom-The word received by Mr. Balmy winds, heavy with rain, eter reading was 13 above be-

frost in the ground.

Rains caused power failures in the Fraser Valley and Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope were blacked out for four hours.

All highways east of Vancou- Very Heavy ver were blocked until today. The Cariboo road is still blocked but Wind hit 51 miles per hour in the new Hope-Princeton highway Vancouver and snapped the city's and the main road between Vancouver and Hope were opened again today although dangerous

level at Summerland on Okan- Trainloads of weary storm ref- A boat, with eight passengers, Called "The Skipper" by his agan Lake, about 300 miles east ugees poured into Vancouver capsized near the Manila ferry One Goes Down roadbeds after 48 hours' isolation slides. in the worst blizzard in the middle of the province in twenty New President Of

Clear and cold weather today continued to diminish the fear of flash floods for hundreds more



DUKE AND PRINCESS INSPECT U.S. SHIP-Princess Elizabeth is shown with U.S. Vice Admiral John J. Ballentine, as she and the Duke of Edinburgh (on left behind the Princess), inspect the 17,000-ton heavy cruiser U.S.S. Des Moines at Malta in the Mediterranean. Vice Adm. Ballentine commands the Sixth Task Force fleet of the United States navy.

## Would Oust

from the United Nations security council.

Jakob A. Malik, Soviet depu-F. Tsiang, as representative of towards the coast.

the Chinese people.

which rocked the Philippine Islands yesterday was rated at Hardy-20 and 30, Sandspit- fell in many coastal districts Intensity Seven. That is the 15 and 25, Prince Rupert 10 and during the morning and more 

> A woman was drowned by seismic sea waves at the town of Mercedes.

day. However, complete washouts gers, rolled over the newly cleared town were isolated by land- 1 but at least one local store here

## C.N.R. To Be Heard

MONTREAL—Donald Gordon who assumes the duties of who are still imprisoned on the chairman and president of the province's highways around New Year's Day, will make his Princeton, 183 miles east of here. first public address to the mem-Late reports today said that bers of the Canadian National communication lines, snapped by Family on a C.B.C. feature the silver thaw yesterday, were broadcast entitled "Railway the price on the old stock. New

## THE WEATHER Synopsis

LAKE SUCCESS ()-The Rus- the province is in for several to operate key services. sian Soviet Ukraine took the days of unusually low temperfirst step today to oust the atures. There will be snow flur- creases of three Hong Kong dol-Chinese Nationalist delegation ries today and tomorrow in the lars (about 65c)) a day. Vancouver Island lower mainland areas as well as the more mountainous sections in the interior. Skies tonight though Y. Galagan of the Ukraine told will be mostly clear which will the 11-member council in a allow very rapid cooling. Strong surprise move that their gov- winds are being reported down Nationalist delegate, Dr. Tingu air moves from the interior

Forecast North Coast region-Cloudy with a few snow flurries today Clear and very cold tonight and Saturday. Northeast winds, 20 miles per hour, occasionally reaching 35 miles down the mainland inlets. Lows tonight show ranges up to five feet and highs tomorrow. At Port along the line. Powdery snow

## One Goes UP-

The two cent drop in the price is now selling these chocolate covered sweets at five cents.

Announcement that a 20cigarette package price will be upped one cent coincided with the candy bar manufacturer's re-

port of a price decrease. The increase, according to the eastern report, is effective immediately but up to the present time most retail merchants have not received specific word as to



STUDENTS BRING PEACE AND QUIET TO U.N.—Peace reigns in speeches made at United Nations headquarters at Lake Success, New York, when students visit the rooms where history is made. Here, Hon. Paul Martin, Canada's minister of health and welfare, addresses a group of Dominion students in one of the assembly halls.

# Conferred On Governor

HONG KONG (CP)-This British crown colony, faced with the possibilty of a general strike, today gave its governor virtual war powers to use at his discretion. Emergency regulations were published empowering the governor to take steps to meet attack or internal disorder. He is authorized to requisition

manpower and property, ban strikes and lock-outs in essen- Dead and Dyingtial services and utilize extraordinary police powers that

The governor may also ban meetings, prohibit neetings likely to cause disturbances, detain or expel any person from the colony, search premises, vehicles, planes and

under his rigid control.

tions came as the colony suffer- Southeask, railway siding 95 miles culties which may develop in- worst wrecks in Alberta's history. to a general strike. A large British garrison is One man was killed.

of the Yukon over all of B.C. to- sels stationed at Hong Kong reported in very poor condition. day and all indications are that have been placed on the alert six as fair, and six as very seri-Workers are dmanding in- ous.

# P.G.E. BLOCKED

VANCOUVER - The battle against snow and slides on the Lower Mainland moved into Central British Columbia today along line of the government-operated Pacific Great Eastern Railway. No trains are moving on the P.G.E. and snow is expected later in the day with the cold wave de- rible." seending over the province durim; the night. Flood and frostbroken roads on Vancouver Island have become more treacherous following snowfalls of from 1/2 inch at Victoria to live inches at Port Alberni, 135

RECOGNIZES COMMUNISTS NEW DELHI- India today recognized the Chinese Commurist government and said diplomatic relations with Chiang Kai Shek's nationalist regime would cease immediately. India's next door neighbor and former sister in the British colonial empire, Burma. has also recognized the Peiping government and turned her back or Chiang Kai Shek. The Nationalist government of China has ,in turn, broken off with India.

miles northwest of the capital.

APPEAL IS DENIED VANCOUVER - Appeal of William Worrobec against a death sentence for murder has been denied. Execution is scheduled for January 28.

## Young Couple's Frost Ordeal

MEDICINE HAT ()-A young the limbs of the young people couple were in hospital here to- The couple started out from day suffering from frozen legs their home at Bow Island, 38 and hands following a 36-hour miles west of here at midnight ordeal in a stalled truck on a Tuesday to attend a turkey feed lonely road 31/2 miles southeast in the country. Their light deof their home.

eral toes and fingers as a result yesterday.

would put the colony on a war Mreck Was

CALGARY, (9) - Thirty-five persons are in hospital and 24 All types of traffic are placed are suffering from injuries following yesterday's train wreck at ed from a rash of labor diffi- southeast of Calgary, one of the

Really cold air is pouring out here and crews of naval ves- Of those in hospital, two are

The train disaster occurred in 20 degree below zero weather. An eastbound Canadian Pacific Railway express train from Vancouver, behind schedule because of storms in British Columbia, sideswiped a westbound passenger train from Toronto. The passenger train was carrying a number of C.P.R. linemen enroute to Vancouver to help repair British Columbia's disrupted communication system.

Reid B. Helfernan of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, one of the linemen, died of injuries before reaching hospital.

Capt. J. W. Turner, dental officer of the cruiser H.M.C.S. Ontario at Esquimalt, returning to the coast from Christmas leave at Niagara Falls, Ontario, said "the scene at the wreck was hor-

## Workmen Hurt In Explosions

VANCOUVER (P-Seven workmen were injured yesterday in two separate explosions in British Columbia Electric Co. plants. One is dead.

Five were injured in a flash explosion in a purifier in the Carrall Street gasworks and two suffered burns in a blast in a blacksmith plant at the Kitsilano

Clifford Humphrey, one of the men injured in the gasworks, died today.

## Saturday, December 31, 1949

19.2 feet 10:31 ,16.4 feet 10.4 feet 6.1 feet

of their venture but hospital authorities said they hoped to save

livery truck stalled in a ditch and John Tunstall, aged 23, and they remained until found by a Phoebe Gnam, 17, may lose sev- commercial traveler about noor

BASKETBALL TONIGHT Ketchikan vs. Prince Rupert