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## Expansion In "Immediate Future" Planned By N.B.C. Power Co.

### Schemes Suggested Engineer Says Concern Want to Rupert

back in Montreal do want to keep ahead of the game out here."

There are several ways which the company could expand its power output, Mr. Wurtele pointed out. One is by completing the Falls River dam to its originally planned site. Another might be to construct a fuel-burning plant in or near the city.

"However, just what the program will be I am not in a position to say. Action is planned for the near future," he commented.

"Back in Montreal, they think that Prince Rupert is beginning to come into its day and they want to be in a position to provide service suitable to its growing needs. The prospects here are very bright indeed."

### URGES ACTION UPON SEAWAY

OTTAWA (C)—In a statement pointed straight at Washington, External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson said yesterday that Canada's government hopes there will not be "too much delay" in having the St. Lawrence Seaway project considered by the United States Congress.

Mr. Pearson was initiating House of Commons debate on foreign affairs. He said, that once legislation approval was given in Washington, the gigantic project can swing quickly under way.

### Local Union Is Praised

E. Wark, international representative of the Union of Operating Engineers, from Vancouver lauded Prince Rupert local as "a wonderful organization that is rapidly advancing." Principal speaker at the local's meeting in the Civic Centre Wednesday night, he was heard by approximately 40 members. Mr. Wark will leave for Edmonton Friday.

### W. ANDERSON DIES AT 89

William Anderson, who came from his native Scotland and settled in Prince Rupert in 1920, died in Prince Rupert, General Hospital here at 1 o'clock this morning at the age of 89. He entered hospital last Friday.

A cheerful, popular figure in the city, Mr. Anderson had been employed at Kelly Douglas and Malkins wholesale houses prior to his retirement a few years ago. Following his retirement, he pursued his hobby of rock gardening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Hadden, making it one of the finest in the city.

He was a keen bowler in his younger days in the Old Country and had been an enthusiastic member of St. Andrew's Society.

Mr. Anderson was pre-deceased by his wife four years ago. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Hadden, with whom he resided during his latter years, two sons, Dr. William Anderson of Manchester, England and G. J. S. Anderson, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Stewart, and one grandson, James Hadden, Prince Rupert. His elder son was killed in the first World War and his elder grandson in the second World War.

Funeral rites will be held at First Presbyterian Church with former fellow workers acting as pallbearers at a date to be announced.

### Marine Reminiscences—

## Skipper Gives Seafaring Slant

Capt. Caldwell Luncheon Speaker—Tribute to Harry Neddin

A "seafaring slant" was given the Prince Rupert City Club at its weekly luncheon yesterday when the speaker was Capt. Ernest Caldwell, master of the coastal liner Prince George and commodore of the Canadian National Steamships Pacific fleet. It was an informal talk in interesting reminiscence vein in the course of which the skipper recalled some incidents on a variety of subjects including encounters with tourists, some observations about marine life including adventures with whales and basking sharks and observations about the effectiveness of radar in fog navigation.

The skipper had high praise for his ship, the Prince George, which he said had been taxed to meet the demands of the summer tourists. He expressed confidence that another new ship would soon be added to the coast service.

Capt. Caldwell described a battle to the death between thrashers and a whale, also the ramming of a whale by one of his ships.

The captain admitted that radar had proven a great boon in coastal navigation but it still had its limitations. The whistle echo was still a valuable guide, particularly in narrow channels. Then there was always the human element in spite of all the scientific devices for safe navigation.



Capt. E. Caldwell

Capt. Caldwell cited Capt. Harry Neddin, veteran coastal master, now 73 years of age, as an officer after whom he had tried to pattern his own career.

"All out for efficiency, Capt. Neddin was a man from whom I learned a lot," Caldwell admitted. Past President O. G. Stuart presided over the luncheon and the speaker was thanked by Frank Skinner. A luncheon guest was Owen Gilpin of Victoria.

## McKay in Field— Candidate For Mayor

Feels Water Most Pressing Problem—Espouses City Managementship

Ex-Ald. Robert McKay has joined the field of mayoralty candidates for the December civic election. He makes the third candidate. Others are Ald. H. M. Daggett and Ald. Harold Whalen.

Announcing his decision to become a candidate, Mr. McKay said he had been approached by many citizens in all walks of life, and, after due consideration, had consented to throw his hat in the ring.

Early refunding of the city's indebtedness in order to simplify the financial position of the city with a view to meeting the need for renovation and expansion of services will be one of Mr. McKay's election proposals. Arrangements, he felt, could be made to pay off indebtedness of \$250,000 by next year. If proper approach is made to the authorities and a real case made out, adequate financial arrangements could be made, Ald. McKay felt.

Best possible engineering advice should also be secured by the city, Mr. McKay suggests, in regard to pressing water and sewer problems and he suggested that the services of former City Engineer Breckenridge of Vancouver might be obtained.

"We should find out just where we stand, what faces us and then proceed with the most complete and best possible plan," he declared.

"However," continued Mr. McKay, "I am satisfied that city managementship is the best system but that is something that will take time." Meantime the city's house should be put in order.

Mr. McKay expressed confidence that, after forty years here, and his five years' aldermanic experience, he had a good insight into the working of city affairs. Water, Mr. McKay felt, was the biggest problem facing the city. He expressed the opinion that it would be necessary to raise the rates.

Sewers, Mr. McKay felt, could be taken care of by local improvement financing while street improvements could be taken in the stride of the present program.

This will not be Mr. McKay's first candidature for the mayoralty. In 1943 he ran against H. M. Daggett and was defeated by a narrow margin of thirty votes.

### Premier Mine In Operation

STEWART—Silbak Premier Mine Mill went into operation last week and shipments of ore may be expected shortly. The staff at this mine have been doing an excellent job of getting this mine back into production under the direction of Manager Jim McCutcheon.

### LOCAL TIDES

Friday, November 18, 1949  
High 11:29 22.8 feet  
Low 5:22 5.9 feet  
18:03 2.5 feet

### Extra Copies of Special Available

Extra copies of today's special international edition of the Daily News are available for those who desire them. They may be picked up at the Daily News office or they will be mailed at a price of 10c per copy which will cover the mailing charge.

### New Daily News Home—

## Contract Awarded For Modern Building

### OFFICERS OF RATEPAYERS

Officers East End Body Plan to Extend Scope

Plans to expand the Community Ratepayer's Association beyond its east-end origin to include property owners in all parts of the city were laid at an Association meeting in the East End Hall Tuesday night when the first slate of officers was elected.

Response to the initial membership drive in the east end was good, membership chairman Dudley Pearson told the meeting. In the last fortnight, 221 members have been enrolled. Seventy attended the meeting.

First slate of permanent officers was:

President—Robert Ferguson. Vice-President—Robert Cameron.

Secretary—H. R. Thorsteinson.

Treasurer—J. W. Prusky. Council—D. F. Baldwin, Mrs. Elizabeth Blair, George McWhinney, Dudley Pearson, W. J. Griffiths, L. F. Hopkins, P. J. Lester, B. E. Eyoifson.

In pursuit of the plan to centralize the organization, the executive plans to ask permission to hold the next meeting in the city hall council chamber and invite ratepayers from every part of the city.

Commendation for the organization of a ratepayers' association was expressed by Alderman George Casey who congratulated the group on its interest in civic affairs. One of the weaknesses of democratic government, Alderman Casey said, was the common tendency of the people to forget their representatives between elections.

Intelligent interest on the part of the people could be of great value in giving the city council guidance during difficult times, he declared.

A bylaw of the Association, designed to keep the group out of individual politics, directed that no officers of the Community Ratepayers Association could hold office in the organization and on the city council at the same time.

Alderman Wilfrid McLean and ex-Alderman Robert McKay assisted as scrutineers in the balloting for officers.

### THE WEATHER

Synopsis

Exceptionally mild weather continues in B. C. today. Light rain is falling along the coast and as far inland as Prince George. Along with the rain a few thunder storms are being reported from Southern Vancouver Island. The gale warning of southerly winds up to 40 miles per hour over exposed coastal waters will remain in effect until this evening. The weather will remain cloudy and mild with a few showers over most of B. C. tomorrow.

### Forecast

North Coast Region—Gale warning continued. Cloudy with showers today and tomorrow. Remaining mild. Southerly gales (35 mph) decreasing to southwest winds (25 mph) this evening. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy, Sandspit, Prince Rupert, 42 and 52.

### HOCKEY SCORES

N. H. L.  
Toronto 1, Montreal 0  
Boston 1, New York 2  
Chicago 1, Detroit 4

### MITCHELL & CURRIE TO COMPLETE STRUCTURE IN FIVE MONTHS; FIRST PHASE OF EXPANSION PROGRAM

The Daily News is to have a new home. Announcement of the awarding of a contract for the construction of a new building on the lot immediately adjoining the present building to the east is made today by G. A. Hunter, managing editor of Prince Rupert Daily News Ltd., on authority of H. G. T. Perry, president and managing director. The contract has been awarded to Mitchell & Currie of Prince Rupert who will be starting the work almost immediately. Completion is called for in five months. The architects are McCarter & Nairne of Vancouver.

The new building, of frame and concrete construction with full concrete basement walls, will measure 25 feet frontage on Third Avenue with forty foot depth. It will contain general office and composing room on the ground floor and is the first phase of a building program which will later include reconstruction of the existing building from which it has been found necessary to expand.

Construction will be modern throughout embodying the latest features in newspaper office planning designed for the efficiency and congeniality of business transaction and mechanical operation. There will be an attractive public lobby facing into a commodious business office with manager's private office adjoining. At the rear will be a well-lighted and conveniently designed composing room. The existing building, continuing to house the pressroom and stereotyping departments, will also remain the site of the editorial department. With the removal of composing and general office from the ground floor of the old building space will be made for the distribution department as well as for storage of paper and other stocks.

The current contract calls for demolition and reconstruction of the front wall of the existing building. Brick facing will make an attractive fifty-foot frontage for the new and existing buildings.

Commencement of the new building program effects an intention which was announced two years ago when another important event took place in Prince Rupert newspaper history as the Daily News acquired the pioneer Evening Empire newspaper and merged it into this daily. In its new home, by the time of completion of which, if not sooner, the mechanical staff will have been sufficiently augmented in numbers, the management of the Daily News hopes to consummate another ambition of increasing the size of the paper to permanent eight pages with introduction of new articles and features.

Incidentally this is the fortieth anniversary year of the founding of the Daily News. Except for the first few years, the paper has been housed in the present building. The Daily News, founded as the Optimist, published its first edition in July 1909. Its first publisher was G. R. T. Sawle now of St. Catharines, Ontario. In 1912 it was passed into the hands of a syndicate of which T. D. Pattullo, later Premier of British Columbia, was a member. It was acquired by the late H. F. Pullen in 1919 and in 1943 H. G. T. Perry acquired control through purchase of the Pullen interests.

The Empire was founded in 1907 by the late John Houston who sold out to the late S. M. Newton in 1909. On the death of Mr. Newton in 1933, a syndicate of employees—W. J. Raymond, A. O. Franks and the late S. D. MacDonald—took over selling out to the Daily News in 1947 and closing down February 23.

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