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Thank you, Mr. Abbott

T IS FEW CANADIANS who have not good reason to cheer Mr. Abbott for the budget he brought down at Ottawa last night. Happy over the compulsory savings refunds which they have been receiving during recent days, they have ample cause for further gratification over the holiday for taxation which the minister of finance has now declared.

Most sweeping taxation revenue reductions in history result in complete ending of income tax paying for no less than 750,000 persons and substantial reductions for those who continue to pay.

There is little surprise at the announcement of the reductions in taxation which had been freely predicted. There may be surprise to many, however, in the extent of the reductions.

A long step has been taken in removing the high wartime level of taxation. In fact, we are back on the road to a peacetime system of taxation and federal financing. It is only to be hoped that there are no disturbing elements now such as unemployment or such substantial reduction of income as would offset the benefits of the lowered taxes.

The reductions in the income taxes are not the only relief that Mr. Abbott's most acceptable budget brings to Canadians. The removal of the nuisance taxes on such things as soft drinks, candy, railway, steamship and airplane fares, telegrams, etc. will be of immediate benefit. The reduction of the luxury tax on jewelry, baggage, etc. will mean further relief and the burying of the residue will make it more palatable.

Small businesses also have something to be really thankful in the reduction of the excess profits tax from 30 to 10 percent even though the bigger businesses may not be so very happy about having their rate boosted from 30 to 33 percent.

We could not expect Mr. Abbott to do everything at once so we may as well be content to carry on with the eight percent general sales tax (which is concealed anyway from the retail level). Nor can we complain if there is no cut in postage rates. There has, at least, been a great improvement in mail service since the recent inauguration of the first class "all up." And we certainly cannot complain if we still have to pay "through the nose" taxation on our liquor and our smokes which we can so simply avoid by merely quitting drinking or smoking which would not hurt any of us.

Yes, we can say "Thank You" to Mr. Abbott for this budget. It appears certain now that we will have the chance ere many weeks have passed to show our appreciation in a tangible way. A 1949 election is a certainty.

RAILWAY FREIGHT RATES

DISPATCH TODAY says that, as a result of / \ the new rate set-up which comes with the taking over of Newfoundland railways by the Canadian National system through the entry of the old colony into Confederation, there will be a reduction of freight rates for the tenth province of as much as fifty percent. They must have been inordinately high rates which the Nefoundlanders had to pay when we consider that here in Canada we are already so restless over our own granted and applied for increases.

Apparently, the railways of Newfoundland which we take over are in line with the other liabilities from the financial standpoint which Canada assumes with the new member of the family which we are about to welcome. However, we never get good things for nothing and that is the way we must look upon Newfoundland.

When William Seward paid \$7,200,000 for Alaska on March 30, 1867, Americans felt it was a bit of extravagance. That was only 82 years ago but United States today cannot estimate the value of Alaska even though it be somewhat of an Achilles Heel. Eighty-two years from March 31, 1849, Canadians will probably be looking back similarly and reflecting on the priceless asset Canada received when Newfoundland joined Confederation.

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Editor, Daily News: I wish to express my thanks at your editorial "Mighty Smallness" on March 19. In its support, I would like to quote Romans 8:34-39.

34. Who is he that condemmeth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God who also maketh intercession for us.

35. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ, shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36. As it is written for Thy sake we are killed all the day long. We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37. Nay in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

38. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things to come.

39. Nor height, nor depth. nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of God is accepted by the laws of our Empire and United States. Heaven's grace is a great pattern for world democracy.

I believe the greatest evil that confronts the world is party politics holding the people without mercy and in discontent even in disregard of the privhistory. It is my contention that, if we make rid of our present-day politicians, elimin- Dreak Water ate racial and creed hatred and introduce the Bible in our homes, schools and governments as well as our churches, also teaching the people that our everyday words and deeds are just as important as our ballots and with hope, faith, tolerance and charity, we will be doing our part in making a world of health. wealth and happiness for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom.

PRINCE RUPERT TO BE FEATURED

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published in Toronto. It is the son will be pressed upon the annual British Columbia sec- minister. tion of this leading Canadian business and financial publication. There will be an article cided to urge upon Mr. Fourby G. R. S. Blackaby, president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce.

INSTRUCT INDIA'S NAVY BOMBAY, India (P)-Six Royal Navy officers in Bombay will serve as instructors in the Indian navy for three years. They will train Indian personnel for the fleet air arm, torpedo school gunnery and signals.

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essarily accepted. A. MUHEIM, Secretary-Treasurer, School District No. 54 Smithers, B.C.

1949.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN PROBATE In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Byrnes

In the Matter of the "Administration TAKE NOTICE that by Order of His Honor Judge W. O. Fulton, made the 17th day of March, A.D. 1949, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of EDWARD BYRNES, de-

against the said Estate are hereby required to furnish same properly day of April, A.D. 1949 after which date claims filed may be paid without reference to any claims of which I then had no knowledge. ALL PARTIES indebted to the said Estate are hereby required to

pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith. DATED at the City of Prince Rupert, in the Province of British Columbia, this 17th day of March, A.D.

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Liberal Executive Also Urges Dredging of Fishing Harbors -Fishermen's Broadcast

for the construction of a breakwater at the Fairview Bay Fishermen's floats has been revoted and substantially supplemented, the Prince Rupert Liberal Association is communicating with Hon. Alphonse Fournier, minister of public works at Ottawa, to urge that no time be lost in calling for tenders and gettin; the work actually under way. The importance of getting the Prince Rupert will be among job done during the approachpoints of industrial im- ing period of good weather in portance in British Columbia order that the facility may be which will be featured in this in place for the protection of the week's issue of Financial Post, fleet before another stormy sea-

> The Liberal executive, at a meeting Monday night, also denier as well as Hon. Robert Mayhew, the minister of fisheries, the necessity of dredging being undertaken without delay in fishing harbors hereabouts.

> Fishermen would also benefit from another proposal that the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation should emit a daily broadcast of weather and fish prices from station CFPR.

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ection of a qualified conductor

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Three boys will be sent from British Columbia and the Prince Rupert branch of the Legion will sponsor a boy although not paying his expenses which it is estimated will cost \$650. The boy must be the son of a veteran and must have passed his fifteenth birthday without having reached his eighteenth.

The itinerary will include ten days in Paris, visits in Belgium and Holland, a week each touring southern England and Scotland with one to visit relatives

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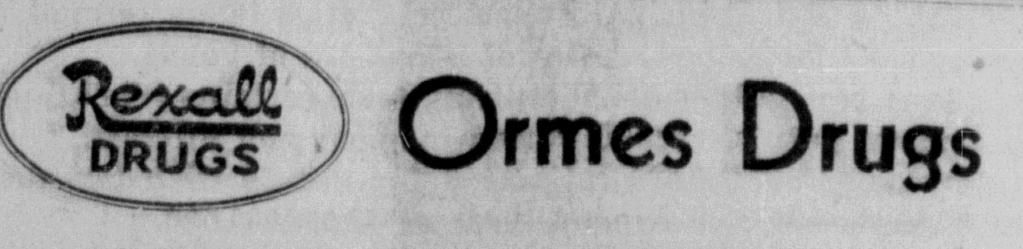
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Being Put Up For Deputy District Governor of Kinsmen

R. E. Montador was nominated as candidate for the office of district deputy governor during the regular meeting of the Kinsmen Club held in the Commodore Cafe Monday night. The meeting also approved the

action of the executive in making a donation of \$50 to the Bo-Me-Hi basketball team to help finance the High School boys' trip to New Westminster. President George Dibb reported that tickets for May 24 celebrations would likel, be in the hands of distributors by next Saturday. A Ford car and Fleetwood chairside combination adio and player will be put up

as prizes. Following the business meeting O. D. Haugan and Jimmy Christensen of the entertainment committee introduced Joe Goscoe who showed three films from the local Film Council, 'Don't Be a Sucker," a film produced by the U.S. Army Signal Corps, gave a condensed illustration of Hitler's rise to power and showed how his tactics of separating and destroying minority groups might be employed by agitators in Ameria. "A Better Tomorrow" dealt with various school system. The final film, "Ski Skill," was produced by the National Film Board and showed many exciting and interesting skiers enjoying Canada's fast-

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est growing winter sport.

Prince Rupert and District Teachers' Association is giving full co-operation to an emergency fund set up by the British Columbia Teachers' Federation to aid superannuated teachers who are in distress owing to the inadequacy of their pensions Meantime, representations are being made to the provincial government on behalf of the teachers who are thus in need contributing \$1.50 per month on

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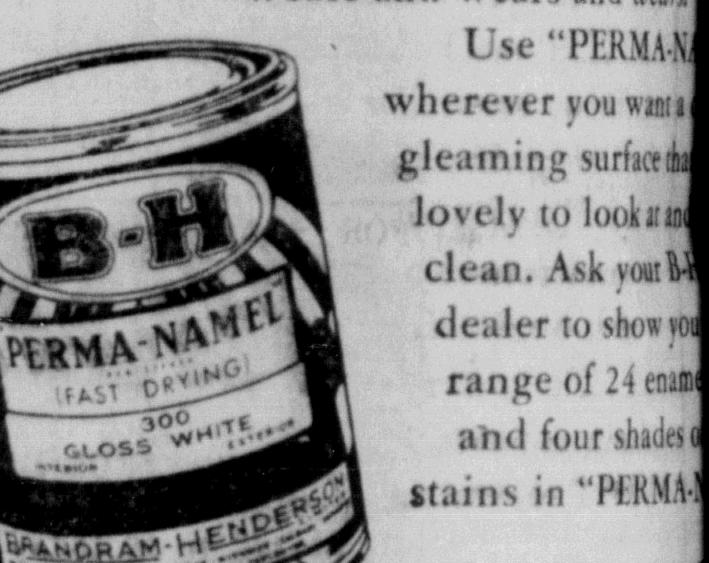
MAYOR ARNOLD

LEAVES HOSPITAL for Vancouver for tention while Mayor Nora E. Arnold, who City Council is underwent an operation at her two months Prince Rupert General Hospital sence. last week was released from hospital yesterday afternoon. She



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