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OUR IDLE ELEVATOR

TWENTY-FIVE years ago this date, a reminiscing column in the Daily News recalls, E. J. Garland, then M.P. for Edmonton, was saying in Vancouver that construction of an elevator at Prince Rupert would probably be the answer to many wheat marketing problems which beset Alberta farmers. A year or so later the local elevator was under construction and in the quarter of a century since it has had many vicissitudes. It has seen brief spells of rather intensive activity but it has seen much longer interludes of complete inactivity. - For the last several years it had been full of emptiness and silence—a monument to memories and an apparent white elephant on the nd of what appars to be increasingly accepted as a railway side line.

There is nothing new or surprising about the powers that be trying to sidetrack Prince Rupert and this line of the railway as Vancouver sucks in all the traffic, even to the point sometimes where it is difficult to handle it all. What is surprising, however, is the complacency with which so many Prince Rupert people seem willing to accept the situation.

With the port of Vancouver having one of its biggest grain exporting seasons on record and, bragging about it, now, it seems, might be a good time to again protest at the failure to use the local house. It might be a little late to get any action this year, of course, but at least we might get some new excuse from the grain handling authorities as to why no grain can be shipped this way. They have dug up a lot of excuses in the past but they are an ingenious crowd. They might be able to pull another rabbit out of the hat.

INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS

THE ANNOUNCEMENT that industrial preparedness committees from Canada and the United States are getting together in Washington to thrash out common problems, opens a new field in friendly relations with our southern neighbors.

The most encouraging part of the news is that something concrete has been achieved in correlating the defence preparedness programs of the two countries. Paralleling the work of the Joint Defence Board it brings back to light the many good points of the Hyde Park Agreement.

Doubtless stockpiling of strategic materials will play an important part in the discussions. In this | Murray. phase Canada will contribute in no small measure as we are among the world's leading producers of rickel, uranium and other metals so vital in any national defence program.

With a wide range of topics to be considered it is natural that from these exchange of ideas there will come a desire to foster a standardization of design in manufacturing defence weapons. It is quite probably that, in the event of hostilities, Canadian and American forces will be fighting side by side.

Therefore, it would be a stupid and wasteful thing for both sides to be maintaining supply depots containing weapons, ammunition and spare parts of a different size not interchangeable between the two forces.

The defence of the North country is bound to play a very large part in North America defence plans. There, our knowledge of conditions and terrain, plus monoeuverability by snowmobiles and off the road vehicles, of which we are well informed, will be an important factor.

The results of these exchanges of ideas will be watched with interest throughout the world. It fosters the thought that similar discussions might well take place between Canada, the United Kingdom and other members of the Commonwealth. Canada can feel proud of the vigorous and leading role she is playing in industrial preparedness.

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Memory of Scotia's Immortal By W.J. Bard is Honored

ance of the birth of Robert graceful gesture, thanks the city presiding as First Minister as Burns, Scotland's poet, was at- for having last summer cut the Parliament resumes in 1949. tended by over 200 in First grass in front of the museum, What his presence in the Presbyterian Church Social Hall thus making the grounds more House, as a possibly stormy ses-Thursday evening when guests presentable. That's much bet- sion looms ahead, and a general took part in the rich traditions ter than cutting rain swept ice election is practically certain, 1949 are serious men and wothat cloak the bard's living in January.

It marked the one hundred and ninetieth anniversary of Centre! This time from sports- derstanding denied many col- foolish. Their life is a contin- Minister Warns leagues. His well stored memory ual struggle to find the money Retarions were urged loway, Ayrshire, and fragments of his great poetry, spoken in the accents of his people, enlivened the tributes to him.

The function was sponsored by the church Ladies' Aid and was under the chairmanship of Rev. George Sendall, who welcomed the guests. The dinner was opened by Mr. Sendall, who delivered the Selkirk Grace

Piper William MacKay enlivened the dinner with Scottish airs on the bagpipes and climaxed the event by piping in the Haggis.

"Address to the Haggis" was delivered by Robert McKay and the toast to the "Immortal Memory" was proposed by F. E. Anfield. Toast 'to the Lassies' was proposed by James Bremner and was replied to by Miss Betty Hood.

The haggis was borne in by Capt. Harry Calderwood to the piping of William MacKay.

Toast to "Bonnie Scotland was proposed by E. J. Smith. with response by James Had-

Scottish songs were sung by Mrs. Sendall, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. E. J. Smith, who also accompanied the singing of "Green Grow the Rashes O' and "Comin' Through the Rye" by the gathering.

The dinner, complete with scones, bannocks and pancakes, was prepared by a committee convened by Mrs. W. W. Bowes assisted by Mrs. John McLeod. Committee members were Mrs. Neil McDonald, Mrs. Dan Kristmanson, Mrs. Rod Smith Mrs. H. C. Halliday, Mrs. J. G. McLeod and Mrs. N. S. K. Brewer.

Serviteurs were Mrs. M. Mac-Arthur, Mrs. R. Munro, Mrs. F Tycho, Mrs. D. H. Stewart, Mrs. E, F. Saunders, Mrs Neil Mc-Lean, Mrs. R. H. Parker, Mrs. T. W. Brown, Mrs. W. Bremner, Mrs. S. J. Hunter and Miss M.

C. G. Ham was in charge of the door.

The Alaska fish packer Robert Eugene, which arrived here Wednesday night from Juneau with five carloads of frozen fish for rail shipment to eastern U. S. points, was under command of Capt. Robert Dahl.

LONDON (Miss Emily Garrett, a centenarian, has lived the whole time in a house built here by her father.

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Globe Trotters go out of their way to put in a complimentary of action taken by the govern- food and fuel. word for what they find at Prince Rupert, in the way of a place to play in, it is praise indeed.

It is refreshing to know that the city will place its views concerning daylight saving before the Minister of Lands, Hon. E. Kenney. Daylight Saving, other parts of Canada, is possibly sensible and desirable for a variety of reasons. But this far north D. S. (which may mean Deuced Silly) is a sweet-scented

To inject a little good comedy in sport is something worth cultivating. The idea is not new, but it's well worthwhile. The Harlem Globe Trotters show the truth of this. Not anyone can make others laugh, and to provide the lighter side of a game calls for leadership. After all one big purpose of sport is entertainment and that need not mean an injured knee or ankle. a broken arm or cracked rib. Less violence and more smiles might mean a difference at the

Speaking of coincidences about the same time Mr. Truman takes over in Washington, Mr. St. Laurent commences his term of office in Ottawa. Both are believed to be strong supporters of the St. Lawrence Waterways project. The Prime Minister's name means St. Lawrence, but to many it does not sound that

years it will seem strange to cities-is backing the program. observe William Lyon Mackenzie King sitting as a private mem- Classified Ads Bring Results

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have a better comprehension of the former Prime Minister himself, it is a good guess to suggest he would prefer being exactly where he is, to anywhere else on earth.

NO SHORTAGE OF

Unlike Vancouver, Prince Rupert is in no danger of an electric power shortage. The level of Falls River, the city's princisomewhat low owing to weather and heavy snow with little rain but the water level at Woodworth Lake, water supply for the Shawatlans Lake plant, is at normal height. There is always the dry dock steam plant to fall back on in the event of the Falls River supply being cut off. In spite of the heavy snows, the transmission River is in good shape.

ANTI-DISEASE DRIVE REGINA (P - An intensified immunization program to reduce way when spoken correctly. Any- spread of preventable diseases other countries. way, it looks like action in health among children has been 'them thar hills," bordering the launched by the Saskatchewan health department. Government grants to all urban and After the lapse of twenty rural municipalities—excepting

AT COLLEGE

GCETTINGEN, (Reuters) -Most popular university in the British zone of Germany is Goettingen. But gone are the days when its students wore comic hats, drank beer from huge mugs and fought duels.

invites speculation. Mr. King's men who have no money or luck continues to hold. He can time for intemperate drink-More bouquets for the Civic follow proceedings with an un- ing and think duelling only Freedom Menaced

> They have an elected student warm ovation. He was thanked council, a student parliament by D. C. Stevenson, president. and there is a student repre- Guests at the meeting were sentative in the senate of the A. D. Barclay, Vancouver; J. professional governing body, T. Beckett. Will Robinson and although he has a voice only in M. Dubeau, Terrace. student affairs.

The studens' Clubs were abolished by Hitler in favor of Kameradschaften, comrade groups which were more or less ing and pumping action—to run on Nazi lines. They in turn were of many metropolitan aqueabolished by the British mili-ducts. tary government and nothing has really taken their place.

There are a number of clubs but their membership is small, not more than five per cent of the students belonging to any club. Students questioned about line between the city and Falls they had no time for 'that sort





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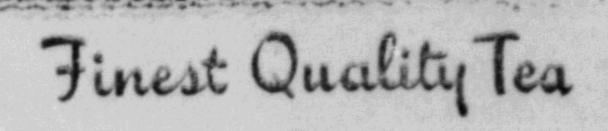
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cause of bomb damage to the fore in human history. university of Bonn.

Students at Goettingen are not all German. There are 500 displaced persons, and a small number of studentc from





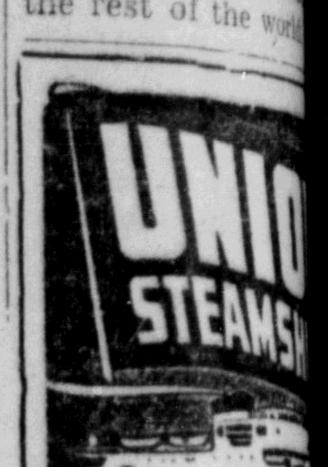
all the gymnasiums in America. should enable him to interpret to finish their studies, to buy; Rotarians were urged to guard the rest of the When players like the Harlem alike, with uncanny accuracy, books which are unreasonably the traditions of individual the inner significance of courses expensive, and to pay for their rights built up over generations Thursday afternoon by Hon. E. ment or opposition. No one is The students are not so T. Kenney, provincial Minister better informed. Mr. King is young, either. On the average of Lands and Forests, who spoke still in Parliament, but not they are between 25 and 26. briefly at the club's weekly lun-

> knows so well. It is question- and many have children. Their Mr. Kenney warned against able if anyone in Ottawa will youth was spent in the army. the infiltration of the enemies Goettingen has long concen- of freedom, who use freedom what is going on. And as for trated on law, science and med- for the purpose of destroying it. icine, but there are faculties The danger of dictatorship is theology and philosophy not dead, he declared, but is which have been expanded be- more prevalent than ever be-

> > The minister spoke at the The students have a certain conclusionu of a business meetof self-government, ing of the club and received a

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