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Automatic Variety Pleases Drama Festival Opening

spirited, laugh-provoking, fast-moving and mysterious presented to a capacity in the Civic Centre...

porting of Marie Jenkinson, modern, rapid moving with its setting in the town of Yellowknife...

praised the stage of Mr. Wernecke, the play, played by Reg Lavorel, thought Annabella...

remarks Mr. Lort said Morrison had a very strong voice and gave his naturalness it called forth that the rest of the given very good sup-

let of Doom," a mystery, by the Prince Rupert theatre, had a plot that took in several places...

the mystery and forced admission from Barry the spoke and acted his part. Mel Skalmerud as Mrs. Kathleen Kerr, as Mrs. Hazel Wright, as Mrs. Edith Black, as Mrs. Thalia Moore, as Aunt W. Griffiths, as Car and A. E. Welsh, as Dr. gave the plot good sup-

felt that the part of Mon, who died on the had been very well char-acterized. The Adjudicator pointed-out Aunt Theresa, an nervous woman, had out too high a note. G. Gidney directed "The Play of Marie Jenkinson," E. Hallam, "Midge Goes to Movies," and Mrs. M. E. "Bride of Doom."

Fish Sales

American 6,000, 16 and 15.70 and orange. Canadian 19,000, Co-op. West, 12,000, Co-op.

rd Burnip, son of Mr. S. A. W. Burnip, returned day on the Prince Rupert Vancouver where he is a pre-engineering course University of B.C. He is second year.

Long Separation Ends At Halifax

Danish Girl Hadn't Seen Her Father For Eight Years

HALIFAX (CP)—A 10-year-old Danish girl had never seen Canada until recently—but she arrived at Halifax a full-fledged Canadian citizen. She had travelled alone from Copenhagen by boat.

Awaiting the blonde youngster when she walked down the gang-plank was her father, William Christoffersen. It was a happy reunion for the pair who hadn't seen each other since March, 1940, less than a month before the German invaders marched into the tiny country.

Christoffersen was a seaman aboard a Danish ship when the invaders took over. He eventually landed in the United States, then shipped out on a captured Italian tanker which was torpedoed off Halifax. He left the sea and joined the Canadian army.

In Italy with the Royal Canadian Engineers he applied for Canadian citizenship.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

The disturbance which brought rain to all sections of the province the last 24 hours has now moved into the interior of the province. Clearing has commenced in the coastal areas this morning and good weather is in prospect for tomorrow. The interior will remain overcast with showers today with gradually improving conditions tonight and tomorrow.

Forecast

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Cloudy with scattered showers today clearing tonight. Friday cloudy with scattered showers clearing in the late afternoon. Winds light today and northwest 15 miles per hour Friday. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Friday: Port Hardy 34 and 53, Massett 32 and 52, Prince Rupert 35 and 53.

AIR PASSENGERS

Outbound—To Vancouver: P. Haide, O. Hider, To Sandspit: Rev. Mr. Clenaghan, E. Unwin. Inbound—From Vancouver: G. Anderson, N. Nelson, F. M. Perry, M. Ormiston. From Sandspit: W. J. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. M. Graeme-Cook.

George McAfee, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McAfee, returned to the city Wednesday afternoon on the Prince Rupert from Vancouver where he has completed his third year of a commerce course at the University of B.C.

High Costs, "Inadequate" Earnings Prevent Better Railway Service

MONTREAL—The marked decrease in the value of money exercises an increasing influence on the adequacy of railway financial returns. W. A. Mather, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, said Wednesday at the 67th annual meeting of shareholders.

At current prices it is calculated that the replacement of the company's rolling stock inventory would cost approximately \$800,000,000, Mr. Mather said in moving adoption of the directors' annual report.

This is \$413,000,000 more than the actual cost of the rolling stock now in service. Likewise the replacement at current prices of the company's bridges, buildings and other depreciable property now carried on the books at some \$32,000,000 would re-

British Tanks, Troops Hold Off Palestine War



NAVIGATION HALTED AS SEAMEN SET UP PICKET LINES—These men, pictured marching on a paper company dock at Thorold, Ont., are some of the 21 seamen who set up a picket line at the John A. France of Sarnia Steamship Co. Seamen charge the Misener company is not abiding by the contract signed with the Canadian Seamen's Union.

BUDGET MAY BE BROUGHT DOWN NEXT THURSDAY

OTTAWA (CP)—Speculation on Parliament Hill today was that Finance Minister Abbott may bring his 1948-49 budget down next Thursday, May 13, or the following Tuesday, May 18. In the meantime, May 18 was unofficially the choice of most corridor gossip.

FILMS TO AID WORLD AMITY

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Madeleine Carroll and her husband, Henri Lavorel, are producing two-reel films to promote better understanding between the peoples of the world. The United Nations is backing their effort.

The couple's company has made two films, one in Italy and one in France. These are not travelogues but intimate reports of life among ordinary people in various lands.

Their purpose, the actress explained, is to show that people are essentially the same the world over. They have the same human qualities the same weaknesses and the same assets of character, regardless of their political boundaries, she contends.

The project stems from the couple's conviction that wars are started at the top but can be prevented at the bottom, if all men and women will rid themselves of distrust and suspicion of that which is foreign. Lavorel and his wife make no apology for this highly idealistic aim.

Miss Carroll said she conceived the idea in France, after the war. She observed then that United States armed forces conducted themselves more like a conquering army than as allies of the French, she declared. The French, unable to understand this attitude, were resentful.

Endeavouring to dispel this misconception of the United States as a whole, she made a series of radio broadcasts for which she received the French Legion of Honor.

Lavorel and Miss Carroll plan to make films all over Europe and Asia in the coming years. Lavorel, an official of the United Nations, directs the pictures and Miss Carroll will appear in some of them.

Arabs Ring Holy Land As Mandate Nears End

U.N. Sees 'Emergency Measures' As Alternative to Bloody War

CAIRO (CP)—British tanks and troops newly arrived in Palestine stand as a two-edged sword discouraging new offensives both by Jews and Arabs—at least until mandate ends May 15.

They also stand as a conveniently handy weapon which the United Nations might pick up—if Britain

COMPANY, UNION FILE COUNTERING DAMAGE SUITS

SEATTLE (CP)—The Boeing Airplane Co. and striking Aeronautical Mechanics Union have filed suits against each other seeking \$7,250,000 in damages.

The airplane company filed \$2,250,000 in damages suit and the union responded with a suit asking approximately \$5,000,000 loss of wages, and for replacement strike benefits. The union's more than 14,000 workers have been on strike two weeks in a wage dispute.

BERLIN TROUBLES POINT UP RECORD OF DISAGREEMENT

Relations Between East and West Have Deteriorated Steadily Since Germany's Capitulation

By CANADIAN PRESS Friendship and harmony prevailed when Russian and United States troops met at Torgau, on the Elbe River, on April 27, 1945. It was the climax of the twin Allied drives across Germany.

It was also the highwater mark of cordiality between the eastern and western powers which had allied themselves to crush Hitler's Third Reich. From that day on, a mere 10 days before Germany's capitulation, relations between east and west have steadily deteriorated.

The first symptom was the reluctance of the Russians to allow British and American forces to enter Berlin, captured by Soviet armies. Although Germany surrendered May 7, 1945, it was July 3 of that year before the Russians would permit Britain and the United States to move garrison troops into the fallen capital and to take over a share of responsibility for the city's administration.

Since that time, relations have steadily grown worse. Today the four-power Allied administration of Germany virtually has broken down. Russia's intention to keep a tight checkrein on the other powers was shown in July, 1945. She limited her allies to a single highway, a single railway line and an air corridor about 20 miles wide as a supply and communications route between their zones in western Germany and Berlin.

That left the British, American and French areas of Berlin, 125 miles east of the nearest western occupation zone boundary, only tenuously linked (Continued on Page 5)

SHRINE CLUB Band Concert

Peter Lien, Bandmaster at Civic Centre Auditorium, Monday May 10, 8:15 p.m. Adults 75c (110) Students 50c

MARGARINE BILL FAILS IN SENATE

OTTAWA (CP)—The Senate on Wednesday voted 35 to 21 to defeat for the third successive year a bill to lift the ban on margarine. The bill was sponsored by Senator Euler (L-Ontario). An identical bill, now before Commons, is expected to be put to the vote within two or three weeks.

TRADE FLOW INCREASE SEEN AS U.S. CUTS SALES TAX FROM CUSTOMS

OTTAWA (CP)—The United States government has eliminated the Canadian eight per cent sales tax in its customs calculations, a high revenue department official disclosed Wednesday night. This will mean a scaling down of the price an American importer must pay for Canadian goods and is seen by Canadian banking, revenue and finance officials as encouragement to the export of goods to the United States and the flow of American dollars to Canada.

Donald Gordon, deputy governor of the Bank of Canada, said it "is a move in the right direction" — levelling the balance of trade between the two countries.

CHINCHILLA FARM STARTED AT MASSETT

May be the Start of New Industry for the Islands

The Chinchilla, that prized little fur-bearer has gone to Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands. In that land where furred creatures are rare the Chinchilla may become king and be the means of introducing the fur-farming as a new industry to the people of the islands.

R. L. McGrane, who for the past twelve years has been earning his living trolling out of Massett and who for twenty years before that was a fur-farmer in the Peace River District, took five pair of Chinchilla breeders home with him after a visit in Vancouver. He expects these to be the start of a full-scale fur-farm.

Norman Nelson, of Nelson Bros. Fisheries, arrived in the city Wednesday afternoon by air from Vancouver on a business trip.

MARINE LIGHT NOT BURNING

Mariners are advised that the Cook Point light in Massett Sound is reported to be not burning. The light will be put back in operation as soon as possible, the local office of the Department of Transport, marine section, announced today.

RENT-AID PLAN FOR FAMILY HOMES COMING

OTTAWA (CP)—Trade Minister Howe gave Commons details on a rental insurance plan by which the government plans to encourage the building of houses for rent. The plan will guarantee the owner of such houses sufficient rental income for taxes, debt service, operating expenses, repairs, renewals and replacements. It also will guarantee a reasonable return on the owner's equity investment.

The scheme will apply to family units renting at not more than \$80 a month on a fully-serviced basis. Unserviced units would carry a lower rental.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Table of stock prices for Vancouver, Toronto, and other locations. Includes columns for stock names and prices.

LOCAL TIDES Friday, May 7, 1948. High 0:10 19.8 feet, 12:38 18.5 feet, Low 6:34 4.5 feet, 18:31 6.2 feet

quire an outlay vastly in excess of that amount. In his address, Mr. Mather asked shareholders to approve capital expenditures of \$79,670,871 of which \$54,244,072 is to provide for new rolling stock. Of this total \$36,390,854 already had been approved by directors. After noting that the company's postwar program of rehabilitation had been slower than expected, because of inadequate net earnings, the rising cost of construction and shortages of labor and material, Mr. Mather said. New and greatly enlarged demands on company rail service result from the phenomenal growth which has taken place in Canada's industrial production. Such production is now almost twice what it was prior (Continued on Page Two)

FRIDAY NIGHT IS KLONDYKE NIGHT. Old-Time Vodville — Beard Judging — Games. FROLIC AND FUN FOR EVERYONE. No Dressin' Up. Dancing, Sourdough Orchestra. Beans 'n Bacon — Phony Money. AT THE CIVIC CENTRE 8:30 p.m. Beards Available at the Door.