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## Transport Board Grants Eight Percent Freight Rate Increase

### Boost in Addition to 21 Percent Granted Last Spring

(CP)—The Board of Transport Commissioners today granted an eight percent increase in railway freight rates. The rate is in addition to the 21 percent set last spring.

The board said that an increase of 15 percent would be necessary to meet the needs of the railways.

Mr. Lambert of the Los Angeles Examiner and Dr. E. Merkley, recreational director of Los Angeles schools, stopped off for an hour and took a tour of Prince Rupert last night and seemed to be very pleased with what they saw.

Mr. Lambert said that this city seems to be the most prosperous city of any they had visited on their whole trip and predicted great things for Prince Rupert.

Dr. Merkley was most interested in the Civic Centre and after being taken on a tour of the Centre by Don Forward, said that this was exactly what was needed in Los Angeles.

There is a program under way to try and build a Community Centre in each community of Los Angeles and Dr. Merkley hopes they'll be as active as our Civic Centre.

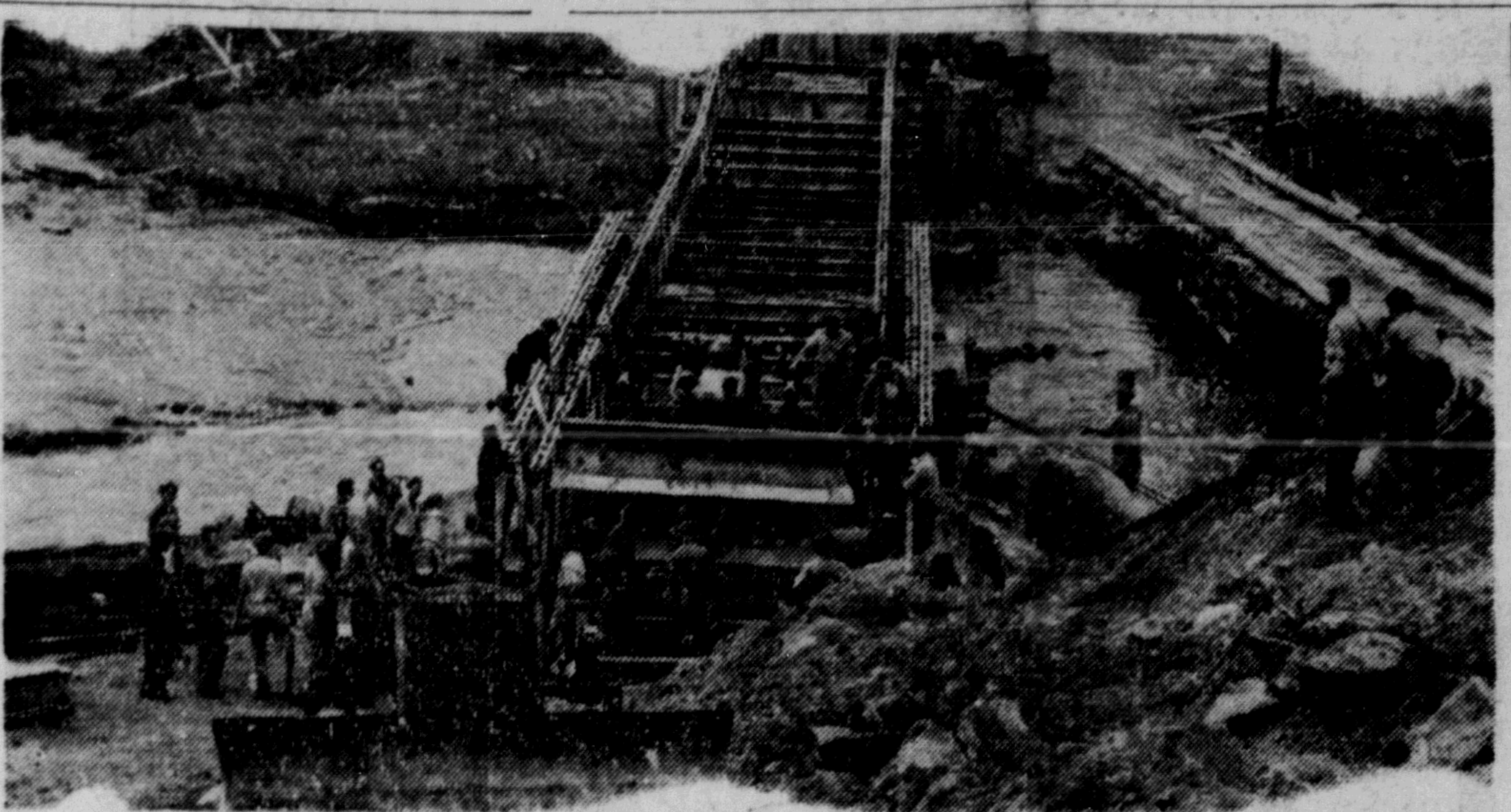
The steelworkers were summoned by Phillip Murray, Union president to decide whether or not to comply with President Truman's request that the Saturday night steel strike deadline be extended six days.

U. S. Steel Co. has accepted the Truman proposal. Meanwhile, chances faded for early settlement of the coal strike which began four days ago.

The 480,000 United Mine Workers, who are out on a "no benefits, no work" strike appeared unlikely to return to work until the steel dispute is clarified.

Miss Edna Dobie, formerly of the nursing staff of Prince Rupert, left this morning for Vancouver to visit her home at Copper City.

Secretary of the U.S. Treasury John W. Snyder, left, chats with Douglas Abbott, Canadian minister of finance, during the conference of ministers for Canada, Great Britain and the U.S. The theme: world trade to ease the dollar shortage of debtor nations.



THE BRIDGE THAT WAS BUILT BY ARMY ENGINEERS—A busy 26 hours was put in by Canadian Army Engineers from Ottawa and North Bay when erection of this 190-foot Bailey bridge over the Pstawawa river deep in the bush country of Algonquin Park was completed.

### ALLEGIANCE OATH ASKED BY T.L.C.

CALGARY (CP)—An oath of allegiance to the Crown for officers of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has been ordered by TLC's annual convention.

Action to amend TLC constitution came after short but lively debate in which some members claimed it would be a measure similar to the Taft-Hartley Act in the United States.

The constitutional amendment, which finally got overwhelming support, compels all office candidates to swear an oath of allegiance to the King and to take oath that they will not associate with any group subversive to Canadian principles.

### Local Man Saw Noronic Launched

Billy Bell of Prince Rupert, formerly of the Canadian National Railways service was present at the launching of the steamship Noronic, which burned in Toronto last Saturday morning with heavy loss of life.

The launching took place at Port Arthur during the early summer of 1913, and attracted wide interest in the Great Lakes ports and general territory.

### TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver	
Bayonne	.06 1/2
Bralorne	10.25
B.R. Con.	.04 1/2
B.R.X.	.06 1/2
Cariboo Quartz	1.15
Congress	.04
Hedley Mascot	.30
Pacific Eastern	.05
Pioneer	3.65
Premier Border	.04 1/2
Privateer	.21
Reeves McDonald	2.40
Sheep Creek	1.25
Silbak Premier	.39
Taku River	.25
Vananda	.09
Salmon Gold	.12

Toronto	
Athona	.13
Aumaque	.17 1/2
Beattie	.65
Beavert	.33
Bobjo	.16
Buffalo Canadian	.11
Consol. Smelters	101.50
Conwest	1.12
Donald	.58
Eldona	.66
East Sullivan	3.25
Giant Yellowknife	6.80
God's Lake	.43
Hardrock	.30
Harricana	.07 1/4
Heva	.14 1/2
Hosco	.13
Jackknife	.09
Joliet Quebec	.59
Lake Rowan	.08 1/2
Lapaska	.06 1/2
Little Long Lac	.74
Lynx	.12
Madsen Red Lake	3.15
McKenzie Red Lake	.52
McLeod Cockshutt	1.55
Moneta	.38
Negus	2.30
Noranda	58.50
Louvicourt	.19 1/2
Pickle Crow	2.26
Regcourt	.06 1/2
San Antonio	4.30
Senator Rouyn	.43
Sherrit Gordon	3.00
Sturgeon River	.21
Steep Rock	1.78
Silver MMiller	.46

### ATOMIC TALKS AT CHALK RIVER

OTTAWA (CP)—The External Affairs department announced today that another in the series of Anglo-American-Canadian atomic talks will be held at Chalk River, Ontario, September 29 and 30.

The announcement came as Trade Minister Howe continued a high-level conference in Washington on atomic policy.

### Altar Thins Ranks Of All-Girl Band

VANCOUVER (CP)—The biggest trouble with running an all-girl orchestra, Maurice Jackson will tell you, is finding replacements for the players who desert the saxophone for the sink.

Since his band—the only all-girl band in Canada—was formed in 1945, Jackson has lost 15 girls via the altar route.

The girls all between 17 and 22, come from scattered points on the prairies and eastern Canada.

### YOUTHS ENJOY NORTHERN TRIP

A tired but happy group of Los Angeles newspaper carriers passed through Prince Rupert on board the Princess Louise, on their return voyage from the far north. These lucky youngsters are the winners of the Los Angeles Examiner circulation contest and have just completed a week of visiting by sea and air of Ketchikan, Petersburg, Juneau, Skagway and White Horse.

In the north the carriers took trips into the interior, over the old Trail of '88, where they saw relics of the gold rush days and did a bit of prospecting themselves.

The boys stayed overnight at White Horse and on their return were accompanied by experienced guides who explained the highlights of each port of call.

Accompanying the boys is Dick Lambert, education division director of the Examiner, and Dr. E. Merkley, director of the Recreational and Youth Activities of Los Angeles schools.

### LETTER OF 1870 SHEDS NEW LIGHT ON B.C. DISPUTE

VICTORIA, B.C. (CP)—British Columbia people were not fit for responsible government back in 1870, in the opinion of the colonial secretary of those times.

Hon. Philip J. Hankin, colonial secretary in Victoria, made his outspoken observations in a letter to his friend the Duke of Buckingham in England, and that letter has just been published by the provincial archives.

The letter was written during the heat of a famous debate which began in March, 1870, in the B.C. legislative council on the subject of confederation with Canada. Union was achieved in July, 1871.

Archivist William Ireland, who released the letter for publication, said it was "a forthright, frank statement of the personal opinions of the senior member of the colonial civil service."

Hankin's appointment as colonial secretary was not popular. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Armstrong of Edmonton arrived in the city Wednesday afternoon on the Prince George to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Armstrong.

Mrs. Armstrong will return to Edmonton this week. Mrs. Armstrong expects to remain in the city for the next fortnight.

### Parliament May Debate Devaluation

LONDON (CP)—A cabinet meeting today is understood to have decided to recall Parliament to debate devaluation of the pound.

Sir Stafford Cripps gave the meeting a full report on the Washington talks. Meanwhile, speculation increased that devaluation may compel Attlee to call a general election soon.

The labor rank and file remained restless and fearful that higher living costs may come from devaluation.

### APPLICATION FOR B.C. PIPELINE IS REJECTED

OTTAWA (CP)—Lack of evidence that it could successfully run a natural gas pipeline from northern Alberta to Vancouver and nearby United States cities has stalled an application of West Coast Transmission Co. before the Board of Transport Commissioners.

The application to build a line, which would bring cheap fuel to these centres, was rejected on grounds that it is not yet proven that there are sufficient supplies of gas and that provincial and federal export permits have not yet been granted.

The line would run from Athabasca through Dawson Creek, down the Fraser Valley to Vancouver, Seattle and Portland.

### NEED FOR NEW SCHOOLS BACKED BY KING ED. P.T.A.

It was a "get-acquainted" meeting of the King Edward Parent-Teacher Association in the school music room, Tuesday evening. Seventy members attended.

The President, Mrs. R. E. Mortimer was in the chair. The aims of the Parent-Teacher Association were read by Mrs. P. Mark.

The membership convener, Mrs. W. W. Bowes, reported 104 members to date. The new members of the teaching staff were introduced by Principal R. G. Moore.

Mr. Moore gave a short address on School Organization, and introduced Mr. I. H. R. Jeffery, Inspector of Schools. Mr. Jeffery stressed the need for modern school buildings, as a requisite for a more varied course of instruction to develop well-rounded personalities.

Mrs. E. W. Becker, speaking in support of the school by-law, gave a resume of difficulties encountered, and finally overcome by the School Board, in drawing up plans for the new schools.

A resolution was passed by the meeting that King Edward P.T.A. go on record as approving the school by-law.

### Housing Plan Presented By Government

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government Wednesday outlined a program aimed at solving Canada's housing shortage through encouraging home ownership by providing both low-rental and subsidized, low-cost dwellings.

The program, read to Commons by Reconstruction Minister Winters, disclosed that the Federal government plans to amend the National Housing Act to cut approximately in half the down payment required by prospective home owners.

The remainder of the program envisages a Dominion-provincial partnership on a 75-25 percent financial basis to undertake a potential three-point program of land assembly, construction of both low-cost and subsidized rental units.

The plan would reduce the amount of required down payment from one-third of the cost of the dwelling to one-sixth. The municipalities will play a part in the plan but will not be parties to the Dominion-provincial agreements.

### THE WEATHER

Synopsis: Light frosts again touched the valleys of the central and south eastern interior regions of British Columbia during the night.

Clear skies and light winds give promise of pleasant weather over these areas in the next 24 to 48 hours. Frosts will again occur in the Cariboo and Kootenays with light ground frost expected in the low areas of the Okanagan tonight.

Fog patches in the low lying areas of the southern coast will clear rapidly this morning and form again during the night. Cloudiness persists over the north coast regions.

Forecast: North Coast Region—Cloudy today and Friday. Occasional drizzle along the mainland this morning. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly (20) in the exposed areas of the Queen Charlottes and light elsewhere. Low tonight and high Friday at Port Hardy, 42 and 60; Masset and Prince Rupert 45 and 60.

GOOD USE FOR BOMB CRATERS—It's only a water-filled crater, set in the middle of bombed-out buildings in Berlin, but to the German youngsters who use it daily, no private swimming pool is half so grand. Bombs destroyed an underground garage, leaving a huge crater. Later an underground spring ran into the crater and filled it completely. It now serves as "private swimming pool" for youngsters in the U.S. sector workers' district of Berlin. A diving contest is in progress here.



FINE GRAIN IN SPITE OF DROUGHT—Prize grain is the barley grown by Alphonse Schmidt of Mildmay and the wheat was raised by Norman Schmidt, assc of Mildmay. Despite the drought this year, judges at the C.N.E. farm exhibits, said entries in grain show were of finest.

**TODAY'S BASEBALL**  
New York 3, Cincinnati 1

**WEDNESDAY**  
National

4-5, Cincinnati	5-2
Pittsburgh	7
6-5, St. Louis	1-0
American	
10, New York	9
6, Boston	9
Philadelphia	1
10, Washington	7
Pacific Coast	
6, Oakland	5
2, Seattle	1
5, San Francisco	
5, Los Angeles	4

## RESTLING - FRIDAY and SATURDAY NIGHTS - CIVIC CENTRE

Friday: Frank Stojar, Tacoma, vs. Leo Kalenko, Seattle "Badman"—Saturday: Friday's Winner vs. Jack McLaughlan. Boxing 8:30, Main Event 9:30. Ringside \$1.50, General Admission \$1.00, Students 50c