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WITH A FUR COAT over her evening gown, Princess Margaret makes a very attractive appearance as she arrives at the Empire, Leicester Square, for the premiere of a new motion picture.

orderly transfer Special Drugs Flown in To Fort Babine Reserve

Special drugs for treatment of impetigo have been flown to the Fort Babine Indian Reserve. 45 miles northeast of Hazelton.

Increase Mooted For Cigarettes

VICTORIA (CP) - The price of cigarets in B.C. could go up one cent a package under/the two per cent increase in the sales ghts were put to tax announced in the budget 10:30 a.m., when Monday

rical wiring sent A pack of 20 cigarettes now oke screen, start- sells for an average of 33 cents ho called the fire in the province, including the present three per cent tax. The sulted, but the increase, if taken to the nearest Power Company, cent, could jump the price to

amine the wiring, 34 cents. ent the rest of the for the cigaret dealers to ab- cause undue alarm. in their usually sorb the additional tax themted offices, peer- selves, or sell two package lots Babine are children, he said, degrees and 30.185 degrees. work in the dim for 67 cents, a one cent saving adding that there are some 250 on the tax.

Dr. G. R. Howell, zone superintendent for the northern area. said today 40 cases of impetigo were reported last week by the Indian agent at Hazelton and a special shipment of drugs was dispatched.

Muriel Rowe, health nurse at Vanderhoof, flew in with the drugs and plans are being formulated to send a doctor and nurse to the reserve when weath-

has taken charge of the distri- East.

generally caused through lack of lages for the week to be 40.8 decleanliness, but stressed that the grees and 31.4 degrees, while in the legislature Monday. He Other, alternatives would be Fort Babine outbreak should not actual readings taken at the

natives on the reserve.

Non-Confidence Vote Assails Actions Of Ald. George Casey

Man Charged After Mishap Proves Fatal

A 39-year-old Native of Morristown Reserve was charged with manslaughter this morning, following the death of a woman, fatally injured in a car accident near Telkwa last night.

Charged was Sylvester Williams, driver of the car in which the woman was the only passenger.

The woman (unidentified by police pending notification of relatives) was a 28-year-old native of the same reserve. She died in Bulkley Valley Hospital at Smithers at 6 a.m. today.

The fatal accident occurred at 9:30 p.m. on highway 16 about two miles east of Telkwa, when the car driven by Williams, skidded and overturned.

Williams, uninjured in the upset, reportedly called for an ambulance from a house near the accident scene, and the woman was rushed to hospital in Smithers.

A coroner's inquest will open tomorrow at Smithers where Williams is being held on the manslaughter count.

Estimate Close On Weather

Winner of \$25 in the "Guess While at the reserve, Miss the Weather Contest" Number the use of the drugs to cure the Store for the week of February disease and Father Morin, OMI, 28 to March 6, inclusive, is Ina resident priest at Fort Babine, Birchall of 128 Fifth Avenue

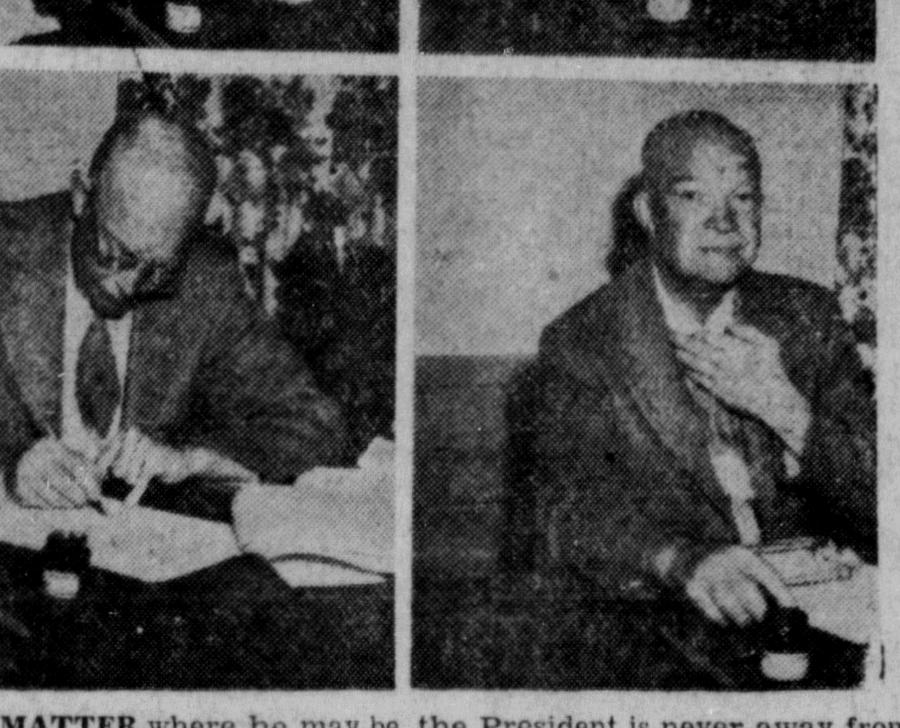
Dr. Howell said impetigo is high and low temperature aver-Digby Island weather station Most of the 40 cases at Fort showed actual averages of 42.057

Murder Hearing **Set Tomorrow**

Preliminary hearing of charge of murder against of the service will be laid off. | the service. It did not improve. Charles Robinson, 31-year-old Major trade union groups in the service at all, he said. fisherman, has been set for the province already have said 10:30 a.m. tomorrow.

Robinson appeared before the sales tax. Magistrate W. D. Vance this AFFECT WORKING MAN the morning.

here last February 16.



NO MATTER where he may be, the President is never away from the affairs of state. Here, during his recent longweek-end vacation at Smoke Tree Ranch near Palm Springs, Calif., President Eisenhower studies a bill (top left), picks up pen while still going over certain points (top right), signs it (lower left), and relaxes after the act. Note the Chief Executive's Western-style

Business Men, Party Leaders Critical of Sales Tax Plan

Mrs. Birchall estimated the hospital insurance premiums.

Premier Bennett announced the change in his budget address debate today. said it would bring the govern- said the tax was "regrettable." ment an estimated revenue of

ed hospital costs. for the fiscal year ending March gressive Conservative in the leg-31, 1955, tabled in the legislature islature, said the tax was just by the premier, showed that saving the government slightly ed by Ald. McLean after which abolition of the premiums will more than \$4,000,000 it paid this Mayor Hills asked Ald. Casey if a mean more than 300 employees current fiscal year in subsidy for he had anythiny to say.

they are against any increase in

morning and the hearing was R. K. Gervin, spokesman for couver Merchants' Exchange reset over after defence counsel the 75,000-member Trades Union ports that the tonnage of deep Gerry Pettenuzzo said one of the Congress (TLC) Monday night sea vessels entering Vancouver witnesses would be available in warned that trade unions would during February dropped 25,643 Robinson is charged with the for hospital insurance premiums same month last. year. murder of Violet Sampare, 27, formerly paid in full or in part. The exchange reported that by their employers.

increase the three per cent sales thought premiums should be dorsed. tax by two per cent to replace lowered instead of an increase in the sales tax.

Mr. Webster opens the budget

Liberal leader Arthur Laing "Now we are on the road to about \$23,500,000 to pay increas- statism . . . will medicine be next?" he said.

The departmental estimates Dr. Larry Giovando, lone Pro-

Tonnage Drops

VANCOUVER (P -- The Van-

month, compared with 462,968 in February, 1953.

WEATHER Forecast

North Coast Region: Southern nesday. A little colder on Wed- night. nesday. Winds southeasterly 20 The Wisconsin Republican Remainder of region cloudy to- night. 20 in exposed areas today, south- orf-Astoria security guard in an easterly 15 tomorrow. Low to- all-night vigil outside McCarnight and high Wednesday at thy's room. Sandspit and Prince Rupert 32 Neither police nor the hotel

Fiedler of CPA.

Works Chairman Bucks Council Wish

A vote of non-confidence in the chairman of the city's board of works committee-veteran Alderman George B. Casey-was endorsed unanimously at council meeting last night.

The move was made after Alderman Phil Lyons rose on a "I thought I was only safepoint of privilege as the meeting guarding the community. I did was called to order, and protest- not think I was doing anything ed a recent action by Ald. Casey. unfair. I have no apologies. I George Hills.

Rising slowly, with eyes of all one." aldermen and the mayor on Ald. McLean, stating that he him, Ald. Lyons asked permis- was speaking entirely from sion to speak on "a very serious rumor, said "I think perhaps Ald. matter."

meeting a month ago, council may be riding Mr. Beaton at rejected by a 7-1 vote a motion committee meetings." to ask the city mechanic to attend a meeting with Ald. Casey and works superintendent G E. Beaton to evaluate some machinery which the city plan-

ned to purchase. Council, at that time, considered the knowledge of the works lieve that if he thought the superintendent sufficient and mechanic was needed he would deemed it unnecessary for the have called him."

mechanic to be present. "However,' said Ald. Lyons, MAINTAINS STAND 'the chairman of the board of "I have nothing to offer," said engineer's office to discuss pur- stand." chase of the machinery. This was entirely contrary to coun- a vote, Ald. Lyons said: cil's decision and indicated lack of confidence in the superintendent."

NULL AND VOID

While Mayor Hills suggested that the matter be deferred until "such time as council matters are settled," Ald. Lyons said he felt "any proceedings are null VICTORIA (-Opposition | CCF opposition leader Arnold and void until this is concluded' party leaders, business men and Webster said the increase will and moved that it be discussed Rowe instructed the natives on 2, sponsored by Super-Valu Food labor leaders last night were eventually affect the working before any other business took generally critical of the British man. It would be passed down place. The motion was seconded Columbia government's plan to from the manufacturer. He by Ald. Ray McLean and en-

> At that, Ald. Lyons, speaking to his motion, said:

"I think this type of interference by any alderman is uncalled for. I think his authority has been grossly misused and I would like to move a vote of non-confidence in the present chairman of the board of works."

The motion again was second-

"It is quite true that I did ask the mechanic to come to the engineer's office," said the 78year-old works chairman. "I condone the animosity of those asked him to come to discuss the various types of machinery believing that he knew the mechanical aspects of the equip-

Next move is up to Mayor was acting in good faith and had no intention of over-riding any-

Casey may not have confidence He recalled that at a council in our city engineer. I think he

Ald. Krueger said: "It is my impression that Mr. Beaton is being unduly over-ridden at committee meetings. The works superintendent is the gentleman who is responsible to the board of works and council, and I be-

works called the mechanic to the Ald. Casey. "I stand where I Before the motion was put to

"It is with considerable trepidation that I find myself forced to bring this issue to the fore. I have great admiration for Alderman Casey, but I don't think the best interests of the city are being served by him as chairman of the board of works com-

"I don't think his ideas are progressive enough for our city. Due to the fact that we have a lot of work to be done in the next year, I believe we should have a person who can and will get around more

"I believe, also, that we should have someone who can accept ideas. I believe the board of works committee needs new ideas."

After Mayor Hills asked if any other alderman wished to speak, the non-confidence motion was

put to the floor. In a show of hands the seven

aldermen voted in the affirma-Later during the inquiry per-

iod, Alderman Casey said:

"I will not resign just to who express themselves at this

council meeting. It is up to you, your worship, as to what the next step will be, but I will not quit."

seek wage increases to make up tons below the figure for the for hospital insurance premiums same month last year. Threat to McCarthy's Life 102 ships, with a tonnage of Hinted in Mysterious Call 437,325 entered the port last Hinted in Mysterious Call

mous telephone caller who spoke the threat. with a Spanish accent told Waldorf-Astoria Hotel security guards early today that "something districts, occasional showers of terrible" would happen to Senamixed rain and snow on Wed- tor Joseph McCarthy during the of the hotel-something terrible

Snow showers, winds westerly to the hotel and joined a Wald- against Senator McCarthy.

NEW YORK (A)-An anony- | Carthy had been informed of

The caller, who asked to speak with McCarthy, was reported to have said "You'd better get out is going to happen."

Today, former president Harry in exposed areas otherwise light. checked into the hotel Monday S. Truman had two commentsone light, one serious-when told day and cooler on Wednesday. A city police officer was sent about the mysterious threat

NO ENTERTAINMENT

On his customary pre-breakfast stroll reporters told Truman management said whether Mc- of the anonymous telephone

The ex-president smiled and jokingly said:

"O, pshaw! I don't see why anyone would want to kill him We'd have no entertainment a

all if they killed him." Then the smile vanished and Truman added soberly: "I don' believe in government by assas sination."

The former president added that "the best assassination a politician can get is vote assassination." Asked if he were predicting that the senator might be defeated in a future politica venture, the man who upset the pollsters in the 1948 election saic he was making no prophecies.

Commission Asked Once Again come Supplier of Electricity

ince again, to ex- Commission."

the power ques- it settled . . . " Bull and Farris, urged prompt action. ern B.C. Power EXPIRED FEB. 29

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amunication from commission.

"We asked them a year ago to beyond reason." at a meeting last expropriate. They have done While Mr. Brown did not dis-

3, to comply with en no action." the electorate to Both Ald. Mike Krueger and sion were obliged to pay, it mission to take McLean said they believed the could not possibly provide ser-

less of what action is taken.

Ald. Norman Bellis said: "It seems like a football that now has been kicked around for the was the intention of the Compast three years. We should get

The mayor reminded alderman that the city at the present letters from A. time is without an agreement with the power company and

T. W. Brown, QC, The agreement with Northern ment for a further period to be B.C. Power expired February 28. agreed upon, and the rates or

B.C. Power Com- he believed the city would be parties or fixed by the PUC. ke over the assets wise in insisting on a straight The firm said NBCPC is pres of NBCPC by ex- answer from the Commission pared to enter into negotiations and that our soli- and for further insisting that with the city in an endeavor to facted to ascertain the Commission exercise its agree on the term of the ex-

Bruce Brown, in his letter, "In the meantime it is precouncil that this told of a recent meeting he held pared to carry on the supply of with S. R. Weston, chairman of electric power to the city of mmittee of the the B.C. Power Commission, and Prince Rupert and its citizens.

ary for the power company to sions of the PUC."

"certain things that do not make a submission as to the ower Commission come under the Public Utilities amount it would require for its various assets.

ngs of the North- Ald. Ray McLean said "I be- "The above information was r Company and lieve we should make a direct received by the Commission repplier of electric question to the Power Commis- cently and it is felt that the Ince Rupert and sion regarding their intentions." amount indicated is completely

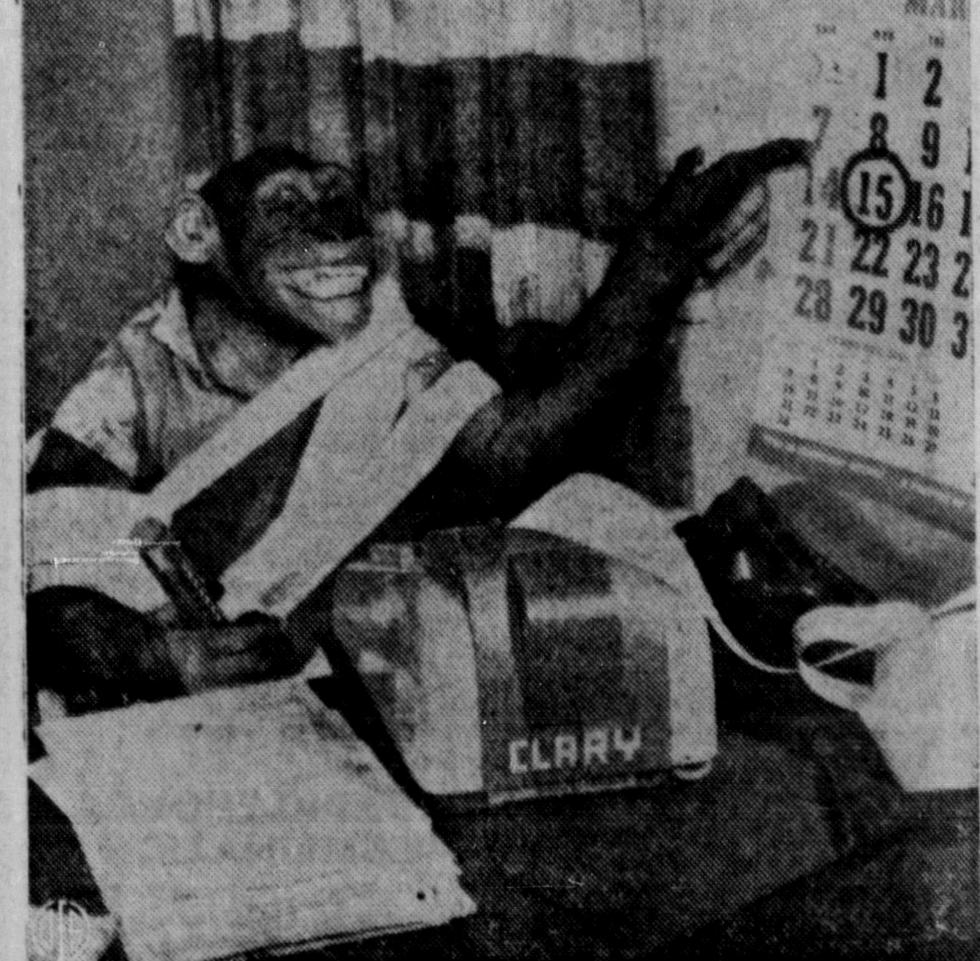
ed its stand of nothing and seem to have tak- close the figure, he said "It is so substantial that if the Commispower company here would ap- vice at as low a rate as is now meeting of city ply for a rate increase regard- in effect, nor would it be able to spend further funds in ex-

tending the present service . . . "Mr. Weston indicated that it mission to get in touch with the company with a view to having the company make a more

realistic offer." The letter from Farris, Stultz, Bull & Farris, dated February 24, said that under clause 32 of the 1929 agreement the city has the right to renew the agreeunanimously en- It was drawn up in 1929. prices for the service shall be "that the council T. W. Brown, in his letter, said either agreed upon between the

mmission whether legal rights under the Electric tended agreement and the rates to be charged.

Hills told of re- Forrest L. Shaw, solicitor for the but in doing so it is to be clearly understood that it is without pany here earlier "They indicated that they had prejudice to its right to seek a why the been waiting from June, 1953 rate increase either under the ome to agreement until toward the end of Janu- agreement or under the provi-



PEGGY, the smiling chimpanzee, reminds you that is isn't smart to "monkey around" until the March 15 deadline to do your 1953 income tax return. Equipped with official forms, instruction sheet, adding machine and headache remedy, the movie and TV performer is ready to make hers out. Peggy's screen roles have put her in the upper income bracket among animal players, but she seems pretty cheerful about giving Uncle Sam his share.

JAYCEE FATHER AND SON HONORED AT INITIATION

A father-and-son act at the Prince Rupert Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting last night was photographed for the Jaycee National magazine "Action."

The occasion was swearing in of new members, when Barry Williamson took the oath, watched by his Jaycee father, Don Williamson.

A father-and-son team is a rarity in Jaycee activities, due to the age limits of 21 to 40 years. To cap the event, it was noted that father Don is also a grandfather. The other new member received last night was Byron