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Keep the Elevator Open

OR NEARLY two years now Prince Rupert's I waterfront has shared in the activity of the nation's all-around first industry-agriculturewith the reopening of the Dominion government grain elevator.

Canada's grainfields have yielded splendidly in the last three years. This year promises to produce " a erop only slightly below the record one of last season. But somehow, the federal government has deemed it necessary to warn the nation that its crop might be difficult to market.

This situation lies in the face of thousands upon thousands of near-starving people in the Orient and in other countries less fortunate than we, who are among the world's primary bread-wheat producers.

A stoppage of grain shipping would seriously affect Prince Rupert's waterfront activity and its economy as well as that of the entire country. But this could likely be avoided if the Canadian Wheat Board sharpened its pencils a little and narrowed down the margin of profit on a bushel of grain.

The buyers of our grain know that we have plenty of it. They feel, therefore, that they are entitled to a little reduction in its price.

Perhaps we could do much worse than sell more wheat at a lower price. Or, we may be pricing ourselves out of another lucrative market in the primary industries.

We have already done so in fishing and lum-

We Should be Prepared

-OR the second time in a week, we have found ourselves unprepared to meet an emergency.

In the absence of any established arrangement for handling rescue operations in this rugged flying country, precious time was lost yesterday while airline officials discussed the fate of a plane reported missing between here and Terrace.

Thanks to the initiative of Queen Charlotte Airlines, a plane was readied quickly and took to the air. Speed is probably the most important thing during a rescue, yet unnecessary delays are caused by failure to establish a set-up here.

A man's life could be lost while waiting for directions from Vancouver where RCAF air-sea rescue operations are supervised.

In cases such as yesterday's and the recent giant search of American oil magnate Ellis Hall, the first few hours can mean the difference between life and death. We should always be prepared to go

Scripture Passage for Joday Show me the kindness of the Lord.—1 Sam. 20:14

OTTAWA DIARY

By Norman M. MacLeoa

organized Cabinet on his return Howe is cited as confirmation of COD by the nation. from his fortnight of reflection the rumor. Brilliant yet eminent- But it seems to me nothing at his lower St. Lawrence sum- ly sound McIlwraith is easily the less than sheer insanity-indeed mer home is accepted in Federal most eligible MP for Cabinet ap- a socially criminal act—to use circles as evidence that the gov- pointment. The fact that he the nation's tax money to buy der into the public galleries and ernment's sweeping election vic- dropped out of the race after up food, and then to hoard that take a seat like an ordinary tory did n-o-t solve all its polit- waiting so long for recognition food at a price some of the

some of them. The staunch present. claim upon Cabinet representa- pondents have recognized for no members of the Cabinet were consists in the fact that the presthe problem of reshuffling port- an age of service at which it is

vacancies for outside talent. tude the Prime Minister was ex- uation probably has been most pected to come back from his satisfactory, since it has meant hotidays with some formula of the maximum of security and the selution. His failure to do so is minimum of problems of resparking widespread comment adjustment. But for the ambitand speculation, no less in Lib- ious young Liberal MPs in the eral circles than amongst the House it has meant frustration

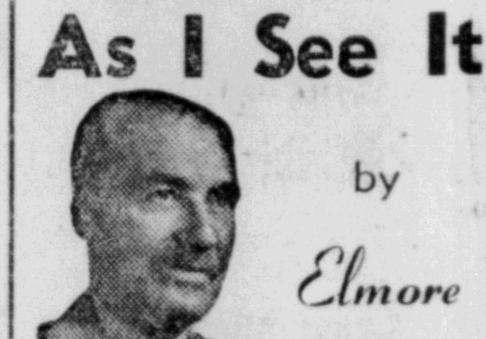
widely accepted in Liberal cir- reaches the stage of open excles is that the entire project of pression—as in the McIlwraith re-organization of the Ministry case—the usual tendency is for has been shelved for the present it to mushroom. Federal circles opening of Parliament in No- the more able of the younger

ical-problems. is claimed to be due to his hav- people cannot pay. In point of fact, the extent of ing learned privately that no You can perhaps justify subthe sweep simply intensified changes are in the wind for the sidizing buying of food for the

showing which the Liberal can- McIlwraith's resignation as a can never justify subsidizing didates made in the Toronto Parliamentary Assistant points price-raising process which dearea, for example, strengthened up a situation which better in- nies food to anybody who lacks that region's already air-tight formed Parliament Hill corres- food. tion." In addition, the fact that some time now. That situation casualties in the voting increased ent Liberal Cabinet has reached polies, since it created no new blocking the way to promotion of younger and able Liberal MPs The difficulties which Mr. St. During no other Parliamentary Laurent was facing were fully decade has the rate of turn-over appreciated in Parliament Hill in any Cabinet been so low. For circles. But despite their magni- the Cabinet members such a sit-

of the most vexatious kind.

One report which is being When dissatisfaction in a party -at least until the eve of the are watching the situation among vember. The resignation of Liberal MPs with high interest George McIlwraith, West Ottawa and some suspense. Developments Liberal MP, from his post of Par- could be interesting.



One 20-Cent Tomato

WHEN we were up near the Rocky Mountains and doing our own holiday cooking, my wife bought one nice big to-

The price was twenty cents-

for the single tomato! We talked a lot about that twenty cent tomato next day in the Okanagan. For around Vernon there were some fair roadside bargains in tomatoes-four pounds for thirty-five cents. But at one stand I saw many tomatoes rotting on the ground. The disappointed farm wife, no donbt, had been unable to sell her crop at any price.

THERE IS something radicall wrong with our deliberately bottle-necked distribution system in Canada, when you have to pay outrageous prices for product only a few hours drive from the country where surpluses are allowed to rot.

On the same Okanagan weekend I heard of one peach grower who had decided to let the remaining crop rot on the trees because the cannery could accept no more peaches.

of the farmer, nor of the cannery-both of whom acted as tive position. you or I would act in their places—given the same circum- opening of the 24th Legislature with all his maces, his pillars

But it is written as a reminder amount of reading and there hat, and his great seal, too. his that our greatest, swiftly grow- are few questions he can't an- reception was cold, and ing problem is still unfaced- swer about parliamentary pro and because it is unfaced-we cedure, origin of much of which have not yet begun to try to is shrouded in the mists of time.

SINCE THE invisible but very real Roosevelt revolution, Canada and the United States are both committed to the policy of guaranteed floor prices to farm- ment," says Mr. Irwin, from his

stocks of unsold butter, bought fought through the years for receive the grant of supply." by the government to keep the civil liberties." floor price above 58 cents to Mr. Irwin puts it this way: legislative chamber. the main the farmer. We also own a huge one of the greatest battles of doors are immediately backed, stock of dried milk, a vast sur- all history was fought without and the golden bar put in plus of unsold canned pork. Re- any individual heroes, but in across the main entrance. cently our government also that battle many lives were lost; bought the whole unsold pack it was a battle that lasted more of last year's cheese—and the than 900 years; it involved two policy is to apply to 1953 cheese civil wars; three kings were de-

does not itself own outright the British people for their freedom wheat crop, it has a very real financial stake in the 1952 crop, which is still totally unsold and vanguard in pressing for and in storage, and also the new 1953 crop, now held on farms, all western countries have folfor there is almost no other stor- lowed their lead." age place for it.

principle—and the only criticism ful, but he had one vulnerable Speaker Irwin, the doors of the

serves the farmer interest, is one condition after another to going to remain in effect.

That is why I think we must ultimately in democracy." face up to some very real decisions. I am all in favor of guaranteed prices for farmersin fact I think the day will come, Parliament. This custom carries and ought to come, when every- right through to the provincial The fact that the Prime Min- liamentary Assistant to Trade thing the farmer produces or the ister failed to announce his re- and Commerce Minister C. D. fisherman catches, will be bought

people. But in my opinion you

Roald Amundsen discovered the ed in Parliament to harangue

OUT-OF-TOWNERS

CHILL OR WRITE:

313 3rd Ave., Prince Rupert



DR. JAMES B. CONANT (right), U.S. High Commissioner for Germany, visits a food-distribution centre in Berlin, where thousands of East Germans are flocking to receive American food parcels at the rate of 70,000 daily. Communist treats against East Zone residents have not retarded the flow of persons risking punishment in order to obtain food.

VICTORIA REPORT

members would not speak. The

Speaker, on his knees, protested

that it was against the custom

of the House to depate before

was that the Crown only comes

to Parliament on the opening

to signify the necessity of

money for administration, and

at the closing to rectify griev-

ances of the people by assent-

ing to their bills, and then to

When the Speaker enters the

appeared before Parliament

(with an armed band conspicu-

ous in the lobbies) to demand

the arrest of five members. The

members were not present,

neither would anyone tell His

Majesty where they were, the

Speaker protesting: 'May it

please Your Malesty, I have

to speak, but as the House is

pleased to direct me, whose ser-

After that episode, says Mr.

VICTORIA .- Mr. Speaker Thomas Irwin, MLA for Delta, has been delving deep into history so that This is not written in criticism he may know every facet of his important legislat- be light this year, but with the

In the six months prior to the the crown-in all his pomp, he has done a tremendous his pole axes, his crosses, his

Mr. Irwin says that nothing strangers. The result of this done in a Legislature is meaningless, though sometimes it might appear so to the public.

"The pageantry of Parlia research and study, "is a monu-Canada right now owns vast ment to all those who have

posed, and one king lost his Moreover, while the nation head. It was the battle of the from absolute monarchy. The British people were far in the fighting for their liberties, but

ONLY ONE WEAPON

ALL POLITICAL parties in Can- Mr. Irwin continues: "At the ada favor this procedure in outset, the king was all-powermade of it in the 1953 election spot, his necessity for money to House were locked and the bar was that it did not go far administer his own and the af- put up, and this practice is still fairs of the nation. The people honored, right down to provin-Hence, we may take it for had but one weapon - the cial legislatures. granted that such a policy, or money; they used this weanon comething which even better constantly, gradually attaching their grants of money, resulting

> The monarch is not allowed to enter the Commons chamber, save to open and prorogue legislature; the lieutenant-governor cannot enter, except on opening and closing days of a legislative session, or when called by the legislature to give assent to bills. He could not wan-

Mr. Irwin tells us the origin of this: "In 1523, King Henry VIII, in need of money for his various wars, asked Parliament for 800,000 pounds. In order to compel this, he sent his allpowerful minister, Woolsey, who lived in a splendor and with a revenue greater than that of the the members in their duties to

Admiral Robert Peary reached king, to Parliament to impose north pole in 1909, and the royal will. Woolsey appear-

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Canadians have never been famous for their fondness for ish, even if Canada's coasts

> SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING COMMON LOUNGE CIVIC CENTRE-8 p.m.

Sept. 21, 1953 1952 Briar Films Shown New Members Particularly Welcomed

REFLECTS and REMINISCES

walking .- Richard Babcock.

the very poorest recipients of international fish shortage is old age pensions receive any- becoming an unassailable fact. thing like \$4.80 net. The rest of Cod, for example, is said to be us get anything from \$300 down scarce off Newfoundland. Imagand the down may easily ap- ine that! How many of these proach very close to zero. Even yarns are true, anyway? so there is a pleasant sensation in handling the monthly cheque. AN OLD FRIEND

a whale of a big bill.

cat, drawing his last breath, "I spoonful and part glassful. And can't remember what I did with many the meal, not beefsteak, the other eight."

THAT GUARANTEE!

In business, comments Financial Post, there can be such thing as a guaranteed annual wage. Money is paid only so long as a business continues to be profitable. When its prodattractive to consumers. business will fold and all its workers from the office boy to the big boss himself must find

The law of supply and demand has never operated very well with respect to money .-Kingston Whig-Standard.

B.C. FRUITS

Secretary Curling Club

She had a hip-hazard way of have long been noted for the extent and richness of her fisheries. It is being widely heralded The plain fact is that only today that such a thing as an

We always regarded codfish About 48 cents of every tax in a matter-of-course spiritdollar is going to defence. That's something that had always been here and always would, amen! In youth we swallowed cod liver "For the life of me," said the oil by the teaspoonful, tablehave we munched. Nor can there be forgotten the advertisement showing the figure of a stalwart fishermen with a huge cod, safely caught and landed. It's about as long himself, extending from shoul ders to feet, and he seems quite pleased with the way things are

> Applications will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, Sept. 21st, for the position

CLERK-STENOGRAPHER For the Assessor's Office

Applicants must apply i their own handwriting outlining age, marital status and details as to previous office experience. Further details as to salary, etc., can be obtained at the Assessor's Office, City Hall. Shorthand not essential

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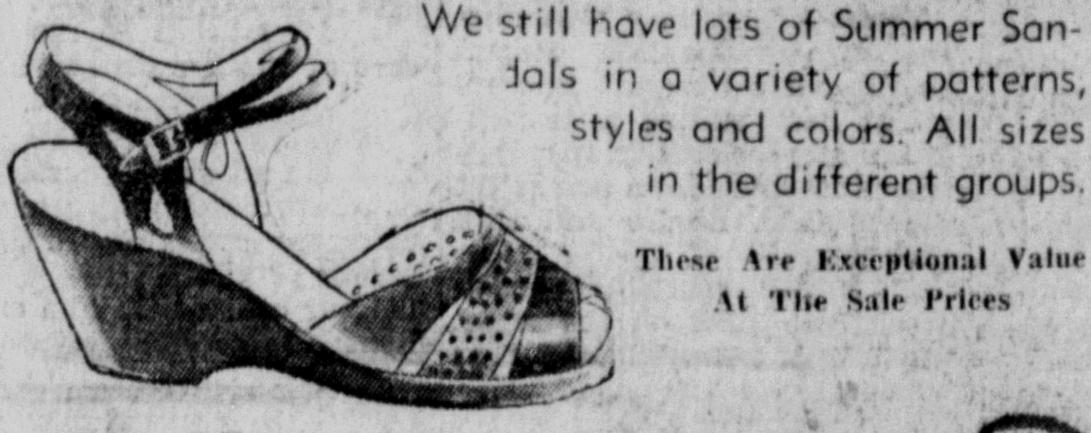
23-Denim Skirts

6-Orlon Blouses

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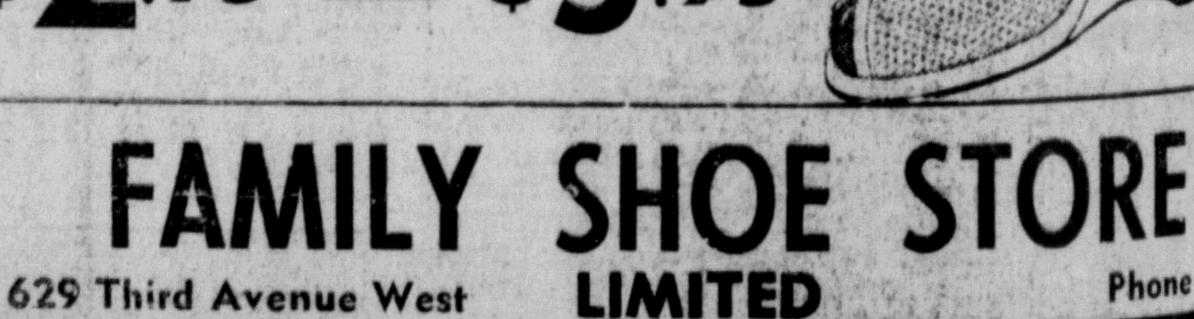
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