

## No Parking Fine For Hero-Driver

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—The man whose car was tagged late Wednesday for illegal parking on a bridge won't have to pay any fine.

Police discovered Carleton J. West Jr., 24, was rescuing a woman from the Mississippi river at the time. One officer ordered to pay his fine and another invited him to dinner.

### Closer View

LONDON (AP)—Eight British amateur astronomers will fly more than 1,200 miles in 13 hours to view the solar eclipse June 30. They have chartered a plane with adequate windows to fly over the north of Shetland to view the eclipse.

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### Victoria Strike May Be Lengthy

VICTORIA (AP)—Indications are the strike of Victoria outside workers will be a long one.

While both sides have said they are willing to re-open wage negotiations, neither has backed down on its final decisions of Wednesday.

Only two cents an hour separated workers and the city then. Council offered five cents an hour and the workers held out for seven cents.

Outside workers, members of the Civic Employees Protective Association, rejected the city's offer and went on strike Tuesday.

No word has been received from Labor Minister Lyle Wicks who was asked by the city to determine whether the strike is legal under the new Labor Relations Act.

### Married 60 Years

WALKERTON, Ont. (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kerney celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary here. Mr. Kerney at 90 is the oldest native of this Bruce country centre.

## BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD



### Some Contracts Depend Upon Opponent's Error

It is somewhat unusual to raise your partner, holding the singleton trey in his suit.

However, Mr. Dale believed that action was completely sensible in today's deal. His partner was Mr. Meek, the chronic underbidder. It is hard enough to get Mr. Meek to overcall at the one range, not vulnerable. Here he made a jump overcall vulnerable. Mr. Dale knew he had hearts a mile long.

Owing to the unfortunate fact that Mr. Meek did not have a second diamond, the contract was not makeable. That is, not unless the opponents erred. On a club opening dummy's only entry would be knocked out and it would be necessary to lose two hearts and two spades.

### FINDS OPENING

Mr. Abel found the club opening, laying down the jack. Mr. Meek thought fast. If he ducked the club and then the suit was continued, he could unblock the diamonds by getting rid of his ace of diamonds on the ace of clubs. It was a remote chance but he elected to try it.

He played low from dummy. To his regret, Mr. Muzzy overtook with the queen. Apparently there was no reason for Mr. Muzzy to make this play unless it was because he had guessed what Mr. Meek's plan was, and feared that his partner might not see the necessity for a shift.

### MEEK UPSET

Mr. Meek felt terrible. He wondered what his partner was going to say if it turned out that the hearts were divided favorably so that only one trump trick had to be lost. In that event the play of the ace of clubs at trick one would have made the contract.

But of course Mr. Meek is always worrying most of the time unnecessarily. Certainly he had nothing to worry about in this case. Mr. Muzzy had nothing

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H-3			
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S-9 8 2			
H-Q 7 4			
D-10 9 3 2			
C-J 10 2			
East (Mr. Muzzy)			
S-K Q J			
H-A			
D-J 8 4			
C-K Q 9 8 6 5			
South (Mr. Meek)			
S-A 10 5			
H-K J 10 9 8 6 5 2			
D-A			
C-3			
The bidding:			
East	South	West	North
1 C	2 H	Pass	3 D
Pass	3 H	Pass	4 H
All Pass			

## Rocky Gets September Title Offer

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)—Boxing promoter Manny Almeida of Providence says he'll guarantee heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano \$275,000 to defend his title in Rhode Island next September.

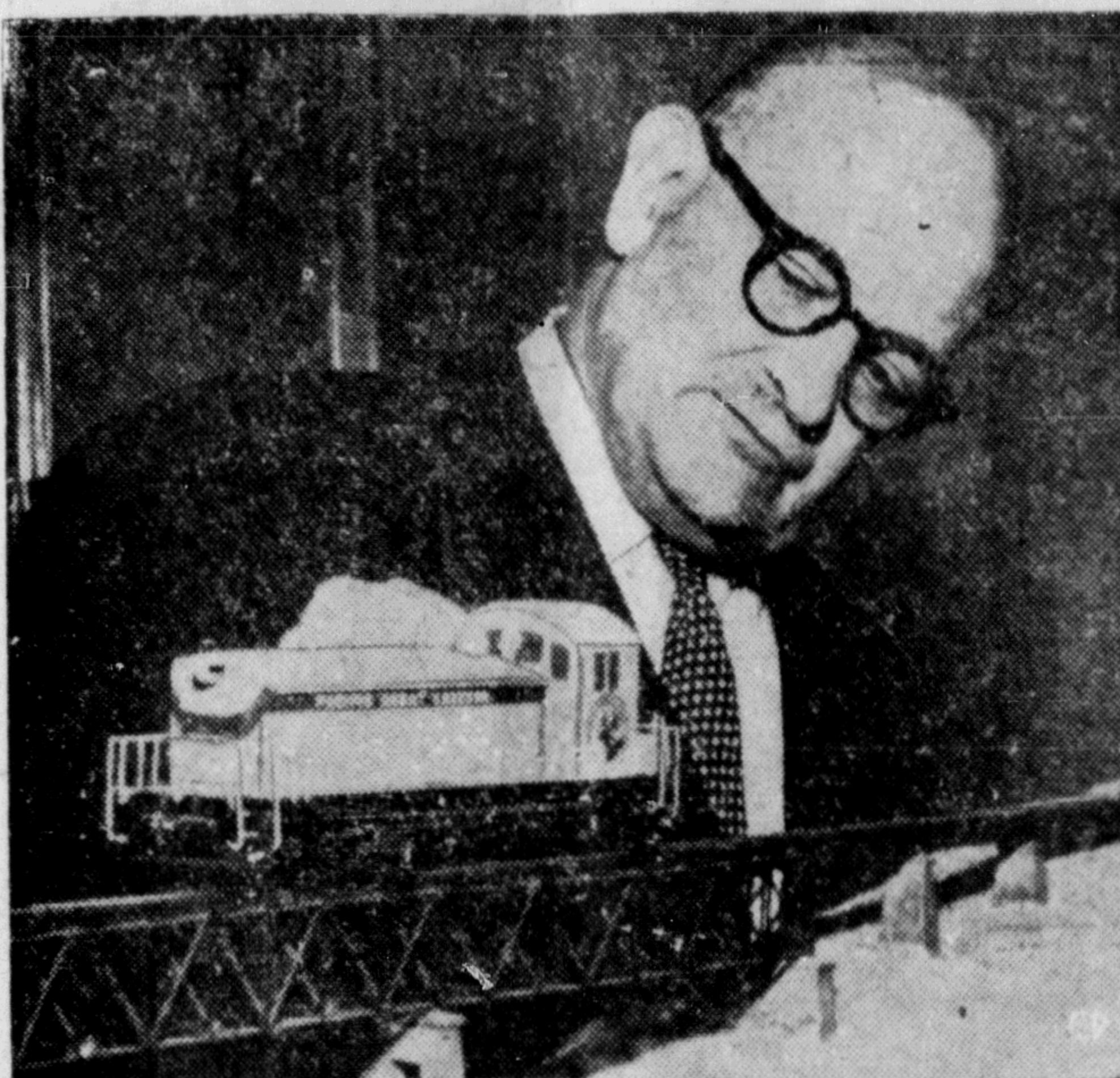
Almeida Friday night telegraphed the offer to Marciano's manager, Al Weill, listing a privilege of taking 42½ per cent of the net gate for a title defence against Ezzard Charles.

Almeida, who has promoted 29 of Marciano's 46 pro fights, said he's sure a Rhode Island title bout would draw "at least 50,000 and do a million dollars at the gate."

Providence is only 34 miles from Brockton, Mass., home of the champion.



PROPOSED PGE extensions are shown by the dotted lines in this map of the B.C.-owned railroad.



RALPH CHETWYND, B.C. railway minister, examines a model of a diesel locomotive used on the PGE.

### Fight Statistics

NEW YORK (AP)—Financial facts and figures of Thursday night's Rocky Marciano-Ezzard Charles heavyweight title bout at Yankee Stadium:

Paid attendance—47,585.  
Gross receipts—\$543,092.  
State and federal taxes—\$73,439.

Net receipts—\$469,653.  
Radio receipts—\$35,000.  
Theatre TV receipts—\$188,000 estimated.

Marciano's share of net 40 per cent—\$187,861.20.

Charles' share of net 20 per cent—\$93,930.60.

Marciano's share of radio and theatre TV—\$88,100 estimated.

Charles' share of radio and theatre TV—\$44,050 estimated.

Marciano's total purse—\$275,961.20 estimated.

Charles' total purse—\$137,980.60 estimated.

Movie receipts—to be determined later.

### Pioneer Exhibition

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"A CITY SCHOOL IN A COUNTRY SETTING"

## B.C.'s "Foundling" PGE Railway Expects "In The Black" Operation For First Time

By EN METHERAL

VICTORIA (AP)—British Columbia's controversial foundling, the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, expects to make a historic purchase this year—black ink.

For 42 years the government-owned line, traversing hills and valleys of central B.C., has ended each year in the red.

"But 1954 will be different," says the province's deputy minister of railways, J. S. Broadbent. "All expectations are that the PGE will show a substantial profit this year."

In 1950 the PGE operated at a loss of \$300,000. The figure included straight operating costs, maintenance and provision for depreciation but excluded fixed charges on the \$130,000,000 debt largely wiped out by the government this year.

Two years later, when the 347-mile rail link between the southern terminal at Squamish, B.C., and Quesnel in the Cariboo country had been extended another 82 miles northward to link up with the CNR at Prince George the loss was \$346,332. Last year it dropped to \$70,000.

Founded in 1912 as a private venture designed to tie in with the old Grand Trunk Pacific system running between Prince Rupert and Red Pass Junction, near Jasper, Alta., the PGE went into bankruptcy five years later. The provincial government took it over in 1917.

The PGE this year launched a long-promised \$60,000,000 extension program, a 40-mile, \$12,000,000 southern extension will bring the line from Squamish to North Vancouver.

The line expects to make a much more respectable showing on a new 270-mile northern extension into Dawson Creek, B.C.

The extension will link up with the Northern Alberta Railway that runs between Dawson Creek and Edmonton. Construction will start next year and is scheduled for completion in five years.

Ralph Chetwynd, who joined the PGE in 1943 as a traffic trouble shooter and now heads the entire organization as B.C.'s minister of railways, says the southern extension will be a paying proposition, largely due to a speed-up in traffic and reduced handling charges.

Neither the government nor the PGE expects the northern extension to show a profit in the first few years of operation.

Mr. Chetwynd says he is confident the northern extension will have a sufficient traffic volume to defray straight operating expenses from the start, but he believes it will be some time before it will show a profit.

"It will have a tremendous impact on trade and industry in B.C. It will provide a long needed link between northern and southern B.C. and give the products of the Peace river shorter outlet to tidewater for foreign markets and to the west coast markets in both Canada and the United States."

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