

Minister Lauded at Opening Ceremony

The first batch of waterproof fill to seal the Kenney dam in the Nechako River was placed last Saturday by the man whose name the dam bears, Hon. E. T. Kenney, minister of lands and forests and of public works of British Columbia.

The dam will bottle off the water from the Nechako River and provide a lake from which Aluminum Company of Canada will draw a tremendous source of power to operate the planned aluminum smelter.

The dam was named in honor of the late minister "in recognition of his long and distinguished service to the province and to the country," said Alcan president McNeely DuBose.

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"With the urge and resourcefulness of the true pioneer, he fought long and tirelessly to bring Alcan to this province. He realized that conditions must be made attractive or Alcan would not choose British Columbia from among the many spots around the world which beckoned. And he no doubt surmised that if his quest were successful, the resulting changes in local conditions would disturb and displease some people who would cry out that he was sacrificing them and their country needlessly.

"But, if so, his spirit never faltered and his efforts will be remembered today by the placing of the first waterproof material in this dam, this man-made mountain which, in tiny comparison with nature's monuments, is strikingly important as the keystone of one of the world's greatest engineering, financial and commercial ventures."

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Privateer	.08
Reno	.06
Sheep Creek	1.53
Silbak Premier	.53
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CM&S Miners Retain Mine, Mill Union

TRAIL — Workers at the multi-million dollar Trail plant of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company have voted to maintain the present bargaining agency. It is the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, headed by Harvey Murphy, an avowed Communist.

In a two-year fight, the United Steel Workers of America (CIO-CCL) battled to oust the mine-mill union, fighting their case through the B.C. Labor Relations Board and courts.

Two days of balloting in the vote ordered by the Labor Board ended early today. The count showed:

Mine-Mill, 1,649.
Steel Workers, 1,669.

This gave the mine-mill a majority of 280. Only a straight majority was necessary. There were 16 spoiled ballots. Employees had a choice on the ballot of saying they wanted neither union. Only 49 voted "neither."

Final decision on the bargaining agency, however, rests with the labor board.

It will hold hearings, however, shortly on Steel's application for bargaining authority.

NORWICH, England (CP) —

George Booth, singing at an amateur concert for convicts in Norwich prison, was pressed for an encore. He obliged with the song "A Policeman's Lot Is Not a Happy One" from "The Pirates of Penzance."

Candidates Near Post For Election Race

KAMLOOPS — Herbert Anscomb Wednesday night pledged the Progressive Conservative government to push the Pacific Great Eastern Railway through to North Vancouver and eventually to the Peace River area.

The Progressive Conservative leader said that "as a Conservative Premier started the PGE, I can tell you that a Conservative Premier is going to finish it."

Mr. Anscomb said the railway must be built soon to Dawson Creek or some other Peace River point, or resources of the region will continue to drift toward Edmonton instead of the coast.

Meanwhile, at Nelson, Premier Byron Johnson said British Columbia must elect a stable administration if private enterprise is to continue to develop natural resources. He was speaking on behalf of Walter Hendricks, Liberal MLA for Nelson-Creston in the last legislature and standing for re-election.

Private enterprise is investing a billion dollars in the province, the Premier stated.

"Industrial developments to last three years had occurred because of confidence in stable government."

This had led to tremendous increase in the population of the province with thousands of jobs being opened up.

The Progressive Conservative party has completed nomination

tions for the June 12 provincial election.

Party officials in Vancouver said last night there will be 47 candidates in the field.

The Pro-Cons will not contest Fernie riding, which has been held by veteran labor member Tom Uphill for the past 19 years.

Last nomination announced by the Conservatives was that of W. G. Henderson in Peace River.

Heavy Halibut Catches Reported by Small Boats

Fifteen hundred pounds a day has been the average catch of small halibut boats delivering to camps, according to word received from the grounds.

To date, 87,500 pounds delivered by packer to local fishing companies. The season opened at 12:01 a.m. yesterday.

No word was received on what fishing larger halibut vessels have struck.

One of the mainstays in Prince Rupert economy, the vast halibut fishing fleet left port Tuesday for area two. Boats for area three left May 9.

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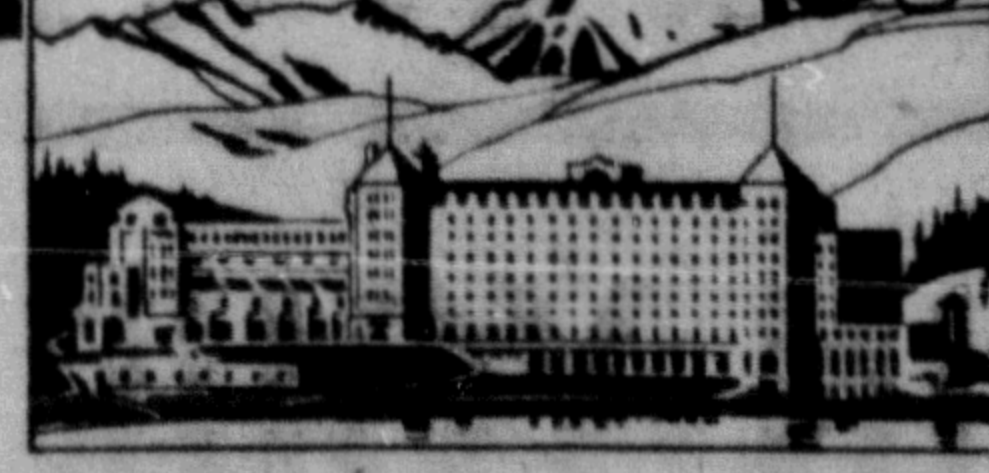
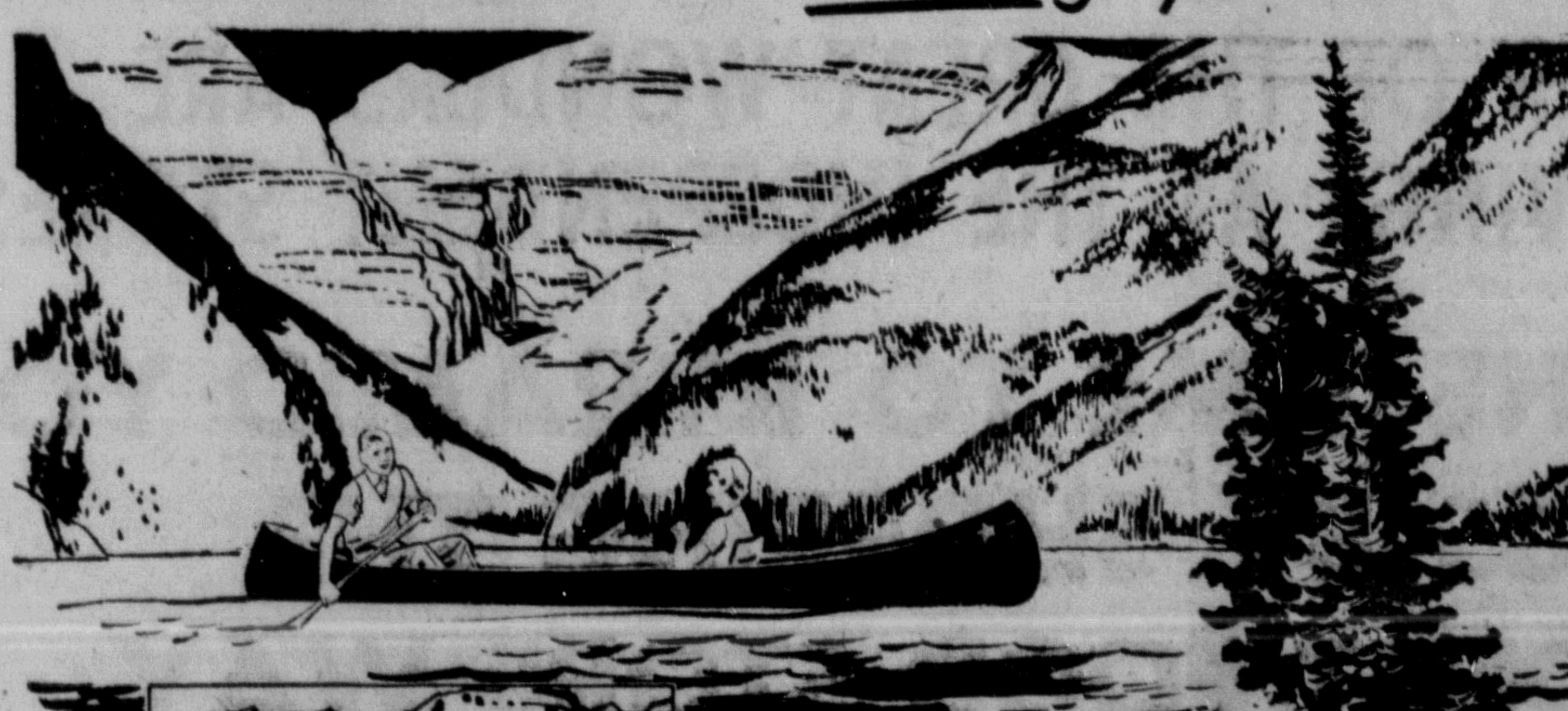
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Thomas M. Christie is Progressive Conservative candidate for Prince Rupert. He is the only one so far who has filed nomination papers with district returning officer A. Bruce Brown, but the Liberals, CCF and Social Credit parties have announced intention to contest the seat, held in the last legislature by J. D. (Jack) McRae.

The Liberal party has completed its slate of candidates and the CCF also has 48 candidates in the field.

The Social Credit party so far has named 37 candidates and has announced plans to contest all ridings.

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