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PROVINCIAL

age Rental of \$75 Required ousing Project Here Falls

Prince Rupert homeseekers can give ssurance that more than 50 families are pay an average rent of \$75 a month for s the proposed 50-unit housing project is

likely to be shelved.

City council last night refused a Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation proposal to further underwrite the housing scheme by a scale reduction of assess-

A city delegation of City Clerk R. W. Long and Ald. H. M. Daggett learned in Vancouver last week that, according to bids received on construction of the ental units, rents would range rom a minimum of \$60 to \$85 a

The federal government feels these rents are too high and that he project would lose money from the beginning," reported da at Kitimat, the City Clerk Long. Federal govern-Mining and Smelt- ment housing officials were "a 's expansion of its little dubious" as to whether chemical plants at houses could be rented for an mberley and the average of \$75 a month in Prince hydro development Rupert.

"The federal government wants substantial assurance that \$75 a month is obtainable here. We have to be sure enough of this to underwrite the project," said Mr. Long. Council agreed that it would

live up to its original agreement of sharing in losses and profits to extent of 121/2 per cent. City will also make an imme-

diate survey through newspaper questionnaires, asking for applications to rent the pro--Abolition of the posed units.

for rape and of This information must be in the hands of the federal government almost immediately," said sion on revision of Mr. Long. Deadline to award contracts for the housing project is April 18.

the minister of want to go," said Ald. George (Continued on page 3)

only maximum Steel Strike

PITTSBURGH (CP) - Outlook will be offered to for the threatened steel strike being averted looked brighter ssion suggested the today when Nathan Feinsinger, halty for rape be Wage Stabilization Board chairman, said that he had "some confidence" the strike may be code providing for settled by deadline time at midnight tonight. He said he had presented suggestions to both

> companies and unions. Meanwhile the American steel industry rushed toward a complete shutdown today. Earlier government, industry and labor leadership held out scant hope of averting a defence-crippling strike at midnight.

(CIO) who have been ordered to the province." strike against some 98 steel producing companies.

(P) —The Alberta roads, are laying off workers in cloudiness today becoming overn Monday put its roval on the export the expectation of losing busi- cast toward evening. Cloudy ious as the present brought

as from the Peace ness. C. Manning gave steelworkers declared over a ra- day. Winds-Light, increasing to of one forest industry. Legislature that he dio network: "At midnight the southerly, 20 miles per hour, tohorrow a resolution nation's production of steel will night. Lows tonight and highs ouse to approve is- come to a halt."

st Coast Trans- industry could grant his union's Rupert, 35 and 45. pay demands without raising d begin by the end prices a "single solitary penny a

a draft of export Industry sources maintained ch sets out the they cannot meet Wage Stabilias that may be ex- zation Board recommendations from which it may for a 171/2-cents hourly wage d conditions under increase. ompany must fur-

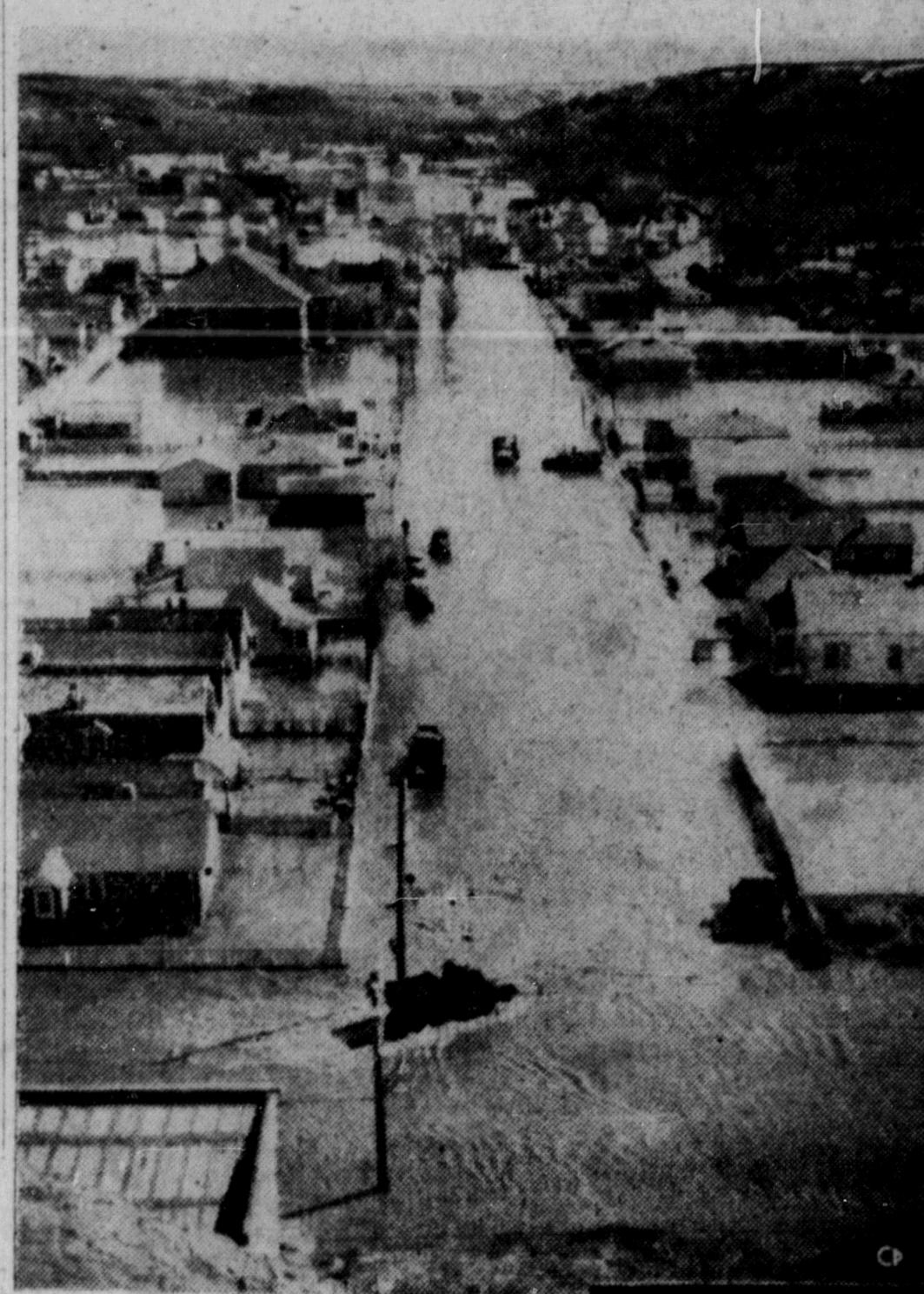
ervice to communieace River district. B.C. Retail Sales Down

VICTORIA (P-Retail sales in British Columbia in January (CP) - The provin- down 2.74 percent from \$79,869,ent has appointed ook 2.74 percent January 1951. eview board to adcoverage medical A. D. Turnbull, said in a statecoverage under the ment Monday the January de- may" to those Italians who have rance plan. Minis-Hon. A. D. Turn- businesses:

onday that formaoard has been un- cent. Motor vehicle dealers 23 per ent for some time

e with the recom- 11.2 percent. made by the hos-

dealers 24.4 percent.



MOPPNG-UP STARTS-Officials report the threat of further damaging floods to Medicine Hat from run-off waters of Seven Persons Creek has passed. A portion of the Alberta city where 1,000 persons were flooded out earlier this week is shown. Cleanup work is in progress but the flood area embracing some 255 homes has been declared a health menace. Fumigation of many homes will be necessary before the evacuated families can (CP PHOTO)

British Columbia Lumber Market Facing Lean Days - Orders Down

VANCOUVER (CP)-A lumberman said Monday that British Columbia's timber industry is facing its hardest times in more than a decade. There has been practically no new business with sterling area countries which for years have been taking 40 per

cent of the output. A rapid falling off on the

in new construction in United

States, and growing competition

from American supplies in the

Bulk buying by the United

Not in many years has the in-

dustry faced a situation as ser-

about by such a combination of

adverse factors, said a director

Israel Oil Quest

Frank Kaftel, who a couple of

-WEATHER-

Almost all regions of British Columbia will enjoy another sunny day although afternoon temperatures will be a little lower than the normal for early prairie market. April. Cloudiness which lingers over the northern coast is likely Kingdom and timber control to decrease during the day but mainstay of the big export mills will form again in the late after- in B.C. ended with the return noon or evening as weak dis- to private buying under Britain's turbance moved into that area. Conservative government. It is doubtful if any appreciable precipitation will follow this system but a second more active storm which is still well out in the North Pacific should bring rain to the Queen Charlottes by Mill shutdowns have already tomorrow night. There is little made idle more than 100,000 of likelihood of any very marked 650,000 United Steel Workers change over the remainder o

Forecast

Allied industries, such as rail- North Coast Region-Variable Wednesday with light rain at President Philip Murray of the night. A little warmer Wednes-Wednesday-At Port Hardy and -year export per- Murray asserted that the steel Sandspit, 38 and 48; at Prince

tary of the Young Women's ceived from the Department of \$660,000. Therefore a revision of Christian Association of Italy Transport. When shipping here the proposed rental scale is beprotested yesterday against an has increased to such an extent ing suggested and the city has Italian Catholic Union directive as to justify such an appoint- been asked, according to inforwarning members against both ment, it will be considered, the mation received at the chamber Young Men and Young Women's department has advised. Christian Associations.

In a letter to the Rome Daily American, English language newspaper, Mary Rossi said the Catholic Action pronouncement "can only bring a sense of disclines shown in the following been in America and seen what religious freedom means.

years ago interested himself in President of the Catholic group an ambitious hotel project here, on March 25 told members they is now promoting another proappliance and radio dealers "must regard" the YMCA and ject. He is the moving spirit be- High YWCA as "forbidden organiza- hind a proposition to explore for Lumber and building material tions" under Roman Catholic oil in Israel. A company is being Low formed. canon law.

Financing Possible

Department of municipalities has ruled Prince Rupert's borrowing power is sufficient to allow the telephone exchange byaw of some \$600,000. A money bylaw to this extent has been prepared for presentation to electors, a city delegate to Victoria reported to council last

Meanwhile, council is waiting for further information on possibility of selling bonds at reduced interest to American investors. Present information interest than in Canada.

Delegates City Clerk R. Long and Ald. H. M. Daggett also informed council that all but \$100,000 of the city's borrowing power will have been used if the telephone bylaw is passed.

injured. The killed were Albert cal expenses be widened. Joseph Derosia, 68, of nearby WHITE PAPER Albion and a 35-year-old man from Alberta, whose identity is withheld pending notification of next-of-kin.

The RCMP say they believe the car, in attempting to pass municipal truck, apparently made a sideswipe and in starting to make a turn the impact pushed it into three pedestrians.

North American market is because of curbs on housing credits in Canada, a sharp reduction

Chamber of Commerce Going Direct to Minister and Member at Ottawa

Housing and the reversal which it seems is being met by review of the last fiscal year. proposed 50-unit rental housing project here through tenders for the construction sub-Coast mills still are working stantially exceeding the estimate on United Kingdom bulk orders came in for considerable discusfor some 680,000,000 board feet sion at the meeting of the Prince placed last year. "But when we complete deliveries in Septem- Rupert Chamber of Commerce CPA Steps ber there is nothing more in last night.

sight," a spokesman for export- Taking a serious view of the ers said. He estimated North lack of housing here, the cham-American sales this year to date ber decided to take the matter at 30 per cent of what they were up immediately with E. T. Applewhaite, MP for Skeena, and Hon. R. H. Winters, minister of resources and development (un- has been removed from local der whom housing comes), with Canadian Pacific Airlines service a view to obtaining the latest and, to replace it, a modernized information and all possible as- version — another Landseaire—

Already the matter had been run. taken up by J. D. McRae, MLA, with Premier Byron Johnson, who has been taking an active seaire flight to Vancouver would interest in the subject, and a operate daily except Sunday, betelegram received during night's meeting from the provincial premier said he was un-Establishment of a resident steamboat inspector, requested able to give any definite infor- airport. by the Canadian Halibut Vessel mation because of lack of infor-

Owners' Association and endors- mation available at Ottawa. ed by the Prince Rupert Cham- Whereas the sum of \$535,000 ber of Commerce, is considered was originally allocated for the not justified at the present time, 50-house project, the lowest ten-ROME ()-The national secre- according to communication re- der is understood to have been meeting, to review the rent pay- NEW SCHEDULE ing possibilities here on the basis of a minimum of \$60 and up- flights the flight via Sandspit ward-or reduce the taxes.

the city council deliberation on rive Vancouver 6:30 p.m. housing is reported.

Wednesday, April 9, 1952 20.1 feet 4.9 feet 2:30 p.m.

Pronouncements Tonight

OTTAWA (CP)-The federal budget, with the story of what the 1952-51 fiscal year holds for the Canadian taxpayer, will be brought down in the House of Commons tonight (5 p.m. Pacific Standard Time) by Finance Minister Douglas Abbott.

Indications of any tax relief Both Mr. Abbott and Prime the original forecast of \$30,000,-

Minister St. Laurent have warn- 000 surplus and actual experied taxpayers not to expect much ence. tax relief while the Korean war Personal income tax yielded and other international alterca- an estimated \$980,000,000 in tax relief while the Korean war tions continue. Three main possibilities exist: 000 or 50.2 per cent over the

1. Easing of the excise tax on previous year. is eigarettes which was boosted The corporation income tax, that money is available in the last year. Preliminary govern- again the largest single source U.S. at about one percent less ment statistics have already of government revenue, yielded shown that the government lost \$1,134,000,000, an increase of money on excise duties on to- \$334,800,000 or 42 per cent over bacco last year because of re- the previous year.

> 2. Realignment of income tax cigars, cigarettes and tobacco schedules which would incor- products and alcoholic beverporate into basic tax rates the ages was \$19,000,000 lower, due 20 per cent defence surcharge to reduced sales. played on personal and corporation incomes in the last budget. been brought under control but This does not necessarily mean international events could bring there will be alterations in the about a renewal of direct inflajustments are possible.

3. A better break for the tax- fences. payer who has medical bills to HANEY ()-An accident in- deduct from his income for tax volving an automobile and truck purposes. The Commons recentkilled two pedestrians Monday is adopted, apparently with govand injured a third as they stood ernment agreement, a private chatting by the side of the road. resolution asking that limits on increased output occurring in Neither of the motorists was the amount of deductable medi-

A budgetary surplus of \$355,-737,000 for 1951-52 fiscal year was reported Monday by Mr. Ab-

The surplus, sixth in a row for the federal government since the end of the Second World War, compares with \$211,294,000

in the previous year. Revenues for the year ended March 31 last, setting an alltime record, totalled \$4,003,111,-000. Expenditures totalled \$3,-

647,374,000. In the previous year, revenues were \$3,112,536,000 and expendi-

tures \$2,901,242,000. Surplus reduced the country's net debt to \$11,077,600,000, a decrease of \$2,343,800,000 from its peak of \$13,421,400,000 in 1946. The figures included in the

government's annual white paper contained an economic Mr. Abbott set a precedent by tabling his white paper a day in advance of the budget speech. SURPLUS EXPLAINED

A detailed explanation is given

The old-type Canso aircraft sistance in expediting the pro- landed here yesterday to take over the Prince Rupert-Sandspit

Air Lines officials also announced that the direct Landlast ginning April 28 and that three times weekly the flight will include a touchdown at Terrace

A Department of Transport ruling recently awarded the Prince Rupert-Terrace franchise to CPA, officials said. It is likely the Terrace runs will be made Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Meanwhile, Sandspit passengers are viewing with disappointment a company move to discontinue stewardess service on that

Under the new schedule of (Port Hardy is now eliminated) (Elsewhere in today's paper will leave here at 1:50 and ar-

The direct flight will arrive from Vancouver 12:30 noon and boys last seen sailing a dug-out leave at 3 p.m., arriving Vancouver 7:30 p.m. The late plane (via Sandspit)

will carry the mail. The Monday, Wednesday and 19.5 feet Friday flights for Terrace will search is being continued by 4.2 feet leave at 1 p.m. and return at police for the other. Leo Hen-

for the wide margin between

1951-52, an increase of \$327,700.

The revenue from taxes on

Inflationary pressures have

Today's Stocks

VANCOUVER

American Standard

Cariboo Quartz

Cronin Babine

Giant Mascot

Indian Mines

Premier Border

Sheep Creek

Salmon Gold

Spud Valley ...

Central Leduc

Pacific Pete

Aumaque

Bevcourt

Conwest

Donalda

Eldona

Royal Canadian

Beattie DuQuesne

Buffalo Canadian

Consol, Smelters

East Sullivan

God's Lake

Hardrock

Moneta

Negus .

Noranda.

Louvicourt

Pickle Crow

San Antonio

Steep Rock

Silver Miller

drickson.

Sherrit Gordon

Upper Canada

Golden Manitou

Two Nanaimo

Lads Drowned

NANAIMO (P-Two 12-year-old

cance into wind-swept waters

outside Nanaimo harbor are both

believed to have been drowned.

was found washed ashore and

Body of Raymond Lilicombe

Giant Yellowknife

Little Long Lac

Madsen Red Lake

McLeod Cockshutt

McKenzie Red Lake

TORONTO

Silver Standard

Western Uranium

Vananda

A P Con

Calmont

Home Oil

Mercury

Okalta

C & E

Silbak Premier

Privateer

Reeves MacDonald

Pend Oreille

Pioneer

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Bralorne

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Congress

MAN OF HOUR . . . Douglas Abbott, presenting budget tonight

Chamber of Commerce Hears of Big Program On Highway Sixteen

A traffic count will be taken at various stations along the Northern Trans-Provincial highway this summer to provide factual data in considering the income tax although some ad- tionary pressures that might requirements of this highway for seriously test our economic de- the improvement of which during the coming year \$2,000.000 Prospects for 1952 indicate has been appropriated. The continued high levels of em- Chamber of Commerce was so ployment and general business advised last night by L. E. Smith, divisional engineer for the pubactivity without any renewal of lic works department. overt inflation and with most

J. D. McRae, MLA, predicted the defence supported sections that a goodly portion of the \$2,000,000 would be spent on 12location, resurfacing and gravelling between Prince Rupert and

Hugo Kraupner said that tenders would be called soon for reconstruction and relocation of the road between Galloway Rapids and Diana Lake.

Question of

Chamber of Commerce Not Satisfied That Liquor Store Purchase Wise Move

Wisdom of the city council in deciding to purchase the former liquor store building at the corner of Third Avenue and Second Street for use as a telephone exchange was questioned at the meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce with the result that the municipal committee was requested to investigate the whole question and re-

port back to the chamber. A motion to this effect by Dr. R. G. Large was approved after being given priority by the chair over a previous motion by I M. Felsenthal that the city council be asked to reconsider its decision to purchase the liquor store and select a different site for the telephone exchange which site would also allow of the erection of other city buildings such as City Hall and Fire

The matter of the liquor store building purchase came up during a general discussion of municipal affairs in which the chamber was urged by the president, T. Norton Youngs, to take

a more active interest. View appeared to be general that the liquor store property was too valuable to be kept oif I the tax list and that a new telephone building could be built on a less central site at a cost comparable with the expense that will be entailed in purchasing and rehabilitating the liquor

When the urgent necessity of a new City Hall and new Fire Hall was injected into the discussion, Dr. L. M. Greene took the view that these were secondary considerations to the need of water and sewer improvements, better streets-to say nothing of housing.

Costello

NEW YORK (CP) - Gambler Frank Costello was fined \$5000 and sentenced to 18 months in prison today for refusing to testify before a Senate crime investigating committee.