

UNITED STATES CONTRACT TO BOOST KITIMAT PROJECT

Man Makes Extreme Foreign Aid Appeal to Congress And People

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Canadian Press)—President Truman asked a critical Congress today to vote on his \$7,900,000,000 new global foreign aid program to meet the Soviet threat against "civilization."

Of mounting congressional ire over aid spending, the President will go on every radio and television network tonight to carry the message to the people.

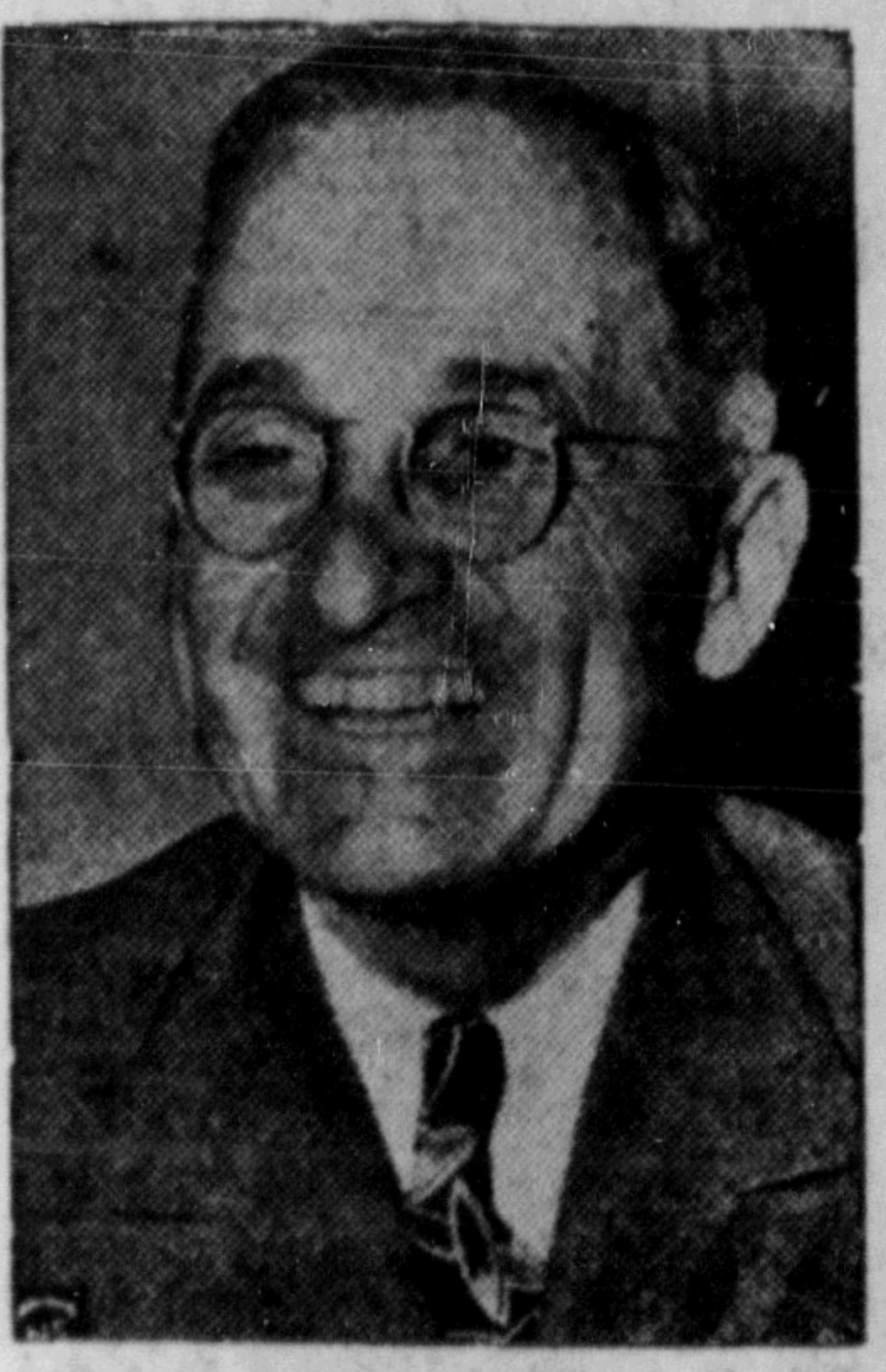
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... President Truman

Mrs. J. L. Blain is sailing to-night on the Prince George for a vacation trip to Vancouver.

Lack Funds For Railway

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier Byron Johnson told the Legislature that he is deeply disappointed that financial reasons prevent the government from going ahead at the present time on extension of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from Squamish to Vancouver.

Mr. Johnson said in his budget speech in the Legislature that the government is in no position to borrow the \$14,000,000 needed for the extension.

"No one is more disappointed than I am," the Premier said, adding that it is still intended to complete the railway at some future time.

In the meantime, the Squamish to Vancouver highway will be built.

BC Pensions On Increase

VICTORIA—According to W. R. Bone, regional director of old age security, 1,500 more British Columbians received checks in February compared with January, the initial month of the federal payment.

The February total payment amounted to \$2,849,200 which went to 70,825 pensioners.

Part of the increase can be attributed to persons moving to British Columbia from other parts of Canada.

In February 485 came to this province, while 182 left. Most of the newcomers came from the prairie provinces.

Electric Washers 98c—Stoves \$1.98 in Victoria—Trade in \$150 For Any Old Ice Box

VICTORIA (CP)—One retailer offered a second-hand electric washing machine for 98c as a price war on heavy electrical appliances got into high gear.

The same dealer priced used electric ranges for \$1.98 and wooden ice boxes were going at 49c.

Three large retailers are leaders in the price war.

Trade-ins took an opposite tack. Merchants have offered up to \$150 on "your old ice box or what have you?"

Kamloops Wants No Doukhobors

Gives Three Reasons Why They Should Not Be Relocated There

VICTORIA (CP)—A British Columbia farmers' group Wednesday opposed any relocation of the fanatic Doukhobors within 200 miles of Kamloops, saying the area is a tempting ground for terrorists.

Advisory board the British Columbia Farmers' Institute told the agriculture committee of the Legislature that it would be unsafe to move the Doukhobors to a site near the interior city because:

- 1—There are three ammunition dumps in the district.
- 2—The Trans-Mountain Oil Pipe Line Co. is to build its Edmonton-Vancouver line through the area.
- 3—Canada's two transcontinental railways go through Kamloops.

Conference On Cattle

Foot and Mouth Disease Crisis Still Discussed At Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP)—Announcing that the government plans to call a federal-provincial conference at the "earliest possible" date to deal with problems arising from the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease among the livestock of southern Saskatchewan, Rt. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture, told the House of Commons yesterday that the conference will be held with the provinces as soon as they can be given proof that there is no danger of the disease spreading through movement of livestock and meat from one province to another.

In the House of Commons, M. J. Coldwell, CCF leader, suggested that British Columbia and Manitoba may have exceeded their constitutional powers in banning of imports of livestock meat from Alberta and Saskatchewan. He suggested that the federal government study the constitutional angle.

Yesterday the House gave third reading to a bill to compensate farmers in the affected area on "a fair and reasonable" basis for losses they may have sustained as a result of the outbreak of the disease. Progressive Conservative and CCF amendments to increase and extend the scope of compensation were unsuccessful.

John Dielenbaker, Progressive Conservative, Lake-Centre, asked what it was proposed to do in connection with surplus of beef due to interprovincial embargo restrictions. He asked if the possibility of sending Canadian cattle to the British market was being fully explored.

Mr. Gardiner replied that everything possible was being done and the government certainly preferred sending to the British market if possible.

Churchill Wins Vote

LONDON — Prime Minister Winston Churchill won a vote of confidence for his government in Parliament yesterday.

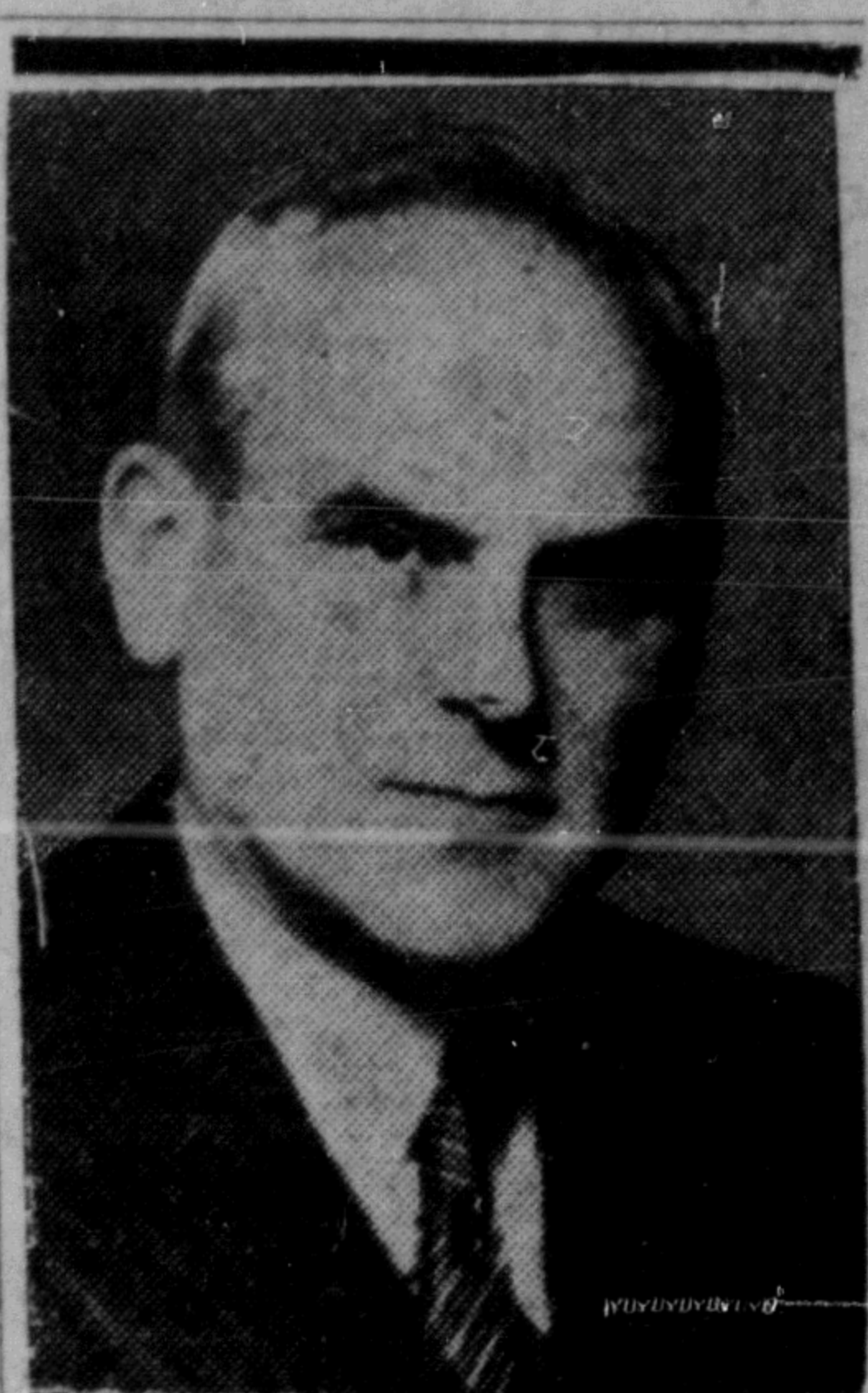
A Labor vote of censure of the government's handling of the rearmament program was rejected 314 to 219.

Aneurin Bevan and 50 or 60 left wing Laborites, because of disagreement with Clement Attlee and the moderate Laborites abstained.

In its attempt to overthrow Prime Minister Churchill's government, the Labor party filed its motion of non-confidence on the grounds that the government was moving too slowly in rearmament.

However, the split in the Labor ranks, combined with the normal Conservative majority in the House, led to the burial of the motion under an avalanche of votes. Thus Churchill's handling of the rearmament program won approval.

Bevan and his left wing rebels accused the party split and revolted against both the government program and the Labor party leadership by sitting out the vote.



BLESSES ALCAN
... Hon. C. D. Howe

Tax Deal Approved

Winch Urges Provision for Educational Aid

VICTORIA (CP)—Over the objections of some Progressive Conservative and CCF members, the Legislature yesterday gave second reading approval-in-principle to the bill which would authorize continuation of the Dominion-provincial tax agreement.

The CCF leader, Harold Winch, contended the federal government will soon have to make grants to the provinces to help meet the rising costs of education and that some provision should be made for this in the agreement.

Education now comes entirely under provincial jurisdiction.

Second reading was also given the bill setting a uniform valuation across British Columbia for taxation purposes on a pipe line to be started this spring by the Transmountain Oil Pipe Line Company. Assessment will mean the Transmountain company would pay an annual maximum tax of \$377,000.

Rush Relief to 'Quake Victims

TOKYO (CP)—United States occupation forces and the Japanese government continued today to rush relief supplies to victims of the earthquake and tidal waves in northern Japan.

Planes, trains and boats are carrying blankets, medicine and food to the stricken areas of sparsely-settled eastern Hokkaido Island and the more populous sections of northeastern Honshu Island.

Thousands of homeless are suffering from bitter cold and driving snowstorm which followed Tuesday's earthquake.

Official United States Army estimate is that thirty-one Japanese are dead and 170 injured.

The quake left one fishing village submerged and pushed up a new 40-foot hill. Most of the 1691 villagers are marooned on top of submerged homes.

Train Death Toll Now 119

RIO DE JANEIRO (CP)—Death toll after Tuesday's railway disaster near here—the worst in Brazil's history—was set yesterday at 119 with nearly three hundred persons injured, many seriously.

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Montreal Fire Fatal to Two

MONTREAL (CP)—A raging early morning fire yesterday destroyed the old Montreal Repertory Theatre building, took at least two lives and sent more than 300 persons from an adjoining apartment block into the streets.

The dead are Mrs. Warrie Perkins, aged 30, and Mary Mahaffey, who were among twelve occupants of apartments at the top of the three-storey theatre building.

Unofficial reports said that six persons were unaccounted for but police and Red Cross officials said there was no way of checking immediately.

Police said that a discarded cigarette butt may have caused the blaze.

When firemen arrived some of the apartment dwellers were leaning from windows screaming and one man clung from the sill of a third-storey window.

An explosion burst out in the interior of the building. Windows were shattered and the roof collapsed with a roar.

Gannet For Bronx Zoo

Rare Bird To Be Televised From New York Tonight

NEW YORK.—The first gannet from Canada ever to be televised will make a personal appearance tonight over a New York television station before becoming a resident of the New York Zoological Gardens.

The gannet, originally from Bonaventure Island off Quebec's Gaspé Peninsula and more recently one of three at the Quebec Zoological Gardens, will be presented to the Bronx zoo by Claude Melancon of Montreal, noted Canadian naturalist and assistant director of public relations for the Canadian National Railways.

No Compensation For Loss of Work

OTTAWA — Indications here are that the federal government will not accept a proposal that packing house workers, thrown out of their jobs owing to the foot-and-mouth disease situation, be compensated for the difference between their regular wages and the amount they received under unemployment insurance.

Owing to the tie-up in cattle and meat shipments, hundreds of packing house workers are being made idle in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. The Packing House Workers' Union has taken up the case on their behalf.

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Today's Stocks

VANCOUVER		TORONTO	
American Standard	27	Athons	12
Bralorne	6.10	Aumaque	21 1/2
B.R.X.	.04	Beattie DusQuene	.45
Cariboo Quartz	1.25	Bevcourt	1.01
Congress	.06	Buffalo Canadian	24 1/2
Cronin Babine	.44	Consol. Smelters	38.00
Giant Mascot	.97	Conwest	3.70
Indian Mines	.21	Donalds	.45
Pioneer	2.10	Eldona	.30
Premier Border	.32 1/2	East Sullivan	8.60
Privateer	.08 1/2	Giant Yellowknife	11.50
Reno	.03 1/2	God's Lake	.38
Sheep Creek	1.64	Hardrock	12 3/4
Silbak Premier	.58	Harricana	.15
Taku River	.07	Heva	.13
Vananda	.20	Joliet Quebec	.50
Salmon Gold	.03 1/2	Little Long Lac	.69
Spud Valley	.15	Lynx	.14
Silver Standard	2.31	Madsen Red Lake	2.00
Western Uranium	3.40	McKenzie Red Lake	.41
Oils—		McLeod Cockshutt	2.79
Anglo Canadian	9.00	Moneta	.38
A.P. Con	.52	Negus	.58
Calmont	2.00	Noranda	80.00
C & E	17.10	Pickwick	.30
Central Leduc	3.00	Pickle Crow	1.53
Mercury	.30	San Antonio	2.41
Okalta	3.85	Senator Rouyn	17 1/4
Pacific Pete	10.50	Sheriff Gordon	4.25
Royal Canadian	.24	Steep Rock	7.30
Royalite	16.50	Silver Miller	1.54
		Upper Canada	1.72

Howe Gives His Blessing

B.C. Project Would Be Fully Completed
550 MILLION TONS PER YEAR

To Help Bolster Supply South of Line

OTTAWA (CP)—Production Minister C. D. Howe yesterday gave his official blessing to Canadian-American negotiations covering increased supplies of aluminum for the United States and said he hopes the negotiations will be consummated soon.

At Montreal the Aluminum Co. of Canada said the value of a long-range contract (which Washington intimated yesterday was being negotiated) would, if completed, be about \$70,000,000 at current market prices.

Mr. Howe said the agreement will allow the company to complete a further part of the huge Kitimat project in British Columbia which would, otherwise, have been left untouched.

First stage of the gigantic project likely will be completed next year at a cost of about \$160,000,000.

Initial production at the new development may run about 83,000,000 tons a year but, when it is completed, the output may be stepped up to about 550,000 tons annually.

Mr. Howe was commenting on a Washington dispatch reporting that the United States government has opened discussions with United States aluminum producers to step up production at home and proposing to sign a seven-year agreement with Canadian producers. This would call for delivery of 250,000 tons of ingots from Canada annually.

All Recovering After Collision

GARY, Indiana (CP)—All fifty-four persons injured yesterday when a commuters' train ran into a siding here and hit an empty car are recovering.

A four-car, South Shore and South Bend Railroad train, travelling slowly was preparing to stop at the station. A police statement says ice on the switch may have caused it to take the wrong siding. The train was not derailed and only the front unit was damaged. The track was cleared and traffic resumed within an hour.

-TIDES-

Friday, March 7, 1952		
High	10:56	17.5 feet
Low	5:04	10.4 feet
	17:32	5.5 feet

-WEATHER-

Synopsis

Cloud now covers most of British Columbia but its amount will decrease slowly during the day and there should be some sunshine in most regions.

The low pressure centre which caused gales in the coastal waters yesterday has moved off to the south leaving the province in the weak circulation of Pacific air. Another storm is developing west of the ocean weather station Peter but its progress towards the coast will be retarded somewhat by a ridge of high pressure which lies west of the coastline. It will, however, cause rain on the north coast tomorrow and increasing cloud on the south coast tomorrow evening.

With cloud cover thinner, temperatures tonight, especially in the southern portions, will be a few degrees colder than last night. Daytime temperatures tomorrow will be much the same as of the last few days.

Forecast

North Coast Region—Variable cloudiness today. Cloudy tomorrow. Rain beginning in the northern portions tomorrow morning, spreading to northern Vancouver Island by tomorrow night. Little change in temperature. Winds—North (15) today; south (20) tomorrow. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—At Port Hardy and Sandspit, 30 and 44; Prince Rupert, 30 and 40.

New Railway Pension Plan

CNR Scheme Extended And Liberalized

MONTREAL—A new pension plan for Canadian National Railways was announced today by Donald Gordon, chairman and president. It will take effect as from January 1, 1952 and consists of two parts.

The first part continues an existing plan, liberalized to make better provision for present and future employees who may become disabled and also for early retirement.

If an employee with these age and service requirements should die in service his surviving spouse or dependents may be granted half the applicable pension in lieu of a refund of his contributions.

ELECTIVE

Present and future employees may elect which part of the plan they wish to choose but their decision is irrevocable. Ample time will be given them to make their selection. Any contributions above 5 percent of compensation made by present employees who transfer to part 2 will be returned. Those whose total contributions before the date of transfer are less than the required amount will be permitted to make good the arrears by additional contributions or lump sum payments. Pensions will be reduced proportionately if the arrears are not met.

Although the normal retirement age is 65, provision is made under both parts for early retirement with reduced pensions. For each year below the age of 65 one additional year of service will be required for example. An employee may retire voluntarily at 64 if he has had twenty-one years' service, 60 if he has had twenty-five years or 55 if he has had thirty years' service.

Effective July 1 next, some revisions to existing pensions will be made so that there shall be substantial equality in the treatment of pensioners then living with employees who will retire. In the future pensioners who contributed to the pension fund during this period of service will be given the option of exchanging their present pension contract for a pension computed according to part 2 of the plan and of the type it provides.

Pensioners who did not contribute during their service will continue to receive the basic or service pension to which they are entitled under the existing rules. As will be the case with respect to non-contributing employees who retire hereafter.

Those who elect to follow part two of the railway's pension plan must contribute 5 per cent of their compensation from January 1, 1935, or from the date on which they entered service to the date of retirement. On reaching age 65, they will receive a pension based on their average compensation during the last five or ten years of service, whichever is more favorable to the employee.

The percentage will be one per cent for each year's service up to 20 years; one and a quarter per cent for each year during the next 10 years; and one-half per cent for each year over 30

Lifting Margarine or Ban

MA (CP)—A bill which would allow margarine to be colored margarine on shelves in British Columbia has been approved in principle by the Legislature last night.

The bill would allow margarine to be colored to do their own thing.

After final reading, and it will be, British Columbia will join Newfoundland and other provinces where margarine do not add coloring at home.

Building Starts Today

Broken For Latest Avenue Business Block

Ground commenced at Prince Rupert's latest business block—the F. W. building on Third Street across from the Post Office is held by Northwest Union Co.

Building will occupy 64 by 100 ft. lot and will be two storeys with concrete basement and concrete block superstructure.