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The Answer—Prince Rupert

ALTHOUGH the shipping season has scarcely opened, coastal vessels are already having difficulty in keeping up with the freight traffic out of Vancouver for the huge Alcan projects at Kemano and Kitimat.

Maybe the freight shipping companies, if they can look any further than Vancouver, might already have thought about using Prince Rupert as the principal dispatch point for Kemano and Kitimat.

We are, after all, the terminus of a railway and through railway shipping rates from the East to Prince Rupert are competitive with Vancouver.

Prince Rupert, of course, is the answer to the emergency which is certain to make a bottleneck in shipping from Vancouver to the north coast.

There is wharfage space here tied up to the railway that is not being used to the fullest advantage and more could be provided.

Use of Park Funds

IT IS satisfactory that the Parks Board has decided to seek conversion of the Roosevelt Park fund to other park purposes but, if the board intends to convey the impression that it wishes to use the entire amount collected in that bylaw fund for a swimming pool and park at Seal Cove, it may be on the wrong track.

We are wholly in accord with the plan that a park be developed for East End residents. That end of the residential section has become heavily populated and recreational facilities should be available.

But at the same time, a swimming pool at Seal Cove at this time may not be practicable.

1. The pool would probably not be attended to a large extent. The majority of people, even in the East End, live as close if not closer, to McClymont Park.

2. Expenditure of building another swimming pool, if added to the present one, would give a good start for an indoor, all-year pool.

3. Most of the money raised by the one-mill tax levy over a five year period has been paid by ratepayers who would not make use of the Seal Cove swimming pool.

For a fair deal to all tax-paying residents, the Roosevelt Park fund disposal question should be placed before the people, who should have an opportunity also to vote whether or not they wish it to be a part of general park funds.

We wish to congratulate a young group of men on the parks board who are determined to do something this year for our parks but also wish to issue a word of caution: Anything that may be done this year, let it be something strongly noticeable and acceptable to the public. This will gain the public's confidence and its support for future park development in this city.

Scripture Passage for Today

"My grace is sufficient for thee."—II Cor. 12:9.

HELPS INDIANS CALGARY (CP)—Tenders have been called for construction of a staff residence for the new Indian hospital at Hobbema, Alta. The hospital itself, a two-

storey frame building with eight wards, has been in use for some months caring for Indians who previously had to go to Wetaskiwin or Ponoka for hospital treatment.

Impatience With France

By ALAN HARVEY Canadian Press Staff Writer LONDON (CP)—The French crisis is regarded here as the most serious Britain's Gallic neighbor has encountered in modern times.

For the first time, a touch of impatience can be detected in British reaction to French perversity. Instead of the half-amused signs of resignation which usually greet another "waltz of portfolios," editorial comment is to the effect that there wouldn't be a crisis at all if only Frenchmen would pay their taxes.

British politicians, too, are aware of the dangers of a breakdown of parliamentary government in France and this may explain the somewhat belated signs of sympathy for a British contribution to the European defence community which have been noted here lately.

As portrayed here, the problem is that of a country with everything it needs, including abundant resources and a hard-working artisan class, corrupted by an almost mediaeval fiscal system. A recent report by a French finance commission estimated that the government is cleared out of the equivalent of £400,000,000 in taxes every year.

Persons in France paid set sums by an employer can't get away with much, though their allowances and exemptions tend to keep their payments small by most western standards.

The real evaders are the industrialists and the shopkeepers. Latest available figures show that 27,000 French building contractors declared an annual average profit equivalent to £300.

Shopkeepers, who also by their own admission manage to keep their profits remarkably small, avoid turnover, luxury and excess-profits taxes through the fairly general practice of handling transactions without invoice.

"There is one solution in France—that Frenchmen should pay their existing taxes," says the Spectator, a right-wing British weekly. "If they did, there would be no real need to think up new ones."

Efforts have been made to reform the French taxation set-up but a combination of vested interests always blocks the way. In the present crisis the same story is being repeated.

ray... Reflects and Reminisces

A loudspeaker system is about to be installed in the House of Commons. It's not the first. That occurred shortly after Confederation in 1867.

On a "dare" six American airmen spent a night in a venerable building reputed to be England's most haunted house. Each, with his head full of ghosts, went to bed, four in the same room. About two o'clock, all woke up, trembling and feeling strange. They heard what sounded like a harp. So did the other two. Suppose they had never heard of phantoms, but dog-tired, had spread their blankets and dropped into dreamless slumber, awakening after seven or eight hours in fine trim for a good hot breakfast.

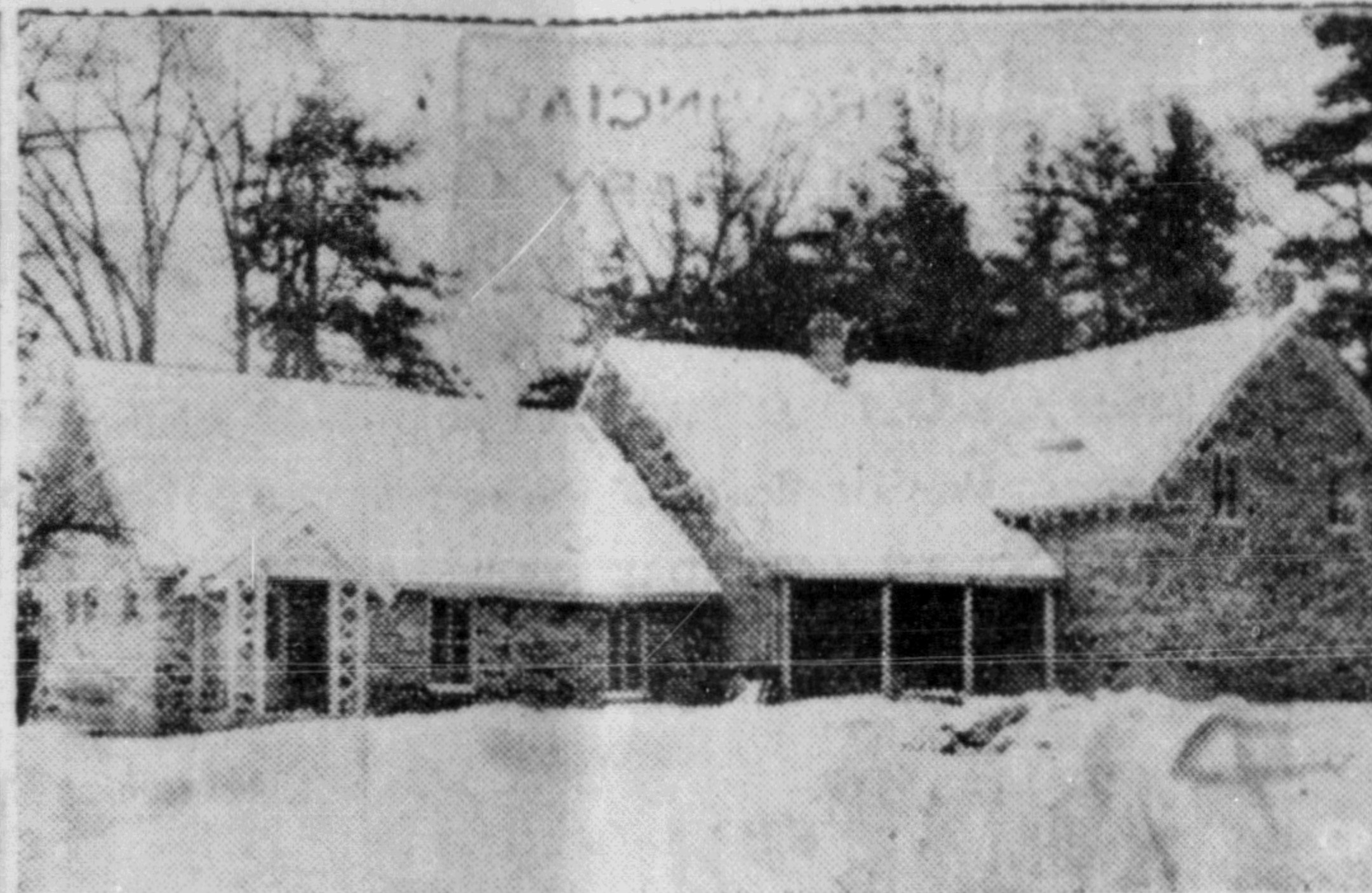
Daylight saving, this season, will last from April 27 to the last week in September. That's about five months. As usual, some do and some do not wish it making, therefore, the customary tangle and dissatisfaction. Anywhere in the north it's hardly twilight until around 10:30 p.m.

Gary Gregson, Vernon boy, received a bullet in the stomach when he chased a masked bandit who robbed his father's store. Gary thought he knew jiu jitsu and anyway he had just learned "new holds." A loaded gun in the hands of a killer is dangerous. Jiu Jitsu is not so dangerous.

A load of lumber, lately delivered! A pile of blazing brush! A ladder placed against the front of a steep cut! Two men on a hillside, one handling a shovel and the other what appeared to be a drill. Yes, it looked like action on the site of the Woolworth Block Friday morning. Yes, given time, a lot can happen on a chunk of real estate a hundred by sixty-four.

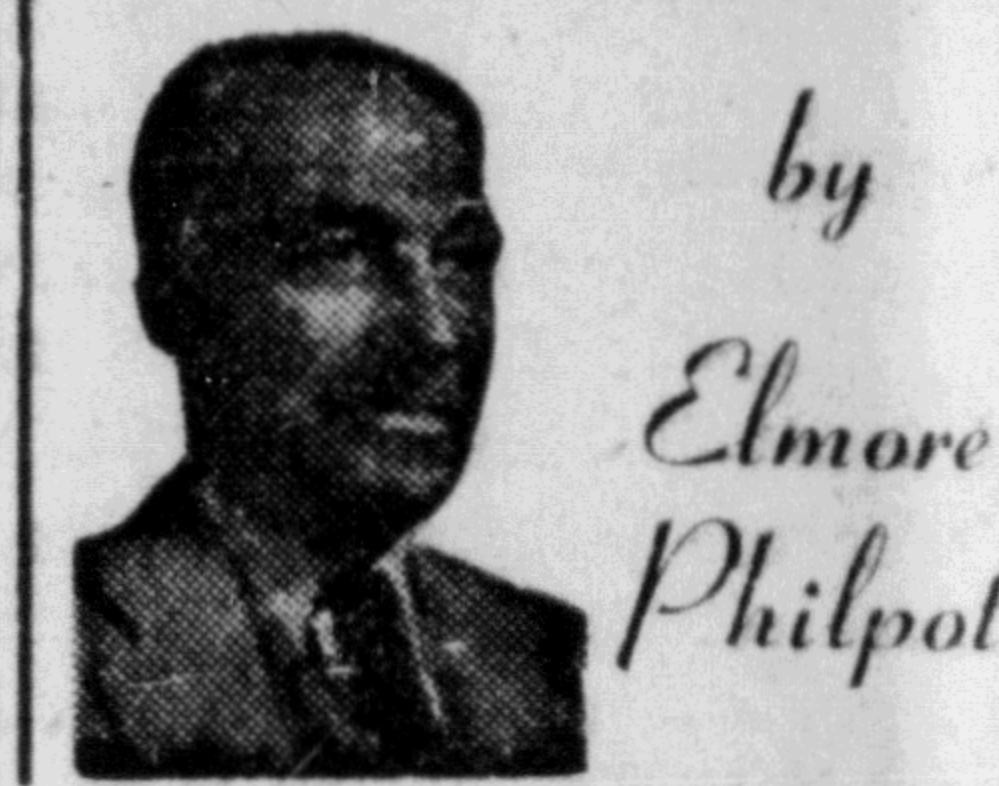
By this time some years ago there were signs of the yellow bloom of broome among the shrubbery over on the railway reserve. Possibly the time is early but broome does appear scarce. Once it grew and spread rapidly, brightening the sombre spruce and hailing the coming of spring. But not in the more recent seasons.

Fishermen and daylight sav-



MACKENZIE KING HOME—The boyhood home of the late William Lyon Mackenzie King, former Prime Minister of Canada, has been rebuilt using the original grey brick of the building in Kitchener, Ont. Mr. King's father, John, secured the home when the future statesman was eight. The house was taken over by the Mackenzie King Woodside Trust and will become an historic site. Books and furniture and other mementos of the early days of Mackenzie King will be on display in the house. (CP PHOTO)

As I See It



Taft Could Bring War

SENATOR Robert A. Taft is in the lead for the Republican nomination as President of the United States.

If Taft is nominated and elected it could mean world war three. For in the Senator's own book he plainly shows that he stands for policies which would surely aggravate the present world situation to the point of danger, maybe utter disaster.

These are grave matters for Canada. For the policies which Taft urges would surely cause a serious and maybe even deadly rift in U.S.-Canadian relationships.

The book is A FOREIGN POLICY FOR AMERICANS, by Robert A. Taft, Doubleday, \$3.

LET ME make clear that Taft's book shows that he sincerely wants peace with justice. Any fair minded person will agree with half or more of everything written in it. But any Canadian who squarely faces the Taft proposals must also see how utterly ruinous the remainder would be.

Much of the argument in the book concerns what Mr. Taft thinks is the growing illegality of action by the presidents in the foreign field. As an outsider, with only academic interest in this phase, his reasoning seems sound to me. The Constitution of the U.S.A. gives Congress the right to declare war. But in recent years the presidents have taken greater and greater decisions in the foreign field. The U.S.A. is today engaged in a costly war in Korea. Yet Congress has never declared war. In this instance as in many others, beginning with the military occupation of Iceland, U.S. presidents have by-passed Congress. In some cases they have forced the hand of the whole U.N.

TAFT'S whole book shows woefully muddled thinking. He very truly argues that we can never have world peace without world law. But he refuses to admit the fact that you can't have law on any level of human society unless you have some agency to make law, plus a police force to uphold it.

Taft is adamant against any idea of world government. He says:

"The theory of an international state, bearing the same relations to nations and their citizens as our federal government bears to the states and their citizens, appears to me, AT LEAST IN THIS CENTURY, to be fantastic, dangerous, and impractical."

The emphasis in the above quote is mine. Mr. Taft has some shallow ideas on a stronger U.N. "It is suggested that the Charter can be made satisfactory by eliminating the veto power. I do not see how we ourselves can agree to eliminate our veto power, if decisions of the Security Council to use force are based on expediency rather than law. It seems to me that peace in this world is impossible unless nations agree that, without any veto power, they will submit their disputes to adjudication and abide by the decisions of an impartial tribunal."

IT SEEMS incredible that a practicaling do not mix. The former, once on the job, pay no attention to the man made vexation. What they do heed is nature—particularly the tides. If the fishermen, in the midst of their industry tried to follow daylight saving, there would be endless inconvenience and difficulties.

tical politician like Senator Taft could believe such nonsense as set forth above.

Every great warming power of this century has signed treaties, such as Taft wants, and broken them at will. What about the Kaiser's phrase, "a scrap of paper?" Does he forget that Germany, Italy and Japan all readily signed the Kellogg Treaty to "renounce war?"

Not only Russia, but Britain and the U.S.A. have already broken the treaties signed at Yalta, Potsdam and Cairo. But why labor the point?

The truth is Senator Taft is a sadly muddled man. In later articles I shall show why his program would embitter relations with Canada and Britain and probably lead to the very war he wants to avert.

Holy Week to Be Observed

Holy Week, the period immediately before Easter, will be observed in Prince Rupert with an interdenominational service of Christian witness on the Wednesday in St. Andrew's under the auspices of the Prince Rupert Ministerial Association. Rev. H. O. Olsen, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, will be the pastor. Making arrangements for the service are Rev. Dr. E. A. Wright, president of the Ministerial Association and pastor of First Presbyterian Church; Rev. Canon Basil S. Procter, rector of St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral, and Rev. L. G. Sieber, pastor of First Baptist Church.

The Ministerial Association, at its monthly meeting this Monday gave further discussion to the projected exchange of pulpits between pastors of Ketchikan and Prince Rupert on April 20.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SATURDAY, MARCH 8 BIBLE—Abend in Deutscher Sprache Sonnabend Abend 20 Uhr. BIBLE—Meeting in German language, Saturday evening at 8 p.m. MONDAY, MARCH 10 8 p.m.—Young People Society. Special Speaker—R. H. COLDRIDGE.

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Services in the Church

Saturday Sermon Another Education (By SENIOR CAPT. GEORGE OSTRYK, Salvation Army) "Give instruction to a wise man and he will be the wiser; teach a just man and he will increase in learning." "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Prov. 9:10-11.

This has been Education Week. We are favored in Canada with a high academic standard. Education is available to all and every effort is being made to stamp out illiteracy. This is an enviable record. But then is Education only for the Mind?

A critic once levelled this accusation against us: "You're producing nothing but a bunch of educated pagans." Let us think about this very seriously. We have no need to be convinced of our mental or scholastic achievements. We see these on every hand.

What about Moral Education? This seems to be sadly lacking. Unless we keep a moral stride with our academic development, we will have conquered illiteracy and ignorance only to yield to the lusts of the flesh and sink back into a state of degeneracy.

To illustrate just one such heading and disreputable condition—while the population of Canada (1934-50) has increased by 13 percent, our alcoholic consumption has increased by the alarming rate of 207 percent.

The Scripture sums it up in these words—"Ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." (2 Tim 3:7.) God says: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent" (1 Cor. 1:19).

Let us learn from past civilizations which stand as spectre reminders that we too shall be doomed to ignominy unless we turn back to righteousness and the living God.

Mortality and head learning, as important as they are, can never make us spiritually whole. There is nothing in any achievement of man that can bring him back into right relationship with God. Hence Jesus Christ died to "atone" or "AT-ONE" for man and reconcile him with the Father. Of course—the preaching of the cross is to them that perish, foolishness, but unto us which are saved, it is the power of God unto salvation" (1 Cor. 1:18). There can be no acceptable substitute for the work of grace, and any counterfeit is but a "form of godliness, but denying the power thereof, from such education and head learning, as important as they are, can never make us spiritually whole.

Our only course then, is to get back to God and cultivate a healthy and wholesome fear of the Lord—which is the beginning of wisdom.

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." (Ps. 90:12).

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH 5th Ave. at McBride St. Rev. H. O. Olsen. You are invited to come and worship at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. "The Just Shall Live By Faith" SUNDAY SERVICES MARCH 9, 1952 Morning Service—11:00 a.m. Sermon: "Blessings According to Faith." Evening Service—7:30 p.m. Sermon: "A Warning to Ungodliness." Sunday School 12:15 p.m.

THE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH Services continued in Hall, Fourth St. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Classes for all. Morning Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Come and enjoy: The warm glow of worship. The good company. The inspiring messages. "If a man love his life he will keep My word." PASTOR: C. W. SMITH

NOTICE By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Minister of Public Works, pursuant to Section 10 of the Highway Act, I hereby declare a cross limit of 12 tons over Diana Creek Bridge, approximately 14 miles east of Prince Rupert, Highway 16, until further notice. (Signed) L. E. SMITH, Divisional Engineer, Department of Public Works, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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