



In This Corner

By DICK AYRES

Tonight we're off again, with three nights of basketball per week scheduled until spring time, all the way from Senior B down to the cage wizards of tomorrow in the Junior Boys League. But before we sum up the various league standings, we'll take a quick glance at the Parker Round Robin tournament just completed.

In all modesty we'll ignore the fact that this writer picked nine out of ten correct winners for the two-night series. We were crossed up by CCC 300 club when they defeated Gordon and Andersons and we'll gladly give the credit to the "old maestro" Pop Pay. He didn't regain his shooting eye until the second game he played (by which time he was wondering if his heart would stand the gaff) but he was a tower of strength to an injury-riddled team.

No, we'll say nothing about our predictions. We'll just tuck away our crystal ball until we get in the vicinity of some horse racing. We stand to make a fortune.

The Prince Rupert Basketball Association deserves hearty congratulations on the tourney as does **Bob Parker** for sponsoring it. It is worthy of becoming an annual affair and the fans who faithfully witnessed every game assuredly received their money's worth. Also deserving credit are the lads that played. It was quite a grind especially to the lads who had played three games in Ketchikan and Metlakatla earlier in the week. The **Bo-Me-Hi Rainmakers** and their coach **Jack Evans** lost no prestige in being edged by **Manson's Omegas** in the crucial last game. The high school squad brought out every ounce of effort that the Senior B league leaders had in them. Never, in the short space of time we have watched Manson's play since we came to this city have we seen them work so hard. It wasn't an easy win by any stretch of the imagination.

Choice of **Don Hartwig** as the Most Valuable player to his team during the ten-game series, seemed to be a happy one. Never a high scorer, the well-versed Inter A coach contributed steadily to his team's total. He's strong, quick and able to make the most of an opportunity when he spots it. Other who showed well for their teams were **Ron Cleone** for Rainmakers, **Buck Marshall** for CCC, **Bob Smith** for Watts and **Nickerson** and **Jimmy Flaten** for Gordon and Anderson.

Rupe Holkestad of G & A who won the cup for chalking up the most points during the series scored 8 points in the first game, 8 in the second, 9 in the third and 15 in the fourth. **Ray Spring** of Manson's with a steady 7, 11, 10 and 10 was second. **Bill Sunberg** of CCC who went basket-happy in their second game was third with 35. **Buck Marshall**, single game high scorer with 21 points, collected a total of 33 for fourth place. **Freddy Kristmanson**, Rainmakers' bucket man netted a four-game total of 31. **Art Olsen**, Omegas' centre amassed 29 and **Bob McFarland** of Watts and Nickersons chalked up 28.

Tonight the postponed game of December 8 will be played between Senior B league leaders **Manson's** and **Gordon and Anderson**. **Bill McChesney's** Omegas have won six games and lost two, both to **Minor Simundsen's** hardwaremen. G & A have won three and lost five as have CCC 300 club, the only other loop entry. A win tonight would lift the hardware merchants out of the league basement into second place. In the Inter A circuit last place **Watts and Nickerson** seek their first win against **Fraser and Payne**. The clothiers have lost seven decisions in as many outings while the drygoods crew have won four and lost three. **North Star Bottlers** lead the division with six wins and one defeat. **Sunrise Grocery** and **General Motors** of the Inter B league battle to get out of the cellar tonight, both having won two games and lost three. **Manson's** lead the loop with four wins and two losses while **Nelson Brothers** with three wins and three losses are in runner-up spot.

POST SCRIPTS—It's down to the Civic Centre range again tonight for the Junior Rifle club. . . Little League Baseball association president **Art Williamson** also hopes to formulate plans for the groups annual meeting at the Civic Centre tonight. . . The Little leaguers face a grim prospect this coming summer with their baseball diamond at Algoma Park in the middle of the Parks Board's development program. Still it's towards the youngsters' future that the move is being made now. . . Here's hoping that something can be done while the work on the park is underway.

Three Habitants, Two Wings, One Leaf Player on All-Stars

MONTREAL (CP)—Three players from Montreal Canadiens, two from Detroit Red Wings and one from Toronto Maple Leafs were chosen for the National Hockey League's 1953-54 first all-star team at the half-way mark of the campaign.

The selections, released today by the league, cover games to Jan. 1 and count 50 per cent. Second-half selections follow the regular-season close, on March 21.

Three 1952-53 first-team members are missing, goalie **Terry Sawchuk** of Detroit, centre **Fleming Mackell** of Boston and right-winger **Gordie Howe** of Detroit.

In their places are **Harry Lumley** of Toronto and **Ken Mosdell** and **Maurice Richard** of Montreal. **Red Kelly** and **Ted Lindsay** of Detroit and **Doug Harvey** of Montreal were again selected. **Lumley**, **Harvey** and **Richard** were first choices by narrow point-margins over **Al Rollins**, **Chicago**; **Bill Gadsby**, **Chicago**; and **Howe**, **Richard's** margin was one point.

Hockey writers and broad-

casters in the six NHL cities voted.

The choices for first and second team were:

First Team—Goal, **Lumley**, (Toronto); defence, **Kelly** (Detroit), **Harvey**, Montreal; centre, **Mosdell** (Montreal); right wing, **Richard** (Montreal); left wing, **Lindsay** (Detroit).

Second Team—Goal, **Rollins** (Chicago); defence, **Gadsby** (Chicago), **Horton** (Toronto); centre, **Sloan** (Toronto); right wing, **Howe** (Detroit); left wing, **Sandford** (Boston).

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ERROLL CROSSAN, 23, (right) of Vancouver has left for England to try out with famed Manchester City soccer team of the English League. Seeing him off at Vancouver are **Bill Findler**, manager of New Westminster Royals (left) and **Aubrey Sanford**, Royals vice-President. Crossan, a rightwinger, played with the Royals of the Pacific Coast Soccer League. The bag was a present from the team.

Curling Club Issues Standings In Cook's Trophy Competition

With the George Cook's trophy competition only about eight playing days away from completion, Prince Rupert Curling Club today issued standings of the rinks in the five sections. Playoff matches are scheduled to start 9:15, Jan. 22.

Standings are as follows:

A Section				Remaining schedule of the Cook's trophy competition is as follows:
Played	Won	Lost		
Laurie	3	3	0	Tuesday, Jan. 12 (tonight), 7 p.m.—Rowbotham vs. Turner; Petersen vs. Berg; Sieber vs. Johnston. 9 p.m.—Rudderham vs. McKenzie; Georgeson vs. Aston; Laurie vs. Parker.
Ostertag	3	2	1	Wednesday, Jan. 13, 7 p.m.—Holliston vs. Barbour; Gordon vs. Wakley; McNiece vs. Bird. 9 p.m.—Thom vs. Shief; Ford vs. Miller; Butterick vs. Stewart.
Miller	3	2	1	Thursday, Jan. 14—Georgeson vs. Moore; Greene vs. Meighen; Rowbotham vs. Berg; McKenzie vs. Ostertag; Sieber vs. Thom; Turner vs. Aston.
Parker	2	1	1	Friday, Jan. 15—Miller vs. Rudderham; Warren vs. Shier; Robertson vs. Wakley; Gordon vs. McNiece; Holliston vs. Kellogg; Parker vs. Ford.
Ford	3	1	2	
McKenzie	2	0	2	
Rudderham	2	0	2	
B Section				
Aston	2	2	0	
Turner	1	1	0	
Moore	3	2	1	
Georgeson	3	2	1	
Rowbotham	4	2	2	
Berg	4	1	3	
Petersen	—	—	—	
C Section				
Robertson	3	3	0	
Wakley	4	3	1	
Matthew	4	2	2	
Eyolfson	4	2	2	
Gordon	4	2	2	
McNiece	4	1	3	
Bird	3	0	3	
D Section				
Thom	4	4	0	
Shier	3	2	1	
Sieber	3	2	1	
Warren	4	2	2	
Greene	3	1	2	
Meighen	4	1	3	
Johnston	—	—	—	
E Section				
Garner	4	4	0	
Kellogg	4	3	1	
Holliston	2	1	1	
Barbour	3	1	2	
Butterick	2	0	2	
Stewart	3	0	3	

Curling Results

Canadian National
Results of CNR Curling Club play Sunday were: Inkster 17, McAr 6; Buchanan 10, Mitchell 8; Cameron 9, Kimbauer 7; McDowell 9, Barton 7; Dennis 16, Dunbar 6.

Canadian Legion
Results of CNR Curling Club results Sunday were: Stewart 17, Lennie 7; Parker 10, Bane 6; Lofgren 10.

NHL LEADERS

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Detroit	22	10	8	112	71	52
Montreal	23	15	5	128	88	51
Toronto	19	12	8	84	69	46
Boston	16	17	6	98	105	38
New York	14	20	6	38	116	34
Chicago	8	29	5	82	142	21

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Last Night's Fights

By The Associated Press
Brooklyn—Al Andrews, 150½, Superior, Wis., outpointed Joey Klein, 149½, New York, 10.
Detroit—Jesse Turner, 158, St. Louis, stopped Chuck Coleman, 160½, Detroit, 5.

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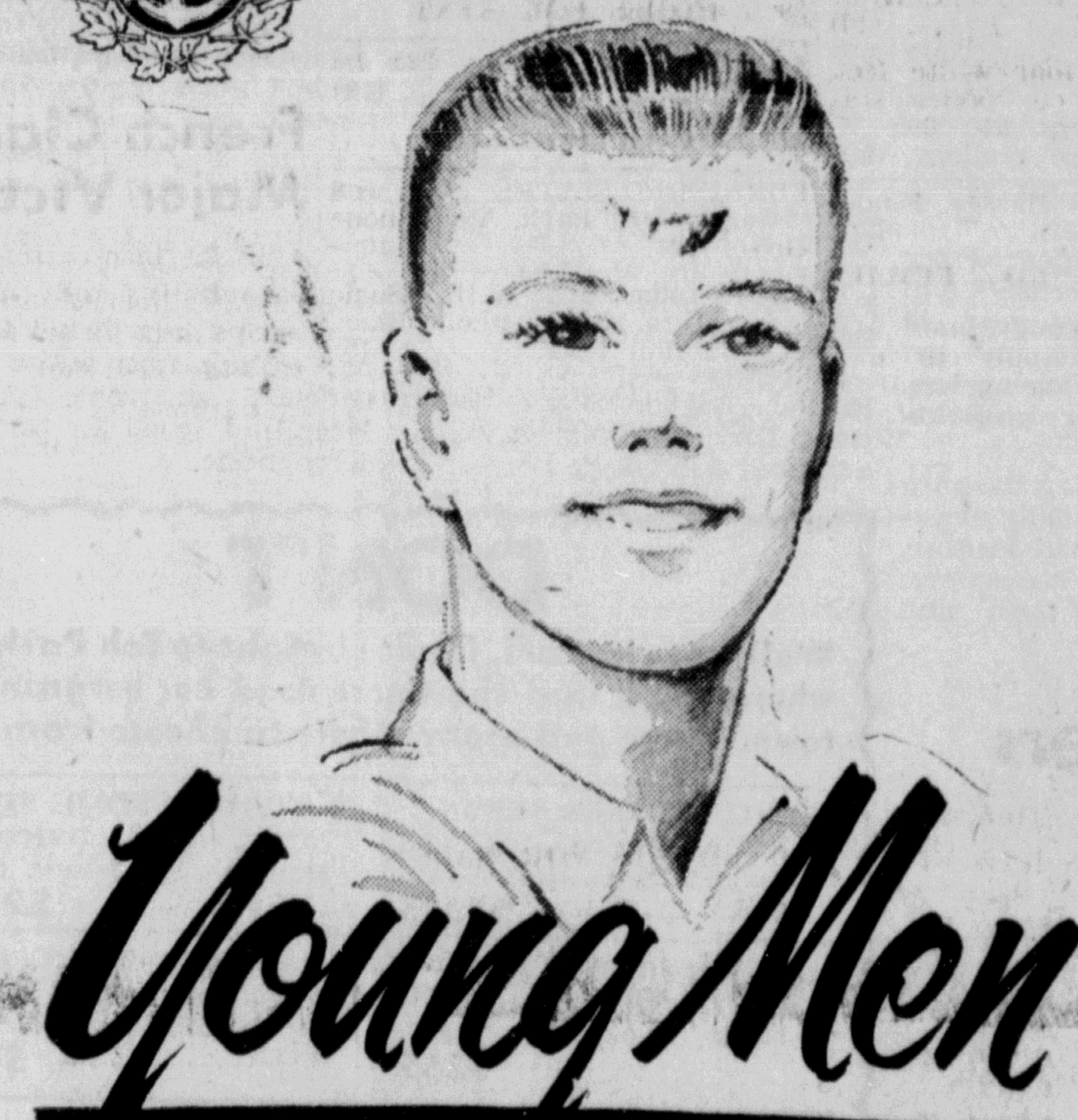
By The Canadian Press
Paavo Nurmi, the great Finnish distance runner, made his American debut 28 years ago by shattering world records. He did the mile in 4:13.6 and the 5,000 metres in 14:46.6. Gunder Haegg of Sweden now holds the mile mark of 4:01.4, and the 5,000 metre mark of 13:58.2.

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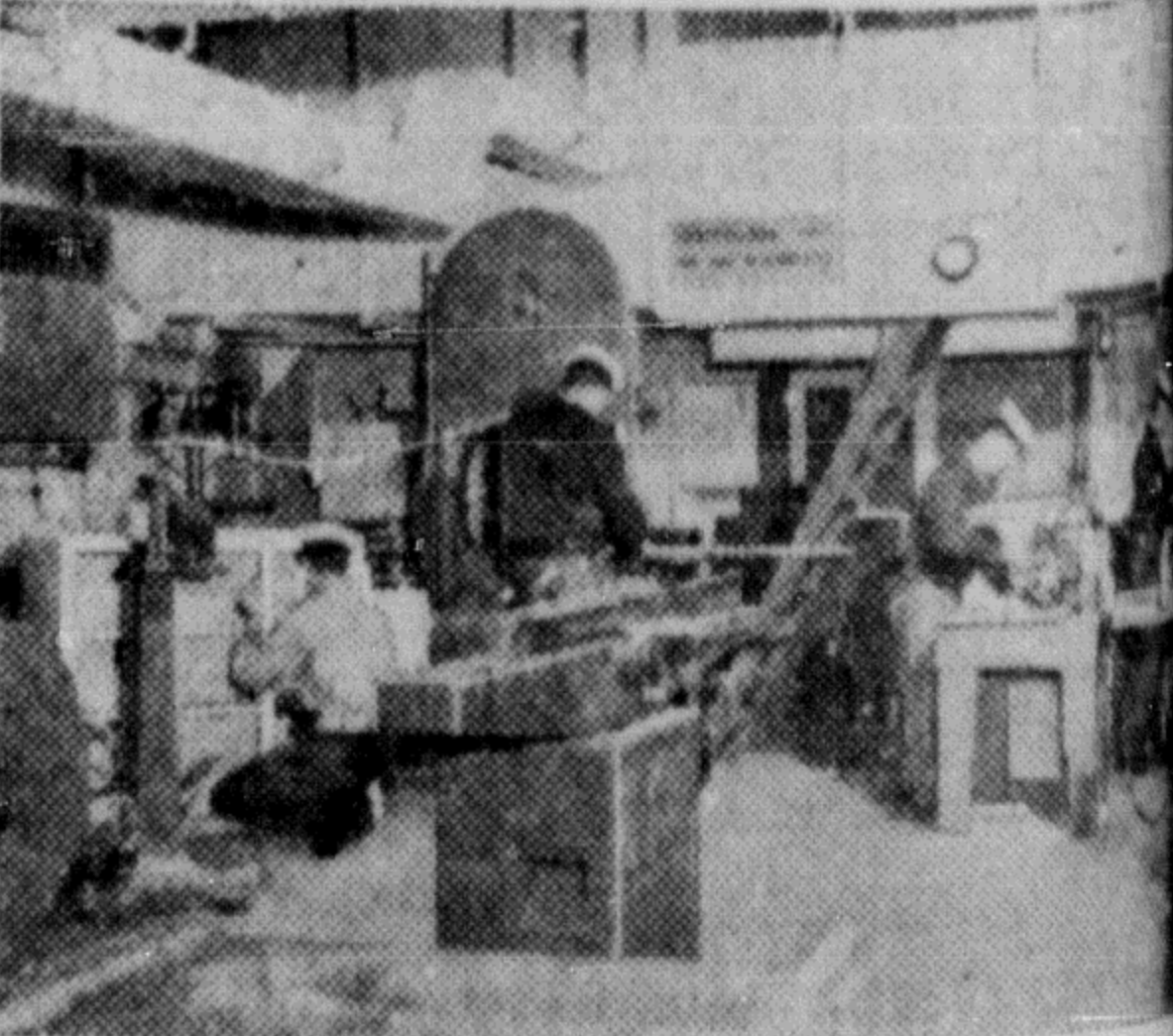
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