PARADE TONIGHT NAVY DRILL HALL

ROYAL CANADIAN

Recruits must be 14 years old.

"Building Citizenship"

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Canada

And Spain

Sign Pact

OTTAWA (CP)—Can-

ada and Spain have enter-

ed into their first trade

agreement. It calls for

more exports of Canadian

dry salted codfish and re-

duced tariffs on Spanish

Announcement of the bilater-

al trade pact, signed Wednes-

day in Madrid, highlighted the

half-day Wednesday sitting in

1. Passed the decennial revis-

2. Approved the principle of a

a maximum of \$5,000 for

bill providing death benefits up

members of the civil service, in-

cluding erown corporations, and

Board Seeks

City's Plans

For Park Fill

The Prince Rupert Parks Board

last night instructed chairman

Pat Forman to find out the city's

intention with regard to the Al-

The question was brought up

by the board chairman who

stated that he understood that

of an acre at the park already

Mr. Forman said the original

agreement called for some 5,400

filled to a depth of four feet for

a cost of more than \$8,700 this

year. The money is furnished

through the Algoma Park trust

Algoma Park fund, commissioner

Art Murray also requested the

chairman of the board ask the

city if the Parks Board is re-

sponsible for the spending of the

"Shouldn't we make a test case

Algoma fund or if the city is.

on the spending of this fund for

goma Park sanitary fill.

ion of the Canada Bank Act.

The Commons also:

the Commons.

the armed forces.

ment reasons.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

s Area Boats Approach Quota



ERS ARE DWARFED by this huge pan made to order in Genoa, Italy, for a mammoth fish bed by local fishermen at Camogli, Italy. The pan is 13 feet in diameter and has a 19-foot A total of three tons of fish cooked in 325 gallons of boiling oil is expected to be the my of this pan for the day's party.

scuers Inch Way Up McKinley olive oil, almonds and paprika. Effort To Save Hurt Climber

in the tent is George bot fall May 17, which te fourth member of ety. Elton Thayer, well-

llaska climber. scue party is led by Dr call, 31-year-old Uni-

were carried to the 5,000 el by a U.S. Air Force gearly Wednesday finds and blowing snow attempts to add more the party, so the four award the two-mile high

ers Stage works Spree

Maide the United Coun-

protested the dis- friend. and asked Justice Minoutside the jail yard plasterer.

EWEATHER

coast region - Variable | der weapon.

MANKS, Alaska (A)-Four | spot where Argus was left.

streacherous southern great fall were Morton Wood and getner went with him. today in a desperate at- | Leslie Viereck, who were found d for them.

> foot McKinley for the first time, a stop." 13,000-foot level.

"It was just a silly little acci- youd vesterday cause his clamped-on spikes lost and exhausted."

their grip. He tumbled over the hed their way up Mount | Left to tell the story of the precipice and all of us roped to-

"I remember falling and fallsave a mountain climb- in McKinley Park Tuesday just ing. Thayer died because he was left gravely injured as a search was about to be start- struck a ledge sticking out of the cliff. Argus broke the fall by They told of conquering the tumbling into deep snow which ne of three survivors of southern buttress of the 20,300- stopped him and pulled us all to

> and the start back which was He said the five-day food suptragically interrupted at the ply left Argos in an improvised tent shelter would not last be-

dent," Wood said. "One of Thay- Wood and Viereck were des er's feet slipped, probably be- cribed as "terribly bruised, cu

CAMERAMAN 'MAN-HANDLED BY VANCOUVER POLICE

VANCOUVER (P-Chuck Jones, veteran Vancouver Province photographer, was ejected Wednesday from police headquarters as he stood in a hallway prepared to take a picture of 18-year-old Mary Mellish, charged with the knife-slaying of Sam Messer. Jones was grabbed by the arm and pulled down a flight of stairs by burly police sergeant Jack Thompson.

Giller Hanged Girl Remanded Without Plea In Cornwall, Ont., at On Charge of Killing Lover

Mary Victoria Mellish, blueto prevent such inci- charged with murder following Pioneer Barber the future. Mr. Winch the fatal stabbing of Sam Mes m 500 to 1,000 persons ser, 21-year-old unemployed

the covering over The 150-pound, slightly built liani, who has lived continuously Some 'teen-agers plasterer died in hospital late Tuesday night from a was hanged for the wound in his left leg that severwing last Oct. 15 of 20- ed an artery. In the room where Rupert General Hospital after a Marie Ann Carrier of he was discovered lying in a pool month's illness. of blood, police found a butcher | Born in Italy in 1894, Mr. Vag- sanitary land fill?" Commissioner

fince Rupert, 42 and 55. charge was read.

overnment by the jus- year-old ash blonde was re- living with Messer and following manded one week when she ap- a quarrel had prepared to leave E Winch, CCF-Van- peared in police court yesterday the Burrard Street roomingsquare yards at the park to be ast in the Commons charged with slaying her boy house room into which the pair moved last Saturday.

Dies Here Today

Well known barber, Max Vagin this district for 44 years, died at 12:30 p.m. today in Prince

knife with an eight-inch blade liani came to Prince Rupert in Murray asked.

which they believe was the mur- 1910.

announced later.

He is survived by his wife, out if it is legal." he said. Miss Mellish, whose eyes ap- Berbal, at 855 Ninth Avenue The board will write the city reported today. showers in the south, peared red after a sleepless night West, his step-daughter, Marie, clerk requesting that he draw up lomorrow morning, in jail, was remanded without a brother Victor and sister Jose- a contract between the Parks ange in temperature, plea until June 2. The slight, phine in Philadelphia, Pa., an- Poard and the Prince Rupert to clear, are not expected to de-

today and northerly 103-pound girl wore no makeup other brother, Philip, in Vancou- Baseball Association covering the lay trains, however. Low tonight and for her court appearance and ver and a brother Frank in Italy. erecting and dismantling of the at Port Hardy, Sand- stood silent as the murder Funeral arrangements will be outfield fence proposed for Jasper last night, is expected in Roosevelt Park.



OUT OF STEP with each other, but in time with the band, fiveyear-olds George Lambert and Ellen Parrett strut smartly down Washington's Constitution Avenue. The pint-size prancers were two of the youngest drum majors in the 18th annual parade of the AAA school safety patrol.

Under the trade pact, an-nounced by External Affairs Carrier Blast Inquiry Opens Minister Pearson, Canada and Spain agreed to most-favored-nation tariff rates. They also As Death Toll Mounts to 90 agreed not to impose discrimin-

Navy Secretary Charles

explosion is "a mystery to me.

that the blast occurred "possibly

He emphasized that this infor-

mation has not been confirmed.

CBC, Employees

Ask Conciliation

In Negotiations

has offered.

atory import and exchange QUONSET POINT, R.I. (P)curbs, except for balance of pay-Ninety-one United States Navy men are known dead and 201 were injured, many of them critically, following Wednesday's devastating explosion and aboard the illfated aircraft car- tage. rier Bennington 75 miles off the New England coast.

A violent blast on the second or third deck below the flight deck of the 32,000-ton carrier, was followed by searing flames which roared through many forward compartments. Then came at least one more explosion.

Scores were trapped in their sleeping quarters. Many suf focated. Many perished in the city had covered nine-tenths

The disaster, one of the worst history, was the second aboard a between the CBC and its 1,100 Board found out last night. carrier in New England waters office and program employees tober, 37 died in an explosion labor department conciliation.

headed by Rear-Admiral John Elondon Wilcox, national chair- ging of post holes for the fence. Commissioner Murray pointed Discussing the question of the M. Hoskins, commandant of the man of the Association of Radio Quonset naval air station, was and Television Employees of that he understood that the holes called for five-foot posts with

Trains on Time Despite Slides

Small mud slides are occurring "I for one would like to find daily along the Canadian National Railways line, CN officials

The slides, which take about an hour to an hour and a half

The westbound train, out of

to Prince Rupert on time.

Little Trouble Seen In Netting New Total

The International Pacific Halibut Commission announced Wednesday that Areas 1-B and 2, extending from Hecate Head on the Oregon coast to Cape Spencer in southeastern Alaska will be closed to commercial halibut fishing at 11:59 p.m. June 5. Under control powers conferr-

ed by the United States and 000 had been caught after 11 Canadian governments, the com- days. mission, which includes Capt. Prices at the Exchange show Harold Helland of Prince Rupert, a slight increase this year over sets fishing dates and quotas for last. Average price for the 11different north Pacific areas. day period is 13.8 cents for med-

ratch in Area 2, which runs from 13.3 cents in 1952. Willapa Harbor on the Washing- Landings at the Halibut Exton coast to Cape Spencer, will change in Prince Rupert this be taken by midnight June 5 a morning totalled 156,000 pounds commission spokesman said. The and Co-op landings were 113,area opened May 16 and last 000 pounds. High price for med-January the commission increas- iums was 14.9 cents paid by both ed the area's quota for 1954 by Bacon and Royal Fisheries. 1,000,000 pounds.

This means that 1,000,000 pounds more fish will be caught boots with the prices in brackets in two days less fishing than are as follows: last year. Closing dates for Area 1-B, which always has a comparatively small catch, run concurrently with Area 2.

BIG CATCH

from Seattle says that the 600 Fisheries. with 8.000,000 pounds landed by to Bacon Fisheries. yesterday for the week.

A comparison of landings at lums 25,000 (14.9); large 6,000 Thomas, who flew to Quensel change for the first 11 days of Rose Fisheries. for a quick inspection of the stricken warship, and Capt. Wil-

liam F. Raborn, the Bennington's to last year. skipper for only a month, said By May 27 last year a total of sold to B.C. Packers. there was no indication of sabo-Raborn said the cause of the

The allotted 26,500,000-pound jums this year as compared to

Individual boat landings, all from Area 2 and all Canadian

R. G. Johnston 22,000 pounds. medium 18.000 (14.8); large 3.000 (14.5); chicken 1,000 (12.3) sold to Atlin Fisheries. Connie Jean 16.000 pounds.

mediums 10,500 (14.7); large 0, An Associated Press report chicken 5,500 (12.4) sold to Booth boats fishing in Area 2 have Bates Pass 30,000 pounds, med-

been reported landing almost jum 24,000 (14.9); large 3,000 2,000,000 pounds a day this week (14.6); chieken 3,000 (12.5) sold Twinkle 36,000 pounds, med-

the Prince Rupert Halibut Ex- (14.5); chicken 5,000 (12) sold to fishing issued in a Co-op bulle- Ocean Pride 52,000 pounds.

tin show a decrease compared mediums 42,000 (14.8); large 6,000 (14.4); chicken 4,000 (12)

2,699,000 pounds had been land- Co-op landings today included ed as compared to 2,034,500 the Primrose with 7,000 pounds, pounds up to yesterday. These Tor, 32,000, Neptune, 9,000, Nor figures show a decided drop in Cape, 14,000 Cape Spencer, 21,000 The "best information" was comparison to 1952 when 3,073,- and the MRB with 30,000 pounds.

at the five-inch fuse magazine." Fence For Roosevelt Park Behind Schedule Board Finds

Following the regular Parks | The three board members also in less than a year. Last Oc- has been submitted for federal Board meeting, chairman Pat commented on the size of the and fire on the carrier Leyte | Decision to seek conciliation Murray and Bob Eby visited measured roughly four foot while she was docked in Boston. was announced Wednesday in a Roosevelt Park to look over the square and three to four feet A four-man court of inquiry, joint statement by the CBC and progress being made with dig-deep.

named to begin an investigation Canada, an independent union should all have been finished only one foot below ground. representing the workers in- today. So far four holes have The board members also exbeen dug. The parties declined to dis- The proposed fence is being appearance of the park following

have demanded or what the CBC between the Parks Board and the At Casey Park, which the three

Progress on the building of a tion. The Parks Board has allotfence along two sides of the ted \$200 for digging post holes outfield of the diamond at and installation of the posts, Roosevelt Park is behind sched- while the actual fence, of plyduring peacetime in U.S. naval OTTAWA (P)-A wage dispute ule, three members of the Parks wood construction, will be put up by the baseball group.

Forman, and Commissioners Art holes dug for the posts. Each hole

Commissioner Murray reported out that plans for the fence

pressed disappointment at the close what wages the employees erected as a joint proposition the Kinsmen May 24 sports day.

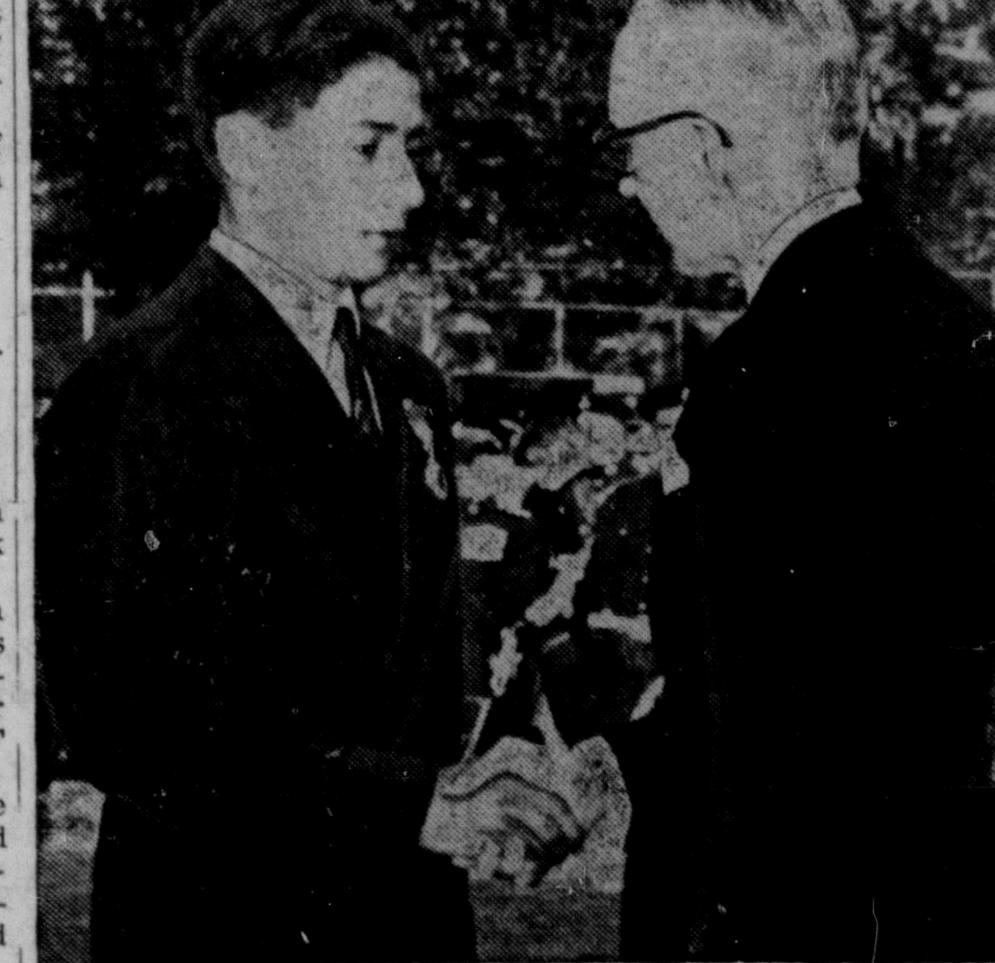
Prince Rupert Baseball Associa- Parks Board members also visited, Commissioner Bob Eby outlined a tentative plan for a 25 by 50-foot wading pool at the west corner of the park to the other members. The pool had been suggested as an alternative 'o erecting a backstop at Casey Park, Commissioner Eby said.

Earlier, at the Parks Board meeting, commissioner Art Murray showed board members a sketch he had drawn up of two signs which the board plans to erect at Algoma and McClymont Parks. The signs will draw attention to the development underway at both parks.

Inquest Slated For Monday

The inquest into the death of Lloyd Joseph Pedersen, was postponed yesterday afternoon uutil 2:30 Monday afternoon at the City Hall. At yesterday's preliminaries, held in B.C. Undertakers, deputy-coroner George Dawes swore in the jury which viewed the body of the youth who died Tuesday morning following a car accident early Saturday. Identification of the body was made by George Ken-

neth Laird. The jury with William F. Stone as foreman consists of Eric Janes, William Bremner, Clifford Borge, Brian Forbes, and Bennie Sprinkler.



ROBERT T. WATERS, 15 of Comox, B.C., receives the George Medal, second highest civilian decoration in the Commonwealth, from Governor-General Vincent Massey at a special investiture at Vancouver. Waters won the award for his heroic rescue of an injured RCAF pilot from a flaming Lancaster bomber that crashed near his home Nov. 24, 1952. (CP Photo)

WORLD MOURNS LOSS

the Canadian Press The Big Train" Con- ball and hockey but he made a gressive Conservative leader, cal- ers scored as many points in a Chicago Black Hawks, New York dead and sports fans name in many other sports and led him a "great sportsman who single Grey Cup final. anada agreed with Art was voted Canadian football always played a clean game." Who said: "We lost player and athlete of the half- Conacher also believed in play- phenomenal. He was known to sports after his retirement as

Ottawa last night. He al sport 17 years ago. had lived much of his Prime Minister St. Laurent the 1920's or making Montreal all. ing a game, a friendly said: Softball, on the green The news of his passing will length rushes for the Maroons of in his home town of Toronto and Commons in 1949 and returned farliament Hill.

and politics across the Canadians. We lost quite a guy."

be met with the deepest sorrow the 30's.

against Conacher services to his community, it was defeated Edmonton Eskimos 23-0 boxer. was with Chicago and typical of Lionel Conacher that in the east-west final.

Conacher, 52, excelled in foot- George Drew, national Pro- Craig of the 1913 Hamilton Tig- big time star for 11 years with

fans howl with his dazzling rink- | Conacher learned his baseball | Conacher, first elected to the

to the noted athlete by his colleagues in Parliament, He set a scoring mark in his Maple Leafs, winners of the othy, and five children, Conlamentarian came im- by those whom he represented in first year of senior football in little world series. from men prominent Ottawa and by all sports-loving 1921 which has been equalled He was also a wrestler, a Brian. only twice. He racked up 15 better-than-average sculler and His death leaves the standings They were summed up "No matter what task he un- points on two touchdowns, a field swimmer and a former Canadian in the Commons: Liberals 172;

the National Hockey he devoted his total energy to Only Buster Red Storey of the he was 16, but by 1926 he was a total 265.

Conacher's endurance was He continued his interest in

century in a 1950 Canadian Press ing a hard game, whether he was play lacrosse and baseball games chairman of the Ontario athdied of a heart at- poll. He retired from profession- plunging with his high-knee or football and hockey games on letic commission and as director stride for Toronto Argonauts in the same day and star in them of recreation with the RCAF

by 1926 he was with Toronto last year, leaves a widow, Dor-

words of Chapman, dertook, whether in sports or in goal and two singles as Argos light-heavy weight champion Progressive Conservatives 50;

He didn't learn to skate until pendent three; vacant two; 1938 Argos and the late Ross pro hockey player and stayed a

Americans and the Maroons.

during the Second World War.

stance, Diane, Lionel, David and CCF 23; Social Credit 15; Inde-

(See earlier story, Page 6)