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Ice Bridge at Falls

A CLOSE-UP VIEW of the ice bridge at Niagara Falls was taken by a photographer who hovered near the brink of the Horseshoe Falls. The ice cap is 40 feet high and ice covering rocks at the foot of the falls add an artistic touch to the scene.

Uphill Renews Traditional For Hospital Sweepstakes

Mr. Gagliardi said in the legislature the reduction started with the first contracts awarded by the government after it came to power. The minister was one of four members who spoke in the continuing throne speech debate. He was followed by Leo Nimsick (CFC-Cranbrook), A. S. Matthews (SC-Vancouver Centre) and Thomas Uphill (Ind. Lab-Fernie).

HIGH BASKETBALL AT CENTRE TONIGHT

A deciding game in the two-game international high basketball series will be played at 8 o'clock tonight in the Centre gymnasium. Memorial High School Rainmakers took last night's game from the visiting Ketchikan High School Polar Bears (see story page 4.)

Dredging at Skidegate by Fishermen's Union

CHARLOTTE CITY — The annual meeting here of the Skidegate Local, United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, will be held tonight. The resolutions, for submission to the UFAWU convention in Vancouver next month, urged the federal government to make an early start on dredging of the narrows, already surveyed and budgeted for, and stressed the need of a land link between Massett and Port Clements. The only means of travel between the two points at present is by water.

The meeting named Paul Kraft local delegate to the convention, which opens March 22. The session saw members express concern at the proposed sale of the Prince Rupert drydock and endorse protests made by Prince Rupert bodies.

The union will also urge provision of fresh running water at one of the several docks in the area. At present, fishermen of the Skidegate local have no source of fresh water for their boats. Some 50 boats are affected. They will ask installation of a water line at the government dock at Queen Charlotte City or at one of the other docks.

Stan Atkins was elected secretary of the local.

Canadian Leader Sees Indians Living in Mud Huts in India

ELHI (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent drove to the rural outskirts of Delhi to see what is under India's five-year plan to modernize the country. The prime minister, who lives in conditions in villages throughout the country, saw the little village of Mukneipur, where the streets have been paved with bricks and mud walls of homes are painted with white or colored wash. College students have come from the city to teach the children of illiterate parents. The prime minister, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Hugh O'Donnel of Quebec, rode out to the village sites at just outside their doors. From Zindipur, which is scarcely 100 yards from one wall to another, the prime minister went half a mile to the improved larger village of Mukneipur, where the streets have been paved with bricks and mud walls of homes are painted with white or colored wash. College students have come from the city to teach the children of illiterate parents. The prime minister, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Hugh O'Donnel of Quebec, rode out to the village sites at just outside their doors.

300 Feet Of Track Gouged Out As CNR Freight Train Derailed

524,000 Jobless In Canada

OTTAWA (CP) — The Commons defeated a CCF demand for immediate government steps to meet unemployment problems. The vote was 129 to 68.

The CCF motion, technically want of confidence in the government, called for action to "prevent further economic distress."

It drew support from all opposition parties and three independent members in the vote Tuesday closing the fifth day of Commons debate on unemployment.

Still before members is a Progressive Conservative motion asking establishment of a parliamentary committee to study unemployment conditions and recommend a remedy.

Acting Prime Minister Howe said the situation is caused by a temporary slowdown in business which coincided with the winter slack.

SUGGEST PLANS

However, opposition speakers Tuesday said the situation is serious and suggested various measures, including increased unemployment insurance, an expanded public works program and extension of defence contracts to depressed areas.

Unemployment figures issued last week by the National Employment Service showed 524,000 persons looking for work at Jan. 21, a post-war high mark and 185,000 more than at Dec. 10. The bureau of statistics estimated 280,000 jobs at Jan. 23, 90,000 more than in early December.

Stanley Knowles (CCF-Winnipeg North Centre) said payments from the \$900,000,000 unemployment insurance fund should be boosted and the period in which benefits are paid lengthened.

"The time has come for this present generation of workers to get the benefit of the huge fund that has been built up," he said. The fund was not intended for the next generation.

FOOTBALL OLD COUNTRY

LONDON — Today's British soccer results:

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP Fifth Round Replays
Portsmouth 1, Bolton W. 2.
Tottenham H. 2, Hull C. 0.
Revised 3/4 round ties on March 13.

Sheffield W. vs. Bolton W. W.
Bromwich A. vs. Tottenham H.

ENGLISH LEAGUE Division I

Manchester C. 1, Blackpool 4.
Middlesbrough 1, W. Bromwich A. 1.
Preston N.E.O. Arsenal 1.
Sheffield W. 1, Liverpool 1.

Division II

Everton 6, Brentford 1.



CAREFUL MAINTENANCE by RCAF crews at lonely posts in Alaska and along the Aleutian chain keeps the planes of 425 Squadron flying in the United Nations airbase between North America and the Far East. The squadron began flying the Pacific in 1950 as part of Canada's contribution to the Korean war. Here two members of the squadron's maintenance crews walk along the bleak and rocky shoreline of Shemya in the Aleutians. They are LAC W. D. Fiddler (left) Mont Nebo, Sask., and LAC J. B. Barton, Noranda, Que.

"Slump, Not Depression" Forecast By U. S. Senator

WASHINGTON — Senator Homer Ferguson (Rep.-Mich.), says Democratic talk of a business recession is hurting the United States and ought to be stopped.

Ferguson, who heads the Senate Republican policy committee, spoke out today after former president Hoover had discounted the possibility of a depression and Stephen A. Mitchell, Democratic national chairman, had said reaction of the "pocketbook nerve" is likely to determine control of Congress in November's elections.

"I don't think there is going to be any recession but I must say the propaganda for it is much more effective than I had anticipated it would be," Ferguson said in an interview.

"All this talk is persuading some people not to buy. And when they don't buy an article, somebody who is making it loses his job."

Hoover told the American Good Government Society here Monday night that as a man who had had one depression named for him he thought he could speak with good authority that there are no signs on the U.S. landscape of any big depression now.

PERIODIC DIPS

Observing that economic dips occur about every five or seven years in free-enterprise systems, Hoover said:

"You can have high confidence that this is only a passing dip, a slump, a readjustment or a recession, not a great depression."

The "combustible materials are not hereabouts to construct another conflagration like that of the decade of the '30s." Then, he said, a total financial collapse in Europe combined with public over-optimism and a weak banking system in the U.S. to bring about world-wide depression.

Still No Comics

Daily News readers today again will miss out on their favorite comic strip characters. Due to mail delays, the comics failed to arrive in time for inclusion in today's paper. It is hoped publication of the three comic strips will be resumed tomorrow.



POLICE AND LIFEGUARDS combine to rescue two small boys adrift on an ice raft inside the breakwater on Toronto's waterfront. A policeman poles ice out of the way as the lifeguards approach the boys in a boat. The boys are Oddmunn Haugen, 10, and Ricky Lynch, 9, Toronto.

Jasper-Rupert Traffic Delayed

Special to The Daily News

SMITHERS—Work crews from Prince George and Smithers today completed repairs to 300 feet of track ripped up when a CNR freight train was derailed 21 miles east of here Tuesday morning.

The unexplained derailment, which held up traffic on the Rupert-Jasper line for more than 24 hours, tilted 14 cars at crazy angles on and off the tracks, scattering a load of poles.

The way was cleared for traffic shortly before noon today but crews were still at work this afternoon, working with an auxiliary engine to haul the toppled cars out of the cut.

The wreckage held up the westbound passenger train, due in Rupert last night and it is not expected to arrive until about 8:45 tonight.

Twelve Prince Rupert women curlers in Smithers for a bonspiel, are passengers aboard the train.

Also affected were the east-bound passenger train which left here last night and a west-bound freight, also expected to arrive late tonight.

The derailed cars carried fish bound from Rupert to New York, lumber and poles. Four cars were empty.

The locomotive and caboose remained on the tracks and crewmen escaped injury in the upset. Les Oulton was conductor and George Thrift, engineer.

Location of the wreck, in a narrow cutting on a curve, hampered workmen who expected the clean-up job would take several days.

The westbound train was held up yesterday at Houston and passengers bound for Telka and Smithers were brought in by taxi.

Mail and baggage was transferred by truck. Other passengers waited out the delay aboard the train.

Library Board Faces Crisis

VICTORIA (CP) — Greater Victoria library board faced another crisis Tuesday night with word that two municipalities, representing a third of its financial backing, might pull out of the organization.

The library has been a storm centre in recent weeks because of a controversy among members over types of books carried and its firing without a hearing of librarian John Marshall on the grounds he had leftist sympathies.

Reeve Joseph Casey of Saanich said he would recommend that his municipality sever connections and build a library of its own.

Reeve F. E. Norris of Oak Bay said his municipality has been considering withdrawing or possibly organizing branches of a "better organized" library for that district.

Outside municipalities have chafed under library act regulations that give their representatives a non-voting seat on such boards. In this case almost half of the operating capital funds come from the non-voting districts.

Dobbin Outstrips Trucks In Winter Fire-Fighting

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — This is probably the only city in Canada where the fire department still uses horses.

Because of steep hills and severe blizzards, seven horses are hired by the department every December and are kept standing by until April.

Although the city's three fire stations have modern fire-fighting equipment, the only vehicle capable of bucking heavy snow is the snowmobile and it is too light to carry enough equipment for big fires.

This is where Dobbin comes in. Pulling ladder sleighs, hose sleighs and pump sleighs, horses can get to a fire through snow quicker than any vehicle and most winters they get a chance to show their stuff.

So far this year, trucks have been able to take all calls, but last year the horses were a factor in saving two buildings during heavy snowstorms. Until the climate changes a lot, horses are here to stay.

Man Killed In Crush To See Queen

MELBOURNE (AP)—A man was crushed to death when 10,000 excited Australians burst through a barrier of police and troops near Melbourne town hall to see Queen Elizabeth today.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh had just passed the spot when the crowd surged forward.

Otherwise the behaviour of the Melbourne crowds was orderly, but they gave the Queen a riotous reception on her arrival from Tasmania. (See story page 3)

Woman Needs No Telescope

LONDON (Reuters)—A keen-eyed British housewife who can see five moons with the naked eye makes her debut on television tonight.

Clifford Davis, TV editor of the London Daily Mirror, said today that Mrs. Janet Hitchman "can probably see farther and clearer than any other white person."

Without spectacles or a telescope she can spot the four major moons of the planet Jupiter, more than 390,000 miles away he said. Counting the earth's moon, that makes five she can see.

Davis reported that Mrs. Hitchman was discovered by the British Broadcasting Corporation, which has applied for someone who could see Jupiter's moons to appear on a scientific program tonight.

"Last week Mrs. Hitchman's sight was tested by the British Optical Association in London," he said. "She astounded everyone by picking out two of Jupiter's moons straight off."

WEATHER

Forecast

North Coast Region: Gale warning continued.

Cloudy today and Thursday. Intermittent rain spreading from the north over the whole region by evening and continuing through Thursday. Little change in temperature.

Winds southerly 20 frequently reaching 35 in exposed locations.

Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 37 and 45.

Roy Evans Hurt at Plant

Roy Evans, production superintendent at the Columbia Cellulose Company on Watson Island, suffered a badly crushed right foot and bruises to both legs yesterday when a steel roller fell on him.