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## Road Program Job Well Done

IDED by long stretches of good weather and by husbanding funds allotted to reconstruction and hardtopping, the city public works department, headed by City Works Superintendent C. J. Gustafson, has this year accomplished one of the most admirable paving programs the city has enjoyed in a good long time. When one contemplates the difficult terpain of this city, the drainage problems, the levels, grades and the somewhat haphazard adherence to town-planning observed in the city's earlier days, it is quite easily seen that keeping roads up to par is no simple task.

That is why The Daily News anticipated Mr. Gustafson's annual report on roads which would have in all probability come near the end of the year. The amount of hard-top now stretching throughout the city is formidable and we felt the public, who in Inost instances take things for granted, should know the amount of roadwork that had been accomplished Ithis year.

And for a job well done we compliment Mr. Gustafson and his crews for their doggedness in keeping going despite some weather setbacks that endangered the paving program.

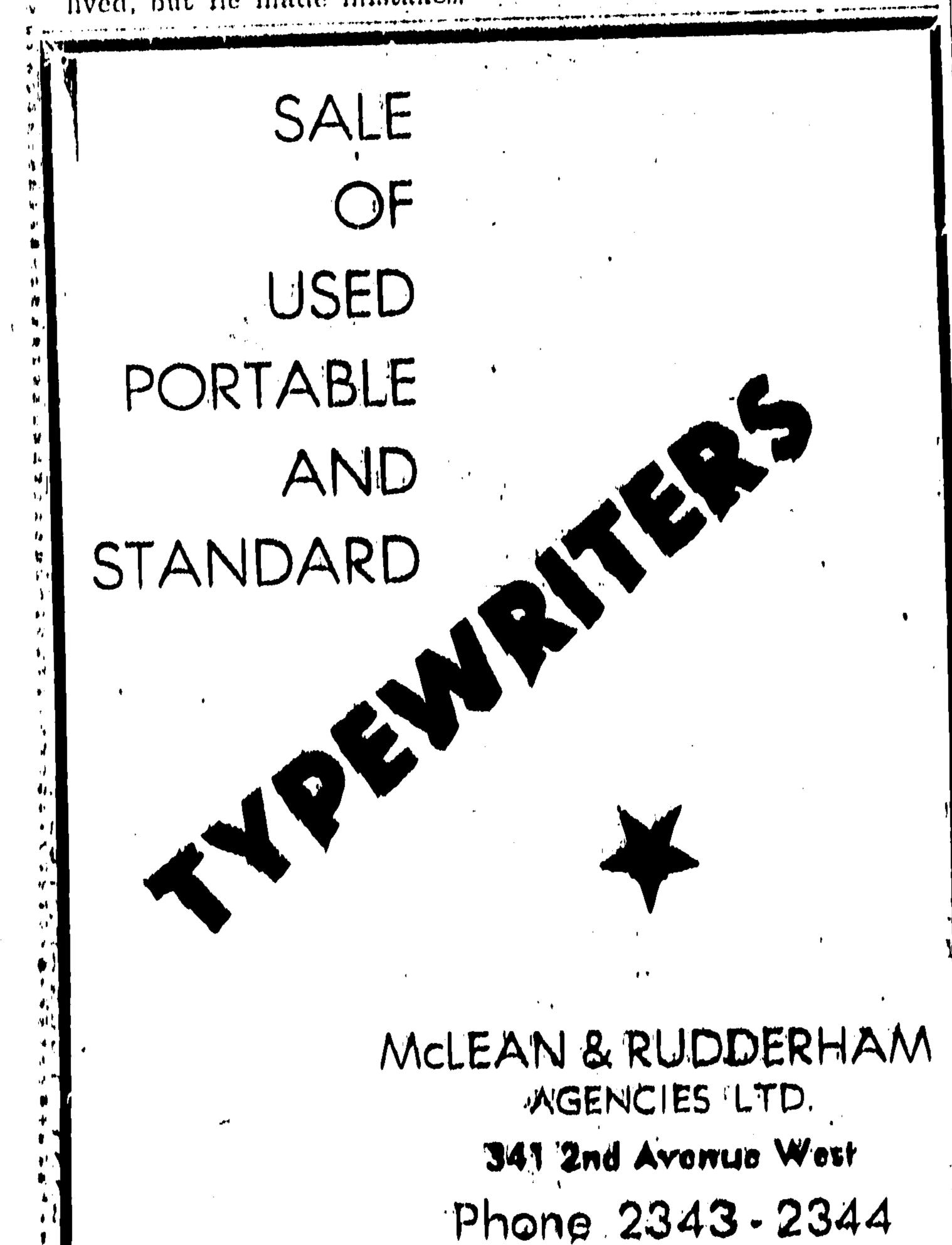
The widening of Sixth Avenue East, the completion of the widening of Second Avenue West, the resurfacing of the Third Avenue West stretch that was giving so much trouble... these are but a few of the areas which have made it more pleasant to drive about Prince Rupert.

So at our request Mr. Gustafson went to a great deal of trouble, extra work for both The Daily News'. and the public's benefit. No sooner was the list of paving published that Mr. Gustafson was subjected to abuse in a letter which contained nothing but a evenemous, personal attack. Mr. Gustafson is not a public official. He is merely an employee of the city, a private individual doing a job, just as we presume is the person who stooped to writing the letter for no other reason than we can see but inane viciousness. Persons who are elected to public office expect a certain amount of criticism for their actions on a counecil or board. But there is no excuse, not even ignorance, for attacking a man who is merely doing his -job. Certainly there is no cause for being abusive to or insulting to a man who has done a good job, as Mr. Gustafson has on roads this year.

Certainly there are roads yet to be done. No one realizes this more than City Council and Mr. Gustafson. We imagine that plans are already made for more work on the Co-Op road, resurfacing Ninth Avenue East, doing Alfred Street and First Over-Jook and similar mountain goat roads which present "quite a problem.

However, that is for next year and if the city fmakes as much progress as it did this year, Prince Rupert will indeed be ahead of many cities of comparable size.

I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision. Acts. 26:19. If ever a man justified in calling it à day Paul was that man. He suffered bentings with rods, stonings, prison, shipwreck, hunger but none of these things moved Paul. He most of the time made his own living making tents and preached free. We regard him as the greatest mortal man that ever lived, but he made mistakes.





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### John's First Mistake

IN PREVIOUS columns I have tried to show that the new Conservative government has greatly strengthened its position since the election.

By the quick and apparently paign promises substantially to poses a great challenge to the the Wenner-Gren interests.

It has, in fact, established the ernment has made its first ma- pire in itself. whole centre of gravity of Cana- jor blunder. In a sense it too Mr. Strachan took a dim view pany has it too much all its own dian politics much further left- arises from a good short range when he learned the other day way.

## Commission Urged by CLC

is his first-big mistake. OTTAWA (P. --- A royal commission on methods of settling in-CLOSURE is nothing more nor dustrial disputes was proposed to the new Progressive Conserv- on debate. The old British mothative government today by the er of parliaments has used clos-Canadian Labor Congress in its ure for a century or more. first annual legislative brief to each and every recent session the Diefenbaker administration. of the British parliament closure is applied about 35 times. gress, which delivers a yearly ernments in Britain to the same submission to the government, extent as it had been and still is said amendments are needed for by Conservative governments. the Industrial Relations and Dis- and as it had been by British putes Investigation Act—the la- Liberal ministries. bor code—and that a royal commission is the best way of hand!- British and Canadian use of ing the issue.



day after a short illness. He was 86. A native of Manchester, England, Mr. Smith was veteran of nearly 70 verus in the newspaper business. He was a founder of The Canadian Press and its president (CP Photo)

for six years.



lawyer, has been named a member of the Borden royal commission which will study resources development throughstructure of pipeline com- turers in 1956 were valued at

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Once again he'll go after the of under Ottawa, complete fulfillment of its cam- case before. This shift not only government's agreement with increase pensions, and such like Liberals. But it will obviously development of a huge chunk of it has temporarily established have the most far-reaching con-BC up north, a chunk believed itself further to the left than the sequences for the whole country. loaded with fortunes in minerals,

ward than has ever been the motive—that is Mr. Diefenbak- the Premier had extended what Now the prime minister pro-

Peace River water power. . Mr. Strachan thinks the gov- instead of SC'ers. ernment's in too great a hurry future generations.

Strachan's lining up his ammun- ernment-controlled B.C. Public Utiliales Commissition, instead

Before he left he said he'd come home by train, so that he could, in peace and quiet, work

Mr. Strachan thinks the gov-Ternment of B.C., and the Legislature should have some say in he services and rates of telephone company, and a lot But now the Diesenbaker gov- oils and timber, a whole vast em- people agree with him. These people think the telephone com-

A few years ago Mr. Strachan

But soon SC backbenchers about all this development, that stopped such talk. It was sussomething should be saved for pected the Premier had button-

the Premier's going back to Ot- ... ot rush blindly into the future." quite a one. In addition to the The Leader of the Opposition, above arguments, which Mr. conference, the first under aus- too, has served notice he's again Strachan will stir up, there'll be Conservative going after the B.C. Telephone the Sloan report on forestry for Company Mr. Strachan is of the the MLA's to debate. This is considered opinion this colossus bound to create a great deal of Opposition Leader Robert should come under the B.C. gov- controversy. The good old PGE will come

- Premier Bennett changed his mind and returned by plane from the Royal

er's campaign implication that is being called Wennergrenland talked this way in the Legislattof Mr. Gunderson running the closure of parliamentary debates by those who don't like what ure to his astonishment, and was an iniquitous and undemo-they insist is a deal, even though political joy, he found a numthe Premier, equally vehemently, her of Social Credit backbench insists there's no deal. The ex- ers in complete agreement with tension of Wennergrenland was him. They spoke out boldly made to permit development of against the telephone company. just as if they had been CCF'ers.

ed their lips

REPORT FROM

MP Skeena

Parliament's first week has come to a close. Even closure is quite simple. By usparties, in and out of office, ac- in this short time it is quite apparent that the govern-Here we hardly ever apply ment is courting defeat in the House. The design beclosure. But this is the fact hind this is quite obvious. The Conservatives want an election as soon as possible hoping to capitalize on that should make Prime Minister Diefenbaker stop, look and the "give us a chance" theme.

have thus far been of a "needling" nature, designed to incur the period of crisis just before a the anger, primarily of the Lib-

As an interesting and amusing of the day would have found it-sidelight, I must relate that the self at the complete mercy of a Prime Minister Diefenbaker small determined minority, in- made a slip in referring to Mr. tent only on frustrating the will St. Laurent as the prime minof the majority inside the house ister. We were all waiting for this first error but certainly didn't expect Mr. Diefenbaker to T DO not believe that any res- make it. Within about five min-, ponsible person could read the utes Mr. Diefenbaker, on two fierce debates that took place in occasions, referred to Mr. St. E. NORMAN SMITH, president this country at the time of the Laurent as the prime minister.

and chief editor of the Ottawa navy argument around 1911 or The Liberals are in a peculiar Journal, died in hospita Fri- the conscription battles of 1917 political position and are acclosure altogether is a profound quite clearly when he said: It is a mistake of such grave

the official opposition to be appropriate to move the TRAdimensions that it might very not to move an amendment ourselves, we do not feel, at year. this time, that we should support any amendment to the Tories in B.C. Address moved in any other

quarter of the House." Praised for Work This was said regardless of Praised for Work In Tennyson's words it is whether the Liberals agreed in

to serve the hour. Modern par- or not. liaments need the tool of closure much as they need the mace on moved an amendment for we felt that, regardless of political. pressing our principles so as to mendous job" done by Conservathe best possible benefits tives in B.C.

> urges that these measures be placed before parliament with the least possible delay in order that the benefits proposed therein might accrue to the

Canadian people at once. We respectfully submit, however, that in the opinion of this House Your Majesty's advisers should give immediate consideration to the advisability of taking steps to deal with the menace of inflation, rapidly rising unemployment and other serious problems facing this country. We call upon the government to give immediate effect to the social and economic planning necessary to cope with these problems."

On Thursday, October 17, the government forced the House inand again in 1944 without realiz-cordingly playing pure politics an interim supply motion. It ing that the Prime Minister's in the House. Mr. St. Laurent appeared to me that this was well-meaning proposal to end himself established this policy nothing short of an attempted know that the government needs money to carry on its affairs for another month, after which we'll be able to vote the rest of the money for the balance of the

HARRISON HOT SPRINGS, plainly a case of selling the truth principle with the amendment B.C. (P—Alister Grosart, national The CCF leader, M. J. Coldwell, servative party, said Saturday the "miracle" of the last federal "election campaign was the "tre-

baker's reception in B.C. was like. an explosion through the rest of Canada," he said in an address to the annual provincial meeting of the B.C. Progressive Con-

The Imperial War Museum at, London, England, was founded;

on the 1958-59 budget, to be presented to the Lugislature at the next session, opening in mid-ence. He said last session: "Let us. Next year's session should be

> into the Legislative picture once again, with the Premier boasting of how he's extending it, how t would long since be dead, but still expensive for the taxpayers, if he hadn't come along in the nick of time to save it, and the opposition, while favoring the extension, will at the same time the critical of certain expenditlures and policies, and especially

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