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Flames Level Paper Town

DAMAGE WAS ESTIMATED at \$1,000,000 as the biggest fire in its history swept the paper-making town of Corner Brook, Nfld. Fifteen stores were destroyed in the town's west business district. Firemen were hampered by lack of water pressure. Work had been done on the town's water mains on the day the fire struck and pressure was low.

Boat Seeks Herring

Fishing Almost at Standstill Here

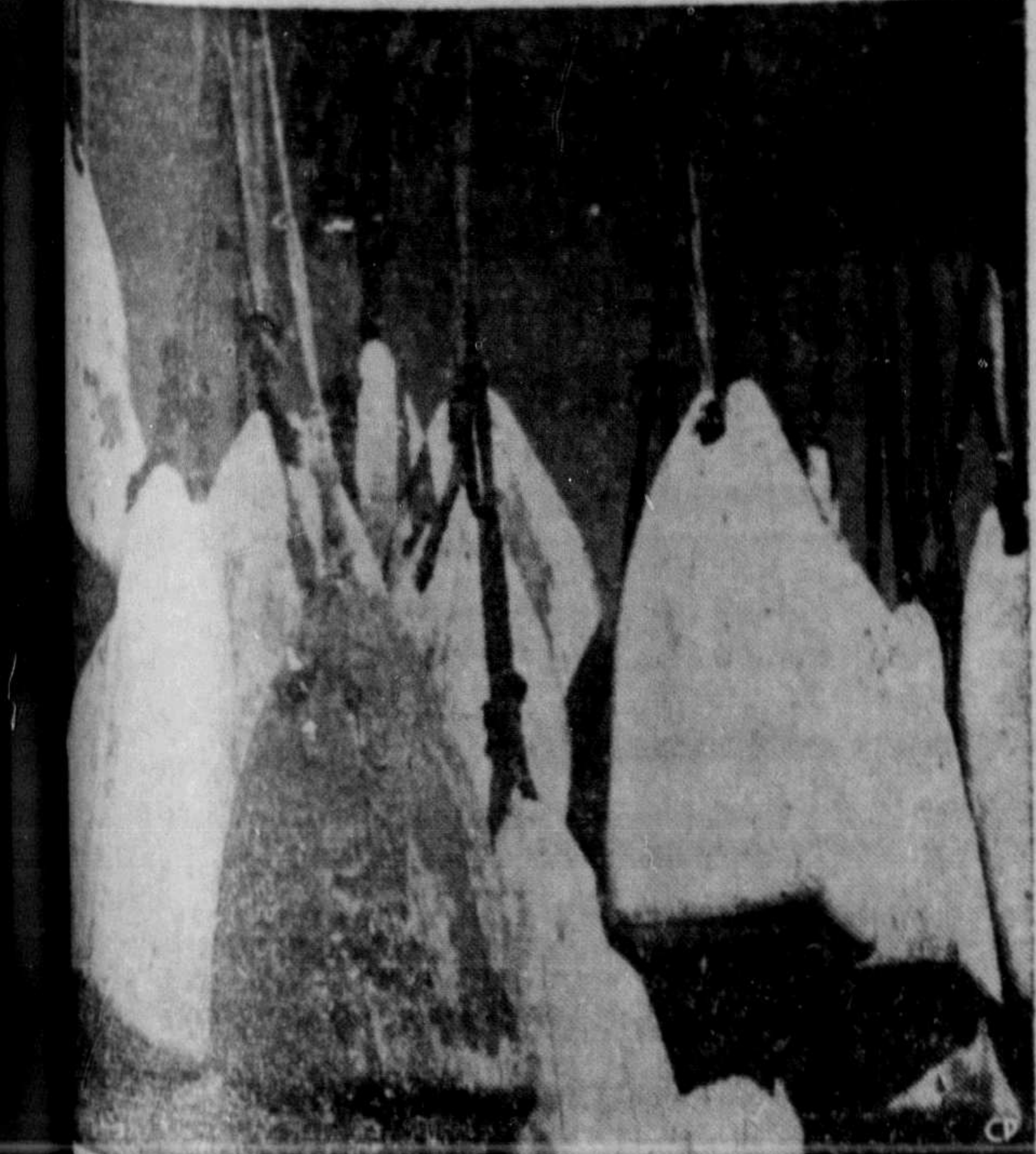
LARRY STANWOOD
The commercial fishing industry probably has never been at a low ebb in Prince Rupert as it is today. The herring fishery is almost at a standstill—its adverse economic effect has hit at nearly every point.

Aldermen Fail to Agree On Sherbrooke Ave. Work

Work to begin work immediately on construction of a dead-end street was voted last night when Mayor Whalen cast his vote. The motion calling for further investigation and a new petition to be presented to the city council was passed after a vote of six aldermen present (Aldermen George Hills and Alderman Krueger are in Victoria.) The issue was raised by Ald. Gomez in city council. He said he was "sick and tired of this drag on and on."

Kamloops to Get Oil Refinery

KAMLOOPS — First industrial development for interior British Columbia as a result of the Trans-Mountain Edmonton-Vancouver oil pipeline will be a \$10,000 refinery near here. The project was announced Monday by Syd Smith, former member of the legislature and Kamloops Mayor. Mr. Smith is president of the Kamloops Refinery Syndicate which is underwriting the project.



A CARILLON in a belfry, these buoys are drying in a Nova Scotia fishing village after weeks of use as net markers. They are ready now for a new role, showing lobster fishermen where traps have been laid.

Loggers' Committee Agrees To Accept 1952 Wage Scale

Only One TV Station Per Area

Private Stations May Get Licences

OTTAWA (CP)—The government announced on Monday television stations, whether publicly or privately owned, will be limited to one for each area in Canada.

Expanding in the Commons on the television policy announced at the opening session, Revenue Minister McCann said "no two stations will be licensed at present to serve the same area."

"It is desirable to have one station in as many areas as possible before there are two in any one area."

Dr. McCann said the government objective will be to make "national television service available to as many Canadians as possible through co-operation between private and public enterprise."

The government would consider applications for licences for private stations in areas not served or to be served by the publicly-owned CBC.

The CBC has stations in Montreal and Toronto and plans stations in Ottawa, Vancouver, Winnipeg and Halifax.

Dr. McCann did not name the areas from which applications for private stations would be considered.

RCAF Pilot Missing In Korea

OTTAWA (CP)—An RCAF fighter pilot with the United States Air Force in Korea, Squadron Leader A. R. (Andy) Mackenzie, DFC, of Montreal, is missing on operations. Air Force headquarters here have been advised.

Squadron Leader Mackenzie, 32, is officer commanding No. 441 fighter squadron, which is stationed at North Luffenham, England.

A Second World War fighter pilot with 8½ enemy planes destroyed, he went to Korea in October for a tour of operations with the USAF.

He is the first RCAF casualty of Korea war.

Health Engineer Goes to Kitimat

VICTORIA —The provincial health department has sent Reginald Bowering, public health engineer, to Kitimat to investigate health and sanitary conditions.

The health department took the action after Vancouver Trades and Labor Council charged health provisions at the big Alcan development were being violated. Conditions were described as "deplorable."

Mr. Bowering will report in the near future on findings of his investigation.

-WEATHER-

Forecast

North coast region, gale warning continued. Cloudy today, rain this afternoon and evening. Cloudy with showers Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Wind southeast 40 today, south 20 tonight and Wednesday. Low tonight and high Wednesday at Port Hardy, 36 and 44; Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 35 and 42.



SENATOR JOHN T. HAIG, Progressive Conservative leader in the Senate, doesn't profess to be a swami but he says his crystal ball tells him the next federal election will be Monday, Oct. 12, 1953. The senator was right on the button on a previous prediction, picking Monday, June 27, 1949, as the date of the last election.

Parking Fines Cut In Half by Council

Penalty for infractions of the city parking bylaw was reduced from \$5 to \$2.50 last night by city council.

Introduced by Ald. George Casey, the move followed one of the stormiest council sessions this year.

It all started when Ald. James Prusky asked council to order the RCMP to issue "initial warnings" to offenders under the Motor Vehicles Act . . . "with special emphasis on tail-lights."

Ald. Prusky referred to a friend of his, whom he named, who had been "pinched because his tail-light went out while driving."

"This man had to pay \$7.50 as a fine, which I think is far too much. I also think this council should tell the police to give a warning to first offenders."

MINOR OFFENCE

Ald. Ray McLean, who seconded Ald. Prusky's motion "just so I can speak against it," said "maybe Ald. Prusky thinks that driving without a tail-light is only a minor offence . . . but it may mean somebody's life."

Ald. Prusky said "this fellow" (his friend) had not known that the tail-light was not working and "I think he has a right to protest."

Ald. Darrow Gomez thought the point had merit, and when he tried to speak again, Mayor Harold Whalen called for "order," telling the alderman to "sit down, you've spoken already to this motion."

"In the first place, I hold this subject completely beyond the jurisdiction of the city council," the mayor stormed.

"If we pass this, we might as well throw the Motor Vehicles Act out of the window. Another thing—this council has been too much out of order recently with no regards to procedure of any kind. I'm calling for order right now and that's the way it's going to be from now on."

After the motion was defeated by all show of hands except those of Ald. Prusky's the mayor said:

"I hope some aldermen will think a little before trying to bring to the floor matters which are no concern of ours."

"It burns me up, the time that is wasted on trivialities here!"

Several of the aldermen clapped their hands.

Ald. Casey asked for support in reducing the parking fine to \$2.50, saying, "I think it is too much to pay." There was no opposition.

Mills May Resume Production Soon

By The Canadian Press

VANCOUVER.—Lumber mills in southern interior British Columbia, stopping production because of a deadlock in wage dispute, soon may be humming again.

The union policy committee bargaining for some 2,000 woodworkers bowed last night to demands of operators that last year's wage contract be renewed.

Nevertheless, the dispute which has paralyzed logging in the region remained unsettled as both sides disagreed on procedure for resuming the contract.

The International Woodworkers of America said it will not recommend a continuation of the contract to its membership until the operators have reopened their mills.

The operators replied that the mills will not open until the union has signed the contract.

Both statements were made following a meeting before the Labor Relations Board. Operators will give their official answer to the union before Thursday.

MEETING CALLED

LRB member Fred Smelts announced the board has called a meeting between the IWA and northern interior operators.

He said the conference is aimed at bringing both sides into agreement before Dec. 14, date on which operators threaten to shut down mills where workers haven't signed for last year's pay scale.

But the possibility of the IWA accepting such a contract "is so remote as to be virtually impossible" union organizer Mike Sekora said in Prince George last week.

Meanwhile, the union there received a set-back when workers at two mills voted largely against holding a strike, and for acceptance of last year's pay scale. Two other mills, largest in the area, have voted for strike action if wage increases were not granted.

Sekora said further that "the employers, in threatening a shutdown such a short time before Christmas, are showing no regard for their employees or the general public. I believe the operators are trying to use Christmas as a lever in their negotiations."

Meantime, several mills west of Prince George, whose employees are working under the IWA-operator contract are reported to have agreed to a renewal of the 1952 wage scale.

Police Probe \$300 Theft

RCMP said today they are investigating a theft of "about \$300" from the bar at the Old Empress Hotel on Third Avenue between Sixth and Seventh Street.

A window was broken to gain entry, said police.

This is the second robbery of major proportions in three weeks. Simpson's store was entered and robbed of more than \$3,000 in a safe Nov. 24. No trace of the safe has yet been found, said police.

Welcome to Prince Rupert

Greeter Service Started Here

"Welcome to Prince Rupert," said two smiling ladies as they entered the downtown apartment yesterday of Mrs. A. E. Sanderson, who moved here from Vancouver a week ago.

The two were hostesses for the Prince Rupert Greeter Service and were making their first call in inaugurating a plan to welcome newcomers to the city.

They carried a basket of gifts from merchants who are sponsoring the service. They also had a bouquet of flowers.

Among gifts presented to Mrs. Sanderson were a photograph album, a ruler, pencils, an apron, a bottle of milk, loaf of bread, bar of soap and washcloth.

The new city resident was caught completely by surprise and when hostesses Mrs. Robert Armstrong and Mrs. Don Forward called, she was chatting with another recent arrival, Mrs. Rod MacDougall.

Entering with the basket of gifts as a welcome, the hostesses also presented Mrs. Sanderson with a booklet listing the names of merchants who are sponsoring the service.

There are coupons in the booklet from the merchants, which the new citizen uses to receive additional favors.

After a brief chat, the ladies left to make another call. They hope to meet every newcomer.

Sirens To 'Call' Voters

Howling sirens, a "bombardment" of the city with paper leaflets and blaring loudspeakers all will be part of the Prince Rupert Junior Chamber of Commerce "get out the vote" campaign in the next two days.

Sometime tomorrow, a plane will fly over the city dumping thousands of leaflets calling on citizens to turn out and vote on civic election day Thursday.

On election day, the city curfew siren will sound on the hour from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., reminding folks "it's voting time."

On the same day, a loud-speaker truck will proclaim by voice and music that "it's time to vote," as it is being driven through residential areas by Jaycee Bert Jeffries.

Tonight, the regular Jaycee radio program will give a brief biography of candidates and then interview city clerk and returning officer Bill Long on the subject of voting and civic elections.

Jaycee Jerry Lemire is chairman of the campaign.

Winds Blow Heavy Fog From London

LONDON (CP)—The great fog that gripped London by the throat for four choking days morning blowing away this morning.

A cold wind came happily out of the southwest and 9,000,000 prisoners of London's worst mist of modern times began to breathe more easily.

Meanwhile, treacherous weather fouled shipping in the English Channel and covered much of northern Europe.

In the fogbound channel, two ships collided and a Franch-bound ferry boat with 300 passengers was stalled for more than 19 hours outside Calais harbor before it could dock.

Fog blanketed Oslo and southern Norway Monday night, stalling air travel and shipping.

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Support the School Bylaw

IN VOTING for aldermen, as we will do on Thursday, there are many shades of opinion and reasoning involved. Some voters will put stress on a candidate's record either in or outside the council. Others will put more emphasis on character and personality, and still others will be influenced mainly by political inclinations.

There are many other considerations which the voter can only contend with in his or her own way until finally the list is narrowed down to the favored four.

But there is another subject to be voted on which does not provoke so many shades of thought. It is essentially a matter of black and white. There are only two choices, one of which by any civilized standards is dead right, and the other dead wrong.

The reference is to the bylaw authorizing construction of a new school at Port Edward. In a sense the description "new" is superfluous because the building there now is not a school at all. It is a cold, dark, dreary dump with no proper lavatory facilities and with a road as its playground. Into these dismal premises are crowded 85 small children who, when it rains, are cooped up in there most of the day without an extra square foot in which to play. Eighty luckier ones are brought into Prince Rupert each day.

It will cost the city \$39,311 and the district \$44,669 to build a modern seven-room school there, with the province putting up an amount equal to the combined sums. If the happiness and development of a small child can be figured in dollars and cents, those with a mind for arithmetic can go to it. They will find we are getting off lightly.

Contest Provides Extra Stimulus

WITH its customary appreciation of community spirit, the Junior Chamber of Commerce has initiated a contest for the best-dressed store window and the most attractively decorated home exterior of the Yuletide season.

This is the sort of competition which, almost more than any other effort, can brighten our Christmas. A city is never more beautiful than when wearing its Christmas regalia. Families and friends may be festive indoors, but only when the streets are sparkling with lights and dressed up with displays does the spirit of hospitality seem to embrace everyone.

While all would probably do their decorative best without prompting, the Jaycee contest will provide that bit of extra stimulus which is sure to mean something a little brighter here and a little more cheerful there.

There is no doubt that competition will be strong and the prizes difficult to win, but all those who take part can rightfully feel they have done much to make it a Merry Christmas in Prince Rupert.

LETTERBOX

OPPOSES MANAGER PLAN

Editor, The Daily News—
I note from your paper of Saturday, Dec. 6, that you polled aldermanic candidates as to their views on a city manager for Prince Rupert. You state I was the only candidate not available for a statement.

I am not certain, Mr. Editor, what you meant by "not available" for I was most certainly in the city and would have gladly made my position clear if I had been contacted. Certainly I have never been a "fence sitter" and have no intention of becoming one now.

I am, to be both frank and brief, opposed to the idea of a city manager. In my opinion this would be placing too much authority in the hands of too few, especially with a council reduced to six men.

In my contention civic government, as well as all government, should be by the broadest possible representation of the people. The general public, the man in the street and on the job, must learn and understand that government is his business.

This will not be accomplished by turning administration over to what would, I am certain in my own mind, turn into a practice of rule by one man.

I do not deny that the city-manager plan might be quite efficient under certain circumstances, but may I point out certain other administrations in

the hands of small groups were very efficient but they were also efficient at turning the administration into their own hands.

No, Mr. Editor, leave government responsibility where it should be, with a free people. Extend it too, and educate the people to take a greater interest in their affairs; for has not part of the trouble in the world in the last decade been due to unlimited power falling into the hands of small and unrepresentative groups of ambitious men?
R. L. GARDINER.

As I See It



by **Elmore Philpott**

B.C. Election—When?

PREMIER BENNETT has given notice that he will attempt a trick which could throw B.C. into unnecessary expense and greatly complicate the 1953 federal election contrary to the public interest.

He intends to ask the Lieutenant Governor to dissolve the present Legislature, and to stage another unjustified, unnecessary B.C. election just before the federal election. The Socialists figure that both the Liberals and Conservatives in B.C. are either leaderless or disorganized and that, consequently, Social Credit might make big gains in seats. They figure that the momentum of such provincial elections might carry over into the federal election, and that Social Credit might win many of the 22 seats in B.C.—possibly emerging with the balance of power over George Drew at Ottawa.

The Lieutenant Governor would be wrong to dissolve the present Legislature unless and until a majority of the elected MLAs indicate that such is necessary. Social Credit holds only 19 seats in a Legislature of 48. Between them the Liberals, Conservatives, CCF and Labor hold 29 seats. Social Credit won 26 per cent of the popular vote. The other parties won 74 per cent of the popular vote.

There would therefore be no justification to grant the minority premier a dissolution UNLESS IT BECOMES CLEAR THAT NO OTHER PARTY OR GROUP OF PARTIES CAN CARRY ON WITHOUT AN ELECTION.

The non-Social Credit parties in the house could clarify the pending situation by publicly or privately petitioning the Lieutenant Governor not to grant Premier Bennett's request for a new election unless all possibilities for stable government from within the existing Legislature have been exhausted.

It is, of course not true that His Honor would be compelled to call in the CCF alone, if Mr. Bennett were to be beaten in the Legislature or otherwise throw up the sponge. The duty of the Crown, under such circumstances, would be to summon the leader best fitted to meet the actual situation. The Liberals, or even the Conservatives, might even be called in as an admitted "caretaker government" to hold office only until a B.C. election could be held uncomplicated by federal issues, and vice versa. The CCF might well suggest this move, if necessary.

THE PRESENT Legislature has a duty to hold the present Social Credit membership in that Legislature until the people learn the whole awful truth about the havoc done in Hospital Insurance.

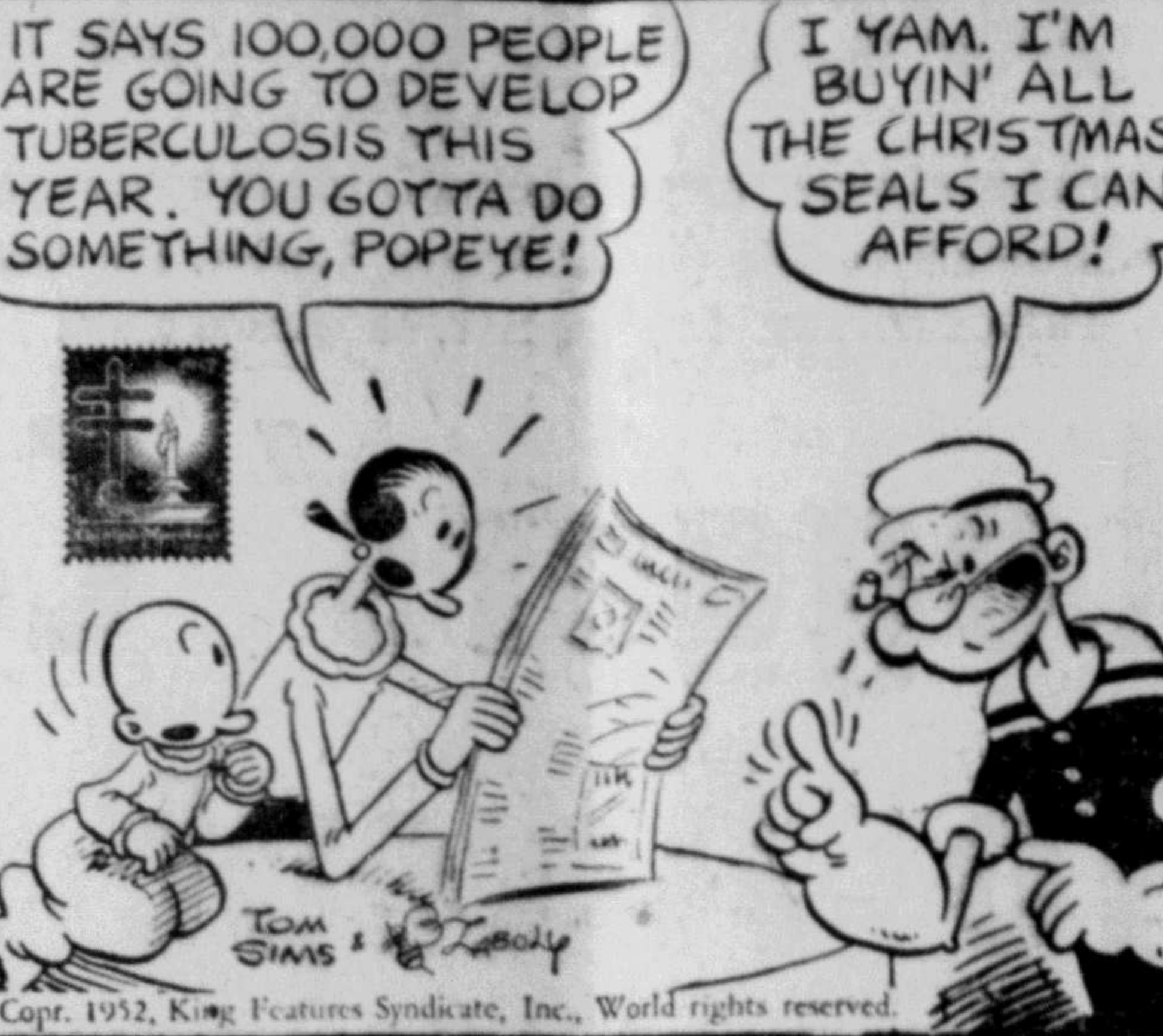
Social Credit should be made to face the music—made to answer for the wreckage already wrong, where a surplus of over \$3 million has already been swiftly converted to a deficit of many millions, with worse to come.

No wonder the Social Credit government wants to "beat the rap" and get another unnecessary election before the people can learn the truth about the gross mismanagement and crass favoritism in BCHIS premiums where many are made to pay, but others permitted to escape tax free.

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OTTAWA DIARY
By Norman M. MacLeod

Debates are never dull in the House of Commons when personalities are involved. You can always expect fireworks—shouting, table banging and accusations by tone of voice which never appear in Hansard.

A lively debate involving a Canadian personality took place while Rt. Hon. Mr. St. Laurent was speaking in the Throne Speech debate.

Several opposition MPs suggested that part of Mr. St. Laurent's speech had been written by John Pickersgill, the shy and retiring clerk of the Privy Council. Mr. St. Laurent, of course, denied the charge with a surge of his Irish dander. "I am making this speech—not Mr. Pickersgill," he said.

The Conservative heckling dates back to the time when Jack Pickersgill was secretary to the late Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, and later, special assistant to Mr. St. Laurent. Mr. Pickersgill was principal ghost writer for both prime ministers. Mr. St. Laurent said the Conservatives seemed to be obsessed with the fact that "Mr. Pickersgill was my assistant, until such time as he became clerk of the Privy Council."

Conversion Step Depends On U.S. Aid

LONDON (CP)—Ranking delegates to the Commonwealth conference said today that the nine-country group has agreed to take some new steps toward freeing the pound if the United States will help.

The reported arrangement would allow sterling to be exchanged without restriction for urgently-needed dollar goods such as machinery.

Two pre-conditions have been set:

The United States would cooperate to build up a gold and dollar reserve in the British-led sterling area, presumably by entering long-term price-fixing pacts on some scarce commodities such as rubber and tin.

The United States would share in applying delicate administrative measures to control various sorts of pound-dollar transactions.



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Ray Reflects and Reminisces

Another anniversary of Pearl Harbor was remembered last Sunday. Few ports of the Pacific neglect to do so. It is true Prince Rupert has never been guilty. On that momentous date, this city heard the news early, and straightaway felt jittery.

What did Prince Rupert have in the way of defence? Some of Washington's finest warships were shattered, if not utterly destroyed. A great naval base in mid-ocean had become a shambles. One feared to even guess at the total of dead and wounded seamen and marines. This city had less than nothing in the way of air protection.

The western sea it might not have occurred?

A few years prior to the war, a full rigged sailing ship manned by capable looking officers and youths in uniform called here to remain several days. All were Japanese. They were cruising thousands of miles, to give the young men experience in sailing and seamanship. The visit was a courtesy call. Hundreds of local fellow countrymen, engaged in fishing and other industries, came to town to share in the enjoyment of meeting. One afternoon, in Roosevelt Park, the young sailors gave clever exhibitions of fencing.

Man may toil from sunrise but woman's work is never as easily as he thinks it. Buffalo Courier-Express.

UNEASY PEACE
The feeling in Prince Rupert? Nervous, we'll tell the world! Any moment, it might be learned would come word of fast planes attacking the coast. There was no security from Mexico to Skagway. Distance was as nothing, but anxiety was everywhere.

However San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Victoria, Vancouver and Prince Rupert were spared.

Debris and flames, ashes and horror never happened. But who dare say today, as an uneasy peace continues to brood over

NUMEROUS QUESTIONS
The sailing craft had come to Prince Rupert direct from California, omitting any stay in Vancouver. It was evident that all the information possible concerning Prince Rupert was something to be desired. Questions were numerous.

Exchange of gifts and modest social gatherings completed a series of agreeable and unique events. The vessel berthed at the CNR dock and here the trim and slim cadets gave daily displays of how to handle sail, something rarely seen in this day and age.

X VOTE X

Darrow Gomez
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I will support any sound proposition for the engagement of a City Manager.

I will support a decision on the Power Question only if it is in the interest of all consumers, with a long range contract and planning for future needs.

VOTE

X H. KRAUPNER

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Casualties Lighter in Korean War Due to Good Equipment, Training

OTTAWA — Canada's 5,000-man 25th Brigade in Korea has suffered fewer casualties than any comparable Canadian formation in the Second World War. Taking exception to an Oppo-

B.C. May be Given Hospital Free Unless Policy Changed

REVELSTOKE, B. C. (CP)—The British Columbia government may get a hospital without charge.

Directors of the Queen Victoria Hospital here have threatened to hand it over to the government unless there is a change in hospital policy.

Health Minister Eric Martin earlier last week notified all hospitals operating under the B.C. Hospital Insurance Act that

costs in 1953 must be held at the 1952 level.

Hospital directors here adopted a resolution recommending the hospital be turned over to the government next February if the present situation "still exists."

J. A. Abrahamson, chairman, said the board was "fed up" with arbitrary orders issued by the B.C. Hospital Insurance services.

sition member's statement in Commons that Canadian casualties in Korea are comparable to those suffered in the Dieppe raid of 1942, Defence Minister Claxton said Monday:

"I am informed by the chief of the general staff that the casualty rate of the 25th Brigade has, relative to the actions in which they have been engaged, been lower than any comparable formation in the war in Korea or in the Second World War and that has been due to the finest possible equipment, good training, maintenance of strength and good leadership.

"At Dieppe, of the force of 4,963, 3,371 were casualties in eight hours. In Korea the 25th Brigade have been there a total of 7,900 man years. The total number of casualties suffered is 1,248 or 16 per cent a year as opposed to 68 per cent in eight hours at Dieppe."

Mr. Claxton was replying to a speech by Lt.-Col. Gordon Churchill, DSO, (PC-Winnipeg South Centre) a veteran of the two world wars, who said:

"Had there been no rotation of battalions and had the original brigade remained in Korea from February of 1951 to the present time without replacement, the fighting strength now would be one battalion, not three.

"In other words, the casualties have been approximately 68 per cent, the same heavy casualty rate as at Dieppe. The only difference is that at Dieppe the casualty rate of 60 per cent was suffered in a period of nine hours and the casualty rate of 68 per cent in Korea has been spread over 22 months."

Answering other points raised by Col. Churchill, Mr. Claxton said Canada has adequate chances to make her views known in Korea, and no Canadian casualties can be attributed to a lack of ammunition.

Canada has suffered 1,245 casualties so far in Korea, including 233 dead, 899 wounded, 28 missing, 84 injured in action and one captured.

Fishing

(Continued from page 1)

The Co-op is also the only plant buying flat fish. While weather at sea has been "very unfavorable" according to one fisherman, several tons have been taken in the Banks Island area in the last two weeks.

Boats on the ground are the Dungeness, skippered by Carl Giske; the Taplow, Capt. Jack Strand; and the Combat, Capt. Nils Nelson, of Vancouver.

These trawlers are reporting good quality brill and lemon sole near Banks and in Hecate Straits.

HITS BUSINESS

This near standstill in the fishing industry, coupled with the stoppage of fall salmon fishing due to price disagreement, is being felt severely by this city, which primarily depends on the fishing industry for a sound economic standing.

For example, in November, there were 910 persons seeking employment here, 421 persons drawing unemployment insurance benefits locally, and 313 drawing benefits by mail, an Unemployment Insurance Commission spokesman revealed.

This compares with 668 seeking employment, 344 locals drawing insurance and 169 drawing benefits by mail for the same period last year.

BLAME INACTIVITY

"And this appears definitely to be due to the lack of activity this year in the fishing industry," the spokesman said.

Merchants report, almost with one voice, that sales have dropped appreciably, quoting declines of from 10 to 25 per cent over last year's sales. The bigger losses have been felt mainly by merchants depending largely on fall buying by native fishermen, who themselves were hard hit.

One retailer said that only by aggressive advertising had he maintained a comparable level of sales so far.

Following his recent trip covering several native villages, Indian Superintendent Frank Anfield reports "many hard up cases."

MORE ASSISTANCE

"Especially hard hit are those fishermen who depended on seining for their livelihood. Because there was no fishing of this kind this year due to the strike, these fishermen just didn't earn any money."

The Indian Department is giving "many more times" the amount of relief and social assistance to natives in this area than last year, Mr. Anfield said. Among villages hardest hit are Kitkatla and Masset, traditionally seine-fishing centres.

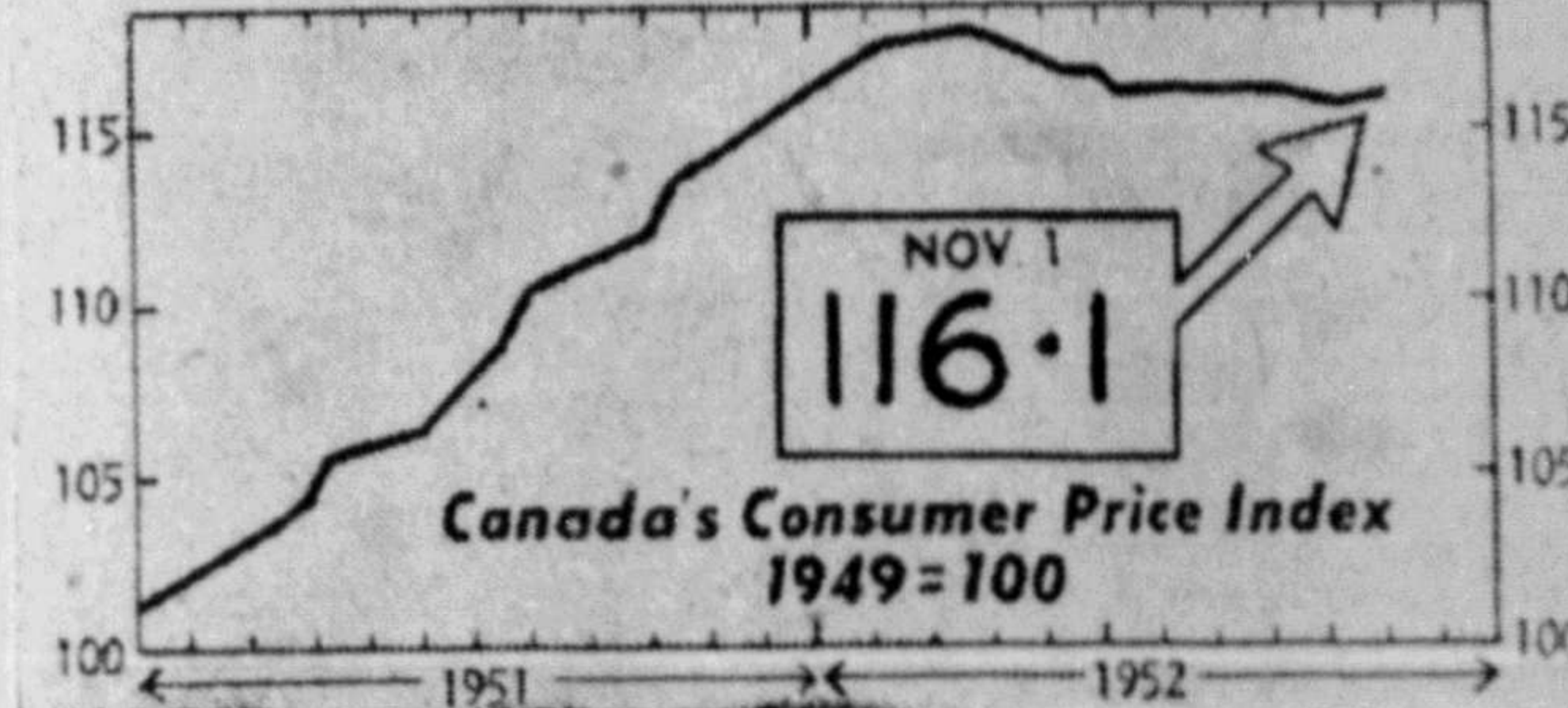
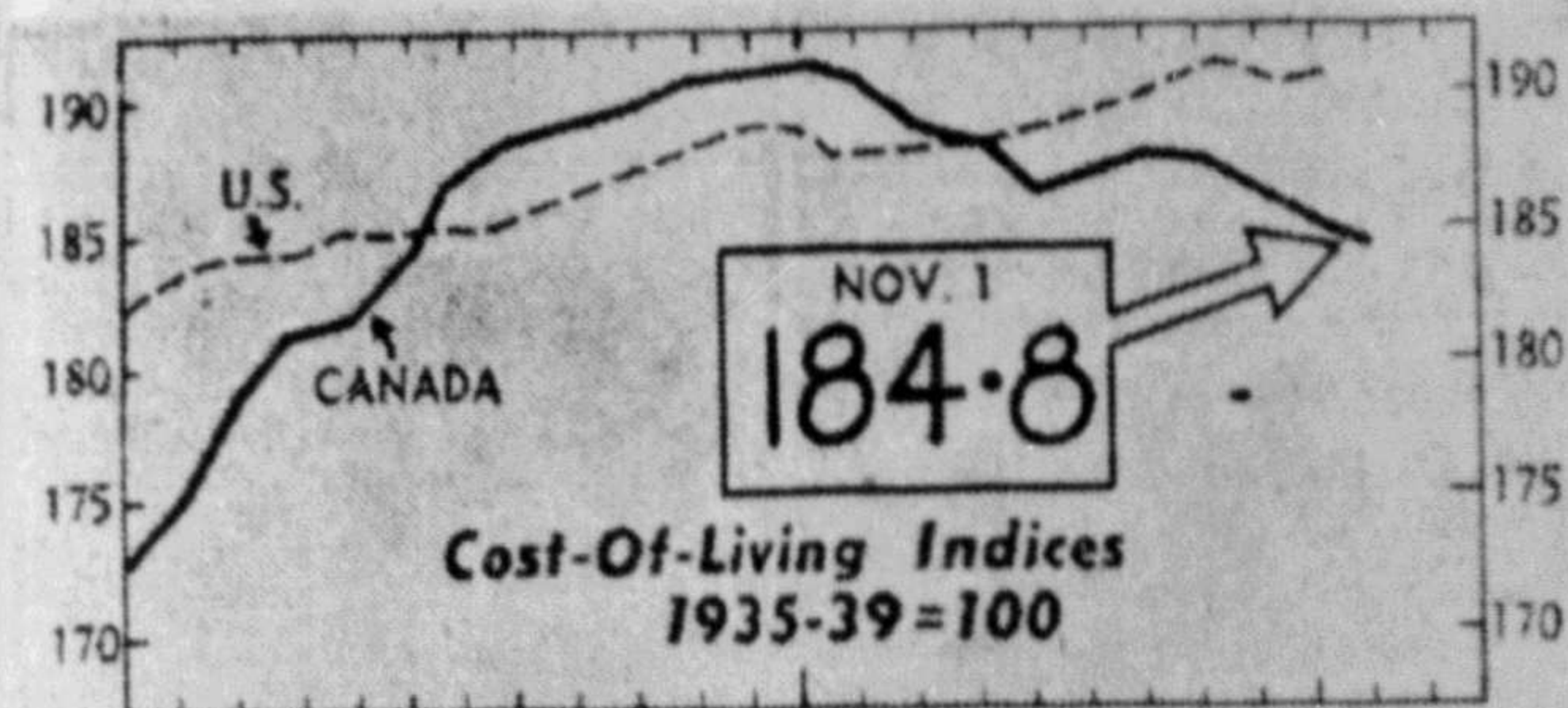
"There are families asking for help from us today that haven't done so before. That shows how serious the situation is," said Mr. Anfield.

Man From 'Hell' Loses Fingers In Trim Saw

VANCOUVER (CP)—A 30-year-old man who said he'd "come from hell" told police he obeyed a "heavenly dictate" when he shoved his hands into the whirling blades of a trim saw at a mill here.

Shouting, "The Lord said for me to take off both my hands," the man stepped onto the saw platform and plunged his hands into the blade.

Several fingers were amputated, but his condition is reported as "good" in hospital today. Police did not disclose his name.



LIVING COSTS as reflected by the new consumer price index climbed one-tenth of a point during October to 116.1 from 116.0. This is a reversal of the September trend when the new index, based on 1949 prices equalling 100, dropped by the same amount. However, the cost-of-living index, based on 1935-39 prices equalling 100, continued its four-month downward trend, declining by one-fifth of a point during October to 184.8 from 185.

Airborne Troops Drop Into Yukon To Construct Ice Landing Strip

EDMONTON (CP)—Seventy-five army engineers who parachuted in the Yukon some 1,400 miles north of Edmonton have started construction of an ice landing strip on Kluo Lake.

Army headquarters here said the jump of No. 1 Airborne troop of Chilliwack took place last Monday and Tuesday as part of exercise "Reluctant Beaver."

When the landing strip is completed, two heavy transport planes are to land on it. Five miles of access road, including two bridges, also will be built by engineers from local resources.

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Remembrance Day Celebration Hit by Chamber of Commerce

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce has asked the Manitoba government to repeal the Remembrance Day Act because "Nov. 11 now has become in this province, for the large majority, a holiday and a day of celebration rather than a day of remembrance and commemoration."

In a brief presented to the premier and cabinet, the chamber said it did not want to detract or minimize the desire of citizens to mourn the losses of two world wars.

"We suggest, however, the declaration by provincial statute of what is little more than a provincial holiday goes a very short way in achieving the purpose of what was intended as a day of commemoration and remembrance."

The chamber said commercial activity was declared illegal, but moving picture theatres, dance halls, sports activities were allowed to operate most of the day.

"The day has merely become another holiday, not a holy day."

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Death Claims Up This Year

TORONTO—In the first three quarters of 1952, life insurance companies operating in Canada paid death claims totalling \$73,832,000 to Canadian beneficiaries of deceased policyholders.

This aggregate was about \$5,000,000 greater than the corresponding payments made in the corresponding period of 1951.

Payments under ordinary policies constituted the major part of the total, accounting for 72 per cent; group certificates accounted for 19 per cent and industrial policy payments for nine per cent.

The leading provinces in amount of death benefits were Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. In 1951 the same three provinces held these same places.

Three inches of snow was reported yesterday at Kwinitza, 40 miles east of Prince Rupert, the "deep snow" area between here and Terrace. This is the first snow report in the district.

At Smithers, three inches of snow also is reported by the Canadian National Railways, but the depth dwindles both east and west of there.

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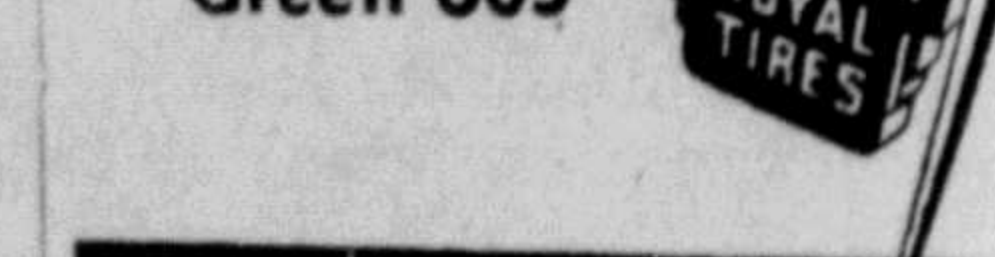
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