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Warmer Days Are Coming For Building Of Ships In Yards of United Kingdom

Municipalities Sales Tax Cut

Among the Central British Columbia cities and villages other than Prince Rupert, that shared in sales tax distribution were:

Smithers, \$3,861.
Stewart, \$1,287.
Terrace, \$2,252.
Vanderhoof, \$1,335.
Burns Lake, \$1,367.

Fine 'Xmas Fare At Watson Isle

Why Leave Camp, Newspaper Men Wonder

As far as the quality of the Christmas Day faring is concerned, there will be no reason for the three hundred or so men who reside at the Columbia Cellulose Co.'s Watson Island commissary operated by the Dominion Catering Co. leaving the camp. Indeed, judging from the menu which has been prepared by Chef Fred Christie, one of Canada's noted professional cooks and for many years chief cook in one of Montreal's celebrated downtown eating places, pulp mill construction employees could go far and fare a lot worse.

Daily News men visited Chef Christie's spotless and well equipped dispensary of viands Sunday and, after an inspection of the bulging freezers and food lockers, were shown the Christmas Day menu.

Assorted fruit juices will whet the starting appetite before the roast young turkey or goose is brought on to tempt the holiday palate. Garnishing the seasonal bird flesh will be the traditional cranberry sauce, sage and onion dressing and giblet gravy. Vegetables of the day will be mashed turnips, green peas and whipped potatoes. Then will come the hot mince pie, plum pudding and hard sauce with Christmas cake, candy and nuts, oranges, apples and grapes coming on for those who can still take more.

All sounds very appetizing, indeed, but, at that, while it may be seasonal, it is not such a great deal better than the regular daily menu at the camp.

Imagine His Embarrassment—Wrong Press

Tommy Fraser, formerly of Prince Rupert, who has been publishing the *Omineca Herald* in Terrace since last summer, tells about how the long awaited press purchased from "The Review" of Sydney, Vancouver Island, at last arrived, and has been duly installed. "It had been coming," he says, for months, the delays bringing delivery close to the season when the road might be blocked with snow. Finally a truck did reach Terrace. It carried a press but not the one that was expected. Through a misunderstanding, the driver had been given, not a printing press but a hydraulic iron-bending press destined for Whitehorse, Y.T. So there was nothing to do but drive back to Prince Rupert and make another start for Terrace—this time with the right article on board. Incidentally a blizzard came also."

COYOTES FACED WAR
EDMONTON — Alberta farmers, plagued by coyotes, organized 12 hunts this fall with as many as 200 armed men taking part. Officials report the hunts have been effective in reducing the number of the marauders.

Atomic Race Alarming, Says Assembly Chairman



BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FLOODS—Flood waters of the swollen Capilano river swirl about the base of his perch as a telephone lineman tries to re-establish the last communications link between West Vancouver and the rest of the world. The lines were swept away by one of the worst floods of British Columbia history.

Accident Causes \$1,000 Damages

Faulty brakes caused \$1,000 worth of headaches to H. P. Gale Saturday morning. Leaving his truck parked on an inclined stretch of road on the Wood, Parr and McClay construction project approximately a mile east of the city limits, the vehicle backed off the edge of the highway and into a deep excavation.

Chinese Are Fighting Hard

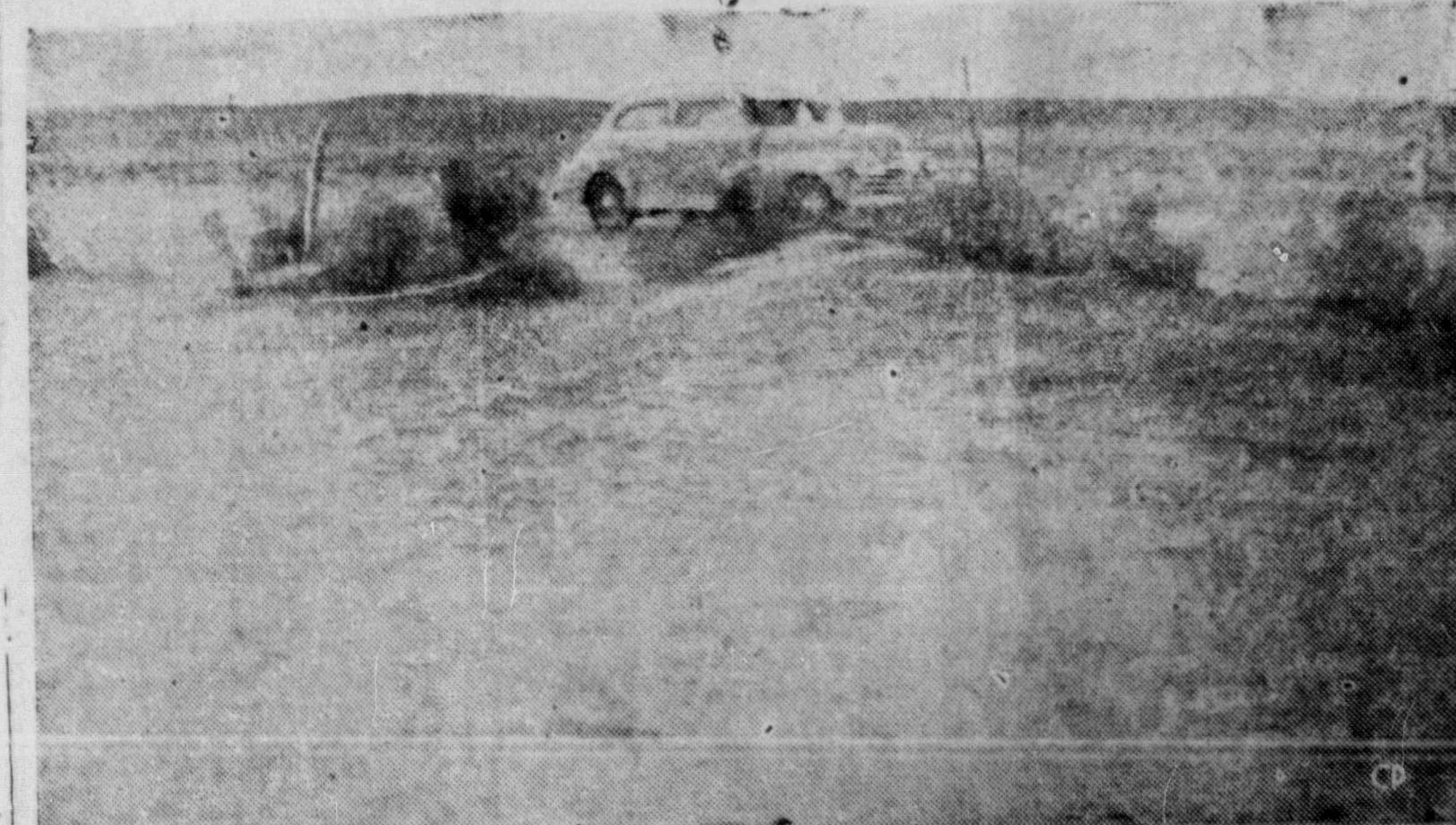
HONG KONG — Heavy fighting is reported south of Chengtu today by the Chinese Central News Agency. A government dispatch said Nationalist troops had repulsed attacking Communists in battle. Action was reported to have taken place in a triangular area of southwestern China below Chengtu, recently abandoned as the Nationalist capital.

Trying Feverishly To Dig Miner Out

BLAIRMORE, Alberta — Old time miners today still expressed hope that Ben Carter would be found alive as the search for the 66-year old miner, trapped in a cave-in at Greenhill Colliery near here, continued at a back-breaking pace into the fourth day. Mine officials, however, were not so hopeful. They said they believed that the father of five children would be dead by now.

LOCAL TIDES

Wednesday, December 21, 1949		
High	2:37	20.5 feet
	14:12	22.9 feet
Low	8:15	7.9 feet
	20:53	1.5 feet



PRAIRIE DESERT—Two recent dust storms, described by farmers as the worst in 12 years, made virtual wasteland out of rich prairie farms in the district around Medicine Hat, Alta. Experts say 1950 crops have been "irreparably damaged." This photo was taken four miles south of the city. (C.P. Photo)

Stalin 70 Years Old

MOSCOW — Flags and giant portraits of Premier Joseph Stalin hung from Moscow's public buildings today as the capital prepared to celebrate the Soviet leader's seventieth birthday tomorrow. Pravda, organ of the Communist party, displayed a large front page drawing of Stalin.

George Bernard Shaw, British playwright, sent a birthday message to Stalin declaring he was proud to send greetings with the hope that "you may give many more years of progressive service to mankind."

U.K. May Buy Salmon, Lumber

OTTAWA — Along with bacon and cheese, Canada may complete 1950 contracts with the United Kingdom for salmon and lumber it was learned yesterday. Dollars to pay for salmon and lumber would be obtained by increasing deferred wheat shipments from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 bushels.

Enough dollars would be made available to cover purchases of about \$5,000,000 worth of lumber and \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000 worth of canned salmon. Britain purchased about \$31,000,000 of lumber from Canada this year and about \$7,000,000 worth of salmon.

Fire Destroys Historic Church

Fire destroyed the Dupont Memorial Church in Metlakatla, Alaska, last week-end, burning the completely wooden structure to the ground.

The church was built in 1833 at a cost of \$150,000 and was the largest church in Alaska. It was also the home church of the famous Metlakatla Native Choir which is scheduled to come to Prince Rupert in January.

Bulletins

VANCOUVER ICY

VANCOUVER — Thousands of Vancouver people were late for work this morning on account of the icy streets after a repetition of the coldest night of the year when the thermometer dropped to 21 above. Trolley and bus line services were disrupted and aircraft could not get away until noon. All roads in the Fraser Valley are declared dangerous after new ice formed over the sanding. On Vancouver Island there was a foot and a half of snow.

NE WYORK MAYOR WEDS

STUART, Florida—Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York, aged 59, tanned and happy, was married today to radiant Sloan Simpson, 35, in a simple ceremony at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The newlyweds boarded the yacht *Almar II* for an eight-day honeymoon cruise.

HELD FOR MURDER

VANCOUVER — Police said today they were holding a 36-year old laborer in connection with the mystery slaying a month ago of Ferne Blanche Fisher. They did not elaborate. The unidentified man was reported to be held on a charge of retaining stolen goods. He was arrested a month ago and has been remanded weekly since. The bruised half-nude body of Miss Fisher, 45-year old spinster, was found in False Creek here November 9.

WILL PAY FINES

VANCOUVER—The Retail Merchants' Association will pay court fines of any member stores prosecuted for staying open on Wednesday in defiance of the provincial and city laws but the move is only a convenience for the storekeepers. They will have to repay the fines to the Association. Meanwhile two trade unions have announced that they will post members outside the Hudson Bay Co. store on Wednesday in protest against the decision to stay open.

Blunt Warning—

Douks Are Told Off

NELSON — Warning that the "government is not going to play with the Doukhobor situation any longer" was laid before 150 Sons of Freedom at Krestova, eighteen miles north of Nelson.

Commissioner John Shirass of the provincial police said in a blunt address that "if you keep working against the government, there is going to be one recommendation from me: that a certain section be isolated from society."

Sons of Freedom from all over West Kootenay and Boundary area attended the meeting which was called to discuss further a pledge to the police here last week by the Sons of Freedom that that sect would cease its lengthy practice of protest violence.

Before the commissioner spoke, the entire gathering promised to refrain from violence and touched their heads to the floor to seek forgiveness for their past destruction.

Terrace Road In Good Shape

Arrival of Snow Makes It Better—Ice in Skeena

The highway to Terrace which is being kept open by Public Works crews is in the best condition for travel that it has been for some time with enough snow having fallen to fill all holes in the road bed.

Every Day Makes Situation More Frightening

LAKE SUCCESS (CP) Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines today urged Big Five powers and Canada to concentrate on the framing of a stop-gap plan for control of the atomic arms race.

"Every day brings us further evidence that the race for atomic armaments is accelerating at an alarming rate," Romulo, president of the recent United Nations assembly session, said in a letter to General A. G. L. McNaughton of Canada.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

A storm moving over the British Columbia coast from the ocean is bringing milder weather to all sections of the province. Light snow was falling over most of the interior this morning and exposed portions of the coast are reporting rain. A mixture of snow and freezing rain which began before day-break in the Vancouver and Victoria area will turn to rain this afternoon when temperatures climb above the freezing point. The weather will remain cloudy and milder tomorrow with a few snow flurries in the interior and scattered rain showers along the coast. Regional forecasts valid until midnight Wednesday.

Forecast

North Coast Region — Cloudy with rain showers today and Wednesday. Milder. Westerly winds. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow — At Port Hardy 32 and 40, Sandspit 32 and 40, Prince Rupert 30 and 38.

Kootenay, North Thompson Region — Cloudy with snow flurries today and Wednesday. Milder tonight. Light winds. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow — at Cranbrook, zero and 15, Crescent Valley and Revelstoke 1 and 25.

AIR PASSENGERS

To Vancouver (Today) — Miss Y. Larson, J. Carlson, T. Jessome, Miss I. Rogers, Miss D. Robertson, Miss A. Patterson, Miss P. Caldwell, Miss E. Ball, Mrs. S. Madson, W. Bussey, O. J. Moscrip, N. Irving, Miss M. Steeves, Miss E. Morrison, Miss J. Trotter.

From Vancouver (Monday) — W. Seymour, L. Larson, C. W. Nash, H. M. Daggelt, Ted Forman, R. L. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Moore.

From Sandspit (Monday) — Mr. and Mrs. W. Nybloom, R. Campbell, W. Doskotch, S. Milner, W. Klesovitch, K. Vognild.

Dr. Alfred Large Not Leaving City

Due to an error in the report of the Union Board of Health meeting last week, it was stated that Dr. A. W. Large was leaving the city. Dr. Large, who has been acting as director of the health unit, is remaining in Prince Rupert.

HOLIDAY SEASON CLOSING HOURS

Retail stores in the City will remain open until 8 p.m. December 23rd, closing at 6 p.m. on December 24th. Stores will be closed December 25th and 27th and January 2nd as well as Thursday afternoon each week.

Prince Rupert Retail Merchants Ass'n.

Badminton Tournament

The Civic Centre Badminton tournament on Sunday was a big success with 29 couples taking part in the four and a half hours of play. The three flights were won by Janice Patterson and George Viereck, Pat Foreman and Jay Kullander and Esther Harrison and substitutes. One hundred and thirteen games were played in the American style tournament with every doubles pair playing every other pair in their flight. Runners-up were Helge Holkestad and Frances Cross in flight one, Art Hinton and Ethne Mills in flight two and Jack English and Claire Charbonneau in flight three. All winners turned in perfect scores of 83 possible points.

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Schedule Of Men's Bowling

Jan. 9—Commercials vs W. I. Stages, Can. Legion vs Grand Cafe, Ambassadors vs C. P. A., Oddfellows vs D & S, Blain's vs Stones, Manson's vs Scotians, Crescents vs Cold Storage, Undesirables, Home Oil, Mallets vs Thom Sheet Metal, Philpott, Evitt vs Brownwoods, J.C.'s No. 1 vs Rupert Motors, J.C.'s No. 2 vs Triple C's.
Jan. 16—Crescents vs Triple C's, Philpott Evitt vs Cold Storage, Mallets vs Brownwoods, Undesirables vs Commercials, J. C.'s No. 1 vs Home Oil, Scotians vs Thom Sheet Metal, J. C.'s No. 2 vs Rupert Motors, Canadian Legion vs W.I. Stage, Ambassadors vs Grand Cafe, Oddfellows vs C.P.A., Blain's vs D & S, Manson's vs Stones.

Legion Billiard Play Progresses

Good progress was made over the week-end in the Canadian Legion English Billiard handicap now on its second week and only one game, postponed on account of illness, remains to be played in the first round while three matches have already been played in the second round.

Results of games played since last announcement are as follows:
First Round
Bert Morgan (plus 20) beat Stan Roberts (10 or no count) 150-59, the loser constantly falling one point short of his scoring requisite.
Dave Owens (plus 10) won over S. Comadina (plus 25) with a score of 150-99.
Phil Ray (plus 35) defeated Alex Harvey (owe 25) by 150 to 120.

The closest game of the week-end was the match between James Nicoll and Harry Calderwood. The President, playing minus 5 points, against Calderwood (plus 35) won a hard fought match by the narrow margin of six points.

John Bulger (-10) beat A. J. Croxford (plus 25) in an interesting game by a score of 150-131 while D. C. Stewart (-20) scored a 13 point victory over G. G. Sessions (plus 25) in a closely contested match in which a break of 23 by Stewart decided the issue.

Second Round
Wilfred Goddard (plus 15) beat Mike Fudger (plus 20) by a score of 150-129 although the loser was in the lead the major portion of the match.

D. C. Stewart (-20), who is playing a steady game, defeated John Bulger (-10) in an interesting game by 150-119, while W. J. Rance (plus 35) beat Rod Smith (scratch) by 150-111.



AT HOME ON PONY OR THRONE—Looking very much at home on a cow pony. His Majesty Mohammed Riza Pahlevi, shah of Iran, adjusts his "10-gallon" hat as he poses near Phoenix, Arizona. The shah and his entourage are inspecting the irrigation system of central Arizona as part of the cross-country tour. Some parts of his own country are physically like parts of central Arizona.

LONG MERCY FLIGHT

REGINA ☉—The longest flight by Saskatchewan's air ambulance service was made recently when Mrs. Murray Brown was flown more than 2,000 miles from Waseton to hospital in Montreal. The previous record flight was made three months ago to St. Catharines, Ont.—1,570 miles.

CHANGE RIVER'S COURSE
DAUPHIN, Man. ☉—More than \$200,000 has been spent this year on Edwards Creek and Mink River. More than seven miles of channel have been cut since summer on Edwards Creek. The project aims at a huge reservoir and dam which will control floods and trap valuable silt.

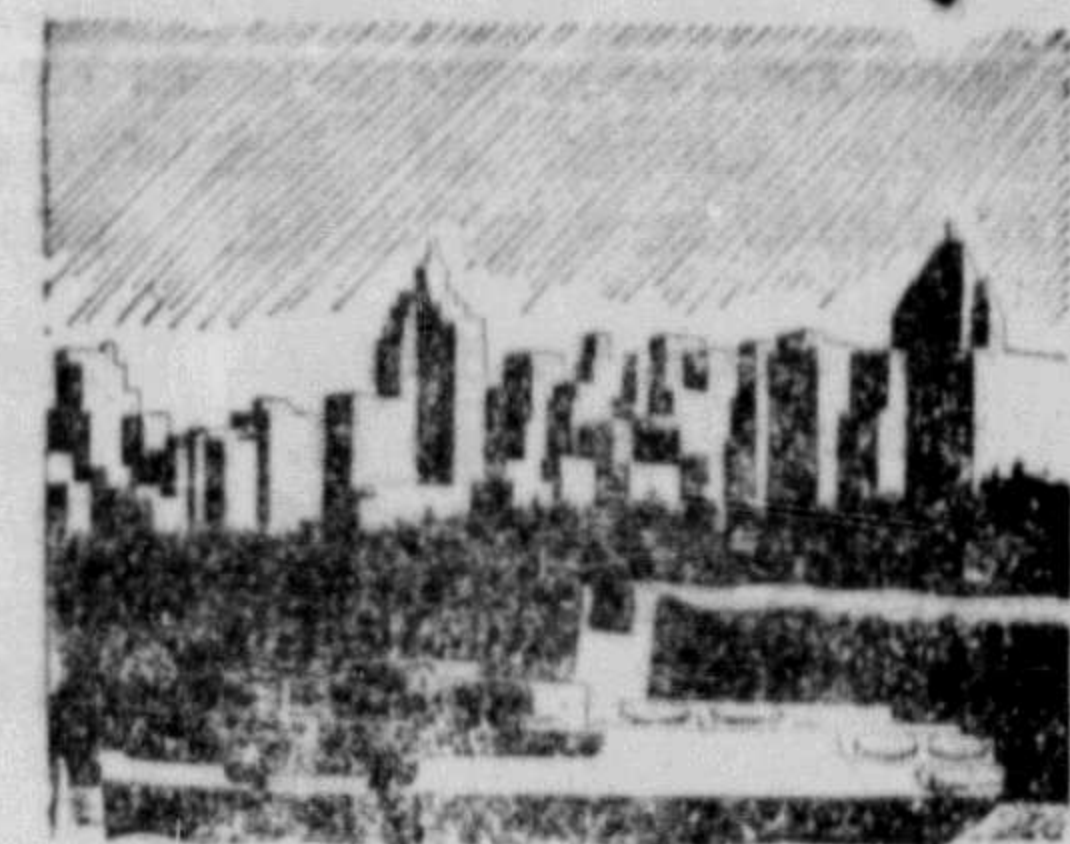
Seen At... Civic Centre

CRAFT NEWS

The teen age members of the Civic Centre craft club will meet on Wednesday night for the final session of this year. Instead of doing leatherwork there will be movies for these members with refreshments following. The girls decided that they would like to bring the sandwiches and the cakes and so the boys are requested to bring along a "coke" or two as their share in the refreshments.

LADIES MEETING

The ladies of the leathercraft groups met on Monday night at the Civic Centre for an hour of crafts and then movies were pre-

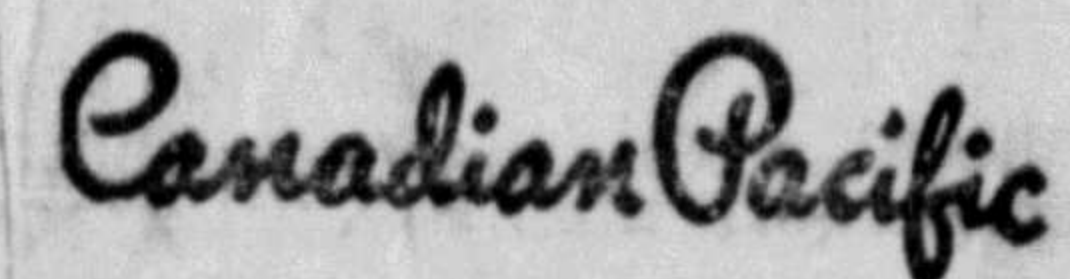


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Victoria Report

by J. K. Nesbitt

Getting Nancy Ready—Hershey Resignation Rocks Parliament Buildings

VICTORIA—Speaker-elect Nancy Hodges has brought a lot of publicity to this province. News of her appointment made the front pages in London, New York, Montreal and many other cities. It was featured by international news services, highlighted on Canadian and American radio programs.

Mrs. Hodges promptly got busy on her costume. She will wear the regulation Speaker's robe and tricorne hat. But the robe has no sleeves so Mrs. Hodges will have to fashion herself a long-sleeve blouse with some kind of neck ruffle to take the place of the wing collar, a male Speaker wears. The Government pays for the robe and hat—nearly \$300. When the Speaker leaves office he takes his robes with him. Speaker's robes have been an expensive item in recent years. In three sessions there have been three Speakers.

The Speaker may also take home the oak chair in which he presides over the Legislative assembly. This is a massive, throne-like affair, more than six-feet high, its straight back and seat of dark blue leather. The last three speakers haven't taken their chairs so carpenters in the Legislative Buildings are making replicas for Mr. Justice Norman Whittaker, R. H. Carson of Kamloops and John Hart of Victoria.

The Legislature will see many new faces when the session opens February 14. There will be 17 new members—elected last June 15. There will be two new faces in the cabinet benches—Hon. John Cates of Labor and Hon. Harry Bowman of Agriculture. There will be an Indian in the House for the first time—Frank Calder of Atlin. The C.C.F. will have its slimmest group in years—only seven members, compared with 11 last session. The cabinet will be the largest in history—11 members. It will be Premier Johnson's third session as head of the government. There will be a new-found sureness about him.

The Legislative Buildings were rocked the day Dr. J. M. Hershey resigned as commissioner of B.C.'s hospital insurance plan. He walked into the Press Gallery one morning and handed out a statement to say that, since the Minister of Health and Welfare had ignored his recommendations, he had no alternative but to resign. The internal administration of the hospital insur-

ance plan has been rumbling for some months. There, no doubt, has been inefficiency. It was bound to happen in the early stages of so gigantic a scheme. In time the wrinkles will be ironed out. There has been criticism of the scheme from some of the public. No one, however, who has been to a hospital has any cause for complaint when he leaves without a bill.

Dr. Hershey has given his very best. He has broken his health to some extent.

There is excitement, too, in the Legislative Buildings over the possibilities of oil in the Peace River district and the Queen Charlotte Islands. Sandstone, with oil showings, has been found in both places.

"We're going to strike oil and plenty of it," says Lands and Forests Minister E. T. Kenney. Answering those who say B.C.'s oil regulations are so

tough they discourage companies coming in and drilling, Mr. Kenney says: "The government wants to find oil as much as anyone else—but we're not giving away half the province to do it. The people have a share in their own natural resources and we're going to see they share in anything that's found."

If oil should be found, it would be a great bonanza for the government, which would take in millions a year in the 12 and a half per cent royalty.

Happiest man in B.C. about possible discovery of oil is former Premier T. D. Pattullo. When he was head of the government he spent more than \$600,000 drilling for oil in the Peace. He was strongly criticized and when he left the premiership drilling stopped.

"I'd have spent \$10,000,000 if necessary and we'd have had oil today," he says. "I'm as certain as I'm sitting here that there's oil in B.C. and lots of it."

St. Nick Visits Legion Children

Three hundred children were treated to presents, candies, soft drink, ice cream and nuts from the hands of Santa Claus himself Sunday at the Canadian Legion Christmas Tree in the Naval Drill hall.

Commencing the program with a movie, shown by Rowland Miles from the civic centre, the children had just witnessed the conclusion of the reels, when old Kris Kringle appeared and began distributing gifts of tree and bags of delicacies

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Moose Hold Xmas Tree

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In the kitchen dishing out soft drinks and ice cream was Percy Bond assisted by J. Holliston and Malcolm Blair.

The event was successful and the children enjoyed the hospitality of the members and Kris Kringle.

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Tickets will be given to parents ONLY upon request.
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