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$53,000,000 PROGRAM FOR BUILDING HERE

Many Major Projects Well Advanced; Others Starting; Home Construction Adds Millions

Greater Vancouver is well launched on a $53,000,000 construction program for this year. The table below shows graphically its significance and the progress made on it.

Major projects on the tapis for this year are listed below. Many already are started, while preliminaries for others are under way and actual construction is scheduled to begin shortly.

With contracts totalling $4,500,000 already let on the $8,000,000 Canadian National Railways hotel, the framework of which now towers over all other structures in the "big building" area, it is estimated that approximately $3,500,000 has yet to be spent on this undertaking.

Railway development by the Canadian Pacific, Canadian National and B. C. Electric holds a prominent place in this year's construction program, contributing approximately $16,000,000 to the total of $53,277,800.

Civic work, such as the $2,800,000 Burrard bridge, also adds considerably to the total.

The complete program follows:

	Cost	Status	Appr. Date Completion
Vancouver Harbor Board Development	$ 7,000,000*		
*This sum is still available from funds voted by Federal Parliament but plans for its expenditure have not been settled.			
Canadian National Railways Hotel	3,500,000*	Underway	Fall, 1932
*Contracts for $4,500,000 have been let to date on the hotel, which will cost $8,000,000 when completed.			
C.N.R. Luhi Island Extension	1,500,000	Underway	Fall, 1931
C.N.R. Pier	1,000,000	Underway	1931
C.N.R. False Creek Development	200,000*	Underway	1931
*1931 portion of extended program.			
C.P.R. Tunnel	2,000,000	Underway	1932
C.P.R. Re-grading between Savona and Spence's Bridge	750,000	Underway	Mids'm'r.
C.P.R. South Okanagan Branch	650,000	Underway	Mids'm'r.
B.C.E.R. Development	6,500,000*	Underway	1931
*1931 construction work on Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island.			
B.C. Telephone Co.	2,500,000*	Underway	1932
*Includes Trans-Canada Line.			
Powell River Co. Ltd.	2,000,000*	Underway	1931
*Lake River Hydro development.			
Burrard Street Bridge	2,800,000	Underway	1932
Civic Roads, Sidewalks, Utility Bylaws	3,500,000	Underway	1931. Mostly in 1931
Vancouver Park Development	275,000	Underway	
Fire and Police Alarm Headquarters	60,000	Excavations Completed	1931
Exhibition Buildings	300,000	Underway	1931
Greater Vancouver Water District	1,000,000*	To start soon	1932
*Pressure tunnel under First Narrows.			
New Mains to New Westminster	400,000	Start in March	1931
Vancouver and District Joint Sewerage and Drainage Board	500,000*	Started in 1929	1931
*1931 portion of English Bay outfall costing $1,500,000. Also, board is installing trunk sewers in New Westminster and Burnaby this year.			
New Westminster Council	88,000*	Underway	1931
*Lateral sewers.			
Burnaby Council—Lateral Sewers	200,000	Plans Apprvd.	1931
Burnaby Council—Bylaws	345,000	Underway	1931
North Vancouver Improvement		Preliminaries Completed	Not Settled
Seaboard Oil Co.—Refinery	2,000,000		
Provincial Mental Hospital—Veterans' Block and Kitchen Unit	400,000	Underway	Mids'm'r.
St. Paul's Hospital—Addition	450,000	Underway	Mids'm'r.
St. Andrew's-Wesley United Church	234,000*	Underway	August
Sunday School	100,000	Plans ready to proceed when old site is sold.	
Gymnasium	50,000		
*Contract price of new church, estimated cost $250,000.			
St. Augustine's Church	85,000	Plans Apprvd	December
National Biscuit Co.—Addition	75,000	Underway	April
Bloedel, Stewart & Welch Ltd.—Dry Kilns	75,000	Underway Nearing Completion	Mids'm'r. March
Orange Crush Co.—Bottle Works	75,000*		
*This figure includes equipment cost.			
Vancouver-Burnaby Highway	60,000	Underway	
Vancouver Art Gallery	40,000	Plans Apprvd.	1931
Arden Vancouver Salt Co. Plant	100,000	Start soon Site being cleared.	Mids'm'r.
University of B.C. Stadium	25,800*		
*Students are raising $10,000 of this sum to make seats and build bleachers.			
Miscellaneous Industrial Development and Expansion	5,000,000		
Apartment Houses (estimated)	1,000,000		1931.
Residences (estimated)	6,000,000		1931.
English Bay Pleasure Pier	500,000	Projected	
First Baptist Church—reconstruction after fire; cost not settled	.....		
Bridge or Dam at Second Narrows	.....		
Total	$53,277,800		

DOUGLAS ISLAND BRIDGE PLANNED

Douglas Island has been chosen as the site for the latest proposed new bridge across the Fraser River, plans and specifications of which are said to be complete.

This undertaking, planned as a traffic and railway artery across the Fraser River about seven miles above New Westminster, will cost about $3,000,000, and is backed, it is understood, by Armstrong, Morrison & Co., Vancouver contractors, and W. G. Swan, consulting engineer, who hold the original Fraser River Bridge charter.

In addition to providing a link between Vancouver and the international boundary, the proposed bridge would serve to connect the Canadian National Railway at Port Mann with the Great Northern on the north side of the river.

Douglas Island is above the head of navigation

VISITOR DEFEATS CON MEN

Attempt at $25,000 'Race' Game Ends With 2 Arrests

Forfeiture of bail of $50 each by Thomas Stoddard and James Barrington in Police Court this morning on a charge of vagrancy, brought to light what is believed by police to be an attempt to fleece $25,000 from a trans-Pacific steamship passenger, recently arrived from Australia.

Stoddard and Barrington were arrested by police, Friday afternoon, after a tip had been received from a prominent hotel that a bunco game was being perpetrated on an unsuspecting Englishman, who was touring the world.

The Englishman, whose name is withheld by police, met the usual "affable stranger" on board the Aorangi, inward bound last week, and they became friends while in Vancouver.

Friday afternoon the popular wallet was found and the intended victim, the usual 'sure thing' bets were placed. The amount in the course of the afternoon jumped to nearly $70,000.

Trouble is then alleged to have arisen, when attempts were made to collect this huge amount.

The first stranger said he would wire away to California for his share of the money and the Englishman was induced to cable to England for £5,000.

In the meantime, however, police were "tipped off" and got in touch with the intended victim at the Georgia Hotel and the arrests followed.

Football Games In Old Country

(League Standing on Page 5)

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division

Arsenal 0, Huddersfield Town 6.
Birmingham 2, Manchester United 8.
Blackburn Rovers 5, Aston Villa 3.
Blackpool 2, Chelsea 1.
Derby County 1, Sunderland 1.
Everton 4, Bolton Wanderers 1.
Leeds United 1, Newcastle United 2.
Leicester City 6, Grimsby Town 1.
Manchester City 1, Liverpool 1.
Portsmouth 1, Middlesbrough 6.
Sheffield United 1, West Ham United 2.
Sunderland 5, Sheffield Wednesday 1.

Second Division

Barnsley 1, Preston North End 1.
Bradford City 1, Nottingham Forest 4.
Bristol City 1, Burnley 1.
Bury 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 6.
Cardiff City 6, Southampton 1.
Charlton Athletic 1, Tottenham Hotspurs 9.
Everton 3, Reading 1.
Plymouth Argyle 6, Bradford 0.
Port Vale 2, Oldham Athletic 2.
Swansea Town 1, Stoke City 2.
West Bromwich Albion 6, Millwall 0.

Third Division (Southern Section)

Bournemouth and Boscombe 4, Newport County 2.
Clapton Orient 1, Brighton and Hove 4.
Crystal Palace 1, Southend United 1.
Fulham 3, Luton Town 1.
Norwich City 1, Northampton Town 1.
Notts County 1, Exeter City 2.
Queen's Park Rangers 2, Brentford 1.
Swindon Town 2, Bristol Rovers 1.
Thames 1, Torquay United 1.
Walsall 2, Crystal Palace 1.
Watford 1, Gillingham 2.

Third Division (Northern Section)

Darlington 3, Carlisle United 6.
Doncaster Rovers 6, Southport 0.
Gateshead 4, Barrow 1.
Halifax Town 3, York City 0.
Hartlepools United 2, Crewe Alexandra 0.
Hull City 1, Accrington Stanley 1.
Lincoln City 5, Rochdale 0.
Nelson 3, Wrexham 1.
New Brighton 2, Rotherham United 1.
Stockport County 2, Chesterfield 1.
Wigan Borough 1, Wrexham 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division

Aberdeen 2, Rangers 1.
Ayr United 6, Airdrie 6.
Clyde 3, East Fife 0.
Cowdenbeath 2, Hearts 2.
Falkirk 3, Morton 2.
Hamilton Academicals 0, Kilmarnock 0.
Hibernian-Queen's Park postponed.
Motherwell 3, Dundee 6.
Patrick Thistle 1, Celtic 0.
St. Mirren 3, Leith Athletic 2.

Second Division

Albion Rovers 1, Dunfermline Athletic 6.
Alloa 1, East Stirlingshire 3.
Arbroath 1, Queen of South 4.
Cowdenbeath 1, Montrose 0.
Dundee United 1, Dalkeith 1.
Forfar Athletic-Raith Rovers (postponed).
King's Park 6, Brechin City 1.
Raith Rovers 4, St. Johnstone 3.
St. Bernard's 2, Bo'ness 2.
Third Lanark 5, Stenhousemuir 0.

IRISH LEAGUE

Belfast Cup

Derry 2, Distillery 1.
Bangor 1, Ards 1.
Linfield 3, Larne 3.
Cliftonville 4, Portadown 2.
Celtic 3, Ballymena 2.
Glentoran 4, Distillery 1.
Glenavon-Newry (abandoned).

Peace in India Will Not Relax Foreign Boycott

NEW DELHI, India, March 7.—Mahatma Gandhi's recent settlement with the Viceroy of India will have little value unless it is supplemented by Hindu-Moslem unity, the most serious problem in Indian politics now, he told a huge crowd of his followers today.

Referring to the boycott of British goods, the Mahatma said such a campaign as was effectively employed as a political weapon during the civil disobedience movement could not be used under the terms of the new agreement.

He added, "boycott of foreign cloth is a national duty, and cannot be relaxed under any circumstances be relaxed.

FATHER HOPES SON WILL BE CAUGHT

Searching investigation into the circumstances surrounding the escape of Fraser McDougall and Ellis Wilcox, two Oakalla jail prisoners, was started Friday by Assistant Commissioner W. R. Dunwoody and Staff Sergt. John Shirras of the British Columbia police.

Warden W. Owen of Oakalla also commenced an enquiry into the affair.

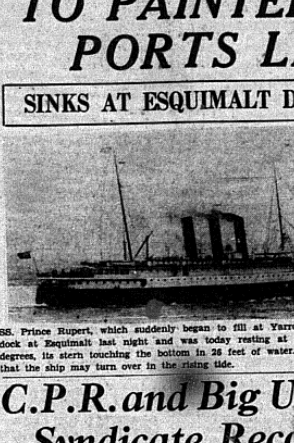
That the two men secured the three guns with which they held up the Oakalla guards, a Victoria police officer, taxi-driver and another prisoner, after they left the Vancouver court house Thursday night, is the opinion of the police.

It is believed a confederate secreted the guns in the wagon outside the court house, without being seen by any of the police.

Hope that his son is recaptured soon was expressed by A. S. Wilcox, 3263 East Twenty-second Avenue, father of one of the escaped prisoners. Mr. Wilcox said it was for his son's own welfare that he was anxious to see him back in jail and added that he would assist the police in every way possible to rearrest his son.

SHIP SINKING LAID TO PAINTERS' ERROR; PORTS LEFT OPEN

SINKS AT ESQUIMALT DOCK



SS. Prince Rupert, which suddenly began to fill at Yarrows' ship repair dock at Esquimalt last night and was today resting at an angle of 45 degrees, its stern touching the bottom in 26 feet of water. It was feared that the ship may turn over in the rising tide.

C.P.R. and Big U.S. Syndicate Record Offers for P.G.E.

19 Million Bid Reported Election This Summer?

Rail Bargaining Left to Unnamed Firm, Says Pattullo

By Sun Staff Correspondent

VICTORIA, March 7.—What price the P. G. E. on the open market?

Two and perhaps three offers for the railway enterprise in which the people of British Columbia have sunk some $65,000,000 are before the Tolmie Government. Political rumors, which may or may not be entitled to credence, suggest that the Government plans to go to the country this summer on the P. G. E. deal.

No information, however, has been given the public as to the nature of the offers that are before the administration. Even private members of the Legislature have been denied access by Premier Tolmie to the contents of the reports obtained from the Drysdale survey party at an expense to the taxpayers of several hundred thousand dollars.

The C. P. R. is a bidder for the line. Its highest offer to date is in the neighborhood of $12,500,000. Upon payment of this sum or absorption of existing liabilities to that amount the C. P. R. agrees to take over the existing lines of the P. G. E., vast areas of subsidy lands with mineral and timber rights, and to complete the railway into the Peace River.

U. S. SYNDICATE

A big American syndicate is also bidding. Conflicting reports exist as to the nature of its proposals. One story says Eastern New York financiers are willing to pay $19,000,000 for the line as it stands and take the same terms otherwise as are proposed by the C. P. R.

Another report says the New Yorkers are willing to take over the line, leaving its existing liabilities against the P. G. E. Company with Government guarantees, while expending vast sums of their own capital extending the railway into the Peace River for the purpose of developing mineral resources.

A third rumor says the American negotiators ask for Government guarantees on their entire capital outlay.

This story is discredited on the ground that such an offer would be no offer at all. If the Government were to grant to private interests vast mineral rights and land areas and at the same time guarantee the debentures issued by such interests for the development of resources that now the Government would be responsible for the repayment of every dollar of capital outlay they made. In other words, the Government might better belong to the people of British Columbia, the syndicate would be in-

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Special to The Vancouver Sun

VICTORIA, March 7.—Charge that Premier Tolmie had accredited some unnamed Vancouver firm to conduct negotiations with the British Government for the sale of the P. G. E. was hurled across the floor of the Legislature Friday by T. D. Pattullo, opposition leader.

Mr. Pattullo quoted the Premier's letter to Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal, written a year ago to cover a report on investment and development opportunities in British Columbia which Dr. Tolmie had supplied to the British minister of unemployment.

In the letter the Premier stated that the report made no reference to the great opportunities connected with the P.G.E. Railway, "as he understood a Vancouver firm had supplied particulars concerning the railway and its adjacent lands."

The Premier had stated also that if the two transcontinental railways did not care to interest themselves in the railway and the lands the Government would be prepared to entertain offers.

"What is this Vancouver firm?" demanded Mr. Pattullo.

"Where did it get its authority? What was the information it supplied?

"Here we have the P.G.E. in which the people have $65,000,000 invested

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TODAY

'No Increase in U.S. Taxes' Bonus as Stimulant

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

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Senator Smoot of Utah, who probably knows more about U. S. national finance than anybody, says "no increase in federal taxation will be necessary and business has rounded the corner."

The government deficit, says he, will be $500,000,000, but he thinks better times will make that up.

And the U.S. has lent $15,000,000,000 to "foreign nations to build up their industries and for operating expenses."

A letter from Charles M. Schwab to his stockholders describes the bonus system of special rewards for efficient officials of the Bethlehem Steel Company.

The white-collar man with his little "$2,000 a year and lucky to get it" may gasp when he reads Mr. Schwab's statement that his associate, Mr. Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel, has averaged every year for thirteen years a bonus of $814,593, or $10,584,909 in thirteen years.

Also the average annual, bonus "to each of the other officers and

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SAW MAN'S BODY

A report by Paul Volkovich, fisherman, that he saw the body of a man wedged between the rocks on the shore of Stanley Park while fishing Friday afternoon is being investigated by police, who are searching the shore line from their patrol boat.

C.N.R. Liner Prince Rupert Resting on Harbor Bottom

MONTREAL, March 7.—The lower ports were left open to enable fresh paint to dry on the steamship Prince Rupert, which listed and sank at her dock in Victoria, B. C., according to A. M. Allan, assistant general manager of the Canadian National Steamships.

Mr. Allan said: "Workmen were engaged on the vessel, and it is now definitely known that the "glory hole" had just been painted, and the lower ports were left open."

The assistant manager said that the passenger accommodation of the vessel had not been impaired, and that workmen expected to have the steamer dry and afloat by midnight.

He added that the Prince Rupert will sail on her regular schedule, and will leave for Prince Rupert later this month, sailing from Vancouver.

By Sun Staff Correspondent

VICTORIA, March 7.—Captain J. D. MacPherson, wreck commissioner, stated today that there will likely be an inquiry into the mysterious sinking of the Canadian National steamship Prince Rupert at Yarrows shipyard dock in Esquimalt harbor last night.

No steps will be taken, however, until the customary direction from Ottawa is received.

The vessel began to fill and sink at midnight, the 40 men aboard being forced to flee with scarcely time to gather their clothes. She was at Esquimalt for overhaul purposes.

The Prince Rupert is on bottom in 26 feet of water, her masts raised to the wharf to prevent further listing from her present angle of 45 degrees.

The hull is pressing against the wharf piles and in the event of her going over the wharf is considered to be in danger. Hence the public has been barred from the dock.

A diver is being sent down to ascer-

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11 MEN DIE IN JAIL FIRE

Blaze Suspected to Have Been Incendiary

By Associated Press

KENANSVILLE, N. C., March 7.—Trapped in their cells, 11 Negro convicts burned to death early today as flames swept through the huge wooden stockade of Duplin County.

Forty-one other prisoners, all Negroes except 12, were led from the burning building by guards.

The flames began first in the kitchen. Their origin has not been determined.

The stockade, built of heavy timbers, was located one mile from here. It was virtually without fire protection.

Dan H. Bridges, Duplin County coroner, began an investigation immediately. Pending its completion, he requested the guards not to discuss the fire.

Residents of the community who first reached the fire, said Guard Owen Basden rushed into the burning building time after time to lead forth the prisoners.

Some indication that the blaze might have been of incendiary origin was being investigated.

The stockade was a quadrangle. Corrugated iron covered the fatal cell block, which was in the centre and apparently the victims were literally roasted to death as the flames from adjoining structures turned the iron white hot.

C. N. R. EXECUTIVE HERE

G. T. Pettigrew, Assistant General Freight Traffic manager, Canadian National Railways, with headquarters at Montreal, arrived in Vancouver this morning.

Province Gov't To Give $60,000 For Job Fund

The Provincial Government has agreed to give the City of Vancouver $60,000 to match $60,000 which the City will set up, it was reported here today by Ald. W. C. Atherton, chairman of the civic relief committee, on his return from Victoria.

The $120,000 unemployment relief fund established by the grant will enable the Park Board to retain the services of 750 married men who would otherwise have been discharged next week. Of these, 600 would have finished today.

The papers were signed this morning by Mayor Taylor and sent to Victoria for final approval.

EMPRESS HAS FOURTH GIRL; HOPES FOR HEIR IN VAIN

For the fourth time Empress Nagako of Japan has become a mother, and Japan's hope for a male heir to the throne has again proved disappointing. Another daughter was born. Here is the royal family of Japan: At right, the Empress; centre, left, the Emperor, Hirohito, and two pictures of little Princess Shigako, eldest daughter of the couple. The other child died.

Fourth Daughter Born to Empress Nagako; Populace Conceals Disappointment

By Associated Press

TOKIO, March 7.—The arrival of a new princess at the Imperial Palace today caused all Japan to celebrate and while her birth left the Emperor still without a male heir to succeed him on the throne, any feeling of disappointment among the people was well concealed.

The royal baby was born at 12.02 p.m. and is the fourth daughter of Emperor Hirohito and Empress Nagako.

Since only male descendants of the Japanese emperors may occupy the throne, Prince Chichibu, younger brother of Hirohito, remains as the heir presumptive of the oldest unbroken royal line in the world.

The line was established in 660 B. C. and Hirohito is the 124th emperor.

The new princess, who weighed seven pounds, four ounces, was quickly attired in white flannels and put into a tiny bed in the imperial nursery next to the chambers of the Empress.

The baby was taking its first nap as the royal father entered.

A few minutes later Princess Teru and Princess Taka tiptoed in to see their new sister, who continued to sleep.

Extensive celebrations had been planned throughout the nation if the new born had been an heir to the emperor. However, rejoicing on a smaller scale still welcome the little princess today.

Budget Not Balanced $2,500,000 Deficit Due, Says Pattullo

Pungent Points Of Arraignment

Here are pungent extracts from T. D. Pattullo's criticism of the Jones budget and the Tolmie Government's financial record:

1. This Government has spent $111,000,000 in two and a half years of office.
2. The burden of its profligacy is being shouldered on to the poor working people who are least able to bear it.
3. Under the new income tax every working girl getting $15 for her week's work will have to surrender 13 cents of it to the government.
4. The tax on the wealthy banks is being increased by $10,000; working people of the province are to be taxed $2,500,000.
5. The financial prestige of this Government would be augmented by inclusion of Andrew Brown, known to radio fans as president of the Freshair Taxicab Co. of America, Incorporated.
6. Important negotiations with the British Government regarding the P. G. E. have been entrusted to an unknown henchman in Vancouver, just as was done with the Stewart railway charter and the Vancouver Island bus franchise.
7. We accept full responsibility for the University, but this Government, through its Minister of Education, is trying to wreck it.
8. The Government has brought in no measure to cope with the present serious economic conditions.
9. There has been no retrenchment—expenditures are actually increased.
10. Only $2,000,000 has been provided to meet this year's deficit of $5,000,000.
11. The Budget is not balanced. Estimates have been grossly padded and there will be a deficit of $2,500,000 next year.
12. False charges against public officials by Cabinet Ministers have been held to be false and the ministers responsible have not resigned as they should. They have not even had the grace to express regret.
13. The Government has received $15,000,000 to pay off liabilities of $7,500,000 and is still $5,000,000 in the hole.
14. Three quarters of the Budget speech was devoted to covering up delinquencies of this Government. Even the public were blamed for demanding costly services.
15. This Government is opposed to old age and mothers' pensions. Both Ministers of Finance have deplored the cost.
16. The annual fixed charges of $500,000 to cover the loss on our soldiers' aid bohemes is not responsible for the trouble. It is current expenditures which have increased expenditures by 15 times' that amount.

'Burdens of Gov't Extravagance Are Laid on Poor'

By C. NORMAN SENIOR

VICTORIA, March 7.—In two and a half years the Tolmie Government has spent $111,000,000, declared T. D. Pattullo, Opposition leader, in the Legislature Friday, opening the attack on the budget of Hon. J. W. Jones.

"And new burdens of this extravagance has been shouldered on the poor people of the province—those least able to pay," he added.

"The budget shows no retrenchment. Expenditures have been increased, despite the minister's pledge of 'Spartan' economy.'

T. D. PATTULLO

"The budget is not balanced. There will be a deficit of $2,500,000. The estimates of revenue for the coming year have been padded by at least $2,000,000 and provision for payment of interest on the government's borrowings is $500,000 short of actual requirements.

"The Loan Bill provides only $2,000,000 to pay for this year's deficit.

The Minister admitted that the over-expenditures alone total $2,000,000. He also admits there has been a shortage of revenue and it is apparent from the Comptroller General's report for the first nine months of the year that the actual deficit will be $5,000,000 this year.

$2,000,000 UNPROVIDED FOR

"That leaves $3,000,000 unprovided for.

"The Finance Minister has not given us the true position of the public debt. He has given us the increase only up to Nov. 1. But $5,000,000 has been borrowed since that date and he has admitted elsewhere that there are

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THE WEATHER

Forecast for 24 hours, Vancouver and vicinity: Light to moderate winds, continued fine with light frost at night.

Highest temperature in Vancouver for 24 hours ending at 5 o'clock: 49 degrees above; lowest temperature, 32 degrees above.

Forecast for Alberta (Western Provinces) for 24 hours: Winds shifting to northerly, partly cloudy tonight and Sunday with snow flurries; becoming colder.

148,750 Meals Thrown Out By B.C. This Week

British Columbia celebrated this week by throwing away about 148,750 meals.

It was not that there was anything wrong with the meals, or that the people didn't want them. It was simply because they couldn't help themselves.

This is the reason for it. The daily interest of $8500 on the debt of the uncompleted P.G.E. Railway brought up the week's total of $59,500. That amount, allowing 40 cents a meal, would buy 148,750 meals.

Of course, if the meals are cheaper, there would be all the more of them.

EVENTS OF WEEK AS SEEN BY SUN CARTOONIST By CALLAN