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Nicholas Vincent, hired by Columbia-Shuswap regional district to watch over the effects of dam construction on the local community, said Friday that "people should investigate and go slow before

He said there is not much point in coming here on speculation. With unemployment in the construction industry running up to 28 per cent, there are a lot of construction workers out of work.

Of the 600 workers at the site, about five kilometres from Revelstoke, 280 are helping to there are enough skilled work-

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ter, is scheduled for comple-

When the project is finished

tion in August, 1978.

Of the 775 employees hired 45 per cent were from the Okanagan, Kamloops or Golden areas, he said.

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will have to be brought in once the local labor pool dries up.

so far this year, 27 per cent were Revelstoke residents and

All workers will be hired The tunnel, 47 feet in diame- through their unions, Spinney

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million kilowatt powerhouse and a chute spillway through which will pour nearly 3,000 gallons of water a second. At its construction peak in 1980, the dam project will employ about 3,500 workers. Ralph Spinney, construction manager for the project, said

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PUSHED OVER BRINK

VANCOUVER (CP) — Maud Ethel Taylor, 35, pleaded guilty Friday in British Colum-

bia Supreme Court to man-slaughter in the fatal shooting

Jan. 17 of her 12-year-old son.

was told the Sechelt, B.C.

divorcee asked police to let her

die after she killed her son and

seriously wounded her daugh-

It was her love for nine-

yearold Susan and son Brian,

and fear that her ex-husband

was about to try to take the

children away from her that drove her to the breaking

Mr. Justice Andrews said-

after hearing evidence of psychiatrists that the woman had been pushed over the brink

and acted out of what she felt

was consideration for her chil-

dren- that he wanted time to

determine sentence and will

deliver his decision Monday.

Doust told the court that on Jan. 17 an RCMP sergeant and

his wife investigated a sound

at their door and found Susan

lying on her back screaming in

with a gun," the girl was quoted as saying.

Mummy shot me and Brian

She had been shot in her side,

RCMP then forced their way

into the Taylor dwelling, where they found Brian dead,

with a bullet wound in his back.

Mrs. Taylor had suffered bul-

Riverview patient

arms and legs, and was taken

to hospital.

Crown counsel Leonard

point, the judge was told.

Mr. Justice D. E. Andrews

Divorcee admits

shooting children

let wounds and a hunting knife

was sticking from her chest. Nearby was a note signed by

the mother, telling of her fears

for the well-being of her chil-

dren should her ex-husband

take them away, and ending with the words "put all three

of us where we can rest in

peace." Other witnesses tes-

tified they considered the accused to have been a devoted

and loving mother, a quiet and

perhaps lonely woman who

maintained an immaculate

household and properly looked after her two children. Two psychiatrists who inter-

viewed Mrs. Taylor said that

while she was not insane at the time of the shootings she was

suffering from a severe neuro-

tic depression that left her

Edwards asked for a sus-

pended sentence, on terms that

she take psychiatric treat-

Edwards described the inci-

dent as the case of a conscien-

tioius mother whose depressed

mind became so sick that what

she did was done so that she and her children would not be

He said Mrs. Taylor has

maintained a tremendous rela-

tionship with her daughter and

that Susan has kept in touch

with her mother, who has been

in custody since the shootings.

Doust said the Crown is not

pressing for a punishment type

of sentence, but the court must consider more than just the

future welfare of the woman.

Defence counsel Dudley

judgment impaired.

torn apart.

'VRB ready to refute all charges'

Schreck, regional manager of the Vancouver Resources Board, said Friday the VRB is prepared to refute all charges made against it by Human Resources Minister Bill Van-

Vander Zalm told the British Columbia legislature earlier that he is dismantling the board because its administration refuses to take orders from the provincial govern-ment and is incompetent.

Schreck said in a news conference that the speech was "pretty much what we antici-pated," and that it distorted

Vander Zalm devoted much of his speech, which launched an aborted second reading debate, to a special audit of the VRB done by the comptroller-

Schreck said that each point raised in the audit could either be found to be "a legitimate mistake" or a misrepresenta-

Licence delayed

VANCOUVER (CP) - The United States Federal Power Commission has placed a 45-day hold on a licence for the raising of the Ross Dam, on the Skagit River, environmentalist Dave Brousson said Sun-

Brousson said the FPC will use the period to discuss en-vironmental effects of the project with the U.S. department

The department wants conditions placed on the project to protect Indian fishing rights and sport fishing in Ross Lake.

Meanwhile Brousson and other opponents to the project are preparing to appeal the FPC decision in U.S. federal

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zen" who will pose no danger to society when he is released soon, the director of the Foren-

VANCOUVER (CP)

said Friday. all but one member of his fam-Dr. John Duffy said Kos-

berg, 27, who has been ordered released from Riverview Hospital by the provincial cabinet, is a "sober, sensible fellow" who has furthered his education in Riverview and whose release is "perfectly straightforward."

"He's had umpteen opportunities to cut out and he's never done it once," Duffy said. "I haven't any doubt at all that he will be a model citizen and that's the last we'll ever hear of him.'

Dr. Duffy bitterly criticized the media for "despicable and appalling" reporting of the release, highlighting Kos-berg's crime and the fact that the murder weapon was an the murder weapon was an

"All that past is behind him, but then someone begins this mudslinging of 'axe-killer,'' said Dr. Duffy, "You don't call a drunken driver who kills someone a Chevrolet killer or a Pontiac killer.

"It's really upsetting. It upsets all those who work with these people."

During court proceedings, psychiatrists testified that Kosberg, who was 16 years old when he killed his parents, two brothers and two sisters, suffered from a mental disturbance preventing him from appreciating the nature and quality of his actions.

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