

TOMORROW'S TIDES—
(September 27, 1952
Standard Time)
7:48 15.2 feet
10:18 17.9 feet
1:05 6.5 feet
13:08 10.7 feet

Damage at Pulp Mill Estimated \$50,000
Used an estimated \$50,000 damage late when it levelled messary, kitchen, and three H-wo-storey bunk- at the Columbia Company mill on Island.

Pease, 42-year-old attendant, off duty one of the bunk- the fire was dis- gured his right leg aged through a win- He was brought Hospital here and stitches in his leg. Jones, mill manager, 500 beds, mattresses stored in the bunk- destroyed.

men, 10 mill em- 40 men employed tution job by an- occupied quarters khouses, which at housed more than They lost all their

out 500 yards north mill, was the or- built to accommo- es working on the 0,000 mill. Some of is were torn down ago.

fire-fighting unit to the scene and 30 employees helped ings, which at times into the air.

ING SAVED structure — the re- was saved. re Rupert fire de- asked for assist- ent one truck to the Chief Earl Becker crew.

telephone super- also sped to the scene lines that endangered

to the mill were cut flames melted lead side of the cable. was returned to the morning and tele- communication was re- 10 a.m.

at wind, blowing at the fire started, kept from endangering all, although it spread quickly through the covered about one property alongside the National Railways

ioned en Get Safely
— Nine grizzled men, marooned on a cap for more than rescued today by plane.

Ministry said it had details of the rescue all men were taken radio message from at Thule, Green- ed up the operation: had been on the ice- last Tuesday when crashed. They had mission to drop sup- British exploring ex- Greenland.

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PATROL ROADS—The United States has serious doubts about the dividends it is receiving for its \$3,000,000,000 expenditure on military aid to France and the three associated states of Indo-China. The money is used in the war against the Communist-led Vietnam. American equipment—such as these armored vehicles used to patrol roads and protect Franco-Viet Namese trucks from Communist guerrillas—continues to flow into Indo-China and so far the Southeast Asia country has not fallen to the Reds. But the U.S. is concerned that the smaller Vietnam forces with only a trickle of supplies from the Red Chinese can hold the French and Viet Namese at bay. (CP PHOTO)

Skeena MP Calls For Thorough Investigation Of Proposal To Use Atlin Waters For Alcoa

Special to The Daily News
ATLIN—The people of northern British Columbia should insist that every aspect of the proposal to use Canadian water power for an Alaskan aluminum smelter should be investigated thoroughly before an agreement is made.

That's what E. T. Applewhaite of Prince Rupert, Liberal Member of Parliament for Skeena riding, said at a public meeting here sponsored by the Atlin Board of Trade.

He said many desired projects might be made to fit into the picture, including the Atlin to

Half a Ton of Gold Stolen From Airport Biggest Gold Theft in Canada Loots \$215,000 in Bullion

By The Canadian Press
TORONTO—Half a ton of gold bullion, worth about \$215,000 has disappeared from an unguarded cargo shed at suburban Malton airport terminal of Trans-Canada Air Lines. It is believed the largest gold theft in Canada.

The gold, in six wooden boxes, was part of a shipment of 10 boxes on its way to Montreal. The remaining four boxes went to Montreal on Flight 2 as scheduled Wednesday night.

Disclosure of the robbery yesterday touched off a continent-wide alarm. Although the shipment vanished late Wednesday, police were not called in until yesterday morning and RCMP were not notified until the afternoon.

TCA officials declined to comment on the case with the exception of a brief statement by Dennis Barclay, TCA public relations officer, who said:

"As far as the TCA is concerned, the gold is just missing. We have no official knowledge that it is stolen, nor do we know exactly what it's worth."

NO GUARDS
The gold was taken to the airport Wednesday afternoon by Brinks, Inc. They turned it over to TCA cargo handlers who signed for it and placed it in a wire-netted cage, similar to bank tellers.

The cage was locked with a small padlock but no guards were placed in the vicinity.

Police said they warned TCA to take more precautions following two break-ins within the last two months at the air terminal, 18 miles northwest of downtown Toronto. Police said apparently nothing had been done and one high official said he was "disgusted" with the theft.

Thieves had six hours to make their getaway. Although the delayed 8:10 p.m. flight—on which the 10 boxes were consigned—arrived at Montreal at 10:45 p.m. the news that six of the boxes were missing did not reach TCA offices here until 2 a.m. yesterday.

GOOD SMOKE
Quebec accounted for all the Canadian production of cigar and pipe tobacco in 1951.

Juneau highway and the Hazelton to Alaska highway.

"He decried 'a dog in the manger attitude' which would refuse to consider any agreement for the utilization of the Atlin waters but also urged that the best possible utilization in Canadian waters should be ascertained and then adhered to."

Referring to recent articles on the subject, Mr. Applewhaite said no approach "whatever" had been made to the Dominion government and indicated that considerable time would elapse before the project became a practical reality.

(The Aluminum Company of America announced last August 23 plans to construct a \$400,000,000 plant in the Taiya Valley near Skagway.

(The announcement gave no date as to when actual construction was to start but said the development hinged on an agreement to obtain hydro-electric power from Canadian waters.

(Since the announcement, there have been no reports that Alcoa has approached either the B.C. or Federal governments regarding diversion of Canadian waters.

(In Victoria, recently, former lands minister E. T. Kenney, who was instrumental in obtaining water rights for the giant Aluminum Company of Canada project at Kitimat, said he opposed any move to divert water power out of the province.

(He suggested that if ALCOA wished to use B.C.'s waters for power that the company build their plant in this province.)

Mr. Applewhaite reported to the meeting also on the last session of Parliament at Ottawa and also on his visit to the Canadian fighting forces in Korea.

He also discussed local affairs, including the Atlin airport, upon which \$15,000 is now being spent.

Before the meeting the Board of Trade tendered a complimentary dinner to Mr. Applewhaite at which president Ted Smith made the member a presentation in appreciation of his services with regard to the airport and other local matters.

U.K. to Buy More Wheat

OTTAWA (CP)—The United Kingdom has agreed to buy 115,000,000 bushels of wheat from Canada during the 1952-53 crop year under an international wheat agreement, it was announced today.

Figure includes wheat sold in the form of flour.

This is slightly more than 113,000,000 bushels purchased by the United Kingdom under an international wheat agreement in the 1951-52 crop year, said Trade Minister Howe in a statement announcing the deal.

"It's somewhat lower, however, than the total purchases of wheat and wheat flour (by U.K.) from Canada in that year."

Indian Fishermen Blame Union For Heavy Loss

Natives Assail Strikers

The Native Brotherhood is blaming the United Fishermen's Union and Allied Workers for a loss of \$150,000 which they will not be able to make because the union has declared any fish caught by natives as "hot."

The natives signed a separate agreement with the Fisheries Association Tuesday to go fishing for fall chum.

The UFAWU have been on strike for 19 days because of a fish price dispute, which they rejected and the Native Brotherhood accepted.

Indian fishermen yesterday assailed the striking union for labelling their fish "hot" and added that the union's action "is reprehensible and unsupportable in a democratic community."

The day after the Brotherhood signed the separate agreement with canners, the UFAWU tendermen voted not to handle any fish caught by the natives.

NO FISHING

Yesterday Chief Scow of the Brotherhood in a message to all native fishermen told them not to go out fishing because the union had declared the fish hot and no one would handle it.

Guy Williams, member of the legislative committee of the Native Brotherhood, and spokesman for the group here in a statement at 1 p.m. today said:

"This was a legitimate agreement as far as our members are concerned."

"Without loyalty to an organization a member is no good to that organization and as members that's the position we are in."

"The Native Brotherhood in the past has made tremendous strides for the natives in all trades."

"It should be clearly understood to the public that no companies dictate to the Native Brotherhood."

"We operate under a provincial charter. We are not affiliated with the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union but in the past we have co-operated with them."

"I would like to personally state I do not know whether this co-operation will continue."

"As northern fishermen around the vicinity of Prince Rupert and the Queen Charlotte Islands we are not interested in Johnstone Strait prices."

\$150,000 LOSS
"Our interest is on the Queen Charlotte Islands where the run is now on and will soon be over. "Action of the UFAWU in declaring the fish hot already has caused an estimated \$150,000 loss to Masset tribe alone."

"More than 90 per cent of the crew members of these boats have no source of earnings, whereas most members of the UFAWU are capable of acquiring other employment for the winter months."

"Among those who have obtained employment fishing during the summer have been teachers and policemen."

EXTREME HARDSHIP
"It is only right that John Public should know or be made acquainted with these facts."

"Some of our boats have taken on as much as \$250 worth of gear and food. They have now all returned to port and have pulled in their nets."

"It will mean extreme hardship for Prince Rupert because our members have no trades and there is only a limited amount of work in this part of the country during the winter."

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NIGHT THRESHING—This evening scene is familiar throughout western Canada this month as farmers work overtime harvesting record-breaking grain crops. Here H. Natuk of Lockport, Man., stook-threshes barley into his stationary combine. (CP PHOTO)

Engineers Moot Uniform Registration System For All Canadian Provinces

An attempt is being made to institute a uniform system of registration of professional engineers in Canada. Jack Merchant, registrar of the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C., said Thursday.

Here to address Prince Rupert members of the association, he said the matter has been discussed for several years at meetings of the Dominion Council but so far nothing definite has been done.

"We want all provinces to have the same requirements," he said, explaining that in B.C. graduate engineers must have four years' experience before they can be registered with the association, while in Quebec they may register upon graduation. In Ontario, graduates need one year and in Alberta and Saskatchewan the time limit is two years.

Railway Seeks to Dismiss Motion Against Rate Boost

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian Pacific Railway today asked the Board of Transport Commissioners to reject a motion from eight provincial governments calling for dismissal of the application for an eight per cent increase in freight rates.

John L. O'Brien, senior company counsel, said evidence presented to the board by the railways this week has fully shown the need for the \$40,000,000-a-year increase.

He opened the railways final argument in the case the day after counsel for the provincial governments—all except Ontario and Quebec—had entered a motion of non-suit at the close of railway evidence.

The provinces did not submit any evidence—for the first time in postwar rate hearings—and are to rely on argument later today.

Wicks Plans Reform Labor Department

VICTORIA (CP)—Changes that will increase the efficiency of the whole labor department are now being considered and will be announced shortly, Labor Minister Lyle Wicks said Thursday.

"There will be nothing spectacular," he said, "but there will be a great many little changes that will contribute to a general improvement of poor efficiency."

This week-end Mr. Wicks will meet with conciliation officers, and later hopes to have the entire department attend a large meeting possibly with outside speakers.

His aim, he said, is placing of new confidence in the department by employees, labor unions, and management.

Mosher Heads CCL 13th Time, White Defeated

TORONTO (CP)—A. R. Mosher today was re-elected for his 13th term as president of the Canadian Congress of Labor.

The 71-year-old veteran labor leader met only left-wing opposition. William L. White of Vancouver Marine Workers, nominated by the left-wingers, met a crushing defeat.

BULLETINS

Formal Probe in Ship Sinking

OTTAWA (CP)—Transport Minister Chevrier has ordered a formal investigation into the loss of the Pacific Coastal cruise ship Princess Kathleen in Alaskan waters Sept. 7. The transport department said the investigation under the Canada Shipping Act probably will be held in Vancouver in the near future.

Stolen Gold Bound For U.K.

MONTREAL (CP)—Canada Air Lines officials said today \$215,000 worth of gold bullion reported missing from Toronto's Malton airport destined for United Kingdom for trans-shipment to undisclosed destination.