

Tomorrow's Tides

Saturday, August 16, 1930

High 5.36 a.m. 16.1 ft.
17.54 p.m. 18.5 ft.
Low 11.34 a.m. 7.4 ft.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

HOPE GIVEN UP FOR ENTOMBED MEN

HALF MILLION TO BE PAID FISHERMEN SKEENA AND NAAS

One Body Found in Coalmont Mine Where Explosion Occurred

Body Was Burned Almost Beyond Recognition—Gas So Bad It Killed Canary in Mine This Morning

COALMONT, B.C., Aug. 15:—Burned almost beyond recognition, the body of Harry Edwards, one of the victims of the Blakeburn mine explosion was recovered by rescuers this morning at the end of the main tunnel of the mine on the 1500 foot level. Death was due to concussion caused by the explosion which took place Wednesday evening. He was a driver and near him was found the body of his horse which had also been killed in a similar manner and was also burned. Edward's body was the third to be recovered leaving 45 as yet not located.

SALMON RUN STILL HEAVY

Bella Coola District Closed For Week—Pinks at Massett

The run of salmon continues to be heavy. Sockeye are falling off very rapidly boats averaging no more than twenty fish apiece but the run of pinks is still holding up. Fish have begun to reach Massett according to reports this morning though not in very large numbers yet.

The Bella Coola district will be closed for a week for all fishing after this week-end. The continuance of the dry weather throughout this district will likely result in other areas in the neighborhood of small streams being closed for a period. The extension of close areas in the mouths of the smaller rivers of recent years is undoubtedly one of the contributory factors to this year's big run. With these small streams drying up partly owing to lack of rainfall it is altogether likely that the department will extend the closed areas at the mouths and in the vicinity of these creeks to preserve the fish that are now finding it impossible to ascend them. This would not apply to the Skeena and Naas where there is always plenty of water running.

Official Count Election Ballots Monday Next

Monday next is the day set for the commencement of official counting of the ballots cast in the recent federal election. This will take place in the office of the returning officer, E. H. Mortimer, who at the conclusion will be in a position to announce the final returns for the district.

Vancouver Man Is Convicted

Suspended Purchasing Agent is Found Guilty of Dealing in Forgery

VANCOUVER, Aug. 15:—C. C. Wilson, the suspended purchasing agent of the Vancouver school board, was convicted in the police court today on a charge of dealing in a forgery and was remanded until Monday for sentence.

At the Bisley King's Prize Contest



Sergeant Parnell (left), Col Blair of Canada, as seen during recent shooting of King's Prize contest at Bisley, England

Large Amount of Cash Being Paid Out to Fishermen This Week and Next In District

At the Rotary luncheon yesterday Fred Mathers, local representative of the B. C. Packers, mentioned the large amount of money distributed to the fishermen this year in the district. He said he estimated the earnings of the fishermen on the Skeena would amount to \$1,000,000 and labor employed there would be paid \$200,000. On the Naas River the fishermen would draw down \$70,000 and labor \$45,000, making a total of something like \$1,300,000. While some of this was already spent there would be at least half a million dollars paid out in cash at the close of the season, some at the end of this week and the remainder at the end of next.

C.P.R. SEES GOOD TIMES

No Reduction of Dividends This Fall Declares Beatty In Reply to Rumor

MONTREAL, Aug. 15:—Prospects for increased earnings during the fall months are good and the directors have no intention of reducing the dividend, said E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway today in reply to a rumor that the company's dividend might be reduced.

ALTITUDE RECORD

ANCHORAGE, Aug. 15:—Matte A. Nieminen claimed the Alaska altitude record Wednesday when he mounted 24,000 feet in a flight over Mount McKinley.

PRICE OF WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Aug. 15:—The price of wheat here today was 92 5/8c.

Salvaged Boat Gunboat Passage

The Pacific Salvage Company's Helac II, now operating out of this port, arrived with the fish packer Fracto Nembus in tow early this morning.

The boat had been salvaged in Gunboat Passage where she struck a rock and sank on Monday last in six fathoms of water. There was a heavy fog at the time. She was taken to the dry dock this forenoon for repairs.

The Weather

Haysport—Cloudy, Calm, 60.
Port Simpson—Cloudy, light westerly wind, 59.
Hazelton—Clear, calm, 64.
Smithers—Clear, calm, 58.
Burns Lake—Clear, calm.
Vanderhoof—Smoky, calm, 56.
Eighth Cabin—Part cloudy, calm south wind.
Terrace—Clear, calm, 56.

PROFITS ON LIQUOR ARE DISCUSSED

D. Pattello Elucidates Question of Payment to Municipalities Under Present Law

VICTORIA, Aug. 15:—Commenting on the recent distribution of liquor profits, T. D. Pattello, member for Prince Rupert and leader of the Liberal opposition in the legislature said:

Public announcement is made that \$500,000 in liquor profits has been distributed among the municipalities and it is intimated that this is more than the municipalities could have received prior to the recent amendments to the act. "The intention of the announcement is obviously to create the impression that the municipalities are being treated generously and will receive more under the present act than under the former law."

"The present act limits the amount which may be distributed to a percentage of the profits but in any case it is not to exceed one million dollars in any year. If the profit earned is less than a million dollars the government has no legal authority to pay over the full amount of a million dollars but only such amount as is received from the profits and in no case to exceed a million dollars, no matter how large a profit may be made in future. Even if it rose to ten million dollars, the municipalities would receive no larger an amount than a million dollars."

"I reiterate that the statute as it now stands limits the amount to be distributed to a percentage of the profits, in no case to exceed a million dollars. If the million dollars is not earned, it cannot legally be paid over to the municipalities but only such portion of it as is earned."

BAD STORM IN ENGLAND

Conditions For Arrival of R-100 Do Not Look Very Inviting Today

CARDINGTON, Aug. 15:—With all in readiness at the airship base here for the return of the R-100, weather conditions this evening became extremely bad with a south-westerly gale and heavy rain. The report of air conditions received here from points over the Atlantic also are not particularly favorable.

The dirigible has completed more than half of her voyage on which she started at 9:16 Wednesday night from Montreal.

FISH SALES

Only three boats were in with halibut this morning at the local fish exchange and the sole Canadian boat, Capt. Spencer, got high price with 10.10c and 6c. The American boats got 8c and 4c.

American
Foremost, 45,000 pounds, at 8c and 4c, to Royal Fish Co.
Condor, 5,000 pounds, at 8c and 4c, to Cold Storage.

Canadian
Cape Spencer, 13,000 pounds, at 10.10c and 6c, to Atlin Fisheries.

C. N. R. ss. Prince William is leaving for the Skeena this evening and will return in time to leave for the Naas tomorrow morning at 8 a.m.

Premier Tolmie Off to Ottawa to Lay Before Bennett B.C. Requests

Will Ask For Building of Rail Outlet to Pacific Coast, Development of Alaska Highway Project and Protection of Industry

VICTORIA, Aug. 15:—A rail outlet from the Peace River country to the coast, effective action to co-ordinate the fall and winter work, development of the Alaska highway project and tariff protection for the upbuilding of the British Columbia products of the field and industry are representations Premier Tolmie will make at the Ottawa conference with Premier Bennett.

Premier Tolmie left for Ottawa yesterday to take up the various problems with the Ottawa authorities personally prior to the opening of the special session.

Municipality No General Debt

Saanich Reduced Tax Rate Two Mills Yet Has Area of 35,000 Acres

VICTORIA, Aug. 15:—"General Observations Relative to Saanich" was the subject of an address by R. F. Sewell, municipal clerk of Saanich, at the regular fortnightly luncheon meeting of the Victoria Real Estate Board. Mr. Sewell touched upon various questions of interest in the municipality, particularly the water system and various phases of general taxation.

"As far as I am aware," Mr. Sewell stated, "Saanich is the only municipality in the province which has reduced its tax rate by as much as two mills. In addition, Saanich has no general debt rate whatsoever. The entire Saanich debt is revenue producing. The waterworks pay for their own upkeep and the schools are self-supporting."

He went on to describe briefly the physical aspects of the municipality which has an area of over 35,000 acres and 30 miles of waterfront. It was incorporated in 1906 at which time its revenue from taxes was a mere \$19,000. This rose to over \$299,000 after the war and has since receded to \$195,000 in 1927. Other forms of revenue, including profits from the sale of debentures, government grants, liquor profits, etc., raised the total revenue to \$973,000 last year.

There were 260 miles of roads in Saanich, he said, and 190 miles of these were "good, usable roads." The municipality had been greatly aided by the arterial highway plan by which the east and west Saanich roads had been taken over by the government.

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RECONNAISSANCE OF ALASKA HIGHWAY TO BE MADE THIS WEEK

Colonel Rolston, consulting engineer of Vancouver, accompanied by district Engineer of Prince Rupert, left this morning for Burns Lake from which point they will fly along the route of the proposed Alaska highway to Stewart and Atlin and possibly farther, making aerial reconnaissances. It is possible that Mr. Gwyer may not go all the way as his duties here may make it necessary for him to return.

BURNED IN HER HOME

Mrs. J. C. Thiel Victim of Fire Today, Was Bedridden—84 Years of Age

HUSBAND DISAPPEARS

DOLLARTON, B.C., Aug. 15:—Mrs. J. C. Thiel, 84 years of age, wife of the head watchman at the Vancouver Cedar Mills plant here, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed her home this morning.

Mr. Thiel, who disappeared into the brush shortly after the blaze, is being sought by the North Vancouver district police.

A small tin which had contained gasoline was found among the embers of the fire. It had apparently been in the bedroom of Mrs. Thiel, an invalid, who had not moved from her bed for months. Mr. Thiel is 74 years of age.

ONLY FARM IMMIGRANT IS WANTED

All Other Migration From Europe To Be Discontinued For Present

OTTAWA, Aug. 15:—Discontinuance of immigration from the continent of Europe was announced today as the policy of the government by Hon. W. A. Gordon, minister of immigration, with the exception of experienced farmers of a suitable type in possession of ample means to immediately establish and maintain themselves on farms and wives and children of those already established in Canada.

Remand Cranted In Election Case

A remand was granted till Monday in one of the cases arising out of alleged election irregularities, in the local police court this morning. It is expected that all cases will therefore come up on Monday next at the same time. The prosecution is awaiting the opening of the ballot boxes which is to commence on Monday in the returning officer's office. It is understood there is a possibility counsel will ask for a further remand.