

# Tomorrow's Tides

Tues September 30, 1930  
 High 8.42 a.m. 15.1 ft.  
 2 p.m. 16.3 ft.  
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# PORTLAND CANAL POWER PROJECT

## ROAD BRIDGE AT GALLOWAY RAPIDS ONE-THIRD FINISHED

### American Company To Have First Unit of Ten Thousand H.P. Plant In Operation Within Next Year

Close to \$250,000 Will Be Spent By Next Spring In Development of Davis River Below Hyder—Culmination of Three Years' Investigations

STEWART, Sept. 29.—While fishing interests have temporarily put the quietus to plans of the Power Corporation of Canada for supplying this district with electric power from Meziadin River, American capital invested in the Portland Canal Power Co. is quietly but energetically going ahead with its plans to harness the Davis River and expects to have its first unit of 10,000 horsepower in operation by this time next year.

The Davis River, claimed to be the only commercially feasible power site on the Alaskan side of the border, empties into the west side of Portland Canal some twelve miles south of Stewart, where a narrow box canyon carries the river between two granite mountains rising to 3500 feet above tidewater.

Two of the men most prominently connected with the projected hydro-electric development arrived in the district last week from Seattle. They are Willis T. Batcheller, president of the Portland Canal Power Co., and A. T. Brook, representative of a syndicate of Pacific Coast financiers who are financing the undertaking.

When interviewed, both Mr. Batcheller and Mr. Brock willingly spoke of the huge development which is to supply electric power to the whole district, and their plans reveal that no time is to be lost in getting the work started on a big scale.

As a matter of fact, some twenty men are now employed on a survey of the reservoir and power plant sites, as well as making a preliminary reconnaissance of the route the power lines will eventually take from Davis River to Hyder, Alaska. Very soon this crew will be considerably augmented.

Starting Field Work  
Last week Messrs. Batcheller and Brock went down to the site of the undertaking to lay out details which will permit of completing the field work before weather conditions necessitate closing down for the winter. In this respect Mr. Batcheller said:

"Our program calls for the construction of our power tunnel this winter. This will be about 300 feet long and 12 feet in diameter, with the intake at the dam about one-quarter of a mile up from tidewater, and the outlet just above the power house site. Foundation work for the dam will be undertaken during the low water period about March next. This dam, which is to be situated at an elevation of about 350 feet, will be 250 feet high and so constructed that it may be raised another 150 feet when conditions warrant. The power house will be on tidewater at the mouth of Davis River, from which point duplicate power lines will be extended throughout the district.

The power house will contain three 5,000 horsepower units one of which will be held in reserve. When the dam is eventually raised to its full height of 500 feet it is expected that the full capacity of the plant will be 26,000 horsepower. However, the initial development will afford in itself a reservoir two miles long and one-half mile wide, with a storage capacity of 30,000 acre-feet, which is sufficient to insure continuous operation of the plant throughout the year.

"Our schedule calls for an expenditure of \$50,000 between now and next spring. (Continued on Page 2)

### SHOW-UP ON COMOX AVE.

Eight Women and Five Men Haled Into Police Court on Disorderly House Charges

The police axe fell on the Comox Avenue houses at the end of the week with the result that eight women and five men were haled into city police court this morning before Magistrate McClymont on charges in connection with the operation of disorderly houses. Pleas of not guilty being entered, the cases were all adjourned for eight days with the understanding that they will come up in the meantime, one probably tomorrow afternoon. E. F. Jones, city solicitor, and Sergeant G. J. Duncan, chief of city police, appeared in the prosecution while the accused were represented by L. W. Patmore.

At the opening of the trials, Mr. Patmore said he was ready to go ahead with the Christina Iverson case but Sergeant Duncan suggested that there be an adjournment until tomorrow.

Mr. Patmore said that he would prefer to go ahead with one case as a start would have to be made some time.

Sergeant Duncan declared that he had as much right to get an adjournment in this case as Mr. Patmore had in the others.

Mr. Patmore thought that the police should be ready to go ahead seeing they had spent so much time in preparing the cases.

Sergeant Duncan wanted to know how Mr. Patmore knew so much time had been spent by the police.

"I happen to know," replied Mr. Patmore.

Addressing the women in the court, Mr. Patmore said that they did not need to heed the "foolish police regulation" with regard to their being able to come uptown only at certain times. They had the right to come uptown any time they wished to see their counsel.

"They don't have to get permission from you," said Sergeant Duncan in addressing Mr. Patmore. "It is the custom to let them come uptown whenever they wish to see a lawyer or a doctor." Sergeant Duncan admitted that the regulation under which the women were allowed to come uptown only at certain times was not law.

"You can come up any day you wish to," said the magistrate in speaking to the women.

The persons charged were: Keeping disorderly houses—Christina Iverson, Camilla Weir, Jessie Clay.

Being found in a disorderly house—Evelyn Green, Mary Deane, Joseph Burch, Wong King, Dominic Della, Alexander Smith, Swen Skog.

Being inmates of a disorderly house—Lena Timschuk, Babe Martin, Annette Vallee.

Lord Mayor of London Elected

LONDON, Sept. 29.—William Phene Neale, a solicitor, was elected Lord Mayor of London today for the civic year commencing November 9.

### Business Men Of Vancouver Agree That Peace Outlet Is Coming to Rupert, Says Dibb

That businessmen and others in Vancouver seem agreed that the Peace River railway outlet is to be at Prince Rupert is the report brought home from the south by Frank Dibb, manager for Rose, Cowan & Latta, Ltd., who has been south for a week or two for his health. More than that, Mr. Dibb says, they do not seem very pleased with the outlook. They had counted on it going to Vancouver.

It came somewhat of a surprise to Mr. Dibb to have the admission made by people in the south who were in a position to know, that Prince Rupert was likely to benefit very largely from Peace River business. "But," remarked Mr. Dibb, "it was not one or two, but many people who were insistent that the outlet for the big country to the north of the Canadian National is to have its outlet at this port."

### No One Disputes Right Of Dominions To Secede From Empire, Says J. H. Thomas

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas, secretary for the Dominions, in an interview with newspapermen of several nations, today declared that nobody questioned the right of any of the Dominions to secede from the British Empire. This statement was in reply to a question as to whether the issue of secession would come up at the Imperial Conference.

"I may have the right to shoot myself," Mr. Thomas said, "but you have the right to argue with me regarding the wisdom of my action. An Empire Court of Appeals or some such tribunal is likely to emerge from the conference for the solution of legal problems such as evolve from the work of the Privy Council."

### FINLAND IS SAFE

Pilot-Geologist From Victoria Is Found in Northern Saskatchewan

PRINCE ALBERT, Sept. 29.—Out of the barracks of Northern Saskatchewan came a radio flash from Lac La Ronge which ended the two weeks search for Mike Finland, pilot geologist, and the Indian guide with whom he flew, from Lac La Ronge. The message said "Finland is safe." The Indian was found yesterday making his way out for gasoline for the stranded plane. There were no other details.

Finland is a native of Victoria.

BIRTH NOTICE  
A son was born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Durran, Seal Cove, at the Prince Rupert General Hospital, on Sunday, September 28.

BROMLEY TO MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO CROSS PACIFIC  
TOKIO, Sept. 29.—Lieut. Harold Bromley and Harold Gatty flew their plane City of Tacoma from Shanishiro to Tacheniewa Field near here early today and announced that they were preparing for another attempt to fly the Pacific Ocean before the middle of October, weather permitting.

DEAD MAN IS FOUND  
Body Believed to Be That of N. F. Perchenkoff Discovered in Totem Hill Park

Seated On Bench  
Had Revolver In Hand, Shots In Heart and Over \$400 In Pockets  
With several shots in his left side, a revolver gripped in his right hand and a cigarette hanging from his lips, the dead body of a man believed to be N. F. Perchenkoff was found shortly before noon today seated on a bench on Totem Hill Park. All the circumstances of the case point to suicide.

The body was discovered by Vic Atalvich who happened to be passing. Identification was made through papers in the man's clothes.

From the condition of the body it was evident that the man had been dead for several hours. It is understood that about 10 o'clock last night some people heard what might have been shots.

Another report made to the police was that a person coming up from the C. N. R. wharves about 7:30 last evening saw a light as though some one were lighting a cigarette and, passing closer on Second Street, heard loud talking. The police say, however, that this would have had nothing to do with the case of Perchenkoff.

Deceased, who is believed to be a Russian, was, from his appearance, (Continued on Page 2)

### Grading On Mainland To Continue As Long As Weather Allows

Total of Eighty-Five Men Are Finding Employment on Highway Construction—Work Is Helping to Alleviate Unemployment Here

The bridge which will connect Kaien Island with the mainland at Galloway Rapids on the Skeena River highway is now a little over one-third constructed, it is announced. False work will be thrown across the narrows where the bridge is being built in order to transport over concrete and other material thereby to be used on the other side. There will be one main pier on the other side and, of course, a number of bents. There are 12 men at present employed on the bridge job and the progress that is being made is considered quite satisfactory.

With two miles already completed, road crews are now proceeding with the grading of a second lap of two miles on the road beyond Galloway Rapids. The grading work on the road will be continued as long as weather permits.

Meantime, with some seventy-three men employed on the road grading and twelve on the bridge construction, a total of eighty-five are still finding work on the highway construction. This work, too, is doing its part toward allaying unemployment in Prince Rupert this winter.

### BAD GALE IN NORTH

One Fisherman Killed and Many Boats Wrecked Near Ketchikan

KETCHIKAN, Sept. 29.—One fisherman was drowned and 10 salmon trolling boats sank at Coronation Island in a fierce gale which swept the area last Friday. The man drowned was Rudolf Bernhaft of Ketchikan. The total loss amounts to about \$20,000.

### 'Stroller' White Of Juneau Dies

Publisher of Stroller's Weekly Passed Away Yesterday at Age of Seventy-Four

JUNEAU, Sept. 29.—E. J. "Stroller" White, publisher here for a number of years of Stroller's Weekly, died yesterday at the age of 74.

VANCOUVER WHEAT  
VANCOUVER, Sept. 29.—Wheat was quoted on the local exchange today at 68 3/4c.

### Daniel Guggenheim, Famous Mining Man, Dies of Heart Attack At Home in New York

PORT WASHINGTON, New York, Sept. 29.—Daniel Guggenheim, capitalist, died of heart disease here yesterday at the age of 74 years. Before his retirement, he was the presiding genius of some of the largest American business enterprises notably the American Smelting & Refining Co. He, with his brothers, controlled about half of the copper mines and smelters in the world. Guggenheim gave millions for the promotion of aeronautics in addition to many philanthropies.

### THREE ARE DROWNED

Triple Tragedy Feared As Result of Canoe Upset in Upper Columbia River

LAKE WINDERMERE, Sept. 29.—Three men are believed to have been drowned when their canoe upset in the rapid water of the Columbia River north of Golden.

Walter J. Nixon, guide and game warden of Invermere, has received word from the provincial police at Golden that his eldest son, Gordon, aged 23, a packer; Provincial Land Surveyor Hallam, in charge of a party carrying on a topographical survey, and A. Game, his assistant, were the victims.

The canoe upset, advices state, and no trace has been found of the three men.

Walter Nixon has left on the 200-mile journey by automobile, canoe and pack horse to aid in the search for his son and the others.

### Appeal Against Fur Confiscation

Local Case Has Cropped Up Again In Supreme Court in Vancouver

Mr. Justice Fisher, in Supreme Court in Vancouver, has reserved his judgment in a case in which David Roy Stein, Vancouver fur buyer, is appealing against an order of W. E. Collison, stipendiary magistrate, in provincial police court here last July confiscating pelts to the value of \$3,000. The confiscatory order was made after accused had been fined \$50 for buying furs out of season. The appeal is based on the ground that the magistrate had no jurisdiction to make the order.

### Fishing Closes In Butedale Area

Marking the conclusion of the salmon canning season in District No. 2, fishing in the Butedale purse seine area closed last Friday. Butedale and Klemtu canneries, both in this area, were the last canneries in this district to operate this season.

### CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. C. Fossum and family wish to thank all those who expressed sympathy or sent flowers in connection with their loss through the death of the late John Anderson.

### FIVE ARE DROWNED

Disaster When Newfoundland Fishing Schooner Is Rammed By Ore Packer

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Sept. 29.—Five persons were lost when the Grand Banks fishing schooner V-100 was cut in two in a collision with the Bell Island ore carrying steamer Haugerland at midnight Saturday about 40 miles south of St. John's.

The dead are: John Peddle, Joseph Brussett, William Gosling and Philip Vincent, all of Burin, Nfld., and Mrs. F. Shave, wife of the captain. The captain was the only survivor.

### FISH SALES

Summary  
American—100,000 pounds, 12c and 5c to 17.4c and 7c.  
Canadian—15,200 pounds, 14.8c and 6c to 15c and 7c.

### American

Akutan, 20,000, Cold Storage, 12c and 5c.  
Trinity, 17,000, Booth, 13.7c and 5c.  
Franklin, 17,000, Atlin, 14.2c and 6c.  
Majestic, 20,000, Pacific, 14.8c and 6c.  
Sentinel, 5,000, Booth, 17.1c and 7c.  
Tye, 6,000, Cold Storage, 17c and 7c.  
Excel, 15,000, Atlin, 17.4c and 7c.

### Canadian

Aiken, 7,500, Cold Storage, 14.8c and 6c.  
Tern, 4,700, Atlin, 15c and 7c.  
R. W., 3,000, Booth, 14.9c and 7c.