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High	8.36 a.m.	18.1 ft.
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PRICE FIVE CENTS

ALBERTA COMMUNISTS ARE ROUTED

BILL TO ELIMINATE HUNTING ACCIDENTS IS INTRODUCED

Interest Rates Are Too High In Western Canada and Blow Should Be Struck for Equality---Brownlee

Country is no Longer in Pioneer Stage, Says Premier of Alberta, and There is no Justification For Penalizing Now

EDMONTON, Feb. 26:—Western Canada is being unfairly dealt with in the matter of interest rates and the time has come when it should strike a blow for equality with the east, Premier J. E. Brownlee said during yesterday's sitting of the Legislature. "We in the west are no longer in the pioneer stage," the Premier declared, "and there is no justification whatever for our being penalized with higher interest rates than those in the east. Ten per cent interest on notes is too high and, if we are thus to be burdened, in addition to higher freight rates and all other impositions to which we are subjected, we just cannot carry on."

Premier Brownlee declared emphatically that credit today is too tight.

SHORTAGES ARE HEAVY

Further Developments in Connection With Seattle Savings & Loan Company

SEATTLE, Feb. 26:—The check-up of company books which is proceeding show increasing shortages in the funds of the defunct Puget Sound Savings & Loan Co.

Adolph Linden, former manager of the company, was in Chicago yesterday on his way from New York to this city where he will face embezzlement charges.

Attorney-General Dunbar arrived yesterday from Olympia, being here in connection with possible receivership proceedings.

COLONEL IS DEAD

OTTAWA, Feb. 26:—The death occurred in Glasgow, Scotland, yesterday of Lieut. Col. Donald Bliss, prominent Canadian artillery officer, according to word received here. He served with distinction in the Great War and saw service through the Riel Rebellion as a lieutenant.

Would Mean Economic Ruin to Accept Trade Overtures Which Are Now Being Made by Soviet

MONTREAL, Feb. 26:—If Canada were to accept the overtures from Russia which are now before the Dominion government and exchange her machinery for Soviet coal and gold she would, in the opinion of Sir Herbert Holt, president of the Royal Bank of Canada, simply be expediting her own economic ruin since she would be supplying Russia with the means to become a more formidable competitor than ever. "Emphatically we should not allow Russian coal and wood to penetrate our markets," Sir Herbert said. "It is produced by conscript labor which is worse than convict labor. The Soviet allots a number of workers to agriculture and lumber enterprises and says to them: 'Unless you work, we will give you no food'."

BEST BID WILL WIN CONTRACT

Victoria Chamber of Commerce Hears From Government Regarding Big Jobs

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce were informed today that apart from the fact that some Canadian shipbuilder would be given the contract and that those on the Pacific Coast would have a natural advantage, the Dominion government would show no bias in the granting of contracts for the two new ships to be added to its service, says the Victoria Times. The statement was made in a letter from the Department of Marine.

The letter stated the construction would be carried out by some Canadian concern and the contract would be given to the firm submitting the lowest tender, providing the firm was a responsible one, in the case of the hydrographic survey craft. Attention was drawn to the fact that Pacific Coast builders would have an advantage in view of the fact that the contract called for delivery.

Tenders were to have been filed by February 5. Regarding the second vessel the government proposed to build for lighthouse and buoy service, the letter stated no tenders had yet been called but would be sought when specifications were completed in the near future.

A move to have coal burners installed in both ships had been launched by the Associated Boards of Trade, it was reported. The move was endorsed by the local directors.

Both Shelly and Pooley Ought to Resign-McKenzie

VANCOUVER, Feb. 26:—Addressing a Liberal Association meeting here, Hon. Ian McKenzie, M.P. for Vancouver Centre, declared that Hon. W. C. Shelly and Hon. R. H. Pooley should have resigned from the Tolmie government when the report of Mr. Justice W. A. Macdonald, exonerating Norman A. Watt of irregularities as government agent, was presented to the Legislature.

COLLECTION VERY SLOW

Government Has Received Only \$18,000,000 of Estimated \$28,000,000 For Fiscal Year.

VICTORIA, Feb. 26:—With three months of the fiscal year yet to go, a statement of the comptroller-general for the first nine months of last fiscal year which was presented to the Legislature yesterday shows that, of an estimated \$28,000,000, only \$18,000,000 had been collected during that period.



Late picture of His Royal Highness who is touring South America as brother, Prince George.

Loyal Citizens of Two Prairie Towns Wrecked Red Meetings Yesterday

United Farmers' League Flags Torn to Bits in Vegreville and Two Hills—Leaders Are Rotten-Egged Out of Town

VEGREVILLE, Alta., Feb. 26:—Tearing flags representing the United Farmers' League to shreds and substituting Union Jacks in their places, citizens of Two Hills and Vegreville last night stopped Communist International Day observance, damaged Communist halls, leaving them in shambles, and rotten-egged the leaders of the demonstrations out of town.

DAY WAS OBSERVED

Demonstration by Communists in Many Cities of World

Radio advices last night stated that International Communist Day was observed with demonstrations in many cities of the world yesterday. There were several deaths and many cracked heads. Among the cities observing the day were Boston, Toronto, Kansas City, Dallas, Vienna, Paris, Berlin and Moscow.

In Seattle eighteen men and three women were placed under arrest on charges of unlawful assembly and released on bail of \$200 each.

VICTORIA, Feb. 26:—As an outcome of the caravan that last year travelled from Vancouver to Hazelton, another such motor trip is to be made this year into British Columbia by prominent United States people. This year's caravan will go into the Cariboo and Okanagan districts.

ACTION DISMISSED

Judge F. McB. Young, in County Court yesterday afternoon, dismissed the action of George H. Barnes vs. W. J. Goodwin. T. W. Brown appeared as counsel for the plaintiff.

Gun Licences May Be Refused Persons Not Fitted to Have Them

Twenty-Two New Provisions Are Carried in Measure Which is Brought up For Second Reading in Legislature

VICTORIA, Feb. 26:—Shooting accidents in the British Columbia woods have caused considerable concern and authority to refuse gun licences to those who, in the opinion of the commissioner of police, are unfitted to carry firearms is one of 22 provisions in a bill to amend the Game Act which was offered to the Legislature yesterday afternoon for second reading.

Bad Weather Delays Hop

Burke Plane Could Not Be Flown Yesterday From Telegraph Creek to Hazelton

Owing to snow and generally unfavorable weather, the Junkers monoplane of the late Capt. E. J. A. Burke, being flown from Atlin to Vancouver, was unable to take off yesterday from Telegraph Creek for Hazelton. An attempt was to be made today to get off if weather permitted. On board the plane are Pilots R. J. Van Der Byl and W. A. Joerss and Air Engineer Emil Kadling.

The plane will be flown as far as Prince George on skis and will be changed there to pontoons for the rest of the flight to Vancouver where it is to be given a thorough overhaul before being recommissioned in the service of the Air Land Manufacturing Co.

PRINCE HAS GOOD LUCK

Cleaned up at Gaming Tables in Valparaiso Yesterday

VALPARAISO, Chili, Feb. 26:—The Prince of Wales, here in the course of his tour of South America with Prince George, had a "pot of luck" at the gaming tables yesterday. The winnings of His Royal Highness are estimated at from \$600 to \$2400.

VANCOUVER RESIDENT

John Harrison, Plumber of Empress of Russia, Survived by Wife and Family

MANILA, Feb. 26:—John Harrison, ship's plumber of the steamer Empress of Russia, who was killed by Martin Corera, mad Filipino student, Tuesday night, was a resident of Vancouver where he is survived by a wife and family. He was 42 years of age.

MRS. NORTH SAYS SLOT MACHINES AND PUNCHING BOARDS MUST BE BANNED

VICTORIA, Feb. 26:—Slot machines and punch boards must go from Victoria. Such is the declaration of Mrs. Dorothy North, city police boss, who declares that war will be waged on these forms of amusements. Mrs. North said she will move for complete elimination of these devices in conformity with her pre-election declarations.

Communists, Capitalists and Public Officials Denounced For Not Observing Sabbath

VANCOUVER, Feb. 26:—In the course of an appeal for observance of the Sabbath, strong indictments are made of communists, capitalists and public officials in a pastoral letter issued over the signatures of Archbishop Timothy Casey and Archbishop Mark Duke to the Catholic clergy, religious orders and laity of the archdiocese of Vancouver.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

VANCOUVER, Feb. 26:—The Pioneer Gold Mine has declared a dividend of three cents per share for the quarter ending March 31, payable on April 1 to shareholders of record March 16.

The communists are denounced for constituting a public problem among the unemployed by instigating and causing incipient riots.

With regard to employers, the latter says: "Big corporations force their employees to work on Sunday. The owners or directors take a Sunday rest but, for the sake of higher dividends, they make slaves of their workers who never rest."

The letter accuses public officials of culpable laxity and of being untrue to their oaths of office in permitting Sunday work.