Tomorrow's Tides

Thursday, March 26, 1931 5.05 a.m. 18.4 ft. 18.55 p.m. 14.6 ft.

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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 1931

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

# At ake! Prince Rupert People, the Time is Opportune

VESTERDAY the Daily News published part of an editorial article from the Stewart newspaper in which the possibilities of Stewart as the outlet from the Peace River and the C. P. R. terminus on this north coast were set forth. Almost every day, too, the Vancouver papers are urging the connecting of Vancouver with the Peace by way of the P. G. E. Prince Rupert is the only place that is lying down on the job.

It is acknowledged that Prince Rupert has one of the finest harbors in the world; that the point of advantage in regard to location over every other point on the coast; that the harbor needs no improving or dredging or other expenditures such as would be necessary at any other point.

It is freely acknowledged that no railway can have as good a grade to the coast as has the present main line of the Canadian National Railway to this port and that the cost of hauling grain to Prince Rupert would be less than to any other port on the coast.

It is a fact that the port of Prince Rupert is already equipped with docks, grain elevator, yards, lesser wharves, supply houses and practically everything that a modern

port needs, yet it is not used to any appreciable extent.

It is a fact that the elevator has been allowed to almost go out of commission, that grass grows in the railway yards, that the deep sea dock has never been completely equipped and often the dry dock shipyard is almost idle while the business goes to the private yards at Vancouver and Victoria, this with only a feeble protest from the people of Prince Rupert. Have the people of the city lost their pep? Are there no leaders left to rally the people and to bring before the authorities the treatment we are receiving?

If the old men, the former leading citizens are dormant, where is the young blood? Why is there no one to raise the battle cry for the rights of the people of this much favored but badly used port?

What is true of the railway is true also to a large extent of the highway. Very little real progress is being made. The government representative admits that it will take ten years to reach Terrace, yet no word of protest is heard. The highway is to be for the next generation and not for this.

It is said that the Canadian Pacific Railway has been anxious to use the port of Prince Rupert but that obstacles have been placed in their way. It is difficult to get accurate information, so the people of the city lie back and grouse about hard times, lulled by pessimists that are found in high places. No effective action is taken and there is no attempt to make a protest.

What is the remedy? Are we to admit defeat and revert to the status of a fishing village or shall we at least make our voices he ard in the governmental centres? If then we can get no help, the thing to do is to organize the north country into a separate province as proposed on a former occasion and followed up by the Peace River people.

As a first move we suggest that a public mass meeting be called at which a formal invitation shall be extended to the Canadian Pacific Railway to make Prince Rupert their northern port and promising co-operation in the matter of helping to secure such terms as may be just. The meeting should be attended by a thousand people, representative of every walk of life in the city. It should be such a demonstration as could not fail to attract attention. It would have to be in the hands of the enthusiasts and not of those who would pussyfoot, fearful of hurting somebody's feelings.

The Daily News has great faith in Prince Rupert, but the city will be largely what the people make it. If they are willing to be walked over they will never get anywhere. The world must be notified that we intend to be a factor in the life of the north country, not fifty years hence but immediately.

## HOUSE VOTED LANDS DEPARTMENT MILLION AND HALF

## Government Pruning Year's Expenditures; Estimates Are Lower

Sum of \$20,000 Is Approved For Timber Extension Work; Appropriations Also Made For Research and Fire Fighting

VICTORIA, March 25:- Estimates totalling \$1,464,984 for the Department of Lands were approved by the Legislature yesterday. This is a reduction of more than \$200,-000 from the vote last year. A sum of \$20,000 was approved for lumber trade extension work. An allowance was also asked for research work in timber. Forest protection concerned an item of \$480,000 for a special fund to which the industry and government will contribute for the fighting of fire.

#### EARTHOUAKE BULLS BUSY ON MARKET

Grain Weakness Has Little Effect Upon Industrial Issues

NEW YORK, March 25:- Despite the weakness in wheat and grains generally, the better stock issues forged ahead on the New York Exchange yesterday, particularly to- there was no loss of life. ward the close of the session. There was a distinct forward movement in motors and rails. The bears took a SEA WALL severe beating on several issues.

### CANADIAN BANKRUPT not to get its fine sea wall on Railway Avenue after all.

Receivership Proceedings Taken Against Col. Morden, M.P. For Brentford-Chiswick

LONDON, March 25:-The-Gazette contains notification of the wick.

the creditors' petition.

## WOMAN IS MURDERED

David Pinkus of 'Frisco Suspected' in Connection With Shooting of His Wife

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25:-A widespread search is being conducted by the police for David Pinkus who is accused of having shot his estranged wife, Mrs. Florence Bennett Pinkus, because she would not respond to his overtures that she return to him. Mrs. Pinkus, daughter of a Seattle jeweler, was shot to death on Monday.

## HALIBUT MEETING

Boat Owners and Old Buyers Get Together But No Announcement Made

Representatives of the Canadian Halibut Vessel Owners' Association were in conference yesterday with representatives of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. and other of the old fish buyers here. At the end of the meeting, however, neither side was willing to give out any announcement as to the result of the deliberations.

As far as can be learned, the present marketing situation here was discussed but no definite negotiations opened.

### IS VETOED PORTO RICO SEATTLE, March 25:-Seattle is

Olympia yesterday vetoed the bill . United States For First Time which provided \$400,000 state aid for the sea wall project. Wills Allouson

FIVE SMALL HALIBUT

IN BALKANS

No Loss of Life Reported on Graeco-

Serbian Frontier

earthquake shocks on the Graeco-

Serbian frontier were reported yes-

terday. As far as can be learned,

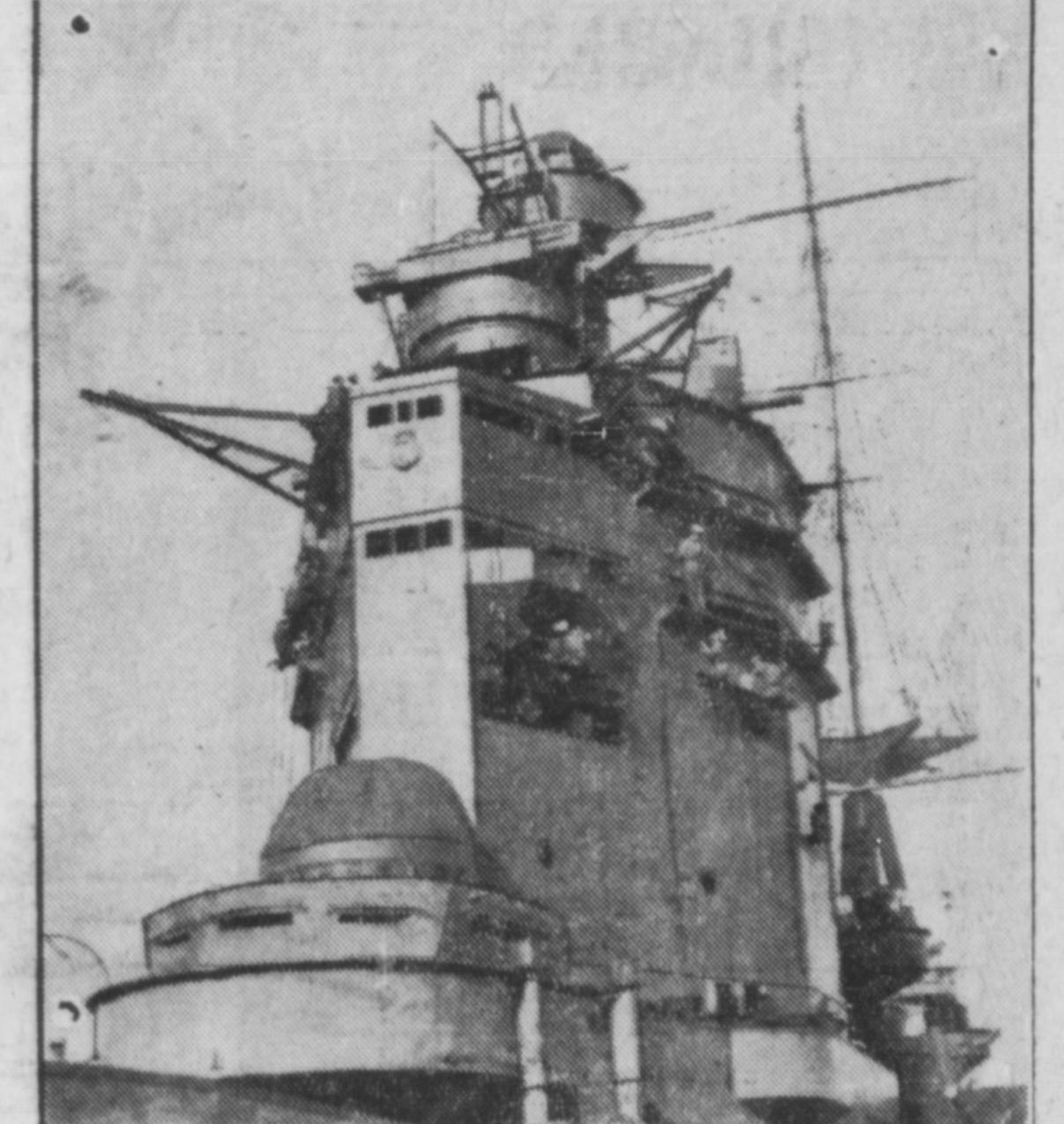
BELGRADE, March 25:-Severe

eries on the usual terms. The boats was the chief executive. and Domino II., 2,500.

Since Roosevelt

Virgin Islands.

#### H.M.S. Nelson's Control Tower



Saflors at work on control tower of H.M.S. Nelson, world's largeest battleship, after a two-day struggle in a hurricane recently, while en route to visit American fleet on manoeuvres off coast of Panama

### System of Dictatorship in Russia Seen by Speaker as Trade Challenge to Canada against the charge of being impli-

That the present system of dictatorship in Russia presented an economic challenge to the other countries of the gain her own freedom by resolutely IS HONORED world that boasted of their democracies was the opinion expressed by M. P. McCaffery in an address yesterday be- not been stabbed by her husband fore the Prince Rupert Gyro Club on the present world Governor Roland C. Hartley at Hears Address By President of trade depression. Particularly was Western Canada af- a knife into her own heart. fected by the Russian situation, Mr.

> McCaffery declared. If Russia could the effect, as far as other countries produce canned salmon, lumber and of the world were concerned, might PORTO RICO, March 25:-Presi- even grain cheaper and put it on be much the same.

dent Herbert Hoover was back on the world's markets at lower prices. Some speakers might say that BOATS IN PORT TODAY board the United States battleship Canada would have to sit up and the silver situation was of para-Arizona last night after a strenuous take notice. The challenge must be mount importance and others the Five small Canadian halibut boats day here in the course of which he met, even if drastic changes had to lumber situation but Mr. McCaffery Spanish Monarch Paid Visit With the demonstrators. Lieut. Col. W. Grant Morden, Cana- were in today with catches totalling gave the first address to be deliv- be effected in so doing. Mr. McCaf- felt that the wheat situation was dian born member of the House of 18,500 pounds all of which were dis-Commons for Brentford and Chis- posed of to the United Pacific Fish- ted States since Theodore Roosevelt Russia under dictatorship, could anything else to Western Canada. The notification stated: "The act were: Alken, 4,000 pounds; Selma, The Arizona sailed during the tatorship. In one country it was a tion throughout the world, the of bankruptcy has been proved in 3,000; Gony, 4,000; Gibson, 5,000, night with the president for the Fascist dictatorship and in the price of wheat had gone down to a

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## DETAILS UNKNOWN

No Announcement Yet as to Terms of Seattle Owners-Fishermen Agreement

SEATTLE, March 25:-Details have not been made public of the agreement which has been reached between the halibut boat owners and Union fishermen in the dispute over boat's share of proceeds. The agreement has been ratified between the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union and the Fishing Vessel Owners' Association, and the Seattle fleet will proceed to the fishing banks as rapidly as the vessels can be fitted out.

The fishermen accepted a working plan outlined through the aid of United States Comof Conciliation Marsh.

# WOMAN IS

Irma Loucks Testifies on Her Own Defense at Hillsboro

Irma G. Loucks, "office wife" of up. Portland broker, took the stand yesterday with the Viking surviyesterday in her own defence vors. the latter's wife in the Loucks WORKLESS apartment last fall.

Miss Loucks rejected a chance to reiterating that Mrs. Bowles had away from his wife when she drove Four Taken Into Custody Following

The trial is continuing.

## King Alfonso

Princess Beatrice in London

MADRID, March 25-King Al-Princess Beatrice.

### WHEAT TO BE PROBED

Englishman Coming Over to Head Commission, Premier Bennett

OTTAWA, March 25:-Sir Joseph Stamp will sail for Canada next week to head a royal commission which the government will appoint to investigate grain matters in Canada: Premier Bennett announced in the House of Commons today.

### DIED FROM PNEUMONIA

Navigator Kennedy Another Victim of Viking Disaster

ST. JOHN'S. March 25-Almost within sight of his home, Navigator Kennedy of the ill-fated sealing vessel Viking died yesterday afternoon aboard the rescue ship Sagona. He passed away in a de-ON STAND Sagona. He passed away in a de-

Severely injured in the explosion Kennedy suffered terribly from exposure before he and other sur-HILLSBORO, Ore., March 25:- vivors of the Viking were picked

Nelson C. Bowles, wealthy young. The Sagona arrived here late

## ARRESTED

Demonstration in Vancouver Yesterday

VANCOUVER, March 25: - Four men were arrested yesterday when some fifteen hundred demonstra-Back in Madrid tors made a disturbance in front of the City Hall. The police dispersed

FUNERAL NOTICE

phonso returned to Madrid yester- The funeral of the late Daniel day after a visit in London to the Morrison will take place Thursday bedside of his mother-in-law, at 2.30 p.m. from the parlors of the B. C. Undertakers.