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# The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

**Tomorrow's Tides**  
Friday, August 21, 1931  
High ..... 7:41 a.m. 15:2 ft.  
19:30 p.m. 18:1 ft.  
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## REVENUE TAX IN BRITAIN IS PLANNED

## MONTREAL WITHOUT ELECTRICITY OWING TO VANDALISM

### Part of Power Lines Destroyed As Result of Dynamite Episodes

Portion of Big Eastern City Without Service Altogether; Linesmen on Strike as Company Disregards Their Union

MONTREAL, Aug. 20.—As a result of a series of dynamite explosions of the power lines of the Montreal Light, Heat & Power Co. during the past two days, a portion of the city was yesterday without electrical services, power lines having been destroyed. This morning a considerable portion of the St. Laurent section was crippled when poles carrying six transformers were destroyed.

### DEATH OF DR. COON

Local Chiropractor Succumbed Early This Morning to Heart Attack

The victim of a sudden heart attack, Dr. F. R. H. Coon, who had practised chiropractic here for the past six months or so, died about 2 o'clock this morning in his bed at his home in Westview. Deceased had been feeling ill for a short time before his death and a physician was called but nothing could be done to save his life. Earlier in the evening he had apparently, felt quite fit.

A man of about forty years of age, the late Mr. Coon was born in the United States and came here from Centralia, Wash., where relatives reside. He is survived by a widow and young son. A few years ago a daughter was instantly killed in an automobile accident in the United States and Mrs. Coon was so badly injured that her life was despaired of. She, however, recovered.

Funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B. C. Undertakers.

### RICHARD VAN HORNE DEAD

Was Only Son of Sir William Van Horne, One of Founders of Canadian Pacific

MONTREAL, Aug. 20.—Richard B. Van Horne, only son of the late Sir William Van Horne, one of the builders of the Canadian Pacific Railway, died suddenly this morning at St. Andrews, N.B., at the age of 55.

### Halibut Landings

**American**  
Vansee, 35,000, Booth, 5.5c and 2.5c.

**Canadian**  
Kaien, 15,000, 5.1c and 2c, holding.  
Atl, 8,000, Storage, 6.2c and 2c.

### MISS PAULINE FURNESS ENTERS BEAUTY CONTEST

The Prince Rupert Retail Merchants' Association has entered the Beautique Contest in connection with the forthcoming Prince Rupert Exhibition with Miss Pauline Furness of Mrs. Parker's ladies' ready-to-wear store the official candidate of the association. The merchants are planning to stage an active campaign in support of their candidate.

### HIS DEATH IS SHOCK

Archie Beattie, Well Known Pioneer of City, Passed Away on Train in East

His many friends in Prince Rupert will learn with feelings of sincere and deep regret of the death which took place yesterday while he was travelling west from Rochester, Minn., where he had gone for consultation at the Mayo Clinic, of Archibald C. Beattie, carpenter and contractor and a resident of Prince Rupert of some twenty years' standing. Mr. Beattie died aboard a train and the body was taken off at St. Cloud, Minn., where it is now reposing pending the making of funeral arrangements. News of the death was received here by wire last night.

The late Mr. Beattie had been in failing health for several months. He had gone to Vancouver for treatment but failed to obtain any relief. As a last resort he left a week or so ago for the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., but, apparently, nothing could be done for him there either. While his demise might have not been altogether unexpected, the news comes, however, as a shock to many friends.

Born in Ontario 66 years ago, the late Mr. Beattie came to Prince Rupert about twenty years ago from the Atlin district and had resided here since. He was unmarried but is survived by a sister, Mrs. Plant, in Acton, Ont., and three brothers in the United States.

The late Mr. Beattie was a member of the Masonic order here.

### RECORD IS EQUALLED

"Lefty" Grove Pitches His Sixteenth Straight Victory

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—"Lefty" Grove, star southpaw of the Philadelphia Athletics, won his 25th game of the season yesterday by defeating the Chicago White Sox and equalled the American League record of sixteen straight pitching victories.

Grove has lost only two games this season, the last defeat having been on June 5 at the hands of the White Sox.

### SUCCUMBED LAST NIGHT

The death occurred at 11 o'clock last night at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Maurelius Holkestad, 343 Seventh Avenue East, of Johan Christian Martinson, in his seventy-eighth year. The late Mr. Martinson had felt faint in the afternoon and his death came peacefully a few hours later as a result of heart failure.

The late Mr. Martinson had lived here for seven years, having come out from the Old Country. He was born at Bode, Northern Norway, on February 9, 1854. Deceased was predeceased by his wife but has other relatives in the Old Country.

Funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B. C. Undertakers.

### WEATHER REPORT

Langara Island—Clear, light westerly wind; sea smooth.  
Dead Tree Point—Cloudy, light southeast wind; barometer, 30.12; temperature, 60; light chop.  
Triple Island—Clear, westerly breeze, sea smooth.

### LIQUOR CUT BEING MADE

Prince Rupert to Receive \$5437 From Province—Other Allocations in District

The city of Prince Rupert is about to receive the sum of \$5,437 from the provincial government as its share of the government's liquor profits for the six months ending March 31 last. Other allocations in this district are as follows:

Prince George, \$2,387.  
Burns Lake, \$275.  
Smithers, \$1,249.  
Stewart, \$33.  
Terrace, \$847.  
Vanderhoof, \$588.

### JURY TAKES CASE TODAY

Trial of David Clark in Los Angeles Nears Conclusion

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 20.—The case of David Clark, young Los Angeles attorney, who is charged with the murder of Herbert Spencer and Charles Crawford, is expected to go to the jury today.

Defence counsel, in argument yesterday, declared that the prosecution had employed inference and innuendo in its efforts to convict Clark.

### Liberal Leaders Are Opposed to New Plan To Meet Money Crisis

Grits, Tories and Laborites to Get Together Again Tomorrow—Further Ten Per Cent Food Tax Also Mooted

LONDON, Aug. 20.—Opposition to the proposed ten per cent revenue tariff as a remedial measure for the British financial crisis is believed to have been raised by Liberal leaders today in conference with Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald and Conservative leaders. The conversations will be resumed tomorrow.

Yesterday the Daily Herald, Labor organ, forecast the possibility of a ten per cent tariff on retained manufactures, including those partly finished, which would yield revenue of \$100,000,000 annually and also a further ten per cent food tax designed to yield a similar amount.

### Weather Better and Lindberghs Ready to Leave

TOKYO, Aug. 20.—Reports received here last night from the Kurile Islands stated that clouds and fog were clearing from off the sea and that Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh were expected momentarily to hop off from Ketoi Island where they were forced down early yesterday while flying from Petropavlovsk to Nemuro.

The steamer Paramushiro Mar stood by the plane as it lay on the sea.

Despite the prospects last night for weather improvement, Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh were still being held at Ketoi today with motor trouble and fog.

### Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, Aug. 20.—Wheat was quoted on the local exchange today at 53 1/8c.

### ROUTE IS SELECTED

VICTORIA, Aug. 20.—The Colonist said this morning that the British Columbia section of the trans-Canada highway will run from Vancouver via the Fraser Valley, Cariboo Road, Kamloops, Revelstoke, Big Bend to Golden whence it will connect with the road through to Banff and Calgary.

The town Peace River, one would naturally imagine as the centre of the district because of the identity in names, but never had it occurred to me as being the heart—the vital point, pulsing life and commerce to the empire through three arteries: road, rail and river. Of course this organ isn't mature yet, but should continue to grow for many, many years, sending out greater vitality through broader and more intricate channels as the empire develops, until finally the town should come into its own as the capital city of the Peace River province, and take its stand among the leading cities of the Dominion. This is not an optimist's idle dream. If we look back about twenty-five years, we find that this place was known as Peace River Crossing or Peace River Landing. Twenty years ago Peace River was merely an outpost composed of a Hudson's Bay Company station and two other buildings. Then because of the convenience of transhipment of goods from wagon to boat and vice versa, a little frontier outpost grew up which gradually replaced the older trading post across the river. Transportation for the northern fur trade was then the all important factor in the life of the hamlet. After a time came the land seeker. That marked the beginning of an agricultural era which is still in its primary stages. Once, however, that settlement began, whole townships were soon taken, other posts came into existence. A railway was necessary. Finally the steel came; the village of Peace River grew with characteristic rapidity into a town which now has a population of approximately nine hundred, occupying some one hundred and fifty residences and carrying on business in nearly forty establishments.

### HARVESTERS POURING IN

Winnipeg Authorities Are Unable to Check Flow

WINNIPEG, Aug. 20.—Local authorities have found it impossible to cope themselves with a great influx of United States unemployed farm workers expecting to find employment in Canadian harvest fields.

The provincial police have been asked to take action and, failing this, an appeal will be made to the federal government to institute an intensive border patrol.

### INDIA IS ON VERGE OF MORE TROUBLE

BOMBAY, India, Aug. 20.—All hope of Mahatma Gandhi, Indian nationalist leader, attending the proposed round table conference in London opening September 5 has been abandoned and it is now believed that India is once more on the verge of a calamitous civil disobedience campaign.

### Visitor to Peace River Valley Tells of His Impressions; Pays Tribute to Heart of Empire

(By J. N. Williams, in Peace River Record)

Coming along the highway from Edmonton I took special note of all the highway signs, particularly those which mentioned Peace River, for the simple reason that the same was my destination and anything that would serve as an introduction to the town was eagerly welcomed. The one sign which stands out above all the others in my memory was one many miles down the highway from here, which read, "Peace River, the Heart of an Inland Empire." At first I could not grasp the full significance of those words but I turned them over and over in my mind. To be sure I had previously studied numerous guides, charts and maps, but to me the Peace River district had always seemed like a small constituency tucked up in the cold, forested wilderness in the northwest corner of Alberta, important only as a refuge for unfortunate prairie homesteaders who were forced through drought and wind to seek a woodland home, or interesting perhaps for a holiday trip, certainly not as an empire.

I had noted the size of the district on the various maps as being approximately 93,000 square miles, but the truth of this statement had not registered; I hadn't compared it with anything in my experience. Why that area is equal to all the settled land in the province of Saskatchewan, twice that of Alberta, and almost thrice that of Manitoba. Greater in extent than any European country except Russia. Now I understand why the name Empire is applied to the district, and a very fitting name it is too.

### Town of Peace River

The town Peace River, one would naturally imagine as the centre of the district because of the identity in names, but never had it occurred to me as being the heart—the vital point, pulsing life and commerce to the empire through three arteries: road, rail and river. Of course this organ isn't mature yet, but should continue to grow for many, many years, sending out greater vitality through broader and more intricate channels as the empire develops, until finally the town should come into its own as the capital city of the Peace River province, and take its stand among the leading cities of the Dominion. This is not an optimist's idle dream. If we look back about twenty-five years, we find that this place was known as Peace River Crossing or Peace River Landing. Twenty years ago Peace River was merely an outpost composed of a Hudson's Bay Company station and two other buildings. Then because of the convenience of transhipment of goods from wagon to boat and vice versa, a little frontier outpost grew up which gradually replaced the older trading post across the river. Transportation for the northern fur trade was then the all important factor in the life of the hamlet. After a time came the land seeker. That marked the beginning of an agricultural era which is still in its primary stages. Once, however, that settlement began, whole townships were soon taken, other posts came into existence. A railway was necessary. Finally the steel came; the village of Peace River grew with characteristic rapidity into a town which now has a population of approximately nine hundred, occupying some one hundred and fifty residences and carrying on business in nearly forty establishments.

### Appearance Indicate This Town to be on a Par with Modern Towns of the Dominion, Having Various Government Offices, Churches, Schools, a Well Equipped Hospital, Skillful Medical and Surgical Aid, Banking Accommodation, a Provincial Lands

office, telegraphs, telephones, a picturesque and comfortable tourist camp, a talking-picture theatre, a covered curling rink, tennis courts and a fair golf ground together with a country club. Then, too, are the wholesale and retail merchants, the hotels, garages, restaurants, barber shops and various other businesses without which the town and district could not thrive. In fact Peace River has all but two earmarks of a modern city, namely: running water on tap and cement sidewalks. Compensation for the running water is to be found in the shower baths behind the town power plant, also in the two creeks which flow through the town affording a running water system on "terra" instead, the second and most noticeable lack must have its reasons for being absent. Perhaps because wood is very much more economical than cement and provides employment in its maintenance. Possibly the change to cement will be made when the town hammer becomes

### COMMENT BY BORAH

Must Be Something More Than Straight Debt Cancellation, Declares Senator

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 20.—Commenting upon the report of the Wiggins' bankers' commission on intergovernmental war debts and German reparations, Senator W. E. Borah declared yesterday that, if it was to be effective in the return of world prosperity through restoration of Europe's buying power, any plan of cancellation or suspension of war debts would have to be accompanied by some program for the overhaul of European politics and industry.

### Rumors That Elevator Here Is to Be Busy

Said That Six or Seven Million Bushels May Be Shipped This Way in Coming Season

There are all sorts of rumors going the rounds in regard to the use of the elevator this season. One of them is to the effect that it is planned to ship six million bushels this way and another says seven million. What seems certain is that the local elevator will be filled before very long and that it seems probable it will be filled more than once.

The local elevator authorities have nothing to say in regard to the situation.

The city police have an inquiry as to the possibility of there being in this city or district relatives of Francis J. Walker who died recently in the United States and the settlement of whose estate is still pending. Deceased was born in 1850 the son of Frank Walker and Eliza Dougherty, his wife.