

The Weather

Wednesday, April 1, 1931
Prince Rupert—Clear, southwest
light; barometer, 30.02; sea smooth.

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides

Thursday, April 2, 1931
High 0.45 a.m. 22.1 ft.
13.06 p.m. 22.2 ft.
Low 7.02 a.m. 2.6 ft.
19.19 p.m. 2.3 ft.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

OTTAWA CITY HALL IS BURNED OUT

BRITISH COLUMBIA LEGISLATURE IS PROROGUED TODAY

Stone Structure In Capital City Gutted Last Night by Fire

Damage Is Estimated at \$200,000—Seven Firemen Are Injured, One Seriously, In Fighting Flames

OTTAWA, April 1:—The interior of the City Hall of Ottawa is in ruins today as a result of fire in the stone building last night in which seven firemen were injured by falling masonry. One of the firemen is believed to have been quite seriously hurt. Damage as a result of the conflagration is placed at \$200,000.

CRISIS IN NEW YORK

Mayor Walker to Meet Waterloo Within 100 Days, It Is Asserted

NEW YORK, April 1:—Mayor James J. Walker of New York City, facing charges of corruption, will meet his political Waterloo within the next one hundred days, it is asserted by Rev. John H. Holmes, one of the leaders in the reform movement which is designed to overthrow the present administration.

Holmes made this declaration in addressing a mass meeting of 4,000 persons in Carnegie Hall last night.

JURY IS MADE UP

SEATTLE, April 1:—Convening of a Grand Jury to probe the affairs of the defunct Puget Sound Savings & Loan Co. has been completed.

The same Grand Jury, it is said, may be called upon to investigate Mayor Edwards' administration of civic affairs.

Capt. Nedden Goes East For Robert

Capt. A. J. Gilbert, who was skipper of the steamer Prince Henry last summer, is now in command of the steamer Prince George, which arrived in port this morning from the south. He is relieving Capt. Harry Nedden, who is leaving Vancouver for Halifax to bring out the new steamer Prince Robert to this coast to enter service on the Vancouver-Victoria-Seattle run.

ASK GOV'T FOR LOAN

Commissioner of Fisheries to Consult With Opposition Leader

VICTORIA, April 1:—A promise from Hon. S. L. Howe, commissioner of fisheries, that he would not refuse the application of the co-operative fishermen of Prince Rupert for a loan until he had consulted T. D. Pattullo was secured by the leader of the opposition in Legislature yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Howe said the application had been received and agreed to confer with Mr. Pattullo regarding it.

PETITION ON RECALL

Document Seeking Removal of Mayor Edwards Being Circulated in Seattle

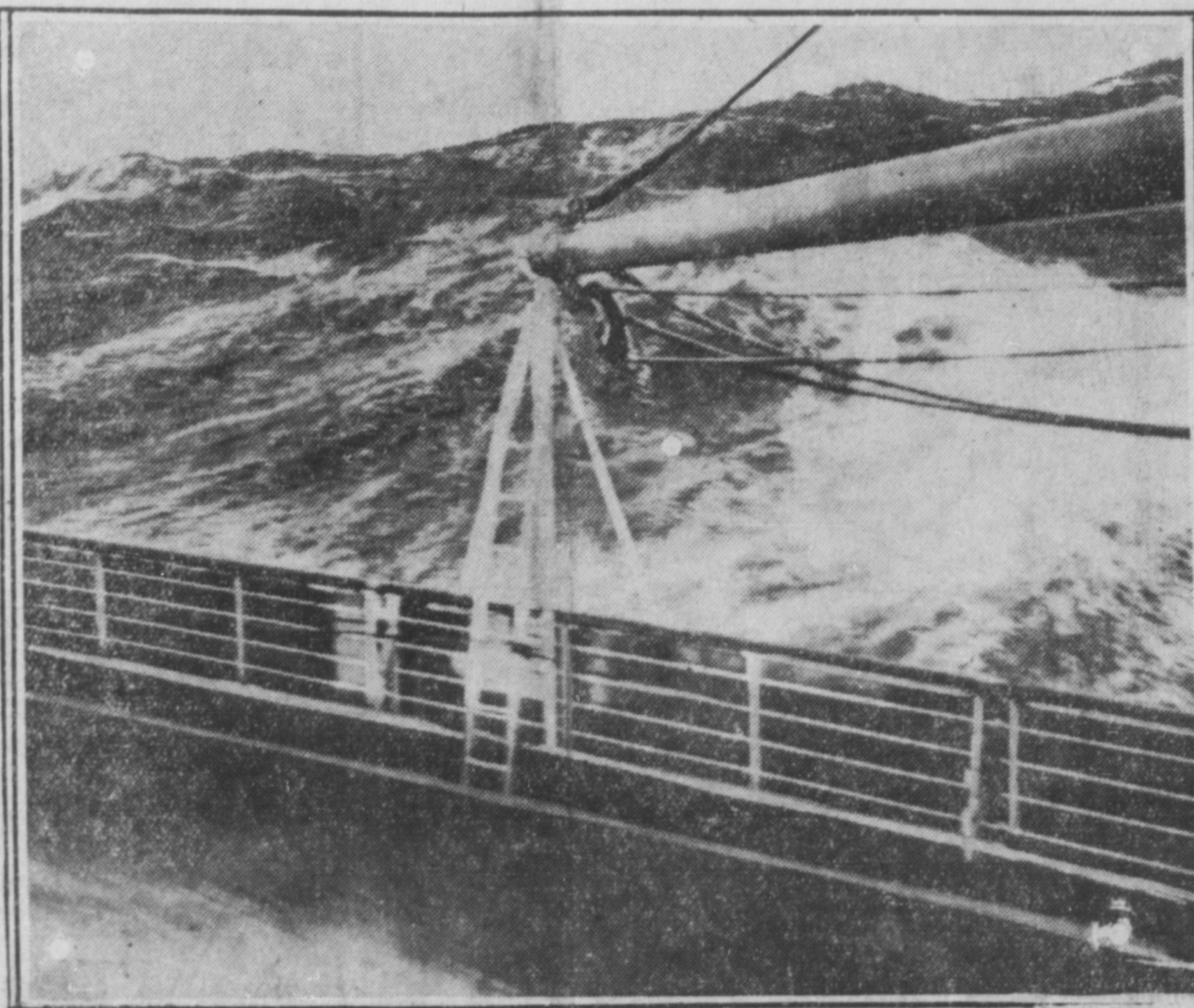
SEATTLE, April 1:—The petition for the recall of Mayor Frank Edwards is being widely circulated throughout the city and thousands are reported to have already signed. The petition is being circulated under the auspices of the Citizens' Municipal Protective League. It will be necessary to have a total of 24,000 names on the petition before it can be considered.

Meantime, the mayor is unperturbed at the crisis which has arisen in civic affairs since his dismissal of John D. Ross as superintendent of the city light department.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, April 1:—Wheat was quoted at 55½c on the local exchange today.

Gigantic Waves and Hurricanes On Atlantic



The glimpse of turbulent Atlantic, caught from deck of S.S. New York, gives an idea of excitement hurricanes and gigantic waves are providing travellers. Storms and high tides have already wrought much damage.

FISH HERE WAS LIGHT

Halibut Landings During March Little Better Than Quarter of Last Year

Halibut landings at the port of Prince Rupert for the month of March this year totalled 601,000 pounds as against 2,108,700 pounds last year and 2,823,200 pounds the year previous.

The fact that the Seattle fleet was not in operation and that marketing conditions here were rather unsettled contrived to cause small landings in the month just past. This will probably be rectified during the coming month.

WILL PROBE GRAIN SALE

Eminent English Economist Will Be Here on April 9 to Head Commission

OTTAWA, April 1:—Sir Joseph Stamp, eminent English economist, will arrive in Canada on April 9 to head a Canadian government commission clothed with powers to investigate the sale of grain futures. Premier Bennett announced in the House of Commons today.

The function of the commission will be to inquire into one question, said the Premier: "Does the sale of grain futures operate to the detriment of the producers?"

MILLION DOLLAR FLOOD IN SOUTH OF WASHINGTON

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 1:—Officials hastily estimated today flood damage in Walla Walla and surrounding country might reach upwards of \$1,000,000.

HUNDREDS ARE DEAD

Earthquake in Nicaragua on Monday Took Big Toll of Life and Property

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, April 1:—The death list as a result of the disastrous earthquake, which razed this, the capital city of Nicaragua, on Monday, rose into the hundreds yesterday with thousands injured. Many Americans are included among the dead.

Practically every building in the city was destroyed. The United States legation was razed while the British legation is in ashes.

It was estimated today 1,000 were dead and 2,000 injured while the entire population of 60,000 is homeless. Fire still rages over the demolished city following the earthquake.

FINES HERE ARE HIGHER

Police Court One Institution That Is Not Suffering From Depression

There is one institution at least in Prince Rupert which does not seem to be suffering from the hard times and that is Magistrate McClymont's city police court. Fine collections of the police court for March this year totalled \$825 as against \$686 in the same month last year and, to date this year, \$2,007.50 has been collected as compared with \$1086 in the first three months of 1930.

CUSTOMS REVENUE SHOWS DECREASE

Customs collections at the port of Prince Rupert for the month of March this year amounted to only \$6,560.96. This is a large decrease from \$21,096.15 which was the revenue from this source for March, 1930.

BUILDING INCREASE

Slight Gain Shown For March This Year Over Same Month in 1930

Building permits issued at the office of the city engineer during the month of March, just ended, represented a total value of \$9,518 as compared with \$9,100 in the same month last year. The list for March this year includes a combined store and dwelling structure at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Green Street for J. H. Sheddon and a residence on Fifth Avenue East at Hays Cove Circle for Ben Johnson. The list for March is as follows:

H. Underdahl, Beach Place, alterations to residence, \$100.
A. McArthur, Third Ave. W., repair stores, \$250.
M. Montessano, Borden Street, alterations to residence, \$300.
J. Sheddon, Fifth Ave. E., erect store and residence, \$4000.
L. Leroux, Seal Cove Circle, addition to residence, \$250.
Tokio Cleaners, Fifth Street, general repairs, \$100.
F. A. Rogers, Sixth Ave. W., addition to residence, \$350.
D. Zarelli, Third Ave. W., alterations, \$1000.
Helgeson Block, Third Ave., alterations to store, \$300.
Dr. Alexander, Third Ave. W., Neon Sign, \$318.
B. Johnson, Fifth Ave. E., erect residence, \$2000.
Wong Jong, Third Ave. W., repair foundation, \$400.
G. Vaccher, Third Ave. W., general repairs, \$150.

Princes Relax In Hinterland Back of Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 1:—Far from the bustling city of Rio de Janeiro where they spent a few busy days, the Prince of Wales and Prince George are now relaxing in the hinterland of the Parana River.

Milk Bill Amendments And Jones Budget Are Given Final Approval

Three Sessions Yesterday Helped to Wind Up Business Which Is Virtually Completed—Tolmie and Jones Off to Ottawa

VICTORIA, April 1:—The Legislature prorogued this morning with its business practically completed. There were three sittings Tuesday and this morning final approval was given to the Milk Bill amendments. Yesterday the House approved the Supply Act, ratifying the Jones budget and the objectionable taxation which it contains.

Premier Tolmie and Minister of Finance J. W. Jones will be leaving almost immediately for Ottawa to take up matters with the federal authorities.

KETCHIKAN SHIP HERE

Pioneer Airways Monoplane Called at Noon to Pick Up Passenger

A Pioneer Airways monoplane of Ketchikan was here at the noon hour to pick up Travis Moore of Boston and take him to Juneau where he will join a mountain climbing party. The plane, piloted by Pilot Dodson, arrived shortly after 12 o'clock, leaving for the north before one. Moore is a member of a wealthy Boston family and arrived here Sunday by train.

Pilot Dodson reports that both planes of his company at Ketchikan are being kept very busy with commercial work.

Hoover Opposed To Tax Boosting

Attended First Cabinet Meeting Yesterday Since His Return From West Indies

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1:—Home from his cruise to the West Indies, President Herbert Hoover attended the first cabinet meeting since his return. Any move to increase taxation at the next session of Congress will be opposed by him, the President declared.

NO HALIBUT IN

There were no halibut boats in this morning with catches. With the American fleet now at work, it is expected that landings may be heavy toward the end of the week.

United Pacific Not Shipping Halibut East But Freezing; Two Boats Sell to Storage

Having received orders to ship no more fish to the eastern markets, the United Pacific Fisheries is now freezing what halibut it is taking here. The concern is, however, undertaking to make the same down payment of 10c and 7c as previously.

The Takla, which had the largest catch offering yesterday, did not dispose of its fish after all to the United Pacific Fisheries but sold it to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. for 8½c and 5½c. The Bobby was another boat which disposed of its catch to the Cold Storage yesterday. It had 150 pounds.

The American Wave and Canadian Covenant, in this morning with catches of 7,000 and 12,000 pounds respectively, are holding over. It is understood that the Covenant may proceed to Vancouver with its catch.

While the fishermen still seem to be confident that the new plan of marketing here will eventually work out to their satisfaction, many rumors are heard as to the situation and it is understood that there is likely to be a showdown within the next day or so.

Governor of Saskatchewan

OTTAWA, April 1:—Dr. H. E. Munroe of Saskatoon has been appointed Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Spencer and family are desirous of expressing appreciation to their many friends for sympathy extended and flowers sent during their recent bereavement in the death of Mrs. Spencer's mother.

Canadian Pacific Engineers To Survey Peace River Rail Route Coming Out at Hazelton

Word has been received in the city that the C.P.R. is intending to send in a survey party from Hazelton working eastward in the direction of the Peace River Block. They will follow the water route most of the way and will provide the company with information in regard to the Hazelton outlet route from Finlay Forks which is supposed to be by way of the Omineca, Fall Creek, Takla and Babine Lakes, Kispiox and Skeena Rivers, connecting with the C.N.R. at Skeena Crossing.