**Today's Weather**

Prince Rupert calm; barometer, 30:0[illegible] [illegible]ure, 34; sea smooth.

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**Tomorrow's Tides**

Thursday, January 28, 1932

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| High | 4:35 a.m. | 20:7 ft. |
| | 16:46 p.m. | 19:1 ft. |
| Low | 10:51 a.m. | 5:8 ft. |
| | 23:05 p.m. | 5:0 ft. |

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# THOMAS COMMENTS ON CONFERENCE

# POLICING ISSUE IS COMING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL MEET

## British Government To Enter Ottawa Meeting Free and Untrammeled

**No Commitments Will Be Made With Foreign Countries Which Might Prejudice Agreements With Dominions, British Cabinet Minister Declares**

LONDON, Jan. 27:—The British government will enter the forthcoming Imperial economic conference at Ottawa free and unfettered, Rt. Hon. James H. Thomas, Secretary for the Dominions stated today. No prior commitments will be made with foreign countries which might prejudice free discussions and possibly trade agreements at Ottawa, Mr. Thomas added.

## TO CHANGE STEAMERS

**Prince George to Replace Prince Rupert on Coastal Run at Middle of Next Month**

On February 17, the steamer Prince Rupert, which has been carrying out the service of Canadian National Steamships on the Vancouver - Prince Rupert run throughout the winter will be withdrawn from service to undergo annual overhaul in the local dry dock and will be replaced by the steamer Prince George which has been tied up here for the winter and which is now receiving annual overhaul at the local yard. There will be no interruption of service in connection with the change of ships.

## Anyox Man Dies In Institution

Gregory Smith, who was recently taken through here from Anyox to the Essondale Mental Hospital, died recently at the latter institution. Deceased was the son of J. Smith of Milan Landing, Vancouver Island. Smith was a comparatively young man.

## LOOK FOR BAYCHIMO

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Jan. 27:—Frank Dorbrandt, noted northern flyer, is organizing an aerial expedition to seek the lost Hudson Bay Co.'s trading steamer Baychimo in the Arctic Ocean in order to salvage her rich cargo of furs.

**EDGAR RHODES TO BE FINANCE MINISTER?**

OTTAWA, Jan. 27:—The Ottawa Citizen yesterday said: "Hon. Edgar N. Rhodes will be sworn in as minister of finance within the next few days, according to intimation from the highest authority." Since the formation of the present government, Premier Bennett has also acted as minister of finance. Now, according to intimation in highest government circles, Mr. Rhodes will be minister of finance when Parliament opens.

## Home Again

"Oh, dear," exclaims Mrs. Chas. H. Day, "here we are home again." Mrs. Day as she lands at Newark, N.J., after leisurely world air jaunt with her husband in a plane built by the latter

## MAYOR NOW NINETY-TWO

DIGHTON, Mass., Jan 27:—Citizens look up at the man who directs the affairs of numerous business houses or who has been such-and-such for so-and-so many years, but when it comes to ruling a town of 3,400 inhabitants for thirty-five years and at the age of 92 still carries on, then it is the place of the citizens to look up and bow down.

Such a man is Charles S. Chase, member of the legislature in 1894, state senator in 1911 and 1912, now chairman of the board of selectmen, chairman of the board of health and chairman of the public welfare of this small town.

Chase is the main cog of one of the few towns in Massachusetts without bonded debt. He attributes the town's strong financial success to a "pay as you go" policy and to a finance committee which has been in existence since 1900 and which is under control.

The eldery official is a former superintendant of streets, chief of police, justice of the peace and is known as "Father" of the Bristol County Agricultural School located in this town.

It is his boast that he neither drinks nor smokes.

## RADIONS' MEETING

**Reception Conditions Generally Are Discussed at Gathering Last Night**

## Power Line Blamed

**Fred Wermig Is Elected New President of Local Association**

The Prince Rupert Radio Association, at its annual meeting in the City Hall last night, decided to circulate a petition among radio owners of the city for ultimate submission to the proper federal government authorities requesting that a first class man be sent to Prince Rupert at once to investigate radio interference which is gradually becoming worse in the city, with a view to having the situation cleared up. The text of the petition expresses the opinion that radio owners of Prince Rupert are entitled to be given such an investigation in view of the licence fees which are paid. A strong letter to be drawn up by the executive will accompany the petition when it is dispatched to Ottawa.

The meeting discussed other phases of radio interference in Prince Rupert but all boiled down to the one essential fact that a very large part of interference in the city is attributable to the 66,000-volt high power line of the Northern British Columbia Power Co. The fight will be kept up with a view to having the necessary changes to the line brought about. The association has been advised by experts that much can be done along this line if the company can be persuaded to do so. It was also admitted that considerable cost might be involved. The problem of bringing about a rectification of conditions has not been facilitated by the official statement that the power company was authorized both by the city and the inspector of electrical energy of the province to instal the high power line.

The association elected officers for the year as follows:

President, F. E. Wermig.

Vice-president, Joseph Howe.

Secretary-treasurer, J. O. Williamson.

Executive—F. W. Wesch, J. W. McAuley, R. T. J. Rose, Bert West, Fred Riffou and F. E. Woodside.

In relinquishing the presidential chair, F. W. Wesch thanked the executive for its co-operation during the past year. Much credit has been due the secretary for the year's work, Mr. Wesch declared.

F. E. Wermig thanked the meeting briefly for the honor of being elected president. While he was not anxious for the office, he would do the best he could.

After the financial report had been read showing that the association had a cash balance on hand of $108, it was decided to vote the secretary an honorarium of $25 in appreciation of his work during the past year.

**Annual Report**

The annual report of the president reviewed briefly the work of the association during the past year. There had been a great increase in the number of receivers purchased and installed during the year and it was now estimated that there were probably 500 in operation here. Interference troubles still persisted, a great part of the trouble being undoubtedly due to the high power line. It was a very difficult problem to contend with. A. L. Gray, federal radio inspector,

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## Had $1,050 In His Pockets

One of Father Cox's unemployed army, who came to Washington, D.C., to petition Congress for relief, collapsed just as the march was being organized. Police, searching his clothing to identify him, found $1,050 in cash in his pockets.

## DETAILS UNKNOWN

**Head Office of Northern B. C. Power Co. Awaits Further Word Regarding Stewart Fire**

Head offices of the Northern B. C. Power Co. here have not as yet been advised as to the exact extent of damage done to the company's power station at Portland Creek, Stewart, by fire on Monday night of this week. It is understood the building was destroyed but the extent of damage to equipment is not known.

J. J. Little, general manager of the Northern B. C. Power Co., will probably leave for Stewart on the Prince Rupert this afternoon.

## REDUCTION IN VALUES

**Alderman Collart Supplies Figures In Regard to Relative Reduction of Properties**

Alderman Collart gives the following figures in regard to comparative assessments. In 1926 the C. N. R. property was assessed at $2,249,554. In 1927 this was reduced to $1,418,367 and in 1932 it was further reduced to $1,208,584.

Other city property was in 1926 assessed at $3,874,367. In 1927 it was assessed at $3,648,075 and in 1932 it is assessed at $2,454,625.

The reduction in C. N. R. assessments, according to Alderman Collart since 1926 was 46.3% and in the remainder of the city property, 36%. The 47% reduction previously mentioned was from 1921 to 1931.

**REIGN OF TERROR MANCHURIAN CITY**

HARBIN, Manchuria, Jan. 27:—This city was in the grip of a reign of terror tonight as marauding Chinese soldiers plundered the homes of wealthy Japanese and Koreans.

## WEDDED IN VICTORIA

**Miss Muriel Caroline Blyth Became Bride of Morte H. Craig at Recent Ceremony**

The marriage took place last Wednesday at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, Rt. Rev. C. deV. Schofield officiating, of Muriel Caroline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. G. Blyth, of Beach Drive, Victoria, to Morte Harley Craig of Prince Rupert. Only relatives of the bride and groom were present and there were no attendants.

The bridew ore a travelling dress of Spanish tile cloth, a brown felt hat and fur coat and carried a bouquet of freesias. She was given in marriage by her father.

After a honeymoon in the south, Mr. and Mrs. Craig will live in Victoria.

The bride is a grand-daughter of the late W. H. Phillips, of the editorial staff of The Bristol Times and Mirror.

## Weds in South

Morte H. Craig who was married to Miss Muriel Blyth in Victoria last week.

**VANCOUVER WHEAT**

VANCOUVER, Jan. 27: — Wheat was quoted at 61c on the local exchange today.

## Casey Files Notice of Motion For Reversion To Local Police Plan

**Ald. McCutcheon Is Seconder of Resolution Which Is to Come Before City Fathers at Meeting Tomorrow Night**

The issue of city policing will be among various matters to be discussed at the meeting of the city council tomorrow evening following the posting today of notice of motion moved by Ald. G. B. Casey and seconded by Ald. W. J. McCutcheon calling for a reversion on May 1 of this year from the system of policing by the provincial police to straight policing by the city under a police commission. Ald. Casey's notice of motion for tomorrow night's meeting was posted this morning on the city council notice board at the City Hall. It reads as follows:

"Resolved that the authorities at Victoria be notified forthwith that, commencing May 1, 1932, the municipaliy of Prince Rupert shall take over administration under a properly constituted police commission of affairs pertaining to the policing of the city of Prince Rupert."

## SUBMARINE GOES DOWN

**Fifty-Six Men Believed to Have Lost Lives in Missing M2 Off Portland**

**LONDON, Jan. 27:—The British Admiralty officially announced this afternoon that the submarine M2 which failed to come up from a dive off Portland yesterday had not been located.**

**Fifty-six men are believed to have lost their lives in the undersea craft.**

## OFFICERS INSTALLED

**Women of Mooseheart Legion Lodge Ceremonies Followed By Card Party**

Officers of the Women of the Mooseheart Legion were installed last night, the installation ceremonies being followed by a whist drive to which the men were invited. Winners of the prizes were: ladies' first, Mrs. R. Long; second, Mrs. Dickens; men's first, J. Gawthorne; second, R. Green. During the evening delicious refreshments were served.

The installation of officers was conducted by Mrs. Einar Larsen as grand installing officer assisted by Mrs. O. Stegavig as grand guide. The new officers are as follows:

Senior Regent, Mrs. F. M. Crosby.

Past Regent, Mrs. Charles Edwards.

Junior Regent, Mrs. Sam Hougan.

Chaplain, Mrs. Grimsson.

Guide, Mrs. Jack Ratchford.

Assistant Guide, Mrs. H. Skattebol.

Recorder, Mrs. Percy Cameron.

Treasurer, Mrs. Jack Preece.

Sentinel, Mrs. A. Wick.

Argus, Miss Queena Peterson.

## RECORD SET UP

**Gar Wood Claims World's Speedboat Record With Mark of 110.785 Miles Per Hour**

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 27:—Gar Wood, United States speedboat racer, today set a mark of 110.785 miles an hour in his Miss America IX to claim the world's speedboat record. Wood has been trying for the last few days to beat Kay Don's record of 110.23 miles per hour.

## HEAVY SNOW STOPS TRAM

**Premier Ore Moving Again—General Manager of Company Here Today on Way North**

Dale L. Pitt, general manager of the Premier Gold Mining Co. Ltd., is a passenger aboard the Prince Rupert today returning to Premier after a three weeks' trip to Vancouver and Seattle.

Mr. Pitt stated that heavy snows and falling trees in strong winds had recently interfered for a day or so with the orderly flow of ore from the Premier mine over the tramline to the wharf at Stewart. According to latest reports he had received, however, repairs had been made to the tram line and the ore was moving again.

## Mail Carrier in Lakes District Has Tough Job

BURNS LAKE, Jan. 27:—Norman Schreiber endeavored to catch the ten thirty ferry on Monday but the drifted snow kept both he and Oscar Johnson back until they both missed the ferry. Schreiber, with the hard luck of the mail carrier, shovelled his way through the drifts in the country through the Grassy Plains and just succeeded in making mail connection with the Burns Lake mail carrier.

**MOSLEMS INVADE AND BURN WHOLE VILLAGE**

SRINGARA, India, Jan. 27:—An entire village in the Kotli Tehsil region was burned today by Moslems who entered and sacked it. Armed with swords, rifles and daggers, the Moslems terrorized the Hindu and Sikh populace which fled to nearby towns.