Today's Weather

Prince Rupert— Snowing, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29:34; temperature, 33; sea smooth

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Tomorrow's Tides

Tuesday, February 9, 1932

High	3:08 a.m.	20:5 ft.
	15:03 p.m.	20:3 ft.
Low	9:15 a.m.	5:9 ft
	21:26 p.m.	3:0 ft.

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PROPOSAL FOR WORLD DISARMAMENT

WASHINGTON APPROVES PACIFIC HALIBUT CONVENTION

Effective Action By Conference Demanded By France-Britain

One Nation Urges Limitation of Armaments and Banning of Certain Instruments of Warfare—Other Would Back League and "Organize Peace"

GENEVA, Feb. 8:—Great Britain and France today submitted their theses to the world disarmament conference. Their methods of approach differed. Great Britain would place a limiting line on armaments, ruling out submarines, poison gas and chemical warfare and reducing the size of capital ships and their guns.

France, in contrast, would "organize peace," backing the covenant of the League of Nations with an international force.

Both nations, however, demanded effective action by the conference.

CELEBRATION OF ARMISTICE

Question Being Discussed Whether It Shall Coincide With Thanksgiving

A letter read to the chamber of commerce at its meeting Friday discussed the question of the celebration of Armistice and Thanksgiving Days as follows:

"At the annual convention of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce held in Edmonton and Calgary, Alberta, in 1929, the policy that Thanksgiving Day should be observed apart from Armistice Day was approved, although there was no commitment as to how Remembrance Day should be observed. This year Remembrance Day and Thanksgiving Day were observed separately, each of them being declared a legal holiday.

"It has been brought to our attention by a number of our active member boards and chambers that the observance of both holidays

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SITUATION UNCHANGED

Neither Japanese Nor Chinese Gain as Result of Fighting at Chapei in Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Feb. 8:—Terrific bombardment of Chapei by the Japanese and furious reply by Chinese guns ceased early Tuesday with little apparent change in the position of either side.

Chinese headquarters announced that a machine gun battery had mowed down 500 Japanese in the day's engagement.

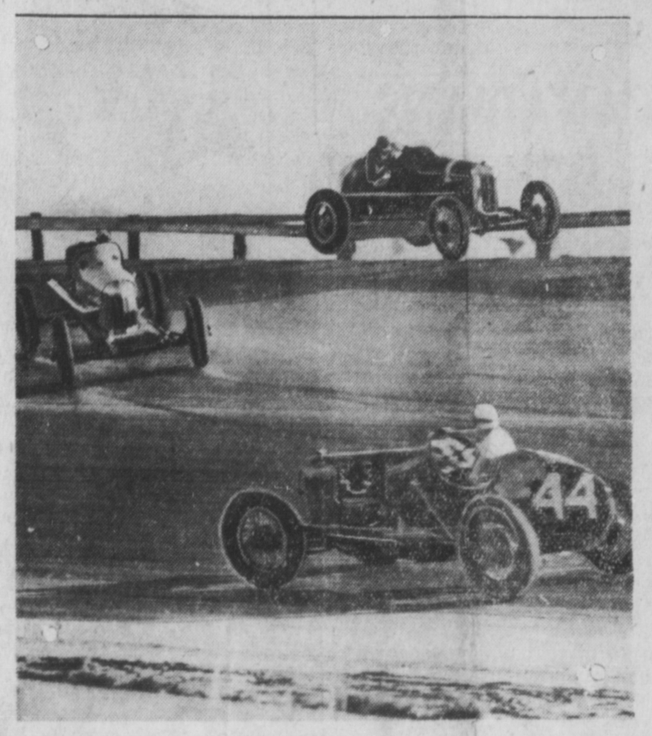
Bills For Farm Relief Approved

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 8 — Three bills providing $110,000,000 for farm relief in the United States were approved by the Senate committee on agriculture on Saturday.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. C. F. Davis and family desire to thank all their friends for the kind expressions of sympathy shown in their recent bereavement.

Just Before They Crashed



A moment later there was a crash and the drivers were injured. The cameraman caught the beginning of this three-car smash at the Ascot speedway, California

COURT OF REVISION

Appeals Against Civic Assessments Being Heard Today—Many Revisions Asked

With one of the largest list of appeals in years awaiting its consideration, court of revision on the civic assessment roll opened sessions this morning in the city council chamber. Mayor Cyril H. Orme is presiding over the court, other members of which are Ald. P. H. Linzey, Ald. J. H. Pillsbury and Ald. W. J. McCutcheon. City Assessor D. J. Matheson and City Solicitor E. F. Jones are in attendance to advise the court.

Principal appellants before the court are M. M. Stephens and G. H. Arnold who, acting under the auspices of the Prince Rupert Ratepayers' Association, have taken a number of appeals before the court on behalf of individual property owners.

Chief ground of appeal in the most cases is over—assessment of land.

At the opening of the session this morning, Thomas Trotier requested to be given separate valuations for his coal wharf and the premises of Edward Lipsett Ltd. on the waterfront lease. The assessor promised to give Mr. Trotier further information on this matter at the next session, pointing out, however, that it was entirely a matter of adjustment between lessor and lessee.

At the suggestion of the assessor, the court reduced the valuation of a house on Ambrose Avenue belonging to William King and Jessie King $1,500 to $1,000, the assessment of the lot standing at $150.

After hearing an appeal from H. Green against assessment of $570 on Lot 14, Block 9, Section 5, the court decided to go over the entire list of appeals before deciding upon reductions in any individual appeals. This, it was felt, would be the more equitable plan of consideration.

The court sat into the noon hour and then adjourned until 2 o'clock. It will sit until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

International Treaty Measure Is Approved By House Committee

Officials of United States Fisheries Approve Bill—Delegate Wickersham Wants Trials of Vessels to Be Held in Alaska

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8:—Hearings opened before the House fisheries committee today on the bill to put into effect the United States-Canada convention of May 9, 1930, making November 1 to February 15 a close season on halibut fishing in the North Pacific Ocean. Following the hearings the bill was approved by the committee. Charles M. Barnes, chief of the treaty division of the state department, explained that a United States patrol, under the agreement, could search and seize a Canadian vessel violating the law but must turn the crew over to the Canadian government for trial. Canadian patrols might do similarly with American vessels.

Henry O'Malley, Commissioner of Fisheries, said that the industry was "in a serious situation."

Delegate Wickershaw of Alaska protested that, under the Act, vessels caught in Alaska might be taken to San Diego for trial. He asked amendment to permit trial in Alaskan courts.

TAX BEING PROTESTED

Graham Island Timber Co. Ltd Loses in Appeal Against Levy by Provincial Assessor

W. M. S. Dixon, judge of the court of revision in Vancouver, has dismissed an appeal made by the Grand Island Timber Co. Ltd. against an assessment made by C. R. Brown, provincial assessor in Vancouver, as a result of which the appellant company was obligated to pay $18,000 in income tax in connection with the sale of Graham Island timber to the Powell River Co. When the Graham Island Timber Co. took the timber in question over nine years ago, it paid $575,000 of which $275,000 was in cash and the balance in shares. Three years later sale was made to the Powell River Co. for $540,000. The government disregarded the $300,000 fully paid shares and computed the Graham Island Timber Co.'s profit, after allowing the firm carrying charges, at $183,000, the tax on this amounting to roughly $18,000. Appellant claimed that the $300,000 was part of the cost and that, on this basis, there was no profit. This contention was not agreed with by the judge of the court of revision.

It is understood that the case will be carried to the Court of Appeal.

P. G. E. DEAL IS NOW ON

Vancouver Sun Says Tolmie Government Has Accepted Offer of Eastern United States Interests

According to the Vancouver Sun of Friday last, the Tolmie cabinet has accepted an offer from Eastern American interests for the purchase of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. The basic terms, according to the Sun, are a purchase price of $20,000,000, the undertaking to spend $55,000,000 in completing the Pacific Great Eastern from North Vancouver to Peace River country and the transfer of natural resources, land, mineral and oil rights, timber limits, coal areas, etc., to the purchasers.

The deal is to be made the basis of an election appeal in May, the Sun declares. The sum of $500,000 has been tendered by the bidders as a deposit and earnest of good faith, it is declared. The deal will be submitted to a Conservative caucaus where the whole plan of action will be outlined, before being presented to the Legislature for ratification.

WAS M. L. A. FOR YEARS

LONDON, Feb. 8—William Henry Hayward, former member of the British Columbia Legislature, died here on Sunday. He had been residing in London for several years.

From 1900 to 1904, the late Mr. Hayward represented Esquimalt in the British Columbia Legislature and from 1907 on for several years he was member for Cowichan. He was a Conservative and for a while was deputy speaker of the Legislature.

Born at Dover, Eng., October 23, 1867, Mr. Hayward went as a young man to British Columbia. He engaged in the lumber business and for some time was director of the Island Lumber Co. at Duncan. He was educated in England.

STATE CASE IS CLOSED

First Stage of Trial of Mrs. Winnie Ruth Judd Concluded at Phoenix, Ariz.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8:—At the end of the thirteenth day of the trial, the state on Saturday rested its case against Mrs. Winnie Ruth Judd, who is charged with the murder of her former friend, Mrs. Agnes Leroi.

In closing the case, the state contended that Mrs. Judd had been proven to be not insane but that jealousy over a man with whom both deceased and accused were in love had prompted Mrs. Judd to murder Mrs. Leroi. Therefore, she was deserving of execution for murder in the first degree.

A Beautiful Diana

A beautiful Diana is Lady Irene Cubit, photographed with her horse when she attended the meeting of the Quorn Hounds at Leicestershire, England, recently. Lady Cubit rides side-saddle, which is said to be increasingly popular.

CUT DOWN RIDINGS

Redistribution of Provincial Seats Is Discussed by Vancouver Sun

The Government's redistribution program with regard to Northern B.C. is understood to have been fairly well decided upon and is not likely to be the theme of much discussion in caucus, since only one northern seat has a Conservative member, says the Vancouver Sun.

Prince Rupert is to be greatly enlarged, so as to include the Portland Canal communities of Stewart, Anyox and Alice Arm, which now constitute the chief population centres of Atlin. The costal portion of Skeena lying to the south of Prince Rupert is also to be thrown into the constituency represented by T. D. Pattullo, the opposition leader.

Merger In North

The northern part of Atlin and the western part of Omineca will be attached to the present Skeena riding, while the remainder of Omineca will be divided between Prince George and Peace River.

The prime object of this arrangement is to decrease the representation from the north, which has consistently elected Liberal members.

The Liberals will probably fight this change vigorously, Mr. Patullo in particular being the victim of an arrangement that gives him an exceedingly difficult territory for campaigning with his additional responsibilities as leader. His constituency already includes the inacessible Queen Charlotte Islands.

There will be no objection to Peace River getting a member of its own. This will merely be the fulfilment of a pledge made by the late Liberal Government that this step would be taken at the next redistribution.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Feb. 8: — Wheat was quoted at 61½c on the local exchange today.

WILL VOTE ON STRIKE

Seattle Street Railway Men to Decide Tomorrow Whether Service Shall Be Tied Up

SEATTLE, Feb. 8:—Street railway employees of Seattle will take another vote tomorrow to decide whether or not they shall declare a general strike if their salaries continue to remain unpaid.

Mayor Harlan stated on Saturday that it was possible that business men of the city might band together and advance funds necessary to meet the wages in order that there may be no interruption in service.

FUNERAL TODAY IN VANCOUVER

The funeral of the late Charles F. Davis, chief engineer of the steamer Prince George, whose death occurred here last Tuesday morning, took place this afternoon in Vancouver.

Well Known Local Halibut Boat Dolphin II Total Loss; Burned and Sank Late Saturday Night

Another pre-halibut season casualty for the Prince Rupert fleet occurred about 10 o'clock Saturday night between Stephens Island and Gull Rocks, outside the harbor, when the well known Prince Rupert halibutter Dolphin II, owned and skippered by Capt. Peter Byrne, took fire following an engine backfire and sank in deep water a total loss. In addition to the boat, itself, all the gear on board was lost. Capt. Byrne and his brother, William Byrne, the only men on board, made a safe getaway and, after rowing all night in a rough sea and through snow and other unpleasant weather conditions, finally made Prince Rupert, a distance of 15 miles, by 7 o'clock yesterday morning.

Throughout the winter Capt. Byrne has been engaged in flat fishing for the local fresh fish market and he had just started back to port from his daily trip when the backfire occurred. The Dolphin II was soon a mass of flames and in a comparatively short time burned to the water's edge and sank. Capt. Byrne and his brother stood by in the dory until the destruction was complete.

Built in Seattle in 1910, the Dolphin II was acquired by Capt Byrne about 12 years ago and was converted to Canadian registry. She was 35 feet long and was equipped with a 25 h.p. N. and S. gasoline engine. Insurance of $3000 was carried.

SUPPORT ROOSEVELT

TACOMA, Feb. 8:—Washington State delegates will take 16 votes to the Democratic national convention in support of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York as presidential candidate. At the state convention of the party here at the end of the week delegates were elected and instructed to support Governor Roosevelt.

Washington is the first of the major states to hold its primaries.