

Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Raining, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29.46; temperature, 47; sea moderate.

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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1932

Tomorrow's Tides

Thursday, February 25, 1932
High 3:21 a.m. 22:1 ft.
 15:42 p.m. 20:5 ft.
Low 9:34 a.m. 3:5 ft.
 21:55 p.m. 4:0 ft.

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AMERICAN FLYER IS BROUGHT DOWN ITALY SENDS PROTEST TO CHINA AT SINKING OF STEAMER

VERY BIG INCREASE IN TAXES

Incomes, Amusements, Gasoline and Beer and Cut in Pensions Forecast

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—According to a Victoria dispatch to the Province, the government program will include reduction in government grants to municipalities amounting to a million and a half to two million dollars. There will be an entirely new system of income taxation to be collected monthly on every income without other exemption than \$300 for each dependent. The rate would be one per cent for every \$1,000 income. The man getting \$1,000 would pay one per cent; getting \$2,000, two per cent, etc. Outside income from investments would be taxed under the ordinary income tax. There will be 100% increase in the amusement tax, a large increase in the gasoline tax and a possible tax on beer and a substantial cut in the mother's pensions, according to the forecast.

FISH BIDS TAKE DROP

Canadian Boats Receive 7c and 3c Today—First American Vessel of Season in

Halibut prices dropped to 7c and 3c levels on the local Fish Exchange this morning when eight vessels sold catches totalling 56,200 pounds, this including one American vessel, the Nordby, with 21,000 pounds. This was the first American vessel to land a catch here so far this season.

The sales for the day were as follows:

- American**
Nordby, 21,000, Cold Storage, 8.7c and 3c.
- Canadian**
Minnie V., 4,700; Helge H., 5,000, and Ruth, 1,500, Cold Storage, 7c and 3c.
Atli, 9,000, holding over.
Unome, 5,000, Atlin, 7.6c and 3c.
Edward Lipsett, 11,000, Pacific, 7.4c and 3c.
Ingrid H., 8,000, Pacific, 7.6c and 3c.

Speed Record Made Today

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Feb. 24.—Sir Malcolm Campbell, British race car driver, hung up a new world's automobile speed record here today of 253.968 miles an hour.

WHEAT HIGHER ON VANCOUVER MART

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—Wheat was quoted at 67c on the local exchange today, this being a gain of over one cent from yesterday's price.

Ernest P. Caldwell arrived in the city on the Prince Rupert this morning to relieve E. C. Swank, mate of the ss. Prince Charles, who has been standing by that vessel all winter in the local dry dock and who will now go south to spend vacation in Vancouver.

Petite Militarist



pretty Margaret Cosgrove, a petite militarist of Omaha, has been made honorary colonel of the university training corps.

PREMIER TARDIEU GETS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

 PARIS, Feb. 24.—The Chamber of Deputies gave a generous vote of confidence yesterday to the new Premier of France, Andre Tardieu. The division was 309 to 252.

FUNERAL OF KATE RYAN

Big Sister of Mining Camps Laid to Rest Monday of This Week at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—The funeral of the late Kate Ryan, "Big Sister" of the mining camps, took place Monday from Holy Rosary Cathedral to Ocean View Burial Park. Requiem Mass was said at 9 a.m. Miss Ryan was well known in the Yukon in the early days and later in the Portland Canal district. She always took a keen interest in the welfare of the miners and many a man looks back to her memory as to that of a ministering angel. She was a strong woman, of somewhat masculine build, but with a big heart.

At Stewart her nephews whom she had adopted are two only of the army of mourners far and wide who knew "Kate."

WEATHER REPORT

Triple Island—Raining, strong southeast wind; sea moderate.
Langara Island—Overcast, moderate south wind; sea choppy.
Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.46; temperature, 50; sea smooth.

FINED AT BURNS LAKE

Divisional headquarters of the provincial police here have been advised that Archibald George Henry Lougheed has been fined \$50, with option of one month's imprisonment, by Stipendiary Magistrate R. W. MacGowan at Burns Lake for his second offence on a charge of drunkenness.

LICENCES ALTERED

Papers Issued to American Fish Vessels Now Expire at End of May

Licences which have been issued for many years to American vessels under which they are permitted by federal order-in-council to call at Canadian ports and land their fish catches have been altered this year to expire on May 31, subject to extension, instead of at the end of the year as has been the case in the past. No explanation is available in official circles at Prince Rupert in regard to the change. Several American boats have already been issued their licences here this year.

NO AIRMEN FOR CHINA

Message Says No Chance of Their Finding Employment at Shanghai

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—Hostilities between China and Japan had repercussions in the House of Commons recently, eventually leading to the first division of the session. Colonel J. L. Ralston, former Minister of National Defence, ran foul of Parliamentary rules when he endeavored to precipitate a discussion of the proposal of officers and men of the Royal Canadian Air Force to organize flying units for China.

Mr. Speaker George Black ruled this was "not of urgent public importance"—which was necessary before the subject could be discussed in the House—and was upheld in his judgment—72 to 47.

Colonel Ralston sought from the Prime Minister a legal opinion whether the Royal Canadian Air Force men, who will be dismissed at the end of the present fiscal year, in March, could enlist in the Chinese army. Earlier in the week an offer was made to the Chinese Consul-General in Canada of two fighting units, equipped and manned for one year at \$9,000,000. The offer from the men was made, of course, without the knowledge or consent of the government.

The Prime Minister read from the Foreign Enlistments Act, which sets out fines and imprisonment for any man who accepts "any commission or engagement in the military or naval services of any foreign state at war" with any country friendly to Canada.

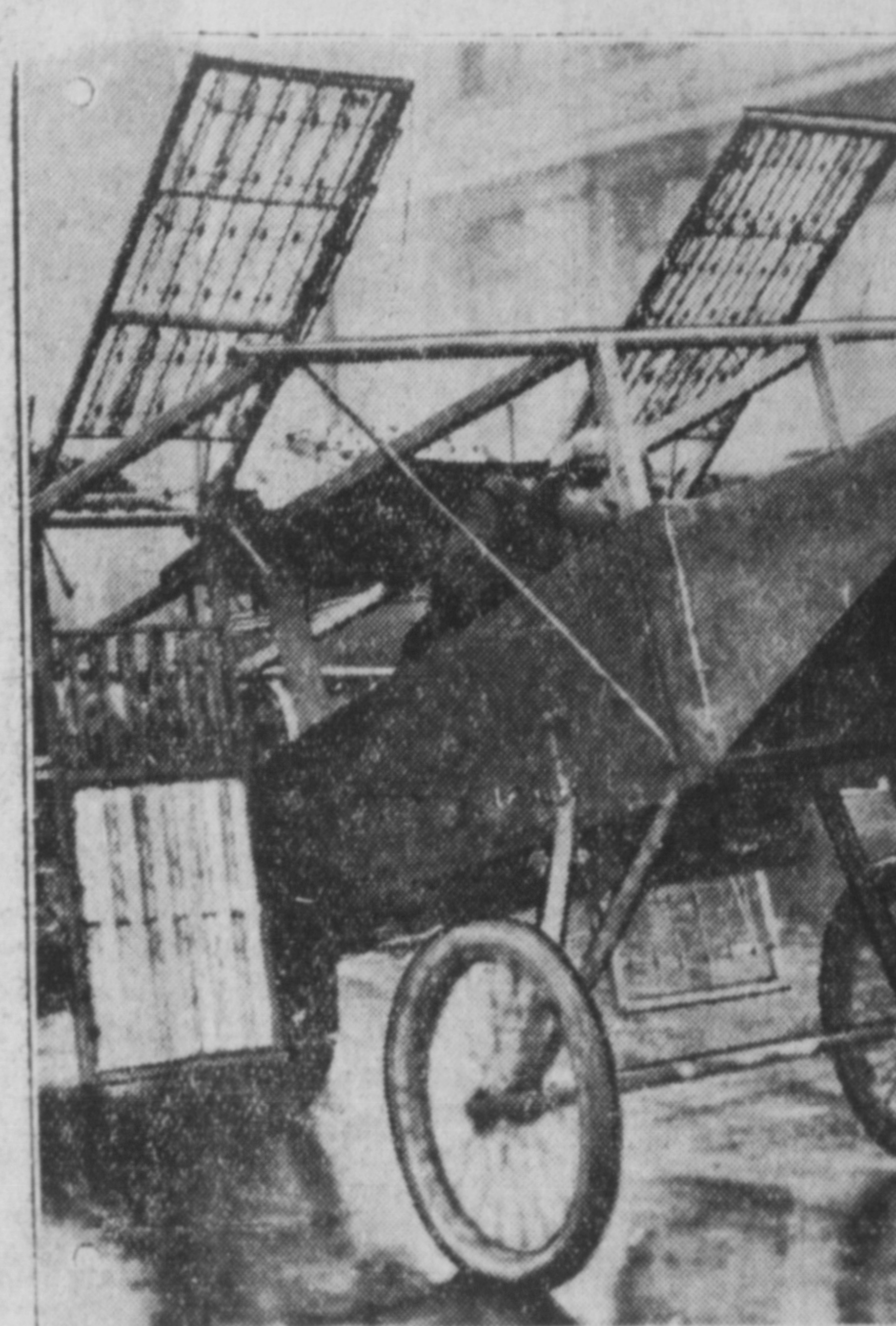
"Is the Chinese nation at war with the Japanese in the terms of the Foreign Enlistments Act?" asked Colonel Ralston.

Withholds Opinion
The Prime Minister refused to express an opinion. "Doubtless The Hague tribunal might be able to offer an opinion that might be authoritative," he added.

At another point in the debate Mr. Bennett said the government had received from the Canadian trade commissioners in Shanghai a cablegram saying there was "absolutely no chance" of Canadian airmen securing employment in that city. "Five who came to Shanghai already stranded," the message added.

Misak Alivazoff sailed by the ss. Catala yesterday afternoon on his return to Vancouver after a brief visit to the city on business in connection with local interests.

A Flying Contraption



Personally, we think this contraption would be more at home with the rest of the Mississippi side-wheelers, but John Sabas of Michigan hopes to get 150 miles an hour in the air out of the flying washboard.

FISH FROM KETCHIKAN

Fresh Halibut Brought Here By Motorship and Reshipped On Train

With the first shipment of fresh halibut to be made this season from Ketchikan through this port to the United States market, Northland Navigation Co.'s motorship Bellingham arrived in port this morning at 11 o'clock, bringing in one carload of fish which was transferred to refrigerator car and dispatched east on this afternoon's regular train.

If the adverse exchange rate against Canada continues, it is expected that many American boats may land their catches at Ketchikan instead of bringing it on here, the fresh fish being transferred to the United States in the same manner as was done today.

RELIEF IS COMING UP

International Makes \$75,000 Available For Seattle Traction Workers

SEATTLE, Feb. 24.—Temporary relief for Seattle street car workers loomed yesterday when a telegram was received from international union headquarters announcing that a sum of \$75,000 had been placed in a local bank to take up unpaid warrants for wages.

FULL TREATY NAVAL CONSTRUCTION URGED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Despite the protest of President Herbert Hoover, the house naval affairs committee yesterday recommended new States up to full treaty quota.

ARTICLE IS DOING GOOD

Chamber of Commerce Advertisement in Daily News Doing Its Work

The following is from the Peace River Block News under the heading: "The Front Door of the Peace River Country."
The Prince Rupert Daily News, under date of January 15 has a half page article sponsored by the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce dealing with the Peace River Outlet to the Pacific. In speaking of the location of such a line among other things this article says:

"It would be little short of a crime to place a permanent embargo on all western shipments from the Peace River country, especially at a time when people are looking for the most economical way of carrying on the business of the country and enabling the farmers to compete with grain growers in other countries to the best advantage. The interests of the grain growers should be paramount. Any line that is built should be for the purpose of serving them and not to the advantage of any particular port or district." With the above sentiments the "News" is entirely in accord.

One of the greatest obstacles for the Peace River country to overcome is an apparent division of opinion among ourselves as to just what we do want, first and foremost. We have organizations and people, both north and south of the river, advocating highways. We require highways all right, but are they the first essential? With climatic conditions such as they are in this northern country in the winter season highways can never take the place of railways. This point must be conceded. Then let us all unite on one project and keep at it.

Cities like Vancouver and Edmonton are not to be expected to look after our best interests, they will advocate highways for tourist travel. Does that benefit the farmer or increase the price of commerce? Continued on Page 3.

Defenders Maintain Stand That They Are Not Really to Blame

Japanese Unable to Make Much Advance Against Stout Resistance—Fighting Was Less Vigorous On Tuesday

ANOTHER JAP DRIVE FAILS

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24.—The Japanese army made one last serious drive against the Chinese at Kiangsang today and, when it failed to budge the Chinese, the centre of attack was suddenly shifted to the Chapei front this afternoon.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24.—The Chinese government yesterday answered Italy's protest at the sinking by a Chinese shell of an Italian steamer in the Whangpoo River with the stand that China cannot be held responsible for mishap to foreign lives or property so long as the Japanese are permitted to carry out military operations from the international settlement in Shanghai.

The Chinese were still holding all positions of importance last night against Japanese assault although the Japanese claimed slight gains.

Fighting both in the air and on land was carried on yesterday with less vigor than on Monday.

It was learned today that the Japanese were landing 28,000 more troops to reinforce forces already there with a view to launching a second offensive against the Chinese army.

Robert Short, young American volunteer flyer fighting for the Chinese, was shot down and killed yesterday in a fight with eight Japanese planes.

AVIATOR WAS RELATIVE OF LOCAL MAN

John Short Nephew of J. W. McCawley of Fourth Avenue and Mother Was Here

Robert Short, the young American aviator, who was shot down at Shanghai yesterday, was a nephew of J. M. McCawley, Fourth Avenue. He was a ground instructor in the employ of the Chinese government.

Mrs. Short, mother of Robert, left here a few days ago after visiting in the city for several months.

Take Out Bonds From Strong Box

City to Meet \$17,000 of Hydro-Electric Debentures Coming Due On April 1

The city council, at a special meeting last night, passed a motion that George Rorie, city treasurer, be authorized to go with Acting City Treasurer Frank Vickers and get out from safety deposit box in the Royal Bank of Canada \$15,000 of Dominion of Canada bonds and \$2,000 of Canadian National Railway bonds. The securities, acquired by the city on the sale of the hydro-electric franchise, will be used in redemption of hydro-electric bonds coming due on April 1.

Big Snow Fall
SEWARD, Feb. 24.—Gigantic snowdrifts over Northern Alaska. Railway has blocked traffic.

STEAMERS CHANGING

Prince Rupert Withdrawing For Annual Overhaul and Prince George to Take Run

C. N. R. steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. D. Donald, arrived in port on time at 10:30 this morning from Vancouver, Powell River and Ocean Falls, and will sail at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Anyox and Stewart. The vessel will be withdrawn from service here tomorrow evening to go into the local dry dock for annual overhaul, the steamer Prince George, which has just completed overhaul, taking over the run by sailing at 10 o'clock tomorrow night for the south on regular schedule. The Prince George will be in command of Capt. H. E. Neddin.

The Prince Rupert will come back into service when the twice-a-week service between her and Vancouver is inaugurated in the spring.

TO PLAN ECONOMY

Speaker Garner Wins Victory in United States House

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 24.—Speaker John M. Garner won a smashing victory in his fight against President Hoover for governmental economies yesterday when the House by a vote of 211 to 22 adopted a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to study economy plans and report on same by April 15.

Charles Morris Wins Election

L. B. Warner Defeated in Contest For Third Seat on Smithers Board of Commissioners

SMITHERS, Feb. 24.—In a by-election held here last Thursday to break a tie for third place on the board of village commissioners here, Charles Morris was the winner, getting 116 votes as against 103 for L. B. Warner.