### Today's Weather

Prince Rupert-Overcast, fresh Crometer, 29.96; temperature, 44,

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## EDITORIAL MOUNTIES SEIZED BOAT NEAR SALT SPRING ID.

### PROTECT VANCOUVER AGAINST PRINCE RUPERT

If the report of Sir Alexander Gibb is adopted by the Canadian Government, the port of Prince Rupert may not be allowed to develop for fear of injuring Vancouver. The telegram received yesterday in regard to the matter says: "The report views arguments in favor of Peace River grain coming to Vancouver as very strong but states that this goal can only be obtained if the port is protected from the establishment of a competitive port further north and infers that if the central harbor at Ottawa is appointed, this question will be decided 'upon the broad grounds of national policy'."

Sir Alexander is an English port engineer who was engaged by the Federal Government to make a report on the administration of Vancouver but did not come here HOSPITAL Vancouver but did not come here so he could not be considered sufficiently familiar with the situation to speak with authority. He does not seem to know that Prince Rupert already has one of the most up-to-date elevators on the coast, that it has a fine ocean dock with railway trackage and that the harbor needs no work done on it to enable vessels to use it with even greater facility than they use Vancouver harbor.

Evidently Sir Alexander realizes that either Prince Rupert or Stewart would have a decided edge on Vancouver in the matter of location and that if the grain once commenced to roll this way, Vancouver would be left out in the cold. Possibly he also knows that the railway leading from the Peace River to Prince Rupert would have the best grade of any on the continent and would enable such a rate to be set as would for all time, whereas the road to LICENCES Vancouver would place an embargo on the farmer from which he would never recover.

It is a decided compliment to Prince Rupert and Stewart to think they have to be protected by law against any encroach-Vancouver. The inference from the business of the coast is Vancouver's birthright and none other should share in it.

What Sir Alexander fails to realize is that Canada is a growing country with immense possibilities, that Prince Rupert is and is in a direct line between PASSING OF Peace River and the Orient. Also doubtless his Vancouver friends failed to explain to him that in order to get to Vancouver by the Peace River route, the grain would have to be hauled in a southeasterly direction, making a zigzag route to the Orient.

It looks to Prince Rupert people as if Sir Alexander Gibb had been well entertained at a Vancouver club and that he was now making a special plea for preferential treatment for his former hosts. It seems hardly possible that he can be pulling a grim English joke on our friends to the south.

### LASHES ARE **HANDEDOUT**

James Murray and Herbert Perkins to Be Jailed and Whipped For Offence Against Young Girl

James Murray and Herbert Perkins, charged with statutory offences against an 11-year old girl and who pleaded guilty the day before yesterday, were given stiff sentences by Judge F. McB. Young this morning.

Murray, who was charged with a carnal knowledge offence, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment at New Westminster Penitentiary with six lashes.

Perkins, against whom a charge of indecent assault was laid, received a sentence of two years in penitentiary with five lashes.

Local Institution Has Run Behind \$1542 During First Three Months of Year

For the first three months of this year, the Prince Rupert General Hospital has shown a total deficit of \$1542.39, it was reported to the hospital board last night by Frank Dibb, chairman of the finance committee. The deficit for March was \$546.16, receipts amounting to \$3,-912.99 and disbursements, \$4,459.15.

There was a total of 1675 hospital days in March at a cost per day of

pressed the opinion that there was nothing to be alarmed about since there were many accounts receivable which were quite good and just recently a number of general supplies for the year were purchased for the institution.

## FOR JAPS

Residents of District to Get Fishing Papers This Year, 'Tis Stated

All resident Japanese of this district are to be given gill-net licenments on the rightful business of ces this season by the Fisheries Department, it was stated this morn-Sir Alexander's statement is that | ing by Clarence Obata, secretary of the Skeena Fishermen's Association. The Japanese will fish independently like the rest of fishermen this season, the system of allotting Japanese licences to certain canneries having been abolished since last season.

## RAILROADER

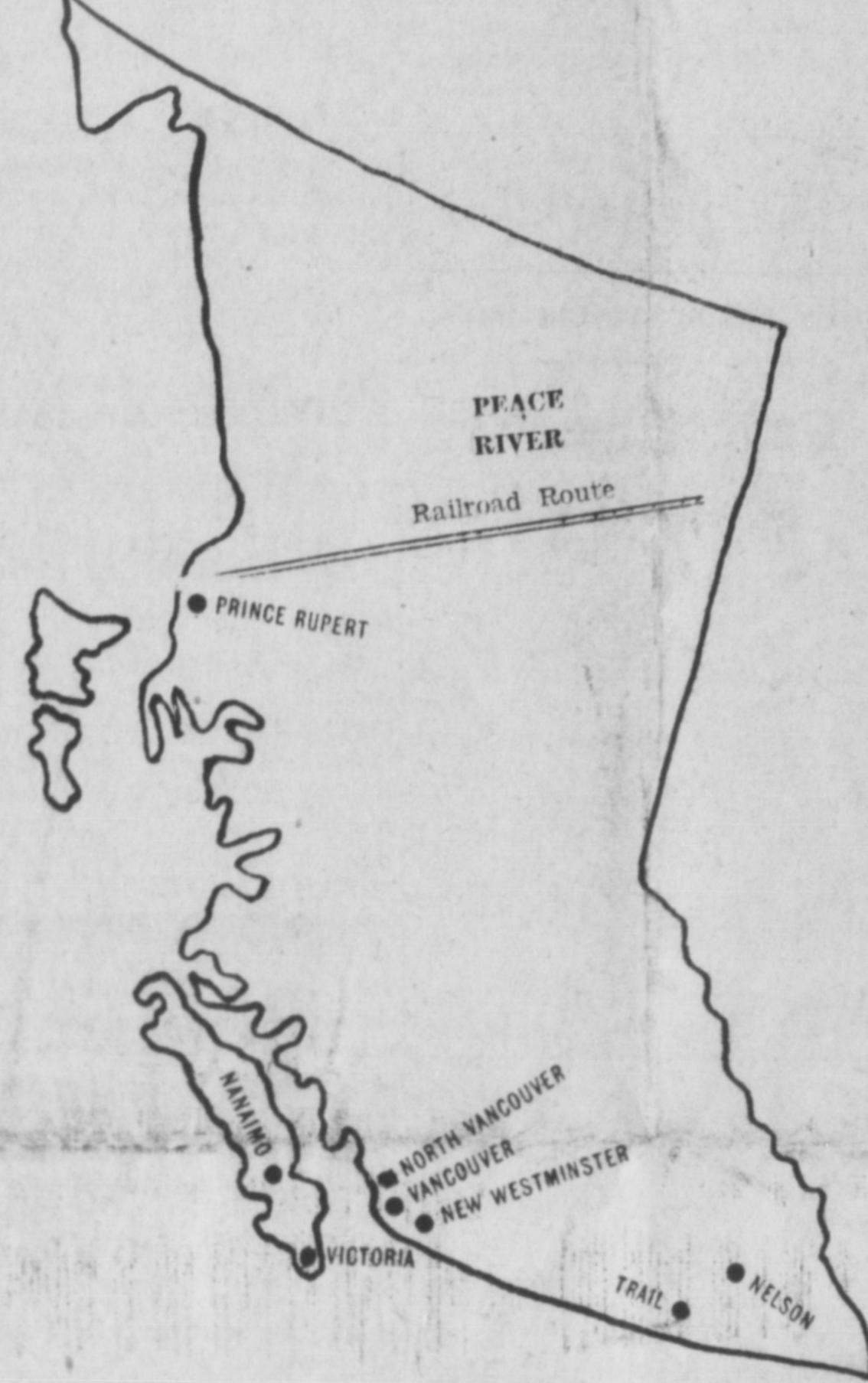
C. H. Holmes, Assistant General Manager of Alaska Road, Succumbs to Heart Attack

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, April 9:-C. H. Holmes, assistant general manager of the Alaska Railway and pioneer of the Alaska district, died yesterday from a heart attack. He was 64 years of age.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, April 9:-Wheat was quoted at 601/4c on the local exchange today.

### Prince Rupert's Advantageous Position



The above outline map gives an approximate idea of the relative locations of Peace River and Prince Rupert and shows clearly the fallacy of hauling grain south when it could come directly west to the seaboard.

### Brown, chairman of the board, ex- Large Meeting of Parents is Opposed to Closing Down of Technical Courses in Schools

At a largely attended meeting last evening in the Booth Memorial School, called under the auspices of the Parent-that work be inaugurated whereby Teachers' Association and presided over by Mrs. S. V. the workers would cover the cost of Cox, the following resolution was unanimously passed: board plus the cost of all necessary Andrew Mellon "That this meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association, at the rate of \$4 per 6-hour day. In representative of the parents of Prince Rupert, strongly this manner it was contended the

opposes the closing or the serious?

interested. finding the payment of taxes on tricts were these courses needed. the investment of their surpluses! heavy and did not hesitate to economize at the expense of the children. It was realized that in these should be practised but it was fe't that it was not economy to handicap the pupils of the schools.

Merely Change Course

One speaker suggested a gettogether of the trustees, represen-

curtailment of the home economics, tatives of the ratepayers and par- and the men would be entitled to manual training and commercial ents to talk over the matter ear- consideration under the Workmen's departments of the schools of our nestly and search out all possible Compensation Act in case of injury. Mellon, new United States ambas- + Streets, tearing all school + city and urges that the board of means of saving. The equipment in Under the present relief wage scale school trustees do its utmost to set the departments was of consider- those engaged in relief work are not that the standard of education pro- sble value and, were it not used, entitld to any compensation in the vided for our childen is not im- even for a year, the depreciation case of injury. paired or lowered." Copies of this would probably amount to as much Belief was expressed that the matic post. resolution are to be forwarded to as might otherwise be saved. One government's attitude had had the the board of school trustees and the speaker asked if it was not a fact effect of prostituting wages and the city council and petitions are being that the curtailment or elimina- Compensation Act all over the procirculated for the signature of all tion of the commercial course would vince. It is intended to call a mass merely cause the children to trans- meeting on Sunday night in order The meeting expressed itself as fer to other courses so that as to ascertain the feeling of the being strongly opposed to any nar- many teachers would be required. workers and the public at large. rowing of the education provided Strong opposition was voiced to any for the children of the present gen- move that would tend to give the eration. It was stated that most of children of wealthier parents bet-the campaign for the reduction of ter chances of education than those SUPPLY these facilities came from those of the poor. All children deserved who had no children at school, or an equal chance and the broadenwhose children had completed their ing, not the narrowing, of educaeducation. These people, many of tion was specially necessary in these whom had obtained their lots at times to equip the children for the Legislature is Winding Up Business tax sales and as a speculation, were future. Particularly in outlying dis-

In reply to inquirers, it was stated that the estimates for the pre- supply was effected in the Legissent year as presented to the city lature last night in the sum of \$24 council amounted to \$79,953.14. In 695,000. times every possible economy 1928 they amounted to \$78,480. At Supplementary that time there were 32 teachers \$379,652 were added. and 864 pupils; now there were 37 The House also considered the teachers and 1,165 pupils. The in- new income tax act and gave third crease in cost was therefore \$1,473 reading to the unemployment re-

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### Northern British Columbia Representation Is Increased With Peace River Riding

## AGREE TO

Some Thirty-Five Thousand Railway Employees in Canada Sign Up For One Year

MONTREAL, April 9 - Under terms of a ne wagreement signed yesterday, some 35,000 employees of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Union on half-a-doz- ber, will also disappear, being meren Canadian railroads will take a ged with Nelson City, for which ten percent, cut in pay from May I for one year.

## **PROPOSAL**

Men at Cloyah Bay Refuse \$7.50 Per Month-Make Alternative Proposal

The central committee of the Prince Rupert Unemployed Association having been informed that the men at Cloyah Bay camp had been asked to resume work at the ate of \$7.50 per month, a meeting was called in the camp on Thursday evening and the proposal was rejected by every man present. The basis of the men's stand was that in accepting this proposal, they would lower their already low standard of living, as well as that of other Norkers who were fortunate enough to be at present em-

An alternative proposal was made wage scale would be maintained

## PASSED

Prior to Proroguing Soon

VICTORIA, April 9: - Granting of

for the extra five teachers and the lief act as well as advancing other budgetary measures.

Nanaimo and Alberni Merged as Well as Creston and Nelson-Columbia is Divided Between Cranbrook and Revelstoke-Vancouver Gets One More Seat

VICTORIA, April 9:-Under the 1932 Redistribution Bill, which was introduced in the Legislature late yesterday, Nanaimo, one of the oldest ridings in the province, disappears as a separate electoral entity and will be merged with Alberni, the riding to be renamed Alberni-Nanaimo. Nanaimo riding is now represented by George H. Pearson and Alberni by L. A. Hanna, -

both of whom are Liberals. Creston, for which riding Col NINE AIR seat Dr. L. E. Borden, Conservative is the member.

Columbia, now represented by Thomas King, Liberal, is divided between Cranbrook, represented by Trank N. McPherson, Liberal, and Revelstoke, for which seat Dr. W H. Sutherland is the sitting mem-

The Peace River district is acco ded separate representation under

a riding of that name. Vancouver City is divided into four divisions represented by nine members. This is an increase of one seat. All Vancouver seats are now TEACHER

held by Conservatives. The foregoing are the chief changes made by the Redistribution Bill. Minor alterations are made in the boundaries of some districts. No changes, except the addition of Peace River, are made in Northern British Columbia, representation of which is actually increased by one

The membership of the Legislature is cut from 48 to 47.

On the basis of present representation, Liberals lose two seats and Conservatives one by means of the redistribution.

### In London Now

LONDON, April 9-Andrew W + at Chambers and Princess + sador to Great Britain was give 1 & books from the desks, strewa formal welcome by British off. + ing them about the floors and + cialdom when he arrived here yes- + emptying ink wells over them. + terday to assume his new diplo-

Italian Flyers Killed Following Collision in Mid-Air Yesterday

ROME, April 9-Nine Italian aviators were killed yesterday following the collision in mid-air of two botabing planes, both of which erashed to the wrecks. The dead included two lieutenants, two sergeants and three mechanics.

Miss Frances Scanlon, Threatened With Blindness, Hangs Herself at Nelson

NELSON, April 9:- The body of Miss Florence Scanlon, aged 25, was found hanging in a closet of the family home here. She was forced to give up school teaching recently when threatened with blindness.

\* VANDALISM IN PUBLIC SCHOOL AT VICTORIA 4

VICTORIA, April 9:--Un- \* \* known vandals Thursday night \* \* went through six rooms of \* & George Jay public school &

### Three Americans Are Being Held Following Capture Near Victoria

Powerful Motor Launch Was Taken in Lower Gulf-Was Loaded With Booze and Various Kinds Of Merchandise

VICTORIA, April 9:-Three Americans giving the names of John L. Hardy, Albert J. Harris and Adolph Sandness were booked at police headquarters this morning by officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police following the seizure of a powerful motor-powered boat off Victoria Rock, northwest of Salt Spring Island. It is stated that the vessel contained a large cargo of liquor and merichandise of various kinds.