

Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Overcast, calm; barometer, 29.64; temperature, 50; sea smooth.

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Tomorrow's Tides

Sunday, April 17, 1932
High 10:40 a.m. 19:0 ft.
23:11 p.m. 19:9 ft.
Low 4:31 a.m. 7:1 ft.
16:55 p.m. 4:7 ft.

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PRICE: FIVE CENTS

LOCAL ELEVATOR UNDER DISCUSSION
COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE FINANCES OF PROVINCE

Olof Hanson Asks Minister of Trade and Commerce Intentions Regarding Local Grain House

Hope of More Satisfactory Grain Movement Seems Justified—Wheat Pool Has Not Applied For New Lease on Plant

OTTAWA, April 16:—Hope of a more satisfactory grain movement through Prince Rupert seems justified, according to Olof Hanson, who asked a question in the House yesterday of the minister of trade and commerce, Hon. H. H. Stevens, about the elevator there. Mr. Hanson informed the House that the elevator was leased to the Alberta Wheat Pool and that, during 1926 and 1927, 7,000,000 bushels of grain went through that elevator, in 1928 and 1929 about the same amount, in 1930 and 1931 there was one cargo and in 1932 so far there has been no cargo. He said he understood the lease of the pool expired in a short time and he wanted to know if the government intended to re-lease the elevator to the Alberta Pool, which used it only as a storehouse.

Mr. Stevens pointed out that, at the present time, the elevator was full of grain, owned by the pool, but it was not moving owing to difficult conditions in the world markets. The elevator, he said, was a very modern one, the rate was low, the freight rates low and everything that the country could do had been done for the movement of grain through that port.

"The lease expires next year," concluded Mr. Stevens, "and, when that time comes, the government will have to decide whether to renew the lease, if so desired, or to make a new lease with other parties. No application so far has been received from the Alberta Pool for renewal of their lease."

ASKS FIVE-DAY WEEK

President Herbert Hoover Discloses Administration's Economy Plans to Congress

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 16:—Unless a five-day week policy is adopted in the civil service of the United States, it may be necessary to discharge between five and ten thousand employees of the government, President Herbert Hoover told Congress yesterday in speaking on administration economy plans. On the other hand, if the five-day week is put into effect, it will probably be possible to take on some 3,000 additional employees, at the same time effecting a saving in the public service of between \$75,000,000 and \$80,000,000.

VANCOUVER FISH PRICE

Buyers Pay 12c and 5c For Spring Salmon and 5c and 3c For Halibut

VANCOUVER, April 16:—The Loyal II sold 6,000 pounds of spring salmon here yesterday, 12c and 10c being paid for reds and 5c for white. The Rap I landed 9,300 pounds of halibut and was paid 5.4c, 5.2c and 3c. The Dorio received 5c and 3c for 5,300 pounds.

STIMSON IN PARIS

United States Secretary of State and Premier Tardieu Talk Disarmament

PARIS, April 16:—Secretary of States Henry L. Stimson of the United States and Premier Andre Tardieu of France were in conference yesterday and are reported to have made definite progress at a cordial session towards an agreement on the subject of disarmament.

A proposal of Secretary Stimson on disarmament by zones whereby certain regions or continents would be permitted forms of armaments suitable to their peculiar requirements was discussed.

Secretary Stimson, who landed at Le Havre in the morning, arrived here later in the day and was given a great reception.

BRITISH BUDGET COMING TUESDAY

LONDON, April 16.—Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will present his budget to the House of Commons next week, possibly on Tuesday. Optimism still pervades the British people and it is considered possible that some reductions in taxation may be announced.

Big Robbery In Dallas Friday

Bank Messenger Held Up By Highwayman and Relieved of \$38,000 In Currency

DALLAS, Texas, April 16:—John F. McCormack, a bank messenger, was held up in the rear of the Federal Reserve Bank here yesterday and robbed of \$38,000 in currency.

Silver Prices

LONDON, April 16:—Bar silver was selling at 16 11-16 pence here yesterday.

NEW YORK, April 16:—The price of silver in the local market yesterday was 28 1/4c.

Halibut Landings

Margaret I, 6,000, refused 5c and 2c, holding over. Cape Spencer, 7,000, holding over.

MANY HURT AUCKLAND

Church Burned During Disturbance Yesterday—Number of Communists Arrested

AUCKLAND, N.Z., April 16:—Three hundred injured as a result of unemployed riots in this city during the past couple of days were reported to be in hospitals last night.

During the riots a church took fire and was badly damaged, the unemployed being blamed for starting the conflagration. Windows of shops in Queen Street, the city's main thoroughfare, were smashed but there was no looting.

Stones used by the rioters are believed by the police to have been brought into the city, indicating that the disturbances were premeditated.

A number of Communists have been arrested.

Rupert Should Be Prettiest Place on Whole Coast if the Residents Would Grow Flowers

Local Expert Urges Beautification of City By Means of Gardens So That It Would Be Talk of All Visitors

"Prince Rupert could be made the prettiest place on the coast from early spring until late in the fall, talked about by all visitors, if people would only grow more flowers," declared M. A. Burbank, divisional engineer of the Canadian National Railways, in an interview given the Daily News just before he left for the interior yesterday. He emphasized over the possibilities here and over the advantage accruing to the city from united action on the part of the citizens toward beautifying the city. The gardens should Mr. Burbank thinks, be so beautiful that visitors would carry away with them a mental picture of their beauties instead of remembering some of the ugly buildings, unpainted shacks or crude sidewalks or streets.

Earthquake In Santiago, Cuba

SANTIAGO, Cuba, April 16:—No extensive damage was done early yesterday morning in a violent earthquake shock which drove residents of the city out of their homes into the streets.

Vancouver Members Deserting Tolmie Ship; Walkem Out and Dick Expected to Quit Soon

VANCOUVER, April 16:—George A. Walkem, M. L. A. for Vancouver, announced today that he will not sit again as member of the Legislature although he will not send in his resignation until late enough in the year to avoid the necessity of holding a by-election.

"After eight consecutive years I feel that I would like a rest from provincial politics and hence my decision," Mr. Walkem said.

Co-incident with this announcement, it was stated in party circles that William Dick, another Vancouver member, is also on the point of retiring.

Mr. Dick refused to confirm or deny the statement for a little while yet.

BUILDING BLOWN UP

Eight Men Killed in Disaster at Columbus, Ohio—Probing Circumstances

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 16:—Investigation is continuing into the circumstances of an explosion on Thursday which virtually destroyed the new state office building here which was just about completed at a cost of \$8,000,000, eight men being killed and 40 workers injured.

The circumstances pointed to the fact that the building was bombed although the investigators have not yet announced their findings.

CITY BARBER SHOPS TO REDUCE PRICES

City barbers, at a meeting last night, decided, on account of the depression, to reduce the charge for ladies' and men's haircutting from 75c to 50c and for children (except of High School age) from 50c to 35c. The new scale will become effective in all city shops today.

Non-Political Committee To Look Into Fiscal Affairs Of British Columbia, Announced

Aviation Flag



The new British civil aviation flag is hoisted on an air liner at Croydon. It consists of the cross of St. George with the Union Jack in the corner.

Government Consents to Plan Following Interview With Delegation of Businessmen Yesterday—Probe Is to Be Complete and Thorough

VICTORIA, April 16:—A complete survey of the financial structure and internal economy of the financial administration of British Columbia will be made by a non-partisan voluntary committee of prominent businessmen of the province. The committee will be set up without cost to the government and will operate along lines similar to the May commission in Great Britain, the findings of which led to the formation of the National Government last year.

Premier S. F. Tolmie announced last night that the government had accepted a suggestion for such a survey which had been submitted earlier in the day by a delegation representing Vancouver and Victoria industrialists, business men and service bodies.

The committee will consist of George Kidd, Austin Taylor and A. H. Douglas of Vancouver, W. L. Mackin of Chilliwack and R. W. Mayhew of Victoria.

Announcing the readiness of the government to facilitate in every way a non-political and complete survey, Premier Tolmie made it clear that the government was not in any way abandoning any of its responsibilities nor was it binding itself in any way to accept in full or in part any recommendations that might be made.

The Premier had explained to the delegation earlier in the day that, in the final analysis, the government, as representing the majority of the people, was responsible for the finances of the province and could not delegate its authority or its responsibility to anyone.

Three Officials In Stockholm Are Arrested Friday

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 16:—Three officials of the company of which the late Otto Krueger, who committed suicide a month or so ago in Paris, was head were arrested yesterday on charges of falsification of the company's books.

Pound and Dollar

NEW YORK, April 16:—The British pound sterling was quoted at \$3.86 1/4 on the local foreign exchange yesterday. The Canadian dollar was selling at 90c.

'TAX RICH' SHE URGES

Miss Agnes McPhail, Lady Member, Speaks on Budget—Bennett and King to Be Heard Next Week

OTTAWA, April 16:—"Collect the taxes where the money is," urged Miss Agnes McPhail, only woman member of the House of Commons, in speaking yesterday in the budget debate. She urged the government to place the burden of taxation on the rich and voiced her objection to inheritance of large amounts of money.

The budget debate has been going along quietly this week but is expected to liven up early next week when Premier R. B. Bennett and Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the Opposition, are both billed to speak.

Portland Man's Body is Found

Corpse Floating in Elliot Bay at Seattle Identified as That of James L. Ford

SEATTLE, April 16:—A body which was found yesterday in Elliot Bay was identified through papers in the clothing as being that of James L. Ford of Portland, Ore.

WEATHER REPORT

Dead Tree Point—Overcast, light southeast wind; barometer, 29.58; temperature, 45; light swell. Triple Island—Overcast, light northerly wind; sea smooth. Langara Island—Overcast, light easterly wind; light swell.

DUST STORM ON PRAIRIE

Southern Saskatchewan Hard Hit Following Drought—Roads and Railways Piled High

REGINA, April 16:—Centering around this city, a violent dust storm visited Southern Saskatchewan yesterday. Big drifts swept over highways and railway lines to a depth in some places as great as two feet. Trucks were stalled in the roads and railway traffic was interfered with in some instances.

Coming on the eve of seeding, the storm hit the farmers badly. Prior to the storm, the land had been suffering for lack of moisture.

MORATORIUM FOR BALKANS PLANNED

GENEVA, April 16:—The finance committee of the League of Nations yesterday discussed the financial position of Greece, Hungary, Bulgaria and Austria all of which countries are in a sorry plight so far as public finances are concerned. The principle of a complete moratorium for a year for Greece and Hungary and a partial moratorium for Bulgaria and Austria was agreed upon.