

## Today's Weather

Digby Island—Rain, light south-easterly wind; barometer, 29.84; temperature, 48; smooth sea.

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## Tomorrow's Tides

Thursday, March 31, 1932  
High ..... 9:25 a.m. 17:6 ft.  
                  22:43 p.m. 17:5 ft.  
Low ..... 3:18 a.m. 10:6 ft.  
                  16:07 p.m. 6:0 ft.

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# CLOSURE RULES APPLIED AT OTTAWA

## PATTULLO INQUIRES ABOUT DISCHARGE OF OFFICIALS

### Bennett Forces House To Close Debate and Vote on Relief Bill

"Blank Check" Approved By Commons on Division of 100 to 64—Day's Sitting Was Finally Concluded at 4:30 This Morning

OTTAWA, March 30:—Climaxing a hectic day of debate, the House of Commons early this morning gave first reading under closure rules to the government's bill to extend until May 1 terms of the unemployment relief act of last session under which the much debated "blank check" is given the government. The House rose at 4:30 this morning. The vote was 100 to 64, Liberals to a man opposing the measure.

### ASKING FOR ROAD WORK

City Council Decides to Make Another Appeal to Provincial Government on Matter

On suggestion of Ald. Theo Collart, the city council decided last night to again appeal to the provincial government for an immediate starting of men domiciled in the Cloyah Bay relief camp to work on continuation of the construction of the Skeena River highway. Ald. Collart understood that such work had been instituted elsewhere in the province and he did not see any reason why the same should not be done at once.

Ald. Black seconded Ald. Collart's motion asking the government to institute the work at once, the motion being unanimously passed.

### B. C. MAN INVOLVED

Fort St. John Man Says He Knows About Montana Murder and Drug Ring

EL PASO, Texas, March 30:—G. C. Parsons, aged 26, from Fort St. John in the Peace River district of British Columbia, has told detectives of this city that he was implicated in the slaying of a member of a Montana narcotic ring. Parsons, who was picked up on suspicion, said that he knew the whereabouts of the body of the slain man and also the location of a huge amount of narcotics which was buried after the slaying.

The murder, Parsons said, was committed near Plentywood, Montana, in December, 1929.

### Metlakatla Girl Is Laid to Rest

Funeral of Miss Marjorie Rudland Took Place Saturday Afternoon at Neighboring Town

METLAKATLA, March 30:—The funeral of Marjorie Ethel Ruby Rudland, 16-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rudland, whose death occurred on Thursday afternoon of last week in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, took place here on Saturday afternoon. Many friends of the girl and her family were in attendance at the obsequies. Members of the Young Men's Benevolent Association acted as pallbearers.

### DEALINGS STILL ON

Norfolk Minister Expresses Optimism in Kidnapping Case—Negotiations Continue

NORFOLK, Va., March 30:—Very Rev. Dean H. Dobson Peacock admitted to a crowd of interviewers yesterday that he had been requested by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh to continue negotiations with a view to bringing about the safe return of the famous flyer's 20-month old son who was kidnapped four weeks ago last night. In answer to questions, Dean Peacock asserted that the search for the child was near a conclusion and added that he was "very optimistic" as to the outcome.

Dean Peacock revealed, however, that he had had no contact himself with the kidnapers but that actual negotiations were being carried out by John Hughes Curtis of this city, who made a flight at the week-end in the course of which he was said to have made contact with the kidnapers who are supposed to have the child on a boat off the Virginia coast.

HOPEWELL, N.J., March 30:—The arrival at Hopewell yesterday of some half a dozen detectives led to the belief that important developments were impending in the Lindbergh kidnaping case although no official statement was made.

### TO HELP COLLEGE

Manson Urges Government to Transfer Funds From Game Board to University

VICTORIA, March 30:—A. M. Manson, Liberal member for Omineca, speaking in the budget debate, urged that part at least of the sum set aside for the Game Board be transferred to the University of British Columbia. If something like this is not done, the University will receive a "black eye" throughout the Dominion and many of the young people of the province will be driven away.

"Game Board expenditures have increased \$150,000 since the present administration took office," Mr. Manson declared "while the university grants have been cut down \$400,000. Let us have first things first. Surely the university is more important to us than game."

### RELIEF IS INADEQUATE

Central Committee of Prince Rupert Unemployed Association Asks Consideration

### Privation Now

Felt That Man and Wife Should Each Get 40c a Day With More For Children

After hearing a resolution from the central executive of the Unemployed Association of Prince Rupert, which was supported by remarks from a delegation consisting of W. Mahoney, T. Murphy and Charles Chapman, the city council promised last night to give its serious consideration to a proposal that more adequate unemployment relief allowances be made to married unemployed men with families. The delegation told the council of instances of real privation among families of the city owing to the inadequacy of the present relief allowances. Members of the council expressed themselves as being sympathetic to the proposal and declared that their consideration for the needy unemployed would be limited only by financial exigencies of the city.

The resolution from the central executive of the Unemployed Association referred to the present "unsatisfactory administration of relief," which was held to be entirely inadequate for married men with families, and protested it. Discrimination was also charged on the part of storekeepers as between persons buying with cash and those with relief tickets. Single men were (Continued on page five.)

### PROBE IS GOING ON

Pattullo Charges That Investigation Committee is Merely Trying To Whitewash Government

VICTORIA, March 30:—At a session of the special committee of the Legislature investigating unemployment matters, T. D. Pattullo, leader of the opposition, charged that the committee was not making an investigation but simply trying to justify the provincial government's unemployment policies, adding that Ottawa, "becoming suspicious," was checking up the province on its vouchers.

The suggestion was vigorously denied by H. D. Twigg, chairman of the committee.

A. M. Manson, Omineca, supported Mr. Pattullo's charges.

The committee investigated reports of existence of a piano and radio in one of the unemployment camps.

### GOLD STRIKE MADE IN LIARD COUNTRY

VANCOUVER, March 30:—Gold has been struck in the Liard River watershed, about fifty miles north of the British Columbia boundary, near Wolf Creek, according to a report received by the British Columbia Chamber of Mines. This is the region in which Capt. E. J. A. Burke, well known commercial flyer, was lost a year ago last fall.

### Ambassador's Son Marries



Count Michael Lichnowsky, son of Germany's ambassador to London at the outbreak of the world war, is shown with his Scots-American bride as they left the registry office. They will have a religious service in Paris.

### PROTEST IS MADE

Veteran Smithers Official Declared to Have Been Victim of Patronage

VICTORIA, March 30:—Another Norman Wait case was drawn to the attention of the Legislature when Dr. H. C. Wrinch, Skeena, complained of the injustice meted out to Stephen Hoskins, veteran government agent at Smithers, who after 30 years' efficient service in the public employ, had been demoted to the small agency at Anyox for which only \$300 salary was being voted this year.

Practically every resident of the district, regardless of political affiliation or religious belief, had signed a petition protesting against this action, he stated.

No suggestion of inefficiency or failure to perform his duty had been heard, said the member, and certainly no economy had been effected, since the successor, a single man, drew the same salary, but did not perform all the duties.

Two functions discharged by Mr. Hoskins, he said, had been allotted to party friends who would derive fees for which Mr. Hoskins, as government agent, had not been eligible.

This was a remarkable and unjust method of rewarding party friends, he declared, asking that the government take steps to see that recompense was made to Mr. Hoskins, who had only two years to go before superannuation, and who had established a home in Smithers.

Mr. Hoskins has since been notified of his transfer from Anyox to Duncan, Vancouver Island.

### WEATHER REPORT

Langara — Overcast, moderate southwesterly wind, choppy sea.  
Triple Island—Part cloudy, strong southeasterly wind, moderate sea.  
Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, light southeasterly wind; barometer, 29.82; temperature, 50; light swell.

### NO TRACE OF BAGLEY

Detective Maxwell, Whom Desperado Shot, is Still in Critical Condition

VANCOUVER, March 30:—No trace has been found of William Bagley, notorious desperado, who shot Detective David Maxwell of Burnaby on Saturday night when the latter was trying to effect his capture. Maxwell is still in a critical condition from his injuries.

### Canadian Spinner Leaving Here For Vancouver Monday

Capt. Duncan McKenzie, pilot for Canadian National Steamships, arrived in the city from Vancouver on the Prince George this morning and will accompany the company's freighter Canadian Spinner south next Monday when she sails for Vancouver to be recommissioned in the intercoastal service between Vancouver and Montreal after having undergone overhaul at the local dry dock.

Several members of the crew of the Canadian Spinner also arrived on the Prince George this morning from the south to rejoin the ship. The Spinner was taken off the pontoons this afternoon after having been out of the water for the past two or three weeks.

### Halibut Landings

The Cold Storage Company was the only purchaser of halibut on the exchange this morning and the price paid was a good one considering conditions. No American boats were in. Sales were as follows:  
Rose Spit, 11,000 pounds, 9c and 3c.  
Viking I, 9,000; Capella I, 3,000; Pair of Jacks, 4,200, all at 9.2c and 3c.

### Government's Record Of Dismissals Would Not Bear Probe, Said

Removal of Men From Lands Department Under Fire in Legislature—Liberal Leader Dares Administration to Go to Country This Year

VICTORIA, March 30:—In the Legislature yesterday, T. D. Pattullo, Liberal leader, asked for an explanation for the release of certain officials in the colonization and other branches of the Lands Department. Mr. Pattullo charged that the record of the administration on its dismissals would not stand investigation and he challenged the government to go to the country this year.

### HIS ACT HONORED

V. C. Grant Receives Certificate and Medal For Life Saving

A very interesting ceremony was carried out in the offices of the Northern B. C. Power Co. Ltd. this morning in the presence of all members of the staff, when presentation of the President's Certificate and Medal of the National Electric Light Association was made by J. J. Little, general manager of the company, to V. C. Grant, patrolman on the Falls River line, who is stationed at Balmoral on the Skeena River.

On May 3, 1931, Shirley Helin, a child of three years of age, was rescued from drowning and was brought back to life by Mr. Grant by the prone pressure method of resuscitation from electric shock.

Mr. Little, in a few well chosen words, outlined the circumstances of the case and impressed upon all members of the staff present, the necessity of being able at all times to use and adopt this method in the case of suspended respiration from all causes, such as drowning, electric shock, carbon monoxide, etc.

After receiving the congratulations of the staff, Mr. Grant replied feelingly and expressed his appreciation in being in a position and having the ability to bring this child back to life and return her to her parents and friends.

### DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE

Government Ready to Produce Files For Committee Investigating Unemployment Relief

VICTORIA, March 30:—As far as the government is concerned, we are quite prepared to produce any documents to the unemployment inquiry," Hon. R. H. Pooley, attorney general, declared in the Legislature. Mr. Pooley's statement came following the charge of T. D. Pattullo, A. M. Manson and other Liberal members that the government has been withholding information from the committee investigating unemployment relief matters.

At the conclusion of taking of plaintiff's evidence yesterday afternoon, the County Court case of Bryant Co. Ltd. vs. Thomas Tasker was adjourned until next Monday when witnesses for defendant are expected to be on hand to give their evidence.

### FOUR DEAD FROM BLAST

Mrs. A. Lebric and Three Daughters Lose Lives When Gasoline Explodes at Gogama, Ont.

GOGAMA, Ont., March 30:—Mrs. A. Lebric and her three daughters, Bertha, Dorothy and Clarine are dead following an explosion of gasoline in their house here yesterday.

### CENSUS IS ANNOUNCED

Final Figures Show Population For Prince Rupert in 1931 of 6,350

Final census figures, which have just been issued by the federal government, show Prince Rupert's population for 1931 to have been 6,350 as compared with 6,393 in 1921, a very slight decrease being recorded. The only other city municipality in the north, Prince George, is credited with population of 2,479 for 1931 as compared with 2,053 in 1921, a healthy increase being thus shown.

Other municipalities in the north have populations as follows: Vanderhoof, 305; Burns Lake, 202; Smithers, 999; Stewart, 610; Terrace, 352.

### HOLIDAY IN NORTH

Interesting Revelations in Regard to Expenses of Alaska-Yukon Road Route

VICTORIA, March 30:—The aerial reconnaissance of the Alaska-Yukon highway route cost the provincial government \$35,000 during the fiscal year of 1930-31, the public accounts committee of the Legislature was told. Of this sum, \$15,000 was for airplane charter, other items specified including fishing rods, cameras, guns and knives. "It looks like someone had a great vacation," remarked H. F. Kergin, Liberal member for Atlin.

### VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, March 30:—Wheat was quoted at 60c on the local exchange today.