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Tomorrow's Tides

High	3:55 a.m.	20.5 ft.
	17:30 p.m.	17.6 ft.
Low	10:54 a.m.	3.0 ft.
	23:08 p.m.	9.0 ft.

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

THIS WEEK THE
Pontiac Straight 8
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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1933

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DISAGREEMENT ON REDISTRIBUTION

WELL KNOWN EAST END HOSTELRY DESTROYED BY FIRE

Seal Cove Hotel Is Virtual Total Loss In Spectacular Blaze

Estimated Damage is Upwards of \$15,000 With at Least Partial Insurance—Flames Spread Rapidly Through Frame Construction

The Seal Cove Hotel, well known east end hostelry of which Mrs. H. Worsfold was the owner, was virtually destroyed by fire about 8 o'clock last evening. The loss of building and contents is tentatively estimated at about \$15,000 against which there is reported to be \$8,000 insurance on building and \$4,000 on furniture. Personal belongings of some seven guests who were lodged in the premises at the time of the fire were also destroyed. It was a spectacular blaze and the most serious conflagration which has occurred in the city for about a year. Cause of the fire has not been ascertained although it is known to have originated in the basement.

ACREAGE IS DECREASED

Million and Half Less Acres Being Sown in Wheat in Canada This Year—Experts Surprised

OTTAWA, May 13: (Canadian Press)—Determination to hold down the Canadian wheat acreage, seen in the reduction of the estimated area to be sown in spring wheat from 26,646,100 acres in 1932 to 25,171,000 acres this year, a drop of 1,745,000 acres, surprises experts who had believed that recent advances in wheat prices would result in at least a slight increase in acreage over last year.

RECOVERING FROM GALE

Seventh Tornado in Recent Weeks Visits Southern States

LIVINGSTONE, Tennessee, May 13—(Canadian Press)—Tornado-swept sections of Kentucky and Tennessee are recovering themselves today following a series of terrific gales which visited them late on Tuesday night of this week, taking toll of from thirty to forty persons killed and an undetermined number injured.

Telegraphic and telephonic communications, which had been paralyzed, have been restored and relief work is proceeding.

Overton County in Kentucky appears to have been the worst afflicted by the tornadoic storm which was the seventh to visit the southern states in recent weeks.

Large Deficit In April Shown

Hospital Operated at Loss of \$2072 Last Month Owing to Tardiness of Civic and Provincial Grants

The finance committee reported to the hospital board, at its meeting last night, a deficit of \$2072.55 for the month of April, disbursements having amounted to \$3489.35 whereas revenue was but \$1416.80. Since the accounts for last month had been closed, however, a check of \$1135.85 had been received from the provincial government covering March grant and \$996 from the city for October 1932, municipal grants for the months since November last having not yet been paid up. There were 1352 hospital days at a cost per hospital day of \$2.58.

CROPS IN PROVINCES

Progress With Seeding in Manitoba Saskatchewan and Alberta

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In Central Manitoba light nightly frosts have been experienced but these have not been severe enough to delay morning work on the land. In Northern Manitoba, the Dauphin and Swan River territories report weather cool and dry with about 70 to 95% of wheat seeded and a start made on coarse grains. Warm weather with rainfall would be beneficial for germination and also to overcome soil drifting which is now apparent.

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Herriott and Bennett Chat



Prime Minister Richard B. Bennett (left), and Former Premier Edouard Herriot of France, talk informally as they meet at a luncheon given them by Secretary of State Cordell Hull, while in Washington on economic conferences with President Roosevelt.

HOSPITAL REVENUES

Further Correspondence Regarding Cut in Government Grant and New Meal Tax

At last night's regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Prince Rupert General Hospital a letter was read from the British Columbia Hospitals Association in regard to the recent cut of 25c per day in the provincial government's grant to hospitals, the new five per cent meal tax, the proceeds of which will be distributed exclusively among hospitals but which is expected to fall far short of making up the loss occasioned by the reduction in per diem grant.

There was also a letter from the provincial secretary in regard to the reduction in the hospital grant and an explanation of the new meal tax, distribution of the proceeds of which is not expected to be forthcoming before the end of the year although the tax becomes operative as from May 1. The communications were filed for future reference.

PIONEER IS DEAD

Thomas McCallum, First White Child Born in Babine Country, Passes Away

Thomas McCallum, who is said to have been the first white child born in the Babine country, passed away at Telkwa on May 6 at the age of 81 years, according to information received at divisional headquarters of the provincial police here today. He had suffered a stroke 14 months ago and had never fully recovered, having been a patient for some time in the Telkwa Hospital. Deceased is survived by a widow residing at Telkwa.

SUSPENDS SENTENCE

Robert Thomas Merryman Carter Freed by Court Following Conviction of Rioting Charge

Judge's Warning Extenuating Circumstances Taken Into Account by Court in Case Of Engineering Student

Accepting a recommendation of crown counsel, L. S. McGill, Mr. Justice Murphy, at the session of the Supreme Court Assizes yesterday afternoon, suspended sentence upon Robert Thomas Merryman Carter, 21-year old student in mining engineering from Ontario, who had been convicted by a jury on a charge of rioting here on March 1. Following Carter's conviction, Mr. McGill presented the crown's suggestion for suspended sentence and Gordon Grant, defence counsel, pleaded that accused, in view of his youth and the fact that he had never been in trouble before, having come to Anyox to work in order that he might finance the completion of his engineering studies, be not sent to prison.

In addressing the accused, His Lordship pointed out that he had acted in a very foolish manner. The impression should not be allowed to get abroad that, particularly in these troublous times of labor disputes, the law could be flouted or violence resorted to. The courts were always open for redress to those who had complaints against the police and in the courts justice could be obtained. The court announced that it was taking accused's youth, the fact that he had not been in trouble before and the apparently light view that was taken of the matter by the jury into consideration and had decided to suspend sentence.

"I trust," concluded His Lordship, (Continued on Page Four)

British Columbia Sub-Committee on Division of Seats at Deadlock

Eight Ridings Settled Upon But Complexion of Other Eight in Dispute—Can Apply to General Committee or on Floor of House

OTTAWA, May 13: (Canadian Press)—The British Columbia sub-committee, reporting to the redistribution committee of the House of Commons today, agreed upon eight ridings for the western province and disagreed on eight. Those in agreement were Cariboo, Kamloops, Kootenay East, Yale, Fraser Valley, Victoria, New Westminster and Kootenay West. It was agreed to disagree on Nanaimo, Comox-Alberni, North Vancouver, Vancouver Centre, Vancouver-Burrard, Vancouver South, Vancouver East and Skeena.

The British Columbia sub-committee recommended that those in agreement with the proposed boundaries of the latter eight ridings might make representations either to the general committee or on the floor of the House.

While not officially announced it was learned on good authority last night that the prosecution in the Anyox unlawful assembly trial at the Assizes held here this week was considering the making of an appeal to the British Columbia Court of Appeals against the verdict of the jury acquitting the five accused on grounds of misdirection by the trial judge, Mr. Denis Murphy, and perjury of finding by the jury.

TAKING UP CIVIL WORK

Criminal Docket at Supreme Court Assizes Disposed of Here Yesterday Afternoon

With a net result of one conviction and four acquittals in five trials involving eight accused, only one of whom was found guilty, receiving suspended sentence, the criminal docket at the spring session of the Supreme Court Assizes here was completed late yesterday afternoon and the court adjourned to turn its attention to civil work today, one civil trial and one divorce petition remaining to be disposed of.

The civil case is that in which J. J. McNeill of Telkwa is suing W. J. O'Neill and G. H. Wall of Smithers for \$1035 in connection with a series of automobile transactions; counsel for the plaintiff being L. W. Patmore and, for the defendants, E. S. McGill of Smithers. The divorce petition is that of Gwynneth Elizabeth Perry vs. Christopher P. Perry in which T. W. Brown is counsel for the petitioner.

Earlier in the Assize, Mr. Justice Murphy granted an application by consent of both parties for adjournment until the fall Assize of a civil action in which M. M. Stephens is suing W. J. Selig for \$1500 in connection with a promissory note. T. W. Brown having the case for the plaintiff and R. L. McLennan acting for the defendant. Adjourment was also granted (Continued on page 2)

PASSES IN VANCOUVER

F. W. Peters, For Many Years C.P.R. General Superintendent, Dies

VANCOUVER, May 13: (Canadian Press)—Frederick W. Peters of Vancouver, aged 73, for 42 years actively engaged with the Canadian Pacific Railway and for many years general superintendent for British Columbia, died here today following a brief illness.