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Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Raining, light southeast wind; barometer, 29.55; temperature, 42; sea smooth.

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides

High	0:05 a.m.	19.6 ft.
	11:58 p.m.	22.0 ft.
Low	5:58 a.m.	6.2 ft.
	18:33 p.m.	2.0 ft.

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WHOLE HALIBUT FLEET STAYS HOME

THREATENED POLICE STRIKE IN TORONTO DEFINITELY OFF

Seattle Vessel Owners And Fishermen Seeking Funds to Freeze Catch

Would Put Halibut in Storage and Keep it Until Market Warrants Selling—Not Able to Agree With Buyers On Matter of Minimum Price For Year

SEATTLE, March 2: (CP)—The Fishing Vessel Owners' Association and the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union are applying to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at Washington for funds with which to instal facilities for the freezing of halibut so that they may keep the fish and put it on the market gradually as conditions and prices warrant. The halibut fishing season opened yesterday but 150 vessels and one thousand fishermen stayed in port because they could not agree with the buyers on the minimum price for fish. They believe that they can dash out belatedly and still catch the quota limit for the season if a refrigeration system is available to keep the fish so as not to glut the market.

ASKING FOR DESTROYER

Chamber of Commerce Backs Up Request For Stationing Of Warship Here

The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, at its regular monthly meeting last night, endorsed the action of the council of the chamber in requesting the Department of National Defence that one of the Canadian destroyers at present stationed at Esquimalt be based at Prince Rupert.

As a defensive measure, T. H Johnson did not think the basing of a single destroyer at Prince Rupert would be of much value. It would be useful, however, in conjunction with the work of the local unit of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve and the Sea Cadets.

W. P. Armour referred to the possible naval recruiting material among the fishermen here.

Reference was made during the discussion to an article on Prince Rupert's strategic naval position which had just appeared in MacLean's Magazine.

MARKETING OF WHEAT

Further Particulars in Regard To Proposed New Board Revealed At Ottawa

OTTAWA, March 2: (CP)—The new grain marketing board, which Premier R. B. Bennett announces the federal government intends setting up, is only one step in a broad program the government is considering affecting farm products, it is learned from well-informed sources. The program would include the following:

Control of Canada's crops by the grain board.

Investigation by the board of railway commissioners of the entire fruit rate structures of the railways in an effort to cheapen the movement of grain and livestock within Canada.

Steps to make barley one of Canada's great export commodities.

Methods of developing the livestock industry.

Wheat Prices

VANCOUVER, March 2: (CP)—Wheat was quoted at 80½c on the local exchange yesterday, dropping to 80⅜c today.

OPPOSED TO COMMISSION

Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce Declines to Endorse Highway Board Plan

On recommendation of the legislative committee, the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce declined last night to endorse a resolution from the Penticton Board of Trade seeking the appointment of a highway commission in British Columbia which it was proposed should consist of three members, one appointed by the boards of trade, one by the engineers' association and the third by the government, which would collaborate with the provincial public works department in the spending on roads of $2,000,000 annually, this amount to be raised by means of an increase in the gas tax.

The committee based its opposition to the Penticton proposal on two principal reasons, first, that it would tend to increase further the system of bureaucracy in the province and would add to an already overloaded payroll of government employees, and, second, the proposed board would be appointed from the south which part of the province would have control of everything it might do.

HOLD-UPS ARE BUSY

Thugs Active in Vancouver, Getting Away With Money From Stores

VANCOUVER, March 2:—Three hold-ups occurred within half an hour in Vancouver early Wednesday evening. At 7:45 p.m. a drug store at 1808 Kingsway was robbed of $25 by bandits. At 8:05 one store on West Broadway was robbed and seven minutes later on the same street another store was held up

Two hold-ups on Tuesday evening yielded bandits $125.

BAR SILVER

NEW YORK, March 2: (CP)—Bar silver advanced again yesterday Today it took another jump to 57⅞c.

Governor General and Countess of Bessborough

Photo by Karsh, Ottawa

They are sponsoring a Canadian National fund to combat the evil of cancer. The fund will commemorate the 25th anniversary of accession of King George V. to the Throne

SEAPLANE BASE HERE

Advisability of Having Prince Rupert So Registered Discussed By Commerce Chamber

The advisability of having Prince Rupert officially registered as a seaplane base was discussed by the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night following the receipt of a letter from the Department of National Defence in connection with the matter. The question was referred to the harbor and navigation committee for report. It was pointed out that the only registered seaplane base at present north of Vancouver is at Swanson Bay. American aviation maps, however, show Prince Rupert as a base.

T. H. Johnson was strongly in favor of having Prince Rupert registered as a seaplane base. It would be valuable to the place to have the port so shown on maps, etc. which had world-wide circulation.

City Commissioner W. J. Alder and W. P. Armour felt that, in view of the possibility of new industrial development there, it would be inadvisable to tie up Seal Cove at this time as a seaplane base or in any other way. Capt. Armour believed that Digby Island near the marine depot was an ideal place for a seaplane base.

SMALL BOAT OVERLOADED

Jury Finds This in Case of Excursion Launch—Owners Being Charged

CASTRIES, Santa Lucia, March 2: (CP)—Owners of the excursion launch St. George, which capsized on Sunday with the loss of 34 of the 108 passengers on board, are being charged with manslaughter following the verdict of a jury which found at an inquest that the small vessel had been loaded with passengers beyond her legal limit.

CLEAN-UP AND WORK

Formation of Employment Service Bureau in Prince Rupert Is Being Considered

The formation in Prince Rupert of an employment service bureau, such as is being operated with marked success in Vancouver and other cities, was proposed at the meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night and will be further followed up by the calling at an early date of a meeting of delegates from other organizations which may be interested when the matter will be gone

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EXTENDING OF FLOATS

Necessity of More Adequate Accommodation For Fishermen's Boats Discussed

The matter of increased fishermen's float accommodation at Prince Rupert came up at last night's meeting of the local Chamber of Commerce after the reading of a letter from Olof Hanson, M. P. for Skeena, who stated that he had been taking the question up with the government at Ottawa and had met with "reasonable consideration." He suggested that the chamber pass a definite resolution on the matter, setting out the exact requirements, and that the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union, Canadian Halibut Vessel Owners' Association and Northern B. C. Fishermen's Association be asked to get behind the matter.

At the suggestion of T. H. Johnson, it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the fisheries committee with the request that it get in touch with the fishermen's organizations.

A. P. Allison, well known Queen Charlotte Island logging operator, arrived in the city on the Princess Adelaide yesterday afternoon from Vancouver and sailed last night on the Prince John for his camp at Cumshewa Inlet.

Restoration of Good Conduct Badge Plan Is to Be Considered

Amicable Agreement Expected to be Reached This Afternoon Following Meeting of Police Commissioners This Morning, Mayor Simpson Announces

TORONTO, March 2: (CP)—The threatened strike of approximately 900 Toronto police officers is definitely off, Mayor James Simpson announced today after a meeting with the police commissioners. The mayor said that an amicable agreement would be reached late this afternoon and the Board of Control will meet Monday to discuss the question of restoration of the good conduct badge system, the abolition of which was the main cause of the strike threat.

BROADCAST FROM HERE

Chamber of Commerce Backs Felix Batt's Application For Radio Transmitting Station

After some discussion pro and con on the advisability of permitting a small transmitter here which might or might not prove a nuisance in connection with general reception, the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, on motion of Max Heilbroner, seconded by W. P Armour, last night gave its approval to an application made to the Canadian Broadcasting Commission by Felix Batt and associates for permission to establish a radio broadcasting station at Prince Rupert. The entertainment committee of the chamber, which had considered the matter, recommended that the Chamber approve the application. T. H. Johnson and W. O. Fulton would have approved the application with the condition that assurance be given that the station should not interfere with other reception but their amendment to this effect was voted down.

In the course of discussion, F. W Wesch expressed the opinion that there would be adequate assurance that the proposed local station would not interfere with general reception. Probably it would only broadcast during the daytime, leaving the evenings clear. W. O. Fulton wondered what a local station would have to offer in the way of programs. He believed it would be of little value and possibly would interfere with good programs.

Premier Bennett Has Severe Cold

Reform Program Has Made Little Progress Owing to Absence Of Prime Minister

OTTAWA, March 2: (CP)—A severe cold having prevented Premier Bennett from occupying his place in Parliament during the past few days, little progress has been made with the government's reform program. The Prime Minister was expected to be back in the House by the week-end.

MANY AT MINING LECTURE

Again there was a large and interested gathering last night at Dr. J. T. Mandy's mining lecture. The next lecture will be Tuesday evening of next week.

Separate Minister Of Fisheries For Dominion Sought

The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night endorsed a resolution from the Canadian Fisheries Association again requesting the federal government to appoint forthwith a full time minister for the portfolio of fisheries which is at present merged with the department of national defence. The resolution of the Canadian Fisheries Association points out that the fishing industry of Canada is equal in importance to that of agriculture which has always had a separate minister.

T. H. Johnson spoke of the importance of the resolution, expressing the opinion that the appointment of a separate minister of fisheries would be a good thing for the fishing industry as a whole and would be undoubtedly a beneficial move as far as Prince Rupert was concerned.

Honorary Degree For Bessborough

overnor General to be Honored At Ceremony in Vancouver On April 9

VANCOUVER, March 2:—The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws will be conferred upon Earl Bessborough by the University of British Columbia on the afternoon of April 9 in the course of the Governor General's farewell visit to this coast.

W. C. Cowell of the Dominion immigration department arrived in the city on the Princess Adelaide yesterday afternoon from Vancouver, being here on official business.

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