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## Today's Weather

(8 A.M.)  
Prince Rupert—Foggy, light westerly wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 50; sea smooth.

## Tomorrow's Tides

High ..... 0:15 a.m. 22.0 ft.  
13:05 p.m. 20.1 ft.  
Low ..... 6:55 a.m. 0.6 ft.  
18:58 p.m. 5.9 ft.

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# ASKS LEAVE TO INCREASE HER NAVY

## BRITISH DIPLOMATIC DISPATCH BAG LOST

### Britain Requests O. K.

### From Japan and States For Tonnage Expansion

## Sensation Caused In London by Report Of Incident in Ethiopia

Sir Sidney Barton, Minister at Addis Ababa, is instructed to investigate—Also said that British Officer Has Been Arrested.

LONDON, May 19: (CP)—The government today cabled Sir Sidney Barton, British minister to Addis Ababa, to inquire into sensational reports that a British diplomatic dispatch bag disappeared on the railway line between the Italian ruled capital of Ethiopia and the French port of Djibuti. It is also reported that Warrant Officer Bonner, attached to a British ambulance unit, was arrested while being rushed to hospital for rabies treatment.

**B. C. NICHOLAS OF VICTORIA TIMES DIES SUDDENLY**  
VICTORIA, May 19: (CP)—B. C. Nicholas, aged 56, editor of the Victoria Times, died suddenly in his office today of myocarditis. He had been prominently mentioned as Liberal candidate for Victoria in the forthcoming federal by-election on June 8. He was one of Victoria's best known and most highly esteemed citizens. His passing will be widely mourned.

## ANNEXING RATIFIED

Marconi Leads Italian Senate in Legalizing of Military Accomplishment

## Charge Withdrawn

Italy Takes Back Allegation Regarding Dum-Dum Bullet Supply

ROME, May 19—Signor Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of the wireless, sponsored a bill by which the Senate of Italy ratified the annexation of Ethiopia by Italy and the declaration of King Victor Emmanuel as Emperor of Ethiopia. Premier Benito Mussolini had no statement to make during the day on international affairs although he sent a message to Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg of Austria expressing friendship and offering co-operation to the Austrian dictator.

According to word from Jerusalem, where Emperor Haile Selassie is at present residing in exile, a secret Ethiopian government is being formed with a view to continuing resistance to the Italian invasion from country south of Addis Ababa which has not yet been penetrated by the Italians.

## Complaint Withdrawn

GENEVA, May 19—Italy has formally withdrawn complaints which it had previously made to the League of Nations that Great Britain had supplied dum-dum bullets to Ethiopia for use in the recent Italo-Ethiopian conflict. Return of all documents on the subject is requested by Italy, which, however, does not withdraw the charge that dum-dum bullets had been used by the Ethiopians.

## Missionaries Safe

ADDIS ABABA, May 19—Nine English missionaries, after an arduous trip through wild bandit-infested country under sweltering heat and terrific difficulties, have finally reached Addis Ababa safely. They had left their fields of activity in the wilderness two weeks ago after hearing that the Ethiopians had been defeated by the Italians and that Emperor Haile Selassie had fled. "It is a miracle that we are here," the missionaries said, "and we can only thank Our Maker that we have been delivered."

## Served 45 Years In Post Office

Charles E. Ray, Assistant Postmaster at Victoria, Retires

VICTORIA, May 19: (CP)—Charles E. Ray, assistant postmaster at Victoria since 1928, has retired after more than 45 years service in the postal department. His entire period of service was performed in Victoria.

Starting as a temporary clerk on November 10, 1890, he recalls when he first joined there were only four letter carriers. There are now 56. The post office staff consisted of 22 when he joined and has grown to 112.

On the same payroll as himself in 1910 were James Murray, now district superintendent of postal services at Vancouver, D. B. McComman, former assistant receiver-general and now retired here, and Frank Sehl, provincial collector of income tax.

## Andrew Bechtel Of Victoria is Dead

Had Resided in Capital For 63 Years and Was Prominent in Fishing Industry

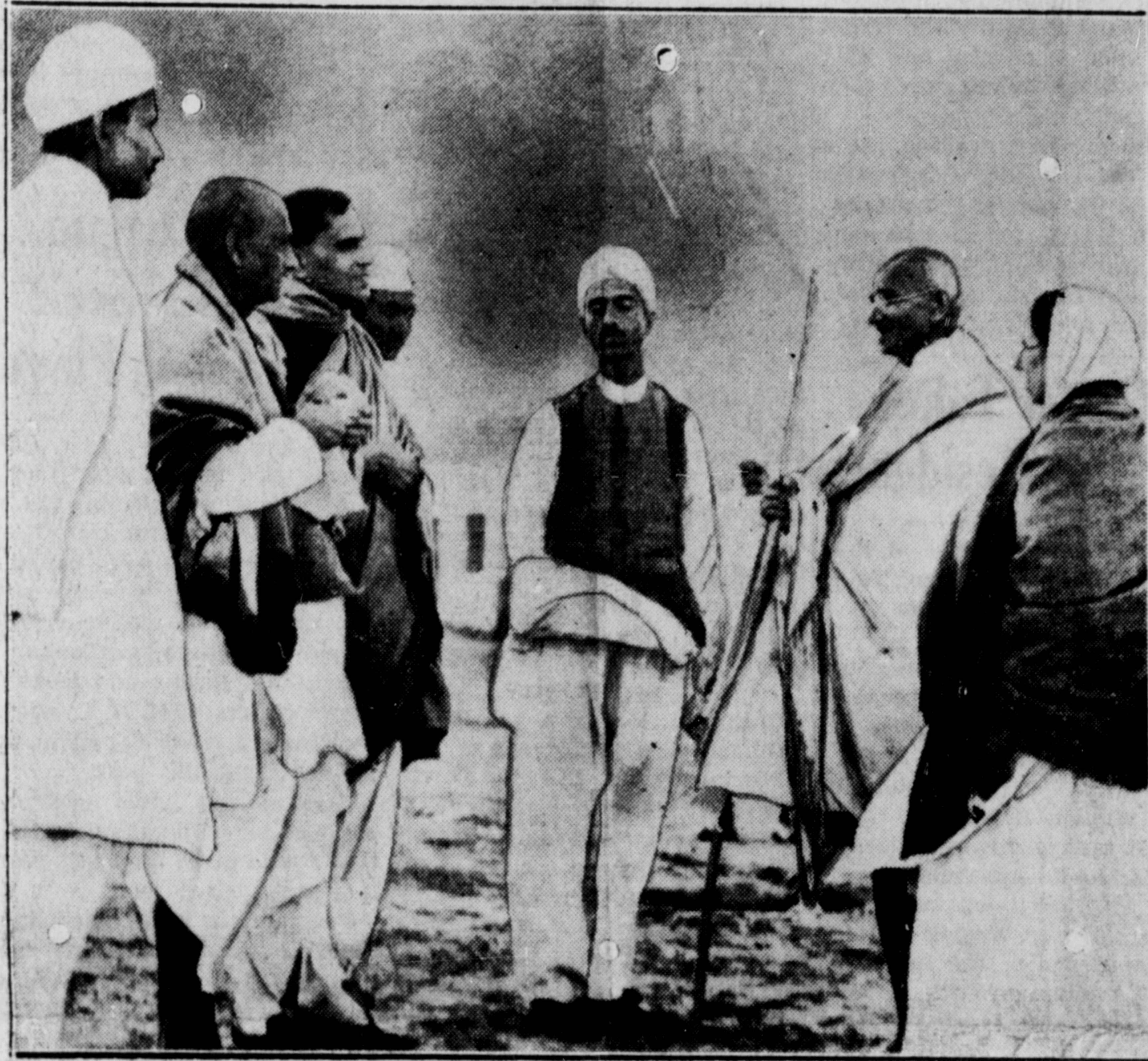
VICTORIA, May 19: (CP)—Andrew John Bechtel, aged 86, resident of this city for sixty-three years and once connected with the fishing and sealing industries on both coasts, passed away yesterday.

## Insurance Act Now in Effect

Administrative Commission to Be Set up in Victoria This Week

VICTORIA, May 19: (CP)—The Health Insurance Act became law yesterday with proclamation by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. An administrative commission will be set up this week.

## Mahatma Gandhi Recovers From Illness



Mahatma Gandhi, who has been ill at Delhi, has recovered sufficient strength to enable him to resume his tours throughout India. He is shown here (right) talking with acquaintances.

## ASSIZE IS CONCLUDED

Judge Finds Insufficient Evidence To Commit Southbank Merchant For Contempt

The spring session of the Supreme Court Assizes came to a close here yesterday afternoon when Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald found that there was not sufficient evidence, pending the making of surveys to determine whether a trespass actually existed, to warrant his ordering the commitment of Fred Wiggins of Southbank, Francois Lake, for contempt in failing to comply with an eviction order. The plaintiffs in this action were Ellis Cunningham Reid, May Reid, Marjorie Blair Reid, Beryl Jourdain and Franklin Gale, owners of land abutting Francois Lake. They had secured an eviction order against Wiggins who had a lease on which was located Wiggins' general store. The defendant contended that he had moved his store a short distance as a result of which he was now actually situated below high water mark or on a road allowance. J. T. Harvey acted as counsel for the plaintiffs while R. L. McLennan appeared for the defendant.

Earlier in the day settlement had been reached in the action of Robert Flockhart vs. James Flockhart, William Thompson, Mary Flockhart, Albert Flockhart, trustees of the Round Lake Women's Community Club and the official administrator, being a dispute over the settlement of an estate involving land in the Round Lake district near Telkwa. H. H. Griffin and L. S. Freer of Smithers acted as counsel for plaintiff while J. T. Harvey appeared for the defendants.

## 40 YEARS' SERVICE

STELIENBOSCH, South Africa, May 19 (CP)—Celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Students' Christian Association of South Africa will take place here in July.

## PREMIER PATTULLO TO CAMPAIGN OMINECA AND VISIT THIS CITY

VICTORIA, May 19: (CP)—Expecting to leave for the north early next month, Premier T. D. Pattullo will take a hand personally in the Omineca by-election campaign prior to the polling on June 22 in that riding. The Premier, while in the north, will visit his own riding of Prince Rupert, gong there by boat on his way to Omineca. Then he will continue to Jasper Park to speak at a meeting of bond dealers.

## Halibut Arrivals

**Summary**  
American—14,500 pounds, 7.5c and 6c.  
Canadian—48,500 pounds, 6.3c and 5c to 6.4c and 5.2c.

**American**  
Hazel H., 14,500, 7.5c and 6c Royal.

**Canadian**  
Annabelle, 8,500, 6.3c and 5c. Cold Storage.  
Covenant, 14,000, 6.3c and 5.2c. Pacific.  
Capella, 14,000, 6.4c and 5.5c. Atlin.  
Embla, 12,000, 6.4c and 5.2c. Cold Storage.

## Senator Fortin Of Quebec Dies

Member of Red Chamber Passes Away at Age of 58 After Several Weeks' Illness

QUEBEC, May 19: (Canadian Press)—Senator Emile Fortin, aged 58, died yesterday after several weeks' illness.

## DUE HERE ON FRIDAY

British Steamer Hartington, Coming to Load Timber, Making Good Time

Latest word received today is that the British steamer Hartington, coming here to load timber for the Orient, is due to arrive here on Friday on this week. The vessel has been making better time on her voyage across the Pacific than anticipated. She will take on approximately 1,200,000 feet of hemlock, cottonwood and aspen timber over the local lumber assembly wharf and will proceed to Vancouver and Vancouver Island to complete.

## TO HUNT MINERALS

ST. JOHN'S Nfld., May 19: (CP)—Arrangements have been made for six parties of expert geologists to carry out investigations throughout Newfoundland in hopes of finding mineral deposits in commercial quantities, the Commissioner for Natural Resources has announced. Special attention will be given to reports of nickel, with traces of platinum, found at Hare Bay.

## IS KILLED IN ASYLUM

One Inmate Slays Another in Edmonton Institution — Used Metal Bed Leg for Grim Act

EDMONTON, May 19 (Canadian Press)—W. R. Stewart, aged fifty, a patient in metal hospital here, died on Saturday from blows inflicted by George Allan, another patient, who wielded a metal bed leg, government officials announce. The killing occurred while attendants were absent from the room. A coroner's jury named Allan as the slayer.

**WAR BREAKS OUT IN PRINCE RUPERT**  
Rounding up several boys who had been staging a battle, the city police last night sized a number of air guns and sling shots. The boys were released with a warning that such instruments are dangerous and illegal.

## Many Present At Funeral Sunday

Japanese Communities of Prince Rupert and Skeena River Represented at F. Nishihara Rites

There was a large representation of the Japanese community of Prince Rupert and the Skeena River at the funeral Sunday afternoon from the chapel of B.C. Undertakers to Fairview Cemetery of Fukutaro Nishihara, well known Port Essington fisherman, who passed away last week in the Prince Rupert General Hospital. Rev. W. H. Pierce, formerly of Port Essington, conducted the service and Miss E. G. Lenox M.D. of the local Japanese Mission presided at the organ to accompany the hymns. There were addresses by Y. Suehiro, president of the Prince Rupert Japanese Association; C. S. Obata, secretary of the Skeena Fishermen's Association and I. Sakayama and T. Kuwahara of Port Essington. Tom Shimizu was in charge of the arrangements. Pallbearers were Y. Imai, Y. Sato, K. Tanaka, M. Murata, G. Kitamura and K. Hayakawa. There were numerous floral offerings.

## LEAVING JULY 10

Local Vimy Pilgrimage Delegation To Travel to Montreal In Special Car

The local delegation of the Vimy Pilgrimage consisting of about twenty-five persons will leave here on July 10 in a special car attached to the regular night train that day, it was announced this morning at the Canadian National Railways city ticket office. At Jasper the local car will be consolidated into a special train from Vancouver. The point of embarkation for the voyage across the Atlantic Ocean will be Montreal. Five steamers will take the Canadian pilgrimages across.

## Today's Weather

Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.76; temperature, 46; sea smooth.  
Triple Island—Cloudy, fresh westerly wind; barometer, 29.65; sea choppy.  
Langara Island—Cloudy, light to moderate westerly wind; moderate chop.  
Terrace—Clear, calm, 54.  
Anyox—Clear, calm, 50.  
Stewart—Heavy rain, calm, 44.  
Stewart—Heavy rain, calm, 44.  
Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, 60.

Would Increase Her Destroyer Strength in View Of Activity of Other Nations in Building of Subs.

LONDON, May 19: (CP)—Contending that lesser naval powers are constructing over two hundred submarines, Great Britain is seeking from Japan and United States permission to proceed with a program of naval expansion. Great Britain wants destroyer tonnage of 190,000 tons, 40,000 more than allowed under the naval treaty.

## Man Struck By Train May Yet Make Recovery

While injuries sustained by John D. Campbell, Haysport fisherman, when struck by a train just west of Haysport last Friday night were more extensive than at first believed, the man was said by the police today to have a fair chance of recovery. He is a patient in the Prince Rupert General Hospital. Besides a badly fractured and lacerated foot and severe contusions, he also suffered a broken rib and possible internal injuries. Campbell is fifty-two years of age, a native of Greenock, Scotland, and has been fishing on the Skeena River for three or four years.

## New Sales Tax Has Wide Scope

Little Will Escape New Levy In Province of Alberta

EDMONTON, May 19: (CP)—Alberta's new sales tax is going to catch people both coming and going. Neither baby clothes nor coffins will be exempt from the levy. A possibility that coffins could be listed for exemption as "commodities purchased by a cemetery company or society" was denied by Provincial Treasurer Charles Cockroft. These people, he said, deal only in real estate.

## SILVER ACT IS FAILURE

United States Treasury Admits Failure of Purchase Bill

WASHINGTON D.C., May 19 (Canadian Press)—Calculations of the United States Treasury reveal that, instead of making progress during the last few months, this country has lost ground in fulfilling the provisions of the Silver Purchase Act which was designed to increase the price of the white metal and stimulate production.

## BAR SILVER

NEW YORK, May 19 (Canadian Press)—The price of bar silver was 45½¢ per ounce on the New York metal market yesterday, dropping to 45¼¢ today.