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Today's Weather (8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert—Clear, northerly wind; barometer, 29.90; temperature, 24; sea smooth.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 4:12 a.m. 20.5 ft. 16:07 p.m. 19.6 ft. Low 10:16 a.m. 6.8 ft. 22:35 p.m. 4.2 ft.

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BRITISH PLANS FOR PACIFIC OCEAN

Understanding and Goodwill Rather Than Legislation And Politics Seen as World Need

Inspiring New Year Message Delivered Before Gyro Club By Rev. W. D. Grant Hollingworth Yesterday

"I think that in this sick old world of ours the realization is growing that men and nations can only be saved by understanding and goodwill rather than by political machinery or legislation," declared Rev. W. D. Grant Hollingworth yesterday in delivering a New Year address before the Prince Rupert Gyro Club of which he is padre.

"The greatest thing in life is understanding between men, high and low, in every nation and this can be obtained better through the doctrine of brotherhood, as inspired by the life, teaching and example of Jesus Christ, than in any other way. Where there is true understanding goodwill is bound to follow. What a magnificent purpose, what an inspiring mission, to create an international brotherhood to weld men's minds and hearts in a unity of noble ideals, purpose and action, to strive to bring into the realm of reality the results of a common bond of understanding and sympathy between all men without reference to their geographical location or the national boundary lines of their respective countries! We should so earnestly strive to understand, know and live high ideals, that the influence of our friendship and understanding will eventually be reflected in a way that will cause better feeling, friendship and understanding between all peoples."

Mr. Hollingworth referred to the tendency these days of human beings to grow apart due largely to the illusion that they could live independently of their neighbors. Here in the north, for instance, was to be encountered a provincial attitude that resulted in looking upon the city as the end and aim of all ambitions, activities and sphere of influence. "We are inclined to be satisfied to limit our thoughts to our own circle—not in an attitude of selfishness, forgetfulness or indifference to the needs of others but because we are not alive to the possibilities or the need of co-operation in a broader way."

Speaking more from the Gyro standpoint, Mr. Hollingworth referred to the assets of local and international friendships as afforded to members by the organization. There was also the asset of community service which demanded enthusiasm and co-operation. In the broader field, there was a definite place and usefulness for such organizations as Gyro with its principles and ideals. Gyro could play an important part in the bringing about of understanding and goodwill in the broader sense.

The message of Mr. Hollingworth was an inspiring one and appreciation was fittingly expressed by the president, Dr. R. G. Large, who was in the chair. Farewell was also said to Mr. Hollingworth who is leaving soon for Vancouver where he will make his headquarters for the next year in special church work.

United States Planes Are Going to Spain

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 31: (CP)—Commenting upon the fact that a New Jersey company had been granted a licence to export airplanes to Spain, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared that to export planes for military purposes might be "legal" but it was "unpatriotic." Ostensibly the planes are not to be used for fighting purposes.

IS GIVEN 10 YEARS Sentence Upon Captor of General Chiang Kai-Shek Expected To Be Reduced

NANKING, Dec. 31: (CP)—Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang was reported today to have been sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment by a military court for the rebellion against and abduction of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek. The sentence is expected to be reduced in view of the Marshal's voluntary surrender after Premier Chiang was released.

Was Lavish As Philanthropist Lady Lucy Houston Once Gave British Government \$12,000,000 "Just on Impulse"

LONDON, Dec. 31: (CP)—Lady Lucy Houston, wealthy English philanthropist, who died Tuesday night, once gave the British government \$12,000,000 "just on an impulse." She was the donor of the first rest home for nurses during the Great War and five years ago she donated \$500,000 for Britain's entry in the Schneider trophy seaplane race. She offered the Exchequer \$1,000,000 last year for aerial defence of London but, being for a specific purpose, the offer could not be accepted.

His Pain Dulled By Drugs, Dying Pope Gets Rest

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 31: (CP)—Pope Pius XI, the pain in his paralyzed left leg dulled by sedatives, rested easier today as sixteen cardinals and ten thousand laymen prayed for his recovery. The Pope was reported to have rallied and slept better than at any time since his illness turned for the worse.

BAR SILVER NEW YORK, Dec. 31: (CP)—Bar silver was selling here again today at 45 1/4 per fine ounce.

GOOD YEAR IN MINING

Production is Estimated at Fifty-Two Million Dollars

Gold Away Up

If Present Prices Prevail Output For New Year May Be Much Higher

VICTORIA, Dec. 31:—It was estimated a year ago that mineral production for 1936 would be about \$52,500,000 if certain factors anticipated were ultimately realized. As the year advanced, it did not appear for some time as though this figure would be attained but, as the year closes, an estimate of \$52,431,168 is now arrived at as compared with \$48,821,039 in 1935.

Whereas gold and silver accounted for the greater part of the increase in 1935 compared with 1934, there has been this year an actual decrease in the output of the combined metals due to greatly depreciated metal prices for silver. This depreciation, however, has been nearly offset by increased production in lead and placer gold. It is of interest to note that the value production of placer gold for 1936 is likely to be greater than in any year since 1904. Lode gold production has again established an all-time record.

It was anticipated a year ago that through the closing down of the Granby operation in 1935 there would be a very heavy loss both in volume and value for copper production. This loss has not been as great as anticipated, due largely to increased production from the Britannia property on Howe Sound; also to a much better price for the metal.

Lead Bright Spot Lead in 1936 has been the really bright spot of the whole mining industry. Production has established an all-time record, though not far in excess of last year. It is the much better price for lead, particularly towards the end of the year, which has accounted for an increased value production of nearly \$3,000,000.

Coal production, which last year had fallen to fifth place in value production, is back in fourth place having this year displaced silver. This is a healthy sign, and is indicative of better conditions throughout the province. Structural materials likewise indicate, through an increase of \$661,000, a return to more normal conditions.

All in all, the increased value of mine production in 1936, as compared to 1935 of \$3,809,929, is attributable to better prices for base metals, greater coal production, and greater production of structural materials, miscellaneous metals, mineral and materials.

Good Year Looms If metal prices prevailing at the present time should hold throughout 1937, the picture for the new year will be a very bright one. Estimating production based on present metal values, and allowing for certain increases in volume, it is anticipated that mine production in British Columbia for 1937 may attain the figure of \$62,000,000. If so, it will compare favorably with the boom-time figures of 1925 to 1929. It is to be noted, however, that if this figure is attained, it will be due, to no small extent, to increased value production in gold, lead and zinc.

NO PAPER FRIDAY

In observance of the New Year's holiday, there will be no issue of the Prince Rupert Daily News tomorrow. The next regular edition will appear Saturday afternoon.

Lowest Temperature Of Winter Recorded

The thermometer went down to the lowest mark so far this winter at Prince Rupert this morning at 4 o'clock when 21 degrees above zero, or 11 degrees of frost, was recorded. Although there is a tendency for cloudiness today, the official forecast is for continued cold.

PASSING OF COL. HIAM

Former Assistant to President Of Canadian National Railways Dies in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 31: (CP)—Col. Thomas A. Hiam, aged 51,

Passes Away



COL. T. A. HIAM

one time technical advisor for railways to the League of Nations and former assistant to the President of the Canadian National Railways in British Columbia, died in hospital here last night of pneumonia. He retired in 1932.

Col. Hiam was particularly well known in Northern British Columbia. Before the war he was recalled for a time at Stewart in connection with the Mackenzie & Mann railway interests there. While in the service of the Canadian National Railways, he made frequent visits to Prince Rupert.

SLAIN IN SHANGHAI

Young Police Officer From Vancouver Killed in Gun Battle With Chinese Bandits

SHANGHAI, Dec. 31: (CP)—Police Sergeant Michael Slater, for a long time a resident of British Columbia, was shot to death in a gun battle with Chinese robbers in Shanghai today.

Slater, who was only twenty-three years of age, cornered the robbers following a hold-up in a building. He challenged them and shots were exchanged. He emptied his gun before falling, riddled with bullets.

Sergeant Slater's father, Lieut. Col. A. S. M. Slater, a retired officer, is believed to be living in British Columbia.

Young Slater lived for a year in Victoria.

LOST BOAT, LOST CAR

STURGEON FALLS, Ont., Dec. 31: (CP)—Joseph LaPleche decided he'd wait for the freeze-up when his boat foundered in a district lake. Then he tried to cross the lake. Then he tried to cross the lake in his car after the freeze-up and the machine went through the ice to the bottom of the lake.

LEBANON RIOTING

Ancient Land of Solomon's Cedars Restless Under New Treaties

NEW YORK, Dec. 31: (AP)—Rioting which has been going on in Beirut, republic of Lebanon, is the immediate outgrowth of the new French treaties giving Lebanon and Syria autonomous governments, but in reality is a continuation of the age-old religious struggle—Christian against Moslem.

The situation is this: Lebanon ancient land of the cedar trees which Solomon used in building "the House of the Lord," has been a stronghold of Christianity. For centuries it has withstood the efforts of Moslem Syria to win it over.

Now that France is preparing to give up its League of Nations mandate to a large degree and grant autonomy, the inhabitants of Syria proper, where Arab-Moslem influence predominates, and the Arab-Moslem minority in Lebanon wish the two regions joined to make a single Arabian state.

To this the majority of the Lebanese—the Christians—violently object. Hence the bitterness of feeling which has resulted in riots. Lebanon long has enjoyed a form of semi-independence. In 1880, when the country was under Turkish rule, the Druses, a warlike and fanatical religious sect of Syrians, attacked the Christian Lebanese and many of the latter were killed. Because of this, France assumed protection of Christians in the Near East, and sent troops to Syria.

After the Great War Syria and Lebanon were turned over to France under mandate—Lebanon being created a republic.

The new treaties provide that Lebanon shall be autonomous after three years, but France will continue to give protection and maintain troops. This is said to be the wish of the Christians of Lebanon, who fear they might not be able to maintain their independence without help.

Today's Weather

(Government Telegraphs) Terrace—Clear, north wind, 14 above. Alyansh—Cloudy, calm, 4 above. Anyox—Cloudy, calm, 18 above. Stewart—Part cloudy, calm, 11 above. Hazelton—Clear, calm, 10 below. Smithers—Clear, calm, cold. Burns Lake—Fog, calm, 20 below. Prince George—Clear, calm; barometer, 30.20. Triple Island—Clear, northerly wind, 16 miles per hour; slight chop. Estevan—Cloudy, easterly wind, 4 miles per hour; barometer, 29.82. Vancouver—Clear, calm; barometer, 30.20.

Unfair Methods Still Employed

President Roosevelt Deplores Child Labor and Sweat Shop Methods In United States

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 31:—In a regular press conference President Franklin D. Roosevelt deplored the fact that ten percent of industry in the United States still exploited child labor and employed sweat shop methods. He made it clear, however, that there was no intention to revive the National Recovery Act.

Program of Naval Base Building Will be Made Public in Near Future

Hong Kong to be Reconstructed and Other Undertakings Embarked Upon Following Expiry of Washington Naval Treaty Tomorrow

LONDON, Dec. 31: (CP)—Great Britain will announce next month a new program of rebuilding Hong Kong and other Pacific naval bases, informed sources said on the eve of the expiry of the fifteen year attempt to restrict naval tonnage by treaty. Great Britain, it is stated, does not expect a Japanese reply to the proposal for the extension of Article Nineteen of the dying Washington naval treaty.

RANSOM IS ALL READY

Mother of Charles Mattson Appeals To Kidnapper Not to Harm Her Boy

TACOMA, Dec. 31: (CP)—A spokesman for the family of ten-year-old Charles Mattson, who was kidnapped on Sunday, said that negotiations were definitely under way for the payment of ransom which it was hoped would lead to the release of the lad by his kidnapper. A friend of the Mattson family added that the parents had the money ready to pay the abductor when contact was made. The boy's mother appealed to the kidnapper through the press to save the lad from harm. Clues continue to be found and discarded. Officials are reticent and there is still little activity around the home from which Charles was dragged Saturday night.

ORDER FOR EQUIPMENT

Twenty-Three Million Dollars To Be Spent by Railways, Most Of it by C. N. R.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31: (CP)—Rail equipment orders amounting to about \$23,000,000 are expected to be announced shortly with the Canadian National Railways arranging for about \$18,000,000 worth of new stock and the Canadian Pacific \$5,000,000.

Relief Grants Are Unchanged

Federal Aid to Province Will Continue as at Present Until March 31, it is Announced

OTTAWA, Dec. 31: (CP)—Relief grants in aid of the provinces for the final quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31 next will remain unchanged, Hon. Norman Rogers, minister of labor, announced last night. The present payments of the Dominion to the provinces total \$2,345,653 monthly.

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, Dec. 31: (CP)—Wheat was quoted at \$1.29 1/2 on the Vancouver market yesterday. Today's price was \$1.29 1/4.

Weather Forecast

(Furnished through the courtesy of the Dominion Meteorological Bureau at Victoria and Prince Rupert. This forecast is compiled from observations taken at 5 a.m. today and covers the 36 hour period ending 5 p.m. tomorrow.) Pressure is low in Southern British Columbia and high in Northern British Columbia. Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Moderate to fresh northerly and westerly winds, mostly fair and rather cool.