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Today's Weather

(8 A.M.)
Prince Rupert — Rain squalls; southwest wind, 29 miles per hour; barometer, 29.04 (falling rapidly); temperature, 40; sea choppy.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 1:06 a.m. 18.2 ft.
 12:36 p.m. 21.1 ft.
Low 6:45 a.m. 9.1 ft.
 19:30 p.m. 3.5 ft.

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Mary With Edward As He Gave Farewell Address to His Subjects—"Saddest Decision" Of His Life

Leaves England

To Take Up Temporary Residence In Basle—New King Being Proclaimed

LONDON, Dec. 12: (CP)—Queen Mary was at the side of her eldest son, Edward VIII, as he spoke from Windsor Castle last night, bidding his moving "Good Bye" to home, Empire and 500,000,000 people who live in it so that he might turn "to the woman I love."

"I have made this saddest decision of my life," said Edward in his farewell broadcast to the farthest corners of the globe "only upon the single thought of what would in the end, be the best for all."

Edward pledged his allegiance to his brother, the new King George VI, who "had one blessing enjoyed by so many of you and not bestowed upon me, a happy home and his wife and children."

In the course of his address, Edward declared that for twenty-five years, first as Prince of Wales and for the short time as King, the service of country and Empire had been ever uppermost in his mind.

The abdication King's speech lasted for seven minutes.

Sad Family Gathering

It was a sad family gathering with undisguised tears at Windsor Castle last evening as the members of the Royal Family sat down to a dinner of farewell to the abdicated King who had ignored the pleadings of them all to take a different course and renounce Mrs. Simpson instead of His Throne.

Late last night Edward sailed from Portsmouth aboard the destroyer Fury accompanied by the Enchantress, another warship. His destination was Basle, Switzerland. He left the warship at Boulogne, France, and proceeded to Basle by express train. It is considered possible Edward may later return to England.

Formalities in connection with the accession of King George VII, including the proclamation ceremonies, commenced today.

They are exactly the same as were observed in January on the accession of King Edward VIII. The full pageantry was observed with the Earl Marshal, Lord Mayor and other dignitaries participating, blare of trumpets, processions and gun salutes for the new monarch.

King George VI will be crowned on May 12 next year in the coronation ceremonies originally planned for his brother, the former King Edward, it is officially announced.

Is "Duke of Windsor"

The new King today conferred upon Edward the title of "His Royal Highness, the Duke of Windsor."

SUB-ZERO WEATHER STOPS MADRID WAR

MADRID, Dec. 11:—Loyalist bombing planes, continuing their efforts to divert the insurgent siege from Madrid, attacked Talavera yesterday, dropping twenty bombs as they concentrated on munition dumps. Two soldiers were killed. Sub-zero weather has brought a virtual cessation of the fight at Madrid.

QUEEN MARY EXPRESSES HER GRATIFICATION FOR SYMPATHY OF PEOPLE

LONDON, Dec. 12:—In a statement yesterday, Queen Mary, "thanking the British people for sympathy which had been extended her," asked "a grateful remembrance" for Edward and "a full measure of generous loyalty" for King George. Queen Mary, wife of one King and mother of two others, watched the colorful scene in connection with the proclamation of King George VI outside St. James Palace, from an upstairs window in Marlborough House. The crowds, recognizing the stately grey-haired Queen, cheered her heartily time after time.

PROCLAIM NEW KING

Colorful Ceremonies in Connection With Accession of George VI

LONDON, Dec. 12: (CP)—The new King, George VI in the ceremony of proclamation of investiture today, wore the uniform of Admiral of the Fleet. He hurried down the steps of his modest home at 145 Piccadilly at 11:25 a.m. and got into a waiting automobile. Only a police sergeant and two patrolmen, soon to be replaced by royal sentries, with fixed bayonets, guarded the trip to St. James Palace where he received official notification of the start of his reign.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies which included a Privy Council meeting, the new King walked down the grand stair case of St. James, out of the palace door and re-entered his car. He smiled in acknowledgement as crowds cheered the royal automobile as it carried him along the Mall to Buckingham Palace.

The Dukes of Gloucester and Kent attended the ceremonies. The new King sent a personal message to each of the three fighting services—the Navy, Army and Air Force.

Irish Free State Favors Abdication

Agrees to Let Edward VIII Go And Remains in Empire Under New Monarch

DUBLIN, Dec. 12: (CP)—As anticipated the Dail Eireann, Parliament of the Irish Free State, called into special session by President Eamon de Valera, accepted the abdication of King Edward VIII and approved the accession of George VI.

The Dail approved the second reading of the bill ratifying the accession of King George VI today with Labor members opposing it.

President de Valera pressed for final reading today after his government last night abolished the office of Governor General in the Free States.

Under the terms of the accession bill, the crown's duties are limited to representing the Free State in conduct of foreign affairs. De Valera emphasized that there would be no break from the British Commonwealth of Nations. "As long as the King is the symbol of the Empire and recognized as such he will be recognized by the Irish Free State," de Valera said.

COUNTERS WAR TALK

League Society Organizes Local Groups to Urge Political Action

OTTAWA, Dec. 12: (CP)—With establishment of Peace Action Councils in every centre of population in Canada as an objective, the League of Nations Society in Canada, describing itself as a Society for Peace Action, has called its workers to the most ambitious program of its history, according to Robert Inch, national secretary.

The councils, consisting of local organizations participating in the society as corporate members and of delegates of local individual members, are to have three principal functions: to co-ordinate local peace forces; provide a forum for the discussion of international affairs and formulate political action policy.

Several Peace Action Councils have already been established. The Montreal and London branches have approved in principle, and are now preparing plans for establishment. The representative of the society in the Maritime provinces has accepted the program as its first and principal objective. A similar program for Eastern Ontario has been envisaged in the appointment of Miss Grace Foley of New York City, as secretary for Ottawa and district.

As part of the preparations for the next national conference of the society, each local council and branch is being invited to prepare a draft program of political action, outlining the action which in its view the government of Canada should be taking. These will be the basis of discussion on one of the items on the national conference agenda.

Organization Growing
The society hopes to make the next meeting of its national conference the most important peace action conference ever held in Canada. For the first time, it may be held outside Ottawa. Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton have been mentioned. More than 300 organizations are now eligible to participate in the conference and the society expects this number will be doubled by the time the conference is held.

The society is busy organizing junior branches for children of ages eight to 16. Their activities include regular meetings, production of plays and puppet shows, collection of stamps, keeping of scrap books, study and correspondence with children of other countries.

To the challenge of the present international outlook, the society has responded with a doubling of staff and an intensification of work in all programs.

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.)

Extensive storms off the north coast have caused gales generally in British Columbia.

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Southwest gales with rain, northwest gales Sunday, clearing at night.

UPHOLD WOMEN'S CAREERS

TORONTO, Dec. 12: (CP)—University of Toronto women will not let marriage interfere with their success. In a debate with McMaster University the Varsity women upheld a motion that "women should continue their professional careers after marriage."

Chinese War Lord Is Said To Be Captured By Anti-Communists

Mutiny is Confirmed But Truth of Report of Generalissimo's Seizure is Questioned—State Of Alarm is Declared

TOKYO, Dec. 12: (CP)—The Domei (Japanese News Agency) reported early Sunday that mutinous Chinese "anti-communist" soldiers in Northwestern China had seized General Chiang Kai Shek, China's powerful Premier, and had demanded immediate war against Japan. The Nanking government proclaimed a state of alarm, the news agency said, and suppressed foreign dispatches.

Dispatches from China confirmed the fact of mutiny but said that Generalissimo Chiang had rushed twenty miles to Sianfu to "take control."

BAD BOYS ARE SCOLDED AND ALLOWED FREEDOM

Four boys of juvenile age, who recently broke into McRae Bros. store and took goods therefrom, were released on a two years' suspended sentence by Magistrate McClymont in a juvenile court today. They were given over to the custody of their parents after a severe castigation.

INTERVENE IN SPAIN

Non-Interference Agreement Has Been Violated for Benefit of Both Sides—International Battle Ground

GENEVA, Dec. 12: (CP)—Viscount Cranborne, British Parliamentary Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told the council of the League of Nations yesterday that the international agreement for non-intervention in Spain had been violated for the benefit of both sides in the civil war.

Earlier Julio Alvarez del Vayo Madrid's foreign minister, declared that an international war was being fought in Spain and an international conflagration daily became more of a menace. Viscount Cranborne said that France and Great Britain would try to arrange an armistice in Spain.

HOSPITAL FINANCES

The report of the finance committee for the month of November, presented at the monthly meeting of the hospital board last night by J. P. Tinker, showed disbursements for the month amounting to \$4,166.99, a statement on receipts being withheld. There were 1758 hospital days at \$2.37 per day.

INTEREST IN MANUAL TRAINING HERE KEEN

A successful and enthusiastic night school is now being operated in connection with the manual training department of the public schools under Instructor J. H. Norden. Some thirty-five men and boys are enrolled and classes are held four nights per week. The usual prescribed course is being followed. There are 210 boys enrolled in the regular manual training day classes in connection with the schools and keen interest is being displayed in the work which was resumed this year after having been suspended for a few years.

ENROLLMENT IS LOW

TORONTO, Dec. 12: (CP)—Only 6.9 percent of Canadian school-boys eligible for membership in the Canadian cadet corps are enrolled. This was shown in results of the Earl Grey Challenge shield competition published in militia orders. Quebec won the shield with 49,097 cadets out of a school enrollment of 318,472, or 15.4 percent.

BAR SILVER UP

NEW YORK, Dec. 12: (CP)—Bar silver closed at 45 1/4c on the New York metal market yesterday, up 1/4c from the day previous.

JAIL BREAK FROM PRINCE GEORGE: SICK MEN ESCAPE

Arthur Blondeau and Robert Blangey, prisoners who were awaiting trial on charges of breaking and entering and theft, escaped from the Prince George jail between 10 and 11 o'clock last night, according to advice received this morning at divisional headquarters of the provincial police here. The two men had been removed from their regular cell to an old part of the jail in the Court House basement because they had been suffering from an infectious disease. It was from this which they made their escape.

PRESIDENT BACK HOME

Roosevelt Lands at Charleston After Attending Inter-American Peace Conference

CHARLESTON, S.C., Dec. 12:—President Franklin D. Roosevelt arrived here today aboard the battleship Indianapolis following his trip to South America to attend the Inter-American Peace Conference at Buenos Aires. Secretary of State Cordell Hull is still at Buenos Aires where the conference is continuing. The President will proceed from here to Washington.

Missing French Fliers Are Safe

Airplane Southern Cross, Lost For Over Week, Found Off St. Peter's Island

PARIS, Dec. 12:—The airplane Southern Cross, which disappeared last week while on a projected flight from Europe to Brazil with French aviators, was located yesterday 120 miles from St. Peter's Island. The two aviators were safe, according to reports received here.

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, Dec. 12: (CP)—Wheat was quoted at \$1.15 1/2 on the Vancouver Exchange yesterday. It dropped from \$1.15 1/2 Thursday.

JAPANESE BURIED

The funeral of Taunzeiro Inue, a Japanese resident of some years standing here, who passed away at the end of last week, took place on Tuesday afternoon from the chapel of the B. C. Undertakers to Fairview Cemetery. Very Rev. James B. Gibson, dean of St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral, officiated and Miss Kathleen Lang presided at the organ to accompany the hymns.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO GET HOLIDAY MONDAY

The accession of the new King George VI means an additional unexpected holiday for school children, civic and government employees and such others as observe the King's Birthday. Announcement of the new holiday on Monday next, the forty-first birthday of the new King, was made by the provincial government yesterday. The Daily News will publish as usual.

BIDS FOR RECOVERY

New Zealand Tries Minimum Wage And Maximum Week

New Deal

British Dominions in South Seas Changes Laws and Watches Result

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Dec. 12: (CP)—New Zealand has bid for prosperity with a plan for maximum hours, minimum wages, compulsory collective bargaining and rigid conditions of labor.

Such social reform measures here are not new; the first step along that line was taken more than 44 years ago with an investigation into sweat-shop conditions. The capstone of the work was considered by many to be the recent decision of the New Zealand arbitration court establishing minimum wages of £3 16s (\$19) for men and £1 16s (\$9) for women for a 40-hour week.

The first Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act was passed January 1, 1895, and the present law of the same name was enacted in 1925 with the wage provision set by the arbitration court under an amendment passed June 3, 1936.

In fixing the wage the court was empowered by law to take under consideration "the general economic and financial conditions then affecting trade and industry in New Zealand, the cost of living and any fluctuations in the cost of living."

It was added: "The basic rate of wages for adult male workers fixed under the authority of this section shall be such a rate as would, in the opinion of the court, be sufficient to enable a man to maintain a wife and three children in a fair and reasonable standard of comfort."

Unionizing Workers

Other sections of the law provide for unionization of workers, in some cases compulsory unionization, and sets up a system for the arbitration of industrial disputes.

In reducing hours to 40 a week the court was asked to increase hourly or piece-work wages so the total pay envelope of the employee would be just as large as under the longer work week. An attempt was made to limit, so far as possible, work on Saturdays.

In the long and bitter debate over the bill, one member of parliament in defending higher wages declared: "As the volume of production increases so must the spending power of the people to purchase and consume goods." One member asked: "Must the people of New Zealand go hungry for no other reason than that there is too much for them to eat?"

Manufacturers contended higher wages and shorter hours would increase costs so much that prices would be forced up, thereby lowering the purchasing power of the workers' wages.

Members of parliament from farming communities pleaded that farmers could not meet additional costs. Said a member: "The farming community can pass none of these costs on in spite of what has been said to the contrary over and over again in this House. We know that world parity fixes our prices absolutely. Let prices rise in this country above that parity and the market is glutted with primary produce withheld from export and awaiting sale."

But the law was passed, and both those who were for and against it sat back and awaited the economic result of their planning.