

Today's Weather (8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert—Clear, northerly wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.80 falling; temperature, 35; sea smooth.

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Tomorrow's Tides

High 1:36 a.m. 19.0 ft.
13:10 p.m. 21.5 ft.
Low 7:20 a.m. 8.5 ft.
20:00 p.m. 3.2 ft.

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Chinese Planning Air Offensive

PROCEEDING WITH PLANS OF PROJECT

Hospital Board in Session With Architects—To Be Ready For Calling Tenders by January 15

The board of directors of the Prince Rupert General Hospital was in session last night with L. W. Hargreaves, assistant chief architect for the province, and G. S. Ford, assistant architect, to consider revised sketch plans for the contemplated new \$100,000 fifty-bed unit to the local hospital. Now that the board has checked these specifications the next step will be to prepare plans and specifications preparatory to calling for tenders. These plans and specifications will be ready, it is expected, about January 15.

The sketch plans presented to the board last night by Messrs. Hargreaves and Ford were somewhat altered from those which the board had been considering previously. In view of the contour of the ground and in order to eliminate considerable rock work in excavation, it had been found advisable to raise the level of the building which will be set on foundation piers, the depth of which, it is estimated, will be from five to fifteen feet. The main entrance now will be on the level of Fifth Avenue and a stairway which had been previously proposed will be eliminated.

Outside walls of the building will be of solid concrete with stuccoed exterior surfaced with waterproofing compound. Hollow tile will also be used in the inside and outside walls and in partitions. There will be a minimum of woodwork in the building which will be completely fireproof. Operating, bath and service rooms will be tile finished. Floors will be of concrete with linoleum covering. The roof will be of composition shingles.

Question of Heating

There will be further checking up before the type of heating is finally decided upon. Opinion seemed to be divided between hot water and steam. The architects favored steam as being more efficient. They also suggested that steam under pressure might be more economical than electricity which was now used for operating room sterilizing. This would involve the installation of a separate boiler.

The revised plans call for an autopsy room on the basement floor and an anaesthetic room off the operating theatre.

The architects inquired as to the possibility of using the car of the present elevator in the hospital but the idea was abandoned when it was learned that the existing elevator was obsolete and in need of extensive repairs.

The board decided that copper water piping should be used throughout the building.

Henry Whittaker, provincial architect, was to have come here to go over the new plans with the board but he is not well at present so Messrs. Hargreaves and Ford came instead. They arrived on the Prince George yesterday morning from Victoria and will be returning south tonight. Besides Messrs. Hargreaves and Ford, those present at last night's meeting were G. P. Tinker, chairman of the hospital board; City Commissioner W. J. Alder, F. A. MacCallum, G. V. Wilkinson, Frank Dibb, Dr. J. H. Carson, F. S. Walton and Mrs. H. L. Landry, directors; H. W. Birch, managing secretary, and Miss Jean Harrison R.N., lady superintendent.

Dr. R. B. Brummit of Smithers, who has been receiving medical treatment here, left by last evening's train on his return to the interior.

PROTEST CHANGES

British Columbia Chamber Of Mines Makes Representations To Hon. G. S. Pearson

VANCOUVER, Dec. 2: (CP)—Protest against an amendment to the Mineral Act and the repeal of the Mineral Survey and Development Act has been sent to Hon. George S. Pearson, minister of mines, by the British Columbia Chamber of Mines.

The protest says that prospectors feel keenly that district mining engineers should be continued and that the amendment which allows for the staking of only three claims should be increased to eight claims or three groups of eight claims.

LOCAL TAX ACT IS UP

Measure to Extend Time for Arrears Introduced at Victoria—Other Measures Advanced

VICTORIA, Dec. 2: (CP)—A bill introduced in the Legislature yesterday would amend the Prince Rupert Enabling Act of 1936 to permit of the city extending the period for consolidating arrears of taxes from 1941 to 1945. The original period for consolidation of arrears had been six years. This is now increased to ten years, naturally lessening annual payments.

Third reading was given to the Closing Out Sales Act providing for the regulation of fire sales, bankrupt sales and other distress clearances of merchandise.

Amendments to the Marriage Act giving divorcees and foster mothers the right to mothers' pensions was also read a third time as was an amendment to the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act providing greater safeguards for miners.

WEATHER IMPROVED

Less Sunshine But Also Less Rain Is Recorded in Prince Rupert This Year

Prince Rupert has not had as much sunshine so far this year as it had in the corresponding period of 1936 but it has had considerably less precipitation. The sunshine aggregate this year to date is 929.6 hours as compared with 1053 hours in the first eleven months of 1936. The precipitation so far this year has amounted to 61.54 inches in comparison with 77.6 inches in the corresponding period of 1936.

This November was a better month from the weather standpoint than was the same month last year. This November's sunshine total of 44 hours as compared with 42 hours in November 1936 while there was but 44 inches of rain this November whereas there was 10.6 inches in the same month a year ago.

HANGAR FOR LETHBRIDGE REGINA—A new hangar, costing more than \$75,000, is to be built at Lethbridge for Trans-Canada Air Lines, it was announced yesterday by D. B. Collier, technical adviser.

Funeral Notice

The funeral of the late Jud Osborne will take place Saturday at 2:30 p.m. from the chapel of the B.C. Undertakers.

FISHERMEN'S UNION CANADIAN LEGION B.E.S.L.

BULLETINS

TRADES UNION ACT VICTORIA—Minister of Labor George Pearson early today told a Victoria Trades and Labor Council delegation that the government would bring down a Trades Union Act at the present session. If the government caucus failed to agree on an act, then a bill drafted by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada would be introduced, Pearson said.

DELEOS TO WARSAW LONDON — Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos of France left Paris today for Warsaw, the capital of Poland. During his trip to discuss European questions, he will also visit Roumania, Jugo-Slavia and Czechoslovakia.

C. H. CAHAN Jr. ARRESTED VANCOUVER — Charles H. Cahan Jr., Vancouver lawyer and son of Hon. C. H. Cahan, former Dominion Secretary of State, today was arrested by Vancouver police on a charge of holding up the Canadian Bank of Commerce suburban Dunbar branch yesterday. The bank bandit escaped with \$60 cash. Cahan was arrested outside the police station a few minutes after he was convicted of passing worthless checks. He had been remanded until Monday for sentence.

LIGHT SOCKEYE RUN NANAIMO—Dr. W. A. Clemens, director of Nanaimo Biological Station, forecasts a medium run of sockeye salmon in Rivers Inlet in 1938 and a small run on the Skeena River. It is impossible to estimate the Naas River run.

RHODES SCHOLAR VANCOUVER—David Kelley of Vancouver has been selected Rhodes Scholar from British Columbia for 1937. He is a student at the University of British Columbia where he is majoring in history.

POLICE COURT WEAR VICTORIA—As from December 1, gowns, wing collars and black ties are the vogue for police magistrates of British Columbia when conducting their sessions.

LETHBRIDGE VOTING LETHBRIDGE—The provincial by-election in Lethbridge, which is considered a test of strength as far as the Aberhart government is concerned, is on today. Weather is clear and fine and a good vote is being recorded. Temperature in southern Alberta this morning was sixteen above. The Lethbridge by-election has been necessitated through the resignation of Hans Wight, the social Credit member. The candidates are A. J. Burnett, Social Credit, and Dr. Peter Campbell, anti-Social Credit. Mr. Burnett is a forty-seven year old railway engineer.

SEVEN TIMES ROUND WORLD NEW YORK — Partnered with his brother, Doug, Torchy Peden, noted Victoria bicycle racer, is now engaged in the ninety-first race of his career here. Torchy estimates that the distance he has driven in bicycle races so far would amount to seven times around the world.

TERRORISM CONTINUES JERUSALEM — Five persons were trapped and burned to death and five were badly burned when a warehouse was destroyed by fire yesterday. Arabs are blamed for having set the building on fire. Two policemen were shot yesterday near Haifa as the campaign of terrorism continued in Palestine.

Customs Revenue Somewhat Lower

Total For Present Year to Date Is \$176,903.23 as Against \$210,909.59 Last Year

Customs and excise revenue at the port of Prince Rupert for the first eleven months of 1937 has reached a total of \$176,903.23 as compared with \$210,909.59 in the corresponding period of last year.

BUILDING IS AHEAD

Permits So Far This Year In Prince Rupert Three Times Greater Than Year Ago

Building in Prince Rupert for the year 1937 to date has reached a total of \$45,344 in value as compared with \$15,163 in the first eleven months of 1936. The month of November was the heaviest so far this year in point of building permits issued, the total being \$18,420 as compared with but \$277 in November 1936. The list of permits for November was as follows:

Standard Oil Co. of British Columbia, waterfront, wharf and buildings, \$15,000. Armour Salvage Co., waterfront gravel bunker, \$1500. Emil Quist, Sixth Avenue East, moving house, \$500. J. F. Ritchie, Fourth Avenue West, reshingling house, \$185. Mrs. A. T. Parkin, Borden Street, reshingling roof, \$100. Leon Sandvar, Ambrose Avenue, reshingling roof, \$60. T. H. Elliot, Sixth Avenue East, utility shed, \$50. Hayner Bros., Granville Court, roof repairs, \$25.

Touch Wood—Fire Loss In City Is Markedly Light

Prince Rupert continues to lead what almost seems to be a charmed life as far as fire is concerned. During the month of November only two alarms were turned in to the department, both being to grass fires as a result of which there was no damage. There was a fire at the home of A. S. Nickerson, Fifth Avenue West, when damage was done to drapes and furniture, but this was put out without the assistance of the department. So far this year there have been thirty-six fire alarms in Prince Rupert as compared with sixty-one in the first eleven months of 1936.

PLUCKY SAILOR LAD

CROMER, England, Dec. 2: (CP)—Harry Couchman, 15, worked the pumps for five hours while his father struggled with the helm of a sinking coal barge. The barge's deck were awash when the pair jumped on a Cromer lifeboat.

HOSPITAL STAFF

VANCOUVER—Two Vancouver nurses, Misses McPhee and Robb, have left to take charge of the new fishermen's hospital at Kyauquat on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. Miss McPhee will be lady superintendent and Miss Robb, general duty nurse.

Resolutions of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation and a draft bill were read and discussed at a meeting of the Prince Rupert Teachers' Association last night with the president, W. J. Mouat, in the chair. Otherwise business was of a routine nature. Refreshments were served.

BUS STRIKE IS SETTLED

Wages Increase Granted by Company to Drivers—Green and Lewis Get Together

CLEVELAND, Dec. 2: (CP)—The sixteen-state strike of Greyhound bus drivers was settled last night with the companies granting wage increases but refusing the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen's demand for a closed shop.

Green-Lewis Meet WASHINGTON D.C., Dec. 2: —William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and John L. Lewis, head of the Committee on Industrial Organization, met here today for the first time in two years. They will get together again next Monday, it is expected.

Today's meeting was merely a preliminary session. It was hardly expected that there could be any definite results in so short a time.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.) Vancouver Stocks B. C. Nickel, 09½. Big Missouri, 37½. Bra'orne, 7.70. Aztec, .08. Cariboo Quartz, 1.60. Dentonia, 09½. Golconda, .05. Minto, 03¾. Fairview Amal., 04½. Noble Five, 03½. Pend Oreille, 1.65. Pioneer, 3.10. Porter Idaho, .03. Premier, 2.00. Reeves McDonald, .30. Relief Arlington, .16. Reward, 05½. Salmon Gold, .07. Taylor Bridge, .04. Hedley Amal., .06. Premier Border, .01. Silbak Premier, 1.85. Congress, .02. Silver Crest, 03½. Home Gold, 01¼. Grandview, .07. Indian, 01½. Quesnelle Copper, .04. Quesnelle Quartz, .05. Oils A. P. Co., 34. Caimont, .48. C. & E., 2.31. Freehold, 07¾. Hargal, .22. McDougal Segur, .21. Mercury, .18. Okalta, 1.22. Pacalta, .13. Home Oil, 1.25. Toronto Stocks Beattie, 1.26. Central Patricia, 2.40. Gods Lake, .48. Little Long Lac, 4.70. McKenzie Red Lake, .94. Pickle Crow, 5.15. Red Lake Gold Shore, .18. San Antonio, 1.33. Sherritt Gordon, 1.28. Smelters Gold, 01¾. McLeod Cockshutt, 1.14. Oklend, 12½. Mosher, .10. Madsen Red Lake, 35¼. Stadacona, .45. Frantier Red Lake, 05½. Francoeur, .36. Moneta Porcupine, 1.86. Thompson Cadillac, .33. Bankfield, .58. East Malartic, .86. Preston East Dome, 1.07. Hutchison Lake, .08. Dawson White, .02. Aldermac, .45. Kerr Addison, 1.50. Uchi Gold, .85. Martin Bird, .28. Int. Nickel, 41.00.

J. L. Roof, manager of the northern division of Home Oil Distributors Ltd., left on last evening's train for a trip to Smithers on company business.

BAR SILVER

NEW YORK: (CP)—Bar silver was unchanged at 44½¢ per fine ounce on the New York metal market today.

Union steamer Cardena, Capt. John Boden, is reported due about 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the south and will sail at 9 p.m. for Vancouver where she is due to arrive at 10 o'clock Sunday night.

The ceremony of opening the plant took place in front of the power house with the entire population of the village attending. The official opening was conducted by Chief Councillor Harry Brooks. Rev. T. C. Colwell of Grace United Church offered a short prayer and the Port Simpson Concert Band also took part in the proceedings by rendering some selections.

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Japanese Positions At Shanghai Are Raided; Bombing Of Canton

British Authorities at Hong Kong Watching Activities of Invaders with Some Misgiving—China Gets Three Hundred Soviet Planes

GERMANY OFFERS TO MEDIATE HANKOW, Dec. 2: (CP)—It was authoritatively reported today that Germany had offered to negotiate a Japanese-Chinese peace through Oskar P. Trautman, ambassador to China. Trautman is now in Nanking conferring with General Chiang Kai Shek, head of the Chinese central government.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2:—With the fall of Nanking now an apparent foregone conclusion, either by surrender or capture, Canton to the south appears to be the next objective of the invading Japanese. Troops are reported to be massing now in that vicinity. Yesterday there was a heavy aerial bombardment of the native quarter.

Continued military activity of the Japanese in the Canton area is a matter of concern to the British authorities in nearby Hong Kong.

Chinese Raid Shanghai Two Chinese airplanes raided Japanese positions here today in the first aerial attack in more than a month. Japanese said that the Chinese planes were operated at ten thousand feet, successfully evading pursuit craft.

China is said to be massing a fleet of three hundred Russian built war planes for a renewal of aerial attacks on Japan's advancing armies.

FREIGHTER FOUNDERS

Eastholm, Well Known Here, Goes to Bottom of Burrard Inlet Following Collision

VANCOUVER, Dec. 3: (CP)—The Frank Waterhouse Line freighter Eastholm lies today at the bottom outside of Burrard Inlet entrance with a gaping hole in her hull as a result of a collision last night in the fog with a lumber barge. Ten members of the Eastholm's crew escaped safely from the sinking vessel. With her bow crushed, the Eastholm was making for land following the collision in an attempt to beach when the forward part submerged and Capt. G. Brown ordered the crew to the lifeboats. The crew was sighted through the fog by the Union steamer Venture which picked them up and brought them into Vancouver.

The Eastholm is well known in Prince Rupert as a coast freighter, having made frequent calls in the past at this port.

SIMPSON NOW "ALL LIT UP"

Like the British Navy, as the British Broadcasting Corporation radio announcer said, Port Simpson is "all lit up" these days following the turning on of its new electric light, formalities in connection with which took place last Friday.

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LIONS-SEA HAWKS TIE

Vancouver and Seattle Now on Even Terms at Head of Pacific Coast Hockey League

PORTLAND, Dec. 2: (CP)—Seattle Sea Hawks joined Vancouver Lions in the leadership of the Pacific Coast Hockey League last night by defeating the Portland Buckaroos four to one.

FIVE WOMEN RUNNING

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Boys and Girls

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