

Today's Weather

(8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert - Part cloudy, southwest wind, 4 miles per hour barometer, 29.00 (falling); temperature, 30; sea smooth.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides

6:16 a.m. 19.6 ft. 19:40 p.m. 15.8 ft. 13:11 p.m. 5.9 ft.

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BULL IS BOLSTERING DEFENCES

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PRESERVING WATER ON PRAIRIE FARMS MEANS OF BENEFITTING CROPS Has Become World Power on Stalin &

Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Committee Completes 1,450 Small Projects in Year-Drought Work Recounted by Chairman

SASKATOON, Feb. 17: (CP)-Five billion gallons of vater which previously drained from western farms will seph Stalin, Soviet chief, who rose + are in a precarious condition, + e retained for crop growing as a result of drought-attack zen years of supreme leadership + zation of their affairs. This + measures, according to John A. Vallance, chairman of the with monumental works. Many + provision will be made in the + committee operating under the Prairie Farm Rehabili- other nations question the beauty + supplementary estimates, Pre- + ation Act. Last year, he said, 1,450 small projects, dug- and desirability of some of these + mier King said.

Against Government's De-

fence Plans

Are Taken to Juneau

Joins CBC Network With

Special Program

By Foreign Buyers

POUND IN MONTREAL

change market yesterday.

outs, small stock-watering dams pleted. He estimated these would impound 22,000 acre-feet of water PROGRAM r approximately 5,000,000,000 gallons which formerly trickled away into the Gulf of Mexico or Hudson

The committee have received so ar 6,000 applications for assistance-sufficient to keep the comnittee busy for two years. The need or irrigating from eight to fifteen cres on most farms in drought reas was so evident that Mr. Valhemselves into agricultural imhey might receive the assistance Canada in a European war. the committee is prepared to give. In 1936 the federal government Coastguard Ship granted \$1,250,000 for prairie reabilitation work. Of this amount labor, and it gave work to 1,815 n with wages totalling \$120,000.

Security For Farmers

There is not a district in the rought area that is not in a rainage basin, Mr. Vallance said. ed near Angoon on Sunday. hat means that virtually every farmer can be benefitted by the water development work. He believes schemes of this kind will assure him a garden and shelter belt as well as several acres of irrigated

Mr. Vallance foresees a time CRCV, "Voice of British Columbia," when all drainage areas in the west will be taken up and licenced. Those who have not taken advanlage of the scheme early, he conended, may find themselves on the outside.

The chairman stressed provinclai responsibility for water development work and said no action build be taken by his committee He suggested a provincial organiation should be built up under the epartment of natural resources which would be prepared to carry on the work.

The Prairie Farm Rehabilitation officials of the Canadian Broad- It was then the Steel Man showproject such as a dug-out and up from all parts of the country. dams. Further aid in the form of in Prince Rupert. xpert engineering advice is pro-

Last year the Val Marie dam Lack of Interest project in Saskatchewan, one of the largest, was completed at a cost of \$150,000. It will irrigate 6,-00 acres. The East End project! Wild Horse at the southwest cor- yesterday with May closing at \$1.27. ner of Saskatchewan. In Southern Alberta the Canada Land and Irrigation Company project was reconstructed at a cost of \$85,000. Alnd of the fiscal year.

RUSSIA

Plan, Like it or Not

Ruthless Chief

Structure

NEW YORK, Feb. 17: (AP)-Jo- + katchewan, whose finances + from a hovel, has marked his do- + pending permanent reorgani- + works and bitterly condemn Stalin's methods of building. But the structures, good or bad, are great pyramids in Russian history and the Steel Man has in large measure accomplished the mighty tasks which he laid out for himself. Perhaps his outstanding achievement Three Liberals Announce They Are has been making a vitalized unit of 175,000,000 people of various creeds and races-largely illiterate. poverty - stricken, down - trodden OTTAWA, Feb. 17: (CP)-Three peasants who were plodding aim-Liberal members rose in the House lessly and hopelessly through life.

of Commons yesterday to express; Stalin started from scratch in ance invited farmers to organize opposition to the government's de- solving the great problem of edufenc program. Their principal ob- cating and unifying the masses. He rovement associations so that jection was that it might involve hasn't solved it yet, for that will take generations, but he has turned Russia into a world power-a world-menace, Germany and other anti-communists call it. Gets Passengers

One of Stalin's first moves when \$500,000 was from the department Those Who Were Aboard Zapora he assumed power was to start rebuilding the economic structure of the country. He ended private trading and instituted collectivized JUNEAU, Feb. 17:-The coastfarming.

guard cutter Talapoosa is coming Then, in 1928, he launched his here with passengers from the five-year plan for industrialization freighter Zapora which was wreckof Russia—and the outside world laughed. He began constructing and operating great steel plants, electric works, automobile and tractor factories. He built ships, railroads, canals and hydro-electric plants. He opened mines and stablished foundries and smelters.

sia, technical experts were called KLDUCING from America and other countries to teach the Russian workman his job. This program required im-The big radio feature last night mense expenditures abroad. The was the inaugural program from money could only come from exthe newly made over station CRCV ports, and Russia started to dump of Vancouver to be known hence- her products on the markets of forth as "The Voice of British Co- the world, wheat being one of the lumbia" which officially joined the large exports.

Canadian Broadcasting Commis- Stalin shortly encountered ments agreeing to the undertaking. sion's network. The program, ex- trouble from the kulaks, the larger of Canada, from Great Britain and the government with produce. for Alberta and will be definitely 1888. lieutenant-governors and premiers and refused to plow their ground of various provinces as well as by for grain.

chemes have been improved re- pressing appreciation on behalf of the kulaks the amount of grain to vincial and federal governments. eive from the committee four and his province of the messages and which the government would have cavating earth with a maximum provinces. There were also many Since there already was a scarcity provinces. There were also many \$75.00 allowed for any small special entertainment features of grain, millions faced dire want. Estimates of deaths from starva-\$150 for small stock-watering The program came in quite well tion went to more than a million. "The kulak is the enemy of the government," said Stalin. "He is to be liquidated as a class."

Speeded Reconstruction Under Stalin's driving power the Forces Wheat Down five-year construction plan was completed in four years. The leader WINNIPEG, Feb. 17: (CP)—Ow- promptly embarked on another cost \$85,000 and will irrigate 2,600 ing to lack of interest by foreign five-year construction drive, the importers, wheat prices fell off 21/8c object of which was to consolidate Cres. Others were completed at to 2½c on the Winnipeg market what had been done and to inquality. The measure of success Columbia. which Stalin achieved was recorded in a report of the international

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RE-BORN * Special Aid

OTTAWA, Feb. 17: (CP)- + + Premier William Lyon Mac- + + kenzie King announced in + + the House of Commons yes-+ But is Skillful Builder of National + terday that special federal aid + * would be granted to the pro- * + vinces of Manitoba and Sas- *

Western Fisher Turned Over In Grenville Channel and Three Men Barely Escaped

The halibut boat Western Fisher bound from Prince Rupert to Vancouver, hit a rock at 7 o'clock jast evening in Stewart Anchorage, turned over and sank. The crew of the Western Fisher, Capt. R. Hobbs, G. Clarke and W. Hussey barely escaped in a boat. After rowing eighteen hours towards Prince Rupert they were picked up by the steamer Princess Norah and brought here this afternoon.

The Armour Salvage Company will institute salvage operations. The Western Fisher stranded

during a snowstorm. She had been here with a load of fishing supplies for Edward Lipsett Ltd. The vessel is 60 feet long and has a 70 h.p. Atlas-Imperial diesel

Her decks are awash at low water. There is full insurance.

Saskatchewan is Under Consideration

duction scheme similar to that of of Manitoba. The retirement of ground. Saskatchewan in which province Dr. Wilson from the Dufferin seat A week ago the local meteoro- wind, 38 miles per hour; barothe Legislature.

ct was passed by the federal gov- casting Commission. Premier T. D. ed the streak of ruthlessness which would be borne by a mortgage com-Inment in 1935. Farmers whose Pattullo spoke from Toronto, ex- is in him. Soviet agents seized from pany and by the municipal, pro-

The death occurred last week at Port Essington of Andrew Spalding, 58 years of age, one of the well known natives of the coast. The funeral took place Sunday, Rev. Frank Bushfield officiating and with the Port Essington Band in attendance.

DOLLAR IN NEW YORK

ROBLIN K.C. PASSES ON

Former Premier of Manitoba Was One of Picturesque Figures Of Canadian Prairies

Was 81 Years of Age

Led Conservative Forces at Winnipeg For Many Years Opposing Thomas Greenway

WINNIPEG, Feb. 17: (CP)-Sir Rodmond P. Roblin, K.C., M.G., one heart attack. One of the picturesque figures of

Manitoba's eventful political history Sir Rodmond Roblin was as- ODD CAUSE sociated with some of the province's greatest movements and controversies of the past 30 years. As premier from 1900 to 1915 he was at the helm during the great formative period in the development of Manitoba, and though the latter years of his life he lived in strict retirement, so far as political matters were concerned, he is still vividly remembered as the power- pulp and paper mill have gone on and personal magnetism were po- management over the policy of attractive to recruits. tent factors in the vitality shown promotion. Several hundred other by the Conservatives during that employees are also out as a result.

Of United Empire Loyalist and Ketchikan Gets Dutch stock Sir Rodmond was born in Sophiasburg, Prince Edward his uncles, John P. Roblin and David Roblin, had sat in the legislature of Upper Canada. After completing his education at Albert College, Belleville, young Roblin in his twenty-fifth year went west and took up farming on a large scale near Carman, Man. Two years later he started a grain business in Carman. In 1881 he was elected reeve and country warden for North Dufferin.

The controversy arising out of the C. P. R. monopoly of the railway situation soon enveloped young Roblin, and in 1886 he campaigned North Dufferin as a Liberal candidate. His party was unsuccessful, and Roblin was one of the defeated candidates. Its failure to put an

before the forthcoming session of a supporter of the Greenway gov- "Step into the brush for a few ernment, but upon the question of yards and you will find it's up to The debt reductions of the farms the taking over by the Northern the arm pits." Pacific of the Red River Valley Such a condition is without pre-Railroad the new Dufferin mem- cedent. At any rate it has not been ber, along with several other pro- recorded for at least 20 years. The minent government supporters, streets of Terrace village are besplit with the premier. Upon Mr. ing cleared by the public works ken at 5 a.m. today and covers the 36 Greenway's adherence to the bar- snow plough and the snow banks gain with the Northern Pacific Mr. thrown up are so high that pass-Native Dies Roblin went over to the opposi- crsby cannot see over them. tion, and was in 1889 elected Conservative leader in Manitoba.

For the next ten years Mr. Roblin + was at the helm so far as the Con- + DR. DAFOE FIGHTING servatives were concerned. He dis- + played many leadership qualities, + but was regarded as having played + a rather negative part, particularly + CALLENDAR, Ont., Feb. 17: + and somewhat colder. in connection with the separate + (CP)-World famous as he + Mr. Spalding was highly respec- school discussion. He retired as + may be through being physi-+ ted in the community. He was leader and was succeeded by Hon. + cian to the Dionne quintuplets, + known as one of the best workers Hugh John MacDonald, son of the + Dr. Allan Roy Dafoe is also + crease production and improve in silver in the province of British former great Conservative premier + still medical health officer of + 17: (CP)—George Emes' appearof Canada. Under the latter's lead- + this Ontario township and, as + ance in court here was delayed by ership the Conservatives came into * such, he is fighting in court * lack of trousers. Held on a vagpower in Manitoba in the general + against a reduction in his fee + rancy charge. Emes said clothes labor office at Geneva in 1936. This NEW YORK, Feb. 17: (CP)—The elections of 1899. A year after- from \$75 to \$40. His appeal were taken from him. No pants ogether \$750,000 will have been British pound sterling closed at stated that the Soviet Union has canadian dollar closed at a diseen spent on such work by the \$4.89 31-32 on the Montreal ex- attained a level equivalent to 300% count of 1-32c on the New York leadership, and Mr. Roblin, then 47 foreign exchange market yesterday, years of age, became premier.

LET-UP IN BRITISH RE-ARMING; DETAILS OF HUGE NEW PROGRAM OUT

All Arms of Service to be Vastly Increased With Spending Of Seven and Half Billion Dollars During Next Five Years

LONDON, Feb. 17: (CP)—A white paper read in the House of Commons yesterday announced that there would of the outstanding Canadians of be no let-up in Great Britain's rearmament program. No the last generation, passed away reduction at this time was justified, it was declared. Durlast evening in Hot Springs, Ark., ing the next five years, the white paper said, it was planaged 81 years, as the result of a ned to spend \$7,500,000,000 on defences. Three new capital

Pulp Mill Protest at Promotion Policy

IROQUOIS FALLS, Ont., Feb. 17: (CP)-Forty-five key men in a strike following a dispute with the ing made to make the army more

Laden With "Beautiful"

KETCHIKAN, Feb. 17:-Ketchikan had another heavy fall of snow yesterday afternoon and last night like that which had been experienced on Sunday. The streets are heavily laden with snow.

Thirty-Seven Inches Falls in Week erately rough. At Terrace-Total Depth At Least Five Feet

TERRACE, Fbe. 17:-There has Scheme in Alberta Like That Of end to the C. P. R. monopoly re- been an unusually heavy fall of calm; barometer, 29.34; temperasulted in the defeat of the Con- snow during the past week. In ture, 32; light swell. servative government under Nor- the seven days up to yesterday, EDMONTON, Feb. 17:—A debt re- came into power as Liberal premier most of which still cumbers the 29.28.

tending from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m., and more prosperous farmers, who \$75,000,000 has been struck off left it open and Mr. Roblin was logical observer recorded an ac- meter, 29.38. Now if he were asked how deep wind, 8 miles per hour; barometer, the United States, messages by They slaughtered cattle for feasts decided upon by the government For five months he continued as the snow is he would likely say 29.36.

AGAINST REDUCTION IN PUBLIC DUTY PAY +

ships, seven cruisers and two aircraft carirers will be built, these being in addition to the present program of two capital ships, five

OF STRIKE cruisers and two aircraft carriers.

The program of modernization of existing naval craft would be Seventy-Five Key Men in Ontario continued and there would be a large increase in the naval per-Two new infantry battalions would be raised, primarily in con-

nection with the strengthening of overseas garrisons. Plans were be-The personnel of the air force,

already increased from 31,000 to 50,000, is to be further raised and there will be many new aircraft and airdromes.

Heavy Snowfall The new program, as disclosed in the white paper, will be discus-County, Ontario, in 1853. Two of Streets of "First City" Are Heavily sed in the House of Commons to-

Today's Weather (Government Telegraphs)

Hazelton-Clear, southeast wind,

20 above. Smithers-Clear, calm, colder. Burns Lake - Clear, calm, 11

Stewart-Clear, calm, 22 above Prince George-Cloudy, southerly wind, 4 miles per hour; barometer,

Triple Island-Cloudy, southwest wind, 18 miles per hour; sea mod-

Langara Island- Cloudy, barometer, 28.90; temperature, 28; sea

moderate. Dead Tree Point-Part cloudy.

Estevan — Raining, northwest quay, and Hon. Thomas Greenway there was no less than 37 inches, wind, 36 miles per hour; barometer Victoria — Raining, southeast

included greetings from all parts refused to co-operate and supply farmers' debts is being considered elected at a by-election, March 10, cumulated depth of 18 inches Vancouver — Raining, easterly

Weather Forecast

Victoria and Prince Rupert. This fore

Synopsis-A storm is passing inand on the northern Coast causing gales on the coast of British Columbia and in the interior with

Prince Rupert district- Strong winds shifting to northwest and a little colder with light snow.

Queen Charlotte Islands Strong west to northwest winds, clearing

WANTED LARGER PANTS

SAULTE STE. MARIE, Ont., Feb.