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Today's Weather (8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert—Part cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.34 (falling); sea smooth.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 0:48 a.m. 20.9 ft.
13:08 p.m. 20.4 ft.
Low 7:05 a.m. 4.0 ft.
19:21 p.m. 4.4 ft.

SITDOWN NOW OVE

Truce Reached as Result of Conference Between John L. Lewis and Walter Chrysler

General Question

Congress to Deal With Crisis—Meeting is Ordered By President Roosevelt

DETROIT, March 25.—A truce has been declared in the sit-down strike in the Chrysler Motor Corporation's plant here. The sit-down strikers voted unanimously last night to accept a truce along lines agreed upon yesterday at a lengthy conference in the office of Governor Frank Murphy between John L. Lewis, head of the Committee on Industrial Organization, and Walter P. Chrysler, president of the Chrysler Motor Corporation. The truce provided for complete evacuation of the company's plants by sit-downers by 10 o'clock this morning with an undertaking by the company that no attempt would be made to resume manufacturing operations until such time as a basic settlement of points in dispute had been reached. More than six thousand of the striking automobile workers marched today from the eight Chrysler plants which they had held since March 8 but prepared to establish picket lines until the strike for exclusive bargaining rights is settled.

Investigate "Sit-Downs" WASHINGTON, D.C., March 25.—CP—Senate Majority Leader Joseph T. Robinson suggested that congressional leaders confer on the whole sit-down strike "crisis" if the situation "does not clear up."

Suggestion coincided with an announcement that the United States House of Representatives has arranged a hearing on Thursday on a resolution for a sweeping investigation of "sit-downs." Last night President Roosevelt announced that a congressional conference had been arranged.

Representative Rabaut (Democrat, Michigan) told the House that the Chrysler automobile strike in Detroit had been settled and that details of the settlement would soon be announced.

Weather Forecast

Purnished 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 24-hour period ending 5 p.m. tomorrow.

General Synopsis—The pressure remains stationary on the coast with scattered showers occurring over interior British Columbia.

Prince Rupert District and Queen Charlotte Islands—Moderate north to east winds, part cloudy with no change in temperature.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Moderate variable winds part cloudy and cool at night.

BAR SILVER

NEW YORK, March 25: (CP)—Bar silver was unchanged at 57 1/2¢ per ounce on the New York metal market yesterday, dropping to 45¢ today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blaylock, who arrived in the city on Tuesday from Anyox, left on last evening's train for a trip to Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Changes or new listings for next issue of Telephone Directory to be made in writing to Telephone Dept., City Hall not later than April 5th.

Premier Pattullo Is Heard by Big Meeting Of His Constituents

Vague About Election Date—Considerable Road Program Here Planned—Tells of Accomplishments Of Government—Future Looks Bright

"Possibly due to orders having been issued to bring the voters' lists up to date in compliance with Liberal policy and possibly because it might seem to be an advantageous time for us to go to the country, some of the newspapers have been guessing there may be an early election. With courts of revision to be held on April 19, it has been figured out that the earliest time we could hold an election would be the end of May or the first week in June. I cannot say definitely. The die has not been cast. But I will tell you that, as soon as a number of things we have in mind have been settled on a safe and solid basis, we shall hold a general election. I look to the Liberals of Prince Rupert to again nominate me as their candidate and I shall ask the public here to give me the same measure of support they have given me heretofore."

So said Premier T. D. Pattullo in addressing a large public meeting of his constituents of Prince Rupert at Moose Hall Wednesday night.

Mr. Pattullo confided that he had been considering the possibility of retiring after the next election. However, he immediately dissipated this idea when he intimated jocularly that, after considering it, he had decided that, after he had won the next election, he would probably go on to win the one following.

The Premier expressed himself as being opposed to the proposal that had been made by the Conservative leader that the representation in the Legislature should be reduced. The reason for his opposition to this proposal, Mr. Pattullo explained, was that it would centralize control in Vancouver which already had fair representation today. "As sure as the representation is cut down, the people of the outside ridings will have to go hats in hand to Vancouver for what they want," declared the Premier. "I believe the representation is on a fair basis today."

Speaking of general public problems, Mr. Pattullo told of efforts which had been made to secure readjustment of the British North America Act to give more equitable treatment to British Columbia. It had been a long fight to secure better treatment from Ottawa to which the province was justly entitled but gradually prejudices in the east were being broken down and some measure of success had already been attained.

As for unemployment relief, Mr. Pattullo expressed the opinion that this was primarily a function of the federal government, although the provinces and municipalities must co-operate. He did not think the Dominion had been carrying its fair share of unemployment relief.

Had the Dominion not entered the income tax field, and it had never been intended at Confederation that it should, the province of British Columbia would never have had to go to Ottawa to borrow money but could raise its requirements from income tax and the people would have had to pay no more than they were today under the two income taxes.

"I still stand for a policy of work and wages," declared Mr. Pattullo. "I still say that the national credit could be used to carry out a Dominion program of public works. I still say that, if we could spend billions for railways and war, we could spend a few hundred millions on the war against unemployment. There is no country less justified than Canada to have unemployment. I still believe the public works program could be amplified without injuring our credit. We in (Continued on Page Four)

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To Proceed With Plant

Premier T. D. Pattullo announced last night that instructions had been given to proceed at once with the construction of the new ore sampling plant here as authorized at the last session of the Legislature. The cost will be about \$30,000. Details as to exact site, etc., have not yet been finally decided upon.

MANY DIE IN CRASH

Twenty Lose Their Lives When Bus Hits Bridge Abutment In Illinois

SALEM, Ill., March 25: (CP)—The Salem hospital reported yesterday that it had been informed twenty were killed and three seriously injured when a special charter bus crashed into a bridge abutment two miles west of here and overturned. The eighteen victims, most of whom were burned or mutilated beyond recognition, consisted mostly of boys and girls of a roller skating troupe. The crash was due to a front tire blowing out. The driver was thrown through the windshield and escaped alive.

Eighteen of the twenty victims met horrible instant deaths, two today and leaving three survivors out of the total party of twenty three. One of the dead was a seven year old child.

Premier Busy During Visit

Various Organizations Send Delegations to Pattullo—Meeting Hospital Committee Tonight

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Late Telegraphs

CLIPPER AT PANGO PANGO PANGO PANGO, American Samoa—The great flying boat Pan-American Clipper, in the course of its experimental flight from California to New Zealand, landed here last night after covering the distance of 1200 miles from Kingman Reef in ten hours 46 minutes.

PERRY BEATS TILDEN NEW YORK—Fred Perry and William T. Tilden met in tennis for the first time at Madison Square Garden last night. Perry won 6-1, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0. Fifteen thousand fans paid a gate of \$31,000.

NEW 'FRISCO TIE-UP SAN FRANCISCO—Thirty ships were tied up here today when the Waterfront Employers' Association severed relations with the local unit of the International Longshoremen's Association because of a labor dispute.

W. R. WILSON DIES VANCOUVER—William R. Wilson, 82, president of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. and prominent in Canadian mining circles, died at his home here last night.

C. C. F. E. ELECTED VANCOUVER—Miss Helena Rose Gutteridge, C. C. F., was elected to the city council in the by-election here yesterday to fill the seat vacated through the death of Ald. L. D. MacDonald. She had a plurality of 358 over her nearest opponent in a four-candidate field and is the first woman ever elected to Vancouver city council.

CHARGED WITH MURDER VANCOUVER—Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hogarth and William Woodcock, self-styled private investigator, were charged today with the "knockout drop" murder of M. F. Sheridan of Princeton, a miner. Chloral hydrate is alleged to have been administered to Sheridan.

LOS ANGELES 'QUAKE LOS ANGELES—A strong earthquake shock shook Southern California over an area of more than ten thousand square miles today. Seismologists said it was strong enough to cause considerable damage at the point of origin but no damage is reported in larger cities.

NATIONAL OBJECTION MONTREAL—The legal representatives of the Canadian National Railways appeared at the hearing of the railway committee of the Legislative Assembly at Quebec regarding two applications for charters to build railway lines in Northern Quebec and announced the intention of the Canadian National to oppose the construction of these new lines.

Pope's Encyclical Has Drawn Protest

German Ambassador to Vatican Expresses Disapproval Of Encyclical

ROME, March 25.—The German ambassador to the Vatican has delivered an official protest to the Vatican at the anti-Nazi encyclical delivered on Tuesday by Pope Pius.

Premier Rotary Speaker Today

Full Attendance of Members And Several Guests Hear Talk By Prime Minister

Premier T. D. Pattullo was the speaker today at the regular weekly luncheon of the Prince Rupert Rotary Club. There was a full attendance of members with a number of guests.

Resignation of Aberhart As Premier of Alberta Will Be Coming if Budget Rejected

EDMONTON, March 25: (CP)—The resignation of Premier William Aberhart and his cabinet would follow immediately if the budget of Hon. Solon Low, Provincial Treasurer, is defeated in the Alberta Legislature, it was learned today. A government spokesman was definite in this assertion. "The cabinet stands or falls with the budget," he said.

A group of Social Credit members has opposed the budget since its introduction in the House, claiming that, with its taxation features, it does not adhere to Social Credit principles. These Social Credit insurgents have joined with Liberals and Conservatives in general opposition.

Notice of a closure motion on the budget debate was given by Premier Aberhart last night. This is not debatable. Aberhart will move the motion at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. If it carries the debate could be carried on until 2 a.m. Tuesday and then the vote would have to be taken.

Notice of motion of closure today followed a government reverse by a division of 27 to 25 on adjournment last night, some of the Social Crediters having joined with Liberals and Conservatives against the government.

Extended Playground Program For This Year is Adopted By Gyro Club; Will Cost \$1500

The Prince Rupert Gyro Club, at a special business luncheon held yesterday to consider the program of club activities for the coming year, adopted a report from the playgrounds committee, of which Dr. R. G. Large is chairman, providing for an enlarging of the scope of children's playground work. The cost of the season's program is estimated at approximately \$1500.

With the closing of the recreational centre program as far as the provincial government is concerned at the end of April, the government will be asked to supply a qualified instructor who will report for duty on May 1 from which date to the end of August his salary will be paid by the Gyro Club. He will be directed to operate the recreational centre to the end of June, paying particular attention to the children of the public schools, and then carry on the outdoor supervised playground activities during July and August. There will also be an assistant male instructor in July and August as well as four instructresses for the same period. The salaries to be paid by the Gyro Club will total \$940. David Bell, the present instructor, will continue in charge until the end of May when he will be leaving for Vancouver, necessitating a new appointment.

Considerable playground improvement work will also be undertaken by the Gyro Club. The Gyro Ball Park at the corner of Sixth Avenue and McBride Street will be resurfaced with sand. At McClymont Park an asphalt court for children's basketball, badminton, volleyball and goodminton will be built. In order to make it possible to give swimming instruction, the present swimming pool in McClymont Park will be raised one foot and otherwise improved. The drainage of the pool will also be improved.

The club agreed to make an additional grant, if necessary, to assist in collaboration with the Rotary Club in the making of certain improvements on the Morse Creek project to fit it out for use as a swimming resort in addition to skating rink. It is proposed to build a sidewalk to the pool, erect dressing rooms, install a float and put in a sand wading pool for small children.

The Gyro Club will conduct the annual children's Flag Day which is being discontinued by the Elks' Lodge.

The Gyro Club also agreed to cooperate with the celebration of Coronation Day in the city on May 12 by sending a delegate to a meeting of representatives of various organizations to be held tonight.

At yesterday's luncheon special apples were distributed to the members. The apples came from Kelowna as a means of drawing attention to the district convention to be held in the Okanagan apple centre this summer.

WHEAT PRICE UP VANCOUVER, March 25: (CP)—The Vancouver wheat price was up yesterday to \$1.42 1/4, further advancing today to \$1.43 1/4.

Halibut Sales American Frisco, 7,000. Cold Storage, 7c and 5c. Canadian Margalice, 6,500. Atlin, 6.1c and 5c. Bayview, 6,000. Pacific, 6.2c and 5c. Minnie V., 4,500. Cold Storage, 6c and 5c.

FASCISTS BESIEGED

Spanish Officers Exultant Over Turn of Tide to Their Favor In Civil War

Madrid Bombed

Tightening up of Efforts Towards Non-Intervention—Italians Withdraw?

MADRID, March 25: (CP)—Insurgent Spanish armies, in the new role of the besieged, dug in yesterday to withstand government assaults far northeast of the capital while a sudden insurgent sea sortie left men, women and children dead and dying in the Catalan coastal town of Castellon de la Plana, 40 miles north of Valencia.

Air attacks predominated in military actions on northern Guadalupe and Jarama River fronts, northeast of Madrid, with General Francisco Franco's insurgents entrenching which marked the end of what government officers reluctantly termed the "Italian defeat" in Guadalajara.

Spanish government aerial scouts today reported the sudden disappearance of all Italians from insurgent divisions on the Guadalajara front. It was not known to where the Italians, estimated by some to number 30,000, had withdrawn.

Tons of explosive bombs, dropped by insurgent planes apparently in revenge for the reverses which have been inflicted upon them in the northern front of the Spanish civil war, rocked Madrid yesterday and today, doing further extensive damage in the already ruined capital and causing many more to be killed and injured. The rain of explosives from the air lasted for five hours, the raid halting only after artillery had taken up the battle and began to pour shells into the city. The insurgent assault began before midnight and lasted until dawn.

Non-Intervention Campaign LONDON, March 25.—There is a move towards tightening up international non-intervention activity with a view to restricting the Spanish civil war as the situation is again beginning to take on a critical aspect as far as the possibility of involving outside nations is concerned.

The Soviet Russia ambassador to London yesterday demanded an investigation as to how many Italian troops are fighting on the side of the insurgents in Spain.

Great Britain backed up forceful action by France today to halt further landing of Italian soldiers in Spain, agreeing, if necessary, to a warship blockade of the Iberian Peninsula. An accord by the two powers, through Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos of France and Sir George Russell Clerk, British ambassador to France, was disclosed today to have provided a program to make non-intervention completely effective. They decided that it was imperative to prevent, even by force, the landing of further Italian troops in insurgent Spain.

Officers Of Rotary Club W. R. McAfee is New President For Coming Year

The Rotary Club today accepted the recommendations of the nominating committee in connection with the annual election of officers and chose the following for the coming year: President, Weldon R. McAfee. Secretary, W. L. Coates. Treasurer, Alex McRae. Executive—Peter Lakie, R. M. Winslow and John Dybhavn.

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Today's Weather (Government Telegraphs) Terrace—Part cloudy, east wind, 34. Aiyansh—Cloudy, calm, 34. Alice Arm—Clear, calm, 34. Anyox—Clear, calm, 34. Stewart—Clear, calm, 30. Hazelton—Clear, calm, 37. Smithers—Clear, calm, colder. Burns Lake—Bright, calm, 19. Victoria—Fair, cold, barometer, 29.98. Estevan—Cold, clear, barometer, 30. Prince George—Calm, fair, barometer, 30.04. Vancouver—Calm, cloudy, barometer, 29.98. Triple Island—Part cloudy, calm, sea smooth. Langara Island—Light showers, barometer 29.98; temperature, 36; sea smooth. Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.97; temperature, 32; sea smooth.