# (8 A.M.)

barometer, 30.32; temperature, 46; sea smooth.

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## Conservatives Open Campaign In Prince Rupert; Candidate And Vancouver Man Are Heard

The provincial election campaign for Charles V. Evitt, onservative candidate, was opened last night with a ablic meeting in the Moose Hall. Mr. Evitt gave an adress which was featured by a sketch of his own personal areer and a review of the Conservative party's maniesto. The principal speaker of the evening was A. B. Mc-

On Throne For 25 Years

COPENHAGEN, May 15: (CP)

-Tall King Christian X of Den-

mark and Iceland celebrated the

twenty-fifth anniversary of his

accession to the Throne today as

thousands massed in Copen-

hagen's flag-decked streets to

The King, resplendent in a

scarlet uniform of the Royal Life

Guards, rode with Queen Alex-

andrine in an open state carriage

drawn by four black horses to

the Cathedral of Our Lady for

Today's Weather

(Government Telegraphs)

Terrace- Part cloudy, south-

Alice Arm-Cloudy, calm, 47.

Hazelton-Cloudy, calm, 50.

Burns Lake-Clear, calm, 31.

Lngagement

Will address a

Public Meeting

MOOSE HALL,

8 p.m., Saturday

Everybody Welcome

Anyox-Rain, calm, 45.

wind, 44.

commemorative services.

cheer the popular monarch.

large extent with the financial sition of the province. He chargmosition of the province with JUBILEE the Pattullo government with travagance and incompetence and predicted its defeat on June 1. H. Hankinson occupied the

There was a very good attennce at the meeting, possibly me three hundred, and it was friendly gathering. The candite received a very cordial recep-There were no disturbances natever and the only speaker not the program was Charles Chap-United Front candidate in last provincial election, who ught permission to ask a quesn which turned out, however, to a statement in regard to worken's compensation. Mr. Chapman leged that the government innded to reduce allowances.

The meeting, which lasted about hour and a half, opened with singing of "O Canada" and sed with "God Save the King," ss Maureen Kirkpatrick presidg at the piano.

Dr. Hankinson paid tribute to Evitt as a citizen and friend. was one who was known to all east wind, 46. id one whom anyone could ap- Aiyansh-Cloudy, calm, 48. proach. He was a bona fide resient of the city and one who unerstood local problems. He would make an excellent representative.

#### Mr. Evitt

Mr. Evitt, at the outset, wished! make it clear that, in anything might say, he did not intend to riticize Premier Pattullo personly but the government of which was the head. "I like Mr. Pat- meter, 30.36. personally," declared Mr. vitt, "and we are friends."

The Conservative candidate be-130.36. my person who sought public of meter, 30.22. ng that he should briefly review meter, 30.32. as own career. At the age of six- Alert Bay-Clear, light wes! Bellicini is charged on two counts ather in a ship broker's office in 30.40; sea smooth. rother. He landed at Boissevain, 30.40; sea smooth. November of that year he ar-ismooth. as almost broke when he went to sea smooth. bell as a bartender, pick and sho- | 42; sea smooth. e secured a position in the Nor-|calm; barometer, 30.32; tempera | called. hern Crown Bank and in April ture, 47; sea smooth. 909 came to Prince Rupert as edgerkeeper for the old Union lank. Later he had worked in real state offices here and for the city or a time. With the exception of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Lowe even years—three of which were announce the engagement of their served about the time. the Georgetown sawmill and daughter, Lillian Marguerite, to our in France eight months of George Edward Peters, only son

which he had been a prisoner of of Mrs. I. Peters, Victoria, B.C. ince then in Prince Rupert. he opening of the meeting, he had Church. eceived a questionairre from the frades and Labor Council. He

The candidate then proceeded to; review the platform of Dr. F. P. Patterson, leader of the Conservalive party of British Columbia, to which he subscribed.

Instead of surpluses as had been aimed, the Liberal government (Continued on Page Two)

# DEAD MAN'S TESTIMONY

Evidence of Late Peter Salice, Principal Witness in Arson Case, Transmitted to Assizes

## **Trial Continues**

Accused Arraigned on Two Counts And Pleads Not Guilty

The only direct evidence at the rial of E. G. Bellicini, charged at the present session of the Supreme Court Assizes here with arson in connection with the burning of a Popular Christian X Has Been partially completed hotel at Houston in the Bulkley Valley on August 22, 1929, was that of Peter Salice, who died while in custody at Smithers two weeks ago following the preliminary hearing at which he was the principal witness for the crown. Salice's evidence was transmitted to the jury at the Assize trial today before Mr. Justice Denis Murphy by counsel. The stenographer who took down the evidence at the preliminary trial and Constable C. F. Oland of Smithers also were witnesses in this connection.

Salice's story was that he had! been asked by Bellicini to burn down the building in return for which he (Bellicini) would release a mortgage which he held on Salice's farm. Salice, according to his evidence, at first resisted the proposal but later agreed. Bellicini himself prepared three fire sets in the partially completed building and then left for Smithers to attend the fair. Early on the morn-Stewart-Cloudy, strong south ing in question Salice got up and, following Bellicini's instructions, set the fires. There was complete destruction of the building and Smithers-Part cloudy, calm. later Bellicini congratulated Salice on the "excellent job" he had done Victoria-Fair, west wind, 4 In order that there should be no miles per hour; barometer, 30.30 undue suspicion, the mortgage was Estevan-Clear, calm, baro not to be released until six months after the fire. After the six months Digby Island—Fair, west wind was up, Salice called upon Bellicini Election Fight 14 miles per hour; barometer to release the mortgage but accused refused to do so, saying that he eved that experience in a variety Prince George-Fair, south had not yet received the insurance things should be possessed by west wind, 8 miles per hour; baro money. Things went on until 1934 when Bellicini went to Salice to ce. He, therefore, thought it fit- Vancouver-Calm, clear, baro-loffer him a new mortgage agreement which was eventually signed.

een he had been placed by his wind, temperature 40; barometer | -first, arson with intent to defraud the insurance companies: ondon. After three years there, he Bull Harbor-Clear, light wes' second counselling Peter Salice to came to Canada in 1907 to join a wind, temperature 40; barometer commit an indictable offense, to wit arson. On being arraigned yes-Man., where he worked as a farm | Bull Harbor-Clear, calm, baro terday. Bellicini pleaded not guilty and for \$10 a month and board. meter, 30.28; temperature 45, seal and the empanelling of a jury proceeded. There were numerous challved in Vancouver and had walk- Triple Island - Part cloudy lenges, H. H. Griffin, defence counthe streets for two weeks and southeast wind, 8 miles per hour seel, using his full twelve, and many stand asides by T. W. Brown, fork at 30c an hour wheeling coal. Langara Island - Showery crown counsel. By the time the then he went rough carpentering south wind, 4 miles per hour panel had been drawn up, conand doing odd jobs including a barometer, 30.28; temperature sisting of eleven men and one woman, all but one of the entire list lling and threading pipes. Then Dead Tree Point - Overcast summoned for service had been

> Witnesses heard yesterday afternoon were Harvey Davies, formerly of Houston, and his daughter, who lived nearby the Bellicini building at the time of the fire and told of certain things they had ob-

#### SUPPLIES INDIANS

George Bird, for supplying liquor var—he had lived continuously and the late Mr. Peters. The to Indians, was fined \$200, with wedding will take place on June option of two months' imprison-Mr. Evitt stated that, just before 10, at 8 p.m. in First United ment, by Magistrate McClymont in city police court Thursday afternoon, it being his third offence. Erling Nickleson, also for supplying, was fined \$50, or one month's Would later give his answer to Hon. T. D. Pattullo imprisonment, it being his first offence. Bird is doing the time. Nickelson paid the fine.

#### Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, May 15: (CP)-Wheat was quoted at \$1.25% on the Vancouver market today.

Loyalists Are Slaughtered in Spain

STRIKE IS SETTLED PITTSBURG—Settlement the strike of 27,000 Jones Laughlin Steel Corporation workers is announced by the steel workers' organizing committee. A temporary agreement has been reached under which work will be resunted almost immediately. There are no details.

PEACE IN HOLLYWOOD HOLLYWOOD-Peace in the film studio craftsmen's strike appeared near as union leaders weighed a new proposal by the producers. Union conferees admit that a quick end of the two weeks' walkout is "virtually cer-

FLIERS BACK lantic Ocean with Coronation moving pictures.

BALDWIN CHAIRMAN LONDON-The Imperial conference continues. Premier Stanley Baldwin is chairman on motion of Premier King of Canada and Premier Lyons of Australia.

#### COURT BALL LONDON-Dignitaries from all parts of the world attended a Grand State Ball at Buckingham Palace last night with King George and Queen Elizabeth as

MATHESON LET OUT VANCOUVER-J. K. Matheson, general manager for years of the Vancouver Exhibition, has been notified by the board of directors that his services are dispensed

BUS STRIKE CONTINUES LONDON-Striking bus workers voted overwhelmingly yesterday to continue the bus strike.

Busy Week-End With Two Meetings-Activity at Campaign Headquarters

beginning to liven up in Prince and east winds, part cloudy with Rupert. With the public meeting little change in temperature. or C. V. Evitt, Conservative canlidate last night, and one for Premier T. D. Pattullo, the Liberal, might, this is a fairly active week-end. On Thursday night here was a rally of Liberal workers in the committee rooms to get he routine campaign activities under way. At Conservative, Coperative Commonwealth Federation and Social Credit headquarters there is also activity.

## Late Telegraphs | SNOWDEN IS DEAD

Noted Former Chancellor of The Exchequer Succumbs Today To Heart Attack

#### Was Laborite

Moses of British Socialist Movement Had Dynamic Career Despite Being Cripple

Chancellor of the Exchequer, died suddenly of a heart attack today.

Viscountess Snowden explained NEW YORK-Dick Merrill and | the day before the Coronation that Jack Lambie landed here at 3:35 her husband was not well enough vesterday afternoon, completing to attend but the illness, apparenttheir return flight across the At- | ly. did not seem critical. The Viscountess was in London when she learned of her husband's death. Snowden, as Chancellor of the

Exchequer during the financial! erisis of 1921, introduced the bill suspending the gold standard. A lew weeks earlier he had brought lown the famous "axe and tax" judget which sought to arrest the light of the pound. He was Chanellor in both the Labor governments and followed Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald into the National government in 1931. He renained at the Treasury during the financial crisis but did not seek re-election to the House of Commons that year. He accepted peerage and remained in the cabinet as Lord Privy Seal until the summer of the following year when he resigned over the government's tariff policy and the Ottawa agreements. He was raised to the peerage as Viscount Snowden of Ickornshaw in the west county of the riding of York. He leaves no heir and the title becomes extinct.

## Weather Forecast

General Synopsis-High pres-Is Livening Up sure is now over Vancouver Island and showers have occurred on the north coast and also in the interior of British Columbia.

> Prince Rupert district and Queen Charlotte Islands-Moder ate variable winds, part cloudy and cool at night.

West Coast of Vancouver Isl The provincial election campaign and-Moderate to fresh north

# Today's Baseball

National League . Philadelphia 6, New York 2. Brooklyn-Boston, postponed, wet St. Louis 4, Pittsburg 2.

American League New York 6, Philadelphia 5.

## Three-Quarters of Fairbanks Is Under Flood Waters Today; Half of People Flee Homes

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 15: (CP)—The Tanana and Chena Rivers rose slowly today and sent combined waters through three-fourths of the city of Fairbanks. At least half of the town's two thousand persons have fled their homes. Persons used rowboats and canoes to save their most valued possessions.

Apprehension is felt lest a sudden rise in temperature melt snow on the hills of the Upper Tanana Valley and increase the volume of the flood.

# Government Column Almost Annihilated Close By Toledo

Defence of Bilbao Continues Doggedly-Premier Camballero Resigns But Later Agrees to Try And Form New Government

TOLEDO, Spain, May 15: (CP)—A column of government troops south of Tajo River was reported virtually LONDON, May 15: (CP)—Vis- destroyed with bombs and machine gun fire in an insurcount Philip Snowden, former gent air attack. The government's desperate attempts to vrest Toledo from General Francisco Franco in a week The Labor peer was 72 years of of fierce combat caused its forces to sustain what insurgents described as "unprecedented

#### TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Jonnston Co.)

Vancouver B. C. Nickel, .24. Big Missouri, .44. Bralorne, 6.55. B. R. Con., .04. Aztec, .08. Cariboo Quartz, 1.60. Dentonia, .14. Dunwell,  $.03\frac{1}{2}$ . Golconda, .07. Minto, .14. Meridian, .03. Fairview Amalg., .09. Noble Five, .061/2. Pend Oreille, 2.85. Pioneer, 4.05. Porter Idaho, .05. Premier, 2.51. Reeves McDonald, .80. Reno, .85. Relief Arlington, .20. Reward, .081/2. Salmon Gold, .07. Taylor Bridge, .07. Hedley Amalgamated, .06. Premier Border, .021/2. Silbak Premier, 2.50.

Congress, .05. Silver Crest, .07. Home Gold, .02. Grandview. .131/2. Indian, .021/2. Quatsino Copper, .041/2. Quesnelle Quartz, .09.

A. P. Con., .32. Calmont, .53. C. &. E., 2.32. Freehold, .081/2. Hargal, .18. McDougal Segur, .18. Mercury, .26. Merland, .121/4. Okalta, 1.31. Pacalta, .121/2. Home Oil, 1.60. Weymarn, .13.

Toronto Beattie, 1.22.

Central Patricia, 2.90. Gods Lake, .48. Lee Gold, .031/2. Little Long Lac, 5.00. McKenzie Red Lake, 1.24. Pickle Crow, 6.00. Red Lake Gold Shore, .40. San Antonio, 1.50. Sherritt Gordon, 2.25. Smelters Gold. .05. McLeod Cockshutt, 1.70. Oklend, .18. Mosher, .27. Cilbec, .04. Madsen Red Lake. .75. Stadacona, 1.48. Francoeur, .82. Manitoba & Eastern. .03. Moneta Porcupine, 1.32. Rubec, .04. Thompson Cadillac, .77. Bailor, .021/2. Bankfield, .85. East Malartic. 1.02. Preston East Dome, 1.00. Hutchison Lake, .16. Dawson White, .15.

NEW YORK (CP)—Bar silver was unchanged at 451/4c per ounce on the New York metal market to-

Raigh Red Lake, .22.

Kerr Addison, 2.50.

Aldermac, 1.00.

Uchi Gold, .75.

Martin Bird, .78.

slaughter." Meanwhile it was reported from Bayonne that the insurgent cruiser Almirante Cervera had shelled the slopes of Mount Sollube as Basque defence troops desperately attempted to block the way to Mungaia, seven miles northeast of Bilbao. A spokesman for the Basque government reiterated the government's determination to defend Bilbao to the death and declared flatly: "There is no possibility of media-

Francisco Largo Camballero resigned this morning as Premier of Spain. Later he was asked by President Manual Azana to form. a new cabinet. The Premier announced he would try to form a government with the same political orientation as previously but would base it more on political parties than trades union organiza-

# WALLIE'S RANKING

Will be Eighth Lady of Land Royal Family Demands Fair Treatment For Edward

LONDON, May 15: (CP)—The future ranking of Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson as the Duchess of Windsor has, apparently, been definitely fixed, informed persons disclosed yesterday by changing the Duke's Order of the Garter banner to a position behind that of his three younger brothers. That, it was stated with seeming authority, would make the future Duchess of Windsor eighth lady of the

There are believed to have been differences of opinion between the Royal Family and the government, both King George and Queen Mary demanding "fair treatment" for Edward.

The former King is still in seclusion at Chateau de Cande in Monts, France.

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