

Today's Weather
(8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.64 (falling); temperature, 28; sea smooth.

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Tomorrow's Tides

High 7:12 a.m. 18.5 ft. 19:35 p.m. 16.4 ft. Low 0:30 a.m. 7.0 ft. 13:26 p.m. 8.4 ft.

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Japanese Surging Into Nanking

SIEGE OF NANKING HAS NOW COMMENCED; ENTRY OF CITY IS CLAIMED

Invaders Lose No Time in Starting Offensive Following Chinese Defiance of Ultimatum to Surrender

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.—The Chinese defenders having defied the ultimatum to surrender, the Japanese invaders commenced their offensive upon Nanking, the evacuated Nationalist capital, today, raining bombardment from the air and from land artillery. Soon the Japanese claimed that the walls had been penetrated at two points, that they had entered the city where fighting in the streets had commenced. Predicting that the city would be captured within twenty-four hours, the Japanese gave final warning that the taking of Nanking would not mean the end of the campaign against China.

The Chinese, on the other hand, declared that Nanking was ready to withstand a long siege. Enter Through Walls The Japanese command announced today that Kuanchuamen, the principal southeastern gate in Nanking's massive walls, had been captured by a detachment of Japan's Ninth Division. The Nipponese infantry surged through breaches in the defenses and occupied adjoining sections of the walls.

Domel, Japanese News Agency, reported to Tokyo that Japanese troops had engaged in bloody hand to hand fighting in Nanking streets. Seizure of the gate came as a climax of a battle which began with the Japanese general assault early Friday afternoon, ending late at night.

Witness Of "Soapy" Smith's Shooting

Harry Seeman, One of Skagway's "Sourdoughs," Making First Trip Outside Since 1898

Henry F. Seeman, one of the real "sourdoughs" of Skagway, who was there in the days of "Soapy" Smith whose end, indeed, he witnessed, was in the city aboard the Princess Norah yesterday southbound. It is the first time he has been outside since going north in '98. He recently sold a farm he had near Skagway and is making a trip to Nevada. He will be returning north in the spring.

Warm Clothes Badly Needed

Salvation Army Asking for Help To Rehabilitate Men Who Went Astray

A number of applications have been made to the Salvation Army for warm underclothes and bedding from people who cannot provide these things for themselves. Captain Halsey says there are several cases of men trying to rehabilitate themselves whom he would like to help if he had the means.

The Christmas weather draws attention to what it would be like to be without the Christmas cheer this year. The fund is low and the givers seem to be few. Previously acknowledged \$27.00 Rose Marie 1.00

Mrs. Erik Frey of Ketchikan arrived in the city on the Princess Norah yesterday afternoon from the north and will proceed by this evening's train for a visit to Trempealeau, Wisconsin. Mrs. Frey is the wife of a well known blind Norwegian singer who gave a recital here last winter. She is in the service of the United States government at Ketchikan.

SITUATION IN ORIENT

Dr. Hugh Morrison Outlines Historical Background of Present Dispute in China

A very interesting analysis of the far eastern international situation was given yesterday afternoon at the regular weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club by Dr. Hugh Morrison, school inspector, who gave the case for Japan and against, together with the historical background of the present dispute. W. R. McAfee presided. Visitors present included Alfred Miller, manager of the Interior Creamery at Prince George, R. Nelson, R. L. McIntosh, Clarence Bussinger of Telkwa, Cecil Brind and J. G. Johns.

Dr. Morrison explained, in opening his address, that there were two sides to every question and there were to this Oriental question. In the evolution of the Pacific it was natural that there should be a clash of civilizations. Five hundred years ago the Orient was more advanced than was Europe but the rise of industrialism in Europe had caused that part of the world to become very aggressive.

In the Orient Japan was the first country to feel the impetus and it changed rapidly. China was larger and not so united, each section of the country having charge of its own affairs so that it took longer for it to change.

The Japanese people were strong on imitation. Even in the schools in Prince Rupert this was seen for the Japanese pupils could copy wonderfully well but they have not the initiative possessed by the other students. Japan was still thinking along medieval lines while China was a pawn in the game of world politics.

Japan watched Britain take over India, France take Indo-China and Germany capture most of the trade of the east. China was divided into spheres of influence and agreed upon the policy of "the open door" in that country which developed into the nine power treaty under which the territorial integrity of China was guaranteed. This treaty was broken when Japan took Manchuria.

Resents Discrimination

Under the treaty between Japan and Great Britain, Japan had agreed to look after British interests in the Orient but this treaty was abrogated since the war. Japan gradually obtained a standing in the world on at least partial equality with other nations but her subjects were discriminated against in some countries and to this she objected. What she wanted was equality and security. She had visions of China developing into a strong nation and threatening her security on that side. Russia also was a naturally aggressive country and was feared by Japan which claimed to have a protectorate over Oriental countries similar to the Monroe Doctrine in America.

Japan also claimed to be protecting other nations including China from Communism. Outer Mongolia was a communistic state and Japan made a great showing of holding back advances in that direction. Hence her recent alliance with Germany and Italy. Even in the present struggle in China, Japan claims to be doing it for the benefit of China.

Looking at the other side of the picture, Dr. Morrison showed that Japan had broken the Nine Power treaty, the Kellogg Peace Pact and her obligations under the League of Nations. She had always taken advantage of a time when Europe was otherwise engaged to make her forward moves. Japan claimed she wanted China to respect treaties with her but in doing so broke treaties with other nations. She

BULLETINS

WOULD KILL DELBOS

VALENCIENNES, France.—A plot to assassinate French Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos at one of his stops on his present trip through Europe was discovered here by the police who seized a coded letter giving details of the plan. The letter revealed, police said, that Koloman Budai, now in jail here, had given information to a band of terrorists to facilitate the attempt on Delbos' life.

KING TO BROADCAST

LONDON, Eng.—The King will broadcast a Christmas message to the Empire from Sandringham on Christmas Day, probably at 7 a.m. Pacific Standard Time, it was officially announced today.

MAYOR RE-ELECTED

VICTORIA—Mayor Andrew McGavin was re-elected yesterday with a majority of 1500 over Dr. J. D. Hunter M.L.A.

LEGISLATURE PROROGUES

VICTORIA—The first session of the Nineteenth British Columbia Legislature was prorogued by the Lieutenant Governor, Eric Hamber, at 11:15 today. The forty-five day session, which assembled October 26, saw the adoption of eighty-one bills.

LADY McBRIDE DIES

VANCOUVER—Lady Margaret McBride, 67, widow of Sir Richard McBride, former Conservative Premier of British Columbia, died today. She was born in Ontario and lived first in New Westminster and later at Victoria when her husband was premier between 1903 and 1915. She accompanied him to London when he became Agent General for the province and lived there with him until his death in 1927.

SUICIDES BEFORE HANGING

BOISE, Idaho.—A few minutes before he was to have been hanged today for the murder of his wife and two policemen, Douglas Van Black committed suicide jumping thirty feet from a cell house beam to the concrete floor of the prison. He broke his neck in the plunge from the third tier height. Van Black had just been let out of his cell to kiss his mother and father goodbye.

VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE

OTTAWA—Chief recommendations in the report of the war veterans' assistance commission, announced by Hon. G. C. Power, minister of pensions, yesterday, is that unemployed veterans who served in actual war theatres should get \$18.50 monthly for single men with \$30 for married men with dependent wives.

HOCKEY SCORES

National League Maroons, 5; Detroit, 2. Pacific League Vancouver, 1; Portland, 6.

Union steamer Cardena, Capt. John Boden, is due in port at 10:30 tonight from the south and will sail soon thereafter on her return to Vancouver and waypoints. She is making her calls in the Skeena slough this afternoon.

took no account of the growing Chinese nationalism.

Japan was one of what were known as the "have not" countries such as Germany and Italy. She lacked room for colonial expansion but it was seen from history that lack of colonies was no handicap in industrial expansion. Colonies were not necessary to trade. The question now was whether Japan could succeed. Opinion in this respect was divided.

DIED HERE LAST NIGHT

Fred Reich Passes Away in Prince Rupert General Hospital After Long Illness

Frederick William Reich, aged 62, a resident of Prince Rupert for some eighteen years, passed away at 11:30 last night in the Prince Rupert General Hospital following an illness of almost a year. The end came as a release from several months of hopeless suffering. He had been seriously ill since March and had been in hospital for the past three months.

Born in Vienna, the late Mr. Reich learned the trade of a silk dyer in the Austrian capital and in 1898 emigrated to New York where he continued the trade for a couple of years. Attracted west, he moved to Edmonton at the turn of the century and set up in the grocery business on his own. In 1917 he moved to Seattle and in 1920 came to Prince Rupert. He had followed longshoring since coming here.

Predeceased by his wife in 1918, Mr. Reich is survived by two sons—Fred and Carl, both of Prince Rupert. There are two sisters in Vienna.

Mr. Reich was a Roman Catholic by religion. Funeral arrangements in the hands of B. C. Undertakers will be announced later.

Imports During Seven Months

Further Details of Where Canada is Buying Its Goods

As already announced, total value of imports into Canada during the seven months ending October was \$503,577,293, an increase of \$122,421,126 or 32.1 per cent over the same period of last year. Imports from Foreign countries showed the greatest improvement, the percentage gain being 34.2 per cent; the gain in imports from empire countries was 27.7 per cent. The total value from Foreign countries was \$350,564,055 compared with \$261,320,248, and from Empire countries: \$153,013,238 compared with \$119,835,919.

The United States supplied the bulk of the imports from foreign countries, the amount from that country being \$299,667,629, an increase of \$82,877,463, or 38.2 per cent. The United Kingdom was in second place with a value of \$92,195,994, increasing \$15,117,100 or 19.6 per cent. British West Indies supplied to the value of \$9,271,607, decreasing \$1,049,900. Australia was fourth in value with \$8,780,737, a gain of 32.6 per cent.

Other leading sources follow, with figures for 1936 in brackets: Germany, \$7,153,747 (\$7,077,805). British South Africa, \$6,842,085 (\$1,247,581). British India, \$5,502,934 (\$4,742,378).

Belgium, \$4,961,190 (\$3,714,451). New Zealand, \$4,914,652 (\$2,547,866).

France, \$4,177,310 (\$3,896,072). Argentine, \$3,811,229 (\$4,263,043). Japan, \$3,522,862 (\$2,562,934). Colombia, \$3,429,057 (\$3,101,600). British Guiana, \$3,394,717 (\$2,921,315). Peru, \$2,817,442 (\$3,336,023). Netherlands, \$2,151,601 (\$2,954,334). China, \$2,365,628 (\$2,133,088). Italy, \$2,071,261 (\$542,515).

HAS ARM OPERATION

NORTHAMPTON, England, Dec. 10 (C.P.)—A. H. Bakewell, Northamptonshire cricket star who was unable to play last year through injuries suffered in a motor accident, recently underwent an operation to his right arm.

FIRST SNOW SPORTSMEN OF WINTER FOREGATHER AT BANQUET

Ploughs and Shovels Move Into Action in Prince Rupert Today

Snow shovels went in action on Prince Rupert sidewalks this morning as a result of the first snowfall of the present winter. Early in the morning the snow started coming down, continuing throughout the morning. By noon four inches or so had fallen. So as to insure it getting no headway on the streets, the city scraper started work on Third Avenue and other main thoroughfares during the morning.

Snow was general this morning throughout the district along the coast, on the Queen Charlotte Islands and in the interior. On the lower coast it is raining.

The daily weather report was as follows:

Langara Island—Snowing, north-east wind, 46 miles per hour; barometer, 28.54; temperature, 30; sea rough.

Triple Island—Overcast, light snow; northerly wind, 20 miles per hour; moderate chop.

Dead Tree Point—Snowing, calm; barometer, 28.80; temperature, 32; light swell.

Bull Harbor—Light rain, easterly wind, thirty miles per hour; barometer, 28.64; temperature, 41; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Overcast, northerly wind, 30 miles per hour; barometer 29.00; temperature, 35; sea rough.

Estevan—Raining, southeast wind 32 miles per hour; barometer, 28.88.

Victoria—Raining, easterly wind, 24 miles per hour; barometer, 29.10.

Vancouver—Raining, easterly wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.14.

Prince George—Snowing, north-east wind, eight miles per hour; barometer, 29.50.

Hazelton—Snowing, calm, temperature 11.

Smithers—Snowing, east wind, 5. Burns Lake—Fog, calm, 5 below.

Terrace—Snowing, north wind, 14.

Aiyansh—Snowing, calm, 15.

Stewart—Cloudy, north wind, 22.

Anyox—Snowing, north wind.

Woman M.P. Sits For Old Glasgow

Mrs. Agnes Hardie Succeeds Her Husband As Labor Member

GLASGOW, Dec. 10 (C.P.)—Mrs. Agnes Hardie, Labor M.P. for the Springburn Division of Glasgow, who made pointed comments at the expense of government supporters in her maiden speech in the House of Commons, is Glasgow's first woman Member of Parliament.

She succeeded her husband, the late G. D. Hardie, a brother of Keir Hardie.

Weather Forecast

(Furnished through the courtesy of the Dominion Meteorological Service, 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—A severe storm off Vancouver Island is causing easterly gales with rain and heavy snow in the interior.

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Northeast gales with snow, probably turning to sleet or rain.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Easterly to southerly gales with rain.

CAT SUFFOCATED

DUNDALK, Ont., Dec. 10 (C.P.)—Curiosity and a salmon can killed Wes Hayes' cat here. Hayes found the animal suffocated with it, head stuck in the can.

Annual Game Dinner of Prince Rupert Rod & Gun Club Last Night Happy Event

With appropriate camaraderie and conviviality pervading the proceedings, the annual game dinner of the Prince Rupert Rod and Game Club was held last night in the Commodore Cafe. Under the chairmanship of Don Crerar, president of the Rod and Gun Club, eighty-nine nimrods and anglers foregathered to enjoy an excellent dinner, the feature of which was fine Queen Charlotte Island venison provided through James Boyd, supervisor of fisheries, and a program of speeches, anecdotes of the rod and gun and music which ensued. The jolly affair was in progress a little short of three hours. The proceedings opened with R. L. McIntosh asking the blessing.

After full justice had been done to the excellent spread and a toast to the King honored, the chairman made a few remarks. He was gratified at the large attendance. If there could be such a representation at the general meetings of the club, it would be able to make a greater impression upon the authorities which had to do with game matters, he felt. One of the accomplishments of the club during the past year had been the planting of Kamloops trout eggs—90,000 in Diana Lake and 50,000 in Prudhomme Lake. The government was desirous of checking up on the results of this egg planting and anglers were asked to turn in specimens of fish caught. The club had also asked to have the deer season set from September 15 to November 30 and had undertaken to plant wild rice at bird resorts. Mr. Crerar thanked members of the committee responsible for the success of the banquet—F.A. MacCallum, who had been indefatigable in the making of general arrangements; Cecil Morrison, whose efforts had been to a large extent responsible for the size of the attendance; W. M. Watts, who had been in charge of the program, and Peter Gamula, who looked after refreshments. The president expressed regret at the absence of the vice-president, G. W. Johnstone, who had been ill for some time and is at present a patient in the Prince Rupert General Hospital.

Various Speakers

W. J. Alder, city commissioner, spoke briefly on the attributes of a good sportsman including patience and perseverance. "A good sportsman is a good citizen," declared the commissioner who brought the greetings of the city.

Ed Martin, game warden, expressed regret on behalf of officials of the Game Commission at being unable to be present. He gave assurance that the Commission would always do its best to implement suggestions from this district. The Commission needed the co-operation of the sportsmen. An active Rod and Gun Club could be of great assistance to the authorities.

Others who were heard during the evening included C. V. Eviitt, Dr. C. H. Hankinson, W. B. McCallum, M. J. Dougherty, James Boyd, W. M. Blackstock, Jack Frew and Angus McIvor. B. J. Bacon suggested a yearly instead of a daily bag limit, especially for birds.

The musical program included songs by J. A. Teng and Robert James and a duet by Joe Scott and Sam Joy. S. C. Thomson was piano accompanist. Community singing, entered into with gusto, was another feature of the evening.