

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1937.

Tomorrow's Tides

High	6:15 a.m.	18.2 ft.
	18:12 p.m.	16.7 ft.
Low	12:25 p.m.	8.8 ft.

Today's Weather

(8 A.M.)

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

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Chinese Still Holding Nanking

COLD SNOW CONTINUES

Lowest Thermometer Reading Here So Far This Winter is Twenty-Eight Above

The cold snap which Prince Rupert and district has been experiencing for the past few days showing little sign of breaking this morning apart from a falling barometer and a slight haze in the west. Otherwise it was still clear and calm. The lowest official thermometer reading for both last night and the night before was 28 above zero. It is much colder than that elsewhere in the district.

The day's weather reports are as follows:

Triple Island—Clear, north-northeast wind, 15 miles per hour; light chop.

Langara Island—Clear, easterly wind, 24 miles per hour; barometer, 29.68; temperature, 24; sea choppy.

Dead Tree Point—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.55; temperature, 24; sea smooth.

Bull Harbor—Clear, southwest wind, 25 miles per hour; barometer, 29.54; temperature, 37; moderate swell.

Alert Bay—Clear, visibility, 15 miles; southwest wind, 20 miles per hour; barometer, 29.80; temperature, 31; sea choppy.

Estevan—Clear, northeast wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.68.

Victoria—Cloudy, northerly wind, ten miles per hour; barometer, 29.52.

Vancouver—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.86.

Prince George—Cloudy, north-east wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 30.14.

Terrace—Clear, northeast wind, temperature, 14.

Aiyansh—Clear, calm, 2.

Alice Arm—Clear, calm, 13.

Hazelton—Clear, calm, 2 below.

Smithers—Clear, calm, 10 below.

Burns Lake—Fog, calm, 20 below.

Stewart—Clear, calm, 13 above.

Legion Gets New Members

Arrangements Well Under Way for Observance of Christmas

The regular monthly meeting of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Legion, British Empire Service League, was held last evening in the club rooms with President Jack Preece in the chair.

Applications from two new members, the transfer of two members to the branch and the admission of seven new members made the initiation ceremony an impressive one.

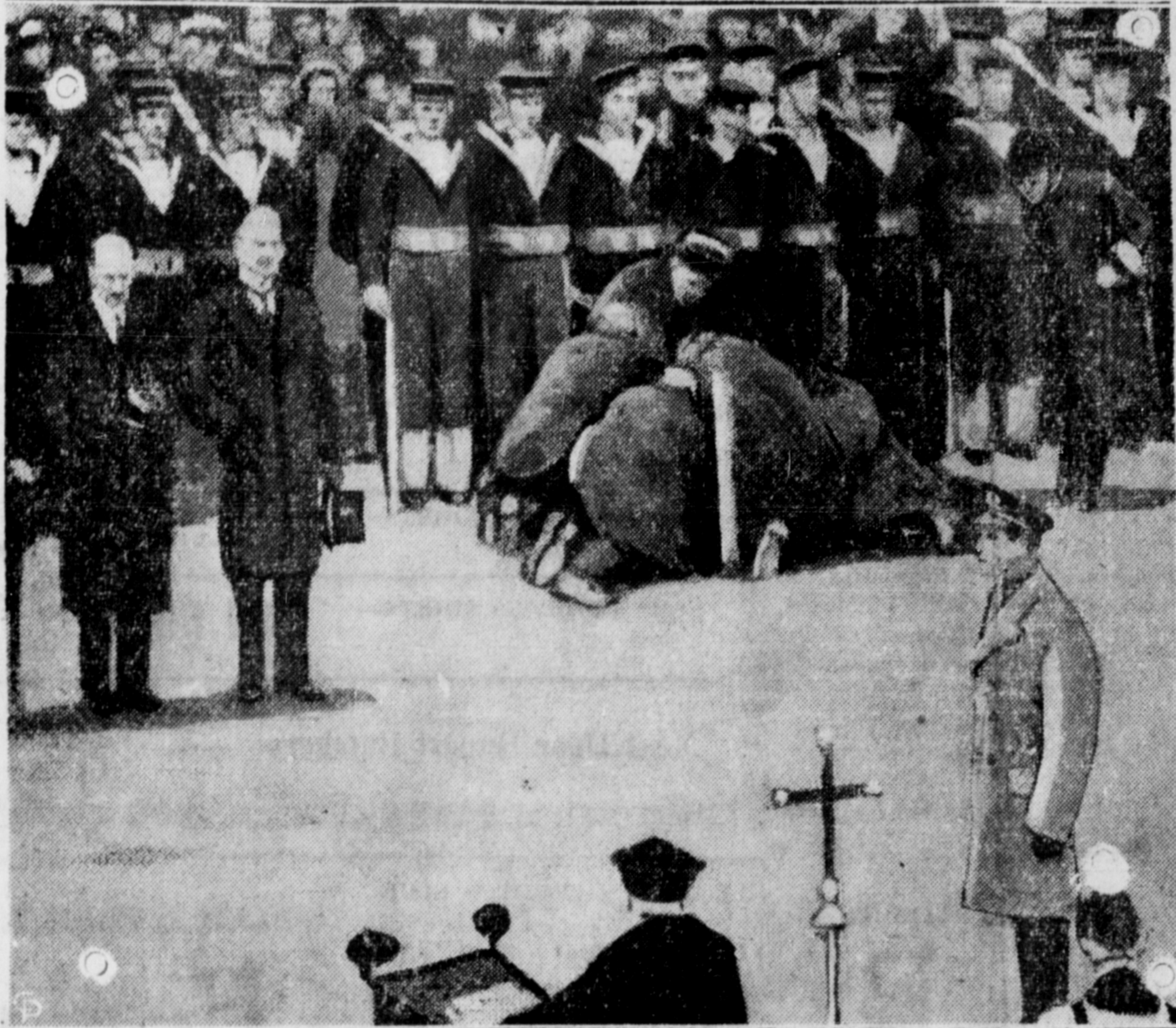
Reports showed that the bazaar under the Women's Auxiliary had been very successful. The total profits from the Poppy sales this year amounted to \$167.86. This will all be spent locally for needy ex-service men and their dependents.

The usual arrangements were made for Christmas celebration. The Christmas tree will be held on December 21 and the club will hold their annual dinner for single and unemployed ex-service men on Christmas Day. This feature has been much appreciated by the men in the past few years and the members of the Legion feel that their efforts to assist their less fortunate comrades are worth the expense and trouble involved. Hampers will also be supplied to needy families.

The club billiards tournament is progressing and the semi-finals have been reached. It is expected to have the finals played before the Christmas festivities.

The Powell River tug St. Faith, Capt. Landheim, was in port this morning for fuel. While coming in she left a Davis raft, which she is towing to Powell River, at Captain's Cove.

POLICE QUELL INTERRUPTER AT ARMISTICE DAY CEREMONY



Two minutes silence during the Memorial Day service at the London cenotaph was rudely interrupted when an allegedly demented man broke through the guard of sailors and shouted, "This is all hypocrisy!" King George, within a few feet of the man, stood at attention, heedless of the commotion. The photograph (above), radioed from London, shows police grappling with the disturber while the King pays no attention to the disturbance. Major Clement Attlee, Labor Leader in the House of Commons, (left), and Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, are standing bareheaded at the left of the picture. His Majesty is in the right foreground.

KEEPING TO AGREEMENT

Legislature Passes Sum of \$6,350 to Pay Local Improvement Taxes in Prince Rupert

VICTORIA, Dec. 9. (CP)—When supplementary estimates came up in the Legislature yesterday \$6,350 was voted to Prince Rupert as a grant in lieu of local improvement taxes on crown lands.

Premier T. D. Pattullo explained that when Prince Rupert was incorporated the government had reserved one-quarter of the lots. With rapid settlement, the city got into trouble and the Oliver government undertook to pay local improvement taxes on crown lots. This payment had lapsed but the Premier thought that, as long as the province held the property, it should keep to the agreement.

REBELS ARE HELD BACK

Quiet On Madrid and Aragon Fronts in Spain Broken Today

MADRID, December 9 (Canadian Press)—Insurgent infantry attacks today broke the recent quiet on the Aragon and Madrid fronts but government reports said the fascists had been beaten back.

Weather Forecast

(Furnished 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 36-hour period ending 5 p.m. tomorrow.)

General Synopsis—Pressure is very low off the coast and high in Northern British Columbia. Weather remains fair on the coast and cold in the interior.

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Strong northeast winds mostly fair and cold. More unsettled tonight.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Strong north wind or gales followed by sleet tonight.

XMAS CHEER FUND MAKES A GOOD GETAWAY

The Salvation Army fund is now nicely started and it is hoped it will keep going steadily until the amount necessary to properly care for the people in need has been reached. Following are the contributions to date:

DANCER IS MURDERED

Mystery Surrounding Disappearance of Pretty Jean de Koven Solved in France—German Confesses

VERSAILLES, France, December 9 (Canadian Press)—The body of pretty Jean de Koven, Brooklyn dancer, missing since last July, was found buried under the porch of a villa to which the police were directed by a German emigre, Eugene Weidmann. The emigre, police said, confessed to slaying the young woman and four men because he needed money.

Is Italy To Quit League?

ROME, Dec. 9. (CP)—The Fascist Grand Council is called to meet on Saturday. Interest in the announcement is whetted by persistence of unconfirmed rumors that Italy will withdraw from the League of Nations before the end of this week. Havas News Agency reports from Geneva that it has learned Italy intends making the break.

ADMIRAL IS BEST

Outstanding Race Horse of Year Selected by Writer—Sea Biscuit Second Choice

BALTIMORE, December 9 (Canadian Press)—War Admiral, unbeaten three-year-old, owned by Samuel Riddle of Philadelphia, was today awarded the United States' highest turf honor when it was adjudged the outstanding race horse of the year by more than two hundred sports writers. C. S. Howard's Sea Biscuit was rated second.

PROTECTION OF CASTLES

Bomb and Gas Proof Rooms Are Fitted Up in Windsor And Buckingham

LONDON, December 9.—As a part of the precautionary measures being taken against raids on London in the event of war, Windsor Castle, one of the residences of the Royal Family, is being equipped with gas and bomb proof rooms. Similar precautions have already been taken at Buckingham Palace.

LONDON'S OVERSEAS

LONDON Dec. 9 (C.P.)—The High Commissioner and Mrs. Vincent Massey, the Agent-General and Mrs. W. A. McAdam (British Columbia), Lady Donegal, Lady Peacock and Lady Sharp, were among those attending the first get-together of the newly-organized Canadian group of the Overseas League, to meet monthly.

Victor Reece, Indian, pleaded guilty in city police court this morning to a charge of drunkenness and was fined \$10, with option of seven days' imprisonment. Victor said this was the first time he had ever fallen into the clutches of the police and he hoped it would be the last. He told the court that he had been supplied with beer by a man named "John" whose last name he did not know but whose attire he described.

WILL KEEP ENGINEERS

Government Field Force Not To Be Eliminated—Moratorium Extended

VICTORIA, Dec. 9 (Canadian Press)—The bill to consolidate the Department of Mines Act was given final reading in the Legislature after Hon. George Pearson, minister of mines, said it would not do away with resident mining engineers but would consolidate acts relating to mining which stood over for twenty years.

Third reading was given the bill to establish the new Department of Trade and Industry and the bill amending the Public Schools Act to empower district school boards to fix teachers' salaries and assure fair working conditions.

The Mortgagees and Purchasers Relief Act of 1934—the so-called moratorium act—is extended until thirty days after the close of the first session next year.

Fire Trap Burns And Nine Dead

KNOXVILLE, Tennessee, Dec. 9. (CP)—Firemen today dug the bodies of nine victims—seven of them children—from the ruins of a flame-razed tenement house. A long search of the ruins failed to reveal other victims in the structure destroyed by firemen as a "fire trap." Twenty-two other occupants escaped.

ROYALTY MISUSED

British Labor Leader Declares It Is Used For Political Purposes

LONDON, Dec. 9 (C.P.)—A charge that British royalty in the past few years been used for political purposes has been made by Sir Stafford Cripps, Labor left-winger.

"I do not impugn the impartiality of the Crown, acting as it must on the instructions of the government of the day," declared Sir Stafford, addressing the Fabian Society. "But I do assert what I believe, obvious to anyone with an objective outlook, that political parties and governments, as a means of perpetuating nothing more important than their own power and privileges, can, and often do, make a very dangerous and wrong use of traditional and semi-feudal loyalties still surrounding the idea of kingship in the minds of the common people."

He asked if anyone had the slightest doubt but that "unprecedented" displays of the last few years in connection with royalty had been deliberately staged by the ruling class to advance their own political interests.

He was nauseated to hear the phrase "For God, King and country" used to rally workers to the assistance of a class absorbed in the maintenance of its own property, wealth and privilege. This class publicly abused the bishops if they dared to point the application of Christian truths and denounced the King if he endangered their power. They also would risk the safety of their own country if they thought their own interests might be preserved.

Japanese Assault On Ancient Capital Not Very Effective Yet

Its Fall Within Twenty-Four Hours, However, Is Predicted By Invaders—Ultimatum Issued—Shanghai Hears Boom of Anti-Aircraft Guns Again

NANKING, Dec. 9. (CP)—Japanese aerial attackers pounded the Chinese capital all day but tonight the Chinese were still holding their positions around the city. Chinese defense artillery hammered steadily at the Japanese, closing in from the south and southeast. Thus far the Japanese have been able to bring only the lightest artillery into play against the capital's defenses.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

- B. C. Nickel, .06 1/2
- Big Missouri, .35
- Braiorne, 8.00
- Aztec, .07
- Cariboo Quartz, 1.65
- Dentonia, .10
- Goleonda, .05
- Minto, .03 1/4
- Fairview Amalg., .04 1/4
- Noble Five, .03 1/2
- Pend Oriole, 2.05
- Pioneer, 3.00
- Porter Idaho, .03
- Premier, 1.90
- Relief Arlington, .16
- Reward, .06 1/4
- Salmon Gold, .06
- Taylor Bridge, .04
- Hedley Amalg., .05
- Premier Border, .01 1/4
- Silbak Premier, 1.85
- Congress, .02 1/2
- Silver Crest, .03 1/2
- Home Gold, .01
- Grandview, .08 1/2
- Indian, .01 1/2
- Quatsino Copper, .03
- Quesnelle Quartz, .05 1/2

Oils

- A. P. PCon., .28
- Calmont, .50
- C. & E., 2.66
- Hargal, .28
- McDougall Secur., .21
- Mercury, .16
- Okalta, .142
- Pacalta, .12 1/2
- Home Oil, 1.30

Toronto

- Beattie, 1.27
- Central Patricia, 2.46
- Gods Lake, .51
- Little Long Lac, 4.90
- Mckenzie Red Lake, .95
- Pickle Crow, 5.35
- Red Lake Gold Shore, .23
- San Antonio, 1.37
- Sherritt Gordon, 1.36
- Smelters Gold, .01 1/4
- McLeod Cockshutt, 1.30
- Oklend, .14
- Mosher, .16
- Madsen Red Lake, .38
- Stadacona, .48
- Frontier Red Lake, .05
- Francoeur, .51
- Moneta Porcupine, 2.10
- Bouscadillac, .11
- Thomson Cadillac, .34
- Bankfield, .61
- East Malartic, 1.00
- Preston East Dome, 1.11
- Hutchison Lake, .09
- Dawson White, .02
- Aldermac, .54
- Kerr Addison, 1.62
- Uchi Gold, .90
- Martin Bird, .40
- Int. Nickel, 43.50
- Noranda, 50.25
- Smelters, 57.00
- Athona, .10

Southbound from Skagway to Vancouver, C.P.R. steamer Princess North, Capt. William Palmer, is due in port at 3:30 this afternoon from the north and will sail at 5 p.m. The vessel is carrying a capacity list of passengers from Alaska, the Yukon and Northern British Columbia.

Toll Goes Up On Highways

Fatalities On Old Country Roads Reach Year's Peak In October

LONDON, Dec. 9 (C.P.)—Great Britain's October death toll from road accidents—618—was the highest of any month to date in 1937. Accidents in October, 1936, also resulted in 618 deaths.

Injuries on the roads in October, however, showed a drop of 354 compared with the same month last year. They totalled 19,868. In the London metropolis area October road deaths totalled 89.

Library Board Is In Session

Increase in Borrowers, Total Of Which is Now 4134

The Prince Rupert Library Board held its regular monthly meeting last night. Those present were Frank Dibb, chairman; T. B. Black, secretary; Mrs. G. H. Arnold, R. E. Moore, T. J. Williams and Miss Olive van Cooten, librarian.

An increase in borrowers was noted this month bringing the total number of borrowers at the library to 4,134.

Circulation was as follows:

Fiction	1718
Non-fiction	307
Juvenile	435
Pay	433

Total 2893

The library was open twenty-two days and average daily circulation was 131.5.

The new non-fiction volumes provided by the government have proved to be very acceptable and have a wide circulation.

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, Dec. 9. (CP)—Wheat was trading at \$1.26 1/4 on the Vancouver market yesterday, advanced to \$1.28 1/4 today.