PROVINCIAL LIBRARY VICTORIA, B.C.

Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Part cloudy, fog banks; northerly wind, two miles per hour; barometer, 30.24 (falling); temperature, 47; sea smooth

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides

High ..... 5:26 a.m. 16.5 ft.
18:50 p.m. 16.6 ft.
Low ..... 12:05 p.m. 6.3 ft.

Vol. XXVII., No. 118. PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., FRIDAY, MAY 20, 1938. PRICE:

PROV. LIBRARY, 31 Mar. 39, 120 PARLIAMENT BLDGS.

Civil War In Mexico Latest Talk

IMPORTANCE OF SUCHOW

Japs Assert Its Capture is of Utmost Strategic Importance—Chinese Say it Means Little

Fly Over Japan

Two Chinese Bombers Drop Leaflets Instead of Bombs on Nipponese Islands

HANKOW, May 20 (CP)—Crews of two big Chinese bombers were given a great welcome today on their return from what Chinese aviation headquarters described as a 2500-mile flight over Western Japan, dropping leaflets urging Japanese to oppose the invasion of China and withdraw while they could still do so gracefully.

SHANGHAI, May 20.— The Japanese claim that the capture of Suchow, Lunghai Railway centre, is of vital strategic importance in their Chinese campaign. The Chinese, on the other hand, say the loss of the city will have little effect upon them, particularly since they lost none of their fighting forces which had been withdrawn in an orderly manner on the place being abandoned.

The Japanese admit that the Chinese force defending Suchow made good its escape without suffering heavy casualties. Later, however, the commonding general of the Japanese armies said that a Chinese division had been surrounded in the Suchow area without chance of escape.

The Japanese have already started construction of an airport at Suchow which will be used as a base for an aerial campaign against Hankow.

Before the Japanese can make any effective advance on Hankow, it will be necessary for them to clear out large forces of guerrillas between there and Peiping, the Chinese assert.

Commanders of the Japanese army today made a triumphal entry into Suchow, the army mopping up Chinese forces around the strategic city.

General Chiang Kai Shek, Chinese generalissimo, is believed to have escaped from Suchow by airplane.

Today's Weather

(Government Telegraphs)

Triple Island—Clear, northwest wind, six miles per hour; sea smooth.

Langara Island— Part cloudy southwest wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 30.30; temperature, 48; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, light northwest wind; barometer, 30.20; temperature, 52; sea smooth

Bull Harbor—Clear, calm; barometer, 30.15; temperature, 44; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear, calm; barometer, 30.10; temperature, 53; light swell.

Estevan — Clear, easterly wind six miles per hour; barometer, 30.12.

Victoria—Clear, northerly wind eight miles per hour; barometer, 30.12.

Vancouver—Clear, easterly wind four miles per hour; barometer, 30.12.

Prince George—Clear, southwest wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 30.12.

Terrace—Clear, calm, 60.
Aiyansh—Part cloudy, calm, 60.
Alice Arm—Clear, calm, 55.
Anyox—Clear, calm, 53.
Stewart—Clear, calm, 52.
Hazelton—Clear, calm, 62.
Smithers—Clear, calm, 64.
Burns Lake—Clear, calm, 53.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, May 20: (CP) — Wheat was trading at $1.03½ on the Vancouver market yesterday.

Western States And Alaska Will Be Represented

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20:— The six man commission representing United States which will confer with a similar commission from Canada in regard to the proposed Alaska highway through British Columbia is expected to include Delegate A. J. Dimond of Alaska, Congressman Warren G. Magnuson of Washington and representatives of the states of Oregon and California.

BIG STRIKE THREATENED

All Organized Labor in United States May Go Out if Fifteen Per Cent Wage Cut is Made

NEW YORK, May 20.—Union executives stated here yesterday that a nation-wide strike of organized labor may ensue if the railways of the country go ahead with their plan to impose a fifteen per cent wage reduction.

Railway union officials say they are prepared to observe the rules of negotiation but are emphatic in saying that they will not accept the proposed wage cut and, if it is applied, there will almost certainly be a complete strike of organized labor throughout the country.

Manufacturers Opposing Bill

Transport Measure at Ottawa Is Not Favored by Association, Ottawa Committee Hears

MONTREAL, May 20:—The Canadian Manufacturers' Association before Parliamentary committee yesterday, opposed the transport Bill which would change the present Board of Railway Commissioners to a Board of Transport having jurisdiction over railway, steamship and aerial forms of transport.

WILL HAVE JUNIOR HIGH

City Commissioner Hopes Gardening Will Be One of Subjects Taught in School

A special grant has been given to Prince Rupert to enable it to establish a Junior High School this year, City Commissioner W. J. Alder announced at the Horticultural Society dinner meeting last night. He hoped that it would be passible to include gardening in the curriculm. It was very important, he considered, that young people should be encouraged to take an interest in gardening and general beautification work.

Oil Companies Deny Charges

Were Not Trying to Start Up Unrest and Revolution in Mexico, They Declare

MEXICO CITY, May 20. — The Mexican government is in receipt of an official denial from representatives of British and American oil companies, whose holdings were recently expropriated by the Mexican government, that the companies were trying to start unrest and revolution in this country.

Led 2000 Students

ROY THOMAS

Roy Thomas of Prince Rupert, who won the Governor General's gold medal by leading the graduating class at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, was in the van of no less than 2096 students who wrote the final examinations this spring.

Montreal Woman Died In Prayer

MONTREAL, May 20.— The body of Jessie Hamilton, believed to have been dead for two months, has been found here. She was kneeling beside her bed, her hands clasped as if in prayer. Death is believed to have been due to natural causes.

BULLETINS

EYES ON DEWDNEY

MISSION CITY—Political eyes of British Columbia are centred today on the Dewdney by-election to fill the vacancy occasioned through the death of the late Dr. Frank P. Patterson, Conservative leader. It is a beautiful sunny day and a large vote is being recorded. Supporters of all three candidates— W. A. Jones, Conservative; Miss Mildred Osterhout, C.C.F. and D. W. Strachan, Liberal—express confidence as to the outcome. Impartial opinion seems to be that it will be a close result.

WOULD CUT RADIO FEE

OTTAWA—Early establishment of a high power short wave broadcasting station by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation is suggested in a radio committee report submitted to the House of Commons by the chairman, Arthur Beaubien, chairman. The committee also recommends that the application of the radio license fee recently raised to $2.50 per year be carefully reviewed in the light of this year's experience with a view to effecting a reduction.

GOVERNMENT WINS

LONDON—The National government checked the unfavorable trend of by-elections yesterday by retaining Atlesbury division of Buckinghamshire by a margin of nearly eleven thousand votes. Sir Stanley Reed, Conservative, was elected.

EX-MAYOR WAUGH DIES

WINNIPEG — Richard Deans Waugh, chief commissioner of the Manitoba Liquor Commission and former mayor of Winnipeg and Commissioner, of the Saar, died here today.

Elderly Man Is Missing From His Cabin Home

Search is being instituted by the provincial police today for Charles French, well known hereabouts for many years, who has been missing for the past three days from his cabin along the railway track between Billmor and Kaien. He is a prospector between 65 and 70 years of age. He was last in town about a week ago when, complaining of not feeling well, he consulted a physician.

PROBING DISASTER

Special Federal Board Investigating Fatal Airplane Crash in California This Week

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 20.—A special federal board has been appointed to investigate the crash on Sunday of the Northwest Air Lines $80,000 transport plane in Mint Canyon near Los Angeles with loss of nine lives. A thorough effort will be made to establish the cause. Authorities are unable to account for the fact that the pilot should have been flying so close to the ground when evidently in receipt of radio direction signals.

Not Interested In Debts Of Austria

Italy Joins Germany in Its Attitude of Repudiation Of Obligations

GENEVA, May 20:—Italian representatives have withdrawn from the committee considering loan guarantees made by the former Austrian government. Both Germany and Italy assert that they took no part in these guarantees and have therefore, no responsibility in connection with them They were guaranteed by the League of Nations.

CIVIL WAR PROLONGED

Italy Objects to France Supplying Arms and Ammunition to Spanish Loyalists

ROME, May 20.—As one explanation of the breakdown of friendship negotiations between France and Italy, official Italian newspapers yesterday charged France with supplying arms and ammunition at a high rate of speed to the Spanish government and thereby prolonging the civil war in that country.

Up To Mussolini

PARIS, May 20: (CP)—Relying on her close understanding with Great Britain, France has put the question of a friendship pact with Italy squarely up to Premier Mussolini and political informants said that negotiations, deadlocked since May 11, will have to be reopened by Italy.

The French acceptance of the British plan for ending intervention in Spain has assured her of Great Britain's support.

Should Mussolini refuse to negotiate an agreement on that basis, Great Britain could not hold France responsible.

BAR SILVER

NEW YORK: (CP) —Bar silver was unchanged at 42¾c per fine ounce on the New York metal market today.

EIGHTY AT GATHERING

Flower Growers Hold Annual Meeting, Elect Directors and See Beautiful Pictures

Mrs. Mandy's Address

Local Scenes Prove Intensely Interesting to Those Who Viewed Them Last Evening

Last evening eighty garden enthusiasts sat down to dinner in the Boston Cafe for the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Horticultural Society, President Charles B. Balagno in the chair. It was a happy event, the outstanding feature of which was an address "Flowers Pay" by Mrs. J. T. Mandy, with Dr. Mandy operating a lantern and showing colored pictures of local gardens. Mrs. Bernard Lundahl delighted with three vocal selections, accompanied by Mr. Balagno. A new executive was chosen and there were brief addresses by the president and the city commissioner. The new executive consists of Mrs. C. J. Norrongton, Mrs. Neal Carter, Mrs. R. M. Winslow, Mrs. J. T. Mandy, Frank Dibb, Staff Sergeant G. H. Greenwood, Horace Duhamel, J. R. Murray, Jack Fuller, C. P. Balagno, F. Warne and H. F. Pullen.

Among those present at the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Massey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dibb, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Thompson, Miss Dorothy Stiles, Miss E. M. Earl, Mrs. F. St. Amour, Miss Audrey Wrathall, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wrathall, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McRae, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Lock, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McClymont, Mrs. L. Hope, Phillip M. Ray, Andrew Ronald, Walter Longwill, H. A. DuHamel, William Gair, Mrs. W. D. Vance, Mrs. H. A. Breen, Mrs. N. M. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Borland, Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, Rev. W. F. Rushbrook, Miss Mary C. Astoria, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Norrington, H. Kraupner, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Priest, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bodie, Dr. W. C. Aspinall, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fraser, Robert Gordon, Dean and Mrs. J. B. Gibson, Mrs. L. A. Baker, Mrs. W. McCallum, F. Warne, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Balagno, Mr. and Mrs. Croft Brook, Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Lundahl, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Mandy, Capt. and Mrs. Ivan Halsey, Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Alder, Colonel and Mrs. S. D. Johnston, Jarvis H. McLeod, F. J. Fuller, Mrs. C. Campbell, Mrs. J. Durran, R. M. Winslow, H. F. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pullen, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. McLachlan and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Collart.

In opening the proceedings President Balagno congratulated the society on the large attendance at the dinner. He thought it spoke well for the success of the organization that so many were present. Reviewing briefly the work of the year, he said the last annual flower show was a good one in spite of adverse weather conditions. Professor Barss of the University of B. C., who came to judge the exhibits, had proved very helpful.

City Commissioner Alder spoke of the changed appearance of the city in the past few years. He considered that gardeners profited from their own work and the city also profited. He said he would like to see an effort made in the schools to teach the children gardening.

The medals and diplomas won last year were presented.

Mrs. Mandy's Address

In her address Mrs. Mandy said that the steamship companies had found it true that flowers paid. They advertised the beautiful Brancharagain Gardens at Skagway and tourists were taken to see the Ben My Chree gardens at Atlin. The Blanchard garden was simply overpowering, and the Ben My Chree garden was a paradise of flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Partridge, who founded it, went to the Klondike during the gold rush and they discovered the gold of happiness in their wilderness garden. Hundreds of people visited it every year. She said that gardens paid dividends in four ways. They developed a happy outlook on life; gardening was a constructive and unselfish hobby, giving pleasure to the gardener and to others; it provided a topic of conversation for it was always better to talk about gardens than to talk about the neighbors. Lastly it provided something for the tourists to see and, so far as Prince Rupert

(Continued on Page 4)

General Cedillo Ready To Repel Agression By Cardenas, He Declares

Former Army Officer Says He Will Not Start Trouble But is Prepared For Guerrilla Warfare If President Precipitates It

SAN LUIS POTOSI, Mexico, May 20: (CP)—General Saturnino Cedillo, former Mexican Army general, prepared today for guerrilla warfare with the army of President Cardenas. Cedillo said today that he wouldn't start it but was ready with arms to repel "all aggression." So serious does the government consider the situation that it has declared martial law at a number of points.

Halibut Sales

American—80,000 pounds, 6.5c and 5c.

Canadian—94,900 pounds, 5c and 4c to 6.5c and 4c.

American

Sunde, 38,000, Cold Storage, 6.5c and 5c.

Excel, 21,000, Cold Storage, 6.5c and 5c.

Hazel H., 21,000, Booth, 6.5c and 5c.

Canadian

Viking I., 10,500, Atlin, 6.2c and 4c.

Cape Spencer, 14,500, Cold Storage, 6.2c and 4c.

Embla, 16,000, Pacific, 6.3c and 4c.

Arctic I., 14,000, Atlin, 6.5c and 4c.

Kerielle, 10,000, Cold Storage, 5.4c and 4c.

Dominoe II., 8,700, Atlin, 5c and 4c.

Northland, 8,000, Cold Storage, 6.1c and 4c.

Minnie V, 5,000, Cold Storage, 5.1c and 4c.

Daniel S., 1,600, Booth, 5.1c and 4c.

Rio Rita, 5,000, Atlin, 5c and 4c.

Sunnyside, 1,600, Atlin, 5c and 4c.

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands — Moderate to fresh southeast winds, increasing cloudiness and becoming somewhat unsettled.

Today's Baseball

American League

Philadelphia 5, Detroit 2. (School Boy Rowe batted out of box.)

Washington 3, Cleveland 6.

Boston 14, St. Louis 2 (sixth inning).

New York-Chicago, rained out.

National League

Cincinnati 4, New York 0. (Schumacher batted out of box.)

Pittsburg 5, Brooklyn 7.

Chicago 16, Philadelphia 7.

St. Louis-Boston, rained out.

Minorities To Be Considered

Czech Premier Would Prefer To Regard Germans and Hungarians As "Partners in Government

PRAHA, May 20:—Premier Milan Hodza of Czecho-Slovakia said yesterday that minorities in Czech-Slovakia would be given every consideration in forthcoming elections. Dr. Hodza said he would prefer to regard the German, Hungarian and other elements of Czecho-Slovakia as "partners in government" rather than as minorities.

Many More Cars Are Operating

Great Increase This Year Over Last in Ontario, Licence Figures Reveal

TORONTO, May 20:—There are more automobiles operating in Ontario this year than there were last year, it is revealed by the licensing bureau.

Longshoremen In Jamaica On General Strike

KINGSTON, Jamaica, May 20:— Demanding wage increases ranging from 16c to 25c per hour, longshoremen of this port have gone on strike.

Ford Motor Strike In Mexico Illegal

Order Issued Requiring Workers To Return to Jobs Within Twenty-Four Hours

MEXICO, May 20:—The strike in the Ford Motor Co.'s plant here has been declared illegal and an order was issued last night requiring all the workers to return to their jobs within twenty-four hours.

Relief Fraud In Montreal

Six Persons Receive Sentences Of From Fifteen Days to Six Months Imprisonment

MONTREAL, May 20: — On charges of defrauding the relief commission, six persons were yesterday given sentences of from fifteen days to six months imprisonment here.