(8 A.M.)

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VICTORIA, BA

California Deluge Is Now Receding

CHECK UP ON JAPS

ells How Investigation will Be Conducted By Board of Review

VANCOUVER, March 4: (CP) isit on personal business, that a or £18,642,000 over last year. oard of review will be established tith representatives of the immiration, Royal Canadian Mounted tary estimate later on. olice and external affairs depart-1 nents. This board will receive rep-esentations from any one claiming United Church have information regarding Japnese illegally in the province and Is Opposed To rientals to be deported. The

An immigration, justice, national efense, labor, fisheries, statistics nd external affairs inter-departan Mounted Police will also be as- Canada.

Veterans' Resolution

OLIVER, March 4: (CP) - The liver branch of the Canadian Legon has passed a resolution, for thich it will seek endorsation from ther branches, asking strict supervision of all Japanese activities h Canada. Drastic limitation of ishing and other licenses to Japane is also advocated.

ADVANCE CLAIMED

apanese Insist That They are Winning in Southern Shansi Province With 100,000 Chinese in Trap

SHANGHAI, March 4: (CP)—For he fourth consecutive day, the apanese claimed that Chinese restance in southern Shansi Provnce is breaking and that 100,000 elending troops have been caught by the Japanese in a death trap in

ort Arthur Is Giving Tickets Unemployed

ORT ARTHUR, March 4: (CP)-In regard to protests which have ome from the west at this city ranting transportation to unemployed men in that direction, it was lated by municipal authorities here esterday that only seventy-one such tickets had been issued. Of hese nineteen were to Calgary and x to Vancouver. The unemployent situation reached somewhat la crisis here recently when some lve hundred men were thrown out work through closing down of a iphite pulp mill.

Weather Forecast

ed through the courtesy of e Dominion Meteorological Bureau at oria and Prince Rupert. This foreis compiled from obversations taour period ending 5 p.m. tomorrow)

General Synopsis—The pressure low off Vancouver Island and the weather has been mild in British Columbia. It has been fair in he north and showery in the south. Prince Rupert and Queen Chartte Islands-Moderate northerly winds, mostly fair today. Saturday becoming unsettled with strong

West Coast of Vancouver Island-Moderate variable winds, mostly fair today and unsettled with fong winds Saturday.

FOR NAVY

Are Being Announced in British House Today

LONDON, March 4: (CP)-With stating that the Japanese problem the Air Force and army already British Columbia will be thor- heard from, the navy's share in oughly investigated shortly, Hon. Great Britain's defense estimates an Mackenzie, minister of national was announced to Parliament toefense, said here during a one-day day. They amount to £123,707,000

> An accompanying memorandum said there would be a supplemen-

oard will receive evidence in pri- Sweepstakes

VERNON, March 4: (CP)—Okanental committee will be authoriz- agan Presbytery of the United to collaborate with the review Church of Canada, in session here, pard to carry out a check-up. A passed a resolution opposing any pecial detail of the Royal Canad- move to legalize sweepstakes in

TODAY'S STOCKS (Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

B. C. Nickel, .18.

Big Missouri, .441/2. Bralorne, 8.80. Aztec. .09. Dentonia, .11. Cariboo Quartz, 2.05. Golconda, .05. Minto, .031/2. Fairview, .041/2. Noble Five, .03. Pend Oreille, 2.00. Pioneer, 3.15. Porter Idaho, .03. Premier, 2.32. Reno, .61. Relief Arlington, .22. Reward, .04. Salmon Gold, .07. Taylor Bridge, .05. Hedley Amalgamated, .05. Premier Border, .011/2. Silbak Premier, 2.10. Congress, .01. Home Gold, .011/2. Grandview, .08. Indian, .021/2. Quatsino Copper, .031/2. Haida Gold, .07.

Oils A. P. Con., .25. Calmont, .44. C. & E., 2.76. Freehold, .051/4. Hargal, .19. McDougall Segur, .201/2. Mercury. .151/2. Okalta, 1.90.

Home Oil, 1.25.

Toronto Beattie, 1.33.

Central Patricia, 3.00. Gods Lake, .56. Little Long Lac, 4.90. McKenzie Red Lake, .97. Pickle Crow, 4.85. Red Lake Gold Shore, .29. San Antonio, 1.43. Sherritt Gordon, 1.43. Smelters Gold, .02. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.60. Oklend, .41. Mosher, .31. Madsen Red Lake, .45. Stadacona, .27. Frontier Red Lake, .05. Francoeur, .45. Moneta Porcupine, 2.3. Bouscadillac, .12. Thompson Cadillac, .28. Bankfield, .85. East Malartic, 1.58. Preston East Dome, 1.12. Hutchison Lake, .10. Dawson White, .021/2. Kerr Addison, 2.17. Uchi Gold, 1.84. Martin Bird, .50. Hardrock, 2.26. Inter'l Nickel, 50.25.

Noranda, 60.75.

Con. Smelters, 60.50.

Body Blow Dealt At Social Credit By Supreme Court In Rendering Adverse Decisions

OTTAWA, March 4: (CP)—The Supreme Court of Canada appeared to have struck a body blow at Social Credit plans of the Aberhart government of Alberta Loday.

The court not only ruled unconstitutional Alberta bills dealing with credit regulation, regulation of newspapers and bank taxes but Chief Justice Lyman Duff ruled against the Alberta Social Credit Act, cornerstone of the Alberta government's financial structure.

In a series of judgments, the Supreme Court ruled as follows:

First, held as unconstitutional the Act to Amend and Consolidate the Credit of Alberta. Second, held as unconstitutional the Taxation of

Banks Act. Third, held as unconstitutional the Act to ensure

publication of accurate news and information.

Fourth, ruled that the Dominion had power to disallow provincial enactments without restriction.

Fifth, ruled that Lieutenant Governors had power to reserve their assent from provincial legislation subject only to instructions from the Governor Gen-

Going outside the terms of the reference to the court, Chief Justice Duff passed opinion on the Alberta Social Credit Act which he found was outside the legal jurisdiction of the province.

The Court was unanimous in all the judgments.

Aberhart Disappointed EDMONTON, March 4: (CP)—Disappointment over the adverse judgment of the Supreme Court was expressed by Premier William Aberhart today. "Naturally, I am disappointed over the decision," the Premier said "but I would not care to comment until I have had an opportunity to give more consideration to the situation."

Girl Fights Fire Until Arrival Of Department Today

Miss Jean Thomas, waitress at the Royaii Lunch, between the time the fire department was called and its arrival on the scene assisted materially in preventing what might have been a rather serious fire at 8:55 this morning. The roof had become ignited from sparks from the chimney. Miss Thomas climbed to the roof and kept throwing; water on the fire from buckets which were handed to her by the cook. The girl kept the fire under control and prevented it from spreading until the department ar-

All Planes In West Held Up

Minister of Transport Explains Failure of Opening Day of TransCanada Service

OTTAWA, March 4: (CP)-Referring in the House of Commons last night to the failure of projected experimental mail-carrying flights of the TransCanada Airways between Vancouver and Winnipeg on Tuesday, Hon. Clarence D. Howe, minister of transport, pointed out that on that day every airplane between Mexico and Alaska had been grounded on account of fog. The accuracy of the meteorological service in connection with the airways had been demonstrated, Mr. Howe declared.

at 10 o'clock.

BROKE CRANKSHAFT

On her way from the banks to Seattle with a catch of red cod, the well known halibut boat Addington, Capt. Magnus Jacobsen, Calgary For broke her crankshaft near Butedale at the first of this week. She was picked up by the former local boat Chief Skugaid, Capt. Humphreys, now engaged in coast freighting, and taken on to Se-

ELECT JURY TRIAL

Judge W. E. Fisher in County Ald. Latimer. Court this morning. They will come up at the May Assizes.

PUBLISHER DIES

SAN FRANCISCO - Robert Scripps, aged 42, principal stockholder in the Scripps-Howard newspaper chain, died aboard his yacht off the Lower California coast, it was learned today.

PRESERVE SOVEREIGNTY PRAHA, Czecho - Slovakia -Premier Milan Hodza told the Chamber of Deputies of Czecho-Slovakia today that he was determined to defend to the uttermost the sovereignty, boundaries and independence of his country. He was willing to reach an understanding with Germany on the "basis of absolute equality."

BAR SILVER

al market today.

UNIFYING RAILWAYS

Senator Beaubian Proposes Joint "Absolutely Nothing Under Consid-Management for Two Lines

OTTAWA, March 4: (CP)-Sen-1 ator C. P. Beaubian, in the Senate, proposed joint management of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways by a board of fifteen directors. He declared that Canada was poorer by a billion dollars because no action had been taken on a Senate resolution of 1925 to establish such a board. He said that objections to the proposal were fast fading away.

Fernie Jail Is Being Renaired So Men Go Free

FERNIE. March 4: (CP) The nolice of Fernie were put in ar embarrassing position vesterday when six men were convicted of obtaining relief by false pretences but could not be sent to jail because the lock-up here is undermoing renairs and cannot be used in the meantime. Suspended sentences were imposed.

MEET IN

Liberal Convention is Expected to Be Held There in September

KELOWNA, March 4: (CP) - A provincial Liberal Association convention will be held in Kelowna; probably on September 8 and 9, Dr. W. J. Knox, president of the Association, said on his return from l the coast where he conferred with Premier T. D. Pattullo and the cab-; inet ministers. It would be the first Okanagan venue for such a con-

Alderman Of Jobless Trek

CALGARY, March 4: (CP)narch of unemployed upon Otlawa in demand for more adequate contribution by the federal government toward unemployed relief James Bennett and Ernest An- was advocated by Ald. Latimer in lerson, charged with breaking addressing a meeting of unemand entering the store of James ployed here. Such a march should Smith at Terrace, elected for have the support of all municijury trial on appearing before palities along the way, declared

WINNIPEG WHEAT PRICES

WINNIPEG, March 4: (CP) -3ac to 7ac yesterday, May closing at \$1.261/8.

Political Groups Are Given Freedom

Fascists or Any Other Movement, Says Wismer

NEW YORK: (CP) -Bar sil would be taken against this or any boundary taking in the Peace River ver was unchanged at 44% c per other political group as long as Block and the Yukon. The text of Steamer Venture is due tonight fine ounce on the New York met their activities were in compliance the resolution was published in the with the law.

SHIP DEAL IS DENIED

eration" Regarding C. P. R. Taking Over C. N. S. Says Hungerford

VANCOUVER, March 4: (CP) -I can denv that. There is abcolutely nothing under consideration in that regard.

So said S. J. Hungerford, president of the Canadian National Railways, in regard to reorts that have been current on the coast for some time that Canadian National Railways were considering giving over their Pacific coastal steamships and marine facilities to Canadian Pacific Railways coast service. The rumor made its appearance in the Vancouver press yesterday practically simultaneous with M". Hungerford's arrival here in the course of an inspection visit and was promptly spiked by the

railway president. Mr. Hungerford was in con ference with the Vancouver city council today to lay before the council outline of an arrangement by which the new Cana- 'washed out. dian National Railways Hotel would be jointly operated by the Canadian National and Canadi an Pacific Railways, a plan which has been under contemplation for some time. Mr. Hungerford said the Canadian National hotel would be opened in May of next year. There would be only one hotel under the proposed arrangement, the Hotel Vancouver closing with the opening of the new building. As previously intimated, it is considered probable that the Hotel

THE HOTEL DEAL

Vancouver would be turned into

an office or apartment block.

After receiving Mr. Hungeradjourned until late afternoon D. Pattullo said today. adian Pacific.

been reached" between the rail 'nature of territory." structure. A new company would | Elections Act. be formed with a board of directors af three representatives of each railway to administer the TORIES ARE hotel in joint interest.

The Canadian National President said he would order work carried forward with "all possible expedition" if endorsation was received for the proposal. The hotel would open at the earliest possible date next year, probably in May.

Winnipeg wheat futures were down McBride Secession Plan For North Is Centre Of Interest

Considerable interest has, appar-No Intention to Interfere With ently, been created in the south by a resolution of the McBride Farmers' Institute expressing disgust at inability of that community to get VICTORIA, March 4: (CP) -- a road from McBride to Prince Asked yesterday if the provincial George to connect with the provingovernment would take any steps cial highway system and proposing to prevent the spread of Fascist the formation of a new province of organization to British Columbia Northern British Columbia to inas suggested in a Montreal dis clude the territory north of the patch, Hon. Gordon Wismer, At. | Canadian National Railways line torney General, said no action from Prince Rupert to the Alberta Daily News several days ago.

HUGE TOLL IN FLOOD; 144 DEAD

Southern California Views Ruination as High Water Recedes-11 Inches in Five Days

LOS ANGELES, March 4: (CP)-Leaving 144, and possibly more, dead and missing with thousands homeless and millions of dollars damage, flood waters in Southern California are receding today. The full extent of death toll and damage will not be known until communication and transportation services have been restored. Work of clearing away the devastation of the battering five-day rainstorm has com-

Santa Ana and four other counties in the vicinity of Los Angeles appear to have caught the brunt of the precipitation and floods. Santa Ana was still silent last night. There was no less than eleven inches of rain here during the last

five days. Citrus groves have been extensively damaged.

Numberless bridges have been

SEATAGE TO BE REVISED

Redistribution Will Be Coming Up at Next Session of Legislature, Premier Pattullo Announces

VICTORIA, March 4. (CF)-A redistribution bill modifying the existing provincial electoral boundaries will be introduced by the government at the fall session of the ford's proposal, the city council provincial legislature, Premier T.

to give D. E. McTaggart, corpor- 1 "Our object is not to bring about ation counsel, a chance to study idrastic curtailment of representathe plan whereby the new hotel tion as has been suggested," Mr. will be jointly operated by the Pattullo said. "It is not that at all. Canadian National and the Can- Our object is to revise the electoral boundaries and wipe out existing Mr. Hungerford told the coun- anomolies in regard to population, cil that an "understanding had | community interest and physical

lines in regard to the hotel. The | The Premier said that a commitnew hotel would be known as | tee including members of all part-"Hotel Vancouver," the name of jies in the House would study rethe present Canadian Pacific distribution and also revision of the

Most Important Gathering Since Winnipeg at Ottawa Today-Question of Leadership

OTTAWA, March 4: (CP)-Conservatives from all parts of Canada are meeting here today in conference. It is heralded in political circles as the most important gathering of the party since the Winnipeg convention.

Two matters of outstanding importance to be taken up include future leadership and the calling of a national convention.

Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett. Leader of the Opposition, is expected to reveal his exact physical condition and his personal ideas as to the lead rship. Mr. Bennett will be sixty-eight years of age in July and it is not likely there will be another general election campaign before he is seventy.

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, March 4: (CP) -Wheat was trading at \$1.361/8 on the Vancouver market yesterday.