

Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Overcast, south east wind, fourteen miles per hour; barometer, 30.18 (rising); temperature, 36; sea choppy.

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Tomorrow's Tides

High 8:42 a.m. 18.3 ft. 22:04 p.m. 15.4 ft. Low 1:55 a.m. 10.3 ft. 15:35 p.m. 7.6 ft.

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Japan May Put Plot Up To Canada

EXPECTED HOUSE WILL AIR VIEWS ON POWER AT COMING SESSION

Social Insurance, Trade and Defense Will Probably Be Discussed in Parliament Opening at Ottawa This Week

OTTAWA, January 24: (CP)—Unemployment and the constitutional amendment necessary to launching a national scheme may be the feature of the government's legislative program to be laid before parliament at the opening on January 27. Trade, defense and foreign policies may also be subjects of major debate but not necessarily of government legislation.

The bulk of governmental sessional work is customarily outlined in the speech from the throne and that document is a closely-guarded secret until the governor-general reads it to the members of both Houses assembled in the Senate Chamber on opening day.

Export of electricity is expected to be brought up in some manner to enable the members to express their views but whether in the form of a government or private motion has not been indicated. Prime Minister Mackenzie King and his cabinet colleagues recently refused Ontario a licence to export power pending such expression by parliament as to the policy to be followed.

Regardless of whether the new trade agreement with United States is ready for presentation to this session of parliament or whether Canada's part in the United Kingdom-United States trade agreement comes to the forefront during the session, that subject is certain to be a matter of important debate.

Where Provinces Agree

Early in November Mr. Mackenzie King announced his hope of initiating at the forthcoming session a scheme of national unemployment insurance with approval of the provinces on the necessary constitutional amendment. So far that approval has come from all except Quebec, Alberta and New Brunswick.

Conferences have been held during the recess between Dominion and provinces on old age pensions and a uniform company law. Conclusions reached on old age pensions indicated there would be legislation amending the regulations and there is a possibility some further changes in the Dominion company laws may be effected.

Other possibilities for the legislative program include measures dealing with loan companies, the manufacture and export of arms, the Dominion franchise act, agriculture and marketing, housing and slum clearance and transfer of the Yukon Territory to British Columbia. There will be further amendments to the criminal code, the annual measure authorizing the government to deal with unemployment and farm relief and a large crop of divorce bills.

Transport Minister Howe's bill to enlarge the Board of Railway Commissioners in the form of a transport commission governing the operations of all carriers, brought up in the Senate last year and defeated, may come up again but there has been no definite word on the subject.

The general belief has been that the legislative program would prove brief. But that would not necessarily mean a short session and it is expected this third assembly of the 18th parliament since Confederation may not be only long but strenuous.

Defense expenditures and the government's attitude toward foreign wars, particularly with respect to relations with aggressor nations will probably be much to the forefront. Opposition Leader R. B. Bennett is expected to make an issue of rumored plans to sacrifice

Janitor Is Arrested In St Hyacinthe

ST. HYACINTHE, Quebec, Jan. 24: — The sixty-eight-year-old janitor of Sacred Heart College, which was destroyed by fire early last Tuesday morning with twenty-nine inmates known dead and twelve still missing, was arrested by provincial police yesterday after failing to give satisfactory answers to questions of provincial police.

INDEMNITY IS SOUGHT

Japan Would Have China Pay for War Damage—Alarmed at Troop Movements

TOKYO, Jan. 24: — Foreign Minister Hirota today demanded full indemnity from China for all Japanese property destroyed by Chinese in the course of the present conflict in China. The Japanese claim millions of dollars of their property to have been destroyed, chiefly in Shanghai and Tsingtao, before those cities were captured. In Tsingtao alone, it is claimed, there was destruction to the extent of \$70,000,000 in textile mills which were laid waste before the Chinese abandoned the port.

The Japanese are said to be alarmed over heavy movements of Chinese troops from Outer Mongolia into Inner Mongolia.

General Chiang Kai Shek was reported yesterday to have left Soochow for Hankow for a conference in regard to future Chinese military operations. Scores of Japanese bombs were dropped from aircraft into Soochow yesterday, occasioning heavy damage.

POST OFFICE WORK STARTS

Snow Cleared by Fire Hose—Rain Holds Up Excavation

With a fire hose being used to clear away a heavy fall of snow and loose debris, work on excavation for Prince Rupert's new \$125,000 federal building started this morning but was later suspended owing to heavy rain.

some preferences on the United Kingdom market to facilitate negotiation of a trade agreement between the United Kingdom and United States.

Infantile Paralysis Breaks Out In Bulkley Valley With Topley Reporting Two Cases

Two cases of infantile paralysis are reported at Topley, small community in the Bulkley Valley between Smithers and Burns Lake, the provincial police in Prince Rupert were advised today. The school has been closed and all meetings banned by Dr. G. G. Ferguson, medical health officer for the district. Police are not advised as to the identity of the patients or the severity of their condition.

TRIAL IS ON TODAY KILLED ON HIGHWAYS

Peter Anders, Charged With Kidnap-Murder of Charles Ross, In Court at Chicago—Had Other Plans

CHICAGO, Jan. 24: (CP)—John Seadlund, alias Peter Anders, is appearing in court here today for preliminary hearing on a charge of kidnap-murder of Charles S. Ross, wealthy retired real estate man, last September. According to his own confession, Anders also killed his own accomplice, James Atwood Gray, in what is regarded as one of the most diabolical crimes ever perpetrated in this country.

The federal Department of Justice from Washington said today that Seadlund had contemplated kidnapping two Major League baseball players. Seadlund, according to the police, had talked with an accomplice of kidnaping Dizzy Dean for \$50,000 ransom and also of kidnaping a member of the New York Yankee team for \$50,000 but had abandoned both schemes.

Two Deaths in Vancouver Vicinity Over Week-end Recorded

VANCOUVER, Jan. 24: (CP)—Gunda Singh, a Hindu, died in hospital here over the week-end from injuries suffered when he was struck by a car on the highway near Abbotsford. J. A. Carmichael, alleged driver of the death car, has been charged with manslaughter and released on bail of \$1000.

An unidentified elderly man was fatally injured when struck by a car on the Pacific Highway south of New Westminster.

Auto Breaks Through Ice Five Drown

ST. ANDREW'S, New Brunswick, Jan. 24: (CP)—Five persons, residents of this town, were drowned last night when an automobile they were riding plunged through the ice of nearby Chamcook Lake over which it was being driven. A sole survivor, Joseph Gibson, came through the hole made by the auto in breaking the ice. The dead are: William Craig, Albert Storr, Louis Hivon, Ralph Howe and Carten McCurdy.

REEVES ARE RE-ELECTED

Further Terms Given in Twenty-Three Cases—Solomon Mussallem Wins Again

VANCOUVER, Jan. 24: (CP)—Reeves of twenty-three British Columbia municipalities were returned for further terms following elections in eleven municipalities Saturday. Reeves of fifteen municipalities had been returned last Monday by acclamation.

The only new reeves are D. D. Chapman, who defeated Reeve G. A. Tisdall in North Cowichan; A. D. Catherwood, who defeated Reeve J. W. Doyle in Mission, and John Hunter, who was elected in Surrey where Reeve J. T. Brown did not seek re-election.

In Maple Ridge Reeve Solomon Mussallem, formerly of Prince Rupert, was re-elected by defeating James M. Cameron, a former councillor.

MILD IN CALGARY

CALGARY, Jan. 24:—In spite of calm and cloudless skies, weather is mild for this time of year in Calgary, the thermometer reading this morning having been twenty above zero.

AIR RAID IN FRANCE

Spanish Insurgents Cross Border And Kill Fifteen—Americans Figure in Fighting

PARIS, Jan. 24:—The French government will protest at an air raid by Spanish insurgent planes in French territory across the frontier from the Catalan front in Spain as a result of which fifteen persons were killed and a number injured. A number of French mobile guards were among the casualties.

Americans Wiped Out MADRID, Jan. 24:—Two units of American volunteers are reported to have destroyed a mechanized brigade of the insurgents in the vicinity of Teruel before being wiped out themselves.

BARCELONA, Jan. 24:—Five insurgent warships bombarded Barcelona, the Spanish government capital, yesterday, inflicting casualties and considerable damage. There was another fierce air raid on Barcelona.

JAPS ON INCREASE

Their Population in British Columbia Now Amounts to 25,000

VICTORIA, Jan. 24: (CP)—British Columbia Japanese population—the largest for any province in the Dominion—increased sixty-five per cent during the past fifteen years, Dr. W. A. Carruthers, head of the provincial research bureau, estimated Saturday.

Dr. Carruthers said that the increase was at the rate of seven hundred yearly with the total Japanese population of the province now more than 25,000.

HEAVIEST SNOWFALL

Seven Inches Recorded Here With in Twenty-Four Hours—Turns To Rain Today

Starting Saturday evening, Prince Rupert on Sunday had its heaviest snowfall so far this winter. A total of seven inches of snow was recorded by the Dominion meteorologist at Digby Island. It seemed fully this to the many people who had to turn out yesterday and shovel off their sidewalks. For a time during the day, the snowfall reached blizzard proportions. This morning the snow had turned to rain with a strong southeast wind and the prospect of some unpleasant slush for the next day or so. The city's new snowplow was put into use for the first time yesterday and today.

Six inches of new snow was reported over the rails of the Canadian National line in the Skeena Valley today. The snow plough is going out this afternoon to keep the line clear.

Insurance Office In Calgary Robbed

Sum of \$61 Taken When Cash Box of Great West Company is Rifled Saturday Night

CALGARY, Jan. 24:—For the second time within a few days, offices of the Great West Life Assurance Co. in the Toronto General Trusts Building here were robbed Saturday night. Entry was made through a transom, a cash box rifled and \$61 taken.

Probe Into Incident Last Week In Seattle Discussed At Tokyo

Seattle Believe That Rolphe Forsythe Had Powerful Backing—Investigation May Lead To Vancouver—More Dynamite Found At Tacoma.

TOKYO, Jan. 24: (CP)—Japan may ask the Canadian government to take steps in connection with the attempt by two Canadians last week to blow up the Japanese express liner Hiye Maru at Seattle, it was learned today. The incident, which led to the death of Rolphe Forsythe, Vancouver school teacher and one of two men involved,

and resulted in no damage to the ship, was discussed at the Foreign Office by Eugene H. Dopman, counsellor of the United States embassy.

Powerful Backing SEATTLE, Jan. 24: (CP)—Police today said they were convinced that Rolphe Forsythe, who lost his life last week in the attempt to bomb the Japanese liner Hiye Maru, had powerful backing. Detectives said that the search for suspected high-ups in the ship bombing attempt would probably take them to Vancouver, B.C. today.

The police point to the fact that the jobless Forsythe was known to have spent nearly \$200 on preparations for the bombing as a basis for their belief that he had outside help. Fifteen sticks of dynamite recovered at Seattle and Tacoma cost \$80 alone.

Another bomb, similar to that found in Seattle harbor, was located at the end of the waak at Tacoma.

STRIKE IS CONCLUDED

Settlement Reached Between Seiners and Operators of Local Reduction Plants

Seining of herring in Prince Rupert Harbor for the Port Edward and Tucks Inlet reduction plants will be resumed tomorrow after a two weeks' tie-up on account of a seiners' strike. The basis of settlement between the B. C. Packers and Tucks Inlet Packing Co. and the seiners is \$1.28 per ton for fish out of which is deducted board. The price which had been offered was \$1.10.

Herring seining has been suspended in Prince Rupert Harbor since before Christmas when it was ordered closed down by the Department of Fisheries. Early in January the department announced that it had been decided to permit resumption of herring seining in the harbor until a total of 15,000 tons had been taken or another 5,500 tons over and above the 9,500 tons which had been previously caught.

The herring are ground into fish meal at the Tucks Inlet and Port Edward plants.

China Clipper On Way Again

Big Flying Boat Leaves For Honolulu After Having Been Forced Back Last Week

ALAMEDA, Jan. 24:—The Pan American Airways transPacific flying boat China Clipper, which had been forced back last Friday by gas line trouble when six hundred miles out to sea on a flight to Honolulu, started out again today with the same eight passengers on board.

Today's Weather

(Government Telegraphs) Triple Island—Raining, southeast wind, 24 miles per hour; sea choppy. Langara Island—Raining, easterly wind, 20 miles per hour; barometer, 29.83; temperature, 38; sea choppy. Dead Tree Point—Raining, strong southeast wind, barometer, 29.90; temperature, 40; sea rough. Terrace—Light snow, east wind, temperature, 26. Aiyansh—Snowing, calm, 26. Alice Arm—Light snow, north-east wind, 30. Anyox—Light snow, calm, 27. Stewart—Cloudy, calm, 26. Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, 16. Smithers—Cloudy, calm, 20. Burns Lake—Snowing, calm, 25 above. Prince George—Cloudy, calm; barometer, 30.54. Vancouver—Cloudy, calm; barometer, 30.66. Victoria—Clear, southeast wind, six miles per hour; barometer, 30.68. Estevan—Cloudy, southeast wind six miles per hour; barometer, 30.60. Alert Bay—Overcast, strong northwest wind; barometer, 30.30; temperature, 35; sea moderate. Bull Harbor—Raining; barometer, 30.32; temperature, 39; sea moderate.

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 24-hour period ending 5 p.m. tomorrow.)

General Synopsis—Pressure is falling off the coast but remains abnormally high in southern British Columbia. It continues mild on the coast but has become cold over the interior. Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Moderate to fresh southeast winds shifting to north-east. Cloudy with no change in temperature and occasional sleet or snow.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Southwesterly winds becoming strong at night, cloudy and mild with showers.