

Today's Weather

(8 A.M.) Prince Rupert — Part cloudy, southeast wind, 8 miles per hour barometer, 29.42; temperature, 35; sea smooth.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 5:42 a.m. 17.1 ft. 19:32 p.m. 15.0 ft. Low 12:38 p.m. 7.4 ft.

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Japanese Army Now Near Defeat

MUNICIPAL CASE NOW

British Columbia Cities Being Heard by Rowell Commission in Victoria

Centralize Finances

It is Recommended by Boards of Trade of This Province

VICTORIA, March 22: (CP)—The Rowell Royal Commission on inter-governmental relations commenced yesterday hearing the representations of the Union of British Columbia on behalf of forty municipalities of the province of British Columbia. Later the city of Vancouver will present a separate case.

It is expected the Royal Commission will continue in session until Friday when it will leave for Edmonton where it is scheduled to sit on March 28 with sessions later in Fredericton, Montreal and Toronto. The final hearings will take place in Ottawa in June.

Boards of Trade Case

A strong central government for Canada, even brought about by provincial plebiscites on the continuance of provincial legislatures or the appointment of legislative councils by the Dominion — was urged before the Commission today in the submission of thirty-two British Columbia Boards of Trade. Until that was effected, the boards recommended in part: Provincial and municipal borrowings be controlled by the Dominion.

Elimination of extensive duplication of services. Cessation of the present wasteful method of relief administration. Eliminations of duplication in transcontinental service.

Bureau of Welfare

Dr. Harry Cassidy, provincial social welfare director, advocated the establishment of a Dominion department or bureau of welfare to overcome "grievous lack" of national planning in social welfare in Canada.

SEIZURE IS EXCEPTION

President of Mexico Says That Other Industries Need Not Worry About Expropriation

MEXICO CITY, March 22: (CP)—President Cardenas assured Mexican industry today that expropriation of foreign oil companies' holdings was an exception and that no similar measure was in prospect against other businesses.

Documents Are Incriminating

French Authorities Appear to Have the Goods on at Least One Member of Alleged Espionage Group

PARIS, March 22: (CP)—One hundred and forty-three incriminating documents are said by the authorities to have been found on the premises of one of five persons who have been arrested on charges of attempting to sell to a foreign power secrets in regard to French fortifications and mobilization.

EXPLAINS "BAD BOYS"

CALGARY, March 22: (CP)—"There are no bad boys," T. R. Blaine of Edmonton, superintendent of the Alberta Bureau of Child Welfare, told citizens considering juvenile crime prevention here. "What we call bad boys are just cases of misdirected energies," he declared.

Social Credit Wins Election

EDMONTON, March 22: (CP)—Orvis Kennedy, Social Credit candidate, retained the House of Commons seat in Edmonton East for his party at the by-election yesterday by defeating Robert Marshall, Liberal, and Walter Cleveley, Conservative. Kennedy had a plurality of some two thousand votes. The by-election was necessitated through the death of the Social Credit member, Dr. W. S. Hall.

CABINET MEETING

British Foreign Policy Under Consideration—Direst Pledge To Czecho-Slovakia Considered Unlikely

LONDON, March 22: (CP)—The British cabinet today began a two-day consideration of foreign policy, an important statement on which Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain is to make in the House of Commons on Thursday.

Premier Chamberlain has been in close contact with the French government.

The Dominions are being kept fully informed.

It is not considered likely that the Prime Minister will give a direct pledge to Czecho-Slovakia

HIS HOME IS BOMBED

"King of Bootleggers" in Hamilton Intended as Victim But Was Not at Home

HAMILTON, Ontario, March 22: (CP)—A portion of the city was rocked and the verandah and front part of the house of Russell Perry, self-styled "King of the Bootleggers," was extensively damaged by a time bomb which had been planted under the verandah. Perry, who it is believed was meant to be a victim of the bombing, was away from home at the time. The verandah was the same as that on which Mrs. Perry was shot dead several years ago, the mystery of her killing having never been cleared up.

Where Canadian Wheat Is Sent

Thirty Countries Get Grain From West

WINNIPEG, March 22: (CP)—Thirty countries get grain from the Canadian West reveals the first detailed report from the Board of Grain Commissioners covering a full crop year.

Exports during the last crop year were 145,886,172 bushels with Great Britain and northern Ireland, linked as one country, taking the largest amount, 81,901,064 bushels. Belgium came second with 15,994,766 bushels, followed by Holland, France, Italy, Denmark, Norway, Switzerland and Greece.

GIRLS WIN DRAMA TEST

WINNIPEG, March 22: (CP)—The only all-feminine cast, girls from the faculty of arts won the University of Manitoba drama festival, playing Far, Far Away, by Philip Johnson. Eight other groups competed.

DRAWINGS IN SWEEP

Further Canadians Draw Horses in Great Irish Lottery

DUBLIN, March 22: (CP)—The drawing of tickets in the Irish Hospitals sweepstakes on the Grand National Steeplechase continued yesterday with Canadians drawing horses as follows: Blue Shirt, "Blue Birds," AE 12939, "Omega," PZ 49378, Top Tol (nonstarter), "Parrot," EL 08598, Cabin Fire, "Let's Try Again," DS 56061, "Topsy," PT 40290, Davy Jones, "If Rit," NV 79217, Drinmore L ad (nonstarter), "Blackie," CA 41510, KDH, "Thanks a Lot," DA 41512, "Fanny Adams," EP 62021, "Hard Pan," PV 41053, "For Pete Sake," AZ 46115, "Teribus," NJ 38613, Ego (nonstarter), "Om Co," MJ 74435, "The Three Kids," DP 61667, "Please," LB 10727, Pet Son, "Lucky Boy," RT 13516, "Maybe," AJ 83483, "Cap," LP 79382, Care Free (nonstarter), "Snipper Snapper," AZ 43615, Bondsman (nonstarter), "Jimmy Boy," QJ 32813, Dryburgh (nonstarter), "Emile," DC 45599, Field Master (nonstarter), "Mar-ess," BX 37095, "Happy," NX 37651, "Cariboo Jim," BV 42022, "Pluka Bella (nonstarter), "Knob- by," ZM 84123, "Lucky Seven," KK 45777, "Edith 150,000," CD 27864, "Frobisher," "Two by Six," AV 57702, "Jumper," FS 02122, "Birger," DQ 89412, "Dorothea G.," DB 60472.

RAILWAY LAY-OFF

Minister of Transport Hopes Shopmen's Disputes Will Be Amicably Settled

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Jew Scientist Is Victimized; Seriously Ill

VIENNA, March 22: (CP)—Sigmund Freud, aged 32, "father of psycho-analysis," is seriously ill after a visit of secret Nazi police to his home last night. Informants said that the police took the Jewish scientist's passports and closed the doors of his home. Offices of the company publishing his books were also closed.

CABINET RESIGNS

Lithuanian Government Quits Following Submission to Poland—Not Accepted

KAUNALS, Lithuania, March 22: (CP)—Having taken the unpopular step of yielding to the Polish ultimatum on Saturday, the Lithuanian cabinet has resigned. President Smetona has, however, refused to accept the resignation until the return of Premier Tubelis who is seriously ill in Switzerland.

It was reported last week that if the cabinet was forced out, only a pro-German cabinet could be formed.

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EARTHQUAKE FELT HERE

Slight Shock Was Undoubtedly Recorded in Prince Rupert This Morning

Inquiry at the Dominion Observatory at Victoria today elicited the information that the centre of this morning's earthquake disturbance was 550 miles north of Victoria, about ten miles from Prince Rupert. The tremor was also felt on the Queen Charlotte Islands where people were awakened from their sleep. It was also strong enough to be felt in Alaska.

What was undoubtedly a slight earth tremor is reported to have been perceived by a number of Prince Rupert people as they sat calmly at their breakfast tables at 7:25 this morning. A distinct shake was evidently noticed by quite a few people, light fixtures and furniture quivering for a few seconds. Houses were also felt to shake and some declare they saw electric light poles quiver. Some late sleepers were awakened by a rumble like a train passing.

John Ivarson of Beach Place reports that he was up at the time and the windows of the house shook and the dishes rattled indicating a very decided quake. The tremble seems to have been noticed in every part of the city.

Last night about ten o'clock some people saw a particularly vivid meteor of greenish hue, appearing much like a colored rocket fall from the skies. It seemed to be unusually close at hand. Had it been at a different time of year, it would have been dismissed as a piece of pyrotechnics.

Today's Weather

(Government "Telegrams")

Triple Island—Overcast, easterly wind, 18 miles per hour; light chop.

Langara Island—Raining, easterly wind, 24 miles per hour; barometer, 29.34; temperature, 36; sea moderately rough.

Dead Tree Point—Raining; northeast wind; barometer, 29.32; temperature, 34; sea rough.

Bull Harbor—Overcast, southeast wind; 25 miles per hour; temperature, 36; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Overcast, southeast gale; barometer, 29.36; temperature, 32; sea rough.

Estevan—Cloudy, southeast gale barometer, 29.36; temperature, 32 sea rough.

Estevan—Cloudy, southeast wind 14 miles per hour; barometer, 29.66.

Victoria—Clear, southeast wind 12 miles per hour; barometer, 29.80.

Vancouver—Cloudy, easterly wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.86.

Prince George—Fair, southerly wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.80.

Terrace—Cloudy, north wind, temperature 28.

Aiyansh—Cloudy, calm, 32.

Alice Arm—Cloudy, north wind, 33.

Anyox—Cloudy, calm, 32.

Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, 28.

Smithers—Clear, calm, 32.

Burns Lake—Clear, calm, 15.

Turn Of Tide In War In Orient Is Seen By Defenders' Commander

Head of Red Forces Says That Guerrilla Operations Have Isolated Many Nipponese Who Are in Grave Peril

WITH THE CHINESE ARMY IN NORTH CHINA, March 22: (CP)—Yu Cheng Tsao, Chinese Red Army commander, believes that the Japanese Army is nearer defeat today than at any time since the Oriental war began a little more than eight months ago. He said that guerrilla marches have isolated large forces of Japanese battling towards the Yellow River on the Central China front. Many Japanese troops are in a precarious position and in imminent peril of being completely trapped and annihilated.

Unwin Release Is Authorized

OTTAWA, March 22: (CP)—The Governor General today authorized the release from Fort Saskatchewan Prison in Alberta of Joseph Unwin, Socialist Credit member of the Legislature of that province, who is serving a term for defamatory libel.

APPEAL MADE TO VATICAN

Asked to Join Britain and France in Protest at Spanish Bombing of Civilians

LONDON, March 22: (CP)—The British government has made a direct appeal to the Vatican to join in an Anglo-French protest to General Francisco Franco against the air bombardment of Spanish civilians.

Personnel Of Welfare Board

Miss Laura Holland Heads Body Which Will License and Inspect Institutions

VICTORIA, March 22: (CP)—Hon. Dr. George M. Weir, provincial secretary, has announced the personnel of the welfare institutions board which will license and inspect institutions in the province for the aged and infirm and for destitute children. Miss Laura Holland of Vancouver will be the chief administrator, assisted by the welfare visitors at other centres in the province.

DANCE AIDS CEMETERY

WARNER, Alta., March 22: (CP)—More than \$100 was cleared at a dance here in aid of the local cemetery.

Preparations For Austrian Vote In April

BERLIN, March 22: (CP)—The Reich government is proceeding with preparations for the plebiscite to be held on April 10 in Austria on the question of Chancellor Hitler's move in annexing that country.

Vancover Wheat

VANCOUVER, March 22: (CP)—Wheat was trading at \$1.25 3/4 on the Vancouver market today.