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## The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

**Weather**  
Prin. cloudy, southeast wind, etc. 29.66 sea.

**Tomorrow's Tides**  
High 10:17 a.m. 19.8 ft.  
23:10 p.m. 19.0 ft.  
Low 4:02 a.m. 8.4 ft.  
16:50 p.m. 4.1 ft.

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### Schuschnigg Resigns With Prayer That God Help His Country; Nazis In Control

#### TALKS ARE FRUITLESS

British-German Negotiations May Not Be Continued Now—Ribbentrop Leaves

LONDON, March 11: (CP)—No announcement was made following a two-hour discussion at the Foreign office yesterday between Lord Halifax, British foreign secretary, and Joachim von Ribbentrop, German foreign minister. The talks were, however, said to be inconclusive and the government is understood to believe that the time is not right to continue negotiations.

Throughout the conference a crowd of anti-German demonstrators hovered outside the Foreign office, increasing in number from thirty to five hundred.

Von Ribbentrop cut short his visit to London, being called back to Berlin today on account of the Austrian crisis.

#### FINAL VOTE OF PARDON

California State Assembly Pretty Evenly Divided Upon Question of Freeing Tom Mooney

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 11: (CP)—Final count in the California State Assembly on the resolution which would call upon Governor Frank F. Merriam to grant a full pardon to Tom Mooney has been deferred until today.

Mooney appeared before the Assembly in person yesterday and made an impassioned plea for a pardon from his sentence of life imprisonment for first degree murder as a result of the 1916 Preparedness Day rioting in San Francisco.

The first vote was 37 to 33 in favor of the pardon. A later vote was 39 to 35. The Assembly, consisting of 80 members, there must be forty-one votes in his favor. It is expected to poll the remaining six members of the Assembly today.

#### CHECK UP ON BANKS

United States Financial Institutions Being Called Upon to Reveal Their Condition

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 11: (CP)—The United States Comptroller of Currency issued a call yesterday for the condition of all national banks at the close of business on Monday, March 7. The Federal Reserve Board issued a similar call to member state banks.

#### Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Thor Selvig wish to thank all who in any way expressed their sympathy with kind words and the many lovely flowers in their recent sad bereavement. Many thanks to all!

#### Army More Attractive

LONDON, March 11: (CP)—Introducing British Army estimates in the House of Commons, War Secretary Hore-Belisha announced concessions to officers and men of the regular army costing \$8,040,000 during the coming fiscal year. The concessions will make army life more attractive.

#### BULLETINS

**FOR FORTIFICATIONS**  
The Department of National Defense has called for tenders from local contractors for the clearing of a 23-acre site at Barrett Point just beyond Kain station and an 11-acre site at Frederick Point on Digby Island. The sites are at the entrance of Prince Rupert Harbor. They are to be thoroughly cleared and grubbed. The specifications do not say so but it is understood the work is to be carried out as part of the coast defense fortification program.

**DEATH SENTENCES ASKED MOSCOW**—Death sentences for nineteen of twenty-one defendants in the Soviet's greatest blood purge trial was demanded today by Prosecutor Andrei Vishinsky at the end of a bitter summation of the government's treason and other charges. The only two whom the prosecutor asked be spared from death were the once esteemed Soviet diplomat, Christian Ravovsky, and S. A. Bessanoff, former Russian trade delegate, for whom Vishinsky demanded twenty-five years' imprisonment.

**NEW MOUNTED HEAD**  
OTTAWA—Col. S. T. Wood has been appointed Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police succeeding the late Sir James MacBrien, the Department of Justice announces. Col. Wood, who some years ago was inspector in charge at Prince Rupert, has been acting commissioner for some months during the illness of Sir James who died last Saturday.

**VANCOUVER ADOPTS BUDGET**  
VANCOUVER—The Vancouver city council yesterday adopted the budget for the year. The deficiency in revenue over expenditure was made up by increasing the mill rate to the legal limit of 48.6, which is expected to yield \$486,000 additional revenue; reducing the tax rebate from eight to six per cent which will bring \$185,000; increasing trades license fees to raise \$20,000, and diverting \$200,000 from sinking fund to current account.

Mrs. Charles Larkin, who has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Nickerson, called by the Prince Rupert last night on her return to Vancouver.

Postponement of Independence Plebiscite Set For Next Sunday Preceded Chancellor's Action in Quitting—Aged Dr. Ender to Succeed Him

#### Nazification Peacefully Or With Blood Is German Edict

Already Reich Forces Have Crossed Border at Passau With Retreat Before Them—Italy Refusing to Support Independence

VIENNA, March 11: (CP)—Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg of Austria has bowed to Chancellor Adolf Hitler of Italy. He has resigned after announcing postponement of the plebiscite on Austrian independence which was to have been held on Sunday. Government police and military forces have been withdrawn, leaving downtown Vienna almost entirely in Nazi possession. German troops are moving into Austria, having crossed the border at Passau. The intention is, evidently, to Nazify Austria without further delay.

The government announced tonight that the plebiscite on Austrian independence had been postponed. The announcement followed reports that German and Austrian Nazis had exerted powerful pressure to avert the referendum which Chancellor von Schuschnigg had called for Sunday. It came as Austria was assuming the aspect of an armed camp with clashes in many cities between Nazis and Fatherland Front supporters of Schuschnigg's fight for independence.

Announcement of the postponement brought on a great outburst of Nazi enthusiasm in Vienna. Almost immediately police and military forces, assembled with a view to invoking martial law, were withdrawn.

During the morning reports that Schuschnigg had resigned were denied officially by President Miklas but tonight the resignation was reported definitely by Havas (French) News Agency to have been made. This was later confirmed in diplomatic quarters. At the same time the Austrian government press bureau announced that German troops had crossed the border at Passau, Austrian troops being ordered to fall back without resistance.

Shortly after, Chancellor von Schuschnigg went on the air to announce that Germany had presented an ultimatum demanding reorganization of the Austrian government. At the end of his announcement von Schuschnigg said: "I say good-bye with the wish that God protect Austria."

Arthur Seysz-Inquart, Austrian minister of the interior and close friend of Chancellor Hitler of Germany, is reported to have presented a demand "like an ultimatum" for cancellation or postponement of the referendum.

Meantime German troops manoeuvred in southern Germany, Munich reports said, and the citizenry was nervous, expecting "something to happen."

Nazi leaders in Berlin said Germany would not use force but that it was up to von Schuschnigg to determine whether Austria would be Nazified peacefully or with bloodshed.

The resignation of Schuschnigg was regarded as a natural consequence of the postponement of the plebiscite on the question of "Shall Austria be independent?"

Von Schuschnigg will, it is said, be succeeded in the chancellorship by Dr. Otto Ender, elderly lawyer and legislator, moderate anti-Nazi and Chancellor in the pre-Dolfuss era. Reports to this effect have not yet been confirmed.

**What Will Italy Do?**  
High officials at the French foreign office in Paris declared today that Italy had refused to join France and Great Britain in any action whatsoever to defend Austrian independence.

(Earlier News on the Austrian Situation Will Be Found on Page 3)

#### OYSTERS ON B.C. COAST

Dr. C. R. Eisey Tells of Work Being Done in South in Scientific Fertilization of Shell Fish

#### Herring Are Studied

Vancouver Island Pilchard Are Grown Up Sardines of California Coast—Local Oyster Bed Interesting

There are great opportunities for the development of shellfish industries on this coast, according to Dr. C. R. Eisey, head of the scientific research department of the B. C. Packers, who was in charge of the investigation into the shellfish possibilities at the Departure Bay biological station for a number of years. He discussed the subject at the regular weekly luncheon of the Prince Rupert Rotary Club yesterday. Dr. Eisey made special reference to breeding of oysters on this coast. Present at the luncheon as visitors were Dr. J. I. Pugsley, Dr. J. C. S. Dunn of Massett, H. W. Birch, Dr. J. P. Cade and Dr. R. G. Large.

Dr. Eisey, who described himself as the director of new projects for the B. C. Packers, said he had made a specialty of the study of shellfish. He said he was gathering information from the local fisheries experimental station. He thought the people of Prince Rupert were very fortunate in having right here such a fund of information in regard to the sea life on the coast. In Vancouver, when they wanted this information, they had to write to Prince Rupert for it.

At Nanaimo the work was to study the life histories of the various species of fish whereas at Prince Rupert they studied the utilization of fish products. At present the Nanaimo station was (Continued on page three)

#### CONVICT IS RECAPTURED

One of Three Men in Manitoba Prison Break Taken in Bush, Suffering From Injuries

STONY MOUNTAIN, Man., Mar. 11: (CP)—Jack Hilderbrand, one of three convicts who made their escape from Stony Mountain Penitentiary, was recaptured yesterday in the bush within a mile and a half of the prison. He was suffering from injuries sustained when he jumped from the prison wall. Search for the other two men—Arthur Wurch and Frank Shura—continues.

#### Carcross Plane Forced Down

Frank Burton Located at Wolf Lake Where He Made Forced Landing—Flying Out Today

CARCROSS, March 11: (CP)—Frank Burton, missing Carcross flier, was located yesterday on Wolf Lake where he had been forced down with his plane. He was located by an Edmonton-Whitehorse mail plane. Burton is uninjured but his plane is slightly damaged. He is expected to fly out to Carcross today.

Officials of the Northern Airways confirmed the safety of the plane at Wolf Lake which is north of the Yukon boundary. It had been forced down by bad weather. It carried freight only in the service out of the base here to Northern British Columbia.

#### JAPANESE DIVISION BLEW HIS HEAD OFF

Cabinet Split Over General Obligation—Lunghai Railway Paralyzed

TOKYO, March 11: (CP)—It was freely reported in Tokyo last night that a split had occurred in the Japanese cabinet over the question of general mobilization. War Minister Hirota is said to be opposed to the proposal of a Supreme Council. Meanwhile Japanese military authorities claim that they have now been successful in paralyzing the Lunghai Railway line in China, having blasted miles of line and destroyed equipment and shops. The Chinese are being steadily forced back towards Hankow, it is asserted.

On the other hand, the Chinese claim to have inflicted heavy losses by artillery on the Japanese.

#### TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

- Vancouver**  
B. C. Nickel, .16.  
Big Missouri, .43.  
Bralorne, 9.00.  
Aztec, .09.  
Cariboo Quartz, 2.00.  
Denton, .10.  
Minto, .03 1/4.  
Fairview, .03.  
Noble Five, .03.  
Pend Orielle, 1.72.  
Pioneer, 3.04.  
Porter Idaho, .03.  
Premier, 2.10.  
Reeves McDonald, .31.  
Reno, .51.  
Relief Arlington, .19.  
Reward, .04.  
Salmon Gold, .07.  
Taylor Bridge, .04 1/2.  
Hedley Amalgamated, .05.  
Silbak Premier, 1.90.  
Home Gold, .01 1/2.  
Grandview, .07 1/4.  
Indian, .02 1/2.  
Quatsino Copper, .03 1/2.  
Haida Gold, .08.

#### Oils

- A. P. Con., .22.  
Calmont, .42.  
C. & E., 2.56.  
Freehold, .05 1/4.  
Hargal, .19.  
McDougall Secur., .20.  
Mercury, .15.  
Okalta, 1.64.  
Pacalta, 10 1/2.  
Home Oil, 1.20.

#### Toronto

- Beattie, 1.30.  
Central Patricia, 2.80.  
Gods Lake, .49.  
Little Long Lac, 4.80.  
McKenzie Red Lake, .92.  
Pickie Crow, 4.70.  
Red Lake Gold Shore, .26.  
San Antonio, 1.35.  
Sherritt Gordon, 1.39.  
Smelters Gold, .02.  
McLeod Cockshutt, 3.30.  
Okland, .23.  
Moshier, .21.  
Madsen Red Lake, .40.  
Stadacona, .26.  
Frontier Red Lake, .05.  
Francoeur, .40.  
Moneta Porcupine, 2.20.  
Thompson Cadillac, .26.  
Bankfield, .90.  
Preston East Dome, 1.08.  
East Malartic, 1.46.  
Dawson White, .02 1/4.  
Hutchison Lake, .07 1/2.  
Aldermac, .52.  
Kerr Addison, 1.99.  
Uchi Gold, 1.58.  
Martin Bird, .43.  
Athona, .12.  
Hardrock, 2.00.  
Inter'l Nickel, 48 3/4.  
Noranda, .60.00.  
Con. Smelters, 55.75.

#### BAR SILVER

NEW YORK: (CP)—Bar silver was unchanged at 44 3/4c per fine ounce on the New York metal market today.

#### BLEW HIS HEAD OFF

Gruesome Discovery Made in Lavatory Aboard Towboat at Ocean Falls

At 2:15 yesterday afternoon, according to advices received at divisional headquarters of the provincial police here, the body of a man named James Larson was found with the top of his head blown off in the lavatory aboard the Pacific Mills tugboat Kwatna moored at the townsite float at Ocean Falls. Over the body was found a double-barrelled shotgun. It was, apparently, a case of suicide. Inquiry is being held today by Coronar G. H. Hill of Ocean Falls.

#### WHITNEY INDICTED

Former Prominent New York Stock Broker Charged With Grand Larceny—\$10,000 Bail

NEW YORK, March 11: (CP)—Richard Whitney, president of the bankrupt brokerage firm of Richard Whitney & Co. and former president of the New York Stock Exchange, was indicted by the county grand jury yesterday on three counts of grand larceny and has been released on \$10,000 bail.

The charges against Whitney are a sequel to the collapse of his company earlier in the week and arise directly out of alleged mishandling of a trust fund of more than \$100,000 from the estate of his father-in-law, the late George Shelton, in which the beneficiaries were Whitney's wife and sister-in-law. Whitney, a co-trustee of the estate, is alleged to have used the securities in a vain effort to prevent the failure of his company.

#### PREMIER IS DIPLOMATIC

Correspondence Between Major C. H. Douglas and Prime Minister Mackenzie King Made Public

LONDON, March 11: (CP)—Major C. H. Douglas, father of the Social Credit plan, yesterday made public correspondence he had had with Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King in regard to the case of George F. Powell, British Social Credit expert, who is now in prison in Alberta for defamatory libel.

Douglas asked Mackenzie King if he would be risking detention should he himself visit Canada, to which the Canadian Premier replied that he presumed Major Douglas did not contemplate a breach of the Criminal Code of Canada.

#### New Cabinet Is Not Yet Formed

Communists and Socialists Confer On Entering Blum's Coalition Government

PARIS, March 11: (CP)—Former Premier Leon Blum, up to today, had not completed the task of forming a new coalition government for France. Communists and Radical Socialists are still conferring on the question of entering the cabinet. Their final answer is expected today.

#### LONDON GOLD PRICE

LONDON, March 11: (CP)—The London price of bar gold was down 3c yesterday to \$34.98.