

### Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—Overcast, calm; barometer, 30.02 (falling); temperature, 45; sea smooth.

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### Tomorrow's Tides

High ..... 11:35 a.m. 18.5 ft.  
23:37 p.m. 20.8 ft.  
Low ..... 5:29 a.m. 4.2 ft.  
17:32 p.m. 6.0 ft.

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# Terrible British Coal Mine Disaster

## Japs Attack City Of Amoy

## Seaport On South Coast Is Bombarded By Nipponese Navy

## Seventy-Two Miners Are Known Dead As Roaring Blasts Wreck Markham Colliery, Derbyshire

### Force Landed After Metropolis Had Been Set Afire By Gunnery From Ships and Planes—British Destroyer Is Standing By

SHANGHAI, May 10: (CP)—The Japanese Navy today launched an expedition against Amoy, chief port of the southern coastal province of Fukien. Dispatches said that Japanese naval forces had landed after there had been heavy bombardments by twelve warships off shore and relays of bombing planes. The invaders came to grips immediately with the Chinese garrison. Part of the city is reported to be in flames and there has been heavy loss of life, it is feared.

A British destroyer is reported standing by in readiness to take on board British nationals.

### JAPS TO USE GAS

Dr. Wellington Koo Asks League of Nations to Forestall This—Appeals for Intervention

GENEVA, May 10.—Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese delegate, asked the League of Nations council today to take action to forestall the Japanese from using poison gas on the southern Shantung Province front. It was expected momentarily that the Japanese would resort to this, Dr. Koo said.

Dr. Koo also asked the League to take a hand against the ruthless carnage of civilian populations such as the Japanese were engaging in through bombardment of cities.

The whole Japanese campaign, Dr. Koo asserted, was an act of aggression in violation of all League principles.

### Railwayman Of Montreal Wins

A. McLennan Wrote Best Essay On "Freight Claim Prevention"

MONTREAL, May 10.—With an essay entitled "Freight Claim Prevention" G. A. McLennan, clerk in the office of the fruit foreman, Canadian National Railways, Montreal, won the competition sponsored by the Canadian Railway Club.

The competition, open to anyone in transportation service in Canada below the rank of chief clerk, has been held annually since 1924. This year 42 papers were submitted from all parts of the Dominion.

Mr. McLennan's achievement brings the third award in the past four years to Canadian National employees. One of the other two was a Montrealer and one a man in Edmonton.

Mr. McLennan read his paper last night at the final meeting of the Railway Club for the season in the Windsor Hotel. More than 500 attended and presentation of the prize was made by W. S. Emery, president of the club.

### GRAIN SHIP IS IN PORT

Norwegian Motorship Taranger Arrives Here To Load For United Kingdom-Continent

The Norwegian motorship Taranger, here to load a full cargo of some 3800 tons of grain from the Alberta Wheat Pool's local elevator for delivery to United Kingdom or Continent, arrived in port at 2 o'clock this afternoon from Seattle. The vessel tied up immediately at the elevator where loading may start this afternoon. She should be ready to sail by Wednesday night.

### FORTY-HOUR WEEK ASKED

This Is Favored By Canadian National Protective Board

MONTREAL, May 10: (CP)—A forty-hour week for shop workers throughout the Canadian National Railways is asked by the Canadian National Protective Board.

KING CHRISTIAN INSPECTS HIS ROOKIES



King Christian, of Denmark, (above), personally inspects the recruits of his second Royal Life Guard Battalion, on a visit to their barracks at Copenhagen.

### PRESIDENT IS DENIED

### FISHERS DROWNED

United States House Gives "Pump Priming" Funds To Committee Rather Than Chief Executive

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—The House of Representatives has approved the administration "pump priming" program but decided that the funds made available should go to the relief committee for disposal rather than to the President.

The return of President Roosevelt to Washington yesterday following his fishing trip to the Gulf of Mexico was followed by a speeding up of the legislative mill. After five minutes' debate, the Senate approved the \$5,000,000,000 tax bill and the House of Representatives is also expected to give speedy action on it.

AMHERSTBURG, Ontario, May 10.—Fears of relatives have been aroused for the safety of six fishermen who hired a motor launch on Sunday and set out for middle Sister Island, 22 miles out on Lake Erie, having not been heard from since.

### WOULD OUST UNION HEAD

Homer Martin, One of C.I.O. Chiefs, Seems None Too Secure

DETROIT, May 10.—Enemies of Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers' Union, affiliated with the Committee on Industrial Organization, are seeking to remove him from office, charging ineffectiveness, dictatorial tactics and administrative irregularities.

Two policemen and a United Automobile Workers Union picket were injured seriously in fighting yesterday at the Michigan Steel Casting Co.

### Halibut Sales

Canadian Skeena M., 3,000, Atlin, 7.2e and 4c. Mae West, 12,000, offered 7c and 4c, holding over.

### REID VOTED DOWN AGAIN

New Westminster Member's Case For Lower Freight Rates Fails

OTTAWA, May 10: (CP)—The House of Commons at the weekend again tossed out the bill of Tom Reid, Liberal member for New Westminster, calling for lower freight rates from the prairies to the Pacific Coast. Mr. Reid's bill was supported by J. H. Blackmore, Social Credit leader from Alberta, who declared that Alberta farmers were suffering from excessive freight rates.

### REPORT OF COMMISSION

Turgeon Recommends Development of Co-operatives and Continuation of Futures Trading

OTTAWA, May 10: (CP)—Development of producers' co-operative societies for wheat marketing combined with continuance of the futures trading system on the Winnipeg exchange are key recommendations in the report of Mr. Justice Turgeon on grain and grain marketing which was tabled in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon by Hon. W. D. Euler, minister of trade and commerce.

### BIG CHURCH UNION PLAN

Thirty-Two Denominations Represented at Meeting in Netherlands

UTRECHT, The Netherlands, May 10.—Over fifty church leaders from twenty countries and representing thirty-two faiths are gathered in conference here with the aim of forming a world union of Protestant churches.

Delegates include Rev. Dr. G. G. Pidgeon of the United Church of Canada and Rev. R. A. Hiltz, representing the Anglicans.

The German Evangelical Church is not represented.

### Consideration Of Ethiopia Deferred

GENEVA, May 10: (CP)—The League of Nations today deferred consideration of the question of Italian sovereignty over Ethiopia.

### Many Unemployed In United States

Total For March Was 11,000,000, Largest Number Since 1935, A. F. of L. Figures Show

NEW YORK, May 10.—Statistics of the American Federation of Labor show that there were 11,000,000 unemployed in the United States in the month of March, the highest number for that month since 1935. There was a lessening of the number in April.

### BUCKMANTON, Derbyshire, England, May 10: (CP)—Seventy-two miners were killed, forty-nine are known to be injured and a number of others are entombed in wrecked workings today after two violent gas explosions in the Markham coal mine. It was one of the most terrible mine disasters England has ever known.

Sobbing women gathered around the pithead as the dead and injured were brought to the surface. Scenes were particularly grievous at the little mortuary where wives and relatives sought to identify bodies marked by yellow tags.

### FLYING PACIFIC

Plans For Air Service From Canada To New Zealand In British House

LONDON, May 10: (CP)—The government announced in the House of Commons today that it was considering the establishment of an air service across the Pacific Ocean from Canada to New Zealand.

Negotiations are already under way with the Dominions concerned and also with the United States over the ownership of certain Pacific islands along the proposed route, Lieut. Col. A. J. Muirhead, Under Secretary for Air, announced.

Muirhead said that preliminary surveys were being made on a number of Pacific islands which might be suitable air bases.

### INTERIOR HAS FIRES

Sawmill and Residents East of Prince George Have Close Call

According to word received at Canadian National Railways divisional offices here, mill and residences at Sinclair Mills, 55 miles east of Prince George, were for a time on Sunday menaced by a raging forest fire. Fortunately, the fire was brought under control before it had done any damage to the property.

There is also a forest fire in green timber and slashing on the south side of Decker Lake across from the railway line. Forest Branch officials have the fire in hand, it is reported.

### PROGRESS WITH SPAN

New Bridge Across Kayex River Is Expected to be completed by End of September

Satisfactory progress is being made on the building of the new Canadian National Railways bridge over the Kayex River in the lower Skeena Valley which for years has been a source of much trouble. Pouring of concrete on the easterly abutment is now proceeding. There will be a 250-foot steel span. The new bridge is expected to be completed by the end of September.

### OUTPUT OF MINES HIGH

Production For 1937 Highest In History of Industry In British Columbia

VICTORIA, May 10: (CP)—The British Columbia mines department, in its final estimate, places the output of base metals for the province in 1937 at \$41,000,000, the highest in the history of the province. Lead production was \$21,000,000, gold \$17,800,000 and zinc, \$14,000,000.

Providing five passenger trains a week in and out, the summer time table on the local line of the Canadian National Railways this year is expected to be similar to that of last year.

Last year trains left here for the East Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. as well as at 11 a.m. Fridays.

Incoming trains from the East last year were at 2:30 Monday and Saturday afternoons and at nights Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday.

The expectation is that the summer train schedule will go into effect the latter part of June.

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