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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1939.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 0:15 a.m. 20.7 ft.
12:15 p.m. 23.0 ft.
Low 6:10 a.m. 5.4 ft.
18:52 p.m. 1.6 ft.

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Strong winds, probably reaching gale at night. Unsettled and cool rain.

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CHANGES ADVOCATED

Prince Rupert Ratepayers Association Ask That Financing of Schools Be Taken From Municipalities

Elects Officers

Government to be Asked to Allow City Treasurer to Carry On Until Manager is Appointed

The recently formed Prince Rupert Ratepayers' Association, at its first regular meeting last night in the City Hall, elected officers for the year, asked the provincial government to take the financing of the schools out of the hands of the municipalities and handle it direct. The ratepayers also, after a long rambling discussion, decided to recommend to the provincial government that D. J. Matheson, the present city treasurer, be appointed to carry on the affairs of the city until such time as a city manager system can be put into effect.

The first business of the meeting was to elect permanent officers which resulted as follows:

President—W. M. Watts.
Vice-President—Robert McKay.
Secretary-treasurer—Mrs. G. H. Arnold.

Executive—M. M. Stephens, Duncan McKenzie, Rod McLeod and Frank Derry.

The resolution in connection with the financing of the schools came in a letter from the Vancouver Property Owners to the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce in which it was stated that the movement in favor of the change was well under way and asked endorsement. This letter had been forwarded to the Association.

City Commissioner W. J. Alder strongly favored the change and said it had come up at the meeting of the Union of Municipalities which he attended. The idea was to remove the burden of taxation from the land. The result of the present system was seen in the fact that practically all the vacant land of Prince Rupert had reverted to the city as well as some of the buildings. Many municipalities were favoring the idea. At present, the cost of education in Prince Rupert was \$68,000 a year. It was too much of a burden on the taxpayers. The question of how the required money might be raised was mentioned but it was decided that this was a problem for the government.

Those expressing themselves in favor of the change included Theo Collart, M. M. Stephens, Frank Derry, Donald McCorkindale and Fred Riffow. The resolution was carried unanimously.

The question of what would be the position of the city when the present city commissioner retired at the end of the year was discussed in a desultory way. A number of resolutions were presented and amended until eventually it was decided to ask the provincial government to allow Mr. Matheson to carry on until a city manager could be appointed. Another resolution was passed urging the provincial government to speed up the time when such change might be made.

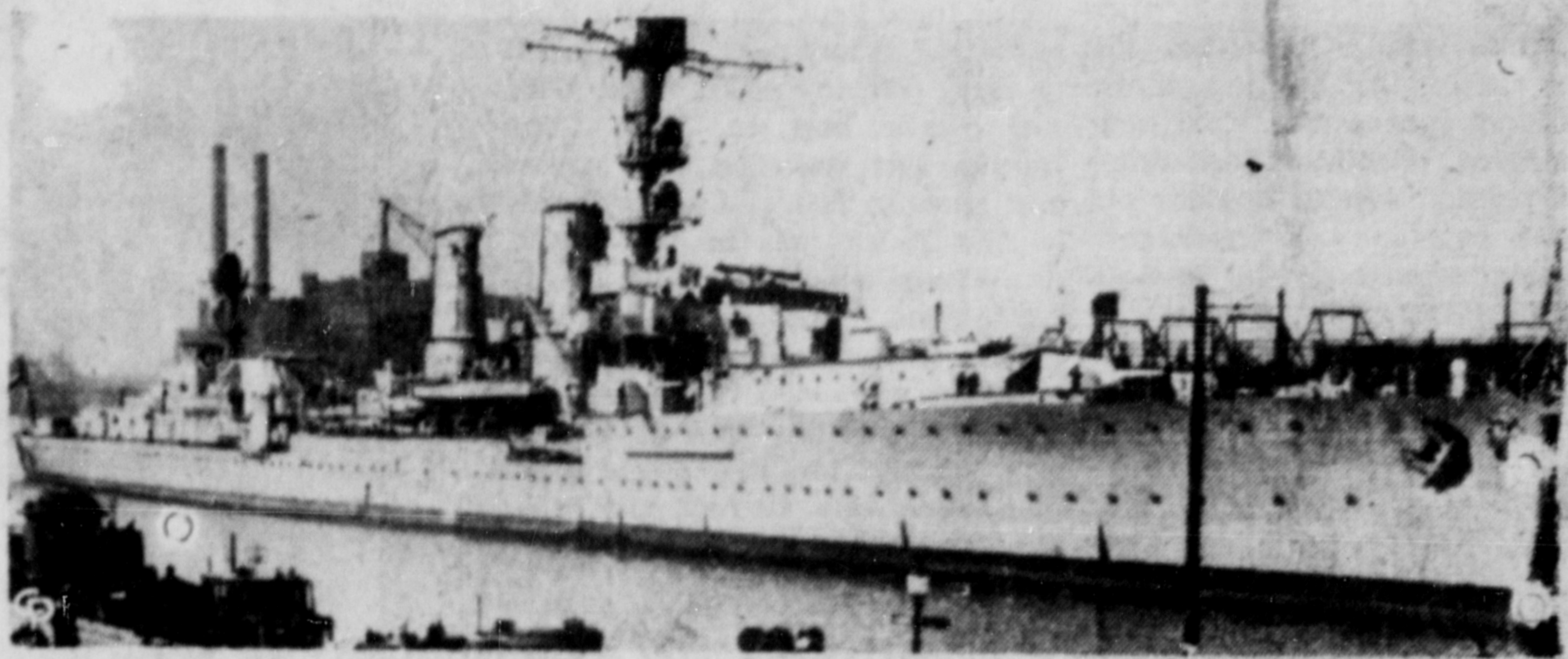
Those taking part in the discussion included Chairman Robert McKay, M. M. Stephens, J. A. Curtis, Fred Wermig, C. G. Minns, Theo Collart, Rod McLeod, D. McCorkindale, Tom Elliott and H. Hanson.

The next meeting of the association will be at the call of the chair. W. M. Watts, the new president, was unable to be present but sent his regrets. There were about thirty members at the meeting.

BRITISHER GOES DOWN

LONDON—The British steamer Carmathen Coast was sunk in the North Sea today. Two of the members of the crew are missing. It was the first British ship to be sunk in ten days.

German Cruiser Emden



Here is a picture of the German cruiser Emden which has been reported roaming the high seas in spite of the British blockade. There has been no confirmation of the report.

TO RETURN TO STATES

City of Flint To Discharge Cargo At Bergen And Return Direct Home

NEW YORK, November 9:—United States Shipping Lines yesterday instructed Capt. J. A. Gainard of the steamer City of Flint to unload his cargo at Bergen and return to the United States with empty holds, avoiding combat areas as defined in President Roosevelt's neutrality proclamation. Those areas include the British Isles and the coast of Norway south of Bergen.

COMBINE ALLEGED

Existence of Organization in Western Canada Detrimental To Apple And Vegetable Growers

OTTAWA, November 9: (CP)—F. A. MacGregor, commissioner under the Combines Investigation Act, reported yesterday a shipper-jobber combine dominated by Western Grocers Limited of Winnipeg existing in Western Canada to the detriment of British Columbia apple and vegetable growers.

Ministers From Dominions Hear Of Sea Combat

LONDON, November 9:—Dominions ministers conferring in London with the British government on questions of war effort visited Royal Air Force headquarters.

They listened in on a message from a Royal Air Force bomber which told of sighting a German submarine and dropping bombs, one of which fell within five yards of the conning tower. Then a British destroyer hove in sight and the German submarine submerged, being seen no more.

Soviet Embassy Puts On Party

Various American and Foreign Officials Too Busy To Attend Festivities In Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 9: (CP)—The Soviet embassy here held a reception Tuesday to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Republic. There were eight hundred present but United States governmental officials and diplomatic representatives of many countries were noticeable by their absence. Various pretexts were given for non-attendance. A huge picture of Premier-Foreign Commissar Molotov featured the decorations.

Bulletins

NORTHOLM DISABLED

The Vancouver freighter Northholm, Capt. Allen, damaged her propeller in contact with the shore in Porpoise Harbor, about eight miles off of Prince Rupert, yesterday and was towed into Prince Rupert by Armour Salvage Co. tug's Pachena and Cuprite. The vessel is to be dry docked here.

POLISH GUERRILLAS ACTIVE

WARSAW—Polish guerrilla operations are still hampering German activity in conquered Poland. One body of German troops is reported to have been wiped out in the mountains. Economic results from Poland are said to be disappointing to the Reich. Hundreds of acres of wheat lands were destroyed by the Poles in their retreat.

FINNISH-RUSSIAN TALKS

MOSCOW—Following the Red Republic anniversary celebrations, Finnish-Russian talks are being resumed today. There are hopes of a satisfactory settlement although the atmosphere is still tense with massing of troops on the frontiers. The Finnish delegation has been instructed, it is reported, to stand firm against meeting Russian demands for military or naval bases on the Finnish mainland.

NEW CABINET ANNOUNCED

QUEBEC—Premier-Elect Godbout named fourteen members to Quebec's new Liberal cabinet yesterday.

ARMISTICE NOT LIKELY

LONDON—The British government is doubtful that the Belgio-Dutch peace offer will lead to an armistice, it was indicated in a speech read at a Lord Mayor's luncheon today by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, on behalf of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain who is laid up with a sudden attack of gout and was unable to attend. The speech, which surveyed the nation's war efforts, was written by Mr. Chamberlain.

ACTIVITY ON FRONT

PARIS—The French war ministry today reported increased activity on the Western Front and sharp encounters with German forces, especially between the Moselle and Saar Rivers.

ANZAC IS AIR HERO

WITH THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN FRANCE—A German Dornier reconnaissance plane was shot down by a British pursuit ship and crashed into a village yesterday, killing its three occupants. A 25-year-old New Zealand flier was the pilot of the British machine which succeeded in bringing down the Nazi.

REACTIONS FAVORABLE

What Various Nations Think Of Arms Embargo Repeal

LONDON, November 9.—General satisfaction is expressed in Allied and neutral countries over the passage by the United States of the new neutrality law. The Allies are particularly gratified.

"The most encouraging thing since the war began," said one London newspaper. "A great victory for democratic spirit showing that neutrality is not inconsistent with moral solidarity," said Le Jour of Paris.

A Roumanian paper calls it a "death blow to Germany."

A Hungarian paper says "It puts United States all but into active participation in the war with the Allies."

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Big Missouri, 12.
Bralorne, 40.
Cariboo Quartz, 2.15.
Dentonia, 0.1 1/2.
Fairview, .02.
Gold Belt, .20.
Hedley Mascot, .43.
Minto, .02.
Noble Five, .02 1/2.
Pacific Nickel, .13.
Pend Orielle, 2.32.
Pioneer, 2.15.
Premier, 1.40.
Privateer, .88.
Reeves McDonald, .30.
Reno, .50.
Relief Arlington, .13.
Salmon Gold, .03.
Sheep Creek, 1.11.
Cariboo Hudson, .04.

Oils

A. P. Con., .18.
Calmont, .40.
C. & E., 2.20.
Home, 2.69.
Royal Canadian, .23.
Okalta, 1.15.
Mercury, .06 1/2.
Prairie Royalty, .22.

Toronto

Aldermac, .42 1/2.
Beattie, 1.10.
Central Pat., 2.34.
Cons. Smelters, 50.00.
East Malartic, 2.98.
Fernland, .02 1/2.
Francoeur, .43.
Gods Lake, .60.
Hardrock, 1.21.
Int. Nickel, 47.50.
Kerr Addison, 1.99.
Little Long Lac, 3.05.
McLeod Cocksbutt, 2.15.
Madson Red Lake, .46.
McKenzie Red Lake, .11.
Moneta, .90.
Noranda, 77.00.
Pickle Crow, 4.30.
Preston East Dome, 1.90.
San Antonio, 1.77.
Sherritt Gordon, 1.32.
Stadacona, .38.
Uchi, .80.
Bouscadillac, .04.
Mosher, .09 1/2.
Oklend, .11.
Smelters Gold, .01.
Dominion Bridge, 41.50.

Beer Hall In Munich Reduced To Wreckage Eleven Minutes After Der Feuhrer Departed

Control Of Seas

LONDON, November 9:—First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill told the House of Commons that the British Navy was sinking German submarines at the rate of two to four a week and that definite mastery had now been achieved over the U-boats as the blockade of Germany became increasingly effective. Germany's rate of U-boat submarines was not in excess of two a week, Churchill said.

UNDER WAR CONDITIONS

Belgium and Netherlands Fearful of Momentary Invasion by Germany—Bases are Demanded

BRUSSELS, Nov. 9.—King Leopold of Belgium conferred with key ministers Wednesday night to consider "grave developments" as fears increase that Germany might invade the country in order to get a footing to strike more directly at England and possibly essay a flank movement on France.

Both Belgium and the Netherlands have been placed under virtual war conditions.

Six hundred thousand soldiers have been called up in Belgium, motor vehicles have been requisitioned to the national service and censorship has been imposed. Air raid precautions have also been put into operation.

Germany is reported to have demanded concessions from Holland for military and air bases as well as control of the port of Flushing, all of which demands are said to have been rejected.

ADVOCATES MODERATION

Premier Pattullo Gives Advice To C. C. F. In Legislation

VICTORIA, November 9: (CP)—"We should all temper our observations because we are at war," Premier T. D. Pattullo said in the Legislature in regard to C. C. F. remarks on Imperial war policy.

"Let the people of British Columbia judge. Don't try to weaken cooperation with the Ottawa government. Where would the C.C.F. be if Hitler won? They could not say the words we have heard at the past two sessions. They would be taken to concentration camps or possibly shot."

The Speaker did not answer directly a request by Harold Winch, C. C. F. leader, for a ruling on the immunity question, leaving it to the House to decide disciplinary action.

Premier Pattullo will close the debate in reply to the Speech from the Throne today. The budget is expected to be presented tomorrow and the session should end, it is anticipated, by the end of the month.

Change of Plans May Have Saved Him From Death Or Serious Injury—Widespread Hunt For Anti-Nazis is Commenced

MUNICH, November 9: (CP)—Eleven minutes after Chancellor Adolf Hitler and his entourage had left the premises following an address delivered by Der Feuhrer on the anniversary of the 1923 Beer Hall putsch which instituted the Nazi movement in Germany, the famous Buergerbrau Cellar Hall was wrecked last night by the explosion of a time bomb in the wine room. It is believed that the intent was not only to assassinate the Chancellor but to wipe out other prominent members of the Nazi hierarchy. Seven of Hitler's veteran followers were killed and sixty or more hurt, some gravely. D. M.B. official news agency asserted that no prominent Nazis had been killed or injured although an Amsterdam dispatch had said that Rudolph Hess No. 3 ranking Nazi had been fatally injured.

At the time of the explosion, Hitler was already aboard his armored train on his way back to Berlin. Pressure of war affairs had caused him to abandon his usual practice of sitting around for some time with his Nazi comrades following the official celebration. Thus he may have been spared from death or serious injury. He might have been buried under nine feet of debris.

It was at 9:42 p.m. Berlin time that the explosion occurred. There was a sudden flash of flame, a great concussion and the place was reduced to a shambles. The roof was blown down and collapsed into the general wreckage.

Safe behind walls of the new Chancellery in Berlin, Hitler today viewed photographs of the first officially disclosed serious attempt to kill him since he assumed power in 1933. Meantime police, under the direction of Heinrich Gieffler, head of the dreaded Gestapo, combed the nation for perpetrators of the explosion. Rewards totalling \$240,000 have been posted for the capture of the would-be assassins dead or alive. The hunt, in which the people are entering with enthusiasm owing to the size of the reward, will embrace the entire Reich. The incident, it is expected, will result in a widespread and ruthless purge of all opponents of the Nazi regime.

There is some difficulty to explain how the incident could have occurred in view of the care which is exercised in making of precautions in advance of every Hitler move and appearance.

British secret service and Jews are charged with the attempt but officials said that so far there was no trace of persons directly responsible.

One newspaper even went so far as to associate Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain of Great Britain with the incident in view of a remark he made some time ago that he "hoped to live to see the end of Hitlerism."

Inspired by the affair, the German propaganda machine has moved speedily into the dissemination of anti-British material.

British official sources scoffed at charges and London spokesmen declared: "Doubtless gentlemen who engineered the Reichstag fire of 1933 know how to do these things."

France interprets the incident as an indication of internal dissension in Germany over the Nazi manoeuvring with Russia.

What Hitler Said
"It is not Germany but Great Britain that wants war," declared Hitler in speaking before veterans of the Beer Hall Putsch. He would like to bring an end to the war,

Following the lead of the authoritative Virginio Gayda in Il Giornale d'Italia, the Fascist press joined yesterday in an attack on the Communist International, reasserting Italy's role as peace guardian of the Danube and the Balkans and assailing Moscow motives.

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SOVIET IS ATTACKED

Entire Fascist Press Of Italy Joins In Assailing Stand of Russia

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Motorcyclists Reach Hazelton

Jim Logan and Slim Williams Complete Hazardous Journey In From Beirnes Ranch

HAZELTON, November 9: (CP)—Jim Logan and Slim Williams, Alaska to New York motorcyclists, arrived here yesterday from Beirnes' ranch in the Klondike after having been long overdue on a hazardous trip from Telegraph Creek.

said Hitler. "If I could accept the word of British leaders." Declaring that Germany was ready for a five year war, Der Feuhrer said that "even in five years I will not capitulate."

Replying to a speech of British Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax on war aims, Hitler declared each and every point to be met. The Chancellor put forth no further peace plan, saying that his speech to the Reichstag a few weeks ago had been his final word. Hitler threatened that the German army and air force might soon launch a fierce and direct attack upon England.

"If Great Britain does not want peace henceforth, we will speak in a language she will probably understand," declared Hitler. "I can assure Britain she will be defeated in this war. We are fighting for our living space. War broke out solely because Britain wanted it. There will be wars as long as the riches of this world are not distributed equitably. In my last speech I held out my hand for the last time to Britain and France."

In a long diatribe against Britain, Hitler asserted: "The condition must cease where one country reserves to itself the right to tell others what they must do."

Der Feuhrer said "It is not necessary to share anything with us. It would have been enough to restore to us what we had been robbed of. This war will be easier than that of 1914. We are prepared economically this time."