

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Fresh to strong east winds, cool with rain before tonight.

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Tomorrow's Tides

High 5:12 a.m. 19.2 ft.
17:02 p.m. 19.0 ft.
Low 11:10 a.m. 8.9 ft.
23:44 p.m. 4.7 ft.

Soviet Continuing Wanton Pillage

NEW GOV'T IS FORMED

President of Bank is New Premier of Finland—War Continues—Red Warship Sunk

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1: (CP)—Finland formed a new government tonight, dropping leaders who had been assailed by Moscow, as Russian armed forces renewed their extended attack upon the country.

While the new government was being formed, Russian bombers machine gunned civilians in the streets of the capital.

Vilpuri and other cities were also being raided.

Russian attacks extended from Finland's extreme Arctic tip, where soldiers are reported to have been dropped by parachute from war planes to seize important towns, to the extreme southwestern corner where Red warships blaster strategic Port Hango guarding the entrance to the Gulf of Finland.

Finnish defence batteries on Russaroe fortress were reported to have sunk one attacking warship and are still holding out.

The new Premier of Finland is Risto Ryti, fifty-year-old governor of the Bank of Finland. The foreign minister is Vaino Tanner, Socialist finance minister in the outgoing government, who is regarded as friendly to Russia.

The chief of police of Helsingfors said that thirty women and children had been killed today by Russian bombs.

The Finns said that sixteen Russian tanks had been wrecked by gunfire or mines in bitter fighting along the southwestern frontier.

NOVEMBER WAS WET

Was Not Worst Month in Prince Rupert's Meteorological History, However

November, with a total precipitation of 18.63 inches, was a very wet one in Prince Rupert but there have been wetter ones. Dr. Neal Carter, director of the Prince Rupert Fisheries Experimental Station, has been digging into some meteorological records around his office and finds that in November 1923 there was 28.08 inches of rain; in November 1933, 25.53 inches; in November 1922, 23.22 inches; and in November 1917, 21.68 inches. This November there was only 14.2 hours of sunshine but, at that, the month was not as dark as November 1932 when Old Sol showed his face for only two hours. Otherwise this appears to have been the most dismal November on the record.

S. J. Mellor, Dominion meteorologist, in his summary for the month of November, observes that November 16 was the only day of the month just ended on which no rain was recorded.

So far this year precipitation in Prince Rupert has totalled 107.23 inches as compared with 74.58 inches in all of 1938.

The sunshine for the first eleven months of 1939 has been 787.9 hours as against 990.3 hours for the corresponding period of 1938.

The weather summary for November is as follows:

Maximum barometer reading, 30.10 on November 6.
Minimum barometer reading, 29.14 on November 14.
Maximum temperature, 56, November 20.
Minimum temperature, 33, November 7.
Mean temperature, 44.3.
Precipitation, 18.63 inches.
Sunshine, 14.2 hours.
Maximum wind velocity, 48 miles per hour; southeast, November 18.

Bulletins

CUSTOMS REVENUE

Customs and excise collections at the port of Prince Rupert for the month of November this year totalled \$20,738.56 as compared with \$10,848.26, bringing the total for 1939 to date up to \$114,793.49 as against \$75,300.46 in the first eleven months of 1938.

SWEDEN TAKES ACTION

STOCKHOLM—Sweden has severed maritime traffic with Finland in view of the Russian invasion. More men have been called to the colors in the Swedish army but there is no general mobilization. Other defensive measures are being taken.

NOW "Dr." FALLIS

VANCOUVER—Union College of British Columbia, at its convention here, conferred a "Doctor of Divinity" upon Rev. G. O. Fallis, now of Toronto and formerly of Canadian Memorial Church here.

HERRIDGE NOMINATED

KINDERSLEY, Sask.—Hon. W. D. Herridge, New Democracy leader, has been nominated for Kindersley federal by-election to fill the seat caused by resignation of O. B. Elliot, Social Credit. The election date has not yet been set.

RUSSIA DROPS CHINA

TOKYO—Russia has stopped shipments of arms and planes to China in its fight against Japan.

ROOSEVELT'S APPEAL

WASHINGTON—As he did to Germany, Great Britain and France in September, President Roosevelt has called upon both Russia and Finland not to resort to the barbarism of bombing civilian populations.

CANADIANS FLEE

OSLO—Among refugees before the Russian invasion of Finland yesterday were Canadian employees of the International Nickel Co. who were working on property at Petsamo on the Arctic Coast of Finland. They fled to Norway. It was not clear if the mine was destroyed.

No Demands On Norway

OSLO, Dec. 1: (CP)—The Norwegian Foreign Office asserted that there was no foundation for rumors that Russia had made territorial demands on Norway.

NEW GOV'T LAUGHABLE

Moscow Dishes Out Ridiculous News in Regard to Invasion of Finland

MOSCOW, Dec. 1: (CP)—Tass, official Soviet news agency, reports a "people's government of the democratic republic of Finland" has been formed at Terijoki, Finnish town near where Russian troops first crossed the border yesterday. It said it was formed by agreement of a representative number of left parties and Finnish soldiers who allegedly revolted.

A dispatch from Helsingfors said the report drew laughter in the Finnish capital.

The public of Russia was kept ignorant of the Finnish invasion for sixteen hours and then they were only told that reconnaissance flights had been made, no mention being made of bombings.

FORMER MEMBER IS DEAD

Herbert S. Clements Passes Away in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 1: (CP)—Herbert S. Clements, former Member of Parliament for Comox-Atlin from 1911 to 1920, died in Vancouver at the age of seventy-four. Altogether he had been a Member of Parliament for sixteen years, having sat for Ontario before he came to British Columbia. (The old riding of Comox-Atlin included Prince Rupert and Mr. Clements was well known in Prince Rupert through his frequent visits to the city although he never resided here).

War News

MANY NEUTRALS SUNK

BERLIN—Nazi news agency D.M.B. admitted today that fifty neutral ships had been sunk by German mines or submarines. At the same time the Nazi commentary Dienst aus Deutschland warned neutral nations that Germany expected them to resist the Anglo-French blockade of Germany which would be extended Monday to the seizure of German exports.

FINNISH VESSEL SUNK

LONDON—Survivors of the Finnish steamship Mercator said the vessel had been sunk after striking a mine off Scotland. Today the British steamship Dalyan was sunk by striking a mine off the southeast coast. The crew was rescued.

WESTERN FRONT QUIET

PARIS—There was another quiet day on the western front, a French communique saying there was the usual patrol activity.

LONDON — The Newcastle

freighter Shepprest, 2730 tons, was sunk by a mine off the southeast coast of England. Twenty-nine survivors were landed.

MORE BRITONS CALLED

LONDON—By King's proclamation, Great Britain has called 250,000 more men between the ages of 20 and 23 to the colors. They are to register by December 9 but probably will not enter service this year.

SECRET DISCOVERED

WASHINGTON—It is reported here that the British Admiralty has discovered the secret of the magnetic mine and is confident that it can be successfully met. The magnetic mine can be exploded by sound as well as magnetic attraction, it is said. A number have been recovered and studied.

BRITAIN TO BUY SHIPS

LONDON—Sir John Gilmore, minister of shipping, says arrangements are being made to augment the merchant fleet by purchases from Canadian boat owners and builders as well as in other countries.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis—A storm of considerable width and intensity is approaching Vancouver Island from the west. The weather has been mild and showery throughout British Columbia.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Strong southeast winds becoming moderate gales. Rain tonight.

Finland Not Surrendering

LONDON, Dec. 1: (CP)—The Finnish legation declared today that there is no question of Finnish surrender to Russia. It declared that the Russian land offensive had been stopped and that no landings from Soviet warships had been accomplished. The legation added that the Finnish government would be reorganized on a broader basis and would try to re-open negotiations with the Soviet.

DALADIER ENDORSED

Chamber of Deputies Accepts His Demand For Renewal Of Decree Powers

PARIS, Dec. 1: (CP)—A French cabinet crisis was averted when the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 318 to 175 renewed power for Premier Edouard Daladier to rule France by decree for the duration of the war. This followed a vote of confidence in Premier Daladier by 309 to 188. Previously Daladier had won acceptance by the army committee of the Chamber for his decree power demand. Former Premier Leon Blum, Socialist, was the chief opponent of a renewal of decree powers. "This is a war for our security and liberty," said Daladier in addressing the Chamber.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Big Missouri, 12.
Bralorne, 11.25.
Cariboo Quartz, 2.15.
Denton, 0.15.
Fairview, 0.14.
Gold Belt, 23.
Hedley Mascot, 40.
Minto, 0.14.
Noble Five, 0.13.
Pend Oreille, 2.20.
Pioneer, 2.20.
Premier, 1.40.
Privateer, 92.
Renc, 53.
Salmon Gold, 0.3.
Sheep Creek, 1.15.
Cariboo Hudson, 0.31/2.

Oils

A. P. Con., 17.
Calmont, 35.
C. & E., 2.10.
Freehold, 0.21/2.
Home, 2.50.
Pacalta, 0.4.
Royal Canadian, 18.
Okalta, 1.05.
Mercury, 0.6.
Prairie Royalties, 19.

Toronto

Aldermac, 35.
Beattie, 1.02.
Central Pat, 2.32.
Con. Smelters, 47.00.
East Malartic, 3.30.
Fernand, 0.21/2.
Francour, 4.11/2.
Gods Lake, 57.
Hardrock, 1.32.
Int. Nickel, 45 1/2.
Kerr Addison, 2.07.
Little Long Lac, 3.00.
McLeod Cockshutt, 2.26.
Medsen Red Lake, 43.
McKenzie Red Lake, 1.26.
Moneta, 85.
Noranda, 75.50.
Pickle Crow, 4.20.
Preston East Dome, 2.07.
San Antonio, 1.95.
Sherritt Gordon, 1.12.
Stadacona, suspended.
Uchi, 81.
Bouscadillac, 0.4.
Mosher, 10.
Okland, 12 1/2.
Smelters Gold, 0.034.
Dominion Bridge, 36.25.

HOUSE HAD FIREWORKS

British Columbia Session Just Ended Will Be Remembered For Debate Rather Than For Legislation

VICTORIA, Dec. 1: (CP)—The session of the British Columbia Legislature which ended yesterday will be remembered more for the heated debate on the Throne Speech and the budget than for legislation approved. The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation set off most of the fireworks, addresses by two of its members drawing warning from Premier T. D. Pattullo that any repetition of statements critical of British or Canadian government policy might bring prosecution under the War Measures Act.

A handful of major bills approved included provision for the following items:

Government authority to acquire West Kootenay Doukhobor lands involved in foreclosure actions of the Sun Life Assurance and National Trust companies.

Extension of the Food Products Minimum Loss Act intended to curb the use of loss leaders by merchants selling all groceries and vegetables except those highly perishable.

Relieving members of the armed forces from assessment work on mining claims and protecting their homes and property.

The Legislature appropriated \$260,000 for drilling a Peace River oil well and \$25,000 for the Alaska highway survey. In all, 67 bills were passed.

The prorogation was conducted by Lieutenant Governor E. W. Hamber, the session concluding on a note of patriotic fervor as all members rose and sang "God Save the King," led by Capt. Macgregor Macintosh, Conservative member for the Islands.

LOG SCALE STILL UP

November Production Somewhat Lower But Year to Date is Ahead of 1938

Log scaling in Prince Rupert forestry district for the year 1939 to date has reached a total of 125,721,094 board feet as compared with 119,560,671 board feet in the first eleven months of 1938. The scale for this November was 4,542,804 board feet in comparison with 7,501,887 board feet in November 1938.

Per species the scale in November this year, according to varieties, was as follows:

Fir 943,445
Spruce 2,040,417
Cedar 1,188,828
Balsam 29,998
Hemlock 323,585
Jackpine 1,531
Total 4,542,804

Forest Products

The production of poles and piling in the interior this November was 155,834 lineal feet—129,139 lineal feet cedar, 3,216 lineal feet hemlock and 23,379 lineal feet miscellaneous—as compared with 77,715 lineal feet last November.

No ties were recorded this November whereas last November there were 10,214.

Scale of wood this November was 151 as compared with fifty in November 1938.

SPRING WAS SLOW

CANBERRA, Dec. 1: (CP)—Australian police were hesitant about changing into their summer helmets this year. When the antipodean spring came in the middle of October, some bobbies wore black helmets, some white.

RUSSIA CONTINUES ITS INVASION OF FINLAND; PEACE PLEA UNHEEDED

Kayander Government Resigns Under Pressure But Soviet Answer is Only Continuation of Ruthless Pillage

HELSINGFORS, December 1: (CP)—Notwithstanding a unanimous vote of confidence by Parliament, the government of Finland resigned last night under pressure of the Soviet invasion in the hope that its action might result in an armistice with Russia and prevent further destruction of the country. A new government more sympathetic with Russian demands was expected would be formed.

Meantime, although the Soviet was officially advised of Premier Kayander's resignation, ruthless warfare upon helpless civilian population as well as the fighting forces continued unabated late today. There were new raids upon Helsingfors, dealing further death and destruction following the horrors of yesterday in which hundreds of civilians—many women and children—were killed or wounded. Along both the Gulf of Finland to the south and the Arctic coast to the Norwegian border on the north the Russian aircraft and naval attack was kept up with little diminished intensity. Violent fighting between land forces with artillery, machine guns and rifles also kept up with the Finns, although overwhelmingly outnumbered and outequipped, resisting the Russian advance savagely and retreating only after stubborn battle against hopeless odds.

New fires broke out in Helsingfors this afternoon from renewed dropping of incendiary bombs. The wooden buildings of the working class section of the "White City," sometimes described thus because of its general beauty and cleanliness, were a seething mass of flames.

Seaports and towns in the southwestern section of the country were ablaze from the effects of the aerial bombardments as were towns in the Arctic coast. The Isthmus of Karelia was still a centre of concentrated aerial and naval bombardment. Three Russian warships were pounding at the port of Vilpuri, still in flames following yesterday's attack.

This morning Russian planes reconnoitered over Helsingfors without dropping bombs on the capital and neighboring towns but this afternoon ten fighting ships renewed the attack with death-dealing missiles although damage and casualties may have been somewhat less than in yesterday's day of horror. Finnish anti-aircraft guns were still in action and at least one Soviet plane was brought down, its crew being killed. Yesterday the Finns claimed to have shot down several Russian planes.

Thousands of Finnish refugees slept or endeavored to sleep in the forests during the night as the sudden giant exodus continued. There were scenes of pitiful privation and hardship. Women lay down in snow-filled ditches with their children. Roads are covered with ice and automobile traffic is paralyzed. There have been hundreds of traffic accidents.

Premier Kayander insisted on resigning, despite the vote of confidence, in the hope of bringing an end of the "blood bath" to his people such as started yesterday. It was a desperate endeavour to bring about a resumption of peaceful negotiations with the Soviet. The only answer by Russia, however, was a resumption of the attack today.

Russia yesterday demanded a complete and immediate surrender of Finland on pain of Helsingfors and every other city of the country being wiped out. Immediate settlement on the basis of Russian demands was insisted upon by the Soviet.

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RUSSIA IS CONDEMNED

Whole World Decries Action Of Soviet In Ruthless Invasion Of Finland

Clement Atlee, British Labor leader in Parliament, termed the Russian invasion of Finland an "indefensible act of unprovoked aggression."

Tokyo expresses sympathy with Finland, remarking that the invasion indicates what value may be attached to a non-aggression pact with Russia.

Former President Herbert Hoover of the United States said that civilization had struck a new low level with the Russian invasion of Finland but predicted that Finland, although now fallen, would rise again in a new civilization.

President Roosevelt of the United States declared the Russian invasion of Finland was a profound shock to the United States, both government and people, jeopardizing "the rights of mankind to self government." The President continued: "Wanton disregard for law and order is still on the march. Those who love peace and order will unanimously condemn this action."

Telegrapho, Rome newspaper, said Italy frowned on Russia's territorial acquisitions. "This is an hour of extreme crisis for all small nations. This is the wolf's hour. Italy keeps strict faith with the small nations."

The New York press was caustic in criticizing the Russian action. The Times says: "In the ruins of Finland lie the remains of what respect the rest of the world might have had for the Russian regime."

AN IRISH FIGHTER

HOUT BAY, South Africa, Dec. 1: (CP)—Born in Dublin 15 years ago, Stephen Henry Creane, veteran of the Spanish-American and South African Wars is dead here. He was in the United States Navy at one time.

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