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Tomorrow's Tides

High	6:54 a.m.	17.6 ft.
	20:26 p.m.	15.6 ft.
Low	0:22 a.m.	9.4 ft.
	13:42 p.m.	6.8 ft.

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Strong south to southwest winds or moderate gales, cloudy and somewhat colder with rain or part sleet.

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Roumania Swinging Towards Nazis

FINNISH CABINET TROUBLE

More Ministers Have Now Resigned, Making It Four In All

Explanation Why Surrender Made

Best Expedient In Means—Air Raiding Was Crippling Little Nation

FORTIFY AGAIN

HELSINKI, March 16 (Canadian Press)—Finland will begin immediately fortifying her new frontiers and to reorganize her battered army following the Soviet peace, informed quarters declared. There will be no general mobilization of the army except for certain classes which will be released to help with civil reconstruction. The Finnish proposal for a defence alliance with Sweden and Norway is another part of the determination to be strong. Sweden is lending Finland a large number of motor-cars to assist in removal of displaced Finns to new homes from the areas which have been handed to Russia. Large Swedish labor corps will also be sent to aid in reconstruction.

LONDON, March 16 (Canadian Press)—Exchange Telegraph group out of Stockholm reports resignation of two more Finnish cabinet members—Juho Paasikivi, minister without portfolio, and Eino Flenndt, minister of public works and national welfare. Their resignations are the outcome of the acceptance of the peace treaty with Russia. Paasikivi is one of the delegation which accompanied the Premier to Moscow. Two other ministers resigned yesterday.

After two-and-a-half hours of debate, the Finnish Parliament yesterday, by a vote of 145 to 3, ratified the peace treaty with Russia under which 1500 miles of Finnish and strategic territory is surrendered to the Soviet.

"We decided to choose peace as the best way for the most," said the Premier who, however, admitted "unwisdom in regard to the future, declaring that Finland, and civilization generally were still in the greatest danger.

It has been disclosed, now that membership measures have been passed, that enormous devastation in Finland by Russian air raids was a material factor in deciding Finland to come to terms. As a result of bombing, it is now reported, Finnish railways were virtually destroyed, stopping movement of troops. Many factories were also wiped out which, of course, affected supplies. All the same, in addition to the damage done by bombing of cities and civilian population generally. One estimate of the material damage as a result of the air raiding is \$500,000,000.

NEW YORK COPPER

NEW YORK, March 16—Copper futures continued a decline on the New York metal market today, dropping in the first hour of trading .04c. to .06c. with May at 23.25c. per pound.

Plenty of Accommodation

NOW that the Dry Dock has been officially ordered to prepare for the building of the mine sweepers, we announce especially for the benefit of those pessimists who have been spreading rumors that there would be no vessels built here that there is definitely now in Prince Rupert, exclusive of private homes, accommodation for 400 workmen.

VOTE FOR HANSON

And Further Progress
Skeena Federal Liberal Association of Prince Rupert, B.C.

War News

AIR RAIDS EXCHANGED

LONDON—British and German air forces exchanged raids last night, the Air Ministry announced, with the Royal Air Force making an extensive flight over Poland. A German bomber clashed with the British coastal patrol in a running fight. The enemy craft escaped in a damaged condition. Three German planes also flew over the northeast part of France. Royal Air Force patrols scouted Heligoland Bight this morning and returned safely although they were fired on by anti-aircraft batteries and attacked by Nazi fighters.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA

TOKYO—The Japanese have protested to Russia, asserting that a Russian patrol fired illegally on a Japanese patrol at the border of Sakhalin Island, ownership of which is divided between Japan and Russia. Reports from Tokohara said that there were a dozen Soviet and two Japanese casualties in the border clash. Soviet soldiers are reported to have machine-gunned Japanese on the Outer Mongolian-Manchoukouo frontier. Both sides, it is evident, are reinforcing themselves for a resumption of fighting.

NEW SUBMARINE WAVE

PARIS—Sinking of two German submarines reported by French naval sources was accompanied by the comment that Germany was apparently dispatching a new u-boat wave. One submarine was reported sunk by a British armed trawler. Such a sinking was reported by the British Thursday but it is unknown if the French report covered the same incident.

MORE ATROCITIES

AMSTERDAM—A party of 75 Polish refugees arriving here yesterday, reported further atrocities in German and Russian occupied Poland, particularly directed against Jews. In Warsaw one hundred Poles and Jews were lined up and shot by the Nazis for the killing of two Germans at Przemysl in Russian-occupied Poland 650 Poles were lined up and shot summarily. Great famine is reported to be imminent in both sections of Poland.

SENTENCED TO DEATH

PARIS—August Steinberg, native of Austria and a second lieutenant in the German Army, has been sentenced to death by a French court-marshal for espionage.

MORE BUTTER ALLOWED

LONDON—Effective next week Britons will have their butter ration increased from four to eight ounces weekly in view of an improved supply.

MAC DONALD IN PARIS

PARIS—Rt. Hon. Malcolm MacDonald, British Colonial Secretary, and his staff are here for a three-day conference with French authorities on the question of co-ordination of colonial war efforts.

CABINET CHANGES

Important Shake-up in Both British and French War Administrations Anticipated

LONDON, March 16 (Canadian Press)—Impatience at the leisurely course of the war appears to be growing both in Great Britain and France and important cabinet shake-ups in both countries are anticipated. There is growing favor for a bolder diplomatic policy in order to thwart extension of totalitarian influence.

In Britain Leslie Burgin, minister of supply, Sir Samuel Hoare, Lord Privy Seal, and Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary for Air, are believed due for removal or demotion. There is believed to be little likelihood of a change in the premiership and no reorganization is expected to be announced before Easter although the whole question of war policy and progress is expected to be discussed by the House next Tuesday. There is considerable criticism of purchasing methods. A major shake-up in the French cabinet is expected. Premier Edouard Daladier may relinquish the ministry of war to Marshal Gamelin, the present commander-in-chief of the Army, and may also have himself relieved of the portfolio of foreign affairs.

New York Stock Market Is Weak

Considerable Declines in View of Uncertainty of International Situation

NEW YORK, March 16—The trend of the New York Stock Exchange continues definitely downward in view of the uncertainty of the international situation. In the first hour of trading this morning 270,000 shares changed hands with the industrial average dropping 79 to 145.75 and rails 20 to 29.81. Utilities at closing yesterday were off .04 for the day, closing at 24.10. There had been substantial declines in yesterday's trading.

Opening Date Of Big Bend Road

Will Be June 29, Two Days Before Opening of Jasper-Banff Highway

OTTAWA, March 16 (Canadian Press)—Formal opening of the Big Bend Highway in British Columbia, final link to an all Canadian highway between Vancouver and Halifax, has been set for June 29, two days earlier than the opening of the Jasper-Banff highway.

Veteran Preacher Of Province Dies

Rev. George Reid Passes Away in Vancouver—Was Once on Islands

VANCOUVER, March 16 (CP)—Rev. Geo. Reid, veteran Methodist missionary, who has been living here in retirement since 1918, died yesterday at the age of 77 years. He came to British Columbia in 1887 and ministered on the Queen Charlotte Islands and in other parts of the province.

STILL QUIET IN WEST

PARIS—A quiet day is again reported on the western front. Rain and fog kept fighting to a minimum.

SUSPEND SHIPPING

Holland Decides That it is Too Dangerous to Send Further Ships to Sea

AMSTERDAM, March 16 (CP)—The newspaper de Telegraaf reported today that the Navy had ordered Netherlands shipping companies to suspend all navigation until further notice due to the dangers threatening shipping.

Trawler Captain Tells His Story

Details of Thrilling Running Fight With German Submarine Are Disclosed

LONDON, March 16 (CP)—Capt. Harry Westerden of an unnamed British trawler described at a Scottish port today how his little vessel destroyed a German submarine in a seventeen-hour surface fight after bringing it to the surface with depth charges. During the fight the trawler's speed was forced up to eighteen and a half knots although the normal top speed is only eighteen. The trawler made port in a sinking condition, her engines being found to have shifted five inches from their supports. It is reported that another German submarine was destroyed yesterday but no details have been announced as yet.

Car Went Over Malahat; Man Is Badly Injured

VICTORIA, March 16 (Canadian Press)—Ernest L. Stock is in critical condition in hospital here with injuries sustained yesterday when his automobile plunged fifty feet down an embankment from the Malahat Drive.

Bulletins

WELLES IN ROME
ROME—Summer Welles, United States Under Secretary of State, is back in Rome for further conferences which it is said may signify a possible new peace move. Mr. Welles had an 80 minute meeting with King Victor Emmanuel this morning and met Foreign Minister Count Ciano for seventy minutes. An unexpected conference has been arranged for Mr. Welles with the Pope Monday and he will also meet Premier Mussolini again before sailing home.

SHIP IS ASHORE
SAN FRANCISCO—The Australian steamship Kahika, 1537 tons, is reported sinking fast after piling up on rocks in a pass between Australia and Tasmania. The vessel Tarooma, presumably an Australian government craft, was going to the assistance. It was not known how many were on board.

FINNS FOR CANADA
OTTAWA—The Department of Natural Resources is considering a proposal for the resettlement of dispossessed Finns on Canadian farm lands. The proposal has not yet been before the government.

BAR GOLD

LONDON, (CP)—The Montreal price of bar gold on the London market was unchanged today at \$37.54 per fine ounce.

Churchill Shows How It's Spoken

Admiralty First Lord Strong For Straight English in Foreign Words

LONDON, March 16 (CP)—Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, is giving Britain's common man courage to talk "plain English." The common man is tired of those tongue-twisting names of towns and generals in Germany and France, Finland and China in the current wars.

The First Lord has set his own style. Without a tremor, Churchill refers to Hitler and the "Nazis." The ordinary man has been struggling with "Nahtzees" and wondering whether he has said it right. Churchill also has shown he can say "Graf Spee" as it is spelt instead of the German "Graf Ship-pay." And he gets away with "Ben-ne's Airs" and "Monty Video."

British Broadcasting Corporation announcers saw the trend of opinions in complaints about their correct but unintelligible pronunciation of names in the Spanish war. They compromised and foreign names they say now are meant to be intelligible to the British public while not departing too much from the native pronunciation.

LOSSES IN OCEAN WAR

Naval Trawler and Freighter Are Latest Victims of Mines

LONDON, March 16 (CP)—The Admiralty announced today that the naval trawler Peridot had struck a German mine and sunk without loss of life. The British freighter Melrose, 1589 tons, is also reported sunk after an explosion following striking a mine, eighteen of the crew being missing.

In Berlin it is announced that German bombing planes, reconnoitering over the North Sea, sank one British patrol boat and badly damaged another.

Commercial Fishing Ban

Tweedsmuir Park Rod and Gun Club Passes Resolution

FRANCOIS LAKE, March 16—At a meeting of the Tweedsmuir Park Rod and Gun Club a resolution was passed, on motion of J. H. Henkel and Verne Taylor, protesting to the Departments of Fisheries at Ottawa and Victoria against permits being issued to allow commercial fishing in the lakes of the central interior. The motion was passed unanimously and the secretary, T. P. L. Mulvany, was instructed to seek the co-operation of all local rod and gun clubs.

Joe Sugden, president of the club was in the chair.

Four Were Quite Badly Injured

Damage to Equipment Extensive in Train Collision Near Medicine Hat

MEDICINE HAT, March 16 (CP)—Four persons are in serious condition from injuries sustained early yesterday morning when an east-bound Canadian Pacific Railway passenger train crashed head-on into a pusher engine near here, eleven in all being hurt. They are, however, expected to recover. The engine telescoped and engine tender, mail, baggage and express cars of the passenger train were derailed. No British Columbians were on the list of injured.

Significance Is Seen In Reconciliation Of King Carol and Iron Guards

Centre of International Interest Now Shifting From North-Western to Southeastern Europe

LONDON, March 16 (CP)—The centre of international interest has shifted from northwest to southeast Europe with Roumania again occupying the limelight as she shows indications of veering away from the side of the Allies towards Russia and Germany. Most significant move is the patching up by King Carol of his quarrel with the pro-Nazi Iron Guard for whom he has declared what amounts to a general public amnesty. Today Carol received in audience 250 representatives of these Iron Guards following release of a large number from prison and concentration camps. They pledged their allegiance to the crown.

It has been denied that Iron Guards will be admitted to the Roumanian cabinet. Government spokesmen have also gone out of their way to declare that there will be no change in Roumanian foreign policy and that the country intends to retain its policy of strict neutrality.

Old Country Soccer

English League, South C
Arsenal 2, Westham 3.
Brentford 5, Southampton 0.
Fulham 2, Charlton Athletic 0.
Millwall 2, Chelsea 3.
Portsmouth 1, Tottenham 2.

South D
Bournemouth 4, Clapton Orient 0.
Crystal Palace 3, Aldershot 4.
Queens Park 0, Norwich 0.
Reading 5, Watford 2.
South End 8, Brighton 2.

Midland
Coventry 6, Northampton 3.
Luton 3, West Bromwich Albion 6.
Walsall 3, Leicester 2.
Wolverhampton 3, Birmingham 1.

Northwest
Blackburn 0, Accrington 2.
Blackpool 3, Southport 1.
Bury 5, Barrow 2.
Carlisle 3, Burnley 4.
Oldham 3, Preston Northend 2.
Rochdale 2, Bolton 2.

Southwest
Bristol Rovers 6, Swansea 2.
Cardiff 3, Bristol City 2.
Swindon 3, Newport 3.

East Midland
Barnsley 2, Sheffield Wednesday 0.
Chesterfield 3, Notts County 1.
Doncaster 4, Mansfield 2.
Grimsby 3, Rotherham 1.
Sheffield United 1, Lincoln 0.

Western
Everton 5, Chester 0.
Manchester United, 1; Liverpool 0.

Stockport, 4; New Brighton, 1.
Stoke, 2; Manchester City, 1.
Tranmere, 1; Portvale, 5.
Wrexham 5, Crewe 0.

Northeast
Bradford 2, Newcastle 1.
Darlington 4, Bradford City 4.
Hartlepool 2, Leeds 1.
Huddersfield 1, Hull 0.
York 3, Halifax 1.

Exhibition
Kent Eleven 2, F. A. Eleven 3.
Plymouth 9, United Services 1.

Scottish East
Aberdeen 3, Hearts 0.
Alloa 2, Dunfermline 3.
Dundee United 1, St. Bernards 0.
Hibernians 2, Arbroath 4.
King's Park 3, Dundee 3.
Raith 2, Falkirk 2.
Stenhousemuir 0, East Fife 2.

West
West Bromwich Albion 3, Rangers 3.
Clyde 1, Queen's Park 1.
Dumbarton 0, Motherwell 1.
Hamilton 2, Morton 2.
Kilmarnock 1, Queen of South 3.
Partick 3, Airdrie 2.
St. Mirren 2, Ayr 0.
Third Lanark 4, Celtic 2.

Steps Toward New Alliance

President of Norwegian Parliament Arrives in Stockholm, Capital of Sweden

STOCKHOLM, March 16 (CP)—First definite step in negotiations toward a possible northern defensive alliance was seen yesterday in the arrival here of C. J. Hambro, president of the Norwegian Parliament.

GOOD VISIT TO ISLANDS

Olof Hanson, Liberal Candidate for Skeena, Is Given Excellent Reception

QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY, March 16: (Special to Daily News)—Olof Hanson, Liberal candidate for re-election in Skeena, has completed a very successful visit to Queen Charlotte Island points and, with his party, left here last night for Ocean Falls, Bella Coola, Surf Inlet and other points on the southern coastal part of the riding.

During the visit to the Queen Charlotte Islands, well attended and enthusiastic meetings were held at Massett, Port Clements and Queen Charlotte City. The feeling is that Mr. Hanson will poll a substantial vote on the Islands where he is well and favorably known and where his record of service is appreciated.

Accompanying Mr. Hanson on this tour are E. T. Kenney, M.L.A. for Skeena; S. E. Parker of Prince Rupert and Edward T. Applewhite of Stewart.

PLAY-OFFS ON TUESDAY

MONTREAL, March 16: (CP)—National Hockey League play-offs will commence next Tuesday night, it was announced last night by Frank Calder, president of the league. In New York the Rangers and Boston Bruins will commence a best out of seven game series. At Toronto the Maple Leafs and Chicago Black Hawks will start a best out of three game series and at Detroit the New York Americans will open a series with Detroit Red Wings.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis—The pressure is low over the interior of British Columbia and relatively high southwest of Vancouver Island. The weather has been unsettled and mild throughout this province with showers in all districts. West Coast of Vancouver Island—Strong northwest to west winds, part cloudy and mild with a few scattered showers.