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GOV.-GEN. PLOWM FURROW—Mouth puckered in concentration, Governor-General Viscount Alexander drives the tractor at the international plowing match at Port Albert, Ont. Not contented with declaring the meet officially open, his excellency climbed aboard a tractor and plowed a furrow himself.

CIVIL WAR IS ALL OUT AGAIN

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek Orders His Generals Back Into Action

NANKING — It appears that the Chinese civil war is about to be resumed on full scale, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has ordered all his generals back into the field. The next major objective of the Nationalist forces will probably be the city of Yenan which is being used by the Communists as their capital.

AUTO TIRES ARE SCARCE

Few That Arrived During Last Few Days Insignificant

Compared with Requirements
With three hundred or more tires estimated to be required by Prince Rupert's motor vehicle owners, a mere half dozen or so which trickled into local dealers during the last week have done little to relieve the situation and local service stations have still to follow the practice of doling out the rubber to the most utterly needy customers. One dealer yesterday afternoon estimated that there were not half a dozen each of passenger and commercial vehicle tires in the city including a few that arrived during the last few days. "And there may not be any more before February," he grimly added.

Coal Famine In Cranbrook Town

CRANBROOK—The East Kootenay, where one of British Columbia's coal industries is centered, is facing a coal famine because snow is so deep that coal cannot be delivered from the mines. Such is the case here. Three feet depth of snow is holding up deliveries.

FOOD FOR ALASKA

EDMONTON—Eggs, poultry, fresh fruits and meat from Canada are now on the way to Alaska over the Alaska Highway following the lifting of export permit restrictions by the Department of Trade and Commerce. They are going from here to Dawson Creek by rail and thence by truck to Alaska.

MILLION-DOLLAR ORE BODY AT SMITHERS

Duthie Mill to be Reopened Within Forty-five Days

New ore bodies of an estimated value of \$1,000,000 have been indicated by diamond drilling operations this year at Duthie Mines, Ltd., near Smithers, and the management plans to have the ore mill in operation within the next 45 days. The ore bodies indicated by the drill tests are in addition to the high-grade ore which has again been made accessible through the rehabilitation of former

working faces. The mine management estimates that half of the value of the new ore can be recovered as profit.

Planning the start of milling operations, which, barring material shortages, would begin within the next 45 days, the company also expects to expand its development work to the nearby Canary and Hummingbird claim where test holes have given reason for optimism.

Electrical power of 750 h.p. will be developed by full use of

the mine's steam-electrical plant within the next few weeks. More than 500 tons of coal have been stock-piled at the mine to insure a continuous supply of power.

THE WEATHER

COLD IN INTERIOR
Prince George—The cold weather continues here. Fifteen below was recorded here last night and 20 below at Quesnel.

Prince Rupert—Continued fair, not much change in temperature.

United States Soft Coal Strike On 400,000 Miners Lay Down Tools Make Preparations To Cite Lewis

Alaska and Prince Rupert

Territory Now Ripe for Divorce From Seattle Interests Which Have Exploited It For So Long

MOVE TO INITIATE NEW SHIPPING SERVICE FROM HERE APPROVED EVERYWHERE

PETERSBURG (Special to Daily News) — The honeymoon is over and Alaska, tired of an exploited marriage with Seattle interests, is shopping around for a divorce with grounds for such action as follows:

1. A price differential of 20 per cent on Alaskan purchases from Seattle wholesale houses, local merchants claiming that Seattle wholesale prices to Alaskans are higher than retail prices advertised in Seattle newspapers.

2. The current shipping tie-up which has seriously damaged the economy of the territory has impressed Alaska with the need of an alternate shipping link.

3. An expected freight rate boost when the War Shipping Administration turns coastal vessels back to the operators on January 2. Rates will probably be doubled.

Petersburg, like all communities in southeastern Alaska, is solidly backing the Briggs Steamship Co. in initiating a large service between Prince Rupert and the territory.

The latest announcement from Briggs states that his company is prepared to set up buying agencies in St. Paul and Chicago as well as arranging car pool loadings.

A representative of the St. Paul and Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce will soon tour Alaska to boost the advantages of buying in the Midwest.

This city of Petersburg has been hard hit by the strike. Its merchants have suffered a total loss estimated to be \$300,000. All commodities are in short supply. Fresh produce is at a premium. Building is at a standstill. City streets have been darkened

because of an electric bulb shortage.

"Prince Rupert has been our life line," declared a city spokesman. "We really would have been in bad shape if it had not been for Prince Rupert. When conditions were most serious our small boats picked up large quantities of essential supplies."

Lack of knowledge of Prince Rupert, its facilities and economic advantages of employing the great northwest route across the continent is evident throughout this section of Alaska. Most citizens know of it only as a good idea.

It seems imperative to this correspondent that Prince Rupert set up some program to educate the territory not only about Prince Rupert but also of its hinterland such as the Skeena and Bulkley River valleys. The majority of residents here have never heard of these two productive areas.

A Wrangell dairyman, Ivor Nore, who is purchasing hay from a Smithers concern, thought the interior village was some mining town on the coast and was surprised to learn that steamers did not call there.

There is a tremendous potential market in Alaska for the resources of Northern British Columbia but Alaskans must be told a few facts about their next door neighbor.

Hint of General Strike —Steel May Close If Anthracite Is Hit

NEW YORK—The soft coal miners' strike against the government of the United States has started. The walk-out of 400,000 miners in various parts of the nation became complete at midnight in response to the strike call of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, who gave notice of termination of the agreement with the government. Government officials were working today on papers leading to citation and possible arrest of Lewis on charges of contempt. He had failed to act on a court order requiring him to recall the notice of termination. He had not been arrested up to early afternoon today nor had any statement emanated from him.

Intention of the government to prosecute any labor leaders who encourage the strike has also been given.

What would happen if Lewis is actually arrested is a matter of conjecture. Already A.F. of L. and C.I.O. leaders have expressed their sympathy. There might even be a general strike.

The possibility of an early spread of the strike to the anthracite field is seen although no notice of termination has as yet been given.

There is some uncertainty as to whether the strike is complete in the state of Washington owing to communication difficulties in that area because of winter storm conditions. At least some of the Washington miners are out on strike.

Lewis is said to have at his disposal a sum of \$13,000,000 for miners' relief.

Steel company executives state that steel plants will close down by the end of the month if coal supplies are shut off by strike.

EDMONTON HAS RECORD COLD

Lowest Thermometer Reading For November in 50 Years

EDMONTON—Edmonton had its coldest November day in 50 years yesterday when the thermometer dropped to 19 below. On November 20, 1896, thirty below was recorded. Penhold, to the north, was the coldest point in Alberta with 34 below. Calgary had 21 below. West of Lethbridge there is 40 inches of snow.

Two More Are In Aldermanic Field

Two more aldermanic candidates were mentioned in today's civic election gossip around the town. John McLeod, manager of the North Star Bottling Works and member of a well-known pioneer family, is definitely in the field, it has become known. Another aspirant is expected in the person of Arthur H. Ogilvie of Eighth Avenue East, who served here with the Navy during the war and is now a civilian employee of the Navy.

Teachers' Strike Closing Schools

ST. PAUL, Minn.—High Schools of this city may close next Monday on account of a teachers' strike. One thousand teachers are demanding an increase in the basic salary rates from \$1300-\$2800 to \$2400-\$5000.

Local Tides

	Friday, November 22, 1946		
High	0:35	19.2 feet	
	12:23	21.5 feet	
Low	6:20	7.2 feet	
	18:58	3.6 feet	

Missing Gulf

Mother and Two Object of Search

US. Vancouver Island search has been among the islands for trace of a 32-year-old man and two children Saturday from Steveston Island. They have not been reported since they left on Saturday.

WAS GREENS

Minimum temperature dropped to 22 degrees, Tuesday night's minimum to the thermometer at Digby Island station.

HAS WEATHER

Are Recorded—Expected By

Snow and freezing continues here for straight day and been six deaths in Northwest as a result of weather.

Victim of the cold a woman who was in a car skidded on and overturned. Reports four inches of

RESCUERS NEAR CRASH VICTIMS

FRANKFURT, Germany—Search parties high in the French Alps were today nearing a United States Army transport plane which crashed on a plateau near a mountain peak. A message said that eight of the eleven on board were stretcher cases. Fears were entertained in view of freezing weather.

REINFORCING LINE WORKERS

Extra Men Brought in From Alberta in Effort to Restore Telegraphic Service

In the effort to restore at the earliest possible moment telegraphic circuit communications into Prince Rupert which have been out of commission since Sunday night when a high northeast wind swept down the lower Skeena Valley and dropped numerous trees over the line between Terrace and Kwinitza, Canadian National Telegraphs line repair crews have been reinforced by extra men from Alberta who arrived on the scene today. Work of restoring communications had been getting along nicely until Tuesday evening when another gale descended on the territory and the situation became even worse than it was before.

"It was the worst windstorm that ever hit the area," commented C. A. Berner, divisional superintendent of Canadian National Railways, after surveying the fall of trees as he came in from the interior Tuesday night. There were as many as 15 trees down at one point. This caused but one of the numerous breaks in the line.

It is hoped to restore telegraphic service at least on a temporary basis by the end of the week.

Connection Made Today
Wire communications between Prince Rupert and the rest of Canada were resumed tentatively at 11 o'clock this morning when linemen succeeded in connecting a train despatchers' telephone between Prince Rupert and Terrace.

With linemen laboring to re-connect the wires which were broken in almost a dozen places along the Skeena River in one of the worst communication breaks in recent years, C.N. Telegraphs officials were hopeful that transmission of commercial messages might be resumed this afternoon.

Halted, too, were long distance telephone and radio relay lines carried on C.N. telegraph poles as trees, toppled by down in a dozen places between Terrace and Remo.

Today the linemen are working between Kwinitza and Salvas where the worst of the series of breaks occurred. They anticipate that a number of the cables will be re-connected today, enabling commercial messages to get through.

During the last four days traffic has been routed through the Digby Island wireless station, which has been working at capacity.

However, it will be several days before permanent repairs can be effected, the Daily News was informed.

Pearkes Sees Prince as Centre of Another War Should One Come

Young Men Should Join Reserves Urges Support Defence Plans

Canada, being considered to a large extent invulnerable by reason of distance and natural defences, had adopted the policy of mobilizing and training forces for service overseas. To a lesser degree this had been the policy in World War II and, as a result, Canada had been able to do much to restore confidence to Britain through presence of trained troops there in her hour of great need and danger.

TELEVISION FOR CANADA

Possibility of Transmitters at Montreal and Toronto Considered

OTTAWA — A. D. Dunton, chairman of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, said last night that the Corporation is considering the possibility of establishing television transmitters in Montreal and Toronto.

Mrs. Watkinson Dies at Qualicum

Word has been received in the city of the death on Sunday at Qualicum Beach, Vancouver Island, of Mrs. A. J. Watkinson, wife of the former Dominion constable here for many years. She was 68 years of age and passed away after a lengthy illness. Besides her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. George Shenton of Prince Rupert and Mrs. E. Wheldon and Mrs. J. C. Westover of Victoria. Many friends of the family will regret to hear of Mrs. Watkinson's passing and will extend their deep sympathy to the bereaved. The funeral was held at Qualicum Beach.



BRITISH AMBASSADOR'S "HOST" IS MAN WHO WORKS ON FARM—Roger Newburn, centre, 21-year-old Iowa farmer, is pictured with his brother, Ed, left, as he caught up on his work after playing host to Sir Archibald John Clark-Kerr, Lord of Inverchapel, Great Britain's ambassador to the United States. Lord Inverchapel, shown in photo at right, paid them a three-day visit. "Best handyman we've ever had around the farm in a long while," said the Newburns. Roger, on a visit to Washington last summer during a student citizenship tour, met the British diplomat, and engaged him in a friendly argument on the virtues of Iowa. Accepting Roger's invitation to "come out to our farm and see for yourself," Sir Archibald made a super-secret visit there. "God has been good to this country," was his statement after "seeing for himself."