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PRINCE RUPERT OUTLET ADVOCATED

FEW LOGGERS NEAR RUPERT

Effect of Big Strike Not Immediately Felt Here
The strike of British Columbia organized loggers probably will have little effect in the Prince Rupert district where only a handful of union men are employed in a few small operations. However, the strike, which began at 10 o'clock this morning, is expected to make the lumber supply already precarious, practically non-existent here, thus paralyzing the restricted amount of logging that is going on.

No reserves of lumber exist in the province, and when the present supply of logs is exhausted, no more lumber will be available. Larger mills which employ union labor have ceased production, since the men were sent out with the loggers. Lumber is coming direct from the mills for immediate use at present time.

Exact number of loggers on small operations around Prince Rupert who have stopped logging could not be ascertained this morning, but it is expected that they will number less than 250 in the area, the George Box and Lumber Mill and a number of smaller ones, will not be affected because of the walkout, it was learned, because most of the loggers do not belong to the logging union.

In the Terrace district the loggers probably will shut down logging operations in which the loggers and mill workers are members of the I. W. A.

STRANRAER DUE IN PORT TODAY

Green Charlotte Islands Air Stranraer flying boat the *St. Nicholas*, is scheduled to arrive in the city at 4:30 today. James Wood, operations manager of the airline, which began a scheduled weekly service between Prince Rupert and Vancouver, via the Islands, this week will be here to arrange operational details. Also on the plane is G. H. Stranraer, president of Stanraer Agencies, which is local agent for the airline. Mr. Stranraer will remain in the city permanently to look after his interests here. William Peters, chief pilot for the line, was at the controls of the plane.

Halibut Sales

Summary
American—40,000 pounds.
Canadian—152,000 pounds.

Bulletins

LEWIS PLAN REJECTED
WASHINGTON — Soft coal operators today informed John L. Lewis that they reject "unequivocally" his demand for a seven percent payroll levy to finance a miners' welfare fund. Chances of a settlement of the strike dispute appear, as a result, to have suffered a setback.

STRIKE PLAN CALLED
CHICAGO — Plans for the calling of a strike against Illinois-Central Railroad were cancelled today as prospects appeared brighter for a settlement of the railway workers' strike called for the coming Saturday.

ONTARIO JUDGE DIES
TORONTO—Mr. Justice John C. Gillanders, 50, of the Ontario Court of Appeal, died today.

CUT RAILWAY LINE
MUKDEN—From 10,000 to 20,000 Communist troops are reported to have cut the Mukden-Tientsin railway which is the life-line of the Nationalist forces.

STAY IN PORT ARTHUR
MUKDEN—Soviet Russia was stated to have completed the evacuation of Manchuria except for Port Arthur.

POLISH PEASANTS ARRESTED
WARSAW — Polish security police have arrested leaders of the Polish Peasant Party, closing offices and seizing arms. London expresses alarm at the continued persecution of non-Communist Poles.

BUTCHER SHOPS CLOSE
NEW YORK—One thousand Brooklyn and Manhattan meat stores have closed their doors "until the back of the black market is broken."

MILK FOR YUKON
WHITEHORSE—Milk is being delivered 1200 miles by truck from Tupper Creek in British Columbia to the Yukon and is selling at 25c per quart.

Peace Pact For Germany

Byrnes Proposes That One be Made Ready for Conference in November
PARIS, (AP)—United States Secretary of State James Byrnes proposed to the foreign ministers' council today that a peace conference be called November 12 to draft a peace treaty for Germany, an American informant said.

In a session, which was completely taken up with discussion of critical German problems, Byrnes proposed that representatives of Britain, Russia, France and the United States start meeting immediately to draw up a draft of a treaty for Germany which the foreign ministers could present to a peace conference, the informant said.

Byrnes was reported to have proposed that foreign ministers' representatives first report on the economic status of Germany to the foreign ministers' council at its next meeting, possibly June 15.

MAY QUEEN STANDINGS

Lydia Ponich (Kinsmen) 18,650
Margaret Strachan (S.O.N.) 12,550
Sonja Sorenson (J. Cham.) 11,850
Beverley Matson (Moose) 8,150
Pat Stuart (Legion) 6,000



EXPLOSIONS RIPPED DESTROYER ESCORT—This airview shows a fireboat pouring streams of water into the U.S. navy destroyer escort Solar after the craft was ripped by two explosions while navy and civilian personnel were unloading ammunition at the Earle naval depot, Leonardo, N.J. Early reports stated between 150 and 170 persons were injured.

Take Seal Cove—Urges City Apply For Plane Base

H. G. Archibald M.P. Outlines Terms on Which City May Lease Seal Cove Airport
Prince Rupert was urged Tuesday by H. G. Archibald, M.P. for Skeena, to put in its application to the Department of Transport immediately if it wants to take over the Seal Cove military seaplane base as a commercial airport.

In a telegram to Mayor H. M. Daggett, in which he outlined the terms on which the city may take over the base for commercial purposes, the federal members for Skeena urged that the city put in its application for lease to the Department of Transport immediately, otherwise the installation will be put up for sale.

VANCOUVER BY LAND 'PHONES

B.C. Telephone Co. Construction Men Here in Connection With Transfer From Radio-Phone
Carrying out switchboard changes in connection with the transfer of the long distance service between Prince Rupert and Vancouver from the present circuitous partial radiophone route to the newly acquired land line of the Pacific Communications System, George Cousins and Ray Cherry of the British Columbia Telephone Co. switchboard construction department are in Prince Rupert. Part of their work is at the city telephone exchange and part of it at the Pacific Communications establishment. By the scheduled date of May 21, it is expected the service will be operating on the land circuit on a sixteen-hour daily basis.

Under the new set-up there will be long distance service between Prince Rupert and various intermediate points soon after the Vancouver service is established.

J. T. Harvey is leaving on this evening's train for Terrace where he will act as defence counsel in an assault case involving two youths. He expects to be back on tomorrow night's train.

TIMBER WORKERS' STRIKE ON—37,000 MEN IN B.C. INDUSTRY STRIKE

Within Week Eighty Thousand May Be Off Jobs—Last-Minute Settlement Efforts Fail
VANCOUVER (CP)—Some 37,000 British Columbia logging and sawmill workers went on strike at 11 o'clock this morning Pacific Daylight Time in protest against failure to obtain a satisfactory working agreement. The strike was called by the American C.I.O. and C.C.L. It is estimated that, within a week or ten days, eighty thousand workers, or about one-third of the province's 250,000 employees, will be off their jobs as a result of the walk-out.

Last-minute efforts to avert a shut-down in the industry, the province's largest, failed when representatives of the union and lumber operators conferred with Chief Justice Gordon Sloan.

Commenting on the discussion, the chief justice said: "I was unable to find common ground to bring them together."

The union had agreed to call off the strike on condition that the operators agreed to an 18c hourly wage increase and a forty-hour week.

The operators would not accept these demands and refused to enter into negotiations while a strike was pending.

One small operation at Gibsons Landing, operated by war veterans, was not affected by the strike as it had already accepted union terms.

The operators declare the strike "illegal."

WOMAN IS ACQUITTED

Winnipeg Judge Hopes That Troubles For Mrs. Margaret Knight Are Now Over
WINNIPEG, (AP)—Mrs. Margaret Knight, 33, mother of five children, was acquitted by King's Bench court jury yesterday on a charge of murdering her husband, Henry Knight, 42. Knight was fatally stabbed in a scuffle with his wife after coming home drunk March 31.

Evidence showed that Mrs. Knight had suffered great brutality at the hands of her husband. The jury deliberated but 13 minutes.

The presiding judge, in releasing the woman, said she had suffered much and expressed the hope that her troubles were over.

THREE SHIPS FOR HALIFAX

Dependents, Servicemen and Civilians Due at First of Week
MONTREAL—More than 2,000 dependents, 640 servicemen and 278 civilians will arrive in Halifax on three liners scheduled to dock next Monday and Tuesday, according to information received here today by the Canadian National Railways. Nine trains will be needed to handle the total of 2,985 passengers.

On Monday the Aquitania is due with 957 dependents, 350 Canadian soldiers, seven Canadian Red Cross nurses, 304 British service personnel and 278 civilians. The Lady Rodney, former C.N.S.S. peacetime pleasure cruiser to the West Indies, is listed to arrive on Tuesday with 226 overseas wives of Canadian servicemen. The same day the Letitia will put into the Atlantic port carrying 863 women and children.

Should Serve Peace River And Interior

Its Use Would Enliven All of Central British Columbia
(By CLEM RUSSELL)

PRINCE GEORGE — Development of the "Sunset Port" of Prince Rupert as an outlet for produce of basic industries within Central British Columbia and the Peace River Block was advocated here on Wednesday at a clinic of Boards of Trade and Junior Chambers of Commerce.

Delegates from Prince Rupert, Terrace, Burns Lake, Prince George, McBride and Blue River evolved discussion about membership and an over-all work program.

Alex G. Bowie, businessman of Prince George and Burns Lake, advocated Trade Boards and Jay-Cee's aims at developing Prince Rupert as an export centre.

"It is logical to believe," he said, "that, with the potential market in the Orient and the fine railway grades on Smithers division, we could develop Prince Rupert to where all our other needs, hydro power and population, would fall into line behind the progress we make."

In keeping with the theme of the conference that private enterprise must meet the challenge of its traducers, Mr. Bowie urged a more lively awareness to other than personal business problems.

He quoted Chevrier of Ottawa as saying there are but twenty million tons of shipping in the Peace River.

"Why," he exclaimed, "right now in the Peace River there is two hundred and forty-five million tons of shipping up there, according to figures compiled at Grand Prairie."

He submitted that, were this volume of traffic diverted through Prince Rupert, every community between Blue River and the Pacific port would sustain a life-giving injection of energy.

Delegates Are Given Tonic
The conference in effect produced a sulphur and molasses toni for delegates present with infusion of new concepts of Board of Trade work conveyed by Evan McCormick, manager, Field Servie Department, Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and H. A. Purdy, of the same department.

E. T. Applewhite represented Prince Rupert and was chairman of informal discussion groups on agriculture, industry, civic development and membership.

TRAFFIC SAFETY CHECK IS BEGUN

City Police today embarked on the annual traffic safety check in conjunction with police departments in all parts of the continent. Sgt. O. L. Hall of the city detachment said that all motor vehicles in the city will be checked for mechanical defects, and that in addition, all drivers' and vehicle licenses will be investigated at the same time. The drive is part of a united safety enforcement program arranged by police chiefs in the United States and Canada, and will be carried out simultaneously in both countries. Brakes and headlights will be carefully inspected on all vehicles in the city. It will continue until all vehicles have been checked.

MOST ANCIENT FOOTWEAR
The sandal is the most ancient type of footwear.

Locomotive Cranes Here Are Offered

MONTREAL—Three 25-ton locomotive cranes top a list of much-needed construction equipment being offered for sale by tender by War Assets Corporation. These cranes, part of American construction equipment turned over to the Canadian government for disposal, are located at Prince Rupert.

Local Men Graduate

William Bond and Arthur Cade to Receive Degrees at University of B.C. Convocation
VANCOUVER (AP)—Degree of Bachelor of Commerce will be conferred upon William Elsmore Bond of Prince Rupert at the University of British Columbia graduation on Thursday, it was announced last night. Arthur F. Cade of Prince Rupert completed an occupational course in agriculture with Class One standing.

Twenty-two year old William H. M. Burroughs of Powell River was awarded the Governor-General's medal in announcement of awards and scholarships for the 1945-46 term. He won honors in mathematics and physics. The medal is awarded to the most outstanding student graduate of the year. In 1942 Burroughs had won the Royal Institute scholarship when he graduated from senior matriculation in Powell River.

Graduation results, released today, included more than 550 students, the largest graduating class in the history of the University.

Results of undergraduate examinations will be released in about four weeks.

Graduation ceremonies will be held tomorrow on the campus when Chancellor E. W. Hamber will confer hoods and gowns.

Local Tides

Thursday, May 16, 1946
High 1:14 20.8 feet
14:01 18.7 feet
Low 7:46 3.1 feet
19:44 6.8 feet



PART OF CACHE RECOVERED—A salvage crew is shown with a stack of ignits, believed to be silver and platinum, which was recovered from the bottom of Tokyo Bay by navy divers. More than \$25,000 worth of the precious metal is believed to have been recovered as divers, expanding their area of operations, stumbled into several large piles. The under-water hoard, which was dumped into the bay by the Japs last July, was thought by Jap sources which gave information of the cache to military government officials to be worth about \$2,000,000,000.