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Tomorrow's Tides  
(Pacific Standard Time)

Wednesday, September 19, 1945

High	11:54	19.0 feet
	23:50	21.0 feet
Low	5:36	4.2 feet
	17:50	6.9 feet

## Temperature

Temperatures for the Prince Rupert district during 24 hours ending 5 a.m.

Maximum	58
Minimum	43

# Little Girl's Body Found—School Boy Held

## GREAT MOTOR TOURIST TRAFFIC FORESEEN FOR PRINCE RUPERT

### Highway Improvements and Better Accommodation Here Are, However, Required—Auto Club Organizer in City

The Prince Rupert Highway cannot be fully recommended as a tourist route and this city cannot completely enjoy its benefits until the present unsatisfactory link between Kitwanga and Hazelton is widened and put in proper shape, says Frank Bird, organizing secretary of the British Columbia Automobile Association, who is here to assist in the forming of a branch of the Association here. "This should certainly be taken care of as one of the first rehabilitation projects. It is part and parcel of the provincial highway system. It does not seem reasonable that you should have a fine highway between Prince Rupert and Terrace and a weak section connecting it with the rest of the province.

There should also be better surfacing of the Prince Rupert-Terrace portion to eliminate loose and flying gravel.

## ALLIED OFFICER IS DISCIPLINED

SINGAPORE, Sept. 18 (CP)—The Supreme Allied Commander of Southeast Asia, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, has ordered disciplinary action taken against an Allied officer accused of bullying Japanese prisoners of war in Singapore. It is reported that the Japanese were forced to touch their foreheads to the ground.

## TAXIS UNDER OFFICIAL EYE OF ALDERMEN

Possibility of an investigation into the number of taxicab businesses which are flourishing in the city was indicated by Alderman Robert McKay at last night's city council meeting when he questioned the policy of the licensing committee in granting operators' permits.

"I see we have just granted three new taxi operators licenses. At the last meeting we approved the granting of four," he said. "It seems to me that Third Ave. will soon be a solid area of taxi stands."

He asked if the city had authority to spread the taxi operators over a wider area of the city so that the threat to Third Ave. could be avoided. If it kept up, he forecast, there would be no parking space for private drivers on the street.

City Clerk H. D. Thain pointed out that taxi operators have no more right than anyone else to park in front of their taxi stands.

"Even if they own the buildings they have no prior claim to the parking rights in front of them," he said.

Alderman Black agreed that the city should take steps to distribute the taxi stands throughout the city.

Alderman Arnold could see the time coming "when we should have proper taxi stands."

The increasing number of taxi business coupled with the decreasing population might create a situation with which the city might eventually have to cope, Alderman McKay felt.

## WANT STATION BROUGHT BACK

Fisheries Experimental Establishment Should Be Logically Here

The inciguity of Prince Rupert, centre of the largest fishing area in the province, being permanently deprived of the fisheries biological station which was situated here before the war roused Alderman T. B. Black to urge that it be brought "home."

"Dr. Neal Carter says that it is being kept in the south so that it will be near the offices of the fishing companies, I say that it should be here—in the centre of the fishing industry," Alderman Black asserted.

He piloted a motion that the city take steps to try and have it brought back.

Alderman Arnold thought that a large part of the difficulty is that the staff members prefer living in the south.

"They want to be in Vancouver where they can get cheaper schooling for their children and be in the centre of things," she said.

"It's a point that we should press. The experimental station should be brought back." Acting Mayor Brett agreed.

## TRAIN DELAYED BY DERAILMENT

Derailment of a freight train at Endako last night has caused a delay in passenger train schedules and the westbound passenger train, scheduled to arrive at 10:45 tonight will be between five and six hours late, it was announced today.

## Weather Forecast

Cloudy and mild with occasional light rain, light winds becoming moderate to fresh during Tuesday evening.

## City Bases Gained

### City Council Would Retain Navy and Air Force Here

Alarmed at the apparent finality of the actions of the Royal Canadian Navy and the Royal Canadian Air Force in closing their bases at Prince Rupert, City Council last night went on record as urging the government that those two service branches maintain at least auxiliary bases in the city.

On motion of Alderman T. B. Black, the city delegation now on its way to Ottawa will be asked by council to present a case for the maintenance of Navy and Air Force bases here.

"Particularly when Canada is going to have an enlarged Navy, I think that this city should be used as an auxiliary base at least," Alderman Black declared. "The R.C.A.F., too, has made large expenditures here. It should continue to use it."

Council was unanimous in its approval of Alderman Black's motion.

## Complete Sell-Out Of "Yank" Special

The Daily News regrets to announce that there are no further extra copies of Saturday's "Farewell to Yanks" extra available at the office. So popular has the issue proven that all copies were completely sold out by yesterday and people were clamoring for more. It is possible that Americans may be able to obtain some from the various unit canteens which had their blanket orders in days before the time of publication.

## SURVEY OF GRENVILLE CHANNEL

The first thorough hydrographic survey which has been ever made of narrow and tortuous Grenville Channel, on the main "Inside Passage" between Prince Rupert and Vancouver, is nearing completion. The government hydrographic survey steamer William J. Stewart, which has been carrying out the survey during the past six weeks, was in port over the week-end for outfitting. Chief Hydrographer W. K. Willis stated that by the end of this month the survey should be finished and the Stewart will proceed south for the winter.

In Mr. Willis' words, there has never been a "decent" chart of Grenville Channel but this will now be rectified as a result of the survey. Through local knowledge and straight keeping to the middle of the channel which has deep water, rocky shores and few mid-channel obstructions, coast navigators have had a minimum of accidents.

Capt. George Billard, formerly with the Navy here, is master of the William J. Stewart.

## EQUIPMENT IS SMASHED

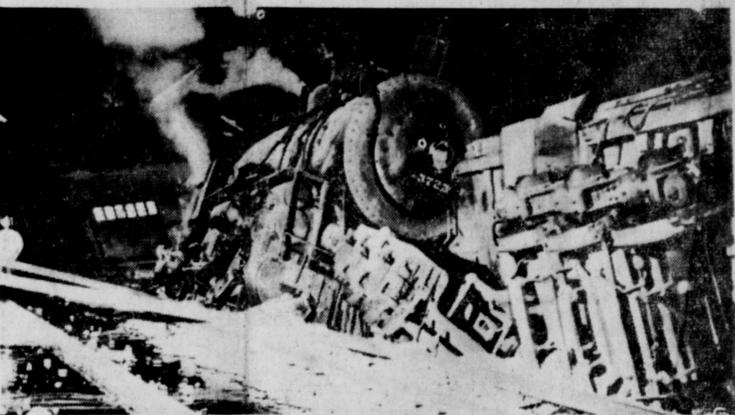
Radio Gear Worth \$200,000 Deliberately Destroyed, Says Union Man

TORONTO, Sept. 18 (CP)—An official of the C.I.O. United Steelworkers Union has charged that \$200,000 worth of radar equipment was destroyed last week at the Toronto plant of Research Enterprises Limited.

The charge was made by Howard Conquergood of the Steelworkers Union in a telegram to Prime Minister Mackenzie King and Reconstruction Minister Howe. He said that this equipment was deliberately smashed and scrapped although it could have been used for peacetime activities.

## Equipment Is Being Inventoried

OTTAWA, Sept. 18 (CP)—Reconstruction Minister Howe said in the Commons last night that an inventory is being kept of all surplus or obsolete equipment being destroyed or disposed of in Canada. He said these inventories will be available for inspection by Parliament committees.



CHICAGO-BOUND CALIFORNIA LIMITED IS WRECKED—Wrecked engine and baggage car of the Chicago-bound California Limited, Santa Fe passenger train No. 4, are shown piled across the tracks near Santa Anita racetrack, Los Angeles, Cal. There were many casualties.

## COUNCIL RELAXES; ALLOWS SCHOOL BOARD TO APPOINT NEW TRUSTEE

There are times for action and, again, there may be times when inaction is more prudent. City council last night had an opportunity to make inaction pay. By doing nothing, they were able to escape responsibility for burdening the city with the cost of a by-election for a new school trustee since Trustee S. L. Peachey has resigned.

School board chairman Dr. R. G. Large appeared before council last night to inform its members that Trustee Peachey had accepted a position as janitor-engineer of Booth Memorial High School and that, being an employee of the school board, he cannot remain a member of it.

The school board chairman read an excerpt from the Schools Act which outlined the course of action to be taken in the matter.

According to the Act, he said, council should give notice of a by-election within a month. Failing such action, the school board has power to appoint a trustee to fill the vacancy. Tenure of the trusteeship would run until the annual civic elections in December.

"I don't see why we should put the city to the cost of a by-election just to supply a trustee for the next two months," Alderman Rudderham said. "We have had too many elections and by-elections this year already."

None of the other aldermen could, either. So they decided to do nothing in the matter, thus allowing the school board to appoint its own trustee.

## Hirohito's Head—U.S. Senator Asks Arrest

WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 18 (CP)—Smouldering congressional dissatisfaction with peace terms imposed upon Japan flamed today with the demand by Senator Russell, Georgia Democrat, for the arrest of Emperor Hirohito as a war criminal. Russell declared that what he described as a soft peace was developing for Japan. He said that, if present policies are continued, "we are headed for complete failure and another war in the Orient."

Russell asserted that "Hirohito is head of Japanese imperialism. He is one of the greatest aggressors in history."

## JAPS ARE AT LARGE

TOKYO, Sept. 18 (CP)—Fifteen of the suspected Japanese war criminals on General MacArthur's wanted list are still at large. Twenty-nine of the Japanese on the list are in military custody and two are suicides. Of those 15 still at large at least one is where the Allies can get him whenever they choose. Two others are listed by the Japanese as dead.

## Mine Clearance Hazardous Work

GUERNSEY, Channel Islands, Sept. 17 (CP)—During a 90-day program to clear 76,000 German mines from the coastal regions of Guernsey, four British troops and nine German prisoners of war were killed, and five British and 15 German soldiers were injured.

Since May 11 large numbers of British troops, helped by war prisoners, have been engaged in reconstruction, and 96 per cent of the underwater obstacles around the coast have been rendered harmless, and 84 per cent of the anti-landing fortifications, such as large wooden stakes set up in the fields, have been removed.

One thousand of the 3,000 damaged houses in Guernsey have been restored along with 11 of the island's hotels.

## TO QUIZ HIROHITO

TOKYO — The Premier of Japan said today that his government would conduct an investigation to determine the responsibility for plunging Japan into war. Emperor Hirohito will himself be asked the direct question if he knew in advance of the plan to attack Pearl Harbor.

Flying Officer Murray Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Henderson of this city, returned Sunday night from Vancouver where he obtained his discharge from the Royal Canadian Air Force in which he served overseas.

Mrs. J. R. Slaggard sailed last night on the Princess Adelaide for a trip to Vancouver.

## Bulletins

MANY AMERICANS IDLE  
WASHINGTON—No less than 215,000 American workers are idle owing to strikes and disputes, it was announced today.

ON U.S.S. MISSOURI  
VANCOUVER—Fifteen Canadians arriving over the weekend from the Far East, having flown across the Pacific, said that 200 Canadians were being brought home aboard the American battleship Missouri.

LITTLE GIRL MURDERED  
VANCOUVER—After a search by more than 3000 Vancouver citizens, including several hundred women, over the entire city, the battered body of four-year-old Dianne Blunt was found buried in an unused garage near her home. She had been murdered.

RUSSIA AND AFRICA  
LONDON—Russia announced today that it desired exclusive trusteeship of the former Italian North Africa colony of Tripolitania. Foreign Commissar Molotov said that Russia was "anxious to secure a foothold in the Mediterranean."

NEWSPAPER SUSPENDED  
TOKYO—The leading Tokyo newspaper Asahi has been suspended for 48 hours by General MacArthur for saying that the United States violated international law by using the atomic bomb.

VICTORIA MEAT STRIKE  
VICTORIA — Retail meat dealers of Victoria decided at a meeting of the Vancouver Island Meat Dealers' Association last night to close their shops this Saturday unless the government rescinds its order introducing meat rationing.

HITLER IN JAPAN  
WASHINGTON — Reports that Adolf Hitler may be in Japan are to be investigated. It had been said that Hitler was seen to have landed from a submarine in Tokyo Bay, being whisked off to an interior village.

TROOPSHIP ARRIVING  
QUEBEC — The troopship Scythia, with 1989 returning servicemen aboard, is due to arrive at Quebec tomorrow morning. Previously, the ship's arrival had been set for today.

## LORD HAW HAW AWAITING FATE

Two Counts Are Thrown Out, Leaving Only One—Defence Based On Brooklyn Birth

LONDON, Sept. 18 (CP)—The British court today reduced the treason indictment against William Joyce to a single count—that he broadcast German propaganda as "Lord Haw Haw" for nine-and-a-half months while holding a British passport. Mr. Justice Tucker, presiding in Old Bailey, threw out two counts based on assertions that Joyce is a British subject.

The defence, which rested without calling Joyce to the stand, held that he is a citizen of the United States—born in Brooklyn.

## Shocking Discovery In Shallow Grave Brings Great Search To Close

### Twelve-Year-Old High School Student Is Being Held For Further Investigation and For His Own Protection

VANCOUVER, Sept. 18 (CP)—Walter Mulligan, superintendent of criminal investigation branch of the Vancouver police force, said today that a 12-year-old boy is being held "for further investigation and for his own protection" in connection with the discovery last night of the body of four-year-old Dianne Blunt.

The child's body was found buried under three inches of dirt in an unused garage twenty-five yards from her East Hastings Street home. She had been missing since September 11.

Superintendent Mulligan said last night while searchers scoured South Vancouver area in a hunt for the missing tot he had received a telephone call from E. F. Arnatt, employer of Dianne's father, E. J. Blunt. Mr. Arnatt, who had led in the search for the child, said that, while coming down a lane at the rear of the Blunt home, he met a 12-year-old boy who said he had discovered "something suspicious in a garage near the Blunt residence." Mr. Arnatt said he accompanied the boy to the garage where he found signs of freshly turned earth and what appeared to be a shallow grave.

The greatest search in the history of Vancouver then ended last night with the finding of the battered body of the little girl. The search had spread over the entire city. The first police statement was that they had received a "tip" from a civilian early Monday night and had dug up the body. The skull was crushed. The police then said they were searching for a "murder suspect."

The 12-year-old boy goes to Junior High School and is a friend of the family. He has not yet been questioned by the police, Mulligan said.

An autopsy is being held to determine how long the child has been dead.

George Viers, occupant of the apartment adjoining Miss Giacinti's, told the court that he heard a man's voice which he positively identified as that of Telford in Miss Giacinti's apartment about 10 o'clock on the night of May 10 shortly before Miss Giacinti returned to discover the damage in her apartment.

He testified that he had known Telford for some time before the incident, having met him on several occasions while he (Viers) was a waiter in a beer parlor.

"Have you ever held a face-to-face conversation of any length with Telford," Defence counsel T. W. Brown asked Viers.

"No, I guess I haven't," the witness replied.

## Bunoz Memorial—To Assist Religious Education

New Bishop Turns Over Gift To Finance Prospective Young Priests and Nuns

The Bishop Bunoz Memorial Fund for Education is to be set up to assist the training of young boys of this Roman Catholic vicariate for the priesthood and girls who may dedicate their lives to the work of the church. This announcement was made Sunday night by Bishop Anthony Jordan as the disposition of a substantial purse which was presented to him at a parochial reception following benediction at the Pro-cathedral of the Annunciation. The presentation was from the people of the parish and outlying points in the vicariate as well as from Roman Catholic members of the American forces at Prince Rupert.

## POLICE HONOR INSP. GAMMON

Inspector Ernest Gammon, who has been transferred as officer in charge of "D" division of the B.C. Police here to Kamloops where he will take charge of "C" division, was central figure at a presentation ceremony in the office of Staff Sergeant G. A. Johnson this morning.

In the presence of several members of the force here, Inspector Gammon was presented with a heavy, inscribed silver tray along with the best wishes of the non-commissioned officers and men of "D" division. The presentation was made by Staff Sergeant G. H. Johnson.

"This northern country is a good country to live in," said Inspector Gammon in receiving the presentation. "There are a fine bunch of men in "D" division and you can go far in police work. As we older men leave the force there will be opportunities for advancement by younger men."

"I have found that there are two important things in life—one's friends and one's health. We should look after them both."

The inscribed silver tray carried a message of respect and friendship for both Inspector and Mrs. Gammon. They leave Thursday night to take up residence at Kamloops.