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Local Tides

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High	9:11	19.9 feet
	21:46	17.9 feet
Low	2:25	6.9 feet
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Employment in Prince Rupert

Slump Is Felt Here but Not Yet Serious

Prince Rupert is in an employment slump that in its present phase is partly seasonal and partly contributed to by difficulties in obtaining construction materials. Unemployment Insurance Officer E. V. Whiting believes that, barring the consideration of a mass lay-off at the dry dock, of which he distinctly professed to know nothing, present conditions will begin to brighten in January and continue to improve until the peak next summer.

"I can't give you the exact figures," he told the Daily News Wednesday afternoon, "but at present there is an increasing trend toward unemployment here."

The picture, he said, is changing so rapidly that figures compiled a few days ago are outdated now but there definitely are more persons seeking employment than there are jobs to be filled. This condition has been maintained since the middle of November.

Badly hit is the construction industry which, in spite of the lifting of restrictions on construction valued at more than $500, is experiencing difficulty in getting building materials. However, with the probable release of more building supplies, conditions in this field may brighten.

Among returning veterans, Mr. Whiting said, are "a few" who have not found the kinds of jobs they would like.

"It's not a large number but there are some veterans who are seeking employment here," he said.

However, he added, employers in Prince Rupert have "bent over backward" to re-instate returning servicemen who wished to return to the jobs they left when they enlisted.

"My personal opinion is that the employers of returning servicemen are co-operating wonderfully in that regard," Mr. Whiting declared.

In spite of the growing unemployment in the city, conditions have not approached a condition bordering on dislocation such as is at present in effect in Vancouver and other large centres.

The fishing industry is at present at its lowest ebb but will be on the up-grade after the beginning of the new year when the salmon trolling starts.

WOULD EXTEND AUTHORITY OF FISHERY BODY

Agreement that the International Fisheries Commission should be given authority to act as controlling body for all types of fisheries on the Pacific coast was the keynote of the recent conference between representatives of the industry and the international body, G. W. Nickerson said this morning. He returned Wednesday afternoon from Vancouver and Seattle where the conference was held.

"There isn't much I can say about the results of the conference before the regulations are published by the Canadian and United States governments, probably next February," he said. "However, there was complete agreement by representatives of both the fishermen and dealers that the authority of the commission should be broadened."

One of the points of agreement was that the commission should have power to license all fishing boats and be able to revoke the licenses for just cause.

Having served two years as chairman of the International Fisheries Commission, Mr. Nickerson will serve as secretary for the next two years. The new chairman will be Edward Allen, Seattle barrister. Chairmanship of the commission alternates between an American member and a Canadian member every two years.

Temperature

Maximum	42
Minimum	28

HU[illegible] LAMP S[illegible]

Preserved Head [illegible] Grim Exhibit at Nu[illegible] Atrocity Trial

NUERNBERG (AP)—A preserved human head and lamp shades made of human skin which had been tattooed in life were presented as grim evidence of atrocities in Nazi concentration camps at the war trial of 21 top German war leaders today. The head was that of a Pole who had been caught fraternizing with a girl. It had been shrunk to about the size of a baseball.

"Conscience Money" Puzzles Customs

In a conscience-relieving gesture, an unknown individual in Prince Rupert succeeded in mildly puzzling Collector of Customs Jarvis McLeod and his assistants this morning. The unknown person sent them a letter containing $6 in currency accompanied by a terse typewritten note saying "Conscience Money."

Possibly the person was making amends for some undetected bit of smuggling. The letter was postmarked Prince Rupert but bore no further identification. Customs officials here said that it was the first time that such a "payment" had been made at the local office. The money was in the form of a $5 bill and a $1 bill and was forwarded to Ottawa under the label "conscience money."

IS FINISHED AS HOSPITAL SHIP

Career of Famous Steamer Lady Nelson Reviewed

MONTREAL—Seventeen years ago this week, the Lady Nelson sailed from Halifax to inaugurate the West Indies service of the Canadian National Steamships, R. B. Teakle, general manager, said here today. On Saturday she will arrive at the same port to complete her service as a hospital ship. In fture she will bring to new homes in Canada the overseas wives and children of Canadian servicemen.

The former flagship of the C.N.S. West Indies fleet, which was so popular with Canadian and American tourists in peacetime, went into war service on the declaration of war. She carried troops, munitions and foodstuffs through enemy submarine-infested waters of the Atlantic to the West Indies. Torpedoed and sunk in a West Indies port in 1942, she was salvaged and restored to service as Canada's first hospital ship and later senior vessel in the service.

When the Lady Nelson completes her twenty-ninth voyage on Saturday, with 453 sick and wounded servicemen, of which 45 are destined for Vancouver, it will bring the number of military personnel she has repatriated to 13,474. In this service alone the former C.N.S. vessel has travelled nearly 200,000 miles.

Two C.N.R. hospital trains, probably the last to be operated as a result of the last war, will bring the men safely home.

NEGOTIATIONS BREAKING DOWN

Dispute Between Winnipeg Newspapers and Printers Still Unsettled

WINNIPEG (AP) — Negotiations designed to bring about a settlement in the printers' dispute in Winnipeg have broken down. The union is said to have refused to permit a reference to arbitration on any matter in dispute unless the contract provides that the union's general laws shall not be subject to arbitration. The printers have been away from work since November 8.

QUEBEC VILLAGE VISITED BY FIRE

ST. FELIX DE KINGSEY, Que. (AP)—Fire destroyed five buildings and left more than 25 persons homeless in St. Felix de Kingsey early this morning. A 74-year-old woman, Mrs. Albert Lamoureux, died of shock after the home of her son was destroyed.

Sentenced To Death

Thirty-six Dachau Officials To Die for Committing Atrocities

DACHAU (AP)—A United States military court today sentenced 36 officials and guards at notorious Dachau concentration camp to death by hanging for murder, torture and starvation of thousands of the camp's inmates. Another defendant was sentenced to life imprisonment and three others to terms of ten years each.

CIVIC VOTERS IN STEADY STREAM

New Polling Venue and Innovation in Ballot Paper Win Approval

If the pace set by this morning's voting is kept up throughout the day, Prince Rupert may have the heaviest civic poll in its history. Flow of voters to the polls was far heavier this morning than for a similar period in any of the elections since the commissionership.

At 11 o'clock 222 voters had cast ballots, more than twice as many as had voted at the same time on election day last year. The figure shortly after noon today was 328, a heavy increase over the 196 votes cast up to noon on election day last year.

No great rush was experienced early in the morning, according to Returning Officer H. D. Thain. Later voters streamed steadily to the polling station to keep the deputy returning officers and poll clerks constantly busy.

The previous record of 1168 was set in the 1929 elections. Last year voters cast 1125 ballots.

There was a steady stream of voters during the morning to the civic election polling being held in the former military post office building across from the general Post Office on Third Avenue. The change in polling venue met with approval of all the voters in view of its very convenient location and the elimination of the ancient practice of having to climb three flights of stairs to the city council chamber where civic elections have been always held for over 30 years. The voters also adapted themselves readily to the new form of ballot paper which eliminates many separate slips, the ballots for all candidates as well as the bylaws being combined.

The polls close at 8 o'clock this evening. All ballots will be counted simultaneously. City Clerk H. D. Thain, acting as returning officer, expects that the whole count may be completed by 10:30 p.m.

Assisting Mr. Thain in conducting the election are S. B. McCafferty as deputy returning officer and Mrs. S. A. Kielback, Mrs. H. D. Thain, Mrs. Percy Pierce and Mrs. M. G. Irving as poll clerks.

Scrutineers on hand as the polls opened were G. M. Carrignan, G. J. Dawes, Mrs. G. W. Rudderham and Mrs. Melo.

SENTENCES ARE COMING TODAY

BERLIN (AP)—Sentence will be passed today on 40 convicted guards and officials of the notorious Dachau concentration camp. The 40 Nazis were convicted yesterday by a United States military court on charges of murder, torture and starvation.

HOWLING NORTHEASTER STRIKES U.S. EAST COAST—Here is a view of some of the wreckage left in the wake of the ripping northeaster that hit the U.S. eastern seaboard. This photo was made at Winthrop, Mass., where big tides and heavy seas did considerable coastal damage. The winds, which sometimes reached hurricane force, brought rain and snow. Note great concrete slabs in foreground here. They were tossed about like cookies by the heavy seas. Many deaths were reported.

Bulletins

HAVE BEEN EXECUTED

PARIS—It was reported here today that Josef Kramer and Irma Grese of the Belsen prison camp, sentenced to death recently for atrocities, have already been executed.

HANGED HIMSELF

THE HAGUE — Dr. R. Van Genechten, sentenced to death as a traitor by a special Dutch tribunal here October 17, hanged himself in his prison cell during the night. Van Genechten had been in charge of education in Holland during part of the German occupation. He was awaiting decision on his appeal from a death sentence.

CANDIDATE DIES

NEW WESTMINSTER — Begg Watson, candidate for police commissioner in today's civic election, dropped dead at a campaign meeting. The election has to be deferred as a result.

NEW UNION STEAMSHIPS

VANCOUVER — The Union Steamship Co. will reconvert in Vancouver shipyards three Castle class corvettes which are being purchased for use in coast steamship and freight service. The work will take the better part of six months. One of the new vessels will be for the Queen Charlotte Island run.

TO VISIT CANADA

WASHINGTON—The British embassy in Washington has announced that the lord president of the council, Herbert Morrison, will arrive in Canada on January 3.

CRASHED IN HIMALAYAS

CALCUTTA—The crash of a United States transport plane, missing for some time, has been sighted on a Himalaya mountain peak. Ten officers and 34 enlisted men are believed to have perished.

LAGUARDIA AROUSED

NEW YORK — Mayor LaGuardia of New York has accused certain world powers of preventing the United States from fulfilling promises made to Italy. Mentioning Britain specifically, LaGuardia declared: "We must be frank about it. The treatment given Italy so far is not in keeping with our traditions and the promises we made to Italy."

TO CARRY BRIDES

OTTAWA — The steamers Lady Nelson and Letitia, which have been operating as hospital ships in the repatriating of veterans, will start carrying war brides from Britain to Canada towards the end of January, it is announced. The Lady Rodney may be similarly used.

KAI-SHEK IN MUKDEN

CHUNGKING — Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has arrived in Mukden, Manchuria, to organize Chinese Nationalist forces which have started occupying the important city.

BILL LAMBIE

Newly-elected president of the Prince Rupert Gyro Club.

GYRO CLUB OFFICERS

Elected at Luncheon—Deal For Taking Over of Y.M.C.A. Building Approved

Officers of the Prince Rupert Gyro Club for the year 1946 were formally elected at the monthly business luncheon of the club yesterday as follows:

President—W. D. Lambie.
Secretary—C. G. Ham.
Treasurer—Maurice Brydges.
Directors—James Parker, Dr. R. G. Large, David Allen and A. J. Dominato.

The installation of officers will take place early in January.

Other business at yesterday's Gyro luncheon included approval of a deal whereby the Civic Centre Association and the Prince Rupert Recreational Council would take over operation of the Y.M.C.A. War Services building as a civic centre after the Y.M.C.A. withdraws after January 1 owing to depletion of armed forces in this area. Arrangements have been made for Don Forward, former Y.M.C.A. area supervisor, to become manager of the centre.

Is Seriously Injured—

PAUL AIVAZOFF LOSES ARM WHEN CAUGHT IN CEMENT MIXER GEARS

VANCOUVER (CP)—Paul Aivazoff, superintendent of the Asbestos-Cement Products Co., lost his left arm and suffered other body injuries yesterday when he was caught in a cement mixer as his coat and sleeve became entangled in the gears. He started business in Prince Rupert in 1915 following his arrival from Russia and had been for the past twenty years located in Vancouver.

NON-PARTIZANS WIN ELECTIONS

VANCOUVER (AP) — Non-Partizan Association candidates won ten of eleven seats at stake in Vancouver's civic elections yesterday. They won all four council seats, all four school board seats and two of three on the parks board. Money bylaws calling for the expediture of $4,700,000 were also approved.

Corey, Jones and Price were re-elected to the council with Gervin taking the other vacancy.

Crump, Meredith, Frederickson and Ross were chosen for the school board.

Elected to the parks board were Thompson, Emery and Alsbury.

Alsbury was the only C.C.F. andidate to break the sweep of Non-Parizans.

British and French to Withdraw Troops From Syria - Lebanon

Close Alignment of Policy Decided Upon In Effort to Compose Unrest in Middle East

LONDON (CP) — Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin told the House of Commons today that Great Britain and France have agreed to joint withdrawal of their troops from Syria and Lebanon. The agreement provides for close alignment of policy in the Middle East with the object of settling unrest marked seven months ago by armed clashes in the Syrian demand for independence from France.

WHO WAS FIRST BABY OF LOCAL WAR BRIDE?

Who was the first baby of an overseas war bride to be born in Prince Rupert? A story in yesterday's Daily News saying that the recently-born daughter of Cpl. and Mrs. Harold Helgerson was believed to be the first has brought the information from Mrs. R. C. Bamford that her grandson, Kenneth Ralph Bamford, can lay a much earlier claim to that distinction.

Son of Flight Sergeant and Mrs. Douglas Bamford, Kenneth Ralph was born in the Prince Rupert General Hospital on January 19, 1944. His mother was Miss Irene Young, a British Army nurse at Swansea, Wales, when she and Flight Sergeant Bamford were married. Flight Sergeant Bamford is now discharged from the Air force and is employed at the Boeing Aircraft plant at Vancouver.

MAY WALK AGAIN

HEIDELBURG — General George S. Patton, whose neck was broken in a motor accident on Sunday, may be able to walk again, Army physicians said today. He spent a good night, his condition is satisfactory and there are no complications.

BUSY TIME AT HALIFAX

Four Ocean Vessels With 3600 Veterans Are Arriving This Week-end

HALIFAX (AP)—Port officials in Halifax will have a busy time this week-end. Four ships with 3600 Canadian overseas veterans aboard are scheduled to make port Saturday. Three thousand veterans will arrive aboard the Monarch of Bermuda. The Canadian hospital ship Lady Nelson will carry approximately 500 men into port. The other two ships—the Mount Oxford Park and Empire McCallum—are bringing less than 100 veterans back between them.

CANADIANS MURDERED BY NAZIS

OTTAWA (AP)—The defence department now discloses that a total of 114 Canadian soldiers were apparently murdered by the Nazis after being taken prisoners during the battle for Normandy. Previously, the list of Canadians killed in Nazi atrocities stood at 48.

HANGING FOR JAP KILLERS

Six Japanese Are Convicted Of Killing and Burning Two American Fliers

MANILA (AP) — An American military commission, sitting in Manila, has convicted six of seven Japanese accused of killing and burning two American fliers and five Filipinos last March at Cebu City, in the Philippines. Three of the convicted men were sentenced to be hanged while long term prison sentences were imposed on the other three.

Fisherman Saved On Lake Ontario

TORONTO (AP)—A search which was conducted over Lake Ontario today for two steel fishing boats, which had been missing since late yesterday, resulted in finding and landing three fishermen at Port Dalhousie. Fears for the safety of the three men adrift in the crafts mounted as temperatures dropped to freezing.

Active Year For Legislators—

BUSY PARLIAMENT IN HIGH GEAR ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ON PRESSING PROBLEMS OF PEACE

Legislators Get Down to Post-War Planning In Year Marked By Dominion and Provincial Elections

OTTAWA (CP)—Administration of the affairs of the country kept Canadian legislators busier during 1945 than in practically any other of the war years, mainly because of the problems arising out of the end of the war and the need for orderly reconversion.

Early in the year a pre-election session was called to approve of the sending of a delegation to the United Nations security conference in San Francisco. Sufficient money was voted to carry on the administration until the end of August.

This done, Parliament was dissolved April 17 and preparations made for a general election June 11, with Prime Minister Mackenzie King reshuffling his cabinet and filling 18 senate vacancies before polling day.

When results of the election became known definitely with the counting of the service vote June 19, the Liberal party was back in power with 126 seats, compared with its previous strength of close to 170. Progressive Conservatives increased their representation from 40 to 66, the C.C.F. boosted theirs from 10 to 28 and the Social Credit party from 10 to 13.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King was defeated in his Saskatchewan riding of Prince Albert, but later easily won a by-election in the Ontario constituency of Glengarry. Gen. McNaughton, defeated in a February by-election in Grey North, was defeated again and resigned as defence minister. He was appointed co-chairman of the Canadian-United States permanent joint defence board.

Revenue Minister MacLaren, brought into the cabinet in the pre-election shuffle, also was defeated. He resigned and was named lieutenant-governor of New Brunswick.

Mr. King named Navy Minister Abbott to take over the defence portfolio with that of naval services. War Services Minister McCann was named revenue minister.

Dominion-Provincial Parley Was Highlight

The prime minister's next big task was presiding at the preliminary Dominion - provincial conference. The premiers from all nine provinces gathered with Mr. King at the conference table and expressed their agreement that some changes must be made in the constitutional rights of the provinces and the Dominion.

The government sought the right to retain the income and corporation tax fields, taken over from the provinces during the war. In return, the federal government would pay a large proportion of the cost of a national health insurance scheme. A national old age pension plan under which everyone over 70 would get $30 a month regardless of means was proposed by the federal government.

The provincial premiers studied the proposals and drew up counter proposals for presentation at a later meeting.

While the study was going on, Mr. King called Parliament and early approval was given the United Nations charter. A com-

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