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Local Tides

Table with 3 columns: Time, High, Low. Wednesday, October 17, 1945. High 10:39 18.3 feet, 22:39 19.3 feet. Low 4:04 6.0 feet, 16:31 7.9 feet.

Coalition Government Wins Election

NATURE AGAINST OLD MAN IN STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE

A lifetime of roving the hills of British Columbia as a prospector and miner has given 75-year-old Henry Jones a spirit of independence strong enough to resist the importunities of his fellow men but he weakened a bit on Saturday when a torrent of water inundated his cabin on the city outskirts.

ROY DURNFORD DUE TOMORROW

Celebrated Padre of Seaforth Highlanders Arriving Home On Leave

Major R. C. H. Durnford, former rector of St. Peter's Anglican Church at Seal Cove, celebrated padre of the Seaforth Highlanders and only Canadian Army chaplain to win the Distinguished Service Order, is arriving home aboard the Prince Rupert tomorrow for a visit here.

Major Durnford has been invited to address the Prince Rupert Gyo Club at luncheon tomorrow.

Weather Forecast

North Coast and Queen Charlotte Islands—Cloudy and cool with rain showers, becoming partly cloudy in the evening. Moderate to fresh northwest winds, becoming locally strong in the afternoon, Wednesday—Cloudy in the morning, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. A few light rain showers. Light to moderate winds with little change in temperature.

STRIKE IN CHILE

SANTIAGO, Chile — Seventy five hundred Chilean workers went on strike Sunday at a United States-owned copper mine in Northern Chile.

AT CAPITOL THEATRE

HEAR

Pattullo and Mickleburgh on the same platform

L.P.P. candidate allowed 15 minutes talk and afterwards 5 minutes rebuttal.

THE SAME INVITATION WAS EXTENDED TO THE C.C.F. CANDIDATE OR SUBSTITUTE BUT WAS DECLINED.

CAPITOL THEATRE, 8 P.M. WEDNESDAY, 17th

Every Elector Welcome

Pattullo Committee Rooms, 16 Besner Block (Published by Pattullo Campaign Committee)

SURVIVORS OF WRECKED NORSEMAN LEFT HANGING IN TREES AS PLANE PLOUGHED THROUGH ISLAND FOREST

"It's a miracle that they ever got out of it alive!" That was the verdict of Squadron Leader A. N. Benson, officer commanding, Seal Cove air base, as he discussed the crash on Porcher Island of a Norseman aircraft on Sunday in which its two crewmen and four passengers—all air force personnel—escaped with only minor abrasions.

Archibald Joins Provincial Fight

SMITHERS, Oct. 16—Harry Archibald, M.P. for Skeena, has returned from his parliamentary duties at Ottawa to join the provincial election campaign in support of the C.C.F. candidates in Skeena and Omineca.

RUSSIAN GRAIN SHIP ARRIVES HERE FOR WHEAT

Second deep sea vessel to arrive in Prince Rupert to take on grain for the Orient, the 10,000 ton Russian vessel Makhodka entered the harbor and tied up at the grain elevator wharf at 10:30 a.m. today. She will take 8,000 tons of wheat for Vladivostok.

AUTO STRIKE SETTLEMENT

All Delegates Hopeful of Month-old Tie-up Ending

TORONTO, Oct. 16—Representatives of the federal and Ontario governments got down to work in Toronto again today with officials of the Ford Motor Company of Canada and the United Automobile Workers Union. Talks between government, labor and business representatives began yesterday in an effort to work out some settlement of the strike of 10,000 Ford workers in Windsor, Ontario.

The strike already is more than on month old. No statement was issued but all delegates said the talks were satisfactory and expressed hope of an early settlement of the dispute.

Poison Liquor As Booby Trap; Soldiers Dead

SINGAPORE, Oct. 16—Twenty-two Allied soldiers are dead of alcoholic poisoning after drinking liquor left by the Japanese and which actually is believed by authorities to have been in the nature of a booby trap.

WHEELTON, Kent, Eng., 7—Sir John Peter Todd Jackson, 77, a prominent British cotton manufacturer, has died.

STILL NO CLUE TO WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING CITY CONTRACTOR

Mystery still shrouds the whereabouts of Frank Murphy, city building contractor, who has not been seen since his unexplained disappearance more than three days ago. The search is being pressed by police who say that they have discovered no trace of him since he was last seen for a former employee in a downtown cafe at 9 p.m. Saturday.

The 55-year-old lumber yard operator and building contractor was seen by Jack Sweeney, a former employee of the Murphy lumber company in the Grand Cafe at 9 o'clock Saturday night, an hour after he was due to have been at a bridge game at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Murphy, Sweeney said, had just finished a light lunch and was leaving the restaurant when Sweeney entered. They exchanged no comment and Sweeney was unable to recall how his former employer was dressed.

Suffered With Heart Trouble

So far, neither friends of the missing man nor the police have been able to advance a reason for his disappearance. A man of quiet habits, he was a non-drinker and non-smoker although he is believed to have suffered from a heart ailment.

First comment over his absence was aroused on Saturday night when he failed to appear at a bridge game at the Knights of Columbus Hall which he had promised to attend earlier in the week.

However, no actual alarm was felt until 11 o'clock Sunday morning when William Moore, a close friend of Murphy, discovered that he had not spent the night in his room above the lumber company office on Market Circle.

He was last seen by Mr. Moore and employees of the company at 5:20 Saturday night when the staff left for supper. He was not around when some of the staff returned three quarters of an hour later. Police investigation revealed that he ate supper at Smiles Cafe at Cow Bay and later they learned that he had a lunch at his usual eating place, the Grand Cafe, on Second Avenue.

Apparently he was still in his working clothes for none of his dress clothes had been removed from his room. Police describe Mr. Murphy as being about 5 feet 10 inches in height, about 55 years old and of a fair complexion. He is well known in the city, having done a number of contracting jobs during the last three years.

So far, police discount any probability of foul play but it was learned that Mr. Murphy had about \$200 on his person when he disappeared.

Possibility that he may have collapsed in some out-of-the-way spot is strengthened by reports that he has been known to have fainting spells.

A report that Eric Samuelson, a fisherman, had seen Murphy around 11 o'clock Saturday night was investigated by police and found to be without foundation, Sgt. O. L. Hall said.

Murphy came to Prince Rupert more than three years ago from the Peace River country and originally was a sub-contractor of Northern Construction Co. on the Prince Rupert Highway, police said.

BRITISH LAND ON JAVA ISLE

To Handle Situation Following Endeavour of Indonesians To Seize Control

LONDON, Oct. 16—All-India radio said today that British reinforcements had landed on Java where native Indonesians have been attempting to wrest control of the Netherlands East Indies from the Dutch.

The broadcast said that the strength of Southeast Asia Command forces there, previously placed at two brigades, would be brought up to a full division.

Meanwhile the free Indonesian Republic of Java had declared completely false all reports that it had declared war on the Netherlands.

ILE DE FRANCE COMING AGAIN

Ten Thousand More Canadian Servicemen Due in Halifax This Week-end

MONTREAL, Oct. 16—Officials of the Canadian National Railways in Montreal announce that the next big troopship to bring Canadian servicemen back from overseas will be the French liner Ile de France. The vessel is due to dock in Halifax on Saturday, carrying close to 10,000 passengers. This number, broken down roughly, includes 700 army personnel, 1000 members of the R.C.A.F. and 86 Navy men.

RESTRICTIONS ON DECKLOADS ARE REMOVED

More lumber can now be shipped on board ships from British Columbia ports as a result of removal of wartime regulations restricting deckloads. These limitations were imposed when it was found that vessels carrying heavy deckloads were more awkward to manoeuvre when using evasive tactics in sub-infested waters. It was also necessary to leave unobstructed runways forward and aft for the ships' gun crews and of providing clearance for the life rafts which were a wartime fixture in the rigging of all vessels plying hostile waters.

WIDER TRAVEL BY AIR LINES

Expansion Will Take Canadians to All Parts of World

WINNIPEG, Oct. 16—Tremendous expansion of air travel is forecast for the people of Canada in the next five years, with passengers travelling to all parts of the world in new, faster and more luxurious equipment than ever used before, said W. F. English, vice-president, Trans-Canada Airlines.

The present meeting of airline presidents from all parts of the world, with officers of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, plus international sessions on communications and transport, all point to a new era in air transportation.

T.C.A. has taken delivery of the first of a fleet of 21 passenger planes, the largest ever used by any Canadian air transport company and is keeping abreast of the latest developments in aircraft and passenger comfort.

Manitoba Landslide

Opposition Groups Did Not Make Much of Showing in Prairie Election

WINNIPEG, Oct. 16—Manitoba's coalition government headed by Premier Stuart Garson was returned to office for another five years in the provincial general election yesterday with a sweeping majority of landslide proportions. The returns so far are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Party, Seats. Coalition 37, C. C. F. 4, Labor-Progressive 1.

It was the first attempt by the C.C.F. party, which was led by S. J. Farmer, to capture power in the province.

Six hours after the close of the polls, 37 Coalition candidates had been elected compared with five anti-Coalition supporters.

The anti-Coalitionists elected were all from the C.C.F. party with one exception.

At last word, Coalition candidates were leading in seven ridings and the C.C.F. had a lead in five more.

The Liberal-Progressive party, one of the Coalition supporters, elected 21 members while the Conservatives were able to win out in 11 seats.

Premier Garson scored a sweeping personal victory in Fairford, a constituency which he has represented since 1936.

S. J. Farmer, the C.C.F. leader, was re-elected in Winnipeg.

Commenting on the victory of his Coalition government, Mr. Garson said it was an impressive vote of confidence giving the government a clear road with its post-war reconstruction program which was a major issue in the election.

C.C.F. leader Farmer said that his party was a little disappointed but at the same time pleased that it has increased its membership in the Legislature.

Election return figures indicate that the representation was not proportionate to the popular vote. The C.C.F. party received approximately 34 per cent of the total vote while coalition supporters polled approximately 54 per cent. Opposition candidates, other than C.C.F. nominees, received 12 per cent. The C.C.F. received the highest percentage of the vote awarded a single party.

BIG SHIP IS LOOTED

Vancouver People Stole Chronometers, Rifles and Ammunition from Aircraft Carrier

VANCOUVER, Oct. 16—Commander P. E. Yonge, navigation officer of H.M.C. Implacable, said Monday night that the theft of four deck watches from the huge Royal Navy aircraft carrier during her "Open House" Sunday may delay the sailing of the vessel. Police here were asked to search for the watches and are also seeking persons who ransacked sailors' lockers and stole five rifles, some shells and other articles from the vessel Sunday when more than 20,000 persons inspected the carrier.

Efforts are being made through the Royal Canadian Navy to get replacement of the chronometers which the commander says are essential for navigation purposes.

Live ammunition was taken from the ship by visitors and special warnings have been issued that this is very dangerous. It has been requested that any which may be found be turned into the authorities without delay.

Temperature table for Prince Rupert district during 24 hours ending 5 a.m. Maximum 54, Minimum 48.

RAILWAY CLEAR BUT HIGHWAY IS STILL BLOCKED

Heavy rainfall in the interior yesterday paralyzed transportation east of Prince Rupert by sending down an earth slide which covered the railway and highway between Shames and Ambury. Creek waters rose suddenly and damaged two highway bridges near Cedarvale.

Railway authorities reported today, however, that the slide has been cleared from the tracks and normal train service will resume tonight. Last night's eastbound train, held up by the slide, left the city at 1:30 this afternoon. Tonight's eastbound and westbound trains will depart and arrive on schedule.

In an effort to clear the slide which poured onto the highway, Public Works Department trucks and men left for the scene of the slide, 85 miles east of Prince Rupert early this morning. How long the clearing operation will take was not known at the Public Works office here this morning.

Near Cedarvale, east of Pacific, the approaches to the bridge over Coyote Creek have been washed out, and the bridge over Boulder Creek has been partly damaged by heavy flood waters.

ISLEY IN VANCOUVER

To Meet With C.C.L. and Shipyard Workers Representatives

VANCOUVER, Oct. 16—Finance Minister J. L. Isley, in answer to a request of Harold Pletcher, has agreed to meet with officers of the British Columbia Federation of Labor here on Saturday to discuss labor questions. Mr. Isley will be traveling in connection with the 10th Victory Loan.

Isley, also acting Prime Minister in the absence of Mr. Macbratley King, has been asked to attend opening sessions of the annual meeting of the Shipyard General Workers' Federation to state the government's attitude regarding the shipbuilding and ship repairing industry of this province.

Bulletins

CRASH AT VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER—Twenty persons had a narrow escape when a large American transport plane, coming in from Kodiak Island, crashed into a ditch after overrunning a runway at the local airport.

JAP DEMONSTRATION

TOKYO—Five hundred Labor Party demonstrators gathered before Allied headquarters today demanding the replacement of Emperor Hirohito by the 11-year-old Crown Prince.

CHURCHILL HAS COLD

LONDON—Prime Minister Winston Churchill is still confined to his home with a severe cold and is not expected back in the House this week.

P.G.E. SURVEY

VICTORIA—The expert committee on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway will get together soon to study surveys and natural resources of the proposed northward extension of the line, Premier Hart said today.

TO IMPLEMENT REPORT

PORT ALBERNI—Speaking here, Premier John Hart said that it was the government's intention to put into effect the Cameron commission recommendations on education including that whereby the provincial government would contribute 50 instead of 32 percent of the cost to municipalities.

KING STILL ILL

LONDON—Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada is still confined to his hotel suite with a cold. He has been able only to attend small dinners and a church service Sunday.

PACKING PLANT CONTROLLER

OTTAWA—J. G. Taggart has been appointed over-all controller of all packing plants in Canada. Packing house workers are now conducting strike votes at Swift's and Canada Packers plants throughout Canada similar to those in the Burns plants where strike action was favored.

NO APPEAL MADE

OSLO—Vidkun Quisling has so far made no appeal to King Haakon for a pardon from the death sentence for treason.

BRITISH STRIKE SITUATION

LONDON—Back-to-work movement among thousands of striking dock workers in London apparently collapsed today, posing a new threat to Britain's waning food supplies. Strike spokesmen said London strikers had reversed the earlier decision to return to their jobs Thursday. Four thousand British troops have unloaded some 300 ships in port and prepared military stores for shipments to the troubled Middle East.

POLAND SIGNS CHARTER

WASHINGTON—Poland's Foreign Minister, Wincenty Rzymowski, has arrived in Washington by plane on a formal visit to the American capital to sign the United Nations charter on behalf of his country. Rzymowski is the first official from the Soviet-backed governments of Europe to pay a state call to Washington. While in Washington, he will confer with President Truman and Secretary of State Byrnes.