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Deadline For Palestine Cease Fire Extended

Shipping Skeena Halts Highway and Rail Traffic

SPECTS OF TRAVEL CONFUSED AS
EVER CONTINUES TO RISE TODAY

Traffic on the Canadian National Railways between Hazelton and Prince Rupert, stopped by out near Kitwanga, 30 miles west of Hazelton this morning, may not be resumed for some time of rising flood conditions, it was reported by local Superintendent C. A. Berner's office before noon today.

Impaging river washed at of roadbed to a depth of 3 o'clock this morning, may be necessary to track before traffic resumed.

re on the lower Skeena covering the tracks.

While at Pacific, first point east of Prince residents are developing fear that the river and inundate the vil-

lage making prepara- tions to higher ground.

ing anxious- the rise of level, railway officials are labelling the situa-

tion "confused" and were unable any forecasts as to when service might be resumed.

of city motorists who are over the May 24

cut short their trips and home on Monday

who remained found stranded as rising

of the Skeena River over- the highway at two

making travel virtually impossible.

people who holidayed at home returning Sunday

as reports came in that, by melting mount-

ains, had risen above the level at Kwinitsa and

As the level continued many more made the re-

turney on Monday, leav- ing the sports celebration

interior town had fin-

is works crew members

erance stood by on Sun- day Monday and were re-

for helping more than through inundated spots

road.

also anchored down two

one a mile west of

and the other near East

Both bridges had been by the high water. The

Works men used cables

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by planks to protect the

ties to the trestles.

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may reported eight inches

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ON BANS COMMIES— is no room in the Cana- dian region for Communists

S. Evans of Toronto, provincial president of He will advocate his and those of Ontario

Social Security Tax Will Work No Hardship; Those Best Able Will Do Paying

VICTORIA—In an address to the people of British Columbia last night, Hon. R. C. MacDonald, minister of mines and municipal affairs, described the new three percent sales tax as a social security tax. It would work no hardship on any section of the community, he predicted, and asserted it was "abundantly

clear" that the tax "will be paid for very largely by big business and industry and those fortunate people who can afford to indulge in so-called luxury spending."

It could be shown clearly by statistics, asserted Mr. MacDonald, that an average family maintaining itself adequately will contribute through payment of the tax no more than one or two per cent of the money it spends.

It should be remembered that the tax does not apply to rentals, nor does it apply to food-stuffs or to meals served in restaurants under a value of 51c. It does not apply to fuels or to medical prescriptions. Further where experience showed that a hardship might be worked upon any section of the community,

BUDGET IS ASSAILED

OTTAWA. — Opposition members yesterday in the House of Commons lashed the Abbott budget as one of "privatization, scarcity and frustration" and charged its "trifling" tax reductions came at a time when Canadians expected relief from wartime taxation.

Ross Thatcher, C.C.F.-Moose Jaw, said the government had ridden "roughshod over the wishes of 99 per cent of Canadian adults."

Fish Sales

MONDAY

American

Seattle, 50,000, 19.10, 18 and 10.

Storage. California, 22,000, 19.20, 18 & 10, Pacific.

Frisco, 16,000, 20, 18 & 10, Whiz.

Canadian

J. H. Todd, 14,000, 20, 19 & 9.50, Pacific.

Cape May, 9,000, 20, 19 & 9.50 Whiz.

Ispaco, 24,000, 20, 19.10, 9.50 Royal.

N.W., 18,000, 19.50, 18.10, 9.50, Atlin.

Gosnell, 8,000, 18.60, 17 & 9.50, Royal.

Annabelle, 6,000, 19.70, 19 & 9.50, Bacon.

Snow Fall, 41,000, 19.90, 19 & 9.50, Booth.

Cape Spear, 13,000; Connie Jean, 16,000; Gulvik, 17,000; Covenant, 20,000; Tramp, 21,000; Steveston, 28,000; Co-op.

TUESDAY

American

Freya, 31,000, 19.50, 18.10 and 10.50, Storage.

Canadian

Margot I, 23,000, 19.20, 17.50 & 10, Atlin.

Waterfall, 31,000, 19.10, 17.50 & 10, Pacific.

Relief, 14,000, 19.20, 17.60 & 10, Bacon.

Gony, 15,000; P. Doreen, 16,000; Morris H., 12,000; Capella, 18,000 Co-op.

TRUMAN AND ALASKA

WASHINGTON — President

Truman Friday sent to Congress a five-point program for the development of Alaska

with the request that it be admitted to statehood at "the earliest possible date."

The program calls for improving the transportation system,

construction of housing and community facilities, land for natives and encouragement of land settlement.

At East Kwinitsa, just west of Little's Sawmill, water more than a foot in depth covers the road. Drivers stayed as close as possible to the railway as they could while traversing an invisible stretch of highway.

A small bridge at East Kwinitsa was reported by the Public Works Department this morning to be afloat and in dangerous condition.

Canadian General Goes All Out For Hazelton-Alaska Railway

Best From Both Military and Development
Standpoints, Worthington Declares

Speaking on the defence of Canada before a general conference of the Pacific Northwest Trade Association held recently in Victoria, Major-General F. F. Worthington, C.B., M.C.C., M.M., emphasized the need for establishing a proposed railway or highway to Alaska as close to the Pacific Coast as possible, favoring the route originating at Hazelton over the Rocky Mountain Trench route.

Olof Hanson and Arnold Flaten represented the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia at the conference and, reporting to the executive of the Associated Board, disclose that Major General Worthington's arguments for a westerly route were:

"First, from a military point of view so that communications with the various Alaska centres could be established.

"Second, a railway along this route would open valuable military areas, forest and farm areas much more superior to what are found in the proposed Rocky Mountain Trench route."

Major-General Worthington also argued that, if the main trunk line was established, the lateral lines leading to tidewater could be worked on and established by troops necessarily having to be billeted in Alaska.

The Hazelton route was endorsed by the President and the Spokane Chamber of Commerce. WENT EASY ON JONES ACT

The question of the Jones Act was discussed informally by the two Central B. C. delegates with a number of American delegates to the Association and, on the whole, it was realized that the Act was most unfair to Alaska. However, it was a contentious matter and the feeling was that, due to the fact that the territory of Alaska was endeavouring at the moment to have the Act amended in Washington, anything that might be done by the Association at this time would probably do more harm than good.

The suggestion of the Association having a meeting in the north was discussed by the local delegates with members of the executive and the general feeling appeared to be that, with transportation facilities as they are, too much time would be necessary for the journey and, as a result, representation would be too small. R. T. Rose, executive secretary of the Vancouver Board of Trade, however, thought it would be possible at some time to arrange for the directors of the Association to meet in Prince Rupert.

The delegates have recommended to the Associated Boards that this area should endeavour to be represented at all future meetings of the Association.

The tourist industry came in for special discourse at the conference, the point seeming to come constantly to the fore that there was lack of understanding of how to develop the tourist industry to the fullest extent. While roads and highways were of great importance, there seemed to be a general lack of proper accommodation and courteous treatment as well as continual misinformation to the travelling tourist. It was felt that every district and community should appoint some representative that the proper facilities, courteous treatment and reliable information were available to the tourist.

Alaskan problems came in for considerable attention at the conference including aboriginal rights and Indian reservations in the territory, tourist development, fuel, railway and fur seal treaty.

The Central British Columbia delegates were accorded head table honors at the principal

Prince Rupert At Saskatoon

Legion Secretary P. M. Ray's
Dispatch to Daily News
(By Philip M. Ray)

SASKATOON (Special to Daily News)—Prince Rupert delegates to the Dominion command convention of the Canadian Legion arrived in this beautiful city of 50,000 persons to find glorious weather and temperature hovering around the eighty mark.

The convention proceedings opened Sunday morning with a service at the Anglican Cathedral attended by the Governor General, Lord Alexander, and many distinguished visitors included among the congregation of 500 persons.

Immediately after luncheon the Legionaires, 1200 strong, marched with four bands to the Bessborough Hotel cenotaph where the Governor General and Dominion and provincial presidents laid wreaths. The procession then proceeded to march through the city and the Governor General took the salute as the parade was enroute to Kiwanis Park where a drum-head service was held.

A splendid reception was accorded the parade, the population (and the mosquitoes) turning out in thousands.

Horse Artillery and Air Force bands gave a concert after the service following which British Columbia members held a caucus.

Sunday night the Capitol Theatre in downtown Saskatoon was crowded to capacity for the impressive ceremony of official opening. The Governor General was again in attendance and other distinguished guests included Hon. Milton F. Gregg, federal minister of veterans' affairs; Premier T. C. Douglas of Saskatchewan, representatives of the parent body (British Empire Service League) from England and Scotland and high Legion officials from various parts of Canada.

DAUPHIN MAN WINS IN CAR

Drawing Features Big Ball
Which Ended Celebration

The Kinsmen car is due for a long easterly trip. J. L. Tycholiz of 216 Seventh Avenue, Dauphin, Manitoba, holds the lucky ticket and is now the owner of the 1948 Ford which was given away as a door prize at the ball climaxing yesterday's celebration.

The drawing was made at 2 a.m. and, as Queen Barbara had departed with her court at midnight, Miss Leah Basso-Bert was asked to draw a ticket from the wire-mesh cylinder containing all the ticket stubs. Blindfolded Miss Basso-Bert reached deep and came up with ticket number 7724 which had been sold to Mr. Tycholiz by M. C. Slind, also of Dauphin.

A large crowd attended the

banquet of the conference when the speaker was A. R. MacDougall K.C., M.L.A., Vancouver. Point Grey, whose subject was "Let Freedom Ring."

John P. Riley, vice-president of the Milwaukee Railroad at Seattle, was elected president of the Association in succession to Charles B. Lindeman, Seattle newspaper publisher.

Bulletins

FAVORING STRIKE

OTTAWA—With A. R. Mosher president of the Canadian Congress of Labor, stating that the Railway Brotherhood was voting 99 per cent to go on strike, Minister of Labor Humphrey Mitchell moved in to the dispute again today with a request to the railway companies and union leaders to meet again and consider a 20c per hour increase.

KING'S PLATE WINNER

TORONTO—Last Mark, Jim Fair's stout-hearted brown colt, came up with a blistering stretch drive Monday to win the eighty-ninth annual running of the historic \$10,000 added King's Plate with a purse of 50 guineas donated by the King, Lord Fairmont, from the Winnipeg stable of Jim Spears, was second and W. J. West's colt Joey Bomber was third in a field of 16.

B. C. GRADUATE PREMIER

NANKING — The Chinese legislative Yuan Monday reluctantly confirmed President Chiang Kai-Shek's surprise appointment of Canadian-educated Wong Wen-Hao as Premier. Wong, 59-year old scientist, was educated at the University of British Columbia and in Germany.

LOGGERS' DEMAND REJECTED

VANCOUVER—Demands for a 35 percent hourly wage boost, a union shop and a union-administered welfare fund by 3000 International Woodworkers of America (CIO) have been rejected by the lumber and box manufacturers in British Columbia's southern interior, it was learned Friday night.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

Thunderstorms occurred over southern Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and the Fraser Valley last night and early this morning. Cloudiness is still quite general in these areas but some clearing is expected during the afternoon. The west coast and the Queen Charlottes are likely to remain cloudy. Fog banks which moved onshore during the night were expected to lift about mid-day to form again tonight. Relatively clear skies are general throughout the interior. Some cloudiness will develop over the mountains this afternoon but pleasant weather is expected in most of these regions.

Forecast

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast with fog and occasional drizzle until Monday. Cloudy this afternoon. Overcast with fog over the low areas tonight and Wednesday morning lifting about mid-day. Winds light. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Wednesday—At Port Hardy 42 and 60, Massett 45 and 58, Prince Rupert 46 and 60.

ball, dancing to the music of Sammy McQuaig and his orchestra while they waited for the results of the draw.

Earlier in the evening, Queen Barbara Ball and retiring Queen Alice Nickerson, in company with the four princesses, presided at the Queen of the May Ball when the Kinsmen Club was host to 350 kiddies. Open to all children up to the age of 16, the dance provided carefree entertainment for those who wished to trip gaily around the ballroom. Some of the boys were shy about asking the young ladies to share steps but for over an hour the boys and girls had the floor to themselves to try whatever form of dancing they felt capable of doing.

At 9:30 the Queen officially closed the kiddies' dance and the youngsters left for home, leaving the hall free for the adults who were beginning to arrive for their evening entertainment.

Hopes Are Low, However, Of Arabs Quitting Fight

LAKE SUCCESS, (CP)—Hopes were low today that the Arab States would use a 48-hour extension granted by the United Nations security council to accept its cease-fire appeal. Israel has accepted. As the Security Council takes a day off, reconvening Wednesday, there is no indication from Arab quarters that they will back down from demands that the Jews abandon the project of a Holy Land state.

The latest deadline expiry is set for tomorrow noon. The Security Council allowed the extension last night to give the Arabs further time for consideration. Fighting continued in Palestine today despite the cease fire negotiations.

In Jerusalem an Arab legion and volunteer forces hammered at the Jews still holding out in the old walled city. Hagana claimed it had driven Arab forces out of the Jordan Valley and said that Shaar, Hoagaland and Masada, south of the Sea of Galilee, had been captured.

At Tel Aviv yesterday two-engined planes dropped a few heavy bombs.

In London yesterday Foreign Secretary Bevin said that Great Britain was using its utmost influence to insure that the United Nations cease fire would be accepted by Jews and Arabs.

At Cranbrook five work trains have been dispatched to repair track washouts.

Flood waters of the Kettle River at Grand Forks are continuing to recede after flooding the city to a depth of eight feet Saturday afternoon following the bursting of a dam.

At Fort Steele, 20 miles west of here, all families on the west flats were evacuated. Wild Horse bridge is reported but at Bull River a Canadian Pacific Railway reservoir is smashed.

NEW FLOODS ON PRAIRIES

WINNIPEG, —Floods of three rivers were today wreaking fury on an estimated 100,000 acres south of The Pas. General resurgence of actual or potential flood conditions was reported in Alberta as the Saskatchewan, the Pas and Carrot Rivers overflowed. Large freighter canoes, manned by the Manitoba fisheries department, are providing farmers with food, mail and messages.

BUY POOL CHLORINATOR

WELLAND, Ont., — The board of water commissioners here voted purchases totalling about \$2,063 to buy and install new equipment in the Welland swimming pool. Included will be an \$800 chlorinator.

SEES NO WAR IN FAR NORTH

OTTAWA. — Defence Minister Claxton, following an air trip to Churchill, Manitoba, said there are no armaments, no atom bombs, no slit trenches or modern fighting equipment there. He found that 90 per cent of the waking hours of man are spent here in a struggle for survival.

Mr. Claxton admitted that a few individual armaments had been taken there to see the reaction of cold weather. While, generally speaking, it is an ideal spot to test men and equipment, the report indicates that it is the last place where Canadians are likely to be fighting anybody.

FRIENDSHIP OF ARABS NEEDED

LONDON —To safeguard the Middle East against the march of communism preservation of Arab friendship is essential, Great Britain has told the United States.

Diplomatic officials say that this was Britain's answer to a still informal protest by the United States against an avowed British intention to stick by treaty obligations to supply Arab nations with arms "unless and until the United Nations intervenes in Palestine."

PLAYED TARZAN, FATALLY HURT

Body of Native Lad Brought
Here from Alert Bay

Emulation of Tarzan, a common boyish diversion, proved fatal for Reggie Allen, 13-year old Kincolith lad, at the residential school at Alert Bay which he was attending. His remains were brought here on the Princess Adelaide yesterday afternoon from the south and burial will be made locally today.

Reggie was swinging on a rope from a tree when he lost his hold and fell to the ground, suffering a skull injury which resulted in his death a few hours later in hospital.

The boy was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen of Kincolith. The father is a patient in Miller Bay Hospital here.

Boy Scouts and Girl Guides marched to the wharf at Alert Bay as the casket was borne to the steamer for delivery here.

SMALLER THAN CANADA
Brazil has an area of 3,291,416 square miles compared to Canada's 3,466,556 square miles.

Local Contracting Firm Gets \$100,000 Job At Miller Bay

A \$100,000 contract has been awarded by the federal government to the Prince Rupert contracting firm of Mitchell & Currie for the construction of a concrete boiler house and laundry in connection with the Miller Bay Hospital for Indians near this city. It will be a two-storey structure measuring 50 by 70 feet.

Lower storey will contain the boilers and heating plant for the large hospital while the upper floor will contain the laundry. The boiler room and heating plant is now contained within the present hospital building.

LOCAL TIDES

Wednesday, May 26, 1948

High 3:00 20.4 feet

16:12 17.7 feet

Low 9:45 2.9 feet

21:44 8.9 feet