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Distress Weather Signals Flying Many Parts of United States; Millions of Dollars Damage Done

CHICAGO (CP)—Distress signals flew over wide areas today on United States weather maps. The worst victims were the Rocky Mountains and Western Plains states, four southern states and rich citrus areas of Colorado and Arizona. The snowbound Rocky Mountain and Plains States struggled against seemingly insurmountable odds in an attempt to recover from the winter's blizzard.

ARBITRATE TEACHERS' WAGE DEMANDS

Arbitration proceedings will begin between the Prince Rupert Teachers' Association and the School Board following the failure of the wage committees of the two groups to reach agreement on demands by the teachers for a new salary schedule for 1949 involving a higher rate of pay.

At its last meeting of the night, the Board received a request for arbitration from P. Adlem, representative of the teachers, on the basis of the briefs submitted by the bodies at a salary conference earlier were "irreconcilable."

School Board Chairman Dr. R. C. Large told the meeting that a new salary schedule set forth by the teachers would mean an additional \$26,000 in salaries above 1948 and the Board agreed that it could not grant it.

CHIANG MOVING RECORDS SOUTH

NANKING, (CP)—A Chinese source with connections close to the government said that Chiang Kai-Shek had ordered removal of government records and the property of personnel southward to Canton and Formosa.

This is taken as evidence by many that the Chinese president and government leaders did not expect a favorable reception from his peace-on-terms proposal to the Communists.

Two Thousandth Atlantic Flight

MONTREAL—A transCanada Airlines North Star landed here today to complete the 100th Atlantic crossing since the delivery of North Stars in 1947. To date 3100 crossings have been completed by the airline since the inception of transatlantic flying in 1942. More than 10,000 immigrants have arrived from the United Kingdom since then.

LOCAL TIDES

Friday, January 7, 1949		
High	6:50	18.0 feet
Low	19:08	15.5 feet
High	0:13	7.9 feet
Low	13:23	9.2 feet

HARRY ADASKIN
Famous Violinist
CIVIC CENTRE
TONIGHT - 8:15 P.M.

Flood waters are spilling from swollen rivers in Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia, forcing thousands from their homes and isolating several communities.

INSTANCES ARE BEING ASKED

Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia, which asked the federal government from its recent convention in Juneau to ease restrictions on trade and travel in and out of Canada, has heard from the ministers of finance and national revenue. The ministers are asking for specific instances of complaint. The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce will seek to provide information in regard to such instances so that the Associated Boards may transmit them to Ottawa.

DR. LARGE AGAIN BOARD CHAIRMAN

Committee for Schools Continued Unchanged

Dr. R. G. Large was unanimously re-elected chairman of the Prince Rupert and District School Board at its first meeting of 1949 last night, retaining a position which he has held for the last three years.

Because the personnel of the Board remained unchanged following last December's elections members agreed to retain their former committee positions, thus giving continuity to the work of last year. Following are the committees:

Finance—W. J. Scott, Mrs. E. W. Becker.
Buildings—A. B. Brown, Mrs. E. W. Becker.
Personnel—Mrs. E. W. Becker, W. J. Scott, A. B. Brown.
Grounds—A. J. Dominato, W. J. Scott.

School Committees — Booth Memorial High School Mrs. E. W. Becker; King Edward School, A. B. Brown; Conrad School, A. J. Dominato; Borden Street, W. J. Scott.

THREE DEAD IN AIRLINE CRASH

RIO DE JANEIRO, (CP)—Three persons were believed killed after a British York aircraft had crash-landed in Caravelos Bay early today.

No immediate official confirmation of casualties was given, but it is believed there are 11 survivors.

May Have Fallen From Dry Dock

Possibility that Henry Jensen, missing plater foreman at the local dry dock, may accidentally have slipped into the harbor was strengthened today with a report by a night watchman that he had been informed of the missing man that he was going down to inspect a small boat at one of the wharves. There were several icy places in the vicinity. Jensen has been missing since Tuesday morning.



GLAD HAND FOR NEW YORK RANGERS' NEW COACH—Frank Boucher (left), former coach of the New York Rangers hockey team, congratulates Lynn Patrick (right), who moves in as the new coach from his present job as coach of the New Haven hockey team. In centre is Neil Colville, who will replace Patrick in New Haven. Boucher becomes manager of the Rangers. This mutual admiration session took place at a luncheon at Leone's restaurant in New York.

Lou Boudreau Is Named Best

Noses Out Bob Mathias as "Male Athlete" of 1948.

NEW YORK, (CP)—Lou Boudreau, player-manager of the world champion Cleveland Indians, was today named male athlete of the year 1948 in an Associated Press year-end poll.

The personable Cleveland shortstop barely edged out Bob Mathias of Tulane, California, Olympic decathlon champion. Earlier today Mathias had been named winner of the Sullivan Memorial Award as the year's outstanding amateur athlete.

JUNIOR CHAMBER COUNCILLOR DUE

Brent Murdoch of Victoria, regional councillor of the B.C. section of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada, will visit Prince Rupert on Saturday, January 15 in the course of a tour of the central part of the province. While here, he will meet with the Prince Rupert Junior Chamber executive and be guest of honor at a general meeting on Monday, January 17. He will be present at a charter night ceremony for the newly organized Junior Chamber. He will then proceed to Prince George from where he will fly to Vancouver.

NO FLOURINE TREATMENT YET

Prince Rupert school children will not receive the "flourine treatment" for the prevention of tooth decay in the immediate future, at least. The School Board last night decided against pursuing the matter after Dr. R. G. Large, chairman, had informed them that he had been advised that employment of the technique might be "prematuring" since all phases of it have not been investigated. The suggestion was made by Trustee W. J. Scott at an earlier meeting.

LOW VEGETABLE, FRUIT PRICES

COBourg, Ont., (CP)—M. M. Robinson, secretary of the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Association, told the Northumberland and Durham Apple Growers' Association here today that the province was now entering a period of low prices for fruit and vegetables. He said that apples were the only commodity that remained unchanged in price.

Tuna Permanence Not Yet Known

OTTAWA—Dr. R. E. Foerster, director of the Pacific Biological Station at Nanaimo, has told the annual meeting of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada that it has not yet been ascertained whether a repetition of the albacore tuna run off the Queen Charlotte Islands may be expected. Further investigations are necessary.

European Medical Couple Take Staff Positions at Miller Bay

A man-and-wife team of European doctors—graduates of one of the famed medical training hospitals of Vienna—have taken staff positions at the Miller Bay Indian Hospital where they will work for the next year, at least.

The couple are Dr. Myron Lazarchuk, age 27, and his wife, Dr. Olga Lazarchuk, 26, a Polish couple who were graduated from the University of Vienna's Robert Koch Hospital in 1947 and came to Canada last September.

IS ROBBED BY HITCH-HIKER

Brazen Hold-up of Kelowna Man While Leaving Vancouver

CHILLIWACK, (CP)—Police in the Lower Mainland are hunting for a brazen hitch-hiker who held up Tom Elchuk, aged 40, of Kelowna yesterday and robbed him of \$20.

SCHOOL TOTALS DOWN SLIGHTLY

Attendance at the city's four public schools showed a slight drop in December under the November level, reports of principals read to the monthly meeting of the School Board last night indicated. Total enrolment for December was 1,159 as compared with 1,164 during the previous month.

At Booth Memorial High School, enrolment was 446, a drop of three under November, according to Principal A. M. Hurst. There were 187 in the senior High School and 289 in the junior.

VANCOUVER SEES POWER SHORTAGE

VANCOUVER—The British Columbia Electric Co. has warned electric light and power consumers to go easier on their consumption. Otherwise, "brown-out" conditions may have to be resorted to or curtailment of supply imposed. Although there has been much snow there has been a lack of rain in Vancouver's power-making sources.

Congress Confirms Truman's Election

WASHINGTON, D.C.—House of Representatives yesterday approved the electoral college returns following the November presidential election. The standing was 303 for President Truman and 189 for Thomas E. Dewey.

Civil Servants' Salary Increases

OTTAWA—Salary increases for some 15,000 civil servants in Ottawa will be included in the January 15 cheques. A second cheque, covering accumulated salary increases back to October 1, will be issued some time this month.

New Schools Here to Cost Nearly \$900,000; City and Government to Share Cost On a Fifty-Fifty Basis

ASKED TO TALK ABOUT HIGHWAY

Hearing that Hon. E. C. Carson, minister of public works, is to address the transportation and customs bureau of the Vancouver Board of Trade on January 12, the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce has sent a wire to the minister suggesting that, when he discusses the subject of British Columbia's road requirements and the government's plan, he may have something of interest and encouragement as far as the northern transprovincial highway No. 16 is concerned.

The Chamber feels that it might be more appropriate to make such a suggestion to the minister in advance instead of waiting until after he speaks and then criticizing what he has had to say.

PRODUCTION OF AIRCRAFT

OTTAWA (CP)—While Canada is negotiating for production of two types of American aircraft, there is, apparently, no assurance that she will be able to find a market for part of her own output in the United States.

Some government sources consider that it is naive to think that American firms which let Canada manufacture their planes will also agree to let Canada invade the home market as a rival.

NEW HOSTELRY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK—A one million dollar inn and restaurant with rooms for 350 guests, a de luxe suite, terraces, outdoor pools, golf course, barbecue grills, motor courts, will be built opposite the Franklin D. Roosevelt shrine at Hyde Park under a lease signed with a corporation by Elliott Roosevelt. The shrine is the tomb of the former president where, it was hoped, there would be permanent seclusion and strict privacy.

PREFERS ARCTIC HOME— Mrs. Florence Drudge, 42-year-old mother from the Quebec hinterland, took her first look at civilization in 23 years and said she wanted to go back to her isolated home at Old Fort Bay, Que. Flown to Halifax with her critically-ill baby, Willard, the sad-faced and bewildered woman, awe-struck at the change in city life since her last trip, is shown seated outside her son's hospital room. (C.P. Photo)

WAS PIONEER OF OKANAGAN

AGED MOTHER OF W. L. ARMSTRONG, FORMERLY OF THIS CITY, PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Ada V. Armstrong, the mother of William L. Armstrong, former local freight agent for Canadian National Railways here, now located in Edmonton, passed away Tuesday night at the ripe age of 87 and the funeral will take place Saturday at Armstrong where she had made her home since that Okanagan Valley community was established last century. Burial will be at Vernon. Allan Armstrong of Prince Rupert is a grandson of deceased.

REDS ACTIVE IN SIBERIA

Russian air bases are increasing along the coast of Siberia, writes F. L. Knechtel, formerly of the New York Times and now a member of the staff of Colliers. He is said to be one of the few men to really know what is going on behind the Siberian iron curtain. He claims that, in Siberia, the government authorities are pouring five times more money, and men than ever before and that this money is expended for air bases.

MORE SLIDES AT KWINITSA

Line Expected to Be Cleared Today After Twenty-Four Hour Blockade

Three slides of snow, rocks, trees and general debris within a distance of 800 feet about seven miles east of Kwinitsa had the railway line blocked since yesterday afternoon until press time today. The eastbound train, which left here last evening, was still at Kwinitsa while an extra gang of twenty-five men with rotary plow and other equipment waged battle against the slides under the personal direction of Superintendent C. A. Berner and Divisional Engineer R. G. Davidson. It was expected that the line would be cleared by 4 o'clock this afternoon to permit the eastbound train getting through as well as the westbound which is due here at 10:45 tonight.

The slides were up to twenty-five feet in depth and followed a spell of mild weather and rain which came after recent heavy snows in that area. Heavy rain has also been reported at Terrace.

For over a month now snow plows have been kept busy. Six inches of new snow was reported at Kwinitsa this morning with temperature of 36 above.

SITUATION IN PALESTINE IS STILL GRAVE

LONDON, (CP)—Britain said yesterday that the situation on the Palestine-Egypt frontier continues grave, although the "main body of Israeli forces" has been withdrawn from Egyptian territory.

A Foreign Office spokesman told a press conference that the Israeli withdrawal has given "local relief to a still-obscure situation which continues to cause anxiety."

Israel indicated today that it was prepared to comply with the new United Nations cease fire order although it had no intention of giving up newly won positions on the Egyptian frontier.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis
Unsettled weather conditions persist over British Columbia today and tomorrow. Colder air has moved over the northern portion of the province and snow has been falling over the north coast and northern interior where yesterday it was raining. This colder air is expected to move to the southern section of the province later tomorrow.

Forecast
Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Northern Section—Snow with scattered snowfalls tomorrow. Wind westerly (15 m.p.h.). Colder. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—Masset 31 and 33, Prince Rupert 27 and 33.

Southern Section—Intermittent rain today. Overcast with showers, mixed rain and snow tomorrow. Winds southeasterly (20 m.p.h.) today, light tomorrow. Colder tomorrow. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—34 and 38.

Estimated cost of building Prince Rupert's proposed two new schools—first section of the new High School and a new King Edward School—will be \$897,000, according to preliminary figures presented to the School Board last night. Cost of building the two new structures will be shared equally between city and district taxpayers and the provincial government. The latter's 50 percent will be in the form of a grant.

Therefore the bylaw money for the new schools will be in the neighborhood of \$500,000. It is expected that the by-law will be prepared for presentation to the ratepayers early this year.

The \$897,000 figure was presented by the Vancouver architectural firm of Sharp, Thompson, Berwick and Pratt. It is a preliminary figure and subject to adjustment as the plans are finalized.

The Board moved last night to request C. E. Pratt, the architectural firm, to pay a final visit to Prince Rupert before the plans are completed.

GREETINGS EXCHANGED

Municipal Chapter I.O.D.E. Is in Session

Seasonal greetings were exchanged at the regular monthly meeting of the Municipal Chapter, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire, which was held in the ladies' lounge of the Civic Centre Wednesday evening. Mrs. Jens Munthe, regent of the chapter, was in the chair and wished the members a very happy and prosperous New Year with a word of thanks for their co-operation in the past year.

Christmas and New Year's greetings were read from members and friends of other chapters in the Province.

A contribution of \$25 was received from a teacher at Miller Bay Hospital to be used in the work of sending parcels to Britain. This will permit of an added luxury in the 15 or more parcels that each month go to Britain from the I.O.D.E. in Prince Rupert.

It was reported that the sum of \$205.75 had been turned over to Mr. Wilkins which closes this relief fund that was sponsored by the I.O.D.E. with the co-operation of the Daily News.

A scholarship of \$100 is to be given by the Municipal Chapter to a graduating scholar of Booth Memorial High School for 1949.

Arrangements were made for the annual meeting to be held at the end of February.

Mrs. E. Barton, Empire Study convener, read an article from the October issue of the Canadian Home Journal about Mayor Norah Arnold after which refreshments were served by members of the Duchess of Edinburgh Chapter.