

TOMORROW'S TIDES

(Standard Time)

June 10, 1954

9:01	15.2 feet
21:15	17.9 feet
3:05	7.6 feet
14:50	8.4 feet

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER
Published at Canada's Most Strategic Pacific Port—"Prince Rupert, the Key to the Great Northwest"
VOL. XLIII, No. 134 PRINCE RUPERT, B.C. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1954 PRICE FIVE CENTS

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY, 118 VICTORIA, B. C.

ORMES

Daily Delivery MAY 31, 1954

Phone 81

DRUGS



INTERESTING SIDELIGHT on the announcement from the Vatican of the elevation to the rank of cardinal of the late Pope Pius X (left) is the sudden timeliness it gives a film which was last year but is still making the rounds of the motion picture theatres. The film is "The Secret Conclave," and is the life story of the sainted Pontiff, taking him from childhood up to his death during the first World War. Note the almost-exact likeness of the Pope and the actor, Henry Vidon (right), portraying His Holiness. Vidon is Scotch and has been living and acting in Italy recently.

Molotov's Talk Dims Hope Early Far East Peace

A Western diplomat gloomily today that foreign minister Molotov's speech had killed chances for Indo-China by his remarks.

He criticized the policies of Premier Joseph Laniel's government, which now is facing a severe test in the French National Assembly. Foreign Minister Bidault hastened to Paris immediately after Molotov's speech to take part in this afternoon in the assembly debate on Indo-China.

HOPES JOLTED

Western hopes received their biggest jolt when Molotov got down to the Communist terms for an Indo-China peace.

Some quarters had expected him to make important concessions, but instead he toughened his stand and raised new issues.

He proposed that the conference begin discussions immediately on a political settlement in Indo-China without waiting for agreement to end the fighting. Other delegates thought they had got around this difficulty when the Communists agreed three weeks ago to give priority to the cease-fire discussions.

Molotov also reiterated the Red position that the problems of the three Indo-China states of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia are identical, and should be taken up together.

Molotov also called for discussions on the sovereignty of the three states, even though they all claim to be independent, and for withdrawal of all foreign troops, meaning French forces, before elections are held.

Heading Area 3

The closure of Area 2 to fishing Saturday midday has sailed for the grounds in Area 3, according to Customs and Dominion officials this morning.

There were no landings at the Rupert Halibut Exchange today as it appeared all had returned from Area 2.

Officials expect landings within the next few days.

They are expected to pull the fish to Vancouver from ports, a Fisheries spokesman said.



LEGENDARY GIANT Paul Bunyan might not have felt the strain of a ring big enough to fit around the pretty neck of McKelroy, 19, of St. Paul. Made of heavy metal, the ring of the Bunyan exhibit at the University of Minnesota.

Allies Will Meet Red Attack With A-Bomb Says NATO Boss

Damage Toll at Winnipeg Set at Near \$3,000,000

WINNIPEG (CP)—Damage estimates rose as high as \$3,000,000 today in the wake of a wind-whipped fire which Tuesday cut a wide swath through the heart of Winnipeg's business district.

As workmen, bulldozers and power shovels worked through the rubble, clearing up, fire department officials attempted to determine the exact origin of the worst blaze in the city's history. It was believed to have started from a short circuit in an electric sign, damaged during peak of a gale.

The sign was at the front of the Time building, which was destroyed along with the Dismorr and Edwards blocks. Badly damaged were the Affleck block and the Norlyn building. All were situated around Portage avenue and Hargrave street.

No lives were lost, and only one of the estimated 245 firemen called out for duty suffered an injury, and it was minor.

About 1,500 workers were left at least temporarily unemployed as the fire swept through a musical supply store, cafes, men's and women's clothing stores, shoe shops, a cleaners, a billiard and bowling parlor and several business offices.

KEPT FROM JOBS

Several thousands of other workers were kept away from their jobs when police closed off two of Winnipeg's most important city blocks on Portage avenue between Donald and Carlton streets. Pedestrians and traffic were forbidden in the area.

Thousands of dollars worth of business was lost by stores not



JAMES D. W. BLYTH quits commission

Premier Gives No Reason For Blyth Move

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier W. A. C. Bennett confirmed today a report that James D. W. Blyth has resigned from the British Columbia power commission.

He gave no reason for Mr. Blyth's move but said that he had received a letter of resignation from Mr. Blyth and was seeking a replacement.

The premier described as "fully inaccurate" a report in today's Daily Colonist that Mr. Blyth had resigned "apparently because of a difference with the premier over the future status of the commission."

The Colonist in a newspaper story said: "There are reports Mr. Blyth refused to take on the job without an assurance from the premier that the power commission would not be taken over or squeezed out of existence by the B.C. Electric Co."

"This assurance, according to these reports, was not given," the Colonist stated.

The premier said today that Mr. Blyth asked for no such assurance.

The newspaper said that Mr. Blyth's resignation from the \$10,000-a-year post to which he was appointed only 10 weeks ago, has been on the premier's desk for several weeks. Mr. Blyth, the paper said, is back in Toronto with Brazilian Traction, Power and Light Co.

The Colonist quoted Mr. Blyth as saying: "The premier knows the facts and he knows my reasons. He should make any statement there is to be made."

Attacking Plane Russian MiG Probe Discloses

BRUSSELS (Reuters)—The Belgian foreign ministry announced today that an investigation into the attack on a Belgian commercial plane near the Austrian-Yugoslav border last week "proved that the attacking plane was a MiG-15 bearing Russian markings."

The ministry said in a communique that the Belgian ambassador in Moscow has been ordered to protest to the Soviet government and demand punishment of the pilot and compensation for the victims. One crew member was killed and three wounded by cannon fire.

Sentences Follow Fight

One man was given a suspended sentence and another fined yesterday afternoon in police court when found guilty of taking part in an affray Monday.

Given a six months suspension of sentence by Magistrate W. D. Vance was John Geddes while Raymond Jackson was fined \$50 or in default one month in jail.

The pair were picked up Monday after police interrupted a brawl at Second Avenue and Sixth Street.

Derailment Delays Train

A derailment on the main line east of Jasper is blamed by Canadian National Railway officials here for the delay in the arrival of the westbound train from Jasper.

The train was due in to Prince Rupert last night at 10:35 p.m. and is expected to arrive here tonight by 8 p.m.

No details of the derailment have been received here, a CN spokesman said.

WASHINGTON FISH CATCH IN 1953 WORTH \$36,497,100

SEATTLE (CP)—A big catch of 143,211,321 pounds of fish and shellfish was worth \$36,497,100 when processed in Washington last year, the State Department of Fisheries announced Tuesday.

The 1953 salmon harvest numbered 10,519,420 fish, the third time since 1931 that the catch has exceeded the 10 million mark.

"The fish were an average of \$1.20 each, or \$12,646,300 for the entire catch," the report said.

Families Evacuated in Alberta After Rain Swells Two Rivers

EDMONTON (CP)—Two large Alberta rivers, swollen by five days of driving rain, forced evacuation of at least 15 families and isolated two northern towns before starting to recede today.

In Edmonton, the North Saskatchewan rose an inch an hour Tuesday night.

Three families were evacuated from river-bank homes and several other home-owners began moving furniture to high ground.

With almost three inches of rain in the city since Friday and an equitable amount west along the main watershed, the river level increased by almost 11 feet in a 24-hour period ended Tuesday.

However, officials said the river was beginning to decline Tuesday night at Devon, 20 miles southwest of here, and serious flooding is not expected in the city.

The evacuated families, numbering about 10 persons, were billeted by the Alberta civil defence organization. At least one other family was believed to have left their home.

FLOODED LAST YEAR

Most of the danger was centred in low-lying areas in east Edmonton, where the river spilled over its banks in 1952. The city's only other serious flooding came last year, not from the river, but as a result of heavy August rains which swamped basements to cause heavy damage to new houses.

The Athabasca river, flowing eastward then north into Lake Athabasca, was reported to have risen 11½ feet higher than the 1944 level when serious flooding occurred.

The towns of Fort Assiniboine and Holmes Crossing were isolated, with 12 families forced to leave their homes near Holmes Crossing. The river spread to a width of some two miles over flat land near Fort Assiniboine.

Similar flooding, but on a smaller scale, was reported at Broadview in southeastern Saskatchewan. The town received 5.75 inches of rain in the last two days.

More rain was forecast in both provinces overnight and today.

No Winner Likely In Third World War

LONDON (AP)—NATO's supreme commander in Europe, Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, has warned Russia that the West will meet a Soviet attack with "every weapon in our arsenal," including atomic bombs.

French Planes, Artillery Pound Rebels

HANOI (CP)—French planes, tanks and artillery pounded small concentrations of Communist-led Vietminh guerrillas in the Red river delta today.

The main rebel forces meanwhile took a firmer hold on their semicircle of positions just outside the delta defence perimeter, strengthening the pincers they are expected to try to close soon around this Indo-China war capital.

A French high command spokesman said upwards of 100 Vietminh have been killed or captured in mopping-up operations within a few miles from Hanoi. French Union losses were relatively light, the spokesman added.

Counsellors, Chiefs To Hold Meeting Here

A meeting between district native chiefs and counsellors, Mayor George Hills and RCMP Inspector Taylor will be held in Indian Superintendent Frank E. Anfield's office this Saturday to discuss mutual relationships between the natives and the city.

The gathering is the second such meeting to be held within a year. The initial meeting held last year within a week of the disturbances in the city last August, have improved public relations considerably, Mr. Anfield said this morning.

The meeting is confined to counsellors, chiefs and the designated civic officials and is not public, Mr. Anfield asserted.

Boilermakers Decide To Stay Away From Work

VICTORIA (CP)—Two hundred boilermakers suspended for five days from HMCS Dockyard here when they walked off their jobs, have decided not to go back to work until the dispute is settled.

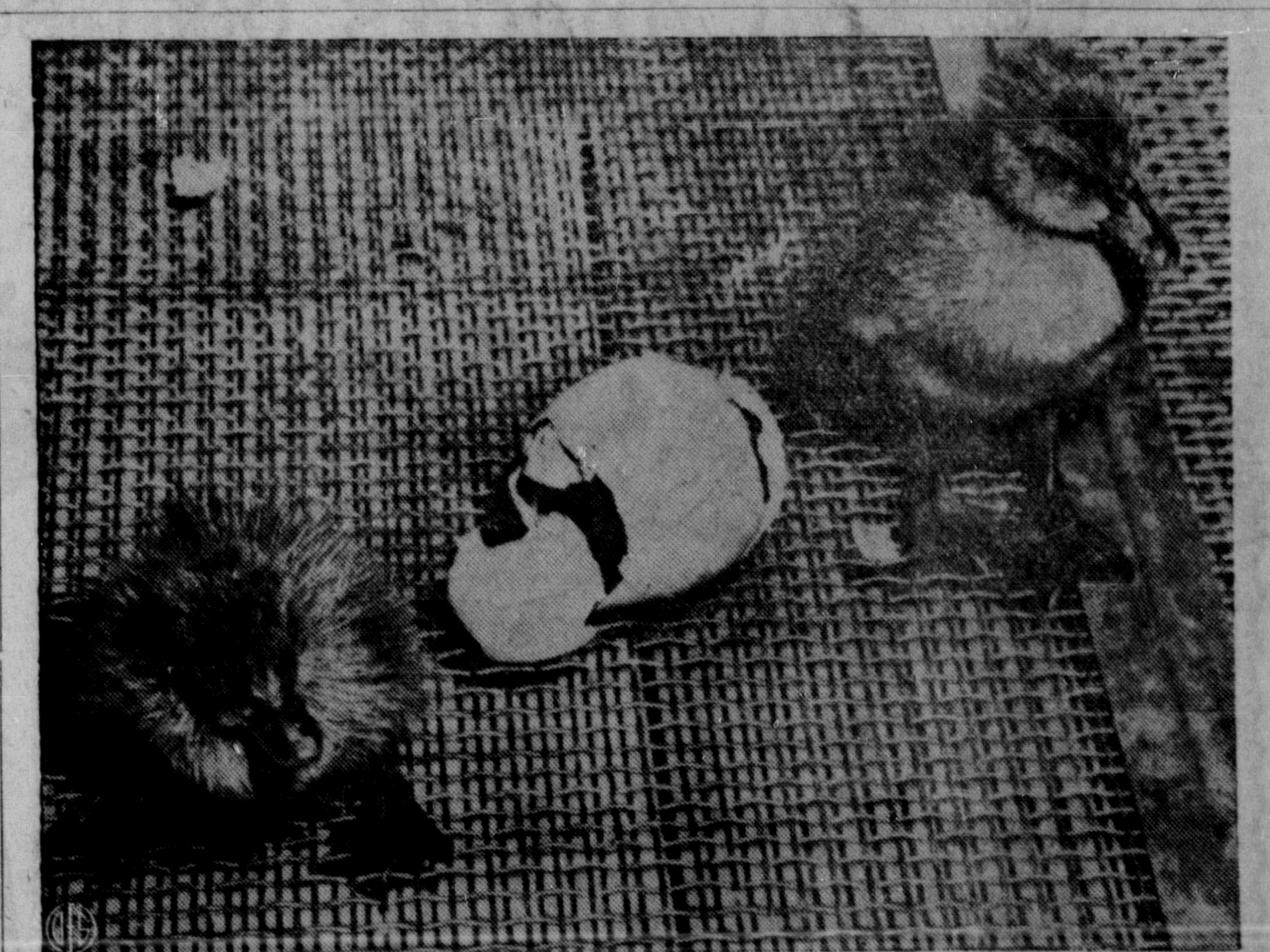
A meeting of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Shipbuilders, Blacksmiths and Helpers, Local 191, yesterday voted to stay out until the dockyard pays the wage rates prevailing in other Victoria shipyards.

The men walked off their jobs after dockyard superintendent Commodore B. R. Spencer suspended seven men for refusing to work on a job without payment of a "dirty work" premium of 25 per cent over their regular pay.

The superintendent then suspended 120 more men. All suspensions were to end Wednesday.

Price Talks Tomorrow

VANCOUVER (CP)—A committee representing west coast fishermen will meet with operators Thursday in another attempt to set 1954 salmon prices. Tendermen and cannery plant crews already have taken their demands to conciliation boards.



SURPRISING everybody with their dual appearance are twin ducklings, newly hatched from a single egg at West Haddon, England. Farmer Michael Wickstead said frankly he'd never seen twin ducks before. These represent the lone successful hatching of 20-double-yolked eggs set into the incubator earlier. One thing is sure—the twins are twice as cute as any singleton.