

MORROW'S TIDES

Day, September 16, 1953	Time	Standard	Time
6:51	14.7 feet		
18:28	17.3 feet		
0:26	7.1 feet		
12:07	10.7 feet		



TOUGH TORONTO'S MILK SUPPLY dwindled because of the strike of 1,700 members of the Drivers Union (AFL-TLC). Milk was dumped at Newmarket because it wasn't being shipped. Farm manager John Kadilka (left) and some of his helpers dump eight-gallon cans in a district farm while Bossie (at far right) looks on, a bit annoyed. Some 1,300,000 residents of greater Toronto were affected by the strike which was settled Monday.

The Workers Union Head Threatens Withdraw Members From Congress

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REAL @ — An uneasy settlement over the Canadian Congress of Labor oil and mine workers unions, but jurisdictional feuding between the two international labor bodies may flare out anew.

VALUABLE GENERATORS DUE AT KEMANO TODAY

KEMANO—The tug Wilmae Straits, pulling a barge with a 1000 cargo, was due to dock at this north coast port today. The shipment consists of electric generators and turbine for the Alcan project and left Vancouver three days ago.

Price Controls on Milk Taped Out as of Oct. 1

RIA (CP)—The British government today announced that all controls on the milk above the provincial level will be phased out, effective October 1.

tion Act, for Laws Be Revised

RIA (CP)—New legislation with liquor, Doukhobor and British Columbia's Elections Act were today in the speech throne at the opening session of the Legislature.

phone speech, read by Governor Clarence Gave no details. Speech included 14 items. Four were ones that the Social Credit government did not pass because of the floor of the Legislature.

tion of "certain measures fair remuneration for employees" was promised. This is because the mean equal pay for work.

ly bill will be presented to the government today to carry it until the fiscal year, 1954. When the government was defeated the bill it \$94,000,000 to a bill until September.

speech gave no intimate legislation it plans to introduce. The Doukhobor and the West Kootenay but General Robert Bon-

last week that legislation include legalizing "bread and salt" marriage and giving them the same status as civil marriages.

items mentioned in the bill of the three per cent security and municipal tax on meals. The bill intended to increase 50 cents to \$1 last session.

time up of a commission to equalized assessment for school purposes throughout the province.

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Council Orders Special Meeting To Discuss Water Rate 'Hike'

Fish Companies Object To Move

A special meeting of city council has been called for September 22 to discuss the proposed move to increase water charges to companies using more than 100,000 cubic feet per month.

The decision was made at the regular meeting last night after a letter from the five major firms engaged in the fishing industry here said council's action would:

- Force an increase in the cost of ice to the Prince Rupert fishing fleet;
- Curtail amount of water to the fleet, and
- Bring a request for better services.

Council, at its meeting on August 24, announced water charges for large consumers would be increased on September 1, but since that time it was discovered that it could not do so without first receiving approval by by-law. Council did not notify consumers.

A strong protest to the city's plan to gain more revenue from its water consumers by setting a flat rate of 9.63 cents per 100 cubic feet for uses taking more than 100,000 cubic feet was launched by the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd., Northern Fishermen's Cold Storage, Royal Fish Company, Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Association, and B.C. Packers Ltd.

In a joint letter, the five big industrial consumers told council it had given no notice of the proposed increase and had arbitrarily put them into effect after releasing a notice to the press which appeared in The Daily News August 25.

ASKED RECONSIDER

The firms asked council to reconsider the new increase because it hit at the heart of the city's biggest industry and "the 33 per cent increase is rather substantial," the letter said, "and to particularly penalize the industrial users over and above 100,000 cubic feet seems discriminatory."

The letter said the fishing industry is the one and only sustaining industry here, contributing the largest financial return of any to the economy of Prince Rupert.

The firms said that by payroll, taxes (outside of the CNR), by use of utilities and supplies and direct purchases for cash of all fish landed and processed in Prince Rupert, the fishing companies contribute to the prosperity of the city. Were it not for the fishing industry, the letter said, both rail and steamship freight service would be curtailed or non-existent.

PRICE TO GO UP

A third increase in the water rates, it was claimed, would give the fishing companies no alternative but to boost the See **WATER** Page 3

City Motorists Instructed "Stop on Red Flasher Light"

The city's Street Traffic and Parking bylaw was amended last

Peace Rail Outlet Urged

A resolution asking the federal government to determine the best route for a railway outlet from the Peace River district was endorsed last night by Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce.

The resolution, submitted by Don Forward, will be forwarded to the annual meeting of the B.C. Chamber of Commerce in Vancouver October 26-27.

Preamble to the resolution said the development and economic unification of the whole of B.C. "is being impeded seriously by the lack of a direct railway connection between the Peace River district and the northern line of the Canadian National Railways."

Elevator Watchman Shot in Hip

Two seamen were charged with criminal negligence in police court this afternoon following the shooting last night of the elderly night watchman at the Dominion government grain elevator.

The two men, members of the crew of the British freighter Merchant Prince, presently loading grain here, are Geoffrey Batey and John Crowley.

Taken to hospital with a bullet wound in the hip was 65-year-old Gus Magnussen of Cow Bay. Mr. Magnussen was in fair condition this morning following removal of a 22 calibre bullet by Dr. W. S. Kergin.

The two sailors were to be given a choice of being tried by Magistrate W. D. Vance or electing for higher court. They are charged that they were criminally negligent in indiscriminately discharging a firearm.

It is reported that the men came ashore from the Merchant Prince which docked here Sunday noon. They bought a second-hand 22 rifle and a box of shells and returned to the ship.

About 7:30 p.m., while they were engaged in target practice, firing at tin cans and wood floating in the water near the ship, they were told that someone was wounded. On finding the nightwatchman hurt, they assisted in carrying him to the grain elevator foreman's office after which the Prince Rupert ambulance was called. Batey was arrested and charged last night and this morning a warrant was issued and executed for Crowley.

Captain Dies Of Diphtheria

VANCOUVER (CP)—The first diphtheria death in Vancouver in more than two years was reported Monday by city health officials. The health department identified the victim only as an elderly tugboat captain and said he died Thursday.



THE RCMP ARRESTED 148 SONS OF FREEDOM Doukhobors from this tent village at Perry Siding near Nelson, B.C. They have been charged with contributing to juvenile delinquency after parading nude in protest against sending their children to school. The Sons of Freedom formed the tent village after a wave of arson in the Kootenays.

Apartment Fire Being Probed After Two Women Die in Flames

VANCOUVER (CP)—Investigators today launched a probe into the West End apartment house fire Monday night that took the lives

of two women.

Chief Fire Warden Norman Akin termed the blaze "very suspicious" and said he had called in special investigators to aid his department in the case.

It was the second fire in less than six weeks in the three-storey building. Both broke out in storage lockers on the ground floor.

Victims of Monday's fire were Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Small, 59, and Mrs. Steffany Marsden, 35. They were asphyxiated as they attempted to escape through a smoke-filled hall on the second floor.

Three others were injured and 22 other persons were rescued by firemen using aerial ladders. Injured taken to St. Paul's Hospital, were:

Els Ferguson, burns and lacerations. Edna Bruno, shock and effects of smoke.

Leslie Atkins, fractured right ankle and smoke effects. Inhalator crews worked in vain to try to revive the two women who perished.

Many of the tenants returned to their rooms when they found it was impossible to get through the dense smoke to the main exits. Beside open windows they waited for firemen to raise ladders to them.

Miss Ferguson and Miss Bruno lived together in a suite near the storage room where the fire started.

"We just made it through an exit," said Miss Bruno, her voice husky from the smoke she inhaled.

"As we were running past a wall it suddenly burst into flame. That's how Miss Ferguson's face got burned."

Atkins was injured when he fell from a "rope" of sheets and blankets which a visiting friend, Bert Fisher, was tying together. Atkins was reported to have started down the "rope" before Fisher had it finished.

Pearson Praises Work of UN Bringing About Korea Truce

OTTAWA (CP)—Lester B. Pearson, whose term as president of the United Nations General Assembly ends today, says that in bringing about an armistice in Korea the UN has successfully met its greatest challenge.

From the record of the UN seventh General Assembly session which ended last June "we may draw some confidence that the UN will yet be able to play its full part in the achievement of international peace and security."

Mr. Pearson, Canadian external affairs minister, makes the statements in a signed foreword to an external affairs department publication, "Canada and the United Nations, 1952-53," which reviews the work of the seventh assembly session. The booklet was issued Monday.

The UN intervention in Korea as well as the ultimate success of UN action in connection with Korea involved a spiritual as well as a military issue: "The

Sons Burn Eight Homes at Gilpin

GILPIN (CP)—Eight more Doukhobor homes were put to the torch here early today in what police termed a reprisal raid protesting mass arrest of Sons of Freedom last week.

At this communal village near the Doukhobor centre of Grand Forks, fires broke out simultaneously and within minutes the shack-like homes were leveled.

Air Search of Wales Island Fails to Uncover Plane Clue

Search late yesterday for parachute or balloon reported sighted hanging from trees on the southwest tip of Wales Island proved fruitless for a Queen Charlotte Airlines Pilot.

A fisherman, Roy F. Coswan of the troller Aurora said yesterday on his arrival here from the fishing grounds off Wales Island that he had seen an object that "looked like a parachute or a balloon" through good binoculars last Saturday. It was also seen by the crew of the Marion H.

Less than an hour after the report was received, QCA base manager Emerson (Wally) Wallace took off in a Beechcraft

plane for the island, but was unable to see the "object."

The report temporarily revived hopes that a plane carrying Ellis Hall, 54-year-old oil magnate from Texas, and four other persons, including his wife and two daughters, might still be found. Hall's aircraft has been missing since it took off from Annette Island on August 17 bound for Bellingham, Wash., via Smithers, B.C.

Wales Island is 30 miles north of Prince Rupert, bounded on the south by Portland Inlet, the east by Wales Inlet and the north by Pearce Canal.

Wallace twice flew along the southwest and southeast coasts

both at water level and at 1,000 feet and then criss-crossed over the island before returning to Rupert before sundown.

No strange objects were sighted, although, he said on landing that the fishermen could have seen some strange object without "us spotting it from the air."

Only signs of life near the island were fishboats which were spotted at varying distances around the southern tip.

Wallace made several trips over the same island during the giant search in August.

A reward of \$30,000 by Mr. Hall's company, Condor Petroleum, has been posted for anyone finding the plane.