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VANCOUVER	
Standard	26
Alamo	6.00
Quartz	.05
Babine	1.00
Mascoe	.06
Mines	.50
Oreille	.97
Border	.24
MacDonald	8.60
Creek	1.85
Premier	.34
River	.08 1/2
Gold	5.75
Valley	.04
Canadian	1.67
Mont	.63
Central Leduc	.06
Home Oil	.20
Mercury	.04
Pack	.20
Pete	9.45
Royal Canadian	.55
Royalty	2.25
TORONTO	
Athlona	18.00
Quebec	3.15
Long Lac	17.00
Lynx	.26
Madison Red Lake	4.30
McKenzie Red Lake	12.00
McLeod Cockshutt	.22
Moneta	17.50
Regue	.09
Rouyn	.22
Sherritt Gordon	.18
Steep Rock	.72
East Sullivan	.21
God's Lake	3.90
Hardrock	.51
Harricana	.19
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Joliet	.10
Quebec	.50
Long Lac	.68
Lynx	.13
Madison Red Lake	1.99
McKenzie Red Lake	.40
McLeod Cockshutt	2.75
Moneta	.40
Regue	.66
Rouyn	84.00
Sherritt Gordon	.25
Steep Rock	1.57
East Sullivan	2.47
God's Lake	.19
Hardrock	4.86
Harricana	8.00



GRACE BACK AGAIN—Grace Fields left her re-ort home on the Isle of Capri recently to entertain Canadian troops once again on European soil. She put on a special performance for Canada's 27th Brigade in Hannover, Germany. Here with her are, left to right: Rfn. Bill Geddes, Winnipeg; Cpl. R. R. Luttrell, Toronto, and Pte. R. Gilmas, Montreal.  
(CP from National Defence)

## British Columbia Fish Safe From Japanese But In Danger From Russia

Skeena Member Discusses Tokyo Conference And Treaty with UFAWU

Holding that the interests of the fishing industry of British Columbia are adequately protected under the proposed Canada-Japan-United States fisheries treaty which he had a hand in negotiating at Tokyo, E. T. Applewhaite, MP for Skeena, speaking before a meeting of fishermen here Sunday afternoon, said he had been giving a lot of thought to the danger of competition by Russian vessels.

Indeed, he considered Russia a potential competitor—much larger economically and stronger than Japan. "Frankly," said Mr. Applewhaite, "I am a little surprised that, in the interest that has been taken in protecting ourselves from the Japanese, many people have lost sight of the very real danger of Russia penetrating into the fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean."

At the outset of the tripartite conference in Tokyo, Mr. Applewhaite explained, a resolution had been adopted and later attached to the draft treaty recognizing the mutual interest of the three countries in the development and proper utilization of the stocks of fish in the North Pacific, a result that could be best obtained by international collaboration and co-operation. Enunciated intent of the treaty was to assure maximum sustained productivity of the fisheries with each country assuming an obligation to encourage conservation for that purpose. This, it was felt, could best be obtained by establishing an international commission with three national sections, each with one vote, in making decisions and recommendations which must be unanimous except in the case of making recommendation of conservation measures in which only two countries are concerned. Each country, it was hoped, would establish advisory committees to assist the commission. Functions of the commission would be to study stocks of fish with a view to ascertaining whether conditions justified one or more countries being asked to abstain entirely from such fishing.

### The treaty specifically stated, Mr. Applewhaite pointed out, that Japan will abstain from fishing halibut, herring and salmon off the North American coast and no recommendation can be made to change that situation within five years from the date of ratification of the treaty.

There has been only one real fear on the Pacific coast—the fear that the Japanese would enter into and disrupt our halibut, herring or salmon fishing," said Mr. Applewhaite. "That fear we have completely removed for the duration of the treaty."

It was also pointed out by the Skeena member that there was nothing in the treaty to prejudice the territorial waters of any country or jurisdiction of a coastal state over fisheries.

Detailing the functions of the proposed commission under the treaty in regard to recommending conservation measures such as abstention or curtailment of fishing, after due scientific investigation, Mr. Applewhaite disclosed that the treaty contained a clause "of great importance to Canada," namely that in the waters of the Pacific Coast of the United States and Canada from and including the Gulf of Alaska southward no recommendations can be made for abstention by either the United States or Canada during the ten-year lifetime of the treaty.

Powers of the proposed commission under the treaty, Mr. Applewhaite pointed out, were limited to making recommendations for action to the governments of countries concerned.

Besides the agreement by the Japanese to abstain from halibut, herring and salmon fishing on this side of the Pacific, there was also an agreement under the treaty by Japan and Canada to abstain from fishing of salmon which originated in American rivers in a certain part of British Columbia. There could be a change in this provision if it was established that salmon originating in Canadian rivers were found in the same water.

Mr. Applewhaite dismissed as impractical a proposal for a zoning principle in which Canadians would keep out of offshore waters adjacent to Japan.

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## Four Dead In Crashes

WINNIPEG (CP)—Three persons were killed today when their Royal Canadian Air Force Beechcraft plane, feeling its way through thick fog, struck a guy wire on a radio broadcasting tower at Carman and crashed in flames.

Royal Canadian Air Force said the victims were a staff pilot and two students from the air navigation school at Winnipeg. The names are withheld pending notification of relatives.

At Edmonton an RCAF Mustang and a Piper Cub plane collided on a runway and burst into flames. First reports said that one man had been killed and three injured.

## Trade Unionists Would End Private Forest Management

VANCOUVER (CP)—Representatives of 50,000 British Columbia trade unionists voted Saturday for crown control of forests and two public utilities companies—the British Columbia Electric and the British Columbia Telephone Co.

Protection of the small operators and institution of a scheme to take "forest management licence out of private hands and put it directly under control of the government" was demanded.

The forest resolution said that the forest management system put huge tracts of land at the disposal of "monopoly lumber employers" and eliminated small operators.

## Would Close Hecate Straits to United States Fishermen

The Prince Rupert local of United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union wants to bar United States fishermen from Hecate Straits. A resolution calling for extension of "territorial waters" of Canada to include Hecate Straits was passed at a union meeting last night and will be presented at the union's annual conference in Vancouver.

Passage of the resolution came after an open meeting discussion with E. T. Applewhaite, Skeena MP, regarding the proposed Japanese fisheries treaty.

"We feel it is only right that in the international agreement American trawlers and their other fishermen should be excluded from this territory, just as we are barred from Bristol Bay and the Behring Sea," said T. E. Parkin, local secretary.

Meanwhile, the local and two other groups which met Sunday night supported the principles of a minimum halibut price agreement and a coastwise tie up in halibut fishing in order to enforce a minimum price "if necessary."

If all coast union locals agree to the minimum price proposals as outlined in a recent conference in Vancouver, a second conference to determine the "floor asking price" is to be held in Prince Rupert with delegates from Puget Sound to the Alaskan Panhandle attending, said Mr. Parkin.

# Korean Armistice Closer; Both Sides More Hopeful

## Train-Car Crashes in South Fatal

CHILLIWACK (CP)—Two train-car collisions in the Fraser Valley killed five persons Sunday, four of them members of one family. A sixth motorist died when his car plunged off a highway and six persons were injured in a chain of accidents, three of them seriously.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dewzats of Chilliwack and their two sons, Leonard, 7, and Hans, five, were killed when their car collided with a forty-car Canadian National Railway livestock train on a level crossing. The injured were two daughters and another son, Anga, 13, Cora, 2, and Peter, 10.

Dewzats was a recent Dutch immigrant and was fifty-one years of age.

The accident occurred four-and-a-half miles east of Chilliwack at what is known as "The Big Ditch." The car was dragged for half a mile.

OTHER FATALITIES

A woman was killed in another train-car crash at Nicomen, 53 miles east of Vancouver, and a Vancouver logger died when the car in which he was riding went off the road near Fry's Corner outside of New Westminster.

The dead are Mrs. Stacey Peters of Agassiz and Jack Edward, 40, of Vancouver.

Dr. J. D. Galbraith, superintendent of Miller Bay Hospital, left on today's plane for a trip to Vancouver on official business.

## Argentineans Fire On British in Antarctica

PORT STANLEY Falkland Islands (CP)—British-Argentine dispute over the rights to Antarctica took a violent turn Friday when shots were fired overhead, thus preventing a British landing party going ashore.

The Argentine shore party fired shots over the heads of members of the British group attempting to land from a survey ship at Hope Bay on the tip of Antarctica's Graham Land.

News of the incident reached this British settlement Saturday.

Hope Bay is a British base. Britain has not used since 1949.

When the ship John Biscoe tried to put a party ashore Friday, the Argentineans, supported by a transport and a tanker, refused permission to land and accentuated their refusals with warning shots. The British contingent returned to the John Biscoe.

After the incident it was reported to the British authorities and a protest was lodged at the Argentine foreign office in Buenos Aires.

## Vatican Denies Bormann There

BERLIN (CP)—A former Nazi claimed on Sunday that Martin Bormann, the long missing deputy of Adolf Hitler, is living the life of a Franciscan monk in a Rome cloister. A Vatican source described the claim as "Nazi speculation" aimed at discrediting the Allies in Germany.

The story came from Eberhard Ster, 42, who has close connections with many former high Nazis. Since the war he has led several rightist abortive political movements in Berlin.

A Vatican source said Stern's story, which appeared in the Berlin Telegraf, had been examined previously by a magazine published in Munich and discovered to be without foundation.

A German monk in a Rome cloister also denied the report.

## Campaigns for Needy Children

OTTAWA (CP)—During February and March the Undenominational Unitarian Service Committee of Canada will conduct a country-wide campaign for funds to continue its work among the needy children of Europe.

Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova, executive director, has issued a statement appealing to Canadians to contribute to the call to help these children. They are the babies of the immediate post-war years now approaching the 10-14 year-old stage, "perhaps the most crucial stage of their lives."

"No one needs guidance and loving care and understanding as much as these confused little people timidly standing on the threshold of a teen-age world," said Dr. Hitschmanova.

## January Dull Month in City

One of the duller January's on record gave Prince Rupert only 15.1 hours of sunshine in three days of last month and 9.26 inches of precipitation. It snowed 15.3 inches.

But temperatures were comparatively mild with a mean of 31.9. Lowest temperature of the winter was recorded January 22 when the mercury dropped to 8.2 above. Maximum temperatures of 48.2 were recorded by the Digby Island weather station on January 26, 28 and 29.

Maximum wind velocity of southeast, 41 miles per hour, was recorded on January 12. Barometric pressure readings of a maximum 30.21 inches and a minimum 28.93 inches were recorded January 1 and 13, respectively.

## WEATHER

Synopsis

A strong flow of moist Pacific air from the southwest, coupled with a series of storms, has given mild unsettled weather over British Columbia for the past several days. Little change is occurring in the general weather pattern so conditions over the province are not expected to show much change in the next couple of days.

Forecast

North coast region — Cloudy today with showers. Rain tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Wind—southerly (15) today, increasing to southeast (30) tomorrow morning. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow: Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 35 and 45.

## Final Section of Truce Coming Up

Full Dress Session to Start Wednesday

MUNSAN, Korea (CP)—A United Nations command spokesman said tonight that the Allies and Communists "have moved closer to an armistice" in Korea. He added that the Reds also may "have hopes of an armistice."

Brigadier General William P. Nichols, spokesman, said that acceptance of a United Nations agreement reached by staff officers working on truce supervision and the sub-committee on prisoner exchange mean "we have moved closer to an armistice."

Nichols said that Communist proposal to start immediate negotiations on the final section of the armistice indicate "they have hopes of an armistice."

Truce negotiators are scheduled to start a full dress session Wednesday to start work on the fifth and last item of the agenda.

There were also optimistic predictions from an Allied member of the prisoner exchange sub-committee.

"I think we can get together and write the rest of an agreement on prisoner exchange," said Rear-Admiral R. E. Libby.

"For the first time I think we are in a position to settle the nuts and bolts of the situation."

## Death Takes Harold Ickes

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Harold L. Ickes, formerly United States Secretary of the Interior, died Saturday night at the age of 77 years.

From 1932 to 1946 he was secretary of the interior. During the depression years he served as public works administrator.

One of the strongest champions of the late President Roosevelt's "New Deal," he fought many big corporations and was a stormy petrel on the American political scene. He was a staunch advocate of public ownership. As secretary of the interior, he championed the rights of the Indians in Alaska.

Ickes had been under treatment for complications from a former arthritic condition.

## Miners Seek \$2 Hour Flat

VANCOUVER—A basic wage of \$2 an hour for miners in western Canada will be sought by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

The decision to seek a higher wage rate was made Saturday at the final session of the union's convention here.

The union also seeks wage increases for other classifications of current wages ranging from \$1.38 to \$1.74 an hour.

## Extra Flights To Vancouver

Pressure of extra traffic necessitated three Canadian Pacific Air Lines flights today from Prince Rupert to Vancouver. One flight was given over to handling employees of Morrison-Knudsen from Kemano Bay who arrived from there on the Princess Norah this morning and took plane from here to Vancouver.

## TIDES

Tuesday, February 5, 1952		
High	9:13	17.9 feet
	22:57	15.4 feet
Low	2:44	11.5 feet
	16:19	6.6 feet