

TOMORROW'S TIDES

December 3, 1953
Standard Time

11:05	19.8 feet
5:01	9.3 feet
17:54	5.3 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. XLII, No. 280
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1953
PRICE FIVE CENTS

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY,
118
VICTORIA, B.C.

ORMES DRUGS
Daily Delivery
Phone 81

Two Million Factory Workers Idled By Strikes For Pay Raises

British Factories Cease Production

By The Canadian Press

A wave of strikes on both sides of the Atlantic left more than 2,000,000 British and United States workers idle today.

There were four major work stoppages in the U.S. and in Britain a 24-hour token strike for higher pay by more than 1,000,000 engineering workers caused the greatest, even if temporary, labor tie-up in the United Kingdom since the general strike of 1926.

In New York some shipping was tied up by a work stoppage of longshoremen protesting new hiring methods set up by a commission which seeks to clean up the waterfront, although some men began returning today, in the city itself all seven major daily newspapers were not publishing, six of them strikebound in a wage-and-benefit dispute with photoengravers.

Early today the two biggest canning firms in North America were struck by the United Steelworkers (CIO) Union in a wage-contract disagreement and its effects reached into Canada where five plants of the two companies are covered by the same contract. The other major U.S. dispute, more than five weeks old, is in the aircraft industry.

ARBITRATION VOTE

In the New York newspaper strike, the 400 striking photoengravers were to vote today on whether to arbitrate four deadlocked issues. Chief issues in the strike, which started Saturday, were wages and welfare benefits, hours, the number of annual holidays and the duration of a new contract.

The longest major strike was against North American Aviation by the United Auto Workers (CIO) in plants in Los Angeles and Fresno, Calif., and Columbus, O. Some 33,000 workers quit their jobs Oct. 23 in a dispute over wages.

More than 1,000,000 engineering workers closed British auto and aircraft factories, shipyards and machine shops in a 24-hour token strike for more pay.

From London to Glasgow and Belfast the hum of machinery ceased. Work benches were deserted.

The Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, an organization with 39 affiliates, called the "show of strength" walkout in support of a demand for a 15-per-cent wage increase.

Industries involved estimated the production loss would reach £10,000,000.

Churchill Reaches Bermuda

TUCKER'S TOWN, Bermuda (AP)—Sir Winston Churchill arrived here today for the Big Three conference, in the wake of one of the worst recorded storms in Bermuda's history, which drenched the island with 3½ inches of rain in one hour Tuesday.

A fresh northeasterly wind brought clear weather for the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and the 28 other members of the British delegation, arriving in the plane used last week by the Queen at the start of her Commonwealth tour.

The most stringent security regulations in Bermuda's history were set up to guard the Big Three during their talks, which began Friday after the arrival of Premier Laniel and President Eisenhower.

Troops, barbed wire and other devices ringed the conference headquarters, the Mid-Ocean Club here, to make it as nearly spy-proof and assassin-proof as possible.

It is forecast that the three leaders probably will agree on a favorable but questioning reply to Russia's proposal for a Big Four conference.

Eight File Nomination Papers Here

One man has filed nomination papers in the mayoralty race for the Dec. 10 civic elections and seven candidates now have nomination papers at the city hall in the aldermanic contest.

Mayor Harold S. Whalen has been nominated by J. N. Forman, seconded by C. G. Ham.

A second candidate who has announced his intention to run is George E. Hills, who has yet to file papers.

Running for the four council seats to be vacated this year by Aldermen George B. Casey, John Currie, H. F. Glassey and Mike Krueger are ten men.

Those who have filed papers are Alderman Currie, proposed by H. A. Breen, and seconded by J. H. Thompson; Alderman Casey, proposed by John M. McNulty, seconded by Murdo MacArthur; Thomas Henry Elliott, proposed by John C. Ewart, seconded by William Davidson; James W. Prusky, proposed by Robert B. C. Wilson, seconded by Bartell A. Hedstrom; J. H. Mair, proposed by Aid. Casey, seconded by H. R. Hill; Walter J. Smith, proposed by D. G. Stuart, seconded by Earl Gordon; Norman Bellis, proposed by Harold Helland, seconded by R. E. Eysolfson.

THREE MORE

Three men who have announced their intention of running but who have not yet filed nomination papers are Aldermen Mike Krueger and H. F. Glassey, and Philip Lyons. Ald. Krueger, Mr. Bellis, Mr. Smith and Mr. Lyons have received endorsement from the Prince Rupert Civic Affairs association.

One man, Robert L. Eby, proposed by Duncan McRae and seconded by W. F. Stone has filed papers for a post as parks board commissioner. There are three seats vacant this year, that of commissioner Charles Balsago, Mr. Eby and Robert Armstrong. Mr. Balsago and Duncan McRae have announced their intention of running along with Mr. Eby and have been given backing by the Civic Affairs group.

One man, Joe Scott, retiring school board trustee, has filed papers for re-election. He was proposed by Lea Basso-Bert and seconded by William Bond. A. J. Dominato, another retiring trustee has not yet stated his intention.

Deadline for nominations is noon, tomorrow.

Lumber Upset Kills Skeena Mill Owner

Harvey Roy Jones, 29, a native of Skeena Crossing Reserve, was killed yesterday in a lumber accident.

Mr. Jones is believed to have been killed instantly when he was crushed under a toppling pile of lumber.

The accident occurred at 4:30 p.m. yesterday at the mill he operated five miles southeast of Skeena Crossing.

Coroner C. H. Drake of Hazelton will conduct an inquest into the death.

Mr. Jones is survived by his wife, Jane Sheila, and six children.



SCENE ABOVE is a playground built out of a sanitary landfill. Huge trench was dug in hitherto useless land and garbage was dumped there, impacted and then covered by dirt and soil removed from trench.

'Police State' Tactics Used In Probe, Says Airline Boss

VANCOUVER (CP)—Russ Baker, president of Pacific Western Airlines, on Tuesday charged the Air Transport Board has used "police state" tactics in its investigation at Port Alberni, B.C., of Coastal Air Services, a booking agency for his airline.

Coastal Air Services is a subsidiary of Pacific Western Airlines. Mr. Baker charged that Inspector Leslie Knight of the Air Transport Board had "walked off" with books of Coastal Air Services in Port Alberni and interviewed witnesses, clients of Coastal Air Services, under oath in the presence of a police escort.

An injunction was served on Inspector Knight late Monday as he stepped from the Nanaimo boat en route home from Port Alberni. It restrains him from further inquiry and submission of evidence already taken to the board in Ottawa.

Counsel for PWA said the proper procedure would have been for Inspector Knight to subpoena witnesses to appear before the board.

Mr. Baker termed the board's action a "police state" move. The injunction was issued in the B.C. Supreme Court by Mr. Justice A. D. Macfarlane.

Inspector Knight said in an interview he had obtained the books voluntarily and returned them that way.

He said he had obtained all the information he sought and

Spy Hunters Discuss Gouzenko

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States Senate spy hunters met today to decide what to do about questioning Igor Gouzenko, after disclosing that the FBI reported information from the former Russian code clerk in Ottawa had enabled it to identify a U.S. scientist as a Soviet agent.

Chairman William E. Jenner (Rep.-Ind.) of the Senate internal security sub-committee, indicated Tuesday that the group is not likely to press the issue in view of Gouzenko's reported objection to being questioned. Jenner said "I don't want him to testify if he feels it will endanger him and his family."

The Senate internal security sub-committee, in releasing excerpts from a November, 1945, FBI report, deleted the name of the scientist, described as a wartime consultant to fleet admiral Ernest J. King, then commander-in-chief of the U.S. fleet.

The FBI said its information indicated the scientist may have furnished data on the navy's proximity fuse to Dr. Allan Ninn May, British scientist who confessed in 1948 to passing atomic secrets to the Russians.

Chicago Tribune Publisher Refuses To Pay for Telegram

VANCOUVER (CP)—A 400-word telegram sent by 300 University of British Columbia students to Col. Robert McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune, backfired Tuesday.

The students sent the telegram as a climax to a campus ceremony in which the Chicago publisher was burned in effigy last Sunday night.

The students sent the telegram collect. Col. McCormick refused delivery. The cost was \$40. Who's going to pay? The students says the telegraph company.

More than 30 students last Sunday turned up in a car parade, hoisted a store mannequin aloft on a crude gallows, soaked it in gasoline and lighted it.

The burning was in protest against a recent Tribune editorial attacking Lester Pearson, Canada's external affairs minister. Students stood in the rain while the dummy burned, chanting: "Don't molest our Lester."

No police were present. The burning followed a similar burning of United States senator Joseph McCarthy two weeks ago at Victoria College, University of Toronto.

Sun Takes Beating Here As Rainfall Sets Record

The sun is taking an awful beating around Prince Rupert as the weatherman continues to drench the city with an ever-increasing precipitation.

Last week the weatherman on Digby Island (who really isn't to blame) said sadly that there had been 13.91 inches of rain in 27 days. Up to that time the sun had shone for only 21.5 hours.

Three days and 1.75 inches of rain later, making a total of 15.66 inches, the sunshine total for November remains the same 21½ hours.

The sunshine total of 21½ hours for last month is the least amount the sun has shone since December 1952, when the sun only appeared for 17.1 hours in 31 days.

The added three days of rain boosted the year's 11 month total up to 88.78 inches—more than fell in 12 months of 1938, 1942, 1944, 1950, 1951 and 1952. The only days it didn't rain last month were Nov. 6 and 7. Highest temperature for November this year was 60 degrees on Nov. 10, and the lowest was Nov. 6 when the mercury dropped to 31 degrees.

Maximum barometer reading was on Nov. 28 at 30.02 and the lowest was 28.74 on Nov. 22. A low barometer reading heralds a storm, the weatherman said, and it arrived on schedule. Maximum wind velocity, at Digby Island, not Prince Rupert, was southeast on Nov. 25 when it reached 30 miles per hour. The wind gauge on Digby Island is sheltered from wind and does not record the high winds experienced by the city.

Derailment Near Pacific Delays CNR

A freight train derailment yesterday near Pacific, 120 miles east of Prince Rupert, delayed the Canadian National passenger train's arrival here by about 10 hours.

Freight trains travelling east and west also were delayed by the derailment, which occurred just this side of Pacific (first terminal east of Rupert) yesterday afternoon.

The tracks were cleared some time after midnight, delaying the east-bound passenger train only about an hour. The west-bound passenger arrived here at about 7:30 a.m. today, after a ten-hour wait at Pacific last night.

Cause of the derailment was not known here.

Sanitary Land-Fill Experiment Under Way at Algoma Park

DICK AYRES—A caterpillar and hystor-drag line will operate at Algoma Park to find out if a sanitary fill is the answer to the city's two main problems.

First problem is to rid the city's present garbage dump of rats, the second is to find a way of reclaiming land hitherto tagged as useless due to its muskeg formation.

If, as has proved successful in other cities, a sanitary fill can be operated at Algoma Park, then the city's rat infested dump can be isolated for a few days and poisoning of the thousands of rodents can begin.

Scientists have proven that while a dump is being used, and leafy material being dumped along with other garbage, rats can fight off poison as the leafy and vegetable material provides an antidote to the poison.

As soon as the rats eat all the vegetable material, poison will be laid and the rats will die of internal haemorrhage.

Meanwhile, a trench is being dug at Algoma Park parallel to the entrance, where garbage can be dumped, crushed by the caterpillar and then covered to the required depth. Operating the drag line, with its ¾ of a yard bucket is, Vic Moore, Finning Tractor Co. operator from Vancouver, who clad in oil skins has had the versatile machine claw out a trench between 15 and 20 feet wide. Learning to operate the combination bulldozer and drag is Tommy Thomas, city public works employee.

City works superintendent M. Beaton estimates that the sanitary fill method is ideal for Prince Rupert's dumping and rat problem. The city's monthly garbage collection is 1,200 cubic yards, which when buried in a trench can be at least 50 per cent compacted by the caterpillar before ground from the trench is pushed over them by the hystor-way blade. At the moment, seepage has filled the trench with water and the machine is not digging so deep as it was when the operation was started as the trench comes up the hill to McBride Street.

Work on the trench is expected to be completed by Thursday night or Friday morning.

Realty Firm Charged With Fraud

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Service Realty Company, promoting a 50,000-acre Tropical Isle development in Cuba, Tuesday was charged under the Security Frauds Prevention Act. Vancouverites have invested \$300,000 in the project.

The company and its president, George E. Campbell, are charged in information laid by Attorney-General Robert Bonner with operating without a certificate issued by the superintendent of brokers.

Another charge alleges the Tropical Products Ltd., a subsidiary, unlawfully acted as securities issuers contrary to the Security Act.

Conviction carries a maximum penalty of \$25,000 fine. Campbell was summoned to appear in police court Dec. 9.

Investigators for the attorney-general's department reported 300 investors have contracted to put up \$3,000,000.

Prominent Young Britons Dig Ditches Alcan Project to Earn Tour Money

CLIMAT (CP)—Young sons of prominent British families have rolled up sleeves at the Aluminum Company of Canada's huge project here and seem to be on the hard work.

Gladwyn Jebb, 23, now at Eton and Oxford, was the son of Sir Gladwyn Jebb, Britain's new ambassador in France. He was a lieutenant in the Welsh Guards.

He is trying to earn money to pay for a tour of America as the dollar

allowance granted by the British government is insufficient. He has shared a tent with several backwood boys, washed his own clothes, lined up at the cookhouse and dug ditches.

At first he was placed in the camp office, but he insisted he did not want to be pampered. Next day he was digging ditches.

When Adrian Allenby, a grandson of Field Marshal Lord Allenby, arrived he was put to sweeping out the carpenter's shop. But it meant

no overtime, so the Cambridge University man asked for and got outside labor. He, too, seeks an American tour.

Kenneth Symington, son of England's soup king, took off happily on his tour after working on the laundry truck. There are other British public school boys digging ditches just as earnestly as they would play a tense cricket match. Once a week they put on collar and tie and dine together in the mess hall. So far none has worn white tie and tails.