Today's Weather
(8 A.M.)

Prince Rupert—Snowing, southerly wind, four miles per hour; barometer, 29.60; light swell.

The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides

High	7:40 a.m.	19.1 ft.
	21:12 p.m.	6.0 ft.
Low	1:00 p.m.	9.4 ft.
	14:43 p.m.	5.9 ft.

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INSURGENTS WIN RENEWED FIGHTING

Both Canadian Pacific And Canadian National Railways In South Blocked by Snows

VANCOUVER, Feb. 18: (CP)—Rail communication of both trans-Canada lines is blocked east of Vancouver by slides which have covered the tracks of Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways in many places as mild weather loosens the snow on mountain sides. Two Canadian Pacific westbound trains have been held near North Bend since early Wednesday. Fresh slides east of Revelstoke may take more than twenty-four hours to clear.

Nelson on the Kettle Valley line is isolated from the outside world as far as the railway and highway are concerned with police wireless the only means of communication for the most of Wednesday.

The Canadian National is having trouble with slides near Yale.

In the Fraser Valley roads are blocked and telegraphic and telephone communications are interfered with.

The Cariboo highway along the Fraser River is also blocked.

A sixty-mile gale swept over Horseshoe Bay summer resort yesterday, damaging wharves and floats. Boundary Bay, Crescent Beach and White Rock were also storm-swept but, apparently, without serious damage.

Snow swirled in some places in Southern Alberta and dust elsewhere with a sixty-mile wind. The town of MacLeod had no electric light or power last night.

TORIES TO NOMINATE

Conservatives Plan to Put Candidate in Provincial Field Here J. T. Harvey new President

Convinced that there were reasonable prospects of the party being returned to the position of forming the next provincial government, the Prince Rupert Conservative Association, at its annual meeting last night, decided to join with the extensive organization movement which is now under way throughout the province by taking preliminary steps towards the calling of a convention in the near future for the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest Prince Rupert riding at the next provincial election.

Considering weather conditions, there was a fair attendance at the meeting which was held in the Eagles' Hall. George Hill, the retiring president, was in the chair. J. T. Harvey, D. C. Stuart and other delegates to the provincial convention reported on that gathering, referring to renewed Conservative enthusiasm which was being displayed particualrly on the lower mainland and in the interior.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Honorary President, Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett.

Honorary Vice-President, Dr. F. P. Patterson.

President, J. T. Harvey.

First Vice-President, R. W. Cameron.

Second Vice - President, Jack Preece.

Secretary-Treasurer, Percy Cameron.

Executive—J. H. Thompson, C. V. Evitt, G. P. Tinker, W. R. McAfee, W. R. Love, George Hill, J. M. Morrison, D. C. Stuart and R. E. Benson.

BAR SILVER

NEW YORK, (CP)—Bar silver was unchanged at 44¾c per ounce on the New York metal market today.

ALEXANDER CRITICAL

Bitter Attack Made Upon British Government For Its Policy In Regard to Defence

Dishonesty?

Chamberlain Says Dominions Not Expected to Help—Cranborne Reiterates This

LONDON, Feb. 18: (CP)—Rt. Hon. A. V. Alexander, who was First Lord of the Admiralty in the second Labor government of Great Britain, made a bitter attack in Parliament this afternoon on the government's rearmament plans intended to build up defence armaments at a cost of £400,000,000 in five years.

"The nation is asked to pay a bill which represents collective ineptitude and folly and in some cases dishonesty of the Tory government in foreign policy," Mr. Alexander charged. He accused the government of abandoning the principle of collective security as a basis of foreign policy and the placing of its reliance on big armaments.

Last night Sir Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the discussion on defence, said that the Dominions would not be called upon to assist in financing armament expenditures. He said that Britain would pay for defence alone.

Viscount Cranborne declared that the Dominions would not be expected to be automatically involved in the event of Britain going to the defence of French or Belgian security.

Today's Weather
(Government Telegraphs)

Triple Island—Part cloudy, snow flurries; visibility, 15 miles; southwest wind, 12 miles per hour; moderate swell.

Langara Island—Cloudy, southwest wind, 25 miles per hour; barometer, 29.46; sea rough.

Dead Tree Point—Clear, calm barometer, 29.65.

Estevan—Snowing, northwesterly wind, 8 miles per hour; barometer 29.76.

Victoria—Snowing, westerly wind 38 miles per hour; barometer 29.36.

Prince George— Clear, calm; barometer, 29.48.

Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, 10 above.

Smithers— Part coludy, calm cool.

Burns Lake—Clear, calm, 15 below.

Terrace—Cloudy, calm, 18 above

Aiyansh—Snowing, calm, 20.

Alice Arm—Snowing, calm, 21 above.

Anyox—Cloudy, calm, 19.

Stewart—Cloudy, calm, 20.

BODY OF KIDNAPPER?

QUINCY, Cal., Feb. 18:—The body of a man who may have been the Mattson kidnap-killer at Tacoma was found drowned near here yesterday. The fingers had been mutilated as if to avoid fingerprint identification.

Will Mrs. Simpson Wed Him?

PARIS, Feb. 18: (CP)—Le Matin newspaper reported today that Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson has no intention of marrying the Duke of Windsor.

"Persons in close touch with Mrs. Simpson affirm that she has no intention of remarrying," Le Matin said. "She is said to have repeated this many times to friends.

"Mrs. Simpson's financial position is such as to permit her to wait for some time before making a decision."

Duke of Windsor

RELIEF FOR TAXPAYERS

Manitoba Plans to Lighten Burden On Those in Lower Income Brackets—House Opens

WINNIPEG, Feb. 18: (CP)—Revision of the provincial income tax schedule to relieve the burden on persons having small incomes will be effected by legislation to be introduced, it was forecast in the Speech from the Throne read at the opening of the first session of Manitoba's twentieth legislature today.

Labor Men Are Critical About Doctors' Stand

VANCOUVER, Feb. 18:—Percy Bengough and Birt Showler, speaking before the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, criticized doctors for their refusal to co-operate with the provincial health insurance scheme which they urged the government to put into effect without delay.

U. S. BUSINESS BETTER

There is a notable improvement in business in the United States, says G. W. Nickerson who returned yesterday from a trip to Eastern Canada and the United States.

Lindberghs Make Forced Landing

Came Down in Assyrian Desert Yesterday But Unhurt And Plane Not Damaged

BAGDAD, Feb. 18:—In the course of a projected flight to Australia and New Zealand, Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh made a forced landing in the Assyrian Desert yesterday. Neither were injured, the plane was undamaged and they will be able to proceed.

RAISING HALIBUT BOAT

The Armour Salvage Co. expects that the Vancouver halibut boat Western Fisher, which struck a rock in a snowstorm at Stewart Anchorage in Grenville Channel Tuesday evening and sank, will be delivered here by tomorrow. The salvage boat Algie was successful during the night in efforts to put the Western Fisher on an even keel and came in this morning to get a scow and drums which will be used in refloating her.

OFFICERS AT PRESBYTERY

Rev. Frank Hardy of Ocean Falls was elected chairman of Prince Rupert Presbytery of the United Church at the sessions here today. Rev. J. R. Love of Port Simpson was re-elected secretary.

Ten Workers on Golden Gate Plunge to Death as Scaffold Of Giant Span Drops Into Bay

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18: (CP)—Four investigations have been launched into the two-hundred foot death plunge of ten Golden Gate Bridge workers from a collapsing scaffold late yesterday. State officials declare that the scaffold had been twice declared unsafe. Bridge builders asserted that it was never criticized.

The ten-ton moveable structure, suspended on wheels beneath a giant span, fell when a wheel slipped from a girder on which it ran, tilting the scaffolding into its fatal and rending plunge.

The material carrier together with the ten men crashed through the protective net below.

The most of the bodies have not yet been recovered.

Mass Offensives Hurled Against Madrid and Air Attacks on City By Rebels are Being Made Again

Portugal Alone Remains Aloof From Non-Intervention Efforts to Which Twenty-Six Nations Have Been Pledged—All Volunteers Banned by France

LONDON, Feb. 18: (CP)—Insurgent victories dotted the Spanish civil war map today as Generalissimo Francisco Franco's men were hurled against government troops in mass offensives southeast of Madrid. A triple air attack left many dead and wounded in the streets of the Spanish capital. These had been the first air attacks since January 6. The first two raids were on the outskirts of the city, taking ten lives, but the third was more centred and proved more fatal to civilians.

While the civil war raged with renewed intensity, Portugal remained aloof from intervention efforts in London, again refusing to join twenty-six nations in a plan to stop foreign help from reaching Spain.

In France President Albert Lebrun signed a decree prohibiting Frenchmen from joining either side in the war. Troops are being sent to the Franco-Spanish frontier to blockade movements of fighting men or materials into Spain.

The general ban on foreign volunteers for Spain goes into effect Saturday at midnight. An estimate last night said that at least 100,000 foreigners were fighting on either side in the Spanish civil war.

Severe fighting concentrated around the siege of Madrid as the conflict entered its seventh month.

Officials of autonomous Catalonia meanwhile promised common action with the Spanish government in effecting a unified loyalist defence command. The Spanish government has armed itself with fresh powers in this connection.

Three British destroyers left Plymouth yesterday for the Mediterranean, their funnels painted red, white and blue to made them distinguishable against air attack.

OF TIMELY INTEREST

Dean Clement of University Of B.C. Discusses Today's Trends Of World Food Supply

Many Problems

States Facts Last Night and Will Tonight Deduce Influences Which May be Expected

The discussion of world production and distribution of food supply and other matters pertaining thereto which was commenced last night in First Presbyterian Church by Dean F. M. Clement of the University of British Columbia and which will be continued tonight and tomorrow is of timely interest and one which should merit the attention of all sections of the community who profess to be concerned over matters of practical economic moment. Dean Clement, who specializes in agriculture from the economic standpoint, has a broad command and a large fund of current information of the subject, it was made apparent last night. He spoke for well over an hour and all he had to say was listened to with rapt nterest. Having last night discussed the trends in Great Britain and European countries in regard to their food supplies, Dean Clement will tonight develop the influence which may be expected in Canada and British Columbia as a result of those trends.

At the outset last night, Dean Clement said that he would have liked to see a more complete cross-section of the community, including the unemployed and those in various walks of life, at the lectures.

Dean Clement then proceeded to discuss what had taken place in Britain in more recent times in the handling of problems of food supply. As it had been for the past centuray and a half, Great Britain was still the market of the world today. Although it had but three percent of the world's population in 1930, yet it had made 99 percent of the world's purchases of bacon and ham, 96 percent of the mutton and lamb, 63 percent of the butter, 62 percent of the eggs, 59 percent of the beef and 46 percent of the cheese. Great Britain, therefore, exerted a great influence on the export countries of the world such as Canada.

Great Britain's Change

After having been a free trade country since the repeal of the Corn Laws in 1846, Great Britain had turned portectionist in the matter of food supplies in 1931. By this action many countries of the world had been affected, particularly the producing countries. In 1932 had come the Ottawa trade agreements under which the ten percent duty on all foddstuffs imported by Britain had been cut off as far as the Empire countries were concerned, leaving it on foreign countries. The result had been that, while total imports of foodstuffs into Great Britain had decreased in two years by nine percent, imports from Empire countries had increased twenty-three percent. Empire trade had been increased at the expense of foreign countries. Then came the British Agricultural Marketing Act

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Signs Decree

President Lebrun of France who has banned help to either side in Spanish war.

Dominion Not To Interfere With Highway Traffic

OTTAWA, Feb. 18:—Hon. Clarence D. Howe, Minister of Transport, announced yesterday that no legislation to regulate bus or truck traffic in Canada would be put into effect until after the provinces had been consulted. This announcement was made in a message sent to Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec.

Reserves Judgment In Dairy Products Marketing Appeal

VANCOUVER, Feb. 18:—Mr. Justice A. M. Manson reserved judgment in Supreme Court yesterday in the appeal of three Fraser Valley farmers against the Dairy Products Marketing Act.

ANOTHER MARINE CRISIS

SEATTLE, Feb. 18:—Another crisis is looming on the local waterfront. Maritime workers have disregarded an order of the federal authorities regarding the carrying of discharge books.

Weather Forecast

Synopsis—A shallow depression is centred north of the Queen Charlotte Islands and light snowfalls have occurred on the coast. It is colder in the interior.

Prince Rupert district and Queen Charlotte Islands—Fresh winds, shifting to northwest, with scattered snow flurries, clearing and turning colder.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Fresh and northwest winds, clear and somewhat colder.

CANADIAN GOLD PRICE

MONTREAL, Feb. 18:—The Canadian gold price yesterday was $34.79 per fine ounce.

TECHNICAL KNOCKOUT FOR BROWN BOMBER

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 18: (CP) — Joe Louis, Detroit's Brown Bomber, who weighed 206 pounds for the bout, scored a technical knockout over Natie Brown, 199½ pounds, of Washington, in the fourth round of a scheduled ten round bout here last night. The referee called it off after 42 seconds of the fourth round as Brown clung to him.