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Weather: Partly cloudy and cold;
possible light snow

JAPANESE CIVILIANS REMOVE HATS OFFER SYMPATHY TO AMERICANS

Hon F. W. Pirie Says Lumber Cut Will Run 200 Million

Declares Current Year's Estimate Is Maximum
Average Crown Forest Growth Will Stand

STATEMENTS NOT FACTS

Alarmist and False Reports Spread For Ulterior
Motives, Says Pirie

Branding as false the alarmist reports recently published in sections of the daily press concerning the lumber cut in New Brunswick during the present season, together with observations accompanying the reports, Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines states that they are far astray from the facts. Hon. Mr. Pirie also states that he believes they are inspired by ulterior motives. The Minister of Lands and Mines states that there are only two conclusions to be reached. He says "Either a drive is being made to have stumpage rates on Crown Lands reduced or an attack is being made on the scale of wages provided for workers in the industry by regulation of the Forest Operations Commission. And it is possible that both objectives are being promoted. Continuing to discuss the situation Mr. Pirie estimated that there would be two hundred million cut on Crown Lands alone. He states that the cut for the year ending August 1st was two hundred and seventy-two million feet and declares that the current years estimate is considered the maximum average annual amount that the Crown Forest growth will stand. Mr. Pirie states:



MAXIME RAYMOND
of Montreal, member of the House
of Commons for Beauharnois-La-
pierre, is mentioned as Canada's
next Minister to France

Accident Took Place At Subway As Was Anticipated

The dangerous intersection at the new subway at the corner of University Avenue and Brunswick Streets was the scene of another accident this morning when a car coming in University Avenue collided with the Capital bus. Fortunately the car escaped without serious injury. The bus however, was put out of commission. Another bus was sent out from the Capital bus station and a transfer of passengers was made. The accident took place at the point where the misplaced subway sticks out several feet into Brunswick Street. As there is bound to be accidents at this spot the accident of this morning was no surprise.

FOUND BALANCING FACTOR IF BRITISH-AMER. TREATY RELAXES PREFERENCES

Canada Gains Are Expected By U. S. Pact

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—While the British-American trade agreement is expected to relax some of the Empire tariff preferences under which Canada has gained more than any other Commonwealth nation, informed observers find two balancing factors in Canada's favor. Most important factor is the intention to grant wider concessions for Canadian exports to the United States, under revision of the present Canadian-American trade agreement. The second factor is the crop-control bill now being fought out on the floor of Congress. This revised A.A.A. measure, which is expected to reach final form in January, seeks to limit production and raise farm prices on cotton, corn, rice, tobacco and wheat. Since wheat and tobacco are important Canadian crops, it is felt likely that decreased United States production will strengthen Canada's competitive position in British and world markets. Move to Limit Potatoes In addition, measures to limit United States potato crops are now un-

der way by authority of the crop control Act. It is believed that the result may be beneficial to Canadian growers who export to the United States. America's heavy loss in exports of farm products to the United Kingdom is not attributed to Empire preference restrictions except in the case of certain commodities, notably apples, raisins, canned fruit, and rice. With regard to wheat and pork products, the tremendous falling off of United States exports to Britain is attributed to high United States prices and lowered production, caused by drought and crop control laws rather than Empire preference tariffs. At the present time the Department of Agriculture is making efforts to win bigger export markets for American wheat, pork and lard, fruits, tobacco, cotton, barley, rice, hops, apples and lumber. This does not mean however, that any of the above-named products will necessarily be considered during the British-American trade agreement negotiations.

Mail Parcels Early

WISE BUYERS are making their Christmas purchases early this year. During the present week the local merchants are beginning to feel the effects of the Christmas rush. There has been a tendency in past years to leave the Christmas purchases until the last minute and to make a rush during the last few days of the Christmas season, with the result that the purchases are slighted and the buyers are in a state of fatigue and are unable to enjoy their Christmas festivities.

Another evidence of purchasing early is shown by the fact that people are beginning to mail their Christmas parcels especially to points at a distance. With less than ten days to run this is a good idea, as the rush of parcels to the post office at the last minute is liable to cause a congestion in the mails and to delay the parcel reaching its destination before Christmas Day. ALL PARCELS SHOULD BE MAILED AT LEAST FIVE DAYS EARLIER THAN USUAL FOR CHRISTMAS DELIVERY AND FOR LOCAL POSTINGS WHEREVER THESE MAY BE IN CANADA THEY SHOULD BE IN THE MAIL BY THE TWENTIETH OF DECEMBER AT LEAST. The congestion of huge bags of mail at the post offices and a feverish sorting even by experienced clerks, at the last minute IS NO EVIDENCE THAT YOUR CHRISTMAS PARCELS WILL BE ON HAND IN TIME. EVEN WHILST THE POST OFFICE STAFF DO THEIR UTMOST THEY ARE NOT SUPERMEN AND IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO HANDLE CONGESTED TRAFFIC AT THE LAST MOMENT.

In mailing Christmas packages we should, in order to have the true Christmas spirit, remember the Postman. The postal officials are all friends of ours. They have been handling our mail throughout the year and giving us good service, and it is only right that they should get a break during the Christmas season. No one should expect the postal clerks or the postman who makes his house-to-house rounds every day of the year to be loaded up like a cart-horse during the two or three days preceding Christmas and on Christmas morning he should get a break. If persons would display an ordinary amount of judgment during this Christmas season, hard working store clerks, and post office officials would be considered with the proper Christmas spirit. Making purchases early is not only showing consideration for the people mentioned but it is also assuring the purchasers an adequate amount of service. Our home merchants are here to serve you. They have on hand some of the most delightful and varied stocks of merchandise to be seen anywhere. These are carefully selected. Visit the different stores early. Select your Christmas purchases early. Mail them early and everybody will feel better.

GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES IN CLOSE CONSULTATION

Japanese Join In Rescue After Bombing Four
American Ships

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—The United States presented Japan three stern demands yesterday because of the "indiscriminate bombing" and sinking of the gunboat Panay and other American ships above Nanking, at the same time President Roosevelt sent expressions of shocked concern to the Emperor of Japan.

While Capitol Hill reverberated to the sinking and a heated discussion rose on the floor of the Senate, the United States government demanded:

Full compensation to the government and victims.

Apologies for the incident.

Guarantees against a repetition of such an attack.

The president's personal expression handed to Japanese Ambassador Hiroshi Satō by State Secretary Hull for transmission to the Emperor, was a message from one head of state to another and therefore regarded as of greater importance than the series of protests that have been made by the state department to the Japanese government, and Chinese government as well, since the Sino-Japanese conflict began.

It informed the emperor that the president "was deeply shocked and concerned by the news of the indiscriminate bombing of American and other non-Chinese vessels on the Yangtze."

CHILDREN'S PARTY ON THE BIRTHDAY OF KING GEORGE

LONDON, Dec. 14—Buckingham Palace, Windsor Castle and the whole of London is today celebrating the forty-second birthday of the King. His Majesty has received gifts from the Queen, the little Princess Elizabeth and Margaret Rose and other members of the family. Today a Christmas party is being held which will be attended by forty children who will play games and later be entertained by a play sponsored by the Scottish Children's Theatre Guild. Many telegrams have been received from all over the world.

INSURGENTS HAVE CLOSED FRONTIER FOR TIME BEING

(Special to The Daily Mail)
HENDAY Dec. 14—Insurgent troops have closed their frontiers it is said due to severe winter weather. This however is believed to mean as usual preparation for a big attack.

Deadlock in Strike Situation Exists at Minto Mines Today

Men Who Applied For Work Yesterday Were Not
Taken On Yesterday

OPERATORS WON'T ENDORSE UNION

Men Will Be Taken Back Individually If They
Agree to Abide By Decisions Fair Wage Board;
Each Side Issues Statements

APOLOGIZE AND PROMISE WILL BE NO REPEITION

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Dec. 14—The Japanese have already apologized and the Japanese Ambassador has promised that there will be no repetition of Sunday's gunboat sinking incident. They also promise that the parties responsible will be severely dealt with and full compensations and amends will be made.

The British gunboat "The Bee" is going contrary to Japanese orders and has been sailing up and down the Yangtze river searching survivors of whom the boat has already picked up thirteen. It is believed that more will be found in the neighborhood of where the others were found. The British authorities have invited six Japanese officers to sail with them on the searching gunboat but the offer was not accepted.

No news has been received today but it is known that Nanking is definitely in the hands of the Japanese. Chinese troops are retreating and burning everything as they pass.

The Chinese Prime Minister Chiang Kai Shek has intimated that the Chinese underestimated the strength of the Japanese army and that they have realized their blunder in resisting.

It is felt that they will probably cease their resistance.

There is a deadlock at Minto, only half a dozen miners were able to obtain work when they applied to the different mining operators yesterday morning. Following the action of D. W. Morrison in calling off the strike, the striking miners yesterday morning applied to the different operators to be taken back to work. When they made application it is pointed out to them that whilst the operators would be willing to do anything they could to give the men employment that it would be impossible to absorb all the men owing to the fact that a number of contracts for coal had been lost to the operators during the progress of the two months' strike. It was also pointed out that as these striking miners had been over two months away from their work that any men who applied must be considered in the light of new applicants although of course preference would be given to all strikers who were returning to work. In at least one mine those who wished to return to work were offered their former positions provided they signed application slips pledging themselves to support the findings of the Fair Wage Board. The different operators are dealing with the men individually and refused to recognize the U. M. W.

The action of the men in returning to work was it is stated to facilitate the action of the appointment of a Federal Conciliation Board whilst the operators wished to have the trouble adjusted through the medium of the New Brunswick Fair Wage Board and have expressed themselves to the effect that it would be foolish to have (Continued on Page Four)



KING GEORGE VI
who today is celebrating his forty-second birthday

CANADA MUST STRENGTHEN HER DEFENCES NOW

(Special to The Daily Mail)
OTTAWA, Dec. 14—Hon. Ian MacKenzie, Minister of Defence for Canada said last night that Canada must strengthen her defences on the two coasts. The government has formed a new defence scheme and revised the old scheme. He also said that the public would appreciate why they should start defense preparations on the Pacific Coast. Canada must have an adequate air force and Great Britain needs to shoulder the great responsibility in fact she should and must be interested.

FOUR FEET OF SNOW IN SCOTLAND

(Special to The Daily Mail)
EDINBURGH, Dec. 14—The worst storm of the season is being experienced in Scotland today. Express trains have been held up for seven hours and two buses have been marooned all night. Over fifty cars have been stalled in from three to four feet of snow.

(Special to The Daily Mail)
PARIS, Dec. 14—France repaid to a London bank a forty million pound loan made to the French railroads a short time ago. It is said that France did not have to take gold from their reserve.

DIED HERE YESTERDAY
Many friends will regret to learn of the sudden passing of Walter N. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amalia Smith of French Lake, which occurred at the Victoria Public Hospital yesterday morning. Death came after an illness of about five weeks. The deceased was born at French Lake and resided there all his life. Beside his parents he is survived by one brother, Melbourne of French Lake. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon, with prayers at the home at 1 p. m. Service at the Baptist Church, Geary at 1.30. Rev. Mr. Glendenning will conduct the service. Interment will be made at Geary.

In Spite of Apology and Sympathy Sharp Protest Entered at Tokyo

American Panay Deliberately Bombed Four
Times, No Error Possible, Is Claim Of Foreign Observers.

TOKYO, Dec. 14—President Roosevelt's demands for amends for the sinking of the gunboat the "Panay" on Sunday will be taken up immediately to the Emperor. Unofficially the people of Japan are taking the gunboat sinking incident very seriously and yesterday and today it was a common sight to see Japan civilians stopping American people and extending sympathy. The Japanese people removed their hats when they met Americans.

LONDON, Dec. 14—The Japanese Ambassador has apologized to the British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden for the sinking of the British gunboat last Sunday on the Yangtze River. In spite of this however, Great Britain has entered a sharp protest to Tokyo.

HANKOW, China, Dec. 13—Observers who witnessed the Japanese aerial attack on the United States gunboat Panay declared late tonight the bombing was unmistakably deliberate, precluding possibility of error.

Though the gunboat had United States flags painted on her awnings and carried flags on every mast observers said squadrons of Japanese

91 REPORTED DEAD OR MISSING AFTER GUN BOAT SINKING

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14—Ninety-one persons were reported dead or missing today after a grim 36-hour search for survivors of the four U. S. vessels destroyed Sunday by Japanese airplanes.

Charles L. Ensminger of Ocean Beach, Calif., storkeeper aboard the sunken gunboat Panay, and Sandro Sandri, an Italian journalist, who had sought refuge aboard the warship, were killed. Fifteen of the 69 known survivors were wounded, eight of them dangerously.

Seven Americans and other foreigners aboard the Panay, Capt. C. H. Carlson of the cargo boat Meian and 81 Chinese of the crew of the Meian and two other Standard Oil Company boats were unaccounted for. There was no indication any large number of the missing Chinese were dead. A cable to the Socony-Vacuum Corporation in New York, from its China offices expressed belief Capt. Carlson, whose address was listed as Waterbury, Conn., was killed.

The Bee reported she had found 42 additional survivors from the three Standard Oil Company boats, bombed when the Panay was attacked, who were on the Yangtze River's south bank opposite Hoboken. American, British and other diplomats expressed bitter indignation at the attack on the Panay.

planes bombed the Panay four successive times beginning at 1.35 p. m. Sunday. The British gunboat, which rushed under forced draft to the scene of the incident, was in radio communication last night with Hankow, present seat of the Chinese government and the United States embassy.

ATT-GEN. DAVIS SAYS PRAIRIES' FUTURE RUINED

(Special to The Daily Mail)
REGINA, Dec. 14—Attorney General Davis speaking before the Rowell Commission yesterday stated that the economic future of the prairie provinces is ruined unless something is done by Ottawa to come to their assistance.