

SET MECHANICS' HOURS, PAY

Fair Wage Board Announces Regulations For Fredericton District Effective May 22nd

Order Released Today By Fair Wage Officer H. A. Pettigrove Providing For 54 Hour Work Week and Scale Of Pay Based on Experience

An order of the Fair Wage Board for the Province of New Brunswick today provides for the scale of wages and hours of employment of motor mechanics and body repair men employed in public garages and automobile body repair shops with the City of Fredericton and within a radius of ten miles of the city, effective May 22.

Fair Wage Officer H. A. Pettigrove released the regulations that orders a minimum wage scale, based on not less than six months' experience in any calendar year, as follows:

More than one year and less than 3 years' experience, \$12.15 per week; more than 3 years and less than five years' experience, 20.25 per week and more than five years' experience provided they are recognized as first-class mechanics, \$24.30 per week.

Employees at present receiving in excess of these rates shall be paid at not less than the rates which they have heretofore been receiving.

The scale is based on a work week that shall be not more than 54 hours distributed between the hours of 8 o'clock in the morning and 6 o'clock in the afternoon daily but exclusive of Sundays.

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DALADIER HAS FULL SUPPORT OF HIS NATION

PARIS, May 12.—Premier Edouard Daladier has the full support of the French nation behind him, observers stated today. The parliament today will conclude the debate on the foreign policy, and it was predicted here today that the French Premier would be given a strong vote of confidence as a result of the ballot. Congratulations are pouring in to the French Premier from all parts of the country upon his address yesterday.

In Brief

CHARLOTTETOWN, May 12.—Contests in all fifteen ridings were assured yesterday for the Provincial elections when nomination day proceedings found 60 candidates in the field. Election day is May 18 and Liberals and Conservatives are equally divided.

HALIFAX, May 12.—Widespread hunt for John Bevis, who escaped from City Prison was under way in this vicinity. Bevis was in jail following charges of violation of the Nova Scotia Liquor Control Act. In the meantime an official probe has been launched.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Agreement between operators and the U.M.W. was expected today to be reached and ending the strike of soft coal miners. The tie-up began on March 31 at the expiration of a contract and eventually threw 500,000 men out of work.

RAINS HAVE BENEFITED WHEAT GROWING

WINNIPEG, May 12.—Moderately warm to cool weather in Western Canada for the past week with more widespread rains leaving seeding registered now at 98 per cent for wheat completed in Manitoba, 79 for Saskatchewan and 77 for Alberta. All higher than for the same time last spring. Rains have greatly benefitted conditions in western and south-western Manitoba, in Saskatchewan and in Alberta over the west central and north central portions where snow fell.

Agents have reported to the agricultural department of the Canadian Pacific Railway also that wheat seeding is nearing completion in southern Saskatchewan and Alberta and coarse grain seeding has become more general, estimated at above sixty per cent in Manitoba, 40 to 45 per cent for Saskatchewan, and 29 to 32 per cent in Alberta.

RUSSIA MAY TAKE LEAD FOR NEW AGREEMENT

LONDON, May 12.—Completion of a mutual assistance pact with Turkey, is expected to be announced by the British Premier shortly and it was said that under the pact England and Turkey would aid each other at all times. It was also reported that France would conclude a similar agreement with Turkey.

At the same time from Moscow came word that Russia may take a lead in drawing up a new security pact through a back to Geneva movement. The Soviet it was reported, had taken a great interest in the forthcoming movement that it requested the postponement of a week of the League opening so as its delegation could attend.

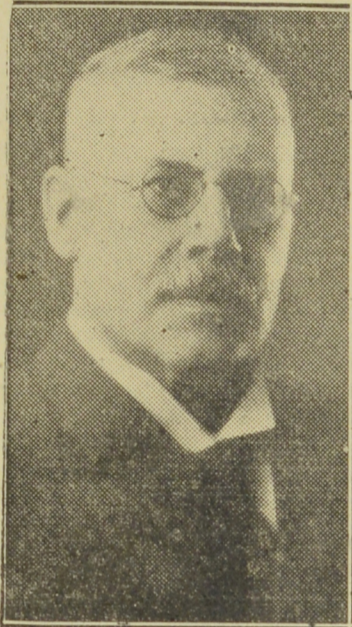
ROYAL SHIP RUNNING THROUGH DENSE FOG TODAY

ABOARD THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA, May 12.—The Empress of Australia, bearing King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to Canada, was proceeding slowly today through dense fog. For the past 24 hours the King and Queen have heard the roar of the ship's fog-horn every two minutes. The ship's officers were confident today that the King and Queen would leave ship at Quebec on Monday as according to schedule.

DESTROYERS TO MEET ROYAL SHIP TOMORROW

HALIFAX, May 12.—The Canadian destroyers, Saganay and Skeena sailed out of Halifax last night for the north-eastern sections of Nova Scotia where they are scheduled to meet the Empress of Australia tonight off St. Paul's Island. Rough weather and fog indicated for the Gulf of St. Lawrence today may make it necessary for the two Canadian boats to meet the King and Queen off the Gaspé Peninsula.

To Be Honored



HALIFAX—May 12.—At the annual convocation of Dalhousie University to be held on May 16, the degree of LL.D., honoris causa, will be given to Colonel, The Hon. Murray MacLaren, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick since 1935.

He was educated at the University of New Brunswick, B. A., University of Edinburgh, M.D., C.M., M.R.C.S., F.A.C.S. He was Senior Consulting Surgeon, Saint John General Hospital; President, Canadian Medical Association, 1914; Officer Commanding No. 1 Canadian General Hospital; First Canadian Expeditionary Force, September 1914-April 1916; Deputy Director, Medical Services, Canadian Contingents, London (despatches, C.M.G., 1914-15 Star, General Service and Victory Medal, Commander of the Order of Avis); Minister of Pensions and National Health, 1930-34; M. P., 1921-34.

German Press Bitter At Chamberlain, Daladier

Hitler to Inspect Fortifications Facing France In Company Of Aides As Yet To Be Named

PARIS, May 12.—It was reported here today that Chancellor Adolf Hitler will inspect the newly constructed German fortified lines facing France in the near future. He will be accompanied by chiefs of the German staff, it is reported, although the party to accompany him have not been named.

Today the Nazi press bitterly attacked the statements of Premier Edouard Daladier and President Lébrun to the French Parliament yesterday. The press branded them as war-mongers and accused them of putting war to the forefront. Germany on the other hand, was featured as the peace-loving nation, threatened by the enemy and warlike nations surrounding her.

From Bucharest, Rumania, it was reported that the country is still proceeding to strengthen her defences, although there was little indication of excitement. The government has approved the pact with Britain whereby an immediate \$25,000,000 credit has been set up in London for the purchase of armament, ammunition, aircraft, and other war supplies. According to the agreement two other loans of the same size will be made to the country.

St. Helena, famous as the place of Napoleon's exile, now derives its chief source of income from the sale of stamps.

GRAVE NOTICES ISSUED BY ENGLAND, FRANCE

LONDON, May 12.—Double notice was served on the Germans yesterday to refrain from marching on the Free City of Danzig by the French and English when Chamberlain declared Britain was ready to go to war to insure Polish independence and Daladier threatened to increase her army unless totalitarian nations reduced their armies.

Chamberlain told his listeners that no more deadly mistake could be made than for any nation to think England would go back on its promises and Daladier told his Chamber of Deputies that France would stand firm. Both expressed hopes that the situation would be settled amicably.

TURKEY PACT COMPLETE BY GREAT BRITAIN

LONDON, May 12.—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain today told the House of Commons that a pact of mutual assistance against aggression had been completed between Britain and Turkey. The inclusion of Turkey in the "Stop-Hitler" bloc brings the number of nations to four. Britain, France, and Poland had already joined, and the inclusion of Turkey further strengthens the British hand. In addition, two other nations are partially included in the bloc, Rumania and Greece having been given guarantees of protection.

The inclusion of Turkey in the pact is a highly significant feature, observers pointed out today. This guarantees the safety of the highly important Dardanelles and the passage of war materials and supplies of the Allies through the straits in time of war or peace.

ADVOCATES MERCY KILLINGS BECOME LEGAL

NEW YORK, May 12.—A program designed to legalize the "mercy killing" of tens of thousands of persons in the United States who are congenitally unfit and about whom no diagnostic error could be possible is suggested in an article in Collier's by Dr. Foster Kennedy, head of the Neurological Division of New York's Bellevue Hospital, and professor of neurology at the Cornell University Medical College.

Under the title "Euthanasia: To Be or Not To Be" Dr. Kennedy advocates the merciful legal release from life of those he describes as "nature's mistakes." Explaining that "We doctors do not always know when a disease in a previously healthy person has become entirely incurable," he states:

"The case is far different with nature's mistakes. Here the brain, damaged beyond repair, perhaps in birth, lacks power to grow. Here there can be, after five years of life, no error in diagnosis, nor any hope of betterment even to near normality. Nor is there mind enough to hold any instillation of a dream to live by; no hope either of normal dying. To these unfortunates we surely might be allowed legally to grant a dreamless and unending sleep."

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CHICAGO GRAIN DISTRICT GUTTED IN HUGE FIRE

CHICAGO, May 12.—Damage over \$3,000,000 and fears of the lives of eight men, was left in the wake of a series of blasts and roaring flames that destroyed five grain elevators as well as three and a half million bushels of grain.

A dust explosion was believed to have caused the fire in the heart of the city's grainary business and wood, metals, sparks and bricks rained down on employees as they sought safety. Fire quickly spread to other elevators and efforts of 400 firemen only brought it under control after five hours of hard work.

Five workmen and 13 firemen were rushed to hospitals with injuries of which eight were in a serious condition. Two barges, freight cars and automobiles were also burned in the devastation, the worst in Chicago since the stock yard fire in 1934 when damage done was \$8,000,000.

Stock Market Quotations

(Furnished Through Courtesy of Loughlin & McKenzie Ltd. at 1.15 p.m.) New York

Anaconda Copper	24 3/8
American Can	87
Smelters	41 3/8
Baldwin Locomotive	11 3/8
Curtiss Wright	5 5/8
Bendix	22 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/4
Bethlehem Steel	56 1/4
Chrysler Corp.	68
N. Y. Central Railroad	14 7/8
Chesapeake & Ohio	32 3/4
Dupont	113 1/4
Douglas Aircraft	62 3/4
Electric Power & Light	7 3/4
General Motors	43
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	26 1/2
International Telephone	6 3/4
International Paper Pfd	31 1/2
Standard Oil	46 1/4
Montgomery Ward	47 1/2
Radio Corporation	6 1/2
Sears Roebuck	72 1/2
American Telephone	161 5/8
United Aircraft	37 5/8

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U.S. NAVY PURCHASE TWO GRAMS OF RADIUM

TORONTO, May 12.—Purchase by the United States Navy of two additional grams of radium doubling the previous supply, is explained by officials of Eldorado Radium Corp., New York subsidiary of the Canadian producer, as the result of developments in the field of radiography. The purchase was made, it is stated, from existing N. S. sources for the element.

According to a survey just completed for Eldorado, approximately 20 of the larger U. S. steel foundries are now using radium to check castings before machining, to inspect welds, to discover possible internal imperfections and check surface irregularities in steel, bronze and other materials. A radiograph of metal is similar to an X-ray photograph and is made by rays from a small amount of radium passing through the material and registering on a photograph plate on the opposite side. Eldorado officials state that much of the pioneering work in the field was carried on by research experts of the U. S. Navy, that the technique has now developed to the point that the method is being introduced into industry generally.

"The apparatus necessary for industrial radiography is simple," according to the Eldorado report. "A small amount of radium sulphate is sealed in a silver capsule, placed in turn in an aluminum capsule. Ordinary X-ray films in light-tight holders complete the equipment required and the films are developed in the same manner as X-rays. The great advantage revealed by experiments to date is the highly penetrating power of the radium rays which metallurgists at Lehigh University have shown to be adequate for inspecting castings as much as 10 inches thick."

MORE SEAMEN REPORTED SAFE AFTER WRECK

YARMOUTH, N. S., May 12.—Although earlier in the day 38 Gloucester seamen were unreported after their two fishing vessels, the "Edith C. Rose" and the "Isabelle Parker," collided and sank off Nova Scotia, 36 members of the crews of the two ships were reported safely this morning. Eleven of the two crews are yet unheard from, and the belief is held that most of these drowned. Crews of the fishing vessels reported they had seen men jump overboard after the collision.

One man, Frank Nickerson of Argyle Sound, N. S., died on the Parker shortly after the ships crashed bow to bow in a dense fog, midway between Boston and this harbour on the western end of Nova Scotia. In a confused 25 minutes left for the men to clear the boats after the crash the cause of his death went unexplained.

Other survivors were picked up this morning by Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Dominion Fisheries cutters and other boats which rushed to the scene and scouted the waters for missing men. The men brought ashore felt that those who made the dories would be all right. They experienced good conditions, rowing through calm seas until the "Amactia" picked them up. Some of the men, it was reported, did not make the dories but had to leap overboard in underwear.

At the time of the crash all the men on the two ships excepting those on the watch were in their bunks. The two ships loomed up at one another through the fog and before either could veer aside they met in direct head-on collision.