



ALL SKAGWAY FIGHTS TERRIBLE FOREST FIRE

AWE-INSPIRING BUSH FIRE THREATENED TO ENGULF THE WHOLE TOWN OF SKAGWAY

(Special to Daily News.)
Skagway, July 26.—A forest fire fifty miles long, fanned by a southeast wind, swept down from the mountains today and threatened the destruction of the city. Every man in Skagway and all the employees of the White Pass & Yukon Railway, including President Dickeson, went into the hills to fight the fire, and after working all afternoon pronounced the city out of danger. The fire had been burning in the mountains for days and when the wind drove it toward the city the flames leaped hundreds of feet above the peaks overlooking the town, presenting a fearful spectacle. It is believed that no lives

were lost. A pall of smoke like that from a volcano hangs over this section of Alaska. Hundreds of men are still in the mountains fighting the fire.

Government Health Inspector.
Henry Avison, Provincial Government health inspector at Stewart, and well known among the old timers of this place, is in the city on his way up to Hazelton on a tour of inspection.

J. Y. Rochester was a south-bound passenger on the Prince George this morning.

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Camosun In on Time.
The steamer Camosun arrived from the south this morning at 7 o'clock with a small passenger list and proceeded on to Stewart two hours later. She will return tomorrow morning, leaving again for the south tomorrow night at 10 o'clock.

Social Hop.
You are cordially invited to attend a social dance at K. of P. Hall Saturday eve., July 27th, 1912. Mr. M. M. Cooper manages the floor. Good music. 176

St. Andrew's Society.
The St. Andrew's Society meet tonight in Carpenters' Hall at 8 o'clock sharp.

NAVAL POLICY STILL IN DARK

(Special to Daily News.)
Ottawa, July 26.—The Citizen, commenting on the report that there is likely to be a fall session of Parliament on account of the naval programme, says the report is mere speculation. Nothing can be definitely known until the ministers return from London.

Launch Alice B., W. J. Thomas. Phone Green 391. Govt. Wharf.

Well Known Landmark.
Howard Campbell's familiar red cigar store on Third avenue is closed today. It is understood that Mr. Campbell has assigned and that J. A. Kirkpatrick is the assignee.

Best room in town at Savoy.

The Princess Mary arrived today from the south at 2:30, going on to Granby Bay.

Visit the Warner and Hudson pre-emption and sand beach if you want an ideal camping spot for your holiday this summer. Bathing, fishing, fun and freedom. Two hours' launch run from Rupert on Porcher Island. 17

CANADA MAY HAVE SEAT ON IMPERIAL DEFENSE BOARD AS PART OF NAVAL POLICY

London, July 25.—This statement of the negotiations by the Canadian ministers and the imperial defense committee is given to the Canadian Associated Press by an apparently well posted informant:

"If the Canadian ministers were in a position to speak there is not the slightest doubt but they would say that the aims of Great Britain with regard to the naval requirements are modelled to meet the German expansion at sea. That has been the keynote of representations made by the British ministers, and has been made in such a convincing manner that the Canadians are absolutely convinced of danger in the

prospect. Premier Borden put a series of questions, and as the result has voluminous and vouched for facts now in his possession dealing with the strategic position and structural recommendations with regard to the title of ships required.

"What form Canada's aid will take has not yet been submitted until the meetings, which begin Tuesday, when experts will be present. It is generally believed in the inner circles that the granting to Canada and other dominions of a place on the remodelled committee of imperial defense has practically been settled as a matter of principle, but the details have not been worked out."

HAZEN ON NAVAL POLICY

(Special to Daily News.)
London, July 26.—Replying to a deputation from the Maritime League, the Hon. J. D. Hazen declared that the question of protection of trade routes in time of war by the conversion of merchant ships into cruisers has not been overlooked by the Canadian government. Referring to the permanent naval policy, Hazen said if the Dominion participate must be adequately represented in council, the feeling in Canada is that there can be no partnership without a voice in the management of affairs. Sir William McKenzie left for Canada yesterday, declaring strongly in favor of three dreadnoughts for Canada for use in the North Sea.

"GOD, STRIKE DEVONPORT DOWN DEAD!"

(Special to Daily News.)
London, July 26.—The striking dockers indulged today in stick and stone throwing and rioting. The police had a hard time at the mass meeting on Tower Hill. Ben Tillet, leader of the men, fervently prayed for the death of Lord Devonport, who is considered the men's worst enemy among the employers. In great chorus and at regular intervals the men would proclaim: "O God, strike Lord Devonport dead!"

BRITAIN'S BIG NAVAL SPENDING

Special to Daily News
London, July 26.—Winston Churchill today, replying to criticism that he had not adequately provided to meet the German menace, stated in Commons that this year two hundred and twenty-five million dollars would be spent and that the building programme would exceed Germany's in every respect. "There is no cause for alarm or panic," he declared.

ELEMENTS AT WAR WITH PENNSYLVANIA

(Special to Daily News.)
Pittsburg, July 26.—Cloud-bursts and storms in various parts of Pennsylvania have caused great damage to property and cost several lives.

The State, Not the Steamer.
San Francisco, July 26.—A crusade against gambling on trans-Pacific liners has been instituted by the State of California.

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COUNCIL WRESTLES WITH PROBLEM OF APPOINTING CHIEF ENGINEER FOR CITY

Names of Three Applicants Are on Short List Prepared by Board of Works, But Acting Engineer Mason is Mentioned Though He Has Not Sent in an Application--- The Decision is in Abeyance

At a meeting of the Council in committee of the whole last evening to consider the appointment of a city engineer to take the place of Col. W. Mahlon Davis, recently resigned, the report of the committee of the Board of Works, who have gone through the applications, was handed in by the chairman, Alderman Dybhavn.

Three Names on Short List.
Of the large number of applicants three names only were submitted for consideration. These were A. W. E. Fawkes of Minneapolis, J. Antonison of Moosejaw and C. Donnelly of Winnipeg. All three of these gentlemen had

credentials of the very highest order, and a good deal of time was spent in discussing the matter of the most suitable. In addition to these three names that of Acting City Engineer A. W. Mason was brought forward. The chairman of the Board of Works submitted the latter's credentials to the consideration of the committee.

Mr. Mason Did Not Apply.
The question of Mr. Mason's not having put in his application in the usual way with the others was considered by Aldermen Douglas and Bullock-Webster as ground for excluding him from consideration as an applicant for the position. The committee

generally after some discussion agreed that in the bylaw affecting the appointment it should be most specifically stated that if the appointee was engaged by the month or for a longer period a set time should be inserted in black and white as to how long notice must be given if discharged was seen fit.

Decision is Deferred.
This would save the city from the possibility of being held liable for possibly a year's salary having to be paid in the event of its having to make a change in the position. The matter of the appointment of an engineer will come up for decision on Monday.

IMMENSE OUTGOING LIST ON GEORGE

The steamer Prince George left this morning for the south with probably the largest passenger list she has ever carried. Besides the saloon bookings from this place there was a large number of round trip tourists on board and 220 second and third class passengers. Below are the names of some of the people going south from here: G. Graham, E. Sumar, A. Lathrop, J. H. McMullin, Miss Agnes Holmes, A. G. Godd, A. Wagner, Mrs. E. Love, J. Vukey, John Engstrom, O. Goldstrom, Master Merryfield, J. Mills, George Wood, Harry Wood, Mrs. S. P. McMordie, T. Hedham, G. McDonald, D. Strom, Mrs. F. L. Stevenson, Miss Stevenson, F. L. Stevenson, Mr. McLean, Charles Collison, C. Collison, L. Dawson, Mrs. Butterfield, W. S. Marshall, Basil Durant, L. Coleman, W. D. Moxley, P. D. Day, J. Y. Rochester, Joe Laden, Master Olsen, Miss Stevenson.

WON THE MARATHON ON PIANO

Cape Town, July 24.—William Kendall, a 23-year-old South Africa musician, now holds the world's marathon piano playing record, having played the instrument at a Potchefstroom moving picture theatre for 74 hours without stopping. Kendall concluded the performance with "God Save the King."

BYE ELECTION IS PROTESTED

Edmonton, Alta., July 24.—The return of Hon. C. W. Cross at the recent bye election in Edmonton will be protested by the Conservatives at the end of the week or the beginning of next week. The protest is to be made under the Corrupt Practices Act. It will be alleged that persons not entitled to vote were placed on the list by the enumerators, that money and whisky were given in consideration for votes. Irregular practices will also be alleged against the returning officers, and it will be charged that rigs were hired to take voters to the polls in contravention of the act.

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RUPERT'S PIPE MAY BE DELAYED

That the sailing schedules of merchant steamships operating between British ports and Vancouver may be seriously disrupted as the result of the most disastrous labor struggle in the annals of British history is the prevailing opinion among prominent shipping men of the port.

RUPERT'S LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Messrs. W. S. Marshall and Basil Durant left on the Prince George this morning for Victoria, where they will attempt to win laurels for Prince Rupert at the tennis tournament which opens there on Monday, July 29th.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

LONDON DOCK STRIKE MAY END

London, July 24.—Yesterday's serious outbreak in Hyde Park is growing out of the bitterness of the London dockers, caused the government to make such strong representations to Lord Davenport that he today abandoned his former attitude and met two of the men's leaders in conference. It is believed that the end of the strike is now in sight.

RESERVE MARRIAGE LAW DECISION

London, July 23.—After conclusion of argument in the marriage law case today, their lordships announced they would reserve the decision. The result is not likely to be known for some weeks.

Cream from the Royal Dairy will whip. Phone 35. 177

The Prince John is at the G. T. P. wharf, having returned from a trip to Masset and Naden Harbor.

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SCHREIBER ADMITS LABOR SHORTAGE

"Labor is scarce on the G. T. P. Transcontinental Line, there being a great shortage of men, and the work on the new line is going on quietly in consequence." Such is the information given out by Collingwood Schreiber, C. M. G., general consulting engineer to the government and chief engineer of the western division of the National Transcontinental Railway, now on an inspection visit to Prince Rupert and the G. T. P. district.

REVIVE ANCIENT IRISH FESTIVAL

Chicago, July 24.—The first of a series of celebrations planned by the Gaelic League of Ireland to revive the ancient festival of Erin the Feis will be held here next Sunday.

BASEBALL SCORES

National.
New York 8, Cincinnati 7.
Brooklyn 1, Chicago 5.
Pittsburg-Boston, rain.
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 2.
American.
Chicago 3, New York 4.
Cleveland 11, Boston 6.
Others, rain.
Coast.
Vernon 7, Oakland 0.
Los Angeles 5, San Francisco 4.
Portland 7, Sacramento 6.

MIKADO MAY BE DEAD BY THIS TIME

Tokio, July 26.—The Emperor has suffered a serious relapse and death may ensue at any hour.

SUBDIVISIONS OBJECTED TO BY MOOSEJAW

Moosejaw, Sask., July 24.—The application to the Moosejaw City Council the other night to approve the marketing of three new sub-divisions brought forth pointed remarks from the members and action was deferred. Mayor Maybery said the sub-division business was getting to be something of a boomerang that would in time return to hurt Canadian cities and that there was much bad odor attaching to the Canadian west in London's financial circles because of the indiscriminate selling of realty. A bylaw has already been passed by the city and approved by the Provincial Public Works department compelling realty dealers to submit plans for sub-divisions to the City Council for approval.

MIKADO IS REALLY DOOMED

Tokio, July 24.—Although bulletins issued from the palace today state that the Mikado is holding his own, court physicians privately admitted that there is no chance for his recovery. It was stated that the Emperor might linger for days or even weeks, or that the end might come at any minute.

Pioneer "Doc" Probably.

It is rumored that Cyril Orme, the popular young pioneer druggist in the Westenhaver Block, is the purchaser of Frank D. Keeley's business.

THE WEATHER.

For twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., July 26th: Barometer, 30.998; maximum temperature, 68; minimum temperature, 50.

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PRINCE RUPERT DAILY NEWS TODAY

Council in committee discusses appointment of city engineer. Three new applicants considered, and Mr. Mason, who has not applied for post.
Prince George carries south a record outgoing passenger list, including many laborers.
Prince Rupert sends two tennis champions, Marshall and Durant, to Victoria tournament.
Churchill says Britain will spend \$225,000,000 on navy this year.
Hazen on protection of trade routes by Canada.
Big bush fires threaten destruction of Skagway. Hundreds fight flames.

PRINCE RUPERT THIS TIME LAST YEAR

Constables Mansell and Miller resign from the city police force.
Acme Store neatly burgled. \$1.75 in nickels is the burglar's haul.
Royal Blue Ribbons win Prince Rupert's first match in the indoor baseball league, 36-16, over the Crescents.
Mrs. M. B. Quen, first Chinese woman to reach Prince Rupert, arrives with her three children.
In letter to Council, D'Arcy Tate declares G. T. P. do not intend to fill up Seal Cove.
New G. T. P. steamer Prince John is reported off San Diego, Cal.