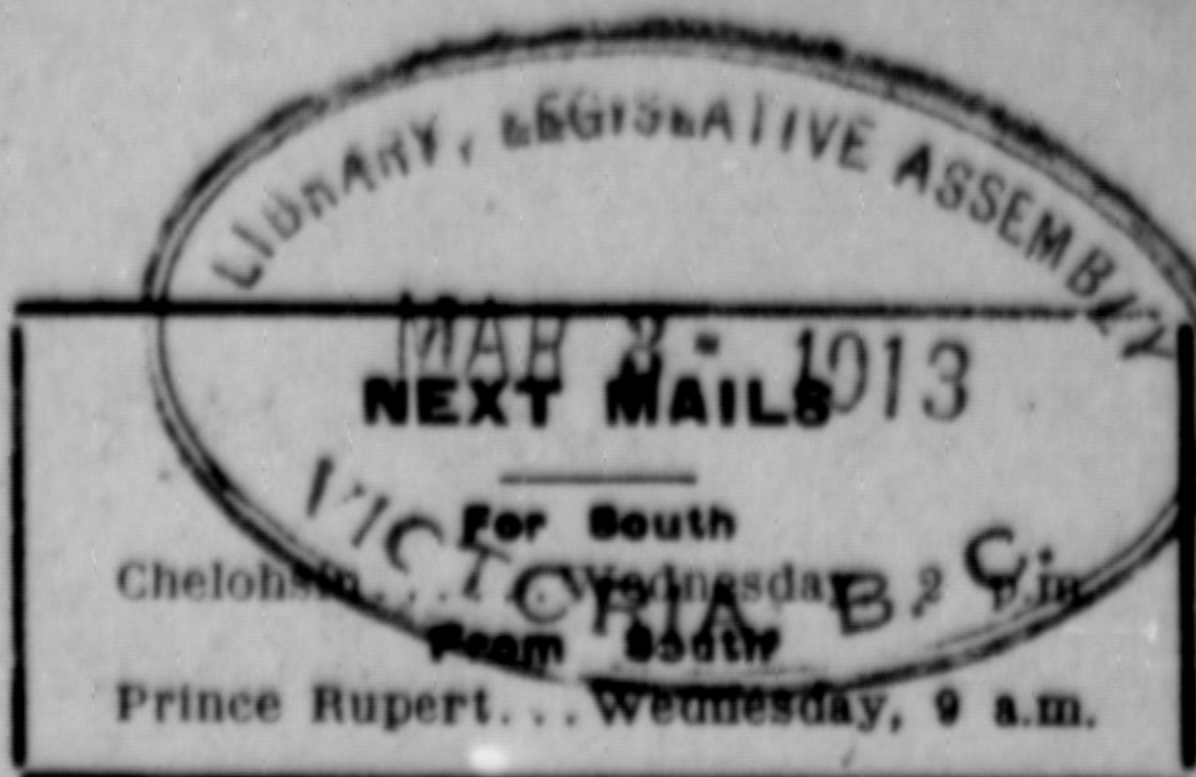


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COUNCIL APPROVES OPENING OF SECTION TWO

BULGARIA ACCEPTS MEDIATION OF POWERS IN BOUNDARY DISPUTE—PROVINCIAL ESTIMATES

OVER NINE MILLION DOLLARS FOR PUBLIC WORKS IN B.C.

Minister of Finance, Hon. Price Ellison, Delivered Budget Speech Yesterday Afternoon---Development of Province Demands Increased Expenditure.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Victoria, Feb. 24.—The budget speech was delivered this afternoon in the legislature by Hon. Price Ellison, Minister of Finance. The expenditure for the ensuing year will be the largest in record. It assumes proportions that were almost unthinkable ten years ago, said the minister, and will be much in excess of the estimated revenue, but we are building for the future," he added.

Mr. Ellison in his speech. "The expenditure has been increased from \$8,236,363 to \$9,657,600 an increase of nearly a million dollars and a half. The government, however, is faced with the fact that there is a rapid development going on in the province everywhere, especially in the parts being opened up by the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern, which is making unusual demands upon the treasury.

"In order to have settlement there must be works and buildings, roads and streets, bridges and wharves, subsidies to steam boats, ferries and bridges and many unusual contingencies. The number of items under this head are so numerous that it makes it almost impossible or impracticable to deal with them in detail.

STRONG OPPOSITION AGAINST PRIVATE BILLS

Incorporation of Chartered Accountants Assn. and Medical Protective Assn Met with Keen Opposition.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Consideration of private bills occupied the attention of the house today. There was a strong opposition against the bill to incorporate a chartered accountants' association and the bill to incorporate a Canadian medical protective association.

The very latest in spring millinery. Miss L. Kuster. 46-48

THE FRIENDS OF THE INDIANS IN B.C. JUSTIFY THEIR METHODS

Make Public Answer to Bishop Du Vernet's Criticism of Their Organization---Claim There is no Foundation for His Statements

The News is in receipt of a copy of a letter addressed to Bishop Du Vernet by a society called the "Friends of the Indians in B. C." The letter is a severe and probably unmerited criticism, due no doubt to the

fact that Bishop Du Vernet, than whom there is no better friend of the Indians in B. C., has not been able to see eye to eye with the so-called "Friends" following is the text of the letter:

Shaughnessy Heights,
Vancouver, B. C.
22nd February, 1913.
Right Reverend Bishop Du Vernet, D. D.,
Prince Rupert, B. C.
My dear Sir:
Your letter of the 24th December last addressed to Mr. P. D.

McTavish, Chairman of the "Friends of the Indians of British Columbia," has been brought before that body at a meeting held here yesterday evening, when I was requested to send to you and to publish the following reply, adopted at the meeting mentioned.

We regret the necessity of opening our reply by saying plainly that there is no foundation in fact for any one of the statements upon which you have

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NEW ADMINISTRATION GROWING IN CONFIDENCE

A MILITARY REGIME THE ONLY SOLUTION OF THE MEXICAN TROUBLE—SHOOTING OF MADERO PART OF PREARRANGED PLOT.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Mexico City, Feb. 24.—Confidence in the new administration is growing in the capital, the prevailing feeling being that a military regime is the only solution of the present difficulties.

shoulders. Some newspapers declare that the killing is part of a pre-arranged plot.

Notice to the Public.

Owing to the shortage of coal at Wellington mine, we beg to inform our customers that we will be unable to furnish any coal before Saturday, March 1st. Respectfully,
45-47 ROGERS & BLACK.

MAYOR PATTULLO'S ATTITUDE ON THE LABOR QUESTION

CITY CANNOT DICTATE TERMS TO FINANCIERS—LESS SAID ABOUT 45 CENTS AN HOUR THE BETTER.

Some little discussion took place at last night's meeting of the city council upon the matter whether or not a clause should be inserted in all city contracts for union labor and an eight hour day.

Alderman Maitland made a motion to this effect which was supported by Alderman Bullock-Webster. On a vote being taken the motion was lost only the proposer and seconder and Alderman Kerr being in favor of it.

Council Last Night Adopt Board of Works' Report on Opening of Section Two---Permanent Grading of Second Avenue

The most important business transacted by the city council last evening was the receipt and adoption of the Board of Works reports in connection with the proposed improvements in Section Two.

The Property Owners' Association of that section have lately taken steps towards having that portion of the city opened for occupation and traffic. For some little time the association have been perfecting a scheme which they hope may insure an early start and completion of the work. The main features of the scheme are embodied in the following reports which were handed in last evening by the Board of Works and adopted by the Council.

A permanent grading of 2nd Avenue in Section 1 for a width of 16 feet, the grading to be done to grade line and covered with crushed stone, without retaining walls, at an estimated cost of \$29,000, repayable to four years.

(b) A plank roadway, 16 feet wide, for Graham Avenue and Atlin Place, at an estimated cost of \$8065, to be paid for in one year.

(c) A plank roadway, 16 feet wide, for Tait and Moresby Sts., at an estimated cost of \$14,000, payable in one year.

wide, for Atlin ave., at an estimated cost of \$11,610, payable in one year.

It is proposed that this work shall be paid for by the property owners affected only. No part will be borne by the city at large. The engineer's report accompanied each separate work as given above.

Ald. Bullock-Webster moved in connection with the first of these reports that it be held over for a week for further consideration. Ald. Maitland seconded the motion.

Ald. McCaffery moved an amendment that the report be adopted.

In speaking to his amendment the alderman remarked that this was a work that involved the expenditure of over \$80,000, and as the property owners were doing the work themselves and taking the sole responsibility for the financing of the undertaking, he did not think the council should unwarrantably interfere with them.

Ald. Maitland wanted to know how the council were to know that the work would be done properly.

Ald. Bullock-Webster stated that he did not see why the work should not be done by day labor as was the case in previous years. He thought that great care should be taken to ensure that proper wages were paid and union hours adhered to. Also he considered that the city engineer should tender on the work

and that the prices for the work should come within reasonable distance of the latter figures.

The mayor suggested that if Alderman McCaffery was agreeable perhaps the matter might be left to stand over for a week.

This the alderman demurred at, stating that any delay in the starting of the work was to be deplored, and the public would have plenty of time to discuss the matter as it would have to be advertised in the daily press for some time before it was decided upon. The amendment carried.

Alderman Bullock-Webster in speaking to the motions generally remarked that it was apparently useless his attempting to get his motions through, but that nevertheless he thought that the expenditure of these large sums of money should not be undertaken without due consideration and discussion.

The Mayor stated that The former's attitude was inspired by an erroneous idea that the people would not have an opportunity to pass upon the action of the council. Plenty of time was available for discussion and action by the people interested before the actual work was arranged for.

In connection with this matter Alderman Naden suggested that in order to safeguard the people's interests the council abstained from accepting any tenders for work at a higher price than that estimated by the city engineer.

CAPT. SCOTT'S PARTY DIED OF SCURVY

That is the Declaration Made by Capt. Amundsen at Montreal Yesterday.

Montreal, Feb. 24.—Captain Amundsen who is in the city today, declares that Capt. Scott's party died of scurvy.

MURDERER CAPTURED AFTER EXCITING CHASE

Unity, Sask., Feb. 22.—Lars Peterson was captured this afternoon near Meringo, on the C. N.R. Calgary line, by the Royal North-West Mounted Police, after an exciting chase which lasted eight days, during which time the four western provinces and many of the northern states were scoured in a search for the young Scandinavian, who was wanted on a charge of murdering one woman and assaulting another.

BULGARIA ACCEPTS MEDIATION OF POWERS

Boundary Dispute Between Bulgaria and Roumania Left to Powers to Decide.

Sofia, Feb. 24.—Bulgaria today accepted the offer of mediation made by the Powers in the boundary dispute between Bulgaria and Roumania.

Just arrived, spring stock of millinery. Miss L. Kuster. 46-48

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

BASEBALL TONIGHT

Skating Rink, 8:30

WORK PROGRESSING ON NEW APPROACH

Grade on New Approach to Wharf Will Be Less Than Grade on Centre Street.

The overhead crossing being erected by the G. T. P. from a point on 1st Avenue just East of Piercy Morris and Co.'s wholesale house coming in at the wharf close to the present baggage room, is progressing rapidly. Sixteen bents are already in place only two being left to erect. Although the grade at first sight appears to be somewhat steep, this is not the case. As a matter of fact the approach to the city by this roadway will be infinitely less difficult than the present strenuous pull up Centre Street. From present indications the new roadway will be available for traffic in a week or so.

BLIND PIGGER'S FIRST OFFENCE COST AN EVEN HUNDRED

JACK FROST HAD A HOT TIME LAST NIGHT BUT MAGISTRATE GAVE HIM AN ICY LOOK THIS MORNING.

Attempts at "Blind Piggering," do not go in Prince Rupert these days. This morning in the police court a foreigner found guilty of selling liquor without a license in the Austrian Hotel on First avenue, near the Windsor, was fined \$100.00 and costs or two months' imprisonment. This was a first offence and the accused was severely warned that any further infractions of the law in this respect would be dealt with, with the utmost rigor the law demanded.

Jack Frost, a delinquent, guilty of too much hilarity in Cockney Joe's restaurant on 2nd avenue last evening, was fined \$15.00 and costs or 21 days. His peculiar form of amusement took the shape of smashing up things generally. The charge laid against him was one of being drunk and disorderly. Magistrate Carss gave Mr. Frost an exceedingly "icy" look whilst imposing the penalty for the offence.

BULLOCK-WEBSTER'S QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY THE MAYOR

QUESTIONS ANSWERED IN THE NEGATIVE THROUGH BEING INCORRECTLY ASKED—OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED LATER.

An air of suppressed excitement pervaded the atmosphere at the meeting of the city council last evening, probably due to the fact that the three momentous questions propounded by Alderman Bullock-Webster for the Mayor to answer and which had been posted upon the notice board of the city hall might be found tough nuts for His Worshipship to reply to. The three questions were as follows: 1. Was a communication sent to Victoria respecting local improvements? 2. If so, by whose authority? 3. Why were not the other members of the council consulted? City Clerk Woods in staccato tones read the replies. No. 1 "No." No. 2. Answered by No. 1. No. 3. Answered by No. 2. Nothing further was said.

Mayor Pattullo, when interviewed by the News today explained that what Ald. Bullock-Webster probably wanted to ask was, "was a communication sent to Victoria respecting local assessment?" The answer given to his question was a straight and honest one.

Alderman Bullock-Webster later on asked two further questions. He wanted to know whether the site of the labor temple had been decided on and also what would likely be the estimated cost of replacing the pipe that had been damaged through bursting during the frosts this Winter on the main line of the water way between Shawatians and the reservoir on Acropolis Hill. The Mayor re-

plied that the matters were under consideration and would probably come up at the next weekly meeting of the council.

DIED AT VICTORIA

Mrs. Robert Allison Died on Sunday at Advanced Age—Well Known in Prince Rupert.

The death occurred at Victoria on Sunday of Mrs. Robert Allison, mother of Mr. A. H. Allison and Mrs. Alex. Douglas of this city. Deceased, who was 68 years of age, had not been well for some weeks past.

On Dec. 26th deceased celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of her wedding day when a reunion for the first time in seventeen years of her five sons and two daughters was held. The bereaved husband is 74 years of age.

The funeral is being held today at Victoria, both Mr. Allison and Mrs. Douglas being in attendance.

Wm. Steele, a well known pioneer and a large land owner in the Bulkley Valley is in the city today en route to the interior.

Demers'

Another shipment tailored hats this week. 461f

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