

## NEW PARCEL POST IS CONFINED TO PROVINCES

### SOUTH AFRICAN LABOR LEADERS DEPORTED—SOCIALISTS OUTVOTED AT LABOR CONVENTION

#### D. MORRISSEY'S SCHEME IF BANK WILL NOT FINANCE

NOT MEET WITH APPLAUSE BY BUSINESS MEN—GENERAL VERDICT IS THAT IT IS AN ABSURD PROPOSITION

On the mayor addressed the Association delegation Monday evening he said the city hoped to dispose of the hydro-electric debentures, which would enable the city to go on with the power plant at once. Failing in the sale of debentures or treasuries, he intimated that Ald. Morrissey had an alternative which was about ma-

Morrissey tipped off this in a speech made a few days later. He said in effect they proposed buying the machinery and lumber on the payment scheme, which was a small cash payment on order and notes for the balance spread over a term of years. He claimed further that the installation of the water-gravity system would save of \$28,000 a year, the saving in coal at the plant would be \$25,000 a year. The labor, which is the main expense, would be reduced by these savings and from the general fund account.

The casual reader this may like a very easy and simple scheme, but to the average business man it is a fairy tale. The Daily News representative questioned a number of business men concerning it and the verdict was that it was a practical and absurd proposition. One man: "I know it is a scheme for the manufacturer to pay his machinery on depreciation to get a mort-

gage on his plant. No money lender will take a mortgage where there are lien notes against the machinery. If the machinery and lumber for this hydro plant is bought on credit it means that the vendors will demand notes as security, and such notes will make it impossible to sell any debentures on that plant."

"I don't see how," said another citizen, "they are going to pay for the labor with the \$53,000 which they claim they will save on coal and operating expenses of the water system, when they cannot begin to make that saving until after the hydro-electric plant is installed."

"Probably they will stand the working man off for his wages until after they make the saving next year," suggested another man.

Another said: "If the saving in coal has to pay for the installation of this new plant we will not have any lower rates for light and power for ten years to come. That doesn't look healthy to me."

"This talk of paying for the labor out of the saving on coal is child's talk," said a Second Avenue man. "It means that if the undertaking is proceeded with without first passing another money bylaw the whole cost of it will have to come out of the general fund. I would estimate that it would add ten mills to the tax rate this year. If the taxpayers can stomach that they have more money than they appear to have just now."

#### PROPERTY MUST GO TO FIRST PURCHASER

Orders Fulfillment of the Agreement of Sale of Fort Fraser Subdivision

Vancouver, Jan. 27.—Judge was given for the plaintiff by Mr. Justice Macdonald the action of Robinson & Henry Holmes and Bevan & Elliott, Limited, regarding the subdivision of Fort Fraser, of which was in dispute, property consisted of 160 acres and at the present time valued at \$15,000.

The plaintiffs sued for the performance of an agreement of sale given to them by Holmes, who was the owner. The first agreement was made a second sale to Gore & Elliott of Vancouver. The first agreement provided in the court through the action of Holmes. Holmes stated that the agreement with Bevan & Elliott was not effective on legal grounds, but his lordship found the contrary to be the case. He also held that Bevan & Elliott were not liable in the matter, as they had acted throughout in good faith, and that the portion of the purchase price which had been paid by Bevan, Gore & Elliott to Holmes should be repaid by the latter to Bevan, Gore & Elliott and then plaintiff should have the property back. Plaintiff was ordered to pay the costs.

#### Concert and Social

A concert and social will be given in St. Peter's church, Seal on Tuesday evening, Jan. 27th, at 8 o'clock. A splendid programme has been arranged and with Mayor Newton in chair, a most pleasant time promised. Admission, including refreshments, 25c. 22

#### LABORITES PROTEST AGAINST ASIATICS

Socialistic Members Were Outvoted in Convention at New Westminster

(Special to The Daily News.) New Westminster, Jan. 27.—A large majority of the Federation of Labor decided to protest against the entrance of Asiatics on any terms. Socialistic members of the federation pleaded for the entrance of Asiatics, but on a vote they were defeated by a large majority.

A resolution favoring woman suffrage was adopted by the federation.

They refused to adopt a Socialist plank in their platform.

Annual meeting of the Presbyterian Church will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Church Hall. 23



VISCOUNTESS OURZON

Wife of the son and heir of Earl Howe, and universally acknowledged the English Queen of Beauty.

#### NEW PARCEL POST LIMITED TO ELEVEN POUND PACKAGES

Comes Into Effect on February Ten but Applies Only to Provinces  
Special Local Twenty Mile Zones

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—The new parcel post scheme was announced today. It will be provincial in its character and somewhat different from what was generally expected. It comes into effect on February 10.

Every post office will be the centre of a local 20-mile zone. There will be a provincial rate and then a special lower rate to apply to each local zone.

Each province is a zone by itself, the exception being the maritime provinces, which are combined in one. The rates apply only within the provincial zone. A special rate is made for the local zones and a provincial boundary does not interfere with these local zones.

The new rates are:  
One pound ..... 5 cents  
Two pounds ..... 6 cents  
Three pounds ..... 7 cents  
Four pounds ..... 8 cents

Five pounds ..... 10 cents  
Six pounds ..... 12 cents

It has been decided that for the first six months nothing over six pounds will be accepted. This is to avoid swamping the post office with business on the start. After six months packages up to 11 pounds will be carried. The rate will be seven pounds for 14 cents and two cents additional per pound up to the maximum.

#### LOCAL TORIES BACK FROM CONVENTION

Have Assurance That Island Road Will Be Started Immediately

Messrs. J. E. Merryfield, Geo. Kerr, Frank Cullin, H. Douglas and Geo. Tite attended the Conservative convention last week in Victoria. Ald. Kerr and J. E. Merryfield returned this morning.

"It was the best and most enthusiastic convention I have ever attended," said Mr. Merryfield. "I see The Daily News is complaining about that island road not being started. I can tell you we have the assurance of the minister of public works that an early start will be made on that island road. The government wanted the G. T. P. to pay a larger share, but they have decided not to wait for that. The work will go on very soon."

The officers of the British Columbia executive are:

President—W. T. Shatford, Vernon.

Vice-president—A. E. Planta, Nanaimo.

Second vice-president—H. L. Edwards, New Westminster.

Third vice-president—H. H. Johnson, Rossland.

Directors—Comox-Atlin, J. E. Merryfield; New Westminster, D. E. McKenzie; Kootenay, M. McNeish; Yale-Cariboo, H. S. Cleasby; Vancouver, E. J. Weeks; Victoria, H. Cuthbert.

Concert at Seal Cove church at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. Admission 25 cents. 21-22

William Manson, M.P.P., has been doing some newspaper advertising for himself by talking gush about the Skeena district. Among other things he says: "The fishing industry is destined to grow into something enormous in years to come." Exactly, but not through any efforts of Wm. Manson, M. P. P.

Did any one ever hear of William Manson trying to bring the halibut trade to Prince Rupert? Did any one ever hear of William Manson proposing any legislation or government assistance to improve the standard of packing our fish? Did William Manson ever propose a plan for getting our pink salmon, our herring, our halibut, and the many other varieties of local fish, to the market where millions are craving for this cheap and nutritious food? Is William Manson working for Prince Rupert or for King Bowser?

#### CRAZY MAN ATTACKS GERMAN CROWN PRINCE

Rushed Prince as He Was Alighting from Automobile—He Claimed to be Brother

Berlin, Jan. 27.—An unsuccessful attempt to attack Crown Prince Frederick William, of Germany was made as he was alighting from his automobile at his palace.

A man ran into the carriage way and reached the door of the



THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY

motor car. The sentry on duty in front of the palace dashed forward and seized the would-be assailant of the prince and overpowered him.

The man appeared to be suffering from mental derangement. When taken to the police station the crown prince's assailant gave his name as Leopold Salomon and his age as 26. He said confusedly that he was a brother of the crown prince and wished to ask him for assistance. Inquiries revealed that he was a tailor.

#### LEADERS DEPORTED UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Officers South African Trades Federation Will Not Be Allowed to Return

(Special to The Daily News.)

Capetown, Jan. 27.—The government decided to liberate the principal labor leaders, including President Watson and Secretary Bain. Under a strong escort they were taken from the Transvaal to Natal late at night and put on a steamer which sailed before daylight, touching no port till reaching England. This action was taken by virtue of the martial law still in force in Natal. Measures are to be taken to prevent the men's return.

#### Three Burned to Death

(Special to The Daily News)

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 27.—Three women were killed and seven seriously injured in a fire which occurred in the Salvation Army rescue home here. The entire contents of the building were consumed. A girl inmate was the cause of the outbreak.

#### Wants Interest Reduced

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—H. H. Stevens, Vancouver, has introduced a bill to amend the Money Lenders Act and reducing the interest rates from 12 to 10 per cent, the law to apply to loans over \$500 as well as under.

#### Charged With Attempted Murder

A. Johnson, of Decker Lake, is now in the Hazelton jail charged with shooting with intent to murder a man at Decker Lake. The shooting took place some days ago. Johnson will get a preliminary hearing at Hazelton tomorrow. Mr. Linnell, of Williams & Manson, will represent the prisoner at the hearing.

#### No More Big Plumbing Bills

Modern inventions are revolutionizing former methods in every department of life. Instead of employing several men for the best part of a week to uncover and thaw about 300 feet of city water pipe, the job was handed over to Harry Hanson. By means of his electric machine he thawed it out in 15 minutes. His charge for thawing out the pipes for the ordinary house is only six dollars, which is quite a saving over the old way of doing it.

If you are in the market for a good reliable engine for business or pleasure, see Akersberg, Thomson & Co., machinists, corner Manson Way and 1st Avenue. 246-41-38

#### OFF IN A RAGING BLIZZARD TO INSPECT WOODWORTH LAKE

CITY AUTHORITIES AND ASSISTANT ALDERMEN MAKING AN INSPECTION OF SITE FOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLANT

The mayor, the city engineer, the light superintendent, several aldermen and assistant aldermen, Dr. Clayton, Cy Peck and J. A. Kirkpatrick, left this morning for Woodworth Lake. The wind whistled up their skirts and the snow rattled around their ears, but this did not deflect the city authorities from the path of duty nor chill the enthusiasm of the ex-officio members of the city council.

They had planned to start the city hydro-electric scheme by an official picnic on the site and no

tail end of a blizzard would be allowed to interfere. They left by launch in the early morning.

Ostensibly the party is out to inspect the lakes and size up the situation. Ald. Morrissey's easy payment plan (a dollar down and a dollar a month) may prove a feasible proposition if it is viewed on the ground itself, or the party may decide that it will cost real money to install the plant. There is nothing like seeing it yourself.

On their return the aldermen will probably have some real good stories of hardships to tell.

#### HON. PELLETIER SAYS REDISTRIBUTION FAIR

Denies Charge That There Are 100,000 Unemployed in Canada—Estimates 17,000

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Referring to the redistribution, Hon. Mr. Pelletier, who continued the debate, said Liberals say the bill has been gerrymandered. It gives Liberals their share of representation. He said the government did not intend to put before the house a gerrymander, but did want a fair redistribution bill. He said the Liberals made political capital out of unemployment. He was surprised that a man would stand up in parliament and make such unwarranted statements as that there were one hundred thousand unemployed in Canada. The facts did not back this up. The figures were secured from different city mayors, and they are prepared to say that there are only 17,000 unemployed.

#### Featherweights March 20

(Special to The Daily News)

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Abe Attell has received a message from San Francisco offering him a match with Johnny Kilbane for the featherweight title. The date will probably be March 20.

#### G. T. P. Nearly Completed

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—The railway department has received official notification that only 142 miles of steel remain to be connected up on the Grand Trunk Pacific in British Columbia, so that the completion of the road is now plainly in sight. By June it is expected that the last rail will be laid and that there will then be through connection between Moncton and Prince Rupert with the exception of Quebec Bridge.

#### Discovered by Oil

(Special to The Daily News)

Plymouth, Eng., Jan. 27.—Salvage operations have been begun on the British submarine "A-7," which sank to the bottom of Whitesand Bay during manoeuvres. The submarine was located about 200 feet under the surface, at a distance of four miles from shore.

The discovery of the submarine was due to a member of the crew of one of the search vessels, who noticed oil floating on the surface. A diver was sent down and found the submarine.

#### Social Dance

In Sons of England Hall, 819 Second Avenue, Saturday evening, commencing at 8:30. Conducted by Mr. M. M. Cooper. Good band in attendance. 23-25

#### GEORGE GOT FREE OF ROLLING CHARGE

Judge Young Dismissed the Case—A Drinking Bout and Evidence Unsatisfactory

Wm. George, charged with rolling a drunken man, was acquitted by Judge Young yesterday. Richmond, the cook who lost the \$100, gave evidence very similar to that given at the preliminary hearing.

The defence produced witnesses to dispute Richmond's evidence on several points.

Mr. and Mrs. Carsley and Mr. Ross, who were present when Richmond rushed out of the bedroom, said he had said nothing about being robbed until he came back with a police officer half an hour later.

There was also evidence to show that he had spent more money than he said he had.

The judge in discussing the case said that the man robbed had deliberately gone out on a debauch. He admitted he was drunk and his evidence was unsatisfactory.

The prisoner gave evidence on his own behalf, claiming that when sleeping with Richmond he had rolled over and touched him. Richmond jumped up as though in a nightmare.

#### Wedding Bells

An early morning wedding was celebrated in the Roman Catholic church this morning. The bride was Miss Blanch Barnaby, daughter of Mrs. Lathulipe and the groom was Mr. Alphonse Roberge, a contractor on the G. T. P. The ceremony was performed by Father Plamondon in the presence of a number of friends. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. Alphonse Roberge, and the bride by her sister, Miss N. Barnaby. The bridal couple left for Terrace, where Mr. Roberge has a ranch.

#### Not an Applicant

Victoria, Jan. 26.—"I never sought the position, nor do I propose to become an applicant for it," said Sir Richard McBride when asked if there was any truth in the eastern reports that his name was mentioned as a probable successor to Lord Strathcona.

The disabled C. P. R. steamer Princess Sophia passed through The Narrows southbound this morning.

F. O. E.

### Masquerade Ball

Four Beautiful Prizes

Thursday Evening, Feb. 12  
at 9 p.m.

Tickets \$2.00 Ladies Free