

SKEENA ROAD APPROPRIATIONS ARE CUT IN HALF

THE GREATEST LIBERAL CONVENTION IN PROVINCIAL HISTORY--SENSATION IN ONTARIO

THE PROVINCIAL ESTIMATES HAVE \$150,000 FOR RUPERT BUILDING

The Road Appropriation for Skeena District Has Been Cut from \$405,000 to \$216,000--Woman's Suffrage Bill Defeated

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, Feb. 27.—The provincial government estimates brought down today. The estimated expenditure for the year is \$13,172,000 and the estimated revenue \$10,048,000. The expenditures include: \$3,316,575 for public works. \$2,319,500, public buildings. \$2,861,000, roads and bridges. \$6,075, steamboat subsidies. \$10,000, general contingencies. \$500,000 for university. \$350,000 for education. \$350,000 for Prince Rupert government buildings.

\$67,000; Lillooet, \$73,000, and Skeena, \$216,000. The estimates include \$3,000 for clerk and stenographer in new municipal department. The discussion today centered around the provincial election act, the workmen's compensation act, and the new dentistry act. Several new bills of considerable importance were given their first reading. Among them is one to increase the revenue by amendments to the fish act and the land registry act. The woman's suffrage bill was defeated by 23 to 10. When Hon. Price Ellison makes his budget speech he will draw particular attention to the fact that the agricultural pro-

duction of the province is rapidly increasing. The chief feature of the budget is the large reduction in the educational estimates. The net debt, exclusive of the \$1,500,000 treasury bill due May 28, is \$8,500,000, which with the \$10,000,000 loan to be floated, will be \$18,500,000. Against this is the arrears for the sale of lands amounting to over \$13,000,000, which is drawing 6%. The road appropriations for Skeena district last year were \$405,000. This amount has practically been cut in two, proving the premier's threat that road work would have to be deferred, particularly in the north.

By the new municipal act the Bowser government usurps the control of all the hitherto independent legislative functions of a city. Not a money bylaw can be passed or a dollar borrowed on debentures unless Bowser is willing. Bowser also controls the city police and the city liquor licenses. Now he is going further and by another new act is taking all the business licenses. Every business in the city now has to contribute directly to the extravagance of maintaining a Bowser machine. Bowser's great ambition is more power and more money and he is taking them, while the dead ones in the legislature appear silently and sadly satisfied to take the crumbs that fall. Wm. Manson recently boasted that he was a good citizen of Prince Rupert, but no one has heard him pleading Prince Rupert's cause while the independence of Prince Rupert is being stolen. Manson is a better "button" to Bowser than he is a citizen of this city.

GREAT LIBERAL CONVENTION NOW IN SESSION IN CITY OF VICTORIA

Best Convention Party Ever Held in British Columbia---Enthusiastic Delegates From All Parts---Liberal Leaders Will Visit Prince Rupert

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, Feb. 27.—The Liberal convention here is the greatest ever held by the Liberal party in the province. There are delegates from every riding, being representative business men who

are out to support Liberalism to defeat the present administration. Last evening Hon. Duncan Marshall, the minister of agriculture in Alberta, delivered a magnificent address at the convention. Messrs. Brewster and Oliver, the leaders of the party, are going to make a tour north after the convention. They will have a meeting in Prince Rupert. The greatest enthusiasm prevails among the delegates.

Mr. R. N. Rowell, leader of the opposition, stated that there was no justification for the letter which Mr. Eventurel had written. He would have something to say on the matter later, and no doubt Mr. Eventurel would supplement his statement. Mr. Eventurel was formerly a minister in the Ross Liberal administration. Mr. Ferguson is the Conservative member for Grenville county and is ambitious for a portfolio.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS ON NEW C. N. R. DEAL

Editorial Comments on New C. N. R. Deal—D. C. Box Head (Victoria Colonist) is never likely to cost the province a dollar. (Vancouver Sun) And in the face of this profound suspicion of everything connected with the C. N. R. demands for public assistance, the government of Sir Richard McBride lightly hands over an additional twelve millions to the men whose projects have already been guaranteed to such an extent that British Columbia could never hope to meet the obligation she has assumed should she be called upon to do so. It simply means that the government has mortgaged the future of the province up to the hilt and that if anything goes wrong our prosperity will not be recovered in the period of two generations. This measure has been introduced by the government under conditions which convict them of duplicity of the most serious nature. The public has all along been led to believe that no fur-

MRS. PANKHURST WRITES TO THE KING

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Pankhurst has written to the king requesting that he receive a deputation of the Women's Social and Political Union to lay before him their claim for parliamentary vote. She complains of the medieval and barbarous methods of torture whereby the ministers are seeking to repress the women's revolt against the deprivation of citizen's rights.

BUSINESS MEN'S LUNCH FOR BOARD OF TRADE

Arrangements have been completed for the special luncheon committee of the board of trade for holding a business men's lunch at the G. T. P. cafe next Friday. The time set is 1 o'clock sharp, and there will be one speaker who will address the meeting in a fifteen-minute talk. Alex. Manson and J. H. Allison are the committee in charge.

C. P. R. SAY WILL NOT USE PANAMA CANAL

(Special to The Daily News) Washington, Feb. 27.—Assurances that the C. P. R. have no intention of attempting to evade the provision of the Panama Canal Act which bars railroad owned ships from the canal, has reached Washington through official channels. It declared the C. P. R. would not send fleets through the canal even if there was no question of its right because the officials see no advantage to be gained by changing the present routes across the Atlantic and Pacific.

Guilty of Unlawful Assembly

(Special to The Daily News) New Westminster, Feb. 27.—Robert Farrell and William Lee were both found guilty of unlawful assembly at Nanaimo on August 14. The charges of rioting were dismissed in both cases.

British Navy Estimates

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 27.—The supplementary estimates for the navy have been issued and total £25,000,000. The principal items are contract work £1,125,000, ship building material £733,000 and armaments £320,000.

St. Andrew's Society

The regular monthly business meeting of the above society will be held in the club rooms, Second avenue, tonight at 8 o'clock.

SPORT BY TELEGRAPH

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 27.—First division football results are as follows: Aston Villa 1, Bolton Wanderers 0; Blackburn Rovers 2, Bradford City 0.

Vancouver, Feb. 27.—Westminster defeated the Vancouver ladies hockey team by 2 goals to 0.

Los Angeles, Feb. 27.—Christy Mathewson, the star pitcher of the New York Giants, who has been offered the berth of manager in the Brooklyn Federal league club left for the spring training camp of the Giants and carried with him an unsigned contract. He reiterated his intention to consider the Federal League offer and was confident of coming to terms with the Giants.

Toronto, Feb. 27.—Eastern hockey results are as follows:—Ottawa 6, Canadiens 5; five seconds overtime. Toronto 6; Ontarios 1. Quebec 14, Wanderers 6.

London, Feb. 27.—The trustees of the English Rowing championship have approved the challenge of James Paddon, the Australian sculler, to row Barry on the Thames next August, or early in September. The race will be for the double title of world's and English championship, with a side-stake of \$2500.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Word has been received from Manager Brausfield who has been scouting across half the continent after the alleged jumpers to Federal League from the Montreal International League club that pitchers Jean, Dale, Emil and Roher, third baseman Boyle and first baseman Miller will sign Montreal contracts.

Fort George Growing

E. M. Reynolds writes from Fort George under recent date that the weather has moderated and the snow almost gone. A lot of people are now going into Fort George and the accommodation is all gone. People have to take to tents and it is feared it will be a tent town.

Port Edward has a total docking length of 16,960 feet. —474

B. R. Jones of Skeena Crossing, manager of the Continental Development company, left this morning for Vancouver.

TORIES ON STRIKE WERE TALKED OVER

Vancouver Delegation Interviewed Premier on C. N. R. Bill and Agreed to Be Good

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, Feb. 27.—The budget will be down today.

The Vancouver Conservative association, after an interview with the premier to obtain further particulars on the new railway policy, has agreed to endorse the railway policy of the government regarding the further aid to the C. N. R. Respecting the discovery and conservation of radium a bill was read a second time at the afternoon session yesterday and put through committee. It was given a third reading at the night session, the opposition being in complete accord with the measure. Several minor bills were read a second and third time.

HAD TO CUT FREIGHT RATES ON LUMBER

C. P. R. Will Not Be Allowed to Charge Through Freight Higher Than Sum of Local Rates

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, Feb. 27.—Judgment has been given by the railway board in the application of the Fullerton Lumber & Shingle Co. of Vancouver for an order directing the C. P. R. to desist from charging a higher through rate than the sum of local rates. The decision against the applicant's application concerned through rates in group "D" lumber from Bellingham, Wash., to points in the Canadian northwest, it being alleged that the through rates were excessive to the extent that they exceed the sum of the local rates.

FITTINGS BURNED TO RUN SHIP TO SAFETY

Thrilling Tale Told by Crew of Revenue Cutter Which Went to Aid Steamer

Los Angeles, Feb. 26.—By feeding all the inflammable cargo and ship's fittings into the furnaces Capt. Paulse saved the steamer Eureka from being dashed on the Morro rocks in a storm and docked safely in Port San Luis, according to the crew of the revenue cutter Manning, which has arrived here after going to the Eureka's assistance.

Buffeting the storm exhausted the regular fuel supply and the vessel began to drift helplessly toward the rocks. "All hands to the box shoos," ordered the captain, and this part of the cargo was fed into the furnace, followed by fittings which were nearly all gone when the Eureka reached shore.

Port Edward's harbor is two miles long with a turning basin of two thousand feet across.

ONTARIO GETS A SENSATION DID MEMBER ASK FOR BRIBE?

G. H. FERGUSON, MEMBER FOR GRENVILLE, READS LETTER ACCUSING HON. GUSTAV EVENTUREL OF ASKING LIQUOR MEN FOR BRIBE

(Special to The Daily News) Toronto, Feb. 27.—A sensation was sprung in the Ontario legislature yesterday when Hon. Gustav Eventurel charged that an alliance existed between the license commissioners and the liquor men in his county of Prescott.

G. H. Ferguson, in rebutting the charges, read a letter from Mr. Eventurel to the Ontario Licensed Allied Trades association stating that he had always been a good friend of the association and was prepared to vote against his leader, R. N. Rowell, on the question of abolishing the bar. He stated further that he was a poor man, living only on a small sessional allowance, and expected the association would

see its way to help him along by paying at least \$10,000. The letter added that he would sign an agreement with the board of the association if required to fight for the liquor interests in the legislature. Mr. R. N. Rowell, leader of the opposition, stated that there was no justification for the letter which Mr. Eventurel had written. He would have something to say on the matter later, and no doubt Mr. Eventurel would supplement his statement. Mr. Eventurel was formerly a minister in the Ross Liberal administration. Mr. Ferguson is the Conservative member for Grenville county and is ambitious for a portfolio.

LIVELY EVENING AT CHIEF VICKER'S HOME

Many Guests Keep Up Merry-making Until Small Hours

There was a very merry party at the home of Chief and Mrs. Vickers last evening. A progressive whist game of six tables started things off. The prize-winners were Miss F. Eason and Mr. J. D. Allen. At 10:30 a very recherche supper was served and this was followed by music and old country games such as have delighted the hearts of merry-makers for centuries. The fun waxed fast and furious until 3 o'clock a. m., when only the rumor that the chief was looking for his copy of the riot act induced the guests to retire. The party included Principal and Mrs. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Batcher, Mr. and Mrs. Peyton, Mr. and Mrs. Hamblin, Mr. and Mrs. McNulty, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gillingham, the Misses Butterworth, F. Eason, J. Eason, E. Eason and K. Eason, Messrs. H. F. McLeod, R. Stalker, J. Howe, J. Dallen, E. V. Ling, H. Birch, J. H. Rogers, and Ed. Gillingham.

PROTEST AGAINST BILLS FOR MORE AID TO C.N.R.

Delegations in Victoria Kicking Against Liability of 200 Millions

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, Feb. 27.—There is great excitement here over the new railway bills, which bring the province's total liability on the C. N. R. and P. G. E. up to 200 millions. A Vancouver delegation is here protesting strongly against the bills, and other delegations are protesting against some other drastic legislation.

C. N. R. NOT POPULAR AT OTTAWA JUST NOW

Must Go Before Parliament to Get Permission to Increase Stock

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, Feb. 26.—Ash Wednesday being a parliamentary holiday, unusual quiet pervaded the capital yesterday. The house did not sit nor was there much doing either around the corridors or government departments, which were closed for the day. The principal topic of conversation among those around was the action of the railway committee in declaring that the C. N. R. must come before parliament before they can get a further increase of capital stock.

Married

McMeekin-Stewart — At the Methodist parsonage, by the Rev. Mr. Dimmick, on Thursday, Feb. 26, 1914, Thomas McMeekin to Katherine Peebles Stewart, both of this city. Try Smith & Killas' ice cream.

TASSO MINING SYNDICATE WILL SOON BE SHIPPING ORE

TRAMWAY 2300 FEET LONG JUST COMPLETED FROM MINE TO TIDEWATER—COPPER PROPOSITION THAT HAS BRIGHT OUTLOOK

Mr. E. T. Crawford, representing the Vancouver Machinery Co., is in the city, having just returned from Queen Charlotte Islands, where he has been employed for the past five months

erecting an aerial tramway for the Tasso Mining syndicate. The Tasso mines are located on Tasso harbor. They are a copper proposition with big blocks of profitable ore in sight. The tramway is for the purpose of carrying the ore from the mine to tidewater, a distance of 2300 feet.

On the harbor there are now being erected bunkers holding 1200 tons. These will be completed very soon and active operations will commence.

The ore is not being treated in any way locally, but will be shipped in 1200-ton shipments to the smelter. The first of the shipments will probably be made in two weeks.

Quite a large number of men are working at the mines now. The manager is Mr. R. R. Hedley, a well-known mining man of Vancouver.

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Go to the
WEST HOLME
OPERA HOUSE
TO-NIGHT
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"THE RIVAL PITCHERS"
Also the great two-reel Broncho feature
"CONSCIENCE"
And the beautiful child story
"A KNIGHT ERRANT"
NEW WEEKLY GAZETTE
Admission: 10c and 15c.