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TWO THOUSAND U.S. MARINES ORDERED TO CUBA

GENERAL DIAZ CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS OF REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT—REBEL LOSSES 900

UNITED STATES MARINES ARE ORDERED TO CUBA

TO BE IN READINESS IN CASE AMERICAN INTERVENTION IN MEXICO IS NECESSARY—REBEL FORCES ARE CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS

(Special to The Daily News.)
Washington, Feb. 18.—Two thousand United States marines from various barracks along the Atlantic coast have been ordered to Cuba to be in readiness in case that intervention on the part of the United States is necessary in connection with the Mexican trouble. Half of them will leave tonight.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Owing to the strict censorship there is little news of actual conditions in Mexico city today. A despatch by courier from unknown sources states that on Sunday General Diaz was confident of the success of the revolutionary movement. Within the arsenal, which is the headquarters for the rebels, less than a hundred have been killed in nine days' fighting.

Wards Abolished
At last night's meeting of the city council the by-law to discontinue the division of the city into wards was submitted to its final consideration and passed by the council.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners, Phone 4.

FEAR THREE MEN HAVE BEEN KILLED

Mysterious Disappearance of Travellers with Large Sums of Money Arouses Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Feb. 17.—Four men, each carrying a considerable sum of money, have dropped out of sight within the past month, and the authorities express their belief that they were the victims of an organized gang of bandits. The first to disappear was Herbert Dexter of Tacoma. He had \$1,000 on his person and wrote his wife in Tacoma that he was going to Coalinga to buy a restaurant. He never arrived at Coalinga.

James A. Monroe, a retired farmer, started for Pomona to buy a fruit orchard with \$10,000 in his pocket, and he was not heard from again.

Erick Lyndell disappeared after disposing of real estate for several thousand dollars, which he had with him, and his disappearance was followed last week by that of W. F. Scholle, who started for the post office with \$500, but never arrived there.

JUDGMENT RESERVED IN TECHNICAL CASE

Local Business Man and His Solicitors Charged with Theft of Minute Book—Case Largely of a Technical Nature.

Probably never before in the short history of Prince Rupert has the city police court held such a gathering of representative business men as was to be found there this morning. The occasion was the hearing of a case largely of a technical nature of the stealing of a minute book from the premises of the Prince Rupert Fish & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., the defendants being W. E. Williams, A. M. Manson and Hugh Phillpott. Magistrate McMullin presided, W. E. Fisher represented the complainants and Williams and Manson defended themselves and their client, Mr. Phillpott. Evidence in support of the charge of theft was given by James Bacon, superintendent of the company, and Frank A. Ellis, acting manager pro tem, during the absence from the city of Frank S. Evans, the managing director. Opportunity was given for a fine forensic display by the counsel engaged on the case in dealing with the many technicalities with which it was surrounded.

In substance, the facts of the case are as follows: Mr. Phillpott, director, shareholder and secretary-treasurer of the company (the latter under a signed contract) went yesterday morning at 11 o'clock together with his solicitors, Messrs. Williams & Manson, to the offices of the company, on Third avenue, to get access to the books. These books, which are included in one volume, contain the bylaws, letters patent, minutes, list of stock holders and register of directors of the company. The complainants in the case appear to have been willing to let the defendants inspect the books with the proviso that they did not interfere with the records of the minutes, which had been sealed up. Mr. Phillpott, through his solicitors, claimed complete access to the book on the grounds that he was a director, shareholder, secretary-treasurer and legal custodian of the books of the company. It was true that he had recently sent in his resignation as secretary-treasurer, but it had not been acted upon. This resignation he had subsequently withdrawn, the withdrawal being handed to Mr. Ellis yesterday morning. Further, he claimed the rights demanded as a director and shareholder. Upon this right being refused him, he, together with his solicitors, made an attempt to secure the book in question, which they were successful in doing, not before, however, a general melee took place, much resembling a football scrimmage. In this lively little mix-up the parties successful in getting away with the bone of contention, the aforesaid book, were in no way worsted, as the fact that they attained their end would show. The book in question is at the present time in the possession of the secretary-treasurer of the company, Mr. Phillpott. After the two witnesses for the prosecution had given evidence this morning and had been subjected to an extended cross-examination, Mr. Fisher rested his case. Mr. Manson, for the defence, submitted that there was absolutely no evidence to substantiate the charge, not calling any witnesses on behalf of

VALUABLE MINES IN THE INTERIOR

"Doc" Stanwood, Well Known Mining Man, Returns from South and Will Continue Operations.

N. F. Stanwood, familiarly known as "Doc" Stanwood, one of the pioneer mining men of Northern British Columbia, arrived in the city on Friday night last and is spending a few days here before going into the interior. Mr. Stanwood has several interests in this section, the chief of which are in the Omneca country, about 225 miles north by east of Hazelton, and in the Coast Range on Copper River. Considerable development work was done on these properties last year and, according to present plans, the work will be continued during the coming season on a much larger scale.

The Omneca property is rich in lead, gold and silver, prospecting about 75 cents a yard. Copper pyrite of a high grade and in large quantities is found in the Copper River properties.

Mr. Stanwood has spent five years mining in Northern British Columbia and is well known among old timers.

His many friends here will be pleased to learn that he has joined the ranks of the benedicts, having been married on October 7th last to Miss McKillip of Omaha, Neb. Mr. and Mrs. Stanwood have been spending the last few months at Los Angeles, Cal.

COUNCIL MAKES GRANT OF \$10,000 TO CITY HOSPITAL

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT IS LIKELY TO GRANT AN EQUAL AMOUNT—HOSPITAL REQUIRES \$24,000.

At last evening's meeting of the City Council the report of the Finance committee as to the 1913 grant toward the support of the hospital was submitted. The committee favored a grant of \$10,000. In moving that the report be adopted, Chairman Alderman Naden remarked that in view of the fact that the Provincial government had practically pledged themselves, through the member for the district, Mr. William Manson, to appropriate an equal amount to that provided by the city, it would be standing in the way of the hospital to deny it the opportunity of getting sufficient money to almost bring it out of debt this year. If the city granted only \$5,000 then the Provincial government would donate only a similar amount and the hospital would be \$10,000 poorer.

The Mayor agreed that this course would probably be the fairest and wisest, as it would assuredly mean that in the future the grant required would be proportionately smaller.

The finance committee of the hospital board had handed in an estimate of \$24,000 as the amount of money required this year to meet their liabilities. The report was passed by the Council.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL WANT 99 YEARS LEASE

LETTER TO CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT ASKING FOR LONG TERM LEASE WAS REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The same little throng of speculators that gathers weekly to listen to the deliberations of the fathers were in their places last evening at the regular Monday meeting of the city council. That they are disappointed at the nature of the entertainment provided is quite evident. There are no heated discussions to cause amusement among the on-lookers, all the business being transacted with reasonable dispatch. The various aldermen seem to be familiar with the questions that come up so that little discussion is necessary and all matters of business are readily disposed of.

Ald. Bullock-Webster, a gentleman of precise and exact methods, occasionally interjects an incisive question which a few words from the mayor quickly disposes of, presumably to the former's entire satisfaction, as the matter promptly drops.

There was only one communication last evening, that from the Trades and Labor Council, asking for a 99 years' lease of two lots on which their present building stands. In presenting their claim to the consideration of the council they emphasized the fact of the growth and usefulness of the association and the power for good an organization of that kind would always be in the city, particularly as the population increased. The letter was referred to the finance committee.

BATTLESHIP ASHORE
Arkansas Slips Off Reef, but Water Enters Compartments.
(Special to The Daily News.)
Caimanera, Cuba, Feb. 17.—The United States battleship Arkansas ran on a coral reef, 400 yards west of Ceiba reef, the other morning. Later the warship slipped off the reef and anchored. How seriously the Arkansas was damaged has not yet been ascertained, but water entered some of her compartments. A survey of the vessel was begun at once.

Demers'.
Unique styles in Gage's hats, spring 1913. 40tf

First indoor baseball match of the season this evening at the skating rink. 41

HINDU EXCLUSION TO BE DISCUSSED

Action Has Been Taken to Have Exclusion of Hindu Women from Canada Taken Up at Sikh Congress.

Vancouver, Feb. 17.—The admission of Hindu women into the Province of British Columbia will be again raised before the present year has completed its course. The Hindus of this city have taken steps to reopen the question and to interest Hon. Geopel Krishna Gokhale, C.I.E., the representative non-official member of the Bombay Presidency on the Council of the Viceroy of India.

At a meeting held this week the Vancouver Hindus subscribed between \$4000 and \$5000 to send three or four delegates to the Sikh congress to be held about Easter time at Umballa, a city in the Delhi division of the Punjab.

The congress will be invited to take up the question of the exclusion of Hindu women from Canada, and will ask that an investigation be held into the whole question by Mr. Gokhale on similar lines to that which he recently held in the Union of South Africa.

TREMENDOUS RUSH TO ALASKA POINTS

Fifteen Local People Refused Passage on Curacao Last Night Through Lack of Room.

The steamer Curacao, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, northbound from Seattle, arrived in port last night at about 8:30 with a heavy cargo of freight and a full complement of passengers. A large number were bound for Juneau, where there is at present a revival of mining excitement. Others were returning to the numerous canneries along the Alaskan coast in order to make preparations for the opening of the season.

There was considerable disappointment when it was found that only one more passenger could be taken on here. Fifteen local people who were desirous of going north were refused passage and will have to wait for another boat. Some of them had already been waiting several days for the Curacao.

WILL ASK FOR TENDERS FOR PUBLIC READING ROOM

BUILDING TO COST ABOUT \$1,450 WILL BE ERECTED FOR A READING ROOM—SITE SELECTED OPPOSITE THE CITY HALL

That everything is moving satisfactorily towards the early establishment of a public reading room in the city was evident at last night's meeting of the city council, when the following report of the Citizens' Committee, appointed by the council to take immediate action in the matter was submitted.

Gentlemen—At a public meeting held recently the Mayor and Aldermen Naden and Dybhavn were appointed a committee to name a committee of citizens to look into the matter of establishing a reading room in Prince Rupert. The committee named the following:

Rev. F. W. Kerr
Principal J. G. Brady
Mr. V. Basso-Bert
Mr. J. C. Halsey
Mr. Olaf Hanson
Mr. Wm. Godson, secretary.

It is now recommended that a building, to cost approximately \$1,450, be erected opposite the city hall on city property; to be used in the meantime as a reading room. That \$125, more or less, be appropriated for furniture and \$110 for subscriptions to magazines. It is further recommended that the city engineer be instructed to call for tenders for the building forthwith.

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. PATULLO,
JOHN DYBHAVN,
G. R. NADEN.

Before the motion to adopt the report was put, Ald. Bullock-Webster wanted a little more light as to the exact amount of money available to provide for the payment of a janitor and any little incidental expenses. This matter was promptly set at rest by the assurances of Aldermen Naden and McCaffery that as respectively chairman and member of the finance committee they felt confident that they would be able to take care of the matter. Alderman Naden said that they had estimated that about \$2,000 in all would be sufficient to carry the proposition through this year and they would see that the amount was provided.

The report was adopted.

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ALDERMAN OF LAST YEAR ASKS PECULIAR QUESTION

WANTED TO KNOW WHY WORK HAD BEEN STARTED WITHOUT NECESSARY BY-LAW—INFORMED THAT LAST YEAR'S COUNCIL HAD STARTED THE WORK

The city council last evening through a by-law providing for appropriation of \$4000 for the building of a 15 foot plank road on the north side of Hays Ave Circle. Under consideration of committee of the whole, Alderman Leek in the chair, Ald. Bullock-Webster enquired how it was the work had been started

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ROGERS AND BLACK TENDER FOR COAL

Offer the City 250 Tons at \$9.00 per ton—Referred to Light and Power Committee

The important question of the evening's meeting of the City Council. A tender was submitted by Rogers & Black to supply 250 tons at \$9.00 per ton.

Alderman Dybhavn thought the price too high and that the matter should be left to the city purchasing agent.

The mayor pointed out the serious state of the coal situation at the present time and the awkward position the city would be in through lack of fuel. The matter was referred to the Light and Power Committee and the City Purchasing Agent with power to act.

BASEBALL TONIGHT

Skating Rink, 8:30

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