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Sensational Arrest Made Last Night

BRITISH COLUMBIA BONDS BRING HIGH RATE WHEN SOLD IN THE PROVINCE

Owner of Victoria Paper Faces a Charge of Theft

Griffith R. Hughes, prominent citizen of Capital City, placed under Arrest last night at his own Residence.

Spent Night in Cells; Got Bail This Morning

Alleged Theft from firm of David Spencer; was closely connected with Financial Affairs of the Company

VICTORIA, July 9.—Griffith R. Hughes, a prominent business man of this city and owner of the Victoria Daily Times, was arrested here last night, the affair causing one of the biggest sensations in the history of the city. The arrest was made at Hughes' residence on information laid by W. J. Spencer of this city, one of the partners in David Spencer, Limited, charging him with the theft of \$600.25 from the firm. Bail at that time was refused by Magistrate Jay because of the large amount allegedly involved.

It is understood that the Spencer firm is claiming a sum going well into six figures from Hughes. It is also understood that Hughes has vested in G. G. McGee, M.P.P., the lawyer for Spencers, a great amount of his Victoria property, including The Times newspaper, pending an adjustment. Joseph Martin, K. C., has been retained as special adviser to Spencers' while R. T. Elliott, K. C., is acting for Hughes.

Is Wealthy Man.

Hughes joined Spencer's staff fifteen years ago as bookkeeper and later was made auditor. He acted as financial adviser to the late David Spencer.

It is understood that trustees in the meantime are in possession of the Daily Times, which was bought for \$225,000, a Noble Hill farm, \$75,000, and cash and bonds of over \$100,000. Hughes is 58 years of age and was born in Wales. He was school mate of Lloyd George and is a life long friend of the British Premier's.

Is Given Bail.

VICTORIA, July 9.—Griffith appeared in the police court this morning and has been remanded until Tuesday bail being fixed at \$20,000. Griffiths spent all night in the cells and at 9:45 this morning was brought into the office of the chief of police to meet his friends. After being photographed and having his finger prints taken he went into court where he sat alongside his counsel, A. A. McLean, K. C.

When the charge was read his counsel pleaded not guilty. As a "prominent Victorian" bail was sought but was opposed by Deputy Attorney Johnson who said "Certain other information was received last night." The magistrate then stated that two other informations had already been laid. Mr. Johnson asked that the magistrate hear him within closed doors on the bail question stating that he had good reasons for an investigation that could not be finished in a week.

VICTORIA, July 9.—(Later).—Hughes has elected for trial by jury. Counsel was closeted for twenty minutes in the magistrate's room before bail was granted.

BOARD IS NOW BEING NAMED

Progress in Conciliation Between G. T. P. and Longshoremen.

This morning the following telegram was received by Mayor McClymont from the Department of Labor:

"Your lettergram seventh received and noted. Minister is today formally establishing conciliation board. Members will be appointed soon as recommendations are received behalf respective parties and if these members do not secure chairman by joint agreement, minister will appoint without delay but please note that board will be instructed not to commence inquiry until men have resumed work. Minister trusts workmen will therefore resume work without delay and is confident your influence will be exerted to that end. Minister will look to you to secure nomination for board members to represent workmen. Following message is being sent to company. Message begins: 'Your message seventh received. Minister's decision is indicated in the following message addressed to Mayor McClymont, here follows message to yourself. Minister asks your company will name personnel for appointment to board. Statute allows five days for this purpose and dispute having been in progress for some time before municipality required conciliation board, minister trusts company will nominate forthwith. As you will be aware statute requires appointment to be made by minister if recommendation not received.' Message ends."

F. A. AGLAND.

Immediately the longshoremen got together and decided upon nominations for members to the conciliation board. It is now understood that W. E. Thompson will appear for the workmen.

PECK'S NAME IS MENTIONED

Possibility of Prince Rupert's Member Now Getting a Cabinet Position.

OTTAWA, July 9.—Speculation is rife here regarding the two new members of the cabinet to be appointed to take the places of Messrs. Rowell and Burrell, who are retiring. There are persistent rumors that Colonel Cy Peck, V. C., D. S. O., member for Skeena, is likely to be appointed to one of the vacancies.

GAS WORKERS HAVE THREATENED STRIKE

Vancouver Employees Say They Will Walk out Unless Demands Accorded to.

VANCOUVER, July 9.—The gas plant workers of this city have threatened to walk out unless they are given their wage demands.

Sir Robert Borden and Retiring Ministers



HON. MARTIN BURRELL.

Who retires from the Federal cabinet to become librarian of the Dominion Parliament. Hon. Martin Burrell is sixty-two years of age and was born and educated in England. He started farming in Ontario in 1886 and came to British Columbia in 1909. He has extensive orchards around the city of Grand Forks and was mayor of that town in 1903. He first became a member of parliament in 1908 and in 1911 became minister of agriculture with the original Borden cabinet. He left that post on the formation of the coalition government and was succeeded by Hon. T. A. Crerar. Later he was in charge of the departments of archives, mines, public printing and stationery as well as being secretary of state.



SIR ROBERT BORDEN

Retired Premier of Canada who is now sixty-six years of age.



HON. N. W. ROWELL

Came into the Dominion cabinet as a Liberal on the formation of the coalition in 1917. Before that time he was leader of the opposition in the Ontario legislature and the head of a well known Toronto law firm. He is a native son of Ontario, having been born in London 53 years ago. He was called to the Ontario bar in 1891 and afterward became king's counsel during the early stages of the Great War he took an active part in all forms of patriotic work and visited Great Britain and France to study war conditions. Latterly he has been in charge of the Department of North West Mounted Police, was president of the Privy Council and vice-chairman of the war committee of the cabinet.

ASSAULT CASE IS INTERESTING

Many Citizens Follow Case of J. J. Uriacher in Police Court

This morning in the Police Court before Magistrate McMorris the case of assault against J. J. Uriacher again came up for hearing, but had to be adjourned. The victim of the attack is still in the Hospital suffering from the effects of the injuries received. For some days the man, James Garnett, has been lapsing into long periods of unconsciousness. Now, however, he is able to be around, though still very feeble.

This case has aroused considerable interest locally and the outcome is being watched by many. At the sitting of the police commission on Wednesday the mayor asked Chief Vickers if it was true that the officer called to stop the fight had allowed the men to finish it out themselves. This the chief flatly denied.

TASCHEREAU MAY SUCCEED GOUIN

Is Considered Likely Man in Quebec Political Circles—Is Now Minister of Public Works.

QUEBEC, July 9.—Hon. L. A. Taschereau is considered in political circles as the likely successor to Sir Lomer Gouin as premier of the Province of Quebec.

Hon. Louis Alexander Taschereau is at present minister of public works and labor in the Quebec legislature. He was born in 1867 in Quebec City and is a prominent advocate of that city, having commenced his legal career as a partner with Sir Chas. Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of Canada. He has served as alderman on the Quebec city council and has represented the Montmorency constituency in the legislature since 1900 becoming minister of public works and labor in 1907. Officially Confirmed.

MONTREAL, July 9.—L. A. Taschereau, formerly attorney-general and minister of labor and public works, was sworn in as premier this morning. Sir Lomer Gouin led the Liberal government since 1905.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY AT YOSEMITE PARK BEACH

Man Killed When Attempting to Rescue Drowning Girl.

YOSEMITE, Calif., July 9.—Gertrude Kistler, daughter of a Democratic delegate to the San Francisco convention, was drowned here while bathing yesterday afternoon. H. J. Pink, who attempted to rescue the drowning girl, slipped from a rock and fractured his skull and is also dead.

Provincial Bonds Are Sold Locally

British Columbia Financial Corporations take \$1,500,000, competing successfully with Eastern Houses

VICTORIA, July 9.—Negotiations have just been closed by Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance for the province of British Columbia for the sale of \$1,500,000 worth of provincial bonds at the highly satisfactory rate of 99.88 and accrued interest. The deal has been made through British Columbia financial corporations and marks the first time that they have been able to successfully compete with the eastern houses.

LADY KNOWN IN NORTH IS DEAD

Miss Marjorie Falconer, Whose Brothers Reside at Alice Arm, Has Passed Away.

VANCOUVER, July 9.—Marjorie Falconer, aged 27, a talented actress and reciter, is dead in this city. Two brothers, Allan and Thomas Wilbert, reside at Alice Arm where they are in business.

It was only Wednesday morning when T. W. Falconer was in this city en route north after paying the last visit to his sister, having been called three weeks ago to the bedside. Miss Falconer visited Alice Arm in the summer of 1918.

UNITED STATES WAR BOATS GOING NORTH

VANCOUVER, July 9.—The U.S. sub-chaser 306 and the minesweeper Swallow sailed late last night for a cruise as far north as Sitka, Alaska.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

Half-yearly meeting tonight at 8 o'clock. Election of officers.

W. McNeish, auditor for the Workmen's Compensation Board, was a passenger for the south on the Prince Rupert last evening.

PRESIDENT MAY VISIT ALASKA

Report at Seattle That May Come by Panama Canal and Spend a Fortnight.

SEATTLE, July 9.—President Wilson may be the first chief executive of the United States to visit Alaska. Rumor has reached this city that the president intends to take the Mayflower via Panama Canal and make a short cruise of inside Alaskan waters. It is said that the President wants to see several important coal terminals in Alaska as well as seek a place where he may have complete change and rest. The Mayflower could make the trip to Alaska and return in about two weeks and weather would be ideal this month for the voyage. With powerful wireless the president could be in constant touch with affairs of state.

GWATKIN IS HEAD OF CANADA AIR FORCE

Will Have Rank of Vice-Marshal in His New Appointment.

OTTAWA, July 9.—General Gwatkin has been appointed inspector-general of the Canadian Air Force with the rank of vice-marshal.

BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL

Pacific International. Victoria 2, Tacoma 0, Seattle 6, Yakima 7.
 National League. Brooklyn 14, St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 0, Pittsburg 1, New York 5, Chicago 8.
 American League. Detroit 4, New York 3, Chicago 8, Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 4, Boston 0, Cleveland 4, Washington 2, Cleveland 9, Washington 6.
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SOVIET WILL HAVE OFFICE IN CANADA

Chief of Trade Bureau Makes Announcement in City of New York.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Ludwig Martin, chief of the Soviet Russian Trade Bureau, announces that an office will be established in Canada for a purchasing center.

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