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Vancouver and Victoria Are Badly Shaken by Earthquake

No Damage Reported Except Windows Broken; Centre of Disturbance Thought by Expert to Have Been at Victoria.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

VANCOUVER, January 24.—One of the most prolonged earthquake shocks that ever visited the vicinity shook the city shortly after 11 o'clock last evening. Excited people rushed out of the buildings but no damage resulted beyond some window panes broken.

The motion of the quake was lateral. Side to side vibrations occurred apparently in an east and west direction. The shock was felt most severely in highlands, a few bricks falling from tops of houses. Some Vancouver people thought that there had been an explosion in the Nanaimo coal mines. Reports from Nanaimo state that five shocks had been felt.

VICTORIA, Jan. 24.—Prolonged earthquake shocks which were felt here last night were found by F. Napier Denison, superintendent of the Dominion Observatory, to be of local origin. The shock took place at 11 p. m., its duration being five seconds. The centre of disturbance, he said, was either in the straits of Juan de Fuca or the Straits of Georgia. It was felt at all points communicated with, but damage is reported from none of these places.

Considerable alarm was occasioned here as the first surmise was that of an explosion on James Island where the big chemical works is situated.

SEATTLE, January 24.—Three distinct earthquake shocks were felt here last night. The cracking of brick walls here and Bellingham was reported.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 24.—(noon)—No reports of damage from last night's earthquake developed this morning. Reports from various points near the coast indicated that the shock had been felt generally.

PEACE TREATY FRAMERS ARE OUT OF LUCK

London, Clemenceau and Wilson Already Met With Reverses and Lloyd George Next.

PARIS, Jan. 24.—Ill fortune attended those statesmen intimately associated with the framing of the Peace Treaty of Versailles in the opinion of David Lloyd George of Great Britain. In conversation with members of the Chamber of Deputies, the British Premier is said to have expressed the opinions that the Peace Treaty was hard luck for anyone having had a hand in it. "Yes," the deputy is quoted as replying, "Premier Orlando is out of office, Premier Clemenceau is again in private life, and President Wilson has met with reverses in Washington. Only you have been spared."

"Yes, and in less than six months it will be my turn," is the reply attributed to the British Premier.

Mr. H. A. Harvey announces that he will be unable to accept any dance orchestra engagements until further notice.

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Sunshine Comedy

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British Gazette

EMPRESS
THEATRE

KITTY GORDON

"The Unveiling Hand"
11th Episode of
The Iron Test and The
Carter Case

METLAKATLA INDIANS CHOOSE COUNCILLORS

William Leask is Chief Councillor for 1920—Indian Agent Conducted Election.

Indian Agent C. C. Perry was in Metlakatla village yesterday conducting the annual election of town councillors. The following comprise the 1920 village council:—William Leask, Chief Councillor; Councillors, Wm. Leighton, Herbert Clifton, John Leighton, Stephen Ryan and Peter Haldane.

ICEBERGS FORCE STEAMER SOUTH ON NORTH ATLANTIC

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Icebergs near Cape Race forced the liner Stockholm, which arrived from Gothenberg, Sweden, more than thirty miles out of her course during her voyage. This is an indication of early spring, as flocks of the size of those sighted do not, under normal conditions, drift so far south until late in February.

COMPENSATION ACT DECLARED ULTRA VIRES

Appointment of Board in Violation of B. N. A. Act, Says Chief Justice.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

WINNIPEG, Jan. 24.—According to a decision rendered by Chief Justice Matthews in the Court of King's Bench the Manitoba Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act is declared to be ultra vires of the Provincial Legislature and the Compensation Board is shorn of its power as a judicial body.

The decision is based upon the holding that the appointment of the Board is in direct violation of the British North America Act.

Lady Smith Coal. The best. Prince Rupert Coal Company, Phone 15.

65 BATTERIES ARTILLERY FOR THIS COUNTRY

Initial Move in Formation of the Canadian Militia is Taken.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—The initial phase in the reorganization of the Canadian militia was entered upon yesterday by the issuance of an order by the militia department authorizing the organization of a field and heavy artillery for Canada.

Under the order it is proposed to organize and train during the coming year fifty field batteries and fifteen heavy or siege batteries.

NO STRIKES ALLOWED IN GERMAN REPUBLIC ON GOVERNMENT WORK

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—The German Government has issued a decree prohibiting all persons employed by the Government in the operation of railroads from striking.

S. G. Undertakers. Phone 41.

Twelfth Burns Banquet Had Record Attendance Three Hundred Guests

With an attendance of Scots and their friends that numbered 300 or over, the twelfth annual Burns Banquet was held in the St. Andrew's hall last night. The crowd was more enthusiastic than has turned out for many a year, the attendance was the greatest yet and, in every way, last night's event proved the biggest and, probably, the best ever held in the city. A spirit of satisfaction and relief seemed to pervade the very atmosphere of the banquet hall, a spirit caused by the fact that all the boys who went to France and Flanders are now home again with the exception of two men. Around the festive board could be

noticed the faces of those who had not been there for many a year while they were away on their mission of national salvation on the battlefronts. Besides the returned men there was a large representation of the best citizenry and the membership and support of the St. Andrew's Society was fittingly manifested by the representativeness of the gathering. There were Irish, English, Welsh, American and even French among the guests.

The banquet tables, six of them seating 50 each, completely filled the entire large hall. The catering arrangements were in the hands of the St. Regis Cafe staff, the waiters of that restaurant being out in force to attend to the needs of the guests. The tables were burdened with their loads of tempting delicacies and the spread was indeed sumptuous. There were salads of many varieties and to suit all tastes. Cold meats and meat pies accompanied these.

Enter King Haggis.

The feature, of course, was the haggis which coming in from the kitchen steaming hot in its true style was borne by John Tait, attired in Scottish uniform led by Piper James Sturgeon, who himself was clad in the full highland regalia. The entry of the national delicacy brought forth a roar of applause from all around the board. Joe Brown recited the immortal poem of Robert Burns, "Address to A Haggis." Following the haggis came many delicacies

JACK M'GINNIS UP ON MURDER CHARGE

Got Six Months Here Last Year For Theft of Blankets From Empress Hotel.

Jack (Curley) McGinnis, who is well known in northern police circles and who was sentenced to six months in this city last year for stealing blankets from the Empress Hotel, is now in Okalla prison, having been committed last week for trial on the charge of being implicated in the murder of Andy Groven last fall. With him is associated Blackie Ford, who is alleged to have committed the murder and Robert Graham who turned King's evidence and exposed McGinnis and Ford. The murder, it is believed, was the outcome of an attempt to commit theft.

SEVERAL KILLED IN RAILWAY STRIKE IN ITALY YESTERDAY

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

Rome, Jan. 24.—Several persons were killed and a number injured during disturbances resulting from strike demonstrations at Pola.

The Giornale D'Italia today advances the belief that once the railway strike is ended all ministers will put their portfolios at the disposal of the premier for a reorganization of the cabinet.

APPLICATIONS FOR AIR BOARD POSITIONS

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—The Civil Service Commission in this week's issue of the Canada Gazette announces that applications will be received from persons qualified to fill positions under the Air Board.

Influenza Spreading Throughout East

Many Large Cities Report Outbreaks; Detroit has Over 1500 Cases; Toronto Reached.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The influenza is spreading throughout many cities of the United States and is rapidly approaching the epidemic stage, the public health commissioner states. For some days past alarming reports have come from Chicago, but now other cities are joining in drawing attention to the condition.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 24.—Minnesota is gripped by the new flu epidemic which caused as many as 10,000 deaths last year, Dr. Charles E. Smith, executive officer of the state board of health, announced.

Baltimore, January 24.—Eighty-seven new cases of influenza and 23 cases of pneumonia were reported to the city health department yesterday. There were no deaths from flu but two from pneumonia.

DETROIT, January 24.—Seven hundred and sixty cases of influenza were recorded by the public health officer during the day, bringing the total since the beginning of the present outbreak to 1,523.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 24.—Theatres and all places of amusement are closed by the board of health owing to the prevalence of influenza.

TORONTO, Jan. 24.—The epidemic of influenza seems to have reached this city. Eight cases were reported at the Toronto General Hospital.

EIGHTY-FIVE COMMUNISTS ARE INDICTED

Grand Jury Charges Members With Advocating Overthrow of Government.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Eighty-five members of the Communist party were indicted by a special grand jury probing radical activities. The Grand Jury indicted thirty-eight of the Communist party.

The eighty-five are named in one general conspiracy indictment charging them with advocating the overthrow of the Government by revolution.

VICTORIA LEADS IN HOCKEY LEAGUE OF THE PACIFIC COAST

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

VICTORIA, January 24.—With three teams all lined up again level for a fresh start in the Pacific Coast Hockey League race, Victoria repeated the performance of the beginning of the season by a win on the home ice, this time at the expense of Vancouver. The Aristocrats trimmed the Millionaires to the tune of 4 to 1.

REFUSES TO MARRY THE YEAST MAGNATE

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Rev. H. C. Wasmund, of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, says he will not perform the wedding ceremony for Julius Fleischmann, the wealthy yeast manufacturer and former mayor of Cincinnati, and Mrs. Laura Hylan Hemingway.

Fleischmann recently was divorced by his wife. W. J. Rooney, superintendent Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraphs, in charge of lines in Alberta and British Columbia who arrived in the city from Edmonton on Tuesday and returned from Anxox on Thursday's boat, left for the east on today's train. Mr. Rooney is accompanied by his wife.

HOLLAND WILL GIVE REFUGE TO BANISHED

That is Ground They Take in Regard to Former Emperor Wilhelm.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

PARIS, Jan. 24.—In a note to the Foreign Office by the Dutch ministers, Holland takes the ground that the Dutch Government is not a party to the Peace Treaty which condemned William Hohenzollern, and that it cannot recognize it as an immediate duty to associate itself with "this act of high international policy of the world."

It declares also that the constituent laws of the kingdom and the traditions of the country which always afford a ground of refuge for banished refugees, will not permit the government to defer to the wishes of the Entente by withdrawing from the former Emperor, the benefit of its laws and traditions.

The declaration is made that the people of the Netherlands cannot betray to his foes those who have confided themselves to Holland's free institutions.

HOME RULE BILL BEING PREPARED

Committee of British Cabinet is Working on It Readiness for Parliament.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

LONDON, Jan. 24.—Now that Lloyd George is back from Paris, the British ministers are getting their proposed legislation in shape.

Ireland comes first. A committee of the cabinet is busy completing details of the Home Rule measure for the opening on February 10. It follows closely the lines of the proposal made by Lloyd George on December 22, though subsequent discussions here and in Ireland may give rise to some modifications in Ireland's favor as to finance and customs and excise powers.

ALICE ARM FROZE OVER WEDNESDAY

Alice Arm is frozen in from communication with Anxox. Last Tuesday the local boat, "Wake," made the last trip, but was unable to get through the ice on Thursday. Connections for the Arm with the Prince George on Thursday were thus cut off and a number of passengers from here to the mining town were forced to return here by the same steamer as accommodation could not be obtained in Anxox. It is possible that the "Wake" may resume service again today or tomorrow.

Launch "Alice B." Phone 41.