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PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1920.

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Victoria Delegation Expects Strong Support For District

Sums Placed in Estimates for Aid to Local High School, Morse Creek Bridge, Government Buildings and Rebuilding Dock.

Terrace Bridge and Roads In North Are Considered

Queen Charlotte Islands Drainage, Usk Ferry, Road Surveys on Kaien Island and other matters Receive Attention.

The Board of Trade delegation which recently visited Victoria reported last night to the Board of Trade in a most optimistic mood. They say they had a good reception from the members of the Government and that sums have been placed in the estimates which, if passed, as seems likely, will be of great benefit to the community. The following is the report:

An amount necessary for construction of Government buildings at Prince Rupert has been placed in the Estimates, and is our understanding that \$100,000.00 is available for construction during the year 1920.

Local High School.
A very liberal amount will be carried in the estimates for a portion of the costs of a high school at Prince Rupert.

The Honorable the Minister of Lands, representative of this district, is working hard to increase allotment already made, but does not desire any reference to this until such times as he is in a position to make a definite statement.

An amount of \$6,000.00 will be put in the estimates for Section 2 bridge.

An amount will be carried in the estimates for adequate repairs to Government Wharf, as it is the intention of the Government to reconstruct same in order that the public may receive full benefit.

Publicity.
The matters of publicity for the north country in Government publications was discussed and the delegation assured that the northern and central British Columbia would have good treatment in this respect.

Strong representation has been made by the Bella Coola district for better road facilities to enable the opening up of the interior valley, and the minister has, together with Grazing Commissioner MacKenzie, will make a trip from the Grand Trunk to the head of the Bella Coola with a view to obtaining first hand information and determining exactly what is best for that district.

Queen Charlottes.
A reserve will be placed on the vicinity of Maer's Island, Queen Charlotte Islands, for the drainage of a large area in contemplation. The drainage of this area is a necessary pre-requisite of the construction of a road from Port Moresby to Tel-el. Last year an engineer investigated the situation and continued on Page Four.)

TONIGHT
WESTHOLME
THEATRE
Constance Talmage
"A Virtuous Vamp"
Sunshine Comedy
"Choose your Exit"
Mutt and Jeff
EM PRESS
THEATRE
June Elvidge
"Love Defender"
13th Episode of—
"The Carter Case" and
"The Iron Test"

TAUNTS STATES FOR HER DELAY ENTERING WAR

Italian Newspaper Makes Savage Attack, Incensed by Letter of Secretary Glass.

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

ROME, Feb. 7.—The United States is savagely attacked by "The Epoca," which today prints a lengthy comment on the letter of Secretary Glass in regard to further credits to European countries.

"Secretary Glass," the newspaper says, "does not take into consideration that America did not participate in the war until Western Europe was out of danger, and that the United States took good care that Germany should not be excessively trampled upon and impoverished, she being an excellent American client."

GERMAN HONOR IS ENDANGERED

Prince von Buelow Says Men Whose Surrender Demanded Simply Did Duty.

WILL NOT SURRENDER MEN VOLUNTARILY

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

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—"They simply did their duty to the Fatherland," was Prince von Buelow's view of the acts of the Germans whose extradition is demanded by the Council of Ambassadors of the Allies. In expressing his opinion of the demand von Buelow said he considered it an evasion of the treaty. It was compatible with German honor that not one of the men must be surrendered voluntarily.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

In Trail Creek News of January, 1900, Local People are Mentioned.

The Trail Creek News says in a recent issue under "20 Years Ago": "Dr. Rothwell and sisters left Sunday evening for Rossland. A large number of friends came down to see them off and wish them a pleasant journey."

The two sisters referred to are Mrs. F. G. Dawson, of this city, and Mrs. Fasken, of Regina. Dr. Rothwell is now established in the medical practice at New Westminster and his mother, Mrs. Rothwell, just left here Thursday night last to visit him.

By Government test, Cadomin furnace coal (mine run) is by far the hottest coal sold here. Phone 7. Consumers Coal Co. 32

MARINE DEPARTMENT MARKS VENN PASSAGE PAST METLAKATLA

An improvement that will prove a great boon to fishermen and other launch owners has just been completed by the Marine Department which has its headquarters at Digby Island with Captain Saunders in charge. The following are the locations of the buoys:

Red Spar Buoy in approximate five fathoms L.W. off the reef North of Grindstone Island.

Black Spar Buoy in approximately five fathoms L.W. off the outer rock which dries eight feet, to the Eastward of Wilgiapsh Island.

Black Spar Buoy in approximately two fathoms L.W. off the shoal approximately Two Cables West of Du Vernet Point.

Red Spar Buoy in approximately two fathoms L.W. off Dundas Point.

Red Spar Buoy in approximately four fathoms L.W. off Auriel Point.

CURRIE STARTING BAKERY BUSINESS

Former Confectionery Store to Become a Bakeshop

The building formerly occupied by "Candyland" has been purchased by James Currie who will re-open his bakery business there. Mr. Currie has made application for a building permit at the estimated cost of \$1,000. He will tear down the small building at the rear and build a modern bakery equipped with bake ovens in place of it.

Shipment of Cattle Here On Way to Graham Island For Currie Stock Range

What is probably the largest single shipment of cattle to pass through this port for the Queen Charlotte Islands is in town today and will be taken across on the Prince John when she leaves for the north island tonight or tomorrow on her return from Stewart. The shipment, which consists of 26 head of heifers, arrived yesterday morning from Calgary and is going to the ranch of Ronald Currie at Tow Hill near Massett. Mr. Currie is accompanying the stock and has been on the prairies for the last two months buying them. They are good healthy animals and will be used for breeding purposes.

Mr. Currie speaks very favorably of the prospects for the cattle raising business on the islands. He has three quarter section tracts of good grazing land there, and has already ten head of cattle on the land. The animals are to be used solely for beef raising as Mr. Currie is not in the dairy business. Developments of the lumbering and fishing industries in the vicinity of Massett has provided a good home market and it is not the intention of the owner to ship any of his beef from the islands.

The buying of this stock represents considerable investment. Bought at Calgary, they cost \$7 per head and the freight on them to this port was over \$400, in addition to the further cost of getting them safely across the straits. Mr. Currie, however, is quite confident of the success of his venture as meat is scarce on the Islands and consequently a good price is offered. The cost of feeding stock is simple as they can be grazed out all winter, although Mr. Currie intends to feed these in the barns during the most severe spells.

TEN-CAR FISH TRAIN OUT THIS MORNING

Five Local Companies Ship Fish by Canadian Express Co.; Bought Last Day or So

A fish special of ten cars, representing the big catches sold here in the last day or so, went out shortly before the passenger train this morning enroute to the eastern market behind engine 67. The train was made up of car load lots from the Booth Fisheries, Atlin Fisheries, Pacific Sea Products Co., Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., and Pacific Fisheries.

TO COLLECT DEBTS FROM ENEMY NATIONS

Clearing House to be Established For Purpose Government Desires.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—The Canadian Government has decided on the establishment of a clearing house for the purpose of collecting debts from former enemy nations.

AT CENTRAL HOTEL

Peter Black Making Provision for Extensive Improvement at Popular House.

A building permit was let yesterday afternoon to Peter Black, proprietor of the Central Hotel, for extensive alterations and excavation at the cost of \$9,000 in the basement which will make the house one of the most comfortable and well appointed in Northern B.C. The work is in charge of Dalgarno & Watts.

STEAMER ASHORE

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

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—I wireless from Otter Cliffs, Me., reports that the steamer Politus is ashore near Mosquito Island.

BIRTH

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. J. Brown, of Biggar Place.

Statement of Claim of Newman Erb in Dry Dock Lawsuit

Asks Court to Declare Meetings of Directors and Their Acts to be Illegal; Also Claims Damages

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

VICTORIA, February 7.—Newman Erb's statement of claim against John L. Mullen, A. M. Manson, M. P. P., and others at Prince Rupert in connection with the suit for control of the Dry Dock and Government shipbuilding contracts has just been filed in the Supreme Court here. This crystallizes the plaintiff's case in a clean cut form. When the statement for the defence is filed, and this will be at as early a date as possible, the stage will be set for the big fight.

In the statement filed Erb asks for complete nullification of all dealings and transactions, such as the issue of shares, appointment of directors, etc., by the defendants, dating from and including the meeting of December 20, when William E. Williams and Miss Ethel Thompson assumed to be the sole shareholders and acted accordingly.

Erb asks for a declaration that all these proceedings were beyond the power of the defendants, were illegal and void, and asks in addition for damages.

The Directors.

The statement of claim filed by Knox Walker as solicitor for the plaintiff sets out that Erb, The Empire Ship and Dry Dock Corporation, W. M. Madden, H. B. Blanchard, I. M. Dittenhoefer, plaintiffs, and Alex. M. Manson and John L. Mullen, defendants, were the only shareholders in the company, and that the directors were the individuals named.

The Empire Company is cited as having 5,975 shares and each of the individual directors five shares each.

The document then alleges that in December last Manson, Williams, Mullen and Ethel Thompson conspired to usurp control of the company, and that on December 20th Williams and Miss Thompson wrongfully assuming to constitute themselves sole shareholders did, without notice to the real shareholders, purport to hold an extraordinary general meeting of the company. It alleges that they reduced the directorate from five to four, and appointed the defendants, J. R. Morgan, S. P. McMordie, E. C. Gibbons, and F. F. Schellenberg directors. At another extraordinary meeting held the same day the two defendants are alleged to have increased the capital of the company from \$500,000 to \$750,000.

A Loan from Mullen.

The new directors meeting on the same day are alleged to have allotted one share each to Williams, Miss Thompson, Mullen and Schellenberg, and to have granted Mullen a bonus of one hundred fully paid up shares in consideration for a loan of \$13,000.

The defendants are also alleged to have purported to hold an annual statutory general meeting of the company on January 3rd without notice to the plaintiffs and to have appointed Mullen Schellenberg, Gibbons and Morgan directors.

It is also alleged that defendants took control of the plant and contracts.

The remedy asked is simply a declaration that all of these proceedings were illegal, and consequently null and void, with a restoration of the situation that existed before December 20, and damages.

THREATEN TO CALL BIG RAILWAY STRIKE NO TRADE YET WITH RUSSIA

Way Employees of Detroit Would Make It Nation Wide.

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

DETROIT, Feb. 7.—A conference of way employees and shop laborers connected with the railways met here yesterday and decided to call a nation-wide strike if the demands are not met by the Washington conference.

PRIZE WINNER IN LIMERICK CONTEST

Mrs. H. L. Purdy Carries off Daily News \$5 Reward.

The three limericks chosen from the large number submitted were this morning judged by an expert and he adjudged that the winner is Mrs. H. L. Purdy. He says that there is evident padding in the other verses, but in this one practically every word counts. The following is the verse Mrs. Purdy submitted:

St. Regis Cafe.
The High cost of living's no joke,
It's keeping the most of us broke,
But to eat every day
At St. Regis Cafe
Is a good way to hand it a poke.

Doubt as to Practical Working of Scheme Develops.

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

PARIS, Feb. 7.—Doubt as to the practical working of the plan for the partial resumption of trade with Russia through the Russian co-operative societies, was developed at today's session of the Council of Ambassadors. The scheme was discussed at some length.

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