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Fireworks Develop at Grand Trunk Shareholders' Meeting

Clergyman Scores Canadian Political Methods And is Backed by Sir Alfred Smithers; "Government Has No Morals," Says Speaker.

Agreement to Sell the Line is Endorsed by Gathering

Resolution of Protest, at Terms Imposed, Passed After Pact is Adopted; Twelve Vote Against Sale.

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

LONDON, February 20.—The shareholders of the Grand Trunk Railway, after listening to heated criticisms today, assented to the terms of the agreement with the Dominion Government. Dozens of dissenters held a meeting afterwards and passed a resolution protesting against the terms.

"We have fought hard for nearly two years and we earnestly and unhesitatingly recommend you to accept the agreement," was the final sentence of Sir Alfred Smithers' speech to the shareholders. The meeting was crowded and at times there were strong ejaculations. The shareholders, however, were entirely cordial toward the chairman and his colleagues.

Sir Alfred Smithers declared— "I know there were influential men in Canada who thought that the policy of the Government would pursue was to let us alone and that the weaker we became the easier we could be dealt with. They knew we were carrying on under impossible conditions over which we had no control. I feel we were powerless and being held in the grip of 'shame' and one of 'swindlers'." The chairman said that they thought in regard to the Grand Trunk Pacific they were entitled to the same consideration as the Canadian Northern.

Rev. Leonard Dawson, formerly of British Columbia, said: "The real trouble has been that this company has been an English company. Our shares were not quoted on the Canadian stock exchanges and the board is most wholly English. Speaking frankly, in dealing with the Canadian Government, which has no morals, I have had to fight the government there myself over all matters. If we had had a real Canadian board it is understood that the condition would be such that men on the floor of the house could say to the Government like the Canadian Pacific: 'If you do that, mind what you are about because an election will come.' Then we should do better."

"I know it is not a nice way to run the country, but that is the way things are done there. I am sorry to say it. I have been a Canadian citizen and like their country. I believe this will lead British investors to send no more money to Canada." (Loud and prolonged cheers greeted the last sentence.)

Chairman Smithers, referring subsequently to the clergyman's speech, said: "From the bottom of my heart I realize he does know Canada from top to bottom." The resolution was carried with less than a dozen dissenting. Subsequently the resolution protesting against the terms was adopted.

JAPANESE STOP MOVING TROOPS INTO SIBERIA

All Country Between Vladivostok and Manchuria in Hands of Revolutionists.

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

Vladivostok, Feb. 20.—As the result of negotiations between General Krakowitz, commander of the Zemstvo army, and M. Matsuda, representing Japan, instructions have been sent to the Japanese general in command to cease sending Japanese to Vladivostok. This move is interpreted as indicating that Japan desires to avoid a conflict with the Russians.

All the country between here and the Manchurian boundary is in the hands of the revolutionists.

Tonight and Tomorrow
WESTHOLME
THEATRE
Matinee at 3 Evening at 7:15

Katherine MacDonald
The Most Beautiful Woman on the screen in
"The Beauty Market"
Sunshine Comedy
"In Neighbor's Keyhole"
and "Mutt and Jeff."

PRINCE RUPERT GETS GOOD RUN

New Metlakatla Basketball Team Showed Much Class Last Night; Great Attendance.

The crowd of 400 that attended the basketball game between New Metlakatla and Prince Rupert in the Auditorium last night saw something in the line of indoor sport. The game was one of the very fastest ever staged here and was interesting from start to finish. The combination displayed by the Alaskans was almost perfect and the fact that the Rupert players came along with some strong checking as the visitors neared the basket was the only reason for the victory of the home team by a score of 32-16. At half time the score was 15-10 in Rupert's favor and was anybody's game. The attendance taxed the capacity of the hall and there was a good representation of ladies. There were two referees, Lee Dell, of Rupert, and E. Hudson, from New Metlakatla. The home players were Clementson, Day, Corkle, Anderson and Hardy.

Tonight a double header will take place when two Rupert teams will meet two visiting teams. No. 1 Prince Rupert team will comprise Clementson, Menzies, Anderson, Blythe and Mann; while No. 2 will be made up of Blythe, Currie, Craggs, Corkle and Day. No. 1 New Metlakatla team will consist of Henry Benson, Alfred Dundas, Harry Atkinson, Reggie Booth and Romen Atkinson; No. 2, A. Booth, Ted Benson, Dave Neilson, Ed. Rees and W. Lang. Manager H. J. Murchison is in charge of the boys.

INDIAN SURRENDERS

Peter Wales of Hazelton Will be Tried for Murder Committed 14 Years Ago.

HAZELTON, Feb. 20.—Charged with the murder of two men nearly 14 years ago, since which time there has been a price on his head, Himadan, an Indian, known also as Peter Wales, surrendered to the police here. He will be tried in connection with the death of Alexander McIntosh near Two-Mile, B. C., and Max Lecler on the Kispiox road where the bodies were found on June 19, 1906. The evidence against him is said to be slight.

FREIGHT RATES ARE ADVANCING

Effective March 1 a 10% Increase on Coast Steamers Will Come Into Operation.

Effective March 1, freight rates on the coast steamship lines between Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle and this port will advance 10%, following the raise in passenger rates which became effective January 1. Like the raise in the passenger service, the increase in freight is due to the excessive costs of operation on the steamers.

FISH ARRIVALS TODAY

The following fish boats arrived for this morning's sale and sold their first class fish for 15c and over:

Skandia, 35,000 lbs.; Convention, 13,000; Nidaros, 14,000; Joanna, 12,000; Myrtle, 9,000; Adeline, 6,000, and Fisher 8,000 pounds.

PATMORE OBJECTS TO HEAVY BAIL

Magistrate, However, Decides that \$1,000 is Not Unreasonable on Liquor Selling Charge.

Mrs. Belle Ward, charged with selling intoxicating liquor, appeared in the police court this morning and pleaded not guilty. L. W. Patmore, defending accused, made the plea of not guilty. The placing of bail at \$1,000 caused considerable discussion between counsel.

"Such a high bail makes it impossible, almost, for a prisoner to get out," pleaded Mr. Patmore. "Almost anybody would rather pay that bail than get six months," said Mr. Williams. "Ever since I have been on this bench, I have never asked for less on this charge," remarked Magistrate McMorris, "and that is my ruling now."

"This is working a hardship on the Salvation Army where women prisoners are housed and I do not think Mr. Williams should ask for such a high figure," went on Mr. Patmore.

"It is not my fault that the Salvation Army is put under hardship but the fault of the city fathers," remarked Mr. Williams. "I have ruled," from the magistrate.

"I am not satisfied," went on Mr. Patmore, "but if your worship does not wish to hear argument before ruling, all right." "I have heard this argument dozens of times before and it is only wasting my time. I don't want to hear it, Mr. Patmore."

WANT MANDATE FROM LABOR REGARDING LABOR SAVING ACT

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

MONTREAL, Feb. 20.—Action is being taken by the Manufacturers Association to secure the opinion of labor in Canada with regard to the passing of a daylight saving law this summer. It is believed that a referendum will give the association a mandate with which to approach the Dominion Government to ask for a Daylight Saving Act.

MINE EQUIPMENT TAKEN TO STEWART

W. A. Maloche Took 200 Tons for Northern Light and Spider Properties.

W. A. Maloche and his secretary, J. E. McKnight, went to Stewart on the Prince Albert, taking in 200 tons of mining supplies and equipment for use as soon as spring opens on the Northern Light and Spider claims which are to be developed. The properties are in the hands of the Algonquin Development Co.

VICTORIA TRIES TO CHECK INFLUENZA

VICTORIA, Feb. 20.—To check the spread of influenza in Victoria and Esquimalt a ban has been placed by the Provincial Government on private and public dances. Unless conditions grow worse, theatres and public assemblies will not be interfered with.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN HAS BAD VOYAGE

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

VICTORIA, Feb. 20.—With one lifeboat missing, part of her port fails carried away and considerable minor damage, the Empress of Japan, Capt. A. J. Holland, arrived after one of the most severe trips ever experienced during thirty-odd years on the Pacific. She took two days longer than usual to make the run.

Whiskey Case Continued Before Magistrate and One Witness is Examined

The preliminary trial of Duff and Leachy charged with theft of liquor, was continued in the police court this morning and was adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for further witness to be heard. George Sweet was the only witness heard today and he would not identify the liquor produced in court as belonging to him.

"I did not authorize any one to move the liquor, thirty cases of which belonged to me, from Lipsett's house," said Mr. Sweet on being called to the witness stand by W. E. Williams, "nor did I know at the time that it was being moved. I did not open the cases, but I saw them. They were tagged with manila tags tacked on the boxes. These tags bore my name and the name of the vendors, Natt Bell Liquor Co. My cases looked like Lipsett's and I took them up to the house on the arrival at the express office. It was supposed to be King's Choice Scotch Whiskey, although my order was for no definite brand as long as it was of good quality. I received no word from the vendors at the brand being shipped to me."

Stored Liquor.

"It came here by express in my name and I stored it in Lipsett's a key to which I had at that time, but which I returned after a half hour or so. I had made arrangements for a house of my own and had even paid a \$50 deposit for rental. The deal for the house, however, did not go through and I wired cancelling the liquor; shipment but it was too late then to stop it. Harry Lipsett had told me that I could come up and live with him as I had sold my interest in my hotel and had no place to live. He said that he had a big house up on the hill and invited me. I told him about the liquor coming and asked him if I could store it at his place, too, and he assented."

Cost \$30 a Case.

"I cannot identify the liquor shown me in the cell as there are no tags on it, although it does look like it. I did not open the cases which I put in Lipsett's house a day or so before the alleged theft. The liquor cost \$30 a case."

Mr. Patmore then examined the witness and brought forth that he did not know exactly what he had received and he could not identify the boxes.

Here a witness named Miller was called, but, not being in court or on the premises, Mr. Williams asked for adjournment and the magistrate fixed the time as 10:30 tomorrow morning.

NEW METLAKATLA BASKETBALL TEAM PLEASED WITH RUPERT

Herbert J. Murchison, manager of the New Metlakatla basketball team, wishes to express the team's appreciation of the splendid reception given them by the Prince Rupert people last night on their first visit to the city, and of the clean play of the Rupert team.

It is arranged that tonight there will be a "doubleheader," successive games being played by the first and second teams of both sides. Henry Benson, captain of the Metlakatla school team, has announced that he will put in his new secret defence and does not wish any rearrangement of the Rupert team because of their superior weight over his men. He hopes the big crowd will turn out tonight again to see his featherweight team play.

WILHELM MAY GO TO ISLAND OF CURACAO

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

PARIS, Feb. 19.—Suggestions have been made here that former Emperor William of Germany be sent to the island of Curacao off the Venezuelan coast instead of to the Dutch East Indies.

97 and 50-piece Dinner Sets at Tite's February Bargain prices.

CANADA WILL DEAL DIRECT WITH STATES

Legislation to Appoint Representative at Washington is to be Passed.

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

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—Legislation will be introduced at the coming session of Parliament to define the status of the proposed Canadian representative at Washington. Since the early days of the war there has been a Canadian mission at Washington but its functions have been confined to matters of trade. The functions of the Canadian representative will be to cut out the present circuitous route via the Colonial Office.

On matters particularly between Canada and the United States, the Canadian Government is to deal directly through its own representative at Washington.

COMMITTEE TO OPERATE LINE

Grand Trunk Will Work in Harmony With Canadian National Until Deal Consummated.

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

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—Ratification of the Grand Trunk agreement by the shareholders in London will be followed by the appointment of a committee of management. The committee will be composed of five persons, two appointed by the Grand Trunk, two by the Government and the fifth by the other four.

The committee of management will endeavor to ensure the operation of the Grand Trunk system in harmony with the Canadian National Railways, the two systems being treated as nearly as possible as one.

The committee will continue to act until the Grand Trunk preferred and common stocks are vested in the Government.

AIRPLANE SERVICE STARTED TO WARSAW

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

PARIS, Feb. 19.—The airplane service between Paris and Warsaw started today. Stops will be made at Coblenz to pick up and deliver mail and parcels.

TENDERS WANTED

Tenders wanted for moving building now occupied by Prince Rupert Feed Co. For full particulars apply to T. Trotter. 39

Ask for Atkins' Sausages. 1f

Tonight and Tomorrow
EMPRESS
THEATRE

ETHEL CLAYTON
in
A Soul Without Windows
Final Episode of
"The Iron Test"
"The Carter Case" will be completed next week.