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Erb-Mullen Trial Will be Postponed to a Later Date

Modern Instance of "Naboth's Vineyard" Declares E.C. Mayers when Arguing Against Further Delay.

E. P. Davis Asks Why This Unseemly Horrible Haste

Counsel For Defense Does Not Mince Words in Telling Story of Proceedings Which Led up to Action.

postponement will be granted the Erb interests in the case vs. Mullen et al, but the new date has not been set. That substance of a decision of Mr. Justice Macdonald. Inquiry made in regard to it by counsel at the week-end from Mr. Murphy. The reply was that Mr. Justice Macdonald was to his home with a cold, but that he had intimated over telephone that a postponement would be granted. Argument in connection with the case was strenuous. E. P. Davis, K.C., in making application, argued it was an absolute necessity for the plaintiff to have his case ready for March 22. Evidence being taken by commission could not possibly be before April 18.

There is no reason why we should be rushed to trial in this case, this horrible haste," Davis said. "Even according to Mullen's statement, the amount in dispute is \$600,000. The importance of the interests at stake justify a reasonable delay."

History of Case. Arguing that there should be postponement E. C. Mayers, the Mullen interests, did not mince words. His short history of the case given to the court was that Mullen had decided to "illuminat" "From the very first," said Mayers, "this has been a scheme to get the first fruits of Mullen's success without the payment of a

Mullen is a man who can build," he continued, "but he is not to be trusted to the subtleties of high finance. He was successful in getting a lease of the drydock and contract from the Dominion government of a very valuable property. Money was required to carry on with and Mr. Erb gave a personal promise, as man to man, that he would supply the money to finance the contracts. The strength of this Erb drew the one of the most remarkable contracts ever prepared.

Naboth's Vineyard. We can ever get into court and show that Erb, the miller lawyer, deliberately stole the lease and contract from the laboring man. It is a modern story of "Naboth's vineyard," declared Mr. Mayers. "Mr. Erb after he had secured the contract simply took the contract to the Bank of Montreal and arranged for an advance, not on the credit but on the credit of the Dominion of Canada. He claimed," Mr. Mayers continued, "that Erb then deliberately proceeded to starve the business. He took the head office to New York and in one year paid \$30,000 in salaries there, and the business that was done was the payment of one bill.

Keeping Things Going. In the meantime Mullen was keeping up at Prince Rupert keeping things going and was paying the wires hot trying to get Erb to put up some money. Erb got to the point at which, owing to Erb's milking the Mullen had to pay wages of his own pocket. This was the last straw, so it was decided to get rid of Erb and the

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS AND PYTHIAN SISTERS

All Knights will meet at the Castle Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother Green. Pythian Sisters will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 2:30 o'clock.

present proceedings were started. "It is all right as long as Erb goes along gaily getting injunctions, but when the defendant has the wickedness to try to force affairs to an issue, it is quite a different matter," he concluded.

TRIAL DATE IS NOW SET

Drydock Control Suit Will Commence April 7 Unless Further Postponed.

(Special by Government wire.)
VANCOUVER, March 15.—(2 p. m.)—The date of the trial of the Drydock case in which Newman Erb is suing John L. Mullen and others for the control of the local shipbuilding plant and drydock has been set for April 7. The original date was March 22 and the change has been made at the instance of E. P. Davis acting on behalf of the plaintiff.

WHIST LEAGUE FINAL RESULTS

Scores of Individual Members who Played This Season.

The Prince Rupert Fraternal Whist League have issued a tabulated statement showing average scores for the 1919-1920 season, from which the following is taken:

NAME	Total Score	Average Score
Sam Hadgan	1,878	6,707
E. J. Cobb	2,044	6,704
H. Menzies	1,983	6,699
C. Embleton	1,399	6,693
F. E. Wernig	1,904	6,67
John Dybhavn	2,040	6,666
S. M. Newton	1,587	6,66
W. S. Fisher	1,131	6,65
R. H. Shogkley	1,679	6,63
J. C. Knight	2,142	6,63
A. O. Morse	1,530	6,59
W. G. Barrie	1,886	6,59
J. Hutchinson	1,766	6,58
B. Crossett	2,154	6,58
D. C. Stuart	1,742	6,57
S. King	1,110	6,56
Roi Barnes	1,967	6,56
J. Hilliard	1,356	6,55
J. Day Bell	2,095	6,52
K. A. Rood	1,874	6,5
A. Ivarson	1,468	6,49
J. Morrison	1,461	6,49
W. H. Burken	2,184	6,48
W. D. Vance	1,747	6,47
H. R. Love	1,915	6,42
J. Ross	2,086	6,41
A. O. Ragstad	1,689	6,39
E. Stockland	2,201	6,38
S. Hamblin	1,992	6,36
J. Christensen	1,285	6,36
W. McCullagh	2,067	6,34
A. Wick	1,292	6,33
Wm. Brown	2,065	6,315
H. Foote	995	6,314
J. A. Donnelly	1,320	6,17
H. M. Daggett	1,832	6,17

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TERRORISM IN IRELAND

Rumor that Sir William Robertson Will Leave Rhine Command to Assume Control.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
MONTREAL, March 15.—A cable despatch received here reads:

"Terrorism continues in Ireland, says Sir William Robertson. It is condemned by the church and by all except the ultra radical element throughout the south-west."

"That Sir William Robertson is leaving the Rhine command to assume charge of the forces in Ireland is the rumor."

DR. KARL HELAFERICH FOUND GUILTY OF LIBEL

BERLIN, March 13.—Dr. Karl Helfferich, former minister of the treasury, has been found guilty of libelling Mathias Erzberger.

Pianos correctly tuned. \$6.00. G. C. Walker, Phone Blue 389.



Viscount Jellicoe of Scapa and Admiral Beatty. Jellicoe's recommendations to the Canadian Government are under consideration.

MARTEN FARM ON ALASKAN ISLANDS

Pattison and High Islands Leased for Fur Farm by E. C. Howard.

KETCHIKAN, March 15.—E. C. Howard, formerly manager of the Stedman Hotel and a fur buyer and mining man of this place, has leased Pattison and High Islands near the entrance to Kasaan Bay to establish a fur farm.

Marten is the animal which the island is to be stocked, Mr. Howard being of the opinion that this and other furs will soon be very scarce as a result of the immense amount of trapping done this year.

MANY ON STRIKE IN LYONS REGION

Silk Workers Have Gone Out, Bringing up Numbers to 60,000.

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
PARIS, March 15.—In the Lyons region several thousand employees in the silk industry have gone on strike. Some of the silk mills are idle. The number of strikers now in this district is something like 60,000 in all.

ARMENIANS IN TURKEY MAKE RELIEF APPEAL

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, March 15.—Armenians in this country are making an appeal for assistance. They have telegraphed the American Relief Committee asking for immediate relief. They are in a sad plight and are in dire need.

No Restoration of German Monarchy

So Declares the New Government in Berlin; Entente Commission is in Agreement with Present Party in Power.

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

BERLIN, March 13.—Barbed wire entanglements have been constructed in front of the public buildings in the principal streets of Berlin. Cannon and machine guns are posted at the cross streets and other points of vantage and guards, heavily armed, are stationed throughout the city. This is regarded as an ominous sign of possible clashes when the opposing party marshals its forces.

The new government declares it does not want the restoration of the monarchy.

BERLIN, March 14.—The Entente Commission is said to be in agreement with the new government. The semi-official news agency has issued the following:—"Discussions between the new German Government and the Entente Commission in Berlin is said to have declared that it agreed with the new government."

SPENT WINTER ON NAAS RIVER

Gaius Peck and Party of Returned Soldiers Back From Gwinehah Canyon.

ONE MAN HAD NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING

After spending four months of the winter in the wilds of the Naas River country, Gaius Peck and his thirteen men, who were clearing the Swinehead or Underleaf Canyon for traffic, returned on Saturday afternoon. The canyon is now clear for all boats under 100 feet in length in charge of good navigators and the river may be ascended to Grease Harbor, 51 miles from the mouth. The canyon is about 40 miles up river.

Mushing in over ice and snow in November, the party took in its winter supplies. The trip was not one for tenderfoots and Mr. Peck, seen by the News this afternoon, emphasized specially the excellent men he had, all of whom were returned soldiers. Among the party was William Campbell who is well known around this town.

The trip out was no pleasure with the snow melting and the ice breaking up. One member of the party had a narrow escape coming down. A stretch of ice had to be crossed that looked rather treacherous. Two of the lighter men made the remark that they would let a couple of heavier ones go ahead. Hardly had the words been said when William Campbell went through the ice but fortunately landed on a pinnacle of the bar. Had it been at any other point within a few feet he would have been drawn into the seething stream with no hope of being recovered.

BACHELORS ENTERTAIN

Dance Given by Club at Ketchikan to Friends at That Place.

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

KETCHIKAN, March 15.—A most enjoyable dance was given by the "Two Dozen Jolly Bachelors" in Redman's Hall at which all the dancers in town were present. The hall was prettily decorated with cupids and red hearts and the refreshment booth had similar emblems, an intimation to the fair sex that the way to a man's heart is by way of his stomach. The event was kept up to a late hour.

400,000 ON STRIKE

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
PARIS, March 15.—It is estimated by officials of the Federation of Labor that nearly 400,000 persons in all are on strike in France at the present time.

B. C. Undertakers. Phone 41.

GOOD MUSICAL PROGRAM HELD LAST EVENING

Numbers were Turned Away from Presbyterian Church When Hall was Filled.

The special musical service given in the Presbyterian Church last night was a very attractive one and many people flocked to the church to hear it with the result that numbers were turned away who could not get into the hall.

The program was well selected and many local artists took part. John E. Davey sang a selected solo and with Mrs. Jarvis McLeod, Miss Edmands and A. Clapperton rendered the quartette, "Crossing the Bar," very impressively. Mrs. Jarvis McLeod and Miss Lilian King sang a vocal duet, "The Lord is My Shepherd." A Clapperton in his rich bass rendered a solo, "The Lord is Mindful of His Own." Miss L. King, Miss Edmands, Miss L. M. Stephen and Harry Harvey took part in the instrumental part of the program.

Dr. H. R. Grant, in a brief address, gave an analysis of the hymn "Rock of Ages," telling of its origin and inspiration. He also told of the life of its composer, Augustus Montague Toplady whose name was made immortal by its composition. He was a clergyman of the eighteenth century.

HERRING IN HARBOR ON FRIDAY MORNING

The first herring to appear in the harbor for some years were on Friday morning. One of the fishing boats was out in front of the drydock and made quite a haul. The swarms of sea gulls flying over the school reminded pioneers of the early days when the herring used to school in large numbers in the harbor.

SHADED FRANKIE MASON

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
TOLEDO, March 13.—Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion of the world, shaded Frank C. Mason, of Fort Wayne, American contender for the title, in 12 rounds. Wilde took seven rounds, Mason four and one was even.

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