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GERMANS ARE AGAIN REPULSED AT VERDUN

FIFTIETH DAY OF GREAT BATTLE SEES GERMAN ASSAULT SPENDING ITSELF

GERMAN ATTACK REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES

East and West of Meuse Enemy Is Driven Back—Berlin Casualty Lists—Three Planes Brought Down.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, April 11.—On the west bank of the Meuse the German attack on Deadman's Hill from Corbeaux wood was repulsed last night.

East of the Meuse the Germans attacked our trenches south of Douaumont, but were beaten back with heavy losses. This is the fiftieth day of the battle of Verdun and there is evidence that the German assault is spending itself.

Berlin Casualty Lists.

Berlin announces that the Germans have taken 36,000 French prisoners since February 1st and that the German casualties for the same period amount to 35,198. The total German casualties published since the beginning of the war amount to 2,667,372, exclusive of naval or colonial losses or the casualties of the Teutonic Allies.

Three Fokkers Down.

A French aviator brought down a Fokker near Verdun on April 9th, while another Fokker was brought down by our gun-fire at Woivre.

An uninjured Fokker with an unwounded aviator came to earth in the Champagne district, the aviator being made prisoner.

TENDERS FOR MATERIAL FOR SEAL COVE ROADWAY

The following tenders for material for the Seal Cove roadway extension were opened at the city council meeting last evening:

Cement—Westholme Lumber Company, Portland cement, \$2.70 per barrel, 10 cents extra in sacks. Nails—A. J. Galland, \$4.80 per keg; Thompson Hardware Co., \$5.00 per keg; Howe & McNulty, \$5.00 per keg; Kaen Hardware Co., \$97.00 per ton.

Lumber—Westholme Lumber Co., \$13.75 per M. for fir; George Little, Terrace, \$14.25 per M.; F. W. Hart, \$14.30 per M.; Georgetown Sawmill, \$15.50 per M. and W. J. Barton, \$14.50 per M. Ald. McClymont, seconded by Ald. Montgomery moved that the lowest tenders be accepted, provided supplies could be furnished within a reasonable time. This carried unanimously.

WORK RESUMED ON ALICE ARM ROADWAY

Mitchell Albert received a wire this morning stating that work has been resumed on the roadway at Alice Arm, the men having accepted \$3.00 per day, with \$1.00 for board, with the option of \$3.00 per day is Mr. Albert's original offer for work on this construction.

SIR SAM HUGHES IS EXPECTED IN OTTAWA FRIDAY

Engineer Admits Excess of Rock was Allowed First Month in Victoria Dredging Contracts.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, April 11.—J. S. McLaughlin, resident government engineer at Victoria, appeared before the public accounts committee yesterday in connection with the alleged grafting in the Victoria Harbor dredging contract.

McLaughlin admitted that he allowed an excess of 864 yards in the estimate of the amount of rock moved in the first month, but adjusted the matter later.

He denied the story of E. G. Mallory and said that he never received a dollar of graft from the dredging contracts.

Sam Hughes Expected.

Sir Sam Hughes, minister of militia, is due in Ottawa on Friday to testify before the commission which is conducting an enquiry into the letting of munitions contracts.

RALPH SMITH SCORES BOWSER GOVERNMENT

Criticism of the government for refusing to make public the correspondence passing between Agent-general Turner, ex-Premier McBride and Hon. Mr. Bowser, relating to the terms upon which the resignation of Mr. Turner was obtained, was made by Mr. Ralph Smith, Liberal candidate for the city of Vancouver, in a speech before the Ward Two Liberals last night.

Referring to the plea of the premier that the correspondence was private and confidential, Mr. Smith said that excuse given to the public which had to pay the pensions and salaries to these officials, came with bad grace from a government which had made public the private letters of a private citizen, for no other apparent purpose than to try to punish Rev. Dr. John Mackay for his protest against the mismanagement which had marked the government of recent years.

The case of Mr. J. P. Shaw, the member for Kamloops, was also referred to by Mr. Smith, who said that the member while still a member of the House had drawn down over \$15,000 from the provincial treasury while in receipt of sessional indemnity. This was in addition to the \$15,000 which came from the Dominion treasury.

Referring to the hard work which falls to the lot of Mr. Brewster in the legislature with only one Liberal and two Socialist members to assist him in carrying out the investigations before public committees, as well as to check up legislation in the House, Mr. Smith appealed for the unanimous support of all Liberals for the present members of the opposition.—Province.

LIVING OFF THE PUBLIC

J. E. MERRYFIELD DRAWS.....\$175.00 PER MONTH from the government for the examining warehouse on First Avenue.
M. M. STEPHENS DRAWS.....\$117.50 PER MONTH from the government for the small premises occupied by the Dominion Telegraphs.
M. M. STEPHENS DRAWS.....\$40.00 PER MONTH from the government for the little office occupied by the Dominion Fisheries.
J. G. SCOTT, M. M. STEPHENS AND OTHERS GET \$516.33 from the government for the rooms occupied by the post office, etc., in the Federal Block.

Who said times were hard? You must be rich when you can afford to pay these gentlemen several prices for the above properties. The little examining warehouse for which you pay \$175.00 every month is worth probably \$30 per month and the landlord would be lucky to get that at the present time.

Though it costs a considerable sum every month to keep down the tide in your \$95,000 post office site, there is very little danger of the hole being covered by a building so long as the patriots are getting over \$500 per month for part of the building opposite.

In addition to a salary as seed inspector, M. M. Stephens gets \$157.50 per month for part of the Stephens Building on Third Avenue, besides getting a share of the spoils from the Federal Building. M. M. is almost as expensive a proposition as Sir Dick McBride.

Colonel Allison got his in one fell swoop, but these gentlemen seem to prefer a steady income of a few hundreds per month. When it comes in monthly installments it doesn't look so big as in one big sum, but they don't really mind how it comes, so long as they get it.

CHEAP POWER RATE FOR ELECTRIC RANGES

The superintendent of the light department reported to the council last night on the question of a reduction in power for cooking ranges. Mr. Duncan said that at present power for cooking is supplied through the light meter at 6 cents per k. w. h. less 10%. As the power for ranges would be supplied during the day, he recommended that a net price of 4c. per k. w. h. be made, with a minimum of \$2.00 per month, the power to be supplied by a separate circuit.

Ald. Dybhavn said that the separate circuit required separate wiring of the interior of houses. He thought the minimum charge of \$2.00 was a good idea.

Ald. Dybhavn, seconded by Ald. Smith, moved the adoption of the report. Ald. Montgomery said that it seemed to be necessary to rewire the houses using power ranges, and as all the costs fell upon the proprietors, he thought that there should be no minimum rate. He disapproved of minimum rates applied to either light or power.

The mayor thought a minimum of \$1.00 would be fair.

Ald. Dybhavn said that the only rewiring needed would be between the meter and the range.

Ald. McClymont moved an amendment that the matter be left over for a week as there seemed to be a difference of opinion in the matter in committee. The amendment was seconded by Ald. Montgomery and carried.

Annie King, an Indian woman, aged 70, was brought in from Skidegate this morning suffering from mental breakdown. It is feared that she will have to be sent to an asylum.

PROMISING PROPERTY AT KITSUMKALUM LAKE

George Gebhardt, who is in town from Kitsumkalum Lake district, reports that there is bound to be big mining activity in that region very soon. Mr. C. F. Law, who represents the Thomas interests in the Groundhog country, has bonded twelve more gold claims at the lake, which is about twenty-five miles north of Terrace, and it is believed by mining men who have worked there that a second Treadwell is in the making.

It is a huge low-grade proposition with material to work on for years. The ore runs about \$5.00 in gold to the ton, which is nearly double that shown at Treadwell, and, if properly handled, there ought to be a big producing mine there when machinery is installed and working. The Thomas interests control a huge amount of capital and their Groundhog railroad will run right through this mining district, and as they seem to be acquiring all the mining property in sight, there should be something doing soon.

CORRECTION

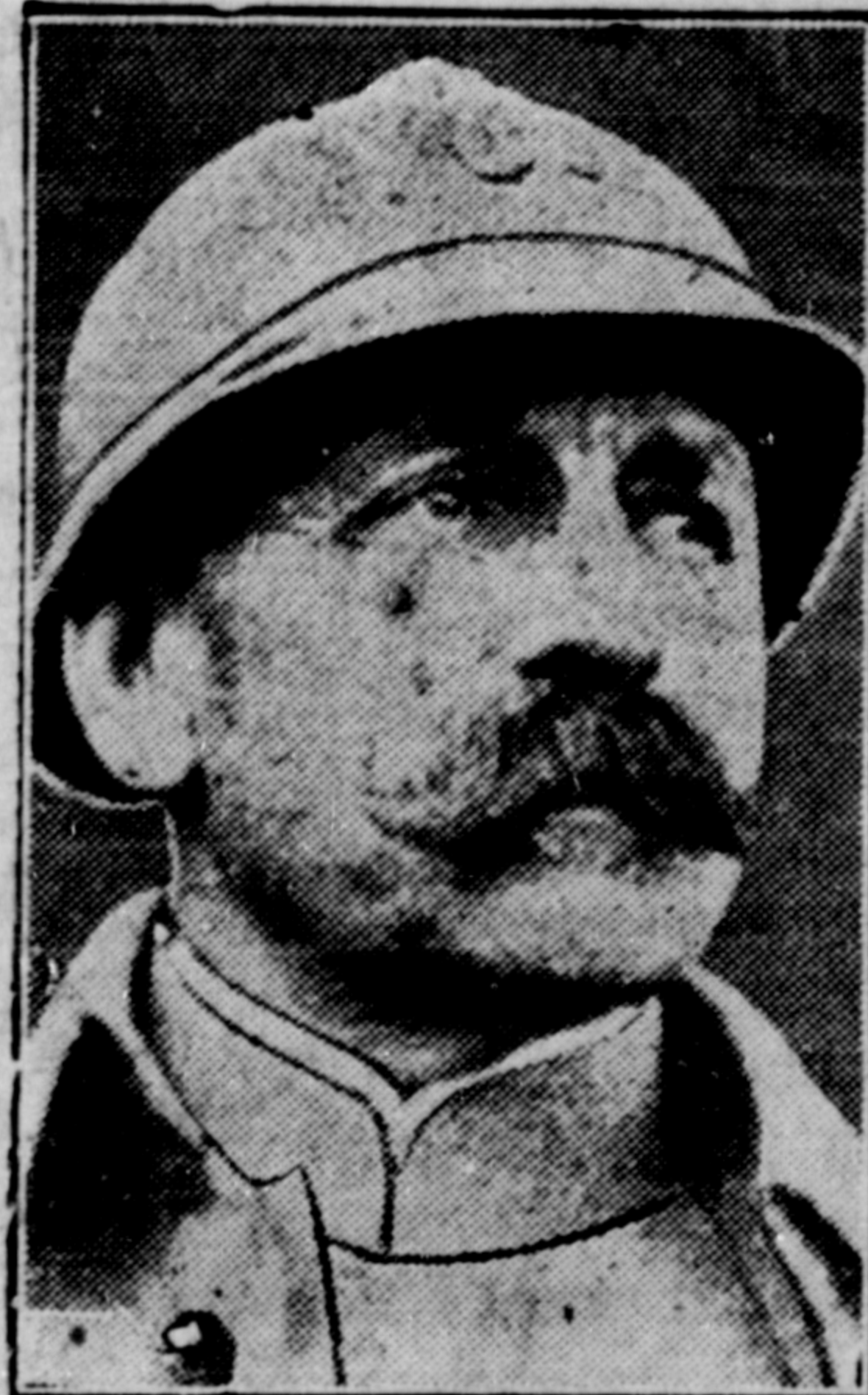
In the rush of telegraphic matter on Saturday, we got the Barnard brothers mixed. It was to G. H. Barnard, member for Victoria, that Mallory reported the irregularities in the harbor dredging contracts.

THE WEATHER

By F. W. Dowling.
For 24 hours ending 5 a. m. April 11th, 1916.
Barometer 29.834
Highest temperature 44.0
Lowest temperature 37.0
Rainfall36

THE ORADLE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Beckenridge, 131 9th Ave., East, a son, on Saturday.



GENERAL DEBILL

Who has left the command of the French armies in eastern France to become military governor of the Paris district.



GENERAL MANCURY

In command of the military district of Paris who retires on account of ill health.

JUSTICE IRVING HAS DIED IN VICTORIA

(Special to The Daily News.)

Victoria, April 11.—The Hon. Paulus Aemilius Irving, M. A., D. C. L., Judge of the Court of Appeal, is dead. He was formerly deputy attorney-general and was a judge of the Supreme Court for seventeen years and a judge of the Court of Appeal for seven years.

He was a son of the late Sir Aemilius Irving, and was born at Hamilton, Ont., on April 3rd, 1857. He was educated at Trinity Collegiate School, Port Hope, and at Trinity College, Toronto.

He was called to the bar of Ontario in 1880; called to the British Columbia bar in 1882 and was deputy attorney-general of this province from 1883 to 1890. He acted as special commissioner in the mining dispute in Atlin in 1899, his services at that time being acknowledged in the speech from the throne.

It is rumored that either Bowser, Eberts, or George H. Cowan may be appointed to the vacancy in the Court of Appeal.

Grand Shakespearean Festival by the students of the High School in the Westholme Theatre April 20th. General admission 25 cents, reserved seats, 50 cents. 11.

COLE ALLEGES THAT BOWSER'S FIRM GOT BULK

Half-breed Before Kitsilano Enquiry Committee—Got Information from Clerk in Bowser's Law Office.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Victoria, April 11.—Joe Cole, the half-breed who had dealings with Hamilton Read in the purchase of the Kitsilano Reserve, gave evidence yesterday before the committee of enquiry into the deal.

He stated that a clerk named Boyd, in the employment of the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge told him that the Bowser firm got the lion's share of Hamilton Read's commission of \$40,000.

Cole produced an option, in Read's handwriting, as proof that Read was negotiating through him for the purchase of the Capilano Reserve following the putting through of the Kitsilano deal.

Woman's Suffrage.

Premier Bowser adjourned the second reading of Jack Place's Woman Suffrage Bill last night and it is expected that he will announce this afternoon that the government will grant a plebiscite on woman suffrage at the forthcoming general election. There will be a caucus tonight on the Workmen's Compensation Bill.

LEGAL INSPECTOR SAW NOTHING WRONG

Victoria, April 6.—H. C. Hannington, inspector of legal offices, admitted that he received \$2,000 commission on the purchase of the court house site, before the public accounts committee this morning. He had no idea that anyone would question the transaction, as everyone was receiving real estate commissions at that time. He did not think there was any harm in it.

In reply to Mr. Macdonald, he said that it was the only occasion on which he had acted for the government in any purchase of any kind. He supposed that the attorney-general knew that there would be a commission for him in the deal, though they never discussed the matter.

A Chinaman named Kwon On dropped dead while sitting in a Third Avenue store yesterday. He had come from Georgetown in poor health. Chief Vickers is in communication with the authorities in Victoria regarding the disposal of the remains.

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