

Local Shipbuilding Program

STEEL AND WOODEN VESSELS TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT THIS PORT

MORE SHIP CONTRACTS SECURED FOR PRINCE RUPERT, AMOUNTING TO 66,000 TONS, STEEL AND WOOD

Superintendent Pillsbury Announces He has Received Word that Large Amount of Work is to be Done Here; Stock Taking will Commence in Near Future Preparatory to Turning Yards Over to Mullen Construction Co.

An enlarged shipbuilding programme for this port is the very latest announcement. The Mullen Construction Company have arranged to build both steel and wooden ships here, the total tonnage of the contract taken amounting to 60,000 tons. J. H. Pillsbury, superintendent of the drydock, has received word from Pittsburgh to that effect. While he is not today prepared to give out the details of the new programme he says that it is much larger than that originally intended.

The steel ships will be laid down on the graded land this side of the drydock, the slips for which will be prepared very soon. The wooden ships will be built on the slip at the dock and will be launched sideways. They will be protected while building by the overhanging shed and will be convenient to the woodworking shops adjoining. Everything is in readiness for this work to proceed.

Large Program.
The Mullen Construction Co. is prepared to make an initial expenditure here of about half a million dollars on plant and improvements. This will comprise, among other things, plate and angle ships, assembling shops and sheds to build over all steel shipways and a great deal of additional equipment.

Prince Rupert people will doubtless feel elated at the prospect of so large a program of new construction work at this port. The two ship contracts originally secured from the Dominion Government did not amount to more than about 20,000 tons, probably less. The latest announcement, therefore, shows that three times that amount of work is to be done and that two industries instead of one are to be added to those already here. The building of wooden and steel ships are not in any way related, yet both will be done here.

Preparing to Take Stock.
There are those here who will not believe the ships are to be built until they see the gangs of men at work, but everything now looks most hopeful and Superintendent Pillsbury says that they are preparing to take stock prior to handing the yards and docks over to the J. H. Mullen Construction Company who are to undertake the work.

Men to Be Employed.
Just how many men will be employed at the works it is too early yet to guess, but it has been stated that at least 1,500 will be employed on the steel contracts and when Mr. Oleson was here recently in connection with a proposal to build wooden ships he said his concern would employ at least 200 men on the wooden ship contracts if they went ahead with the work. That looks as if not less than 1,700 men would get employment from the new work alone.

Repair Work Also.
It is understood that the Mullen people intend to go extensively into the ship repair work and have leased the floating drydock for that purpose. The dock will not be used for building ships, but it is expected that when the organization is complete it will include ship repair work, and that this will be a permanent business that will be continued indefinitely as one of the important industries of the city. At present there is no place north of Seattle where a large ship can dock. Even the British ships of war have to go to a foreign port to get necessary repairs and overhaul. All this will be changed with the advent of the shipbuilding industry here. Prince Rupert will become a shipbuilding and repair centre that will keep her name prominently before the world from this time on.

Increased Business.
As soon as transpacific trade starts from this port the work of the drydock will become even more important than it is today. Ships will come here regularly from the Orient with their silk and tea and other products and carry back machinery and fish and other food products as well as lumber. When repairs are needed they will dock here and everything will be grist to Prince Rupert's mill.

Those who have already heard of the most recent proposal are most enthusiastic over the prospects. Apparently it has been resulted from the visit of the local delegation to Ottawa recently and will be a distinct feather in their caps. Prince Rupert people and the people of the districts contiguous will remember their work in connection therewith.

AUSTRIA WANTS TO BORROW FROM ALLIES

Former Minister of Finance Asks That We Be Generous and Help Country to Recuperate.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
Vienna, Nov. 29.—The Austrians are anxious to get a loan from the Allies in order to build up the country again. The former Minister of Finance Dr. Redlich, urges that the Allies be generous. He says that the country should be helped back to a productive basis in order that it may be in a position to pay its debts.

KING GEORGE WELL RECEIVED IN FRANCE

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
Paris, Nov. 29.—King George is visiting France and is receiving a warm welcome from the people. Everywhere he goes the populace greets him with cheers as the representative of the British nation.

CELEBRATED WELL BUT NOT WISELY

At the police court this morning before Magistrate Carss, a man named Cole appeared to answer a charge of being drunk on the day of celebration. He was found by Constables Bailey and Watkinson in the lane behind the Savoy, and on recovering consciousness did not know how he got there. He had evidently fallen a distance of about fifteen feet to the ground and was very badly bruised and cut up. He was not known at the hotel and had evidently wandered into the lane during the night.

On account of the man's sorry appearance the magistrate considered that he had suffered enough and imposed no penalty.

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WESTHOLME TONIGHT

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MOONEY'S SENTENCE IS COMMUTED TO LIFE

Governor Stephens of California Saves Labor Leader from Noose in Response to Popular Demand.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
Sacramento, Nov. 29.—Thomas J. Mooney is not to swing. Governor Stephens of California has commuted his sentence, changing it to life imprisonment.

The case is a famous one, Mooney having been sentenced to hang for participating in a dynamiting case at San Francisco at the time of a preparedness parade in that city about two years ago.

There was a great deal of dissatisfaction expressed at the manner in which his trial was conducted and at the character of the witnesses who gave evidence against him. As a result his cause was taken up by labor unions in different parts of the country and the present action of Governor Stephens is the result of the agitation which has been carried on.

NEW ORGANIZATION IS TO BE FORMED

Army and Navy Veterans Contemplate Establishing Branch Here—Preliminary Meeting Next Week.

A movement is on foot to form another returned soldiers' association in the city. This time it is the Army and Navy Veterans, an organization that has numerous branches and a very large membership in different parts of the country.

With a view to getting started a meeting is being called for Wednesday of next week when the preliminary steps will be taken to secure a charter and arrange for the forming of a local branch.

The Army and Navy Veterans are rather wider in their scope than the Great War Veterans in that they accept for membership any who have been on active service in any of the wars of the Empire. Naval as well as military men are eligible and it is expected that a live organization will be formed here.

\$7,000 REALIZED AT DISTRICT TAX SALE

The Provincial Government tax sale which was held here on Monday and Tuesday, realized approximately \$7,000. Quite a number of the 2,700 lots put up for auction were sold on Monday, and there was some spirited competition for certain lots in the Terrace and Stewart townships. In the majority of cases, however, the lots reverted to the Crown, no one at present having any use for them. In the Port Edward township a lot of property was bought in by the Porpoise Harbor Development Company.

LONGEST SERVICE TO COME HOME FIRST

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 28.—Hon. S. C. Mewburn, Minister of Militia, spoke at the Canadian Club last night and said that in demobilization, soldiers who had seen the longest service would be first brought home.

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EXACT FULL RECOMPENSE FOR CRUELTY

Germany Warned by Great Britain That She Must Not Ill-Treat Prisoners of War.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
London, Nov. 29.—The British Government has notified the Germans that full recompense for any cruelty to prisoners will be exacted. No excuse will be accepted.

This action on the part of the Government has been made necessary through the recent action of the Germans in turning prisoners loose in a destitute condition almost unclothed to shift for themselves. Many of these men are wholly unable to care for themselves even under the best conditions but in a hostile country their condition is terrible. Numerous complaints have been made to Great Britain and the United States, but especially to the latter. It is against the British that the Germans feel most bitter, as they are blamed for the humiliating defeat which that country has suffered.

JACK PICKFORD AGAIN AT THE WESTHOLME

When Jack Pickford went on the stage it was the general opinion that he was trading on the merits of his sister. Now that is all changed. Jack Pickford has made a name for himself as a movie actor and he draws the crowds just as much as Fairbanks or any of the men who are right to the fore in the profession.

Jack Pickford made a hit last night at the Westholme in his inimitable story of Huck and Tom. So pleased were the crowd that a big house tonight for the same picture is assured.

Tomorrow night Mary Garden is to be shown in picture in "Splendid Sinner."

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DANCE LAST NIGHT WAS GREAT SUCCESS

War Veterans and Guests Kept Fun Going Until 2 a. m.—Navy Men Present.

The Great War Veterans' dance last night was a great success. The orchestra put that feeling in the music which made one's feet want to move whether one wanted to or not. The officers and men of the H. M. C. N. ship Malaspina were invited and expressed their pleasure at the good time they had. The refreshments, the providing of which was supervised by Mrs. N. M. McNeil, were of the best quality, and the table decorations most daintily arranged by Mrs. H. O. Crew. Mesdames Clements, Gammon, Killin, Kerr, de Meyers, and Misses F. Hardy, N. Kenny and Jenns also gave assistance.

There was a large crowd present when the National Anthem was played at something after 2 a. m. and everybody appeared to have had a most enjoyable evening.

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