

WINNIPEG ISOLATED THROUGH TELEGRAPHERS ALL JOINING IN THE BIG SYMPATHETIC STRIKE

**Press Service to Coast will be Continued by Connecting Port
Arthur with Regina Direct, but All Commercial Business
will Cease until Strike is Declared Off**

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

Winnipeg, May 17. (11:45 a.m.)—In fifteen minutes this city will be isolated from the rest of the world as the telegraphers stop work and join the strikers at noon.

Winnipeg, May 17. (10 a.m.)—Winnipeg will be isolated at noon today, the telegraph operators having decided to join the strikers. There is a complete but orderly tie-up of all business. Scores of local unions are involved in the cessation of work. With the telephone operators out the decision of the commercial telegraphers to join the strikers will practically shut Winnipeg off from the outside world. The press service will be maintained by a direct "drop" between the head of the Lakes and Regina. The commercial telegraphers of the Canadian Pacific, Great North Western, Grand Trunk Pacific and telegraphers in the employ of the Canadian Press, Limited, and all brokerage firms in Winnipeg at a meeting last evening voted in favor of a sympathetic strike to take effect at 12 o'clock noon Saturday, May 17, isolating Winnipeg from the outside world.

Ottawa, May 17.—The Federal Government announces that it will take no steps to interfere in the Winnipeg strike but will await developments. The matter was mentioned by Hon. Gideon Robertson, Minister of Labor. The action of the postal clerks in joining the strike was censured.

MONTHLY LUNCHEONS BY BOARD OF TRADE

First to be Held in Two Weeks
On S. S. Prince Rupert.

The Board of Trade has decided to inaugurate a series of luncheons for the members on the Grand Trunk Pacific steamships. The first of these will take place May 28 and Judge Young is to give an address on that occasion. The idea of getting together and listening to an address on some live subject is a splendid one and should prove beneficial to the members.

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U.S. NAVY SEAPLANES CROSSING ATLANTIC

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

Washington, May 17.—Three United States seaplanes are far out over the Atlantic in an effort to make the first trans-ocean flight to Europe.

THE PROMISED LAND.



Old Bill: "There's a long, long trail a-winding into the land of my dreams."

LIEUT. ROBERTSON IS EXPECTED TOMORROW

Were First People to be Married
In This City.

Lieut. A. L. Robertson, R. N., accompanied by Mrs. Robertson, are expected to arrive in town by train tomorrow night from Great Britain. Lieut. Robertson has been engaged in the hazardous occupation of mine sweeping in the North Sea, and Mrs. Robertson has also been doing war work with the transport department in England. She was stationed at Stratford where for some time she drove an army car.

The many friends of Lieut. and Mrs. Robertson will welcome their return to town. Lieut. and Mrs. Robertson have the distinction of being the first couple to be married in Prince Rupert, and although still young, can truly claim the title of "old timer."

VETERANS WANT BACK PAYMENT OF GRATUITY

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

Ottawa, May 17.—The Great War Veterans in an interview with Sir Thomas White yesterday asked for post gratuity pay. Sir Thomas White however says that a bonus scheme is wholly impossible.

"DEMERS"

We haven't said anything about Suits for a long time, and they are really worth talking about. A good quality serge in Navy, Black or Fawn at \$35.00. A man tailored suit in Navy serge, trimmed with braid, at \$45.00. These are handsome suits. Other colors are purple, fawn and gray.
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LARGE GATHERING AT VALHALLA SOCIAL

Splendid Time Spent by Many
Guests at At. Andrew's Hall
Last Night.

A delightful time was spent last night in the St. Andrew's hall, when a social and dance was held by the Valhalla Society. There was a large gathering and the floor and music were excellent.

A large part of the success was due to the untiring energies of Robert Strand and John Dybbavn as floor managers. A. Akerberg and O. A. Johnson were the cashiers, delicious refreshments were served by the ladies of the Valhalla Lodge and H. A. Harvey provided the music. Not till long past midnight did the dancers leave.

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STEEL BEING SHIPPED FOR CONSTRUCTION WORK AT THE LOCAL YARDS; FOUNDRY OPEN

**BENDING SLABS ARRIVED YESTERDAY ON PRINCE JOHN;
GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE IN ALL DEPART-
MENTS; NEW FOUNDRY WILL EMPLOY
20 TO 30 MOULDERS**

Advice received by the Prince Rupert Drydock & Engineering Co. from the Department of Marine at Ottawa is to the effect that the steel is being shipped for the vessels which are to be built here and that it will be here in good time so that the work will not be delayed when the works are ready.

Yesterday the steamer Prince John brought in forty tons of bending slabs. These were ordered before it was decided to open the foundry here or they might have been made right here.

Open for Business.

The new foundry is now open for business and already some brass work has been moulded. Material is arriving for it and it will soon be equipped for any kind of work up to twelve tons or in emergency up to twenty tons.

The foundry is one of the most modern, with overhead travelling crane and rails up the centre so that railway cars may be backed in and loaded or unloaded without difficulty.

When it gets going in full swing this foundry will employ from twenty to thirty moulders and will be a local industry that will bring business to the port permanently.

In addition to the foundry the company is putting in an electric cutting and welding machine for the welding of broken propeller blades, castings, etc.

Plate and angle furnaces are going up and all sorts of small work is being done, all of which will contribute to the general scheme in this big plant.

Discussing the progress of the work yesterday, Mr. Mullen said that good progress was being made throughout in such a manner that all the departments would be completed about the same time. The boarding house would be completed in from ten to fifteen days and all the other work was progressing satisfactorily.

CHANGES MADE IN THE CRIMINAL LAW

Man and Woman Must Not Register at Hotel as Man and Wife.

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

Ottawa, May 17.—A number of changes are being made in the Criminal Act, particularly dealing with the age of consent and with penalties. All the changes are made with the purpose of making the law more stringent. One interesting clause in the amendment reads as follows:

"Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, under summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars or six months' imprisonment, who, at any hotel, boarding or lodging house, whether by registering in any book kept in such hotel, boarding or lodging house or otherwise, represents or pretends that a woman or man to whom he or she is not married is his wife or her husband, as the case may be."

HON. E. D. BARROW IS AT PRINCE GEORGE

Is Preparing to Report Regarding
Proposed Settlement Area
In District.

Prince George, May 17.—Hon. E. D. Barrow, provincial minister of agriculture, is at present in the district with a party of soldiers' delegates, also a Dominion representative of the Soldiers' Settlement Board.

Mr. Barrow is visiting various parts of the district with the object of preparing a report recommending to the government the lands to be comprised in the proposed settlement area hereabouts. The Dominion representative is taking advantage of the minister's visit to acquire data on the lands available and suitable for soldier settlement under the Dominion act. The soldier delegates will report back to their comrades at the coast their opinions of the land in this section.

Mr. Barrow and party visited the district east of the city in the vicinity of Gunn's ranch. On their return they reported themselves greatly pleased with the country visited, Mr. Barrow stating that he had received an agreeable surprise from his visit. The soil he examined is of excellent quality, he declared, and it was the greatest surprise of all to note the large acreage many of the settlers in that region had put under cultivation.

EMPRESS EXPECTED

Ottawa, May 17.—The Military Department has been advised that the Empress of Japan, carrying 632 members of the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force, will probably dock at Vancouver on May 21.

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LOCAL STUDENT WINS A \$75 SCHOLARSHIP

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Word has been received from Vancouver that a Prince Rupert boy, Henry Maurice Shockley, has been granted a scholarship amounting to \$75 at the University of British Columbia. This recognition is from the Faculty of Applied Science in the first year course.

Shockley also did well in mathematics, getting 100 per cent in descriptive geometry and first in mechanics.

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