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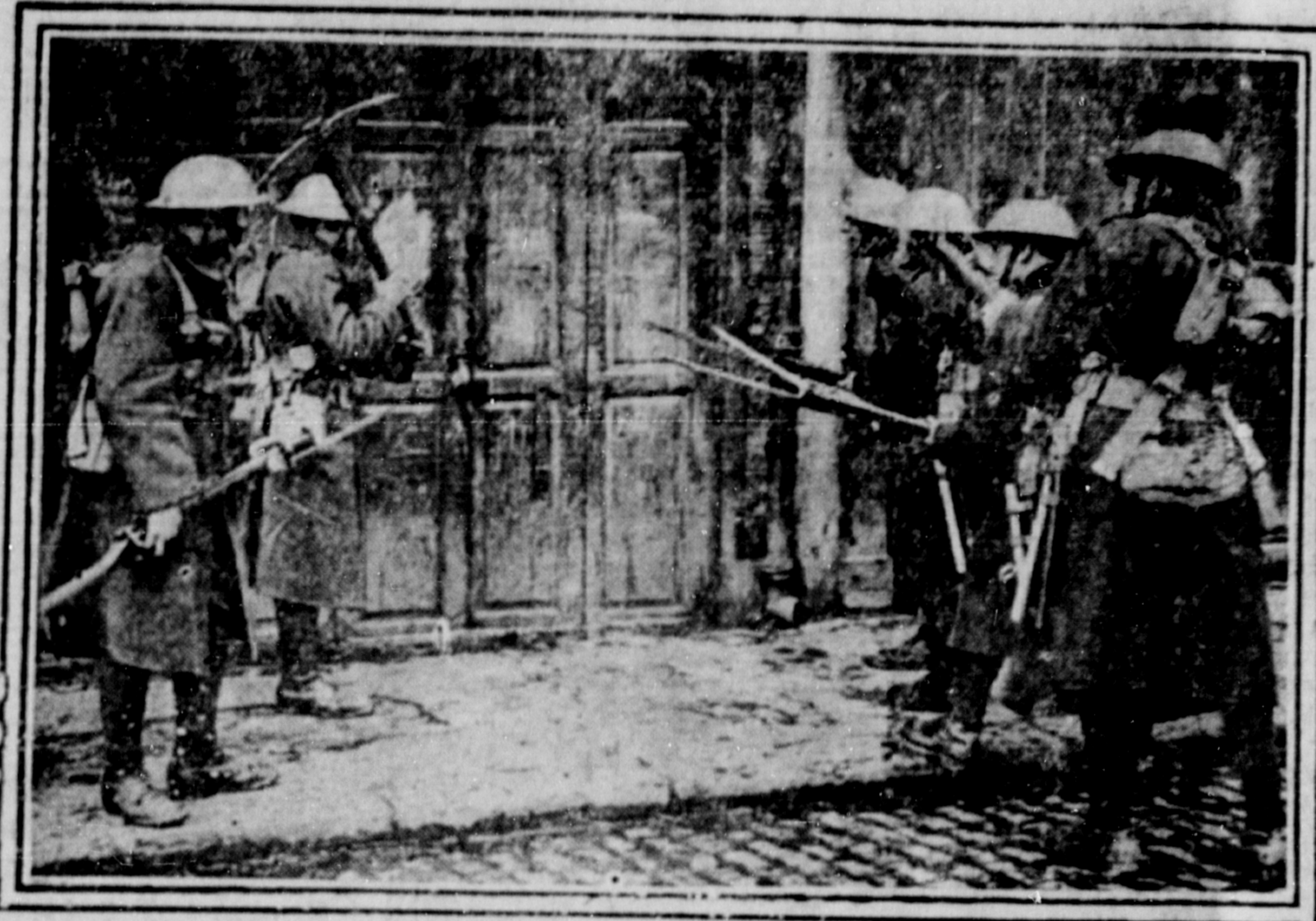
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DUPLICITY SOMEWHERE OVER FISH CAR SUPPLY

TELEGRAM TO PREMIER AND MINISTERS RECOUNTS UNFULFILLED PROMISES

BRITISH SEARCHING PARTY IN DUBLIN.



The photograph, a very recent one, shows British troops battering down a door with a pickaxe in Dublin. These searching parties are all well armed and equipped. They are holding their bayonets in readiness in case any one makes a rush from within. Sinn Fein disorders seem to be increasing daily, and as many British guards as there are in the bigger cities of Ireland, fighting continues. In a recent raid British police and Sinn Feiners engaged in a pitched battle, in which many were wounded, between 100 and 200 Sinn Feiners taking part in the fighting. The din of the fighting could be heard more than nine miles away.

EDITORIAL

PIRACY SUGGESTED.

Prince Rupert people are bewildered by the Dominion government and railway heads. No other conclusion is in view of the conditions disclosed at the joint meeting of the Fisheries Commission, City Council and Board of Trade last night. It is plain, either that the railway officials and ministers were woefully ignorant of their work or they were deliberately deceiving the people of Prince Rupert. As it is clearly stated at the meeting that nobody was lying, and that the Dominion government is a result. It seems to be a conspiracy to starve out the city of Prince Rupert and the section of this side of Jasper. If that is the case it appears to be a case of piracy. As a member of the board expressed it, last night there must be something generally hostile to the people we are receiving, for a business-man or politician would not act that way without some reason not apparent on the surface.

Startling Discovery Made in Regard to Refrigerator Cars

Company Where Orders are Said to be Placed is Not Working and Does Not Seem to Understand Need of Speed; Someone is Prevaricating

At a joint meeting of the executive of the local branch of the Canadian Fisheries Association with the fisheries committee of the Board of Trade and City Council and with Mayor Rochester present and President Williams of the Board of Trade, telegrams were sent to Premier Meighen, the minister of railways, the minister of fisheries and Colonel Peck in regard to express refrigerator cars, following the receipt of a telegram indicating that the cars on order would not be delivered in March as promised. The telegram was from A. L. Hagar, president of the Canadian Fisheries' Association at Vancouver to the local secretary as follows:

"Wallace has been confined to his home with an attack of grippe, hence the delay in forwarding Thompson's report on his Hamilton trip. Thompson interviewed Skelton, vice-president of National Steel Car Company, and states that he expects soon to start on an order of one thousand freight cars for the Government. Skelton hopes the thirty express refrigerators will be put through at the same time. The plant has been and is at present closed down. I saw you tonight Thompson's report, also Wallace's letter."

PREPARE BURIAL PLOT FOR EX-KAISER

POTSDAM, Feb. 25.—The early death is expected of the former German Emperor. A burial plot is being prepared here for her and the former emperor.

SOVIET FAILED PROVIDE FOOD

People Reported to Have Rebelled in Eastern Russia Because of Hunger and Cold.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 25.—Reports have been widespread that rebellions have broken out in Eastern Russia and the Soviets have despatched large forces to restore order, according to telegrams received from Helsingfors. The trouble arose over the failure of the Moscow Government to provide food and fuel for the people.

Grievance is Laid Before Mr. Meighen

Text of Telegram Sent Last Night by Local Organizations to Three Ministers, with Copies to Peck and Pattullo

The following was the text of the telegram sent last night by the Board of Trade, City Council and Fisheries Association to Premier Meighen, the Minister of Railways, and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, with copies also to Col. C. W. Peck and Hon. T. D. Pattullo:

"Prince Rupert fishing industry being ruined. We have never had sufficient express refrigerator cars to take care of the trade offered. We have repeatedly impressed upon the railway and the government our immediate need for eighty or more cars. In the meantime our trade is paralyzed.

MAKE STEEL IN PROVINCE

Government Agrees to Aid Project by Bonus on Production of Pig Iron.

VICTORIA, Feb. 25.—In order to encourage the establishment of an iron and steel industry in British Columbia the B. C. Government promises to pay a bounty of \$3 a long ton on pig iron manufactured from B. C. ore and \$1.50 a ton on steel produced from foreign ore. The agreement says British capitalists are ready to invest the necessary capital "not exceeding ten million pounds."

INSURANCE AGENCIES INCORPORATED HERE

VICTORIA, February 25.—The Prince Rupert Insurance Agencies Limited has been granted a certificate of incorporation with a capital of \$10,000.

CREDITORS GET PLANT AT DRY DOCK

Liquidator Expects to be Able to Pay 60 Cents on The Dollar.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—The order of the court in the Prince Rupert Dry Dock case as finally settled reserves to the liquidator the plant, for which the Dominion Government will have to pay such rent as is asked by the liquidator.

Mr. Hodges expects to get an amount equal to what he had originally offered to settle for with the Dominion authorities, which will be enough to pay all wage claims in full as well as 60c on the dollar to the creditors.

HANNA ASSURES CARS AVAILABLE

Jas. L. Lee last night received the following letter: "I am pleased to advise you that the Department has received assurances from Mr. D. B. Hanna, president of the Canadian National Railways, that delivery of the fifty refrigerator cars will begin in March. I think there is no doubt whatever that you can rely on these cars in making arrangements for spring business." "E. HAWKIN, Acting Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries."

AMBUSH IN IRELAND.

MACROON, Ireland, Feb. 25.—Fifty auxiliary police in lorries were ambushed by 300 armed men from the cover of rocks on the road. One policeman was killed and six wounded.

SOLDIERS ASK BEER IN CLUBS

Case Laid Before Premier Oliver By Returned Soldiers' Organization.

VICTORIA, Feb. 25.—Protests against having the sale of beer in soldiers' clubs curtailed under the new law, were made to Premier Oliver and his cabinet by returned soldier organizations yesterday. Premier Oliver promised to consider the protest but said he could not predict what action the Legislature would take in the matter.

CRERAR SPEAKS

Believes Government at Ottawa Has Lost Confidence of the People

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—T. A. Crerar, leader of the Progressives in the House of Commons, speaking on the address said he did not agree with Mackenzie King that the Government was usurping power, but he would support the opposition amendment that the Government had lost the confidence of the country.

Premier Oliver Discusses New Liquor Control Bill

Believes is Following Out Desires of People in Action Taken Regarding Measure

VICTORIA, February 25.—The debate on the new liquor control bill was launched last night by Premier Oliver who moved the second reading of the measure, and at the conclusion the debate was adjourned on motion of W. J. Bowser until Monday.

Most of the members will be heard in the debate which will be the chief business before the House for the next week or more. "We have tried to frame this act as a good substantial framework on what we believe the people desire," said Mr. Oliver. It is not necessarily a finality. The Government has taken the position that the question is too important a one to make it one of party politics and the Government has tried to keep it out of politics and intends to do so."

It might be considered by some too strict, he said. Others will consider it not strict enough. But if the Legislature is wise it will go carefully, realizing that the legislation is largely experimental. Needed amendments can be made after it has been in force, if they are considered necessary. If the administration of the act is unsatisfactory he ventured to believe the present or any Government could not survive. Looking at it from a partisan standpoint, it behooved the Government to bring down a measure which would be reasonable and workable, and which could be reasonably enforced. Before concluding the premier's speech, he reviewed various features of the measure.

Unemployed Question is Debated in Legislature Labor Members of House

VICTORIA, February 25.—"Unless something is done you will have the unemployed coming here and demonstrating on the steps of the Legislative Building and some of them have been trained to use machine guns," declared Samuel Guthrie, labor member for Newcastle, in the Legislature yesterday when urging the Government to take immediate steps to find work for the unemployed throughout the province.

The Premier interrupted Guthrie on a point of order, declaring that such statements suggested intimidation of the Legislature, which was improper.

"I wonder these people stand by to stop a demonstration of soldiers and their families short of the front on the side told me 'we might pull off the Ole Hanson trick on you,' meaning he supposed to use machine guns as they did in Seattle. 'Just do that and some of us will walk up and spit in the mouths of those machine guns,' he declared. 'Don't talk of intimidation. Just wake up and do something. The debate was then adjourned.

Major Burde.

Dick Burde of Alberni declared the advice being offered was not some of us will walk up and spit in the mouths of those machine guns," he declared. "Just do that and some of us will walk up and spit in the mouths of those machine guns," he declared. "Don't talk of intimidation. Just wake up and do something. The debate was then adjourned.

10,000 PRESCRIPTIONS IN ONE MONTH

Winnipeg Doctors Suspect for Offences Against Prohibition Act.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—Sixteen physicians have been fined from one week to six months because of the wholesale sale of prescriptions for one doctor issued 10,000 prescriptions in one month.

ATTORNEYS MET LAST EVENING

Caffery Sent to Vancouver Confer With Creditors There.

At a formal meeting of the attorneys of the Prince Rupert Dry Dock and Engineering Company last evening in the Chamber Club, as a result of the meeting, M. P. McCaffery left on a train for Vancouver to confer with the creditors of the company in the south on the question of an arrangement to be made.

Stewart was in the chair of the meeting and the speakers were G. W. Nickerson, M. P. McCaffery, Peter Black, J. A. Moore, R. Lepine, D. C. Olof Hansen.

WINE COST SUM OF \$69,944.14

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—The cost of wine in the province of the liquor question is \$69,944.14, according to a report of Hon. J. D. McLean, secretary.