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GOVERNMENT GETS BIG MAJORITY ON FIRST VOTE PRELIMINARY PLANS FOR STATION; ROUNDHOUSE ADDITION HAS STARTED

Preliminary Plans For Station Here

M. Lang, Superintendent of Buildings, is Consulting with Departments Regarding Final Set

M. Lang, superintendent of building of the G. N. R., who is here in connection with the building of the new station and has a set of preliminary plans for the structure. He is consulting with the various departments in view to getting out a final set to submit to the head engineering office for approval.

Work on a lean-to to the present roundhouse and an addition to the rear has just commenced in the yards. The work which is not very extensive is being done by the operating department.

Alberta Liquor Case to Supreme Court of Canada

Bell Company Recently Won Appeal for Possession of \$50,000 Stock of Liquor which Had Been Taken by Crown

EDMONTON, February 17.—The attorney-general's department will leave nothing undone in an effort to win their case against the Nat Bell liquor warehouse. The appeal will be appealed to the Supreme Court of Canada, it is understood here.

The appeal is against a finding of two out of three judges of the Appeal Court who decided against the province of Alberta in the decision they obtained confiscating the \$50,000 stock of the Bell Co. on the charge that the company sold liquor illegally, the province obtained possession.

FLAW IN SHAFT WAS DISCOVERED

Albert Will Take About Three Weeks Longer Before Leaving the Dry Dock.

During the course of the overhaul of the Prince Albert a flaw in her thrust shaft was discovered by Chief Engineer Cameron and the discovery will necessitate the replacing of the shaft with a consequent delay of about three weeks in getting her out of the yards. The work will likely be done here before she leaves.

GREAT DAMAGE TO TIMBER FROM STORM

Cruisers Report Thirty Million Feet Down on Limits Near Powell River.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 17.—Extensive damage to timber limits on the British Columbia coast was caused by wind storms at the end of last month. According to a report of cruisers, 30,000,000 feet of timber is down on the limits of Brooks, Seaton and O'Brien near Powell River.

PRISONERS ESCAPE

Two Men Got Away from Prince George Lockup—Local Police Informed.

Chief Minty has received a telegram from Prince George informing him that two prisoners have escaped from the lockup there. They are Franz Ferdinand Harman Annak, a Bohemian, and Geo. R. Hudson, held under the extradition and immigration acts respectively.

NAVAL SQUADRON VISIT VANCOUVER MARCH 11 TO 16

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The Canadian naval squadron, the gift of Britain to Canada, which is on its way to this coast, will visit Vancouver between March 11 and 16. It will leave for the return voyage to the east coast on April 13.

PRINCE GEORGE MAN IN SHOOTING AFFRAY

Was Without Occupation and Had Loaded Gun Which Other Man Used.

VANCOUVER, February 17.—A Prince George man figured last night in a Vancouver shooting affray in an apartment house occupied largely by denizens of the underworld, when Marie Baker suffered a broken wrist from a shot fired by G. Dingman, and Randall Gray was fatally wounded.

S. O. Lang, the renter of a suite in the house, told Detective Ellice this morning during an investigation of the shooting, which took place in his room, that he came from Prince George a month ago and had no occupation. He also admitted owning a fully loaded gun which Dingman in some way got possession of and used. Dingman declared he did not know the gun was loaded.

Lang's wife was lying "ill" in another room during the examination of Lang.

OFFICERS OF UNITED FARMERS TO ADDRESS VICTORIA CONVENTION

VANCOUVER, Feb. 17.—Norman Lambert, secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, of Winnipeg; G. Rice Jones, general manager of the United Grain Growers Association of Winnipeg, and J. B. Musselman, secretary of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers Association of Regina, will address a convention of United Farmers here next week.

It is understood that one important matter to come before the convention will be the position taken by the association in regard to politics. It is believed the mission of the visiting speakers is to try to persuade the farmers to join the Canadian Council.

Mr. Taylor, in speaking of the project to a news representative this morning, seemed very favorably impressed with what he had seen. "Prince Rupert is the logical place for the establishment of the next pulp mill on the coast," he said, "for it has both water and rail transportation and there is plenty of suitable timber. The initial plant would be a sulphite pulp mill and if the concern is able to get water from the city there is every indication that it will be a going proposition very soon."

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PRAIRIE WIRES UP FOLLOWING BLIZZARD

For Two Days Communication in Manitoba Was Cut off by Storm.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 17.—Telegraphic and news service of eastern Canada was restored this morning after being cut off for two days owing to one of the worst blizzards of the year which swept over Manitoba, destroying wire communication.

UNIVERSITY ACTION ENDORSED BY SENATE

VANCOUVER, Feb. 17.—The Senate of the University of B. C. has endorsed the faculty's recommendation that thirty students be asked to withdraw from the institution on account of not obtaining sufficient marks at the Christmas examinations.

SEES THE WHOLE WORLD DRY.



William "Pussyfoot" Johnson predicts a dry law everywhere if America makes good with enforcement. At the meeting of the Union Teachers of New York City and surrounding towns, in which he was principal speaker, he emphasized the fact that prohibition would have to be enforced in the United States before trying to enforce prohibition in other countries. He says that should the United States fail in prohibition, which is not likely to happen, the dry law would be set back for a hundred years.

Sulphite Mill Soon To Be Going Concern Says Visiting Engineer Taylor

J. A. W. Bell, of the Emerson lumber interests, and Howard S. Taylor, of the Management Engineering & Development Co., in company with E. E. Duby, local manager of the Prince Rupert Lumber Co., spent yesterday after the arrival of the Prince George inspecting the site for the new pulp mill at Seal Cove and tonight there will be a meeting with the city council committee to go into the question of obtaining water power from the city line which passes by the property. Mr. Bell and Mr. Taylor will proceed south tonight.

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Drydock Legal Battle Commenced in Vancouver; Creditors State Case

VANCOUVER, February 17.—(Special)—The legal battle between the Government and the creditors of the Prince Rupert Drydock & Engineering Co. opened this morning and was adjourned until Monday.

Counsel for the creditors claim that the Dominion Government lost the lien which they had for steel and other material supplied to the drydock company when the trustee was appointed. The creditors are not protesting against the completion of the ships now half built but declare that all material in the yard is the sole property of the creditors. Charles Wilson, K. G., appeared for Hodges while R. L. Reid, K. G., was for the Government.

Independents Vote with Government on Liquor Legislation

First Vote Taken in House at Victoria Result in Majority of Fifteen for Government; Conservatives a Unit.

VICTORIA, Feb. 17.—By a vote of 29 to 14 the B. C. Legislature yesterday endorsed the procedure of the Provincial Government in bringing the liquor question up for consideration. Efforts of the opposition to prove unconstitutional the move, whereby the House as a whole would petition the Lieutenant-governor to present a bill to the Legislature, was frustrated after debate lasting an hour.

The vote taken provided the first occasion this session for division and on that occasion the move of the Government was approved, the only adverse expression being from the fourteen conservative members, all the independent members voting with the Government and several speaking in support of its attitude in regard to the proposed bill.

M. A. Macdonald declared the public did not want the liquor measure to be dealt with as a party question. He held that the procedure was perfectly constitutional. The same stand was taken by Kenneth Duncan of Cowichan, Dick Burde of Alberni, and Phillip, the labor member for Fernie, each speaking in support of the procedure.

FLOATING CANNERY FOR NORTH COAST

Arrangements Made for Financing of M. N. & R. Canning Co. Recently Formed.

Arrangements have been made for the financing of the M. N. & R. Canning Co., the concern that is to operate a floating cannery on this coast during the coming season. The proposal is to use one of the stern wheelers now out of commission on the coast and to fit it up as a cannery, this steamer to be placed at any point convenient for handling the salmon and other fish.

The company was formed locally and will be the first of its kind to operate in British Columbia waters. It is expected to operate for ten months of the year.

CALIFORNIA OFFERS PLENTY OF FUEL OIL

Guarantee of 600,000 bbls. Suggested for Twelve Months.

VANCOUVER, February 17.—Announcing that fuel oil will be again on the market, G. M. Rollston, local manager of the Imperial Oil Co., states that California producers are prepared to guarantee 600,000 barrels in deliveries distributed equally over the next twelve months.

If verification of the offer comes tanks at Ioco will again be open to the public.

MANAGING DIRECTOR EDMONTON JOURNAL DIES AT VICTORIA

VICTORIA, February 17.—M. R. Jennings, managing director of the Edmonton Journal, died here this morning from an acute attack of heart failure. He had been ill for some time.

LADIES ATTEND INSTALLATION ELKS' OFFICERS

Banquet Followed Ceremony and Dance Closed Big Celebration Last Night.

The Elks had a big celebration last night in honor of the visit of the head of the order, Grand Excellent Ruler Joe Morris of Vancouver, who with Grand Trustees W. H. Morrow and Shaw were the guests of the evening at a banquet and dance following the installation of officers.

A feature of the evening was the presence of ladies at the formal installation of officers, with which the proceedings commenced. Each member was entitled to bring a lady friend and many were there. The ceremony, which was conducted by the Grand Excellent Ruler, was a most impressive one.

The Banquet
Following the installation, tables were laid in the hall, the marvellously short time of fifteen minutes being consumed in setting up a spread which did honor to such an occasion. Excellent Ruler W. J. Cash presided and carried things off in a happy vein. The room was packed to its capacity, showing the need of larger quarters for such an event if the order is to expand.

Illuminative addresses were given by the visiting grand officers and Dr. Grant spoke well in replying to the toast of the ladies.

Songs were given by Messrs. Waddell, Shane, Fletcher and Chaggs and instrumental selections by the Elks orchestra.

Following the banquet was a dance in which a large number took part and which was kept up until a late hour.

Committees
The general arrangements were in the hands of the chairmen W. J. Cash, George Munro, Dr. Maguire, S. K. Shane and W. F. Thompson and the supper committee consisted of W. Reid, T. Avazoff, H. Fraser, K. Rood, Bob Frizzell, S. K. Shane and G. Richmond.

CARUSO FIGHTING.
NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Caruso last night was reported fighting a grim battle with death and there is no change today.