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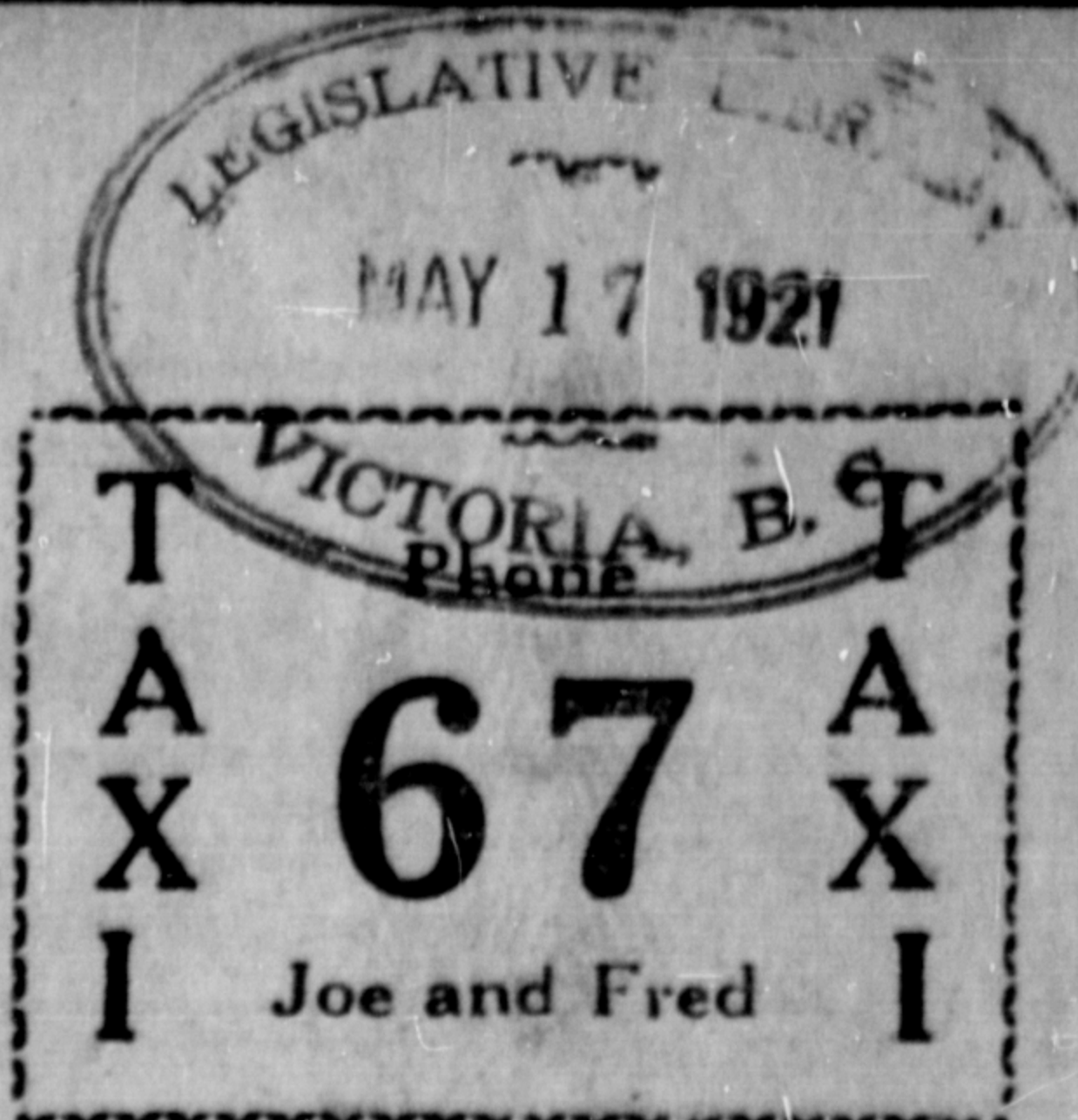
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FIRST LAUNCHING THIS PORT

C. SCOTT OF QUEBEC GIVES EVIDENCE REGARDING SKEENA RIVER COAL

Canadian Scottish Takes Water Under Auspicious Circumstances Everything Contributing to Very Successful Event

The launching of Prince Rupert's first steel steamer, Canadian Scottish, marking a most important epoch in the history of the city, yesterday afternoon was a highly successful event in every respect. The weather was beautiful and towards 3 o'clock the ship took on a holiday appearance. With flags floating from every building in the city, business was practically suspended and the streets, one and all, made for the shipyard and other vantage points to witness the big 8,100-ton freighter take her initial ride into the deep blue waters of the harbor.

At 3:30 the Great War Veterans' band lined up on Third Avenue and marched to the shipyard followed by a great procession of citizens from the youngest to the oldest. By the time of their arrival there was a great crowd assembled both inside and outside the gates of the plant, all awaiting with interest the big event. Shortly ahead of the band, Mrs. C. W. Peck and the launching party arrived on the scene and official photographs were taken before they moved to the launching platform, escorted by the guard of honor from the Sixteenth Canadian Scottish regiment and the band.

Registered Here.

Mayor Rochester, from the launching platform, then read a sheet of telegrams that had been forwarded to himself by the company during the day. Possibly the most interesting of these was one from Col. G. W. Peck, P. E. to himself announcing that the Canadian Scottish and the Canadian Thrasher would be registered at Prince Rupert and that the name of this city would appear on the stern. The Scottish ship shows Montreal as her port of registry but this will be changed.

Member Wishes Luck.

There was also another telegram from Col. Peck to H. J. F. Turner, general manager of the ship, which read as follows: "I would like to have Captain S. Esmond, M. C., of my office, who is the senior officer of the Canadian Scottish, represent me at Prince Rupert today. I wish you all sorts of good luck and also good luck to the ship. If she makes as successful voyages on the sea as the Sixteenth Battalion makes successful assaults on the battlefield she will have no go some. The department is highly satisfied with your work."

A message from E. Hawkins, deputy minister of marine, was also read offering best wishes. There were also a number of telegrams from other parties including the Lieutenant-Governor, W. P. Hinton, and W. E. Dugan, thanking the company for the invitations extended to be present and extending good wishes.

The Christening.

At 4:18, Manager Turner gave the signal for the workmen to move from underneath the vessel and Miss Alice Du Vernet released the steam valve which set the vessel in motion down the ways. As she commenced to move, Mrs. C. W. Peck threw the bottle at the hull, officially announcing the christening.

RUSH WHEAT INTO STATES

DULUTH, May 12.—Shipments of Canadian wheat are being rushed into the United States through Duluth and Rainier free of duty by shippers who anticipate the signing of the emergency tariff measure by President Harding.

IRISH PEACE NOW IN SIGHT

Dublin Castle Optimistic as Result of Meeting Craig and Valera.

DUBLIN, May 13.—It is announced from Dublin Castle that the mere fact of a meeting between Sir James Craig, viceroy of Ulster, and De Valera is the most significant development in the Irish controversy in years. The prospects for peace are materially improved, although definite results cannot yet be perceived.

SHOT MAY BEEN INTENDED FOR SINN FEINER

VANCOUVER, May 13.—Was the shot that killed W. F. Salisbury, Jr., on the night of April 12 on Georgia Street here intended for Osmond T. Gratton Esmond, the alleged Sinn Feiner? This startling new view the police are working on today. Interviewed, Esmond told the police he had previously been accosted at night by ruffians and was within a few yards of Esmond unknowingly about the time Salisbury was mysteriously murdered.

GUERRILLA WARFARE IN WEST VIRGINIA COAL MINING REGION

WILLIAMSON, West Virginia, May 13.—Guerrilla warfare is raging between the police and ambushed coal strikers in the towns of this region. The towns are terrorized by bands of hitmen and others who have taken advantage of the strike condition to commit many lawless acts. The police are unable so far to dislodge the snipers from the hillsides.

PIKEVILLE, Ky., May 13.—Four persons have been killed and one man wounded in fighting along the Kentucky and West Virginia border within the last 24 hours.

P. & O. STEAMER IN COLLISION

Patella with 1,000 on Board Beached at Entrance to Straits of Dover.

LONDON, May 13.—The Peninsular and Oriental liner Patella from London bound for Sydney, Australia, with 1,100 passengers and crew beached near the entrance to the Straits of Dover following a collision with the British tank steamer Patella. It is stated that all passengers will be safely landed.

NEW YORK MAY FINANCE THIS COUNTRY SOON

Preliminary Discussion Looking to Floating of \$40,000,000 Loan

NEW YORK, May 12.—Informal discussions in regard to Dominion of Canada financing in this market is going on in New York banking circles, it is stated. The Tribune says "the opinion is expressed that a loan of \$40,000,000 on a seven per cent basis will likely be arranged in New York before July 1 to take care of maturities and replenish the Dominion's United States balance."

USE AIRPLANES TO FIGHT FOREST FIRES

Sum of \$20,000 is Set Aside This Year for Purpose.

VICTORIA, May 13.—British Columbia will use airplanes to fight forest fires this year. The Provincial Government has set aside \$20,000 for this purpose. The machines will be used to locate the fire and rush fire fighters and equipment to the scene.

DEAN R. W. BROCK IS NOW LL.D. OF QUEENS LECTURED RECENTLY

KINGSTON, May 13.—The honorary degree of LL.D. was conferred on Dean R. W. Brock of the University of British Columbia on Wednesday.

Dean Brock lectured here in the Empress Theatre about two weeks ago.

DOUKHOBORS WANT RETURN TO RUSSIA

RIGA, May 12.—Canadian Doukhobors, a religious sect expelled from Russia about 1915 have applied for permission to return to Russia, says a Moscow despatch.

WOMAN ELECTROCUTED WHEN DRAWING PLUG

WINNIPEG, May 13.—Mrs. A. K. Reynolds, 39 years of age, was accidentally electrocuted yesterday when she attempted to withdraw the electric plug from a small heater in her home.

STUDENT KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE

TORONTO, May 13.—Arthur Richardson, eighteen years of age, a student at the technical school here, was instantly killed by the shock received when he grasped the end of a broken wire on the sidewalk last night.



The coal strikers have become so bold in some sections of Great Britain that British troops have been stationed at many Government plants. Wimbledon, where great tennis matches have been played, now furnishes an excellent military camp for British volunteers. Day after day at an early hour in the morning, volunteers arrive at the camp completely armed. The photo shows recruits marching into camp.

ENGINEERS MAY ACT IF NECESSARY

WASHINGTON, May 13.—Marine engineers have offered to man ships to carry food to Alaska if the ships are furnished p.m. on Thursday. The first and the food shortage proves to be actually as bad as it is reported.

DRY WEATHER CAUSES FIRES

Ontario and Quebec Suffer Owing to Dry Weather Recently.

LINDSAY, Ont., May 13.—Owing to the dry weather there have been a number of bush fires in Haliburton County, Ont., which have caused much property loss.

QUEBEC, May 13.—Forest fires are raging in the St. Maurice region of Quebec province and are extending. In other sections of the province similar dry weather fires have broken out but are pretty well under control.

BANKERS STATE POLICY RUINOUS

Protest Against the Government Measure Restricting Imports to Britain.

LONDON, May 13.—Twenty of this city's leading bankers are protesting the government measures announced yesterday restricting the free exchange of commodities between Great Britain and other countries.

They claim that the limitation of imports will strike a blow at the world-wide trade on which the United Kingdom depends.

JUNEAU PIONEER DIED WEDNESDAY

Thomas Wilson Would Have been One Hundred Years Old on May 24.

JUNEAU, May 13.—Thomas Wilson, a pioneer of 1874, died here on Wednesday. He would have been one hundred years of age on May 24.

YUKON RIVER ICE BREAKS

Broke up Yesterday Just After Noon—U. S. Boats to Handle Ore.

DAWSON, Y. T., May 13.—The Yukon River broke up at 12:44 Alaska if the ships are furnished p.m. on Thursday. The first and the food shortage proves to be actually as bad as it is reported.

The Ottawa Government has extended the privilege to United States vessels to handle ore from Mayo, lacking Canadian bottoms to carry the cargoes offering.

PREMIER MINE TIED RIGHT UP

Two Hundred and Fifty Men on Strike But no Violence Occurs.

Chief Minty, of the provincial police, this morning received the following message from Constable Scarlett at Stewart:

"There has been a complete walkout of the men at the Premier mine with 250 employees affected. Stewart is orderly and there is no violence."

BOMB IS HURLED AT POLICE LORRY

Panic Results and Several Persons Were Wounded—Republicans Shot.

DUBLIN, May 13.—Fourteen civilians were injured when a bomb was thrown at a police auxiliary lorry and a panic resulted. The police shot three republicans at Listowel and wounded several others following an ambush.

Skeena River Coal is of Fine Grade Suitable for Ships and All Other Uses

OTTAWA, May 13.—Before the parliamentary fuel committee J. C. Scott of Quebec, head of the company developing coal fields on the Skeena River, British Columbia, described the coal as of fine grade suitable for ships and all other uses, but the field was 150 miles from the railway and 100 miles from the nearest water.

NOVA SCOTIA COAL GOING TO ENGLAND

Three Shiploads Leaving With 20,000 Tons—Reigning Coal Situation.

GLACE BAY, N. S., May 13.—Three shiploads of coal are being sent from here to England to help relieve the situation caused by the complete stoppage of the British mines as a result of the strike. These ships contained 20,000 tons and an effort will be made, it is understood, to distribute the fuel by means of voluntary workers who have enlisted in London for that purpose.

BRUSSELS, May 13.—Belgian dock workers have decided to oppose legal measures to attempt to load coal in this country for England during the miners' strike.

LLOYD GEORGE MAKES SPEECH

Says Action of Polish Insurrectionists Contrary to Treaty of Versailles.

LONDON, May 13.—Premier Lloyd George in a dramatic speech in the House of Commons concerning the Silesian embroglio said the action of the Polish insurrectionists was a complete defiance of the Treaty of Versailles.

BERLIN, May 13.—The general strike begun by German workmen at Oppeln, Upper Silesia, in protest against the attitude of the inter-allied commission toward Polish insurrectionists, has been called off.

The coal fields referred to are thought to be those in the Groundhog district, the railway being the G. T. P. at Hazelton and the water, the head of Portland Canal.