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## Combines Keep Up Prices of Coal

### PROSPECT OF SETTLEMENT IN MARINE STRIKE ON BASIS OF LOWER WAGE

#### Coal Commission Finds the Cost Excessively High Caused by Illegal Dealers' Combines

VICTORIA, May 7.—Prices paid for coal by the consumers British Columbia are "excessively high" and combines which keep up these prices should be dissolved and the offenders prosecuted. These are findings of the coal commission which has been investigating the coal trade under the provincial government and the minister of mines.

"The evidence shows very clearly there is a combine among many dealers in Vancouver to fix the price of coal," says Alexander, K. C., chief commissioner, in his report to Mr. Sloan. It states the evidence conclusively shows that the dealers frequently deliver short weight to the consumer.

#### PATTULLO AND MANSION SPEAK TO THE BOARD

Discuss a Number of Subjects at Meeting Last Night in Council Chamber.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trade held last night at the City Hall, President Pattullo was in the chair. Hon. T. D. Manson, who was present, was asked to speak. He expressed appreciation of the work the board was doing and mentioned the useful influence of such an organization on the social as well as the business life of the community.

Mr. Pattullo said the Board of Trade was the first non-political organization to be formed in the city and had carried out much of the work in the public interest, discussing the present situation. Mr. Pattullo said there was no reason to feel discouraged so far as affairs were concerned, compared with other parts of the country things were most favorable. Along the line between the Prince George and here great improvements were going on.

**Viruses of North.**

"Why should people come to Prince Rupert? Because the people here are infected with the virus of the north. They are worth meeting. I am more certain today of the future of the city than ever I was in the past. I have always been an optimist," said the minister. "Not only are the lands of the interior being brought up, with this city as the natural outlet, but manufactures will grow up. This is the tunnel through which people will come and go. It is the natural outlet."

Mr. Pattullo spoke of the setbacks the city had received, partly from causes which could not be controlled and partly from the action of others. The city did not have the co-operation it should. If there was cause to be blue it was not on account of local conditions, but on account of world conditions, which at present were rather alarming.

**Road to Interior.**

Discussing the possibility of a road to the interior, Mr. Pattullo said he saw no reason why the work should not be commenced this year. A delegation of the board had called on him and discussed the possibilities. He had asked that the city pass a resolution pledging themselves to put the road before the people in the event of the province building this year, so that the provincial road would connect up with the city. If the work was done it would be with a grant

from the sum set aside for trunk roads under the Highway Act. This would be part of a trunk road to the interior. Bonds would have to be sold to provide the funds for this work. If the city passed the resolution it would help him to get the appropriation.

The minister spoke of the power and pulp proposals now before them and urged that they be sympathetic toward new industries. They wanted capital to develop industries here and to get it they must give hearty cooperation. He believed the city needed plenty of power as a first requisite. He had urged the pulp concern to go into the power producing business with a view to selling part of their product to the city.

**Mr. Speaker Speaks.**

Hon. Speaker Manson gave a short but interesting address in which he mentioned the necessity of fighting for what they wanted. The province was in the raw and the north was too far away to always get its due. He urged that they cultivate the same spirit that made Seattle. That city was built on the spirit of optimism which prevailed among the people. He thought they might copy the method.

Mr. Manson then spoke of the development of the interior, especially at Francois Lake and other points where settlers had been going in very fast. If the district filled up, it would provide tonnage for the railway and the resources of the country would be developed. He strongly urged a trip to the interior and advised the board to drive through the country, getting away from the railway. Central B. C. was a most desirable country and they should concentrate on settling it.

Mr. Manson said he was optimistic in regard to this part of the country because some day the powers would be sympathetic both to the district, the railway and the provincial government.

#### VANCOUVER MAN WILL BE IN BISLEY SHOOT

OTTAWA, May 7.—The full team of twenty for the Bisley rifle meeting in England has been announced. The names not previously announced include that of Private A. H. Caplin, of Vancouver.

Their many friends will be pleased to know that Engineer Jack Sutherland and Fireman Samuel J. Douglas, who were injured in the railway wreck near Salvas a fortnight ago, are now making rapid progress towards recovery at the general hospital. They will be in the hospital for some time yet.

#### BEHAVE YOURSELF WON KENTUCKY DERBY

LOUISVILLE, May 7.—The Kentucky Derby was won by Behave Yourself, time, 2 min. 4 1-5 sec., Black Servant, second, and Prudery, third. Whitney's entries, Tryster and Prudery, were last minute favorites.

#### MRS. C. E. BLOOMFIELD DIED THIS MORNING

Deceased was 42 Years of Age and Lived at Sunnyside Before Coming Here.

The death occurred at the General Hospital this morning of Mrs. Evelyn Bloomfield, wife of G. E. Bloomfield, 1153 Ambrose Avenue, after a brief illness. Mrs. Bloomfield was 42 years of age and leaves to mourn her loss several children besides her husband.

For some years she resided with her husband at Sunnyside Gannery and recently came to Prince Rupert where Mr. Bloomfield is now engaged in the repair business on Fifth Avenue. Funeral arrangements have not been made as yet.

#### PROVINCE GETS NO AID IN ENFORCEMENT OF MODERATION ACT

VANCOUVER, May 7.—According to a message received here by Attorney-General W. J. DeB. Farris yesterday from Hon. John Oliver, who is now in eastern Canada, the Ottawa Government refused the request of the Provincial Government to pass legislation prohibiting anyone but the B. C. Government from importing liquor into the province.

#### SEEK TO AMEND THE CIVIL SERVICE ACT

Deputy Minister Objects to the Present Method of Making Appointments.

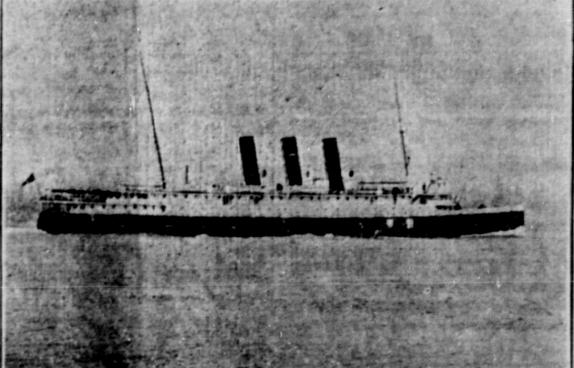
OTTAWA, May 7.—That the Civil Service Commission is not operated for efficiency in the case of professional appointments but has proved embarrassing and inefficient in this respect is the statement of E. L. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice, for the special committee amending the civil service act.

#### ATTEND CONSECRATION.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Right Rev. James Sweeney, Bishop of Toronto will represent the Anglican Churches of Canada at the consecration of Rev. Dr. Manning, rector of Trinity Church, as tenth Bishop of New York on May 11.

B. Manthrop, steamboat inspector, is expected in the city on Monday in connection with his official duties.

POPULAR COASTER RETURNING.



Prince Rupert will be back in this city on May 18, eight months after the wreck.

#### Kentucky Derby Is Being Run Today at Louisville Canadian Horse Favorite

LOUISVILLE, May 7.—Louisville and its thousands of visitors are on edge in anticipation of the 47th renewal of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs this afternoon. The probable winner of the famous classic is the all-prevailing topic of conversation.

As early as nine o'clock this morning crowds were waiting to gain admission to the grounds where the race is to be held.

Some of the most famous jockeys in the country are scheduled to ride. The Whitney entry is Prudery and Tryster and they are picked as likely winners of the race. Star Voter is also an entry. This horse, which is the property of Commander Ross of Montreal, is the popular choice for second place.

#### Manitoba Gets Through First Session Without Defeat by Varied Groups

WINNIPEG, May 7.—The parliamentary group system and government by a minority is on trial in Manitoba. Contrary to principles of British constitutional government which are generally accepted, the Norris administration for nine months has conducted the affairs of the province without a majority in the legislature, and has just emerged undefeated from a session which lasted almost three months. In a house of 55 members the government controlled 21 votes definitely, but in the scores of divisions which took place a scattered support was received from members or opposition groups which prevented the crisis which was so often predicted. Only one government measure was defeated and as that was in committee it was not held to show such want of confidence as to involve the government's resignation.

Time after time the opposition groups marshalled their forces in an attempt to defeat the government, but only on one occasion did they succeed in having a government measure rejected. After strenuously opposing a bill for establishment of preferential voting in single member constituencies where more than two candidates were in the field, the opposition secured a division on second reading which resulted in a tie vote. The Speaker cast his vote with the government and the bill went to committee. Opposition members succeeded in "killing" it there.

**May be Election**

Political leaders are discussing the prospects of a provincial election before the legislature meets again. Opposition members feel certain that a general election will take place during the summer. Throughout the session Premier T. C. Norris was non-committal. His answer to queries always was, "An election during the recess depends entirely upon the legis-

#### BIG RAILROAD IS NOT MAKING ISSUE DEBENTURE STOCK

Denial is Given New York Report By C. P. R. Officials at Montreal.

MONTREAL, May 7.—The report from New York that the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. is marketing fifty million dollars' worth of debentures is denied by officials of the company in this city.

#### Marine Strike Likely to be Settled Following a Conference at Washington

WASHINGTON, May 7.—As a result of the conference between the marine strikers and the government an agreement has been evolved for submission to the unions providing for three eight-hour shifts daily and the proposed reduction in wages. The secretary of Marine hopes for a settlement on the question of working conditions which has heretofore been a stumbling block.

BALTIMORE, May 7.—Seventeen strikers were arrested here in an attempt to prevent the sailing of a cattle steamer. An injunction against picketing has been granted in the district court.

#### MANY VESSELS PRINCE RUPERT SOLD CATCHES REPAIRS DONE

Fish for which There are No Cars Vessel Will Make Her First Trip Cell for Cold Storage and Ketchikan Arriving at Prince Rupert on May 18.

The following fish boats, for which there were no refrigerator cars available yesterday, sold at short prices for local cold storage or foreign delivery:

- H. Gill, 9,000 pounds, to the Pacific Sea Products Association at 9.4c and 5c.
- Director, 7,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. at 9.4c and 5c.
- W.T., 15,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 9.9c and 5c.
- Sheridan, 1,700 pounds, sold to the Sea Products at 9.9c and 5c.
- D.C.F., 7,000 pounds; Viola, 7,000 pounds, and Nuba, 12,000, sold to the Allin Fisheries at 9.8c and 5c.
- Hesquist, 4,000 pounds; Maggie Belle, 200; Wolf, 700, and Verma, 800, sold to the Cold Storage at 9c and 5c.
- Reliance, 7,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 9.2c and 5c.
- Skandia, 55,000 pounds, sold to the Royal Fish Co. at 9.3c and 5c.
- Bravo, 9,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 9.4c and 5c.
- Minnie V., 2,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 9.5c and 5c.
- Joe Baker, 8,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 9.7c and 5c.
- Norren, 12,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage at 10.2c and 5c.
- Nautilus, 2,000 pounds, sold to the Royal Fish Co. at 10c and 5c.
- Uranus, 19,000 pounds, sold to the Royal Fish Co. at 9.5c and 5c.
- Roman, 18,000 pounds; Star, 11,000, and Gogrie, 15,000, sold to the Allin Fisheries at 9c and 4c for Ketchikan delivery.

There is still no relief in the car situation.

VICTORIA, May 7.—The Grand Trunk Pacific steamer Prince Rupert left Yarrow's ship repairing yard at Esquimalt yesterday, her repairs as a result of the disaster at Swanson Bay last September completed. The vessel will spend a week outfitting at Vancouver and will then relieve the Prince George on Sunday, May 15, and take the north bound run. The Prince George will remain in the south about a week and will then proceed to Prince Rupert to undergo her annual overhaul. This makes the Prince Rupert due in Prince Rupert on her first run on May 18.

"The vessel will be in very fine shape and practically as good as the day she was launched," says Captain G. H. Nicholson, general manager of the company fleet.

It will be eight months less one day since her wreck when the Prince Rupert resumed service. The vessel was in particularly bad shape when salvaged and the task of reconditioning her has been a difficult one but was handled with efficiency at the Yarrow's yard. The contract for her reconditioning was completed in ninety days and the contract provided for 145.

#### ALLIES LOSING UPPER SILESIA

Germans are Fighting with Allies Against Insurrectionist Forces

OPPELN, May 7.—The Allies are losing out in the fight with the Polish insurrectionists in Upper Silesia and seventy men have already been killed and many wounded out of the garrison which totals three thousand. Germany is taking part in the conflict unofficially on the side of the Allies and German soldiers are also said to be in the fighting ranks.

BERLIN, May 7.—Chancellor Ferchenbach has informed the Reichstag that he is prepared to send troops to Upper Silesia to reinforce the Allies if necessary.

#### HEIR J'PAN'S THRONE ARRIVES IN ENGLAND

Prince Hirohito to be Given a Great Reception in the Old Country.

LONDON, May 7.—The Japanese battleship Katori with Prince Hirohito aboard to visit England arrived at Spithead this morning. The Prince Will remain aboard until Monday when he will proceed to London. The heir-apparent to the Japanese throne is to be given a great welcome in England.

#### FOUGHT A FURIOUS TWELVE-ROUND BOUT

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 7.—The bantamweight champion Joe Lynch and Pal Moore fought a furious twelve-round match last night, observers disagreeing as to the verdict, many calling it a draw.

#### MORE AMBUSHES IN IRELAND REPORTED

LONDON, May 7.—Two revolutionaries were killed when an ambush was repulsed at Castlebar. The official estimates of the casualties in the ambush at County Mayo on Tuesday are ten Sinn Feiners killed and two wounded.