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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1921.

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Good Hope of Starting Steel Plant

WORK AT SHIPYARD STARTED AGAIN THIS MORNING; MORE MEN EMPLOYED

Mackenzie Pleads for Soldiers' Beer

Key Wants Legislature to Approve Commissioners under new Act; Duncan Favors Another Method and No Prescriptions

VICTORIA, March 3.—Unless the returned soldier clubs are allowed to sell beer under the Government control measure they will be driven out of existence and the splendid work they have been carrying on will be stopped, declared Capt. Ian Mackenzie, moving on the liquor bill in the Legislature yesterday. He was serving as a director of the Moderation League and representing practically all the returned soldiers' organizations in the province.

The returned soldier representatives visited the Parliament today and presented all the members with a copy of "the clause," which they inserted in the bill.

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Clause proposes special laws to authorize vendors to incorporate clubs.
In speech Capt. Mackenzie said with the Moderation resolution asking that beer sold by the glass during hours in approved estab-
lishments where meals are served, Pooley of Esquimalt, Con-
sidered that the names of the proposed members be submitted to the Legislature for their approval of the bill. He favored the question of appointment of three men on the commission, not more than a good one. He nominated the nomination of the moderation exhibition parties and the League. He also urged no prescriptions.

TWENTY PER CENT ARE IDLE

Shipbuilders Have No More Contracts in England, Says London Paper.

LONDON, March 3.—Almost twenty per cent of the shipbuilding berths in England are vacant and the shipbuilders have no contracts on hand, says the Morning Post. Twice as many orders have been cancelled as have been placed.

WALLACES LAUNCHING VESSEL AT VANCOUVER

Canadian Skirmisher will Take Water on St. Patrick's Day—Miss Langford Sponsor

NORTH VANCOUVER, Mar. 3.—St. Patrick's Day, March 17, has been chosen as the date for the launching of the steel freighter, Canadian Skirmisher, being built by Wallace's here for the Canadian Government merchant marine services.

Miss Dorothy Langford, charming Vancouver society girl and niece of F. W. Peters, G.P.R. superintendent, and who danced with the Prince of Wales during his visit here last summer, will sponsor the launching.

The Skirmisher is the sixth similar vessel built for the Canadian Government and completes the Wallace contract.

BIRTHS.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McNeill, of Burns Lake, B.C., at the Prince Rupert General Hospital yesterday.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Arthur of Summit Ave. at the General Hospital today.

George Town Lumber mill commenced operations, and a quantity of lumber for houses and for fish boxes. Geo. who is in the city today, may not continue until at present as there is much work to do to the

house in the Daily News.

COCKER SPANIEL BEST DOG IN KENNEL CLUB SHOW.



Midkiff Seductive, a cocker spaniel that was crowned king over 1,800 dogs that took part in the Westminster Kennel Club Show in New York city. Dr. De Mund, after rendering his decision in favor of the spaniel, said:—"They were two splendid dogs. I gave the cocker the prize over the Pekingese Phantom of Ashcroft because I consider that she is a better cocker spaniel than the Pekingese is a Pekingese."

Steel Works Proposal Looks Very Good to Local Expert

A. C. Garde Tells J. C. Gavigan to Bring Message of Encouragement to People of Prince Rupert; Site Proposed is Near Port Edward

"Tell the people in Prince Rupert that everything looks favorable for the establishment of a smelter on Kaien Island near Prince Rupert," said A. C. Garde to J. C. Gavigan at Victoria a day or two ago. Mr. Gavigan was in Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle on a buying trip in connection with the Rupert Table Supply when he met Mr. Garde in Victoria fairly bubbling over with the apparent success of the smelter proposition which he had been taking up with the recently formed iron and steel company and also with the Government.

Mr. Garde said the Provincial Government had promised a suitable piece of land near Port Edward for a site and the whole scheme had been laid before the promoter of the steel enterprise with the result that they said it was the best proposal that had been made to them so far. They left on Saturday for England where the whole scheme will be laid before the old country capitalists who were men and possibly developing the Copper River coal field which has a good coking coal. Magnétite would be secured from one or more of the big deposits in the neighborhood, possibly Porcher Island.

The company that was incorporated last November is known as the Coast Range Steel Company, capitalized at \$15,000,000, with head office at Vancouver. The provisional directors at the time of incorporation included John D. Kearns, L. J. Landal, Ma-

jor Moore, A. T. Congdon and G. Stora of New York.

London engineers have been on the coast investigating the possibilities and it was announced in November that the investigations would take 90 days at least to complete. These have now been made and the engineers and promoters are on their way to England to lay their whole scheme before the principals. Some further investigations and tests will be necessary before any definite work can begin, and it is just possible that it may be decided to establish the works on Vancouver Island or the lower mainland, but Mr. Garde is confident that his proposal is better than any of the others and the engineers and promoters admit that it is the best they have yet received. Consequently he is very much enthused over the possibility of success.

MORGAN'S DOG TEAM WON DERBY

Delayed by Blizzards Time Took to Cover 200 Miles was Nearly Thirty-four Hours.

THE PAS, March 3.—C. B. Morgan's dog team won the dog Derby yesterday, the time taken to cover the two hundred miles with a sled was 32 hours, 50 minutes. The rest of the entries were far behind.

Blizzards were encountered on the trip, making the going very hard and uncertain.

Work Resumed in Local Shipyards

Whistle Blew This Morning for First Time in Months; Number of Men Being Put to Work

With the welcome blast of the whistle at 8 o'clock this morning, shipbuilding operations were again resumed at the local dry dock after the long tie up following the failure of the Newman Erb contract. The new Wallace contract for the completion of the two Canadian Government merchant marine ships that have lain idle all winter is at last under way and men are being taken on today as they apply for work at the gates of the yard. Up to noon 75 men had been started and more are being taken on steadily. A start was made under instructions from J. A. Butt and J. B. Boudreau, representing the Dominion government, and final instructions from the head officials of the Wallace Shipyards at Vancouver are expected at any time.

Speaking to the News this morning, Hubert A. Wallace, director, stated that although things were now definitely started, work would have to be resumed slowly and it would be a few days before work was in full swing. The opening up of the power house and other details will await the receipt of further instructions from the Vancouver office.

PRINCE ALBERT REPAIRS DONE

Leaves for Stewart at Ten O'clock This Evening—Fearful is Out

The Prince Albert was discharged from the local dry dock this morning, her annual overhaul now being complete. The Prince John was also at the dock transferring her cargo for Stewart to the Prince Albert. The latter vessel sailed at one o'clock for the island and the Albert goes tonight at ten o'clock to Stewart.

Extensive repairs to the tug Fearful, engaged in towing sand from McNicholl Creek to the new ocean dock are also complete and that vessel was also discharged.

GLASS WORKS FIRE

Financial Loss from Glass Works Burning was \$700,000.

BALTIMORE, Ohio, March 3.—A tank filled with molten glass burst and started a fire which destroyed the Gorschuk glass plant, the loss amounting to approximately \$700,000.

Horrible Condition in Siberia is Described

Lieut.-Colonel Young, Red Cross Commissioner, Just to Canada after Two Years Spent in Country

VANCOUVER, March 3.—Describing conditions in Siberia as appalling, Lieut.-Col. Douglas Young, commissioner for the Red Cross Society in Russia, is here en route to Ottawa following two years' work in that country.

Colonel Young declared that all Russians, irrespective of their political sympathies, acquired an immense respect for Canada. He recalled incidents which served to tell the horror which had overwhelmed Russia. On one of his journeys he brought relief to a train load of people, whom he found lying in tiers of three along the cars, reduced to such a condition through want of medicine and surgical appliances that they were operating on themselves and each other with kitchen knives without any anaesthetics.

Typhus was devastating Siberia, Colonel Young said, and glanders. If a man developed glanders he was shot because the disease was so infectious.

IN AID OF THE HOSPITAL FUNDS

Grand Vaudeville Concert

in the
Westholme Theatre, Thursday, March 3
All Star Programme

Admission, \$1 Reserved Seats, \$1.50
Plan at Prince Rupert Music Store