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Some Changes Made in Sales Tax

PERSISTENT RUMOR OF BIG DEAL IN CONNECTION WITH LOCAL RAILROAD

Budget Revision Will Reduce Rate Excise on Lumber

OTTAWA, May 23.—The budget amendments brought forward in committee in the House of Commons on Saturday will reduce the proposed excise on Canadian lumber from three per cent to two per cent. The imported product will pay three per cent.

The sales tax exemptions have been extended to binder, glue, bran, shorts, oil cake, cattle and poultry food.

The manufacture and importation of oleomargarine is to be permitted and the balance of the sales tax will be adopted as proposed in the budget.

NO ELECTION THIS YEAR IS THE PROSPECT

Premier Meighen Not Likely to Appeal to Country Unless New Development.

OTTAWA, May 23.—There is a likelihood of a dissolution of parliament this year. Those who have looked for an early election seem doomed to disappointment. The Government has decided that the time is not propitious for an appeal to the people and in all probability will not wait until after a distribution measure has been passed, which will mean until after the next session of parliament, unless there is some new development, there will, in all probability, not be an election until the summer of 1922.

Not Face Defeat.

Premier Meighen is not the man to rush into an election without a chance of winning, unless there is some good reason for doing so. He is still supported by a number of Liberal Unionists who continue to draw their indemnities but who, in all probability, will be defeated when they go to the country, unless the public sentiment changes a great deal. There is nothing to be gained from a political standpoint by calling an election, whereas there is always hope of something turning up to improve matters. At any rate the electorate may forget.

PARSON STARTS IN ENGLAND

Farms in Yorkshire Suffer—Sawmill Destroyed—Arrests Made

LONDON, May 23.—Another election campaign was commenced here on Saturday night. Thirty fires were started, chiefly in farm buildings and haystacks in Yorkshire. A sawmill at Stockton was destroyed and a water main blown out, causing floods. Three arrests have been made. The incendiaries fired on many places.

SAYS LLOYD GEORGE MAKES COMMONS OF ENGLISH UNHEALTHY

LONDON, May 23.—Pemberton has resigned his seat in the House of Commons as a protest against the Lloyd George administration. He characterizes this government as making the House of Commons "unwholesome."

LIQUOR LOADED ON PROVINCIAL BUT SAILING DELAYED

On Saturday night late three wagon loads of liquor were loaded on board the launch Provincial from Jack Miller's export warehouse. Clearance papers were not formally applied for, but the liquor was yesterday afternoon returned to the warehouse.

Great interest was taken in the proceedings by the public and the police were keeping an eye on the business.

HARRY ROSS PASSES AWAY

Popular Hotel Man Died in Victoria Saturday—Funeral Today.

Harry E. Ross, proprietor of the Empress Hotel of this city, passed away after a long illness on Saturday morning at his Victoria home, from which the funeral takes place tomorrow. During his illness the business was managed by his father, Geo. A. Ross, a Yakima fruit grower, who left here Friday to attend the funeral. The late Mr. Ross and the Empress were deservedly popular in all the logging and mining camps of these parts and his death will be learned with deep regret by all the workers.

Mr. Ross leaves a widow and three young children and two older brothers, one of whom is the chief civil engineer of the Oregon State government and the author of several popular handbooks on roadmaking and bridge-building, the other is a captain in the United States army and has been stationed for some time since the war in the Panama Canal zone.

The Empress Hotel business has been left in the temporary charge of Mr. John M. Harrington, who for a long time has been connected with the management.

SALMON BELLIES LOSE FIRST GAME

Terminals, of Vancouver, Won at Lacrosse on Saturday by Eight to Five.

VANCOUVER, May 23.—The Terminals, of Vancouver, defeated the New Westminster Salmon Bellies at lacrosse on Saturday afternoon by a score of 8 to 5.

WASHOUT ON THE RAILWAY

Settler Killed When Riding With Car of Effects Which Was Derailed.

REPAIR WORK BEING RUSHED BY GANGS

Train Will Not Leave Until This Evening and Westbound Arrive Tomorrow.

G. W. Applegreen, who was en route to Moricetown, was killed when the car of settlers' effects on which he was riding was derailed between Rose Lake and Houston as a result of bad washouts along the Bulkley River at the week-end.

N. B. Walton, assistant general superintendent, received word this morning that good progress was being made with the repair of the track but that the work would not be far enough advanced for the train to leave here before five o'clock this evening.

The westbound train is held up at Endako and cannot arrive here before tomorrow. The eastbound which left Saturday is still at Smithers.

Very High Water.

The washouts were due to the unusually high water in the Bulkley River. The warm weather has melted the snow on the hills very rapidly and the result, so far as the railway is concerned, has been disastrous. Several of the bad places have already been repaired and a number of gangs of bridgemen are at work on the others.

The man, Applegreen, who was killed was on his way to take up land at Moricetown. He came from Pemberton, Sask., and was travelling alone.

MANY CASUALTIES IN IRELAND IN WEEK

Twenty-three Deaths Resulting from Attacks Made on Police

DUBLIN, May 23.—Sixty attacks were made on crown forces during the week just past. The police suffered 55 casualties, resulting in 23 deaths. There were 52 raids on the mails and 42 attacks on police barracks. The number of persons interned is now 3,936.

SMUTS AND HUGHES COMMENDED BY PAPERS

LONDON, May 23.—The declaration of General Smuts, South African premier, that he favored a renewal of the Anglo-Japanese treaty and similar utterances by Premier Hughes, of Australia, have met with favorable comment from the morning papers.

NO LEGISLATION TO GET WIFE DESERTERS

OTTAWA, May 23.—There will be no legislation at the present session of the Dominion Parliament regarding the extradition of wife deserters who have taken refuge in the United States.

NOTED AUTHORESS AND ACTRESS DEAD

LONDON, May 23.—Lady Bancroft, wife of Sir Squire Bancroft, a noted actress and authoress, is dead at Folkestone.

ONLY WHITE WOMAN ON YAP ISLAND.



Mrs. Lillian S. Fisher of New York city is the only white woman who has lived on the island of Yap, the small isle in the Pacific for the control of which the United States and Japan are in dispute.

New Two Storey Concrete Building to be Erected on Third Avenue Shortly

Building activities in the city, which are decidedly promising at the present time, are to be still further enhanced in the near future by the erection of a two storey concrete building on Third Avenue on the vacant site between the Empire Publishing Co. and the Emad Block.

The owner of the property, W. D. McLaughlin of San Francisco, purchased the lots at the original G. T. P. sale held in Vancouver in 1908 and has recently announced that he has the plans prepared and everything in readiness to start building operations. There will be three stores on the ground floor, with handsome apartment flats above finished in Mission architectural style. They will be quite the most modern and artistic residential apartments so far erected in the city.

OIL COMPANY FOR TERRACE

Incorporation Announced in B.C. Gazette—Capital \$300,000

The incorporation of the Kitsumkalum Basin Petroleum Co., Limited, with a capitalization of \$300,000, head office at Terrace, is announced in the current issue of the B.C. Gazette. G. F. Schaub, formerly a telegraph operator at Kitwanga and now of Terrace, has launched the company, which will prospect for and work oil properties on Kitsumkalum Lake where promising indications have been found. The office at Terrace has already been established and a number of claims in the vicinity of Beaver and Cedar Rivers are recorded in the incorporation papers.

WHEAT PRICES FORCE COST FLOUR UPWARD

WINNIPEG, May 23.—Owing to the fluctuations in the price of wheat which closed at the Winnipeg Grain Exchange on Saturday at \$1.92 1/4 a bushel, the price of flour is now up 30c a barrel.

CAPTAIN JOHNSON IS SENDING BOAT NORTH

Canada, Captain Fred Brown, will Engage This Season Towing Davis Rafts.

Captain B. L. Johnson, now head of the B. L. Johnson Transportation Co., will send the tugboat Canada north this season in command of Captain Fred Brown. The boat will be engaged in the towing of Davis rafts across Hecate Straits from Queen Charlotte Islands for the mainland mills.

WIRELESS STATION FOR GREENLAND PROPOSED

COPENHAGEN, April 21.—Building of a wireless station in Greenland is again being considered, according to the Social Demokraten. Europe as well as America is said to be interested in the project, the newspaper adding that the British authorities have approached the Danish government in the matter.

BIRTH

There was born at the General Hospital on May 21, to Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Regan, Dyer Apartments, a son.

Canadian National May be Taken Over by American Road

There is a persistent rumor that the New York Central railway is trying to buy or lease the Grand Trunk Pacific and National Transcontinental Railway with a monopoly of the local business of this port and an outlet for American goods to the Orient and Siberia.

While there is nothing definite on which to base the proposal, except that it seems to be generally understood as a fact, it seems a likely thing to happen for an American road to take over the Canadian line. They could get it today for a song for the Canadian people would be glad to be relieved of it. The Canadian Government clearly does not want it but it could be made to pay by a line that is run successfully in the east and which could command business.

If the American railway secured this Canadian line they would at once put on a line of steamers between here and the Orient and much of the tea and silk now shipped by way of Vancouver and United States ports would then come this way. The fact that an engine can haul more freight over this route than over either of the others is an attractive feature which is a big factor in interesting the magnates in the east.

The Canadian Government would still own and operate the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway between Vancouver and the east in connection with the Grand Trunk railway as all the New York Central wants is the line to the coast with the feeders on either side to give it the necessary business. The through traffic would be the big thing.

With the New York Central in control, it is pointed out, the coal fields of the coast would soon be developed. Coal as near as possible to the Pacific would be shipped to tide water to provide bunkers and cargo for the liners plying out of this port.

The whole scheme, which may be only an imaginative one, looks most attractive to people here and the people of Prince Rupert would be only too glad to see the New York Central in control of the road.

LUMBER MILL WORKS AGAIN

Temporary Operations Remanufacturing Rough Lumber

About twenty men are engaged at the Prince Rupert Pulp and Paper Company's sawmill at Seal Cove remanufacturing rough lumber. Fires are again up in the plant in order to keep the dry kilns warm. The remanufacturing work consists in the drying of the rough lumber in the kilns and then planing and dressing it. The old stocks of rough lumber are being used and the work will only continue a few weeks.

GREENWOOD EDITOR DIED AT GRAND FORKS

Col. R. T. Lowery, One of B.C.'s Best Known Men, is Dead.

NELSON, May 23.—R. T. Lowery, editor of the Greenwood Ledger for many years, died at Grand Forks from Bright's disease.

Col. Lowery was one of the best known pioneers of the boundary country and had been in various parts of the Similkameen and Kootenay districts for thirty years.

INTERVENTION UPPER SILESIA

Reported Germans to Make Determined Effort to Recover From Poles.

PARIS, May 21.—The Allied high commissioner of Upper Silesia has sent a delegation to intervene with both the Germans and the Poles in an endeavor to obtain cessation of all military operations in that territory.

LONDON, May 23.—The London Times correspondent in Oppeln reporting the German irregular military operations in Upper Silesia declares that the Germans have been concentrating troops and making preparations with a view to making a determined effort to recover the possession of Upper Silesia from the Poles.

LONDON, May 23.—The British Government has decided to send troops to Upper Silesia at an early date.

NEW GASOLINE LAUNCH HERE

Pachena Will Engage in Transportation Business Out of Prince Rupert.

The fine gasoline boat Pachena has arrived here from the south and will shortly be commissioned by Captain A. Swanson in the transportation business between Prince Rupert and outside points, taking the place of the Provincial, which is now engaged in that business.

The Pachena is a large and staunch craft and is about 65 feet long. Having been engaged in the salmon fisheries work in the south she will be quite suitable for her new service in the north and will be able to navigate in the most stormy weather. She is an American vessel and her registry will be changed before she takes up the new business.