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DATA COLLATED ON COAST HALIBUT FISHERIES
WITH GOVERNMENT CO-OPERATION IT WOULD BE GREATEST FISH MARKETLiquor Law Changed
at Eleventh HourA Clause Inserted Giving Right to
Sell at Restaurants and Hotel
Dining-rooms; Must
Produce Permit

VICTORIA, February 23.—Eleventh hour changes in the draft liquor bill, which will be tabled this afternoon, will give it is said, to demands for the insertion in the bill of a beer clause to provide for the sale in hotel dining-rooms, restaurants, cabarets and clubs, the beer, however, to be sold only in sealed packages, thus observing the principle of which the bill approved at the plebiscite.

The beer must be secured from Government liquor stores and only to persons possessed of the required permit before the beer is handed over. Once in possession of the package, the beer will be permitted to open it and drink it on the premises. It is indicated that the bar feature will be eliminated and such establishments will have to provide tables for patrons.

MUNSON RULES
AGAINST MOTIONProposal of Labor Member
to Involve Expenditure
of Money.MEASURES ARE
READ FIRST TIME

VICTORIA, Feb. 23.—The attempt of R. H. Neelands, labor member for South Vancouver, to have the Legislature to give attention to the existing employment situation to the effect that employment might be secured at union wages, was defeated yesterday by the speaker, who ruled out of order the motion, which if approved, would involve expenditure of public money, which only can be taken from the treasury. The speaker, after consideration of the motion, ruled that the bill took up the subject of the committee on the bill of sale act, and the act of book accounts act.

BUILDING
NEAR FUTUREFeeling is That There
be Little Delay Now
Ownership Settled.

There is a hopeful feeling in the building world here, in that the shipbuilding will be within a short time. Representatives of the local shipbuilders have notified the local authorities that they are ready to appeal the case against them. They do not want to be in the position of being out of work. This should work to proceed at once.

PROHIBIT
MUNITIONS EXPORTMust Not Send War Ma-
to Argentine or Other
Neutral Country.

ON, Feb. 23.—Allied commissions in Germany will ship munitions to war in Germany to Argentina and other neutral country, if the Allies persist in trying to force them, it is announced.

ROSE FESTIVAL
TELKWA BALLVery Successful Affair at Bulkley
Valley Centre—Winners
of Competition.

TELKWA, Feb. 23.—Special. The Community Club's Rose Festival Ball was, without doubt, Telkwa's most successful affair, both from social and financial results. The ladies through hard work had transformed the hall into a beautiful rose garden with hanging baskets and trellis work covered with sprays of roses. The ice cream booth was in the form of a rose covered arbor, and did a big business.

At midnight a chicken supper was served and which, judging from results, was enjoyed by everyone. The winners of the waiting competition were Miss Grant of Smithers and Mrs. Reagle, Telkwa, with Sam Johnston and Doug Campbell. Gray's orchestra provided the music and brought this most enjoyable affair to a close with the national anthem at 3:30.

The total receipts have not been made up, but have, so far, reached the sum of \$350.

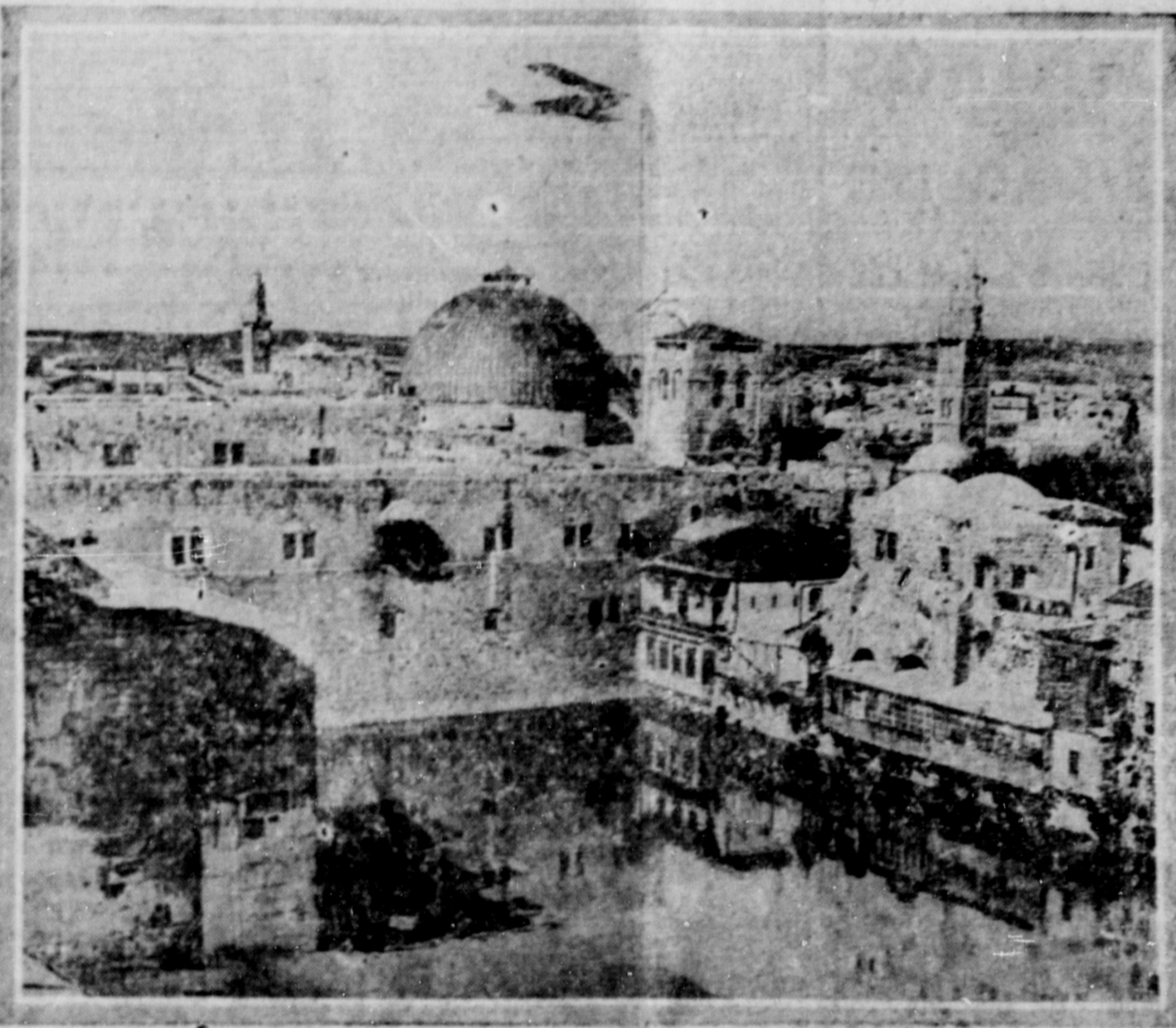
FUNERAL OF LATE
JOHN McLEOD WAS
HELD THIS MORNING

The funeral of the late John McLeod took place this morning from the B. C. Undertakers' parlors and the remains were taken to the train for shipment east. The last rites were performed by Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant and the pallbearers were Rod McLeod, Wm. McRae, D. Munro, William MacKenzie, Murdoch McLeod and M. MacKenzie. Floral tributes were received from Mr. and Mrs. D. McLeod and family, Mr. and Mrs. William McRae and Duncan Munro.

COURT MARTIALED
AND FOUND GUILTY

DUBLIN, Feb. 23.—The bodies of three soldiers were found near Woodford, County Galway, last night. Each was shot through the head. A note on each body stated that they were spies, had been court martialled and found guilty.

BRITISH TO CONTROL HOLY LAND.



Foundations for a Jewish nation in Palestine were laid in the British mandate recently made public. The terms of the mandate, which is subject to approval by the Council of the League of Nations on February 22, provide:—British right to levy upon Palestine for support of troops. No discrimination against nationals of any country. No prejudice against Jews. English, Arabic and Hebrew the official languages. The mandate has been approved by the King of England and now awaits only the action of the League. The picture is of Jerusalem. The view shown is near the southern end of the old wall. Note the airplane; it is the only thing that gives it a modern touch.

FEDERATION OF
RUSSIAN STATES
MAY BE SECURED

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 23.—The Moscow newspaper, Izvestia, says Soviet Russia is working to create a federation of all the states of the old Russian Empire to "prevent the growing entente influence in those countries."

DUBLIN PAPERS
ARE WARNEDTold They Must not Publish Gruesome
Details Execution of
Sinn Feiners.

DUBLIN, Feb. 23.—The editors of Dublin newspapers have been notified by the Irish Republican Army that the publication of certain gruesome details of the execution of Sinn Feiners by the crown forces will be punished with death.

Three members of the Irish constabulary employed at Dublin Castle were shot today. Two were killed and the other seriously injured, almost at the castle gate.

COAL INVESTIGATION

Alex. Henderson, K. C., Will Com-
mence Work at Once.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—Alex. Henderson, K. C., coal commissioner, states that the first sitting of the inquiry into the cost of coal will probably be held on Friday. He hopes to have the investigation in full swing by Monday and is conferring today with Government officials at Victoria.

STEVENS TAKES
FLING AT KINGUrges Resignation in Order to
Induce Government to
Follow Suit.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Further debate on the address brought a challenge from R. H. Stevens of Vancouver who referred to some charges made by Mackenzie King against the Government, citing King's plea on the opening day that the new parliament buildings should not be made a "chapel house of disillusionment."

If the charges were true, Stevens said, then King should resign and his followers with him. If he did that the Government dare not remain in office.

MONEY MARKET

(Courtesy T. McClymont)

Exchange	
Sterling	153.
France	8.88.
Belgium	9.47.
Lira	4.60.
Marks	2.15.
Greece	9.10.
Hong Kong	59 1/2.
United States	16 1/4.
Victory Bonds	
1922	97 1/2.
1923	97 1/2.
1924	95 1/2.
1927	97 1/2.
1933	97 1/2.
1934	94 1/2.
1937	98 1/2.

William Tolin, an old timer of Stewart, has taken over the King Edward Hotel at that place. Roy Moseley, former proprietor, has gone south for an indefinite period.

George Durham has just recovered sufficiently from his illness to have been discharged on Monday from the General Hospital.

POLITICAL ACTION
BEING DISCUSSED
BY UNITED FARMERS

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—The United Farmers of British Columbia in session here today discussed the desirability of taking political action and the debate, which promises to be long, is still continuing. A resolution was passed that cheaper stumping powder be provided for the farmers.

KATE RYAN IS IN
TOWN ON WAY FOR
VISIT TO SEATTLE

Miss Kate W. Ryan, the well known pioneer of the north country, is in town today and will leave tomorrow night for Seattle to be back in about a fortnight. Miss Ryan speaks very enthusiastically of Stewart, saying that of the eight mining camps she has pioneered in this one is the most promising of them all and she gives the Premier mine the credit for it all, describing it as "the only silver mine."

BRIDGE TO NORTH
VANCOUVER WANTED

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—The city council will join with the north shore people in pressing the Provincial Government for a subsidy for the construction of a tunnel or bridge and dam to provide rail connection with the north side of Burrard Inlet.

Miss Gleeson returned to the city this morning on the Prince George from a buying trip in southern cities.

Prince Rupert as
Big Fish MarketLocal Branch of Fisheries Association
Collate Data in regard to Possibilities
if Plenty of Cars Available

Prince Rupert is the largest halibut market in the world. Being on the North Pacific Coast, close to where the most productive halibut banks are situated, half of the total catch is marketed here, and with a plentiful supply of cars all the year round at least three-quarters of the total catch would be sold here, possibly a good deal more. It is also a shipping point for a good deal of the salmon from Northern British Columbia and Alaskan points, and is a market for a great variety of small fish, including soles. Prince Rupert black cod is one of the delicacies that every epicure is learning to know. The other varieties of cod are neglected only because the demand is small.

Last year, 49,675,700 lbs. of halibut—or approximately 980 carloads—were landed at Prince Rupert, according to data collated by the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Fisheries Association. Of this, only about 500 carloads were shipped out by the railway owing to the scarcity of express refrigerator cars. On the North Pacific Coast—at ports other than Prince Rupert—there were landed about 22,000,000 lbs., or 1,000 carloads. Of this it is conservatively estimated at least 65 per cent would come to Prince Rupert providing express refrigerator cars were available to take care of the trade. This would amount to 650 carloads, making the total number of cars of halibut which could be handled 1,630, or approximately an average of five cars per day throughout the year.

Much Salmon Too
Last year over 31,000,000 lbs. of salmon were landed at Prince Rupert and vicinity. Most of this was canned. Owing to the prevailing shortage of express refrigerator cars none were available for shipping fresh salmon, although it is estimated that about 100 carloads of fresh salmon could have been shipped out of here to the East had there been an adequate supply of cars. During 1920 no express refrigerator cars were available for shipments to local points between Prince Rupert and Winnipeg; consequently such shipments had to be made in baggage cars. This has injured the business in fresh fish with these points, as often the fish did not arrive in good condition. Three express refrigerator cars per week would be required to take care of this trade, or 150 cars per year. To many Canadian points mixed carload lots of halibut, salmon and other fish have been ordered, but it usually has been impossible to supply these orders owing to the car shortage.Month for Round Trip
The estimated total shortage of refrigerator cars was at least 1,400 during the year 1920. As each car takes approximately one month to make the round trip on an average, there are required at least 120 new express refrigerator cars to take care of the business that is at present offering, without allowing for any increase. The loss of business to the Canadian National Railways is very large owing to the lack of this equipment. Allowing an average of \$500 revenue for each car shipped, the loss to the railway can safely be put at \$700,000. Approximately 1,000,000 lbs. of halibut actually arrived at Prince it is time to act," declared Dr. Rupert last year and had to be taken to other ports on account of car shortage.Fishermen's Method
The method used by the fishermen in connection with the car supply is to keep a man in Prince Rupert to inform them of conditions; by calling at Kelchikan or other Alaskan ports, south-bound, the skippers of the fishing vessels find out if there are cars at Prince Rupert, and if there are none they either land their fish at an Alaskan port or go south to Seattle or Vancouver, usually Seattle.

There has been a shortage of fish cars ever since the railway was built, but attempts have been made from time to time to fill the demand by using foreign cars. The supply of these has been however very intermittent, the demand for express refrigerator cars very often being simultaneous here and in the States, with the result that there are none to take care of the Prince Rupert business. At least three times the present car supply is needed to take care of the fresh fish business offering at this port at the present time.

MONTENEGRINS
DECLARE HOLY
WAR ON SERBIACettinje Has Been Occupied by
Serbs, According to Swiss
Reports.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A wireless message from Berlin says that according to Swiss reports the Montenegrins have declared a holy war against Serbia. The Serbs have occupied Cettinje, the capital of Montenegro, and the situation is reported to be grave.

FREIGHT RATES
AGAIN TO FOREWestern Members Supporting the
Government to Take Matter
Up, It is Decided.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Western members of the House of Commons are going to take up the matter of increased freight rates, it is learned, following a caucus of western Government supporters. In their opinion this is more important than the tariff. "When fruit growers in British Columbia are having to feed their best fruit to cattle because of the high freight rate charges, then halibut actually arrived at Prince it is time to act," declared Dr. Cowan, the chairman.