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RIGHT HON. A. L. SIFTON DIED TODAY AFTER YEARS OF USEFUL SERVICE

Ptomaine Poisoning Decided Cause of Schofield Tragedy

Inquest Held This Morning and Circumstances Point to Responsibility of Tainted Black Cod for Fatality

The circumstances surrounding the death of Ernest Schofield Christmas were fully investigated at the inquest before Coroner H. McMullin this morning and a verdict reached that the deceased had come to his death from ptomaine poisoning. The jury comprised John Bulger (foreman), S. King, George Waddell, H. Paterson, F. Gilhuly and A. T. Parkin. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vickers, Dr. J. A. West and Mrs. Elizabeth Schofield, wife of the deceased.

In his evidence Frank Vickers told of being called to the house Christmas morning. He had found the door locked and, pushing the key through, had entered by means of a pass key. The house was penetrated with a force and the dog ran out immediately the door was opened. In the bedroom he had found Mr. Schofield quite dead and Mrs. Schofield in a semi-conscious condition.

There were signs of sickness. Dr. West and Warden Bailey were at once called.

Ptomaine Poisoning.
Dr. West testified that he had reached the house at 11:45 and found Mr. Schofield quite dead and Mrs. Schofield very sick. The deceased had possibly been dead for 24 hours. Mrs. Schofield was removed to the hospital and a search was made for poison or the cause of death. None were found and there was no sign of convulsions or struggles. The remedy, which was dead, had died of food. As a result of examination it was evident that death was due to ptomaine poisoning from something that had been eaten by the man, his wife and the dog. The theory was discarded that death had been due to any gas in the stove. The symptoms do not indicate that.

Mrs. Schofield stated that on the night of December 23 they had dinner as usual. Smoked cod fish, plain pudding and milk had been eaten. She had had two lots of black cod, one from the City Market and one at the Interior Co-operative. The City Market she had received on the dark appearance of the fish and had been told that it was not good, not to use it. She was not good she had had the other piece at the Co-operative. She and her husband examined the fish and decided it was good. Her memory

LOGGERS NOW OUT OF ONE BIG UNION

VANCOUVER, Jan. 21.—By an overwhelming majority, delegates to the general convention of loggers approved the action of the B.C. Loggers Convention in voting to withdraw from the One Big Union.

Sickening Odor.

Mrs. Vickers stated that she had called at Mrs. Schofield's on the afternoon of January 23 and looked at the fish. She had seen nothing wrong with it. She gave Mrs. Schofield half of a Christmas pudding, the other half having been eaten by her family. After the death of Mr. Schofield she had taken Mrs. Schofield's hand and laundry to her house. There had been a sickening odor come from both, the same odor that prevailed in the house.

City Solicitor Hooper, who took part in the proceedings, told that a thorough investigation had been made as to the sale of the fish and such a happening would not occur again. Coroner McMullin, before dismissing the jury, stated that all the possible evidence had been produced and it was regrettable that the responsibility could not be further pinned down. The jury returned in about ten minutes with its verdict.

FRANK RICHARDS, WELL KNOWN J.P., CALLED BY DEATH

YALE, Jan. 21.—Frank Richards, J.P., a well known figure in British Columbia life, has received his last call, passing away at his home here yesterday, at the age of 66.

Mr. Richards was well known in southern British Columbia. He was at times assistant magistrate in Vancouver, but he is perhaps better known because of the interest he took in all public affairs. Both in Vancouver and Victoria until recently he wrote frequent letters to the newspapers and the opinions expressed were always treated with respect. His demise will be regretted by many old timers of the province.

CAT SKINS LOWER AT NEW YORK SALE

Seals Declined Sixty per cent and Marten and Mink Fifty-five.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Declines ranging from 15 per cent on mink to 75 per cent on marten were registered by the average prices paid for the skins sold at the fur sale in the Masonic Hall here yesterday.

In comparisons being made with the average prices brought by the same furs at the April sale of the New York Fur Auction Sales Corporation even the humble house cat lost caste to the tune of 55 per cent, while stone marten, beaver marten and Japanese mink all brought prices 55 per cent below the spring sale figures. The Japanese marten was 50 per cent lower and hair seals declined 60 per cent. The drop in pony skins reached 50 per cent.

FISH ARRIVALS

Booth, Royal and Gold Storage Were Buyers at Exchange This Morning.

The following boats sold half but at the Fish Exchange this morning:
Panama, 65,000 pounds, to the Royal Fish Co., at 16c and 6c.
Helena, 7,000 pounds, and W. & F., 13,500 pounds, sold to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Company at 17c and 6c.
Uranus, 22,000 pounds, and Dorreen, 3,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Gold Storage Co. at 17c and 6c.

There is an ample supply of fish cars available at the present time.

The new members of the Hospital Board representing the City Council, J. H. Kelly and M. J. McNeill, took their seats for the first time last night and were introduced by Chairman D. G. Stewart, who extended to them a hearty welcome. Other members of the board present were D. C. McIlrae, Rev. W. E. Collison, E. H. Mortimer, and Mrs. Booth and the secretary, Major Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Moncton arrived in the city on last night's train from Terrace.

MEXICAN PAIR MARRIED BY PROXY.



Margaret C. Feiler, secretary of the Obregon Embassy, and her bride, who were joined in wedlock in an absent ceremony. After the knot was tied the wife journeyed from Madrid to Washington.

Standing Committees Are Named by Mayor for 1921

Alderman Dybhavn Chairman Finance Board; Ald Perry, Utilities, and Ald. Kerr, Board of Works

At the first meeting of the new council last night Mayor H. B. Rochester named his standing committees for the year. There has been a good deal of speculation about town as to the appointments and it will be seen that the committees have been selected to correspond to a great degree with the experience the various aldermen have had in private life. The chairmanship of the three main committees, finance, works and utilities, have gone to the three old aldermen on the new council, Aldermen Dybhavn, Kerr and Perry respectively. Both Kerr and Perry were the chairmen of the same committees last year.

Committees.

The list of committees for 1921 follow, the first named being the chairman in each case:

Finance—Alderman John Dybhavn, Alderman Stanley E. Parker and Mayor Rochester.

Board of Works, Health and Cemetery—Alderman George W. Kerr, Alderman M. J. McNeill and Alderman John Kelly.

Public Utilities—Alderman G. C. Perry, Alderman G. J. Frizzell and Alderman Thomas W. Silversides.

Fisheries—Alderman George J. Frizzell and Alderman J. Dybhavn.

Hospital—Alderman J. H. Kelly and Alderman M. J. McNeill.

Exhibition—Alderman Parker and Alderman Silversides.

Reading Room—Alderman G. W. Kerr, G. F. Johnston, T. H. Nuttall and John M. Buckley.

Better Housing—Mayor Rochester, Alderman Dybhavn, Alderman Parker, city clerk, city treasurer and building inspector.

Court of Revision to sit February 8.—Mayor Rochester, Alderman Dybhavn, Alderman Frizzell, and Alderman Parker.

Mayor's Welcome.
"It gives me a great deal of pleasure to see business men so well represented on the new council board," said the mayor in opening the meeting and welcoming the new aldermen. "It is years since so many new aldermen have come in at the first of the year

Death Overtakes Secretary of State

Right Hon. A. L. Sifton had Great Public Career; Was Chief Justice and Premier of Alberta

OTTAWA, January 21.—Right Hon. A. L. Sifton, secretary of state, died this morning at 8:39 from hardening of the arteries. He had been ill some weeks and on Wednesday suffered a relapse and another this morning which ended fatally.

Mr. Sifton was born in 1859 near London, Ont., and in 1865 removed with his parents to Manitoba. He studied law and first practised at Brandon where he became a member of the first city council in 1885. Shortly afterwards he went to Prince Albert and then to Calgary.

Elected a member of the assembly of the old North West Territories, before the present provinces were formed, Mr. Sifton became commissioner of works in the Hamilton ministry and in 1903 was appointed chief justice of the North West Territories. When the Province of Alberta was formed in 1905 he became chief justice of that province.

Became Premier.

On the demand of his party he resigned in 1910 and became premier, holding various portfolios. It was in October, 1917, that Mr. Sifton became a member of the Borden Administration as minister of customs and the following year was sent as a delegate to the Peace Conference at Paris. Last year he became minister of public

LATE MINISTER.



Right Hon. A. L. Sifton who died this morning.

works for a few months and later secretary of state. On January 4, 1920, he was appointed a member of His Majesty's Privy Council. A wife, son and daughter survive.

SIX KILLED IN AMBUSH

Inspector Clarke and Five Others Shot Down Near Dublin

DUBLIN, Jan. 21.—Inspector Clarke, a sergeant and four constables were killed and a constable wounded this afternoon at Glenwood near here where they were ambushed and fired on.

Inspector Clark lived in Winnipeg before the war. He joined the Canadian mounted rifles and with three brothers, who also lived in Canada, served throughout the war unhurt.

CONSIDER CLEMENCY.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—The cabinet council is meeting today for consideration of two capital cases, one from British Columbia, in which clemency is asked.

IRELAND STILL IN THE THROES

Two Men Shot Dead and 52 Convicted Men Carried Away in Destroyer.

DUBLIN, Jan. 21.—District inspector O'Sullivan was found shot dead near Listowel barracks and Jeffrey McDonald, a laborer, was shot dead in his bed in the presence of his wife at Abbeley, County Queens. Three men are alleged to have killed him.

LIMERICK, Jan. 21.—Eighty-two Sinn Feiners who were sentenced on January 8 to six months imprisonment for unlawful assembly have been conveyed aboard a torpedo boat destroyer for unknown destination.

BANK TELLER IS ARRESTED

Director Ransom of Bank of Toronto, Vancouver, Tried to Purloin.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 21.—Hector Ransom, aged 29, a teller in the Bank of Toronto here, was arrested last night charged with the theft of a package containing \$5,000, the property of the bank. He was entrusted with the package for delivery to the mail but returned in a short time and said he had been robbed.

Close questioning caused the lad to admit that there had been no holdup but the package was secreted in a basket near the bank. The package was recovered minus \$180, which Ransom said he used to cover a shortage in his accounts.

PULLITZER FOUND

Mail Boat Damaged at Chignik on Alaska Peninsula Found By Ida.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—The Alaska mail boat Joseph Pulitzer, which has been missing since December, has been located at Chignik on the Alaska Peninsula by the steamer Ida. The vessel is badly damaged.

McKENZIE CHOSEN.

CLOVERDALE, Jan. 21.—F. J. McKenzie was selected unanimously today as Conservative candidate for the Delta riding.

Fruit Growers Ask to Have Oriental Problem Solved by Government
Would Restrict Ownership and Control of Lands to Whites and Keep Down Immigration to Province

NELSON, Jan. 21.—At the B. C. Fruit Growers' convention a resolution was passed calling upon the Dominion Government to take steps to seek a solution of the Oriental question, especially as to ownership and control of fruit farm lands and so in respect of immigration in order that the Oriental may not constitute more than two per cent of the population of any province.

The Oriental question has become a live one among fruit growers since the people from across the Pacific have been purchasing farms and competing with white fruit growers to the advantage of the latter.