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Labor's Policy Has Been Prepared CANADA GOT FEW IMMIGRANTS FROM BRITAIN LAST YEAR

Bi-Weekly Service to Vancouver Will Commence May 8

It is proposed to resume the double weekly passenger boat service between here and Vancouver on May 8 according to an announcement made today by Captain G. H. Nicholson, manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific Coast Steamship Service, who is in the city today inspecting the repairs that are just being finished at the local drydock on the steamer Prince Albert. The Prince Rupert will be replaced by the Prince George some time in the month of April and the former steamer will then go in for annual overhaul. Following this the summer schedule will be commenced as announced.

Repairs to the steamer Prince Albert in the dock will be finished tonight and the steamer will be then taken off the pontoons. Finishing touches will be put on her and she will take over the run of the Prince John leaving here on Friday, March 3, for the south. As the Albert is a faster steamer than the John, Captain Nicholson stated that it was the intention to keep the former vessel on this service in order to keep up the regular runs to Stewart and the Queen Charlotte Islands with some degree of promptness and regularity. The Prince John required a little painting and cleaning up and she may be withdrawn for a short time but this will not be done if she is required. As it is at present, there is quite a quantity of freight offering along the coast. The John will go into general service and will be used as conditions warrant.

Other Craft In.

The Lorne is at present on the dock for cleaning and painting and light repairs. It is hoped to keep this tug employed this season and two plans for doing so are at present being considered.

The two car barges, used between here and Swanson Bay for carrying pulp are coming to the local dry dock next week, the first on Monday and the other on Saturday. The opportunity is being taken to repair them now that the mill at Swanson Bay is temporarily shut down.

Captain Nicholson and his secretary, A. Gillard, will return to Vancouver tonight.

FIREMAN ON ENA KILLED

Fatal Accident Occurred on C. P. R. Coaster Which Arrived from South This Morning.

The Canadian Pacific freighter Princess Ena, Captain Cliff, was in port this morning enroute to Skagway with a full cargo of lumber from the Hastings Mill, Vancouver. The steamer was here a short time and unloaded lumber and piles for Albert & McCaffery.

When the ship was coming north and was near Alert Bay a trimmer, named G. Grosse, fell into one of the coal bunkers and was killed. Whether his death was due to smothering or to injuries sustained in the fall was not ascertained. His body was returned to Vancouver on the steamer Venture.

BOYCOTT ABANDONED.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The Prince of Wales met with such an enthusiastic reception at Delhi that plans for a boycott were utterly abandoned.

IRISH ACTION IS PUZZLING

General Satisfaction Expressed in Ireland but London Is Divided.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The British Government has invited the Irish signatories to the Anglo-Irish treaty to come to London for an early conference on the whole situation. It was announced in the House of Commons today by Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, secretary of state of the colonies.

DUBLIN, Feb. 23.—General satisfaction seems to be felt in Southern Ireland over yesterday's surprise decision by the Sinn Fein convention for a three months' adjournment, at the end of which the people will be asked to vote on the constitution as well as on the Anglo-Irish treaty. Some staunch supporters of the Anglo-Irish treaty are disappointed and incline to the view that it is a republican victory.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—London newspapers seem puzzled today over the unexpected outcome of the Sinn Fein convention. Some condemn the convention by which the Irish elections are put off for three months, while others regard it as a matter affecting principally the Irish themselves.

DROWNED WHEN BEING TAKEN FROM SCHOONER

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Feb. 23.—Capt. George Harvey, the mate and the cook of the schooner J. M. Rafuse were drowned off the coast on Monday evening while being taken off their sinking vessel by a boat from the Norwegian steamer Terrior. The chief officer of the Terrior was also drowned.

EDUCATION COSTS IN LONDON ARE HIGH

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The cost of London's education is illustrated by the fact that the county council education committee has agreed to an estimated expenditure for the year 1922-23 of over twelve million pounds sterling.

FIRE DESTROYED SIX BUILDINGS AT VAUDREUIL

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—Vaudreuil near here suffered a \$75,000 loss in a big fire which destroyed six buildings, severed all communications and brought fire engines from Montreal. There were no casualties.

BAKER REINSTATED AND THEN RESIGNS

VICTORIA, Feb. 23.—After being reinstated as chairman of the British Columbia Game Conservation Board, Dr. A. R. Baker tendered his resignation to the provincial government yesterday. It was accepted.

FREIGHT RATES TO BE DECIDED IN MARCH

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—The case for equalization of freight rates east and west is postponed until March 13 by the Board of Railway Commissioners on the request of G. G. McGeer, counsel for the province of British Columbia.

FORMER BUTLER OF TAYLOR CHARGED WITH MURDER.



Edward F. Sands, alias Fitz-Stadmore, former valet to William Desmond Taylor, slain motion picture director for whom the police of every State in the Union are making every effort to capture. A formal complaint, charging Sands with murder, has been filed in Los Angeles. Sands has a charge against him of grand larceny and burglary preferred by Taylor that has never been dismissed.

Canada Has not Been Getting Her Fair Share of Immigrants From Great Britain of Late

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Canada is not getting her fair share of emigrants from Great Britain. The restrictions placed on settlers from this country by the Canadian Government has had a bad effect and the lack of encouragement has also helped to keep settlers back.

In the House of Commons today Colonel L. C. Amery, parliamentary secretary to the Admiralty Board, stated that the number and destinations of the British families assisted to emigrate during the six months ending January 31 last under the free passage scheme for ex-service men were as follows: Canada, 679; Australia, 4056; New Zealand, 960; South Africa, including Rhodesia, 428; other parts of the Empire, 225.

LIBRARY BOOKS ARE STILL COMING IN

Up to last night G. V. Wilkinson reported having received 396 volumes for the free public library, and a number have been received this morning which have not yet been counted. This puts the list well over the 400 mark. It is the hope that the list will reach at least 1000.

ALL SHIPS SOLD.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—All the merchant ships surrendered to Great Britain under the Versailles Treaty now have been sold. There were 465 of them. The last lot of 16 went to British buyers.

BURIED IN STREET.

CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 22.—Three men were buried when a tunnel being dug under a car track in a street here caved in. One man was rescued alive and will recover.

IRISH OFFICER SHOT TO DEATH

Demanding Entrance to Residence of British Officer in County Donegal.

BELFAST, Feb. 23.—Lieut. Duffey, in command of the Irish Republican army detachment demanded admission to the residence of Leslie Huddelson, a retired British officer in County Donegal. Huddelson promptly shot and killed Duffey. Huddelson has been arrested.

TO MEET POINCARÉ

Lloyd George Leaves Saturday for Visit to France on Matters of State.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Lloyd George leaves here on Saturday to meet Premier Poincaré of France either at Boulogne or Calais for a discussion of questions relating to the Geneva conference and the Anglo-French pact.

Labor Demanding Eight Hour Day from Leaders New Ottawa Government

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Labor will present its annual program to the Government shortly, demanding a national eight-hour day and legislation bringing the enactment of the measure within the scope of the Federal Parliament instead of leaving it to the provinces.

In addition to the eight-hour day, the representatives of the labor organizations will make numerous demands of the Government in regard to legislation. Prominent among these is the exclusion of Asiatics and rigid immigration restrictions in regard to other races.

Old-age pensions is again on the list, this having been one of the demands made for many years.

Consolidation of the National Railways and the appointment of a workers' representative on the board of management in accordance with the pledges of many of the Liberal leaders is one of the important requests that will be made, and coupled with it will be a demand for the ownership of all public utilities, the railways being the chief.

FIX ALL PRICES FARM PRODUCE

That Is Demand Made by Agriculture Sections of United States.

PROPOSAL TO ERECT A NEW LIBRARY HERE

Matter Informally Discussed Yesterday at Special Meeting of City Council.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(By Canadian Press)—Senator Ladd of North Dakota is working persistently in behalf of his bill for a government guarantee of the price of farm products. The bill is pending in the Senate committee on agriculture and there is also a like bill pending before the House committee on agriculture. The Senate committee is showing every indication of a favorable report on the bill and this will put the question up to the Senate. Senators, whether they like it or not, will be thus compelled to "face the music" and vote the proposition up or down. This will be embarrassing enough to a number of gentlemen who are coming up for renomination and re-election this year.

The argument that the government has guaranteed a return to the railroads and hence should do as much for the farmer, whatever may be said about it as an economic proposition is at least difficult to refute in the agricultural sections. It is the more difficult because of the deep-seated feeling of the farmers against the provisions of the Cummins-Esch transportation act which virtually gives the railroads a guarantee of return, though technically it may be argued they do not. Congress is showing little sign of changing the transportation act to suit the farmers, nor is there much indication of such reduction in freight rates at the hands of the Interstate Commerce Commission as will meet the demands of the agricultural states. House and Senate leaders as well as the administration, have no intention of allowing the Ladd bill or any plan of price-fixing for the farmer's products to pass if they can help it. It is generally assumed that the Ladd bill and similar proposals will be blocked. However, on a vote price-fixing for the farmers will have much strength.

At the special meeting of the city council yesterday afternoon the suggestion was made by Alderman Dyblawn that instead of building an addition to the present library the city should erect on the present site a substantial two story building to be used for reading room, library and women's rest room.

The suggestion seemed to meet with the general approval of the aldermen and the reading room committee will immediately take the matter up and make a definite recommendation. The probability is that alternative recommendations will be made, one for an extension of the present reading room and the other for a substantial new building.

It seemed to be the opinion of the council that it was not right for the city to set the example of erecting shacks right in the centre of the city when they tried to discourage the practice in others. They should have a building that would be a credit to the city.

JOHN KEEN IS OVER DIVIDE

Clerk of Legislature and Former Speaker Passes Away at Kaslo.

NELSON, Feb. 23.—John Keen, clerk of the Legislature of British Columbia and former speaker of the House, preceding Hon. A. M. Manson in that position, died at Kaslo yesterday.

Mr. Keen has been a prominent public figure in the interior of British Columbia for many years. He has taken a prominent part in the public life of the country. He held positions on various public bodies and took a prominent part in mining conventions.

He represented Kaslo in the last Legislature but was defeated by Colonel Lister at the general election and was immediately afterwards appointed clerk of the Legislature, which office he filled most acceptably.

TODONTO, Feb. 23.—John Craig, a retired policeman, who died here recently, is said to have been worth \$250,000.

LIBERAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD NELSON

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—The meeting of the provincial Liberal executive has decided to hold a party convention at Nelson sometime between June 5 and 10 next.