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Population of Province is Announced DOMINION PARTICIPATION IN RELIEF WORK PAYMENT EXTENDED

Federal Government Will Bear Large Share the Cost of Relief Work Given By Municipalities

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—The government has passed measures for the relief of the unemployed providing for 50 per cent. payment on public works undertaken by the municipalities where the relief of the physically fit ex-soldiers is concerned, the province and municipality to share the remaining 50 per cent.

Unemployment work for other than soldiers will be assisted to the extent of one-third the normal cost and one-half the extra cost, the province to pay one-half the extra cost and the municipality one-sixth.

Federal relief is conditioned on the province assuming one-third of the normal cost and the approval of the work by the federal authorities.

Where work can not be provided, the federal government will pay one-third of the relief funds, the province must pay one-third and the municipality one-third.

B. C. FARMERS WILL DECIDE AS TO ACTION

Expected Will Be Known This
Afternoon Whether or Not
They Will Enter Politics.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—Whether or not the United Farmers of B. C. will enter the political arena and affiliate with the Progressive party will probably be decided late this afternoon. A long and warm discussion is expected for there is a divergence of opinion among the members of the local organization.

OPPOSITION TO ORIENTALS

White Farmers Would Make It
Difficult for Yellow Com-
petitors to Do Business.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—The United Farmers in convention here adopted a resolution yesterday favoring the exclusion of Orientals from Canada and opposing the right of Orientals to hold land in British Columbia.

The farmers also favored the marking of all produce from farms held by Orientals to distinguish it from that grown by whites.

The convention favored the removal of the personal property tax and the imposition of an additional tax on land held for speculation.

The political question is being debated today.

OCEAN FALLS DOCTOR LEAVING NEXT MONTH

Dr. John Christie Resigning His
Position to Take Up Special
Work in England.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—Word has been received here that Dr. John Christie of Ocean Falls is resigning his position at the hospital there and will leave about the end of March for England, where he will take up special work in the hospitals.

Dr. Christie has been at Ocean Falls a long time and will be much missed at the paper town. His successor has not yet been appointed.

MILLIONS WILL DIE

League of Nations Told Too
Late Save Many Russian
Starving.

GENEVA, Jan. 26.—Nine million people are suffering intensely for want of food in Russia and fifteen million will certainly die unless they are given relief immediately, said Fritjof Nansen to the League of Nations committee. Thirty-three millions are affected and now it is too late to save them all, he declared. It will only be possible to move sufficient grain between now and the next harvest to save six or seven millions.

PILOT ASSOCIATION WILL COMPETE FOR GENERAL BUSINESS

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—The officials of the new pilotage organization with Capt. H. L. Roberson of Prince Rupert at its head and Capt. Barney Johnson as secretary stated that there is no idea of the new association instituting a rate war. The members simply believe that there is business enough to warrant existence of the new concern without interfering with the business of the British Columbia Pilotage Association.

There is no compulsory pilotage on the British Columbia coast, and consequently the work is open to any who wish to undertake it and can give the service required by the steamship operators.

Both Capt. Roberson and Capt. Percy Shadforth have master mariners' certificates in both steam and sail.

SOUTH AFRICAN MINERS ARE STILL OUT ON STRIKE

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 26.—The strike of coal and gold miners in the Rand district is still on in full swing and efforts that have been made to bring the two sides together have failed. The men went on strike some time ago as a protest against the proposition to increase the number of colored workers in the mines.

NEW ROUTE TO FORT NORMAN

Proposal Being Considered to Go
in by Way of Prince Rupert
and Liard River.

IMPERIAL OIL IS ANXIOUS

Matter Has Been Considered by
Minister of Public Works
for B. C.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—Hon. J. H. King, as minister of public works for British Columbia, has now under consideration plans for the construction of a route across British Columbia from Prince Rupert to the head waters of the Fort Nelson River to give the Mackenzie River oil fields connection with the world and bring all traffic created by their development through this province.

When he goes to Ottawa and joins the Dominion cabinet Dr. King will hand over the scheme to his successor here and then take steps to bring the Dominion government in line with the proposal. This is the announcement from W. A. Rae, former member for Peace River in the Alberta Legislature, who has been interviewing Premier Oliver and Dr. King about opening up the new route.

"It is now up to the Dominion government," Mr. Rae said. "The provincial cabinet ministers all see the great benefit it will be to the country and to British Columbia, but they feel that they should have some assurance that the route will be utilized and that British Columbia will benefit by the federal government supplies and parties going in from here. Given that assurance the money will be authorized and the new route assured."

"If the new road is opened up settlers and business men in the northern part of British Columbia will have the opportunity of reaping the advantages from travel over the route."

"With this route it will be possible to get in to the oil fields and to various mineral prospects two months earlier than at present and at much reduced costs. On the present Alberta route across Great Slave Lake the ice does not go out until late in July each year. With the North B. C. route and using the Fort Nelson and Liard rivers it will be possible to follow the ice out in the early part of May."

Mr. Rae says the Imperial Oil Company has already given assurances that it will use the new route as it will give the company a season one-third longer for their development work in the North.

FROST DESTROYS BIG PORTION FRUIT CROP SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26.—About half of the orange and one-third of the lemon crop in Southern California has been destroyed by a recent frost. The Fruit Exchange estimate places the monetary loss at about \$17,500,000.

WIFE OF FORMER BANKER SEEKS EVIDENCE IN CANADA.



Mrs. James A. Stillman, wife of the former President of the National City Bank, the world's largest banking institution, is in Canada, where she is seeking new evidence to help her in her divorce proceedings. This picture shows (from left to right): Philip J. O'Brien, counsel of Mrs. Stillman; Mrs. Ed Potter Stillman; Fred Beauvais and Mayor Jeanne Crete of Grand Pile at a hearing which is being held in Montreal.

LIBERALS ARE NOT YET DECIDED ON CABINET MEMBERS

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—The Liberal caucus held a prolonged meeting yesterday, continuing their deliberations until after midnight, without having come to any decision in regard to cabinet appointments. The caucus is being continued today.

THE CLINTON IS LOCATED

Was Almost Cut in Two by Prin-
cess Royal When Collision
Occurred.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—The tug Clinton, almost severed in two, has been found in 107 feet of water at the entrance to the harbor by the dredging company on the spot where she sank ten days ago in collision with the Princess Royal.

The underwriters hope to be able to raise the tug.

PORTUGAL WILL NOT PAY CHARLES' BOARD

Notifies Allied Council of Am-
bassadors That It Will Not
Stand ex-Emperor's Ex-
pense at Madeira.

LISBON, Jan. 26.—The Portuguese Government has notified the Allied Council of Ambassadors that it will not stand the expense of the maintenance of Ex-Emperor Charles, of Austria-Hungary, and his family on the Island of Madeira.

DR. BAKER DENIES CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST HIMSELF

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—Dr. Baker in his evidence before the commission to inquire into the administration of the Game Act denied all charges made against himself. The inquiry is expected to conclude today.

Population of B.C. Is 523,369; Prince Rupert Has 6,378

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—The population of Prince Rupert as given out officially by the census bureau is now 6378, an increase of 2192 over the census returns of ten years ago.

Vancouver has a population of 116,700, an increase of 16,299 over the 1911 returns.

Victoria has 38,682, an increase of 7022 over the count of ten years ago.

Greater Vancouver, including the municipalities of Point Grey, South Vancouver, the city of North Vancouver and district, has a population of 173,030.

Nanaimo and suburbs returns 9025, an increase of 719.

Nelson's population is 5236, an increase of 769.

The population of British Columbia by electoral districts shows that the total for the whole province is 523,369, an increase over the 1911 census return of 130,889. This is made up as follows:

Burrard, 69,889; increase 21,326.
Cariboo, 48,977; increase 12,436.
Comox-Alberni, 32,017; increase 12,278.
Fraser Valley, 23,765; increase 6121.

Two More Members for Province.

The increase in the population of British Columbia, as shown in the census returns, also means increased representation for the province in the House of Commons following the next redistribution. At present British Columbia sends 13 members to the Commons, but its population of 523,369 will entitle it to 15 members, an increase of two, based on the ratio of population to that of Quebec as provided under the British North America Act.

PROVINCIAL COURT OF REVISION DONE

Concluded Its Sessions This
Morning—18 Dismissals and
7 Reductions.

The provincial government court of revision for Prince Rupert assessment district concluded its session this morning when all cases were finally disposed of. There were about 25 cases altogether handled by John Dybbald, the judges. Of this number 18 were dismissed and in the remaining seven some slight reductions were made.

E. S. Richardson, of Tiel, appeared before the court this morning seeking reduction in valuation of land in the vicinity of Tiel. He was successful in getting \$2.50 an acre taken off.

DISORDERS IN CAIRO AGAIN

LONDON, Jan. 26.—A despatch from Rome says fresh disorders have broken out in Cairo, Egypt, and as a result 130 persons have been killed and more than one thousand injured. British troops have quelled the insurrection.

Official quarters here are inclined to discredit the seriousness of the reported trouble.

Advertisements in the Daily News.

OLIVER WILL CARRY CASE TO OTTAWA

Discriminatory Freight Rates
Should Be Abolished Now
He Thinks.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—Premier Oliver, addressing the Liberal Club here, announced that he was going to Ottawa to present the rights of the province before the railway commission, showing that the province is entitled to equal freight rates under the Act of Union.

The first minister expressed confidence that now there is a Liberal administration in power at Ottawa, justice would be done and the matter amicably settled. He said British Columbia had paid \$100,000,000 in the last 30 years through discriminatory freight rates.

POPE BENEDICT LAID TO REST

Interment Was Solemn and Im-
pressive and Attendance Was
Very Exclusive.

ROME, Jan. 26.—The remains of Pope Benedict XV. were this afternoon entombed with solemn and impressive ceremonies. The body of the late Pontiff was enclosed in three caskets and dressed in the pontifical robes. It now lies in the crypt under the great Basilica of St. Peter's cathedral. The historic and beautiful ritualistic services were witnessed only by the members of the Sacred College and the Papal household, the nobility and diplomats.

GRENVILLE COUNTY BY-ELECTION TODAY

Ex-Premier Meighen is Seeking
Seat in Commons There—
Opposed by A. K. Patterson

PRESCOTT, Jan. 26.—It appears likely that there will be a heavy vote today in the by-election for Grenville county where Ex-Premier Arthur Meighen is seeking election to the House of Commons. He is opposed by A. K. Patterson, Progressive. Both sides have campaigned aggressively for more than a fortnight.

TOTAL FISH CATCH MONTH OF DECEMBER

Halibut and Herring Take Larger
Than for Previous Year.

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—The total catch of fish on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts in December amounted to 553,926 cwts., valued at \$1,213,625, compared with 473,746 cwts., valued at \$966,143, for December, 1920.

On the Pacific Coast there was a great increase in the catch of halibut, there being 23,255 cwts. taken as against 9060 cwts. in December, 1920.

The catch of herring on the Pacific was 382,278 cwts., compared with 349,639 cwts. taken in the same period in 1920.

Ten halibut boats with 100,000 pounds of fish reached port last night and this morning and are holding over until tomorrow for sale.