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CONFERENCE PRACTICALLY AT STANDSTILL TALE OF HARDSHIP TOLD IN SEATTLE BY CREW OF SCHOONER WASHINGTON

Turks are Given Until Today to Decide About Near East Proposition

LAUSANNE, Dec. 20.—Turkish fears of attacks on Constantinople by sea and air have brought the Near East conference practically to a standstill.

The British and French have decided to give the Turks until today to accept or reject the Allied plan and are trying on the side to convince the Turks and Russians that freedom of the straits will not menace the Turkish national existence.

The French are preparing to leave for home on Thursday and the Russians will likely go too.

QUEBEC MADE FOUR MILLION FROM LIQUOR

Annual Report of Commission
Was Tabled in Eastern Legislature Last Night

QUEBEC, Dec. 20.—The annual report of the Quebec liquor commission for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1922, was tabled in the legislature last night. It shows that the year's sales totalled \$15,212,801 and the net revenue was \$1,000,971.

ESTIMATE OF CROP IN 1922

Will Exceed 1921 But Will Not
Be as High as Year Before
That

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—A preliminary estimate of the value of this year's field crops in all Canada places the total at \$984,139,500 as against \$954,863,670 in 1921 and \$1,455,244,050 in 1920.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE ELEVATOR EXPLOSION

Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s
Grain Facilities at St. John
Were Affected

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 20.—An explosion occurred in the Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s elevator at West St. John this morning and considerable damage was done.

FISH EXPORTS IN NOVEMBER LOWER

Total Value of Products Shipped
Out of Canada for the
Month Was \$2,350,385

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Canada exported fish and fish products to the value of \$2,350,385 during November, 1922. This is a decrease of several hundred thousand dollars from October and also from November 1921.

CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT Notice to Tradesmen and Others

The City will be closing
its books on December 20.
All those having accounts
against it, please render
them immediately. 297.

FATTY MAY COME BACK

Will Hays Says Disgraced Comedian May Return to the Movies

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbuckle may return to the motion picture world forthwith. Will Hays, chairman of the moving picture industry, said today that Arbuckle might have his chance to "come back."

WILLIAM PINNELL WAS PIONEER N. VANCOUVER

Deceased Second Steward of
Steamer Prince George, Was
49 Years of Age

Further details of the death of William I. Pinnell, for eight years second steward of the Prince George, were furnished by the officers on the boat on arrival here today. Deceased was 49 years of age and was a native of Bristol, England. He was one of the pioneers of the North Shore in Vancouver where he conducted a dairy produce business.

He is survived by his widow and a brother. Flowers were sent to the funeral by the captain and officers, the engineers, stewards' department, pursers' department, dock and office staff in Vancouver and the Tyee Lodge of Prince Rupert.

DEATH OF OLDEST MAN IN CANADA REPORTED

William Kennedy, of Helden,
Near Edmonton, Was 125
Years of Age

EDMONTON, Dec. 20.—The death of William Kennedy, of Helden, at the ripe old age of 125 years, has been reported to Donald Mackie, registrar of vital statistics as having occurred November 30.

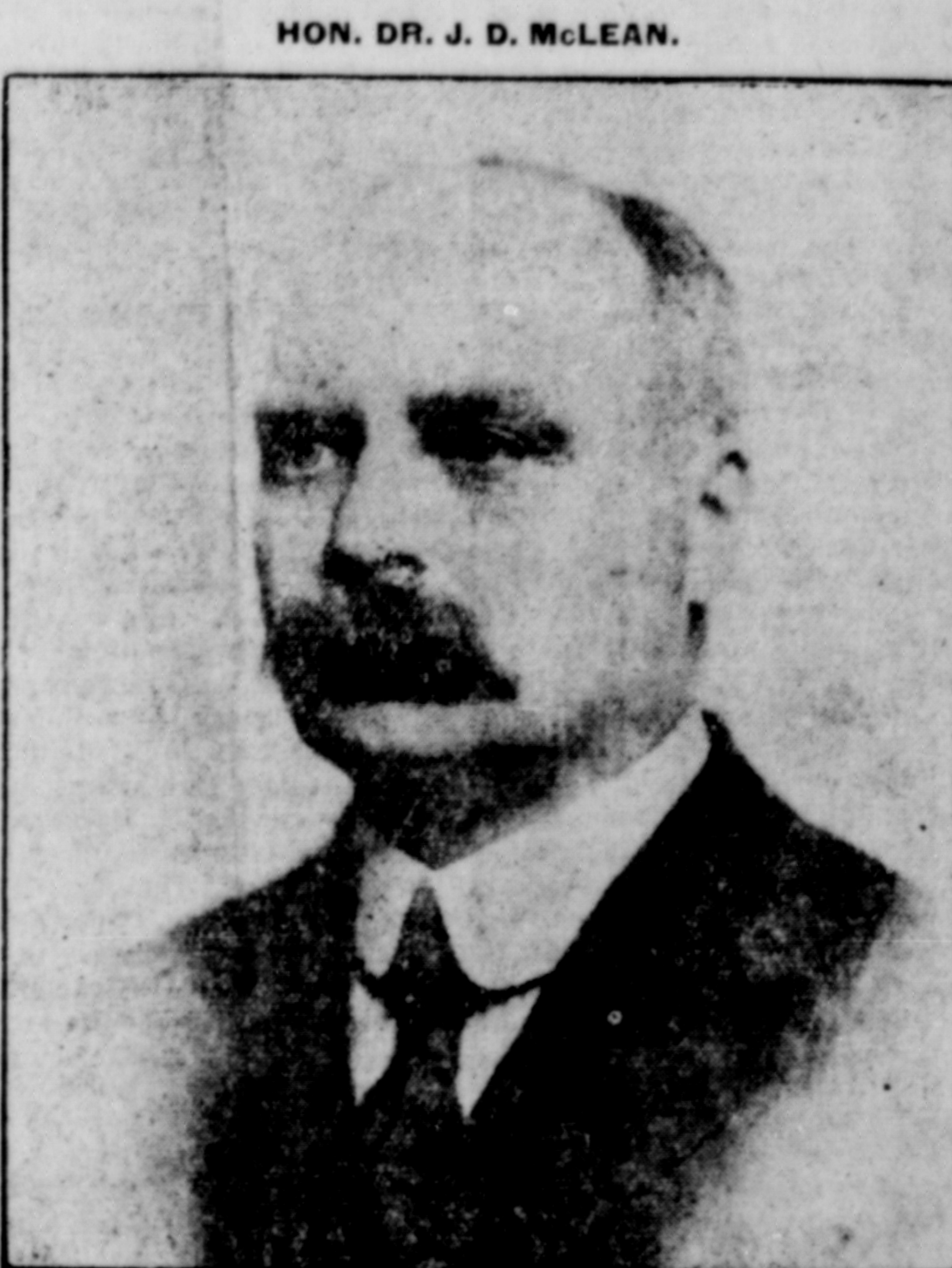
If Kennedy's age at death is correct, not only was he the oldest inhabitant of Canada but he must have come to Canada when he was over 100 years old, since it is stated that he came here twenty years ago.

Kennedy always insisted upon his age being given as stated and the person who reported his death has documentary evidence that Kennedy was baptized by the Rev. John Richardson, parish priest of Enniskillen, Ireland, September 25, 1802, at which time his age was given as five years.

PRINCE GEORGE IN Vessel Will Sail for Vancouver With Holiday Passengers Tomorrow Evening

The G.T.P. steamer Prince George, Captain Morehouse, arrived at noon today from the south with a small passenger list and 125 tons of freight. When the ship sails at 10 p.m. Thursday night she will take a passenger list of 90 people to the south for the Christmas holidays, this being the last boat of this line to reach the south in time for Christmas.

Just as the boat docked the drill whistles sounded and the spectators on the dock had an excellent opportunity of seeing how fast the boats could be swung from the davits in case of emergency. The officers report continued cold weather in the south with snow.



HON. DR. J. D. McLEAN.
Besides the portfolio of education and the provincial secretaryship, Dr. McLean is also minister of railways. In company with Premier Oliver, he will shortly make a tour of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and it is expected that the government's future policy in regard to the road will be affected as a result of their trip.

TOM MOORE HELD UP AT POINT OF PISTOL

Trades and Labor Congress President Was Searched For Concealed Weapons in Belfast

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Tom Moore, president of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress and director of the Canadian National Railways who recently returned from Europe, had an odd experience in Belfast which city he visited in the course of his trip. He and his son Lewis, who accompanied him, were looking into a store window when they suddenly got the command: "Hands up," and two wicked looking revolvers in the hands of two policemen were thrust under their noses. Hands went up promptly and both father and son were searched for hidden arms. None were found so they were allowed to proceed. Later in the same day, Mr. Moore was stopped, entering the post office to send a telegram, and was searched and had to produce his papers.

RESIGNS HIS MEMBERSHIP

Brig. Gen. Odium Quits People's
Prohibition Party as Protest
Against Rev. A. E. Cooke's
Statements

VANCOUVER, Dec. 20.—As a protest against what he considers untruthful statements against British Columbia made by Rev. A. E. Cooke, chairman of the People's Prohibition party of B.C., in the course of his recent lecture tour in Eastern Canada, Brigadier General Victor W. Odium, yesterday resigned from membership in that organization.

S. S. Macgiffin, the well known contractor, left on the train last night for Winnipeg enroute to St. Paul where he will spend Christmas with his wife.

Fishermen Made 56 Mile Passage by Dory in Icy Waters of North After Being Marooned Many Days

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—Tales of hardships following the wreck of the halibut schooner Washington in Yakutat Bay, Alaska, are brought here by Erling Olsen and Olof Larsen, who with five other members of the boat's crew, were marooned for 22 days following the wreck. After having had good fishing, five storms were encountered and finally the Washington foundered on the rocks after a hole had been punched in her side. The crew took to the dories and fought their way to shore from the derelict. After reaching the beach, they made a hut and finally launched a dory in which three of the party reached Icy Bay 56 miles away. No other humans lived within forty miles.

MORE POWER AT ANYOX SMELTER

Granby Co. Has Let Contract for
Work Which Will Cost \$200,000, Mr. Munro Announces

H. S. Munro, general manager of the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Co., who went south last week, announces that contracts have been signed for the installation of a 5,000 horsepower addition to the existing hydro-electric facilities at Anyox. The new addition will cost about \$200,000 and will be ready for service about next July. Mr. Munro also states that the new dam will be finished about mid-summer next year, work having now been temporarily shut down on account of weather conditions.

XMAS LIQUOR WAS SEIZED

Barge Containing \$500,000 Worth
Taken at New York—Smugglers are Legion

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—An ocean going barge, loaded with 4,000 cases of holiday whiskey valued at \$500,000, was seized by a sub-chaser while waiting for a chance to smuggle its cargo into the three-mile limit near here. The biggest flotilla of liquor smugglers ever seen is reported off the New York shores. Excise officers are keeping up unusual vigilance.

OLDEST PIONEER OF KOOTENAY COUNTRY DIED NEAR CRESTON

CRESTON, Dec. 20.—William H. Huscroft, the oldest pioneer of the Kootenay country, died at the family ranch near here yesterday. He was 93 years of age.

PALESTINE WILL FLOAT BIG LOAN

Sum of £2,500,000 is Arranged
For—Half of it Already Spent
on Public Works

JERUSALEM, Dec. 20.—The government of Palestine has arranged for a loan of £2,500,000 to be floated in London. About half of the money has been spent in advance on public works.

WIRELESS REPORT 8 a.m.

BULL HARBOR. — Overcast, southeast, strong; barometer 30.00; temperature 46; sea rough; 7 p.m. spoke Griffice, left Ocean Falls at 8 p.m. northbound; 8 p.m. spoke Jefferson, 65 miles north of Petersburg, southbound.

DEAD TREE POINT. — Cloudy, calm; barometer 29.57; temperature 37. Sea smooth.

DIGBY ISLAND. — Rain, southeast, fresh; barometer 29.66; temperature 44; light swell.

NOON

BULL HARBOR. — Overcast, southeast gale; barometer 29.98; temperature 46; sea rough.

DEAD TREE POINT. — Cloudy, calm; barometer 29.60; temperature 42; sea smooth.

DIGBY ISLAND. — Overcast, southeast, strong; barometer 29.62; temperature 45; sea rough.

DYBHAVN TO ENTER MAYORALTY FIELD

Alderman Stated This Morning
That This Was Altogether
Likely—Definite Announcement Soon

Questioned this morning as to his intentions in regard to the forthcoming civic election, Ald. John Dybhavn stated that it was more than likely he would be a candidate for the mayoralty. He said that he would have a definite announcement to make in the course of the next day or so.

ARGENTINE SOLDIERS MUST BE CLEANLY

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 20.—Argentine soldiers in the future must not only clean their teeth, but manure their nails. An order making obligatory the use of the tooth brush, nail scissors and nail forceps by the troops, effective March next, has just been issued by the new minister of war, Col. Agustin Justo.