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## Irish Will Swear Allegiance to King George Fifth and to Commonwealth of Nations

LONDON, June 16.—The new Irish constitution made public last night is a lengthy document of 15,000 words. It stipulates that if any of its provisions or any law made under the constitution is in any respect repugnant to any provisions of the Anglo-Irish treaty it shall to the extent of only such repugnance to that treaty be void and inoperative.

The constitution provides for universal suffrage.

The oath of allegiance shall be made and subscribed to by every member of Parliament of the Irish Free State before taking his seat therein, in the following words:

"I do solemnly swear faith and allegiance to the constitution of the Irish Free State by law established and I will be faithful to His Majesty King George Fifth, his heirs, successors by law and in virtue of the common citizenship of Ireland and Great Britain and her adherence to and embracing the group of nations forming the commonwealth of the British nations."

### GIRL ABDUCTED BY FISHERMAN

Taken Aboard Boat at Bremerton and Forced to Wear Boys Clothing.

BREMERTON, Wash., June 16.—Grace Ralman, aged 15, who disappeared from her home on December 26, was found today on a fishing boat where she claimed she was taken by a fisherman named Elmer Webber aged 55, who seized her on the beach near Bremerton and forced her to wear boy's clothing aboard his boat and to cut her hair.

Webber was arrested on a statutory charge. He is married and has eight children.

### BIG PROFITS ON YEAR'S LIQUOR

Unofficial Estimate Is That This Will Amount to \$3,000,000.

VICTORIA, June 16.—The liquor business of British Columbia under Government control will amount to \$10,000,000 and the profits to about \$3,000,000 for the year, it was stated unofficially here today.

Today is the first anniversary of the inauguration of the sale of liquor by the Control Board. Sixty shops for retailing are established throughout the province.

### FISH ARRIVALS

Fifty-two Thousand Pounds of Halibut Marketed at Exchange This Morning.

Fifty-two thousand pounds of halibut was marketed at the Fish Exchange this morning. Seven boats were in and the disposition of the catches was as follows:

Neptune, 4,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. at 10.4c and 4c.

Groth, 8,000 pounds, sold to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co. at 10.5c and 4c.

Viking, 6,000 pounds, sold to the Pacific Fisheries at 10.9c and 4c.

Azores, 11,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. at 10.6c and 4c.

Rennell, 5,000 pounds, sold to the Sinclair Fisheries at 10.8c and 4c.

W. and F., 13,000 pounds, sold to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co. at 10.4c and 4c.

Maude, 5,000 pounds, sold to the Pacific Fisheries at 10.6c and 4c.

### EXCHANGE RATES

American exchange has practically disappeared and 15-64 per cent, or less than 1-4 per cent, is the rate quoted for buying at local banks today. The selling rate is 4 1/2-64 per cent.

Sterling is quoted at \$4.46 3/8 demand and \$4.53 1/8 selling.

### POLICEMEN NOT TAX COLLECTORS

Commission Does Not Look with Favor on Mayor's Suggestion to Make Officers Collectors.

The question of having an officer of the police force act as poll and road tax collector was brought up at last night's police commission meeting by Mayor Rochester but the idea failed to find favor with Commissioners Macdonald and Shockley and no action was taken towards this end.

The mayor stated that the suggestion was to have an officer make the rounds of pool rooms and other public places with a view to making these collections especially from the fishermen who enjoyed all the privileges of the city including light, roads and police protection but who did not pay for them. They spent a lot of money in the city but, perhaps, not along the right lines. There were a great many of such persons who were escaping the tax. If an officer was detailed for the purpose of making them more results might be forthcoming.

City Clerk Woods explained that the road tax was collected from any person who has been resident in the city for a month. A fisherman was considered a resident if he lived on a boat within the city limits.

Opposes Principle.

Commissioner Macdonald declared he was opposed to the principle of having a police officer making these collections for it amounted to nothing less than intimidation. There were a good many fishermen from United States bottoms calling here who could not be assessed, anyway. It was a good thing for the town they were coming here.

The mayor pointed out that the police collected dog taxes. He could see no difference between that and the collection of poll and road taxes.

Commissioner Shockley also expressed his aversity to the police being used for such a purpose. It was not a pleasant thing for an officer to come along to a man in a public place and demand a collection.

After some discussion the matter was dropped.

Dog Tax Collection.

The mayor inquired as to the collection of dog taxes and was told by the chief that the collections were being made in the office but no officer was detailed to go out for the purpose. Last year the taxes collected amounted to something over \$300 and there would likely be more this year.

The chief also drew attention to the fact that Constable Poustie was away on leave on account of the illness of his wife and might not return. Constable Macdonald was also away on holidays and L. Dewhurst had been acting as special. No action was taken.

### NEW PULP CONCERNS ARE INCORPORATED

Both Have Head Offices in City of Vancouver.

VICTORIA, June 16.—Two pulp companies have been incorporated this week, the Wigwam Pulp and Paper Co. with a capital of \$10,000,000 and the Blooded, Stewart & Welch Corporation with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. Each of these companies have their head office in Vancouver.

### HIGH SCHOOL PICNIC HELD DIGBY ISLAND

Ten years ago Principal Brady and fifteen pioneer students attended the first annual picnic of the Prince Rupert High School at McNicholl Creek. Yesterday Principal Brady and his three assistants and 115 students enjoyed the tenth annual picnic at Digby Island. Although the first students, now long since away from High School and scattered for thousands of miles, enjoyed the occasion to the full, yesterday's proceedings were not one whit less interesting and full of fun.

In spite of the fact that it rained intermittently in the city yesterday, the students report there was not a drop at Digby Island. The day was a unique one and all plans went off well with all kinds of sports and games. Not by any means the least attractive feature were the refreshments and lunches which the provident girl members of the party took across to the delectation of the boys.

The big party went out at 9:30 and returned about the same hour in the evening. Many boats were put to use for the transportation of the picnicers these including George Frizzell's "Laura F." Mitchell & Currie's "Donnie Mac," Principal Brady's "Asolando," Willie Kergin's "Sunbeam Jr.," M. M. Stephens, "Steve," Ald. Montgomery's "Monty," and numerous other smaller private craft.

### ODDFELLOWS GRAND LODGE NEXT YEAR AT WESTMINSTER

VICTORIA, June 16.—New Westminster was selected by the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows for the 1923 proceedings, winning over Prince Rupert whose invitation was the only other one laid before the convention.

Dr. J. F. Maguire sailed last night on the Prince George en route to Portland, where he will attend the Rose Carnival.

### B.C. MEMBERS ASK INQUIRY

Special Sub-Committee Will Recommend Investigation of Fisheries Question on Ground.

OTTAWA, June 16.—Sending to British Columbia of a sub-committee to investigate the fisheries problem on the ground will be recommended to Parliament by a special committee of the House on marine and fisheries. The decision was reached at a meeting of the committee yesterday on the suggestion of W. G. McQuarrie of New Westminster supported by other B. C. members. Mr. McQuarrie urged the special importance of hearing the evidence of fishermen as well as of canners.

### SKIRMISHER LEAVES PORT

C. G. M. M. Freighter will Clear at 5 o'clock After Loading 300 Cases of Salmon.

The Canadian Government Merchant Marine freighter Canadian Skirmisher, Captain Hilton, which has been here for the past five days for docking at the local shipyard, will sail for Vancouver at 5 o'clock this afternoon piloted south by Captain Duncan McKenzie, company pilot. The ship will go off the pontoons about 3 o'clock and will tie up at the oil dock for a couple of hours to take on, from alongside, 300 cases of Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co.'s salmon for the Antipodes. Captain Hilton's orders are to go from here to Vancouver but he does not know what the next move of the vessel will be although it is understood a cargo is to be taken on for Australia.

### GOVERNMENT SELL SHIPS

Merchant Marine Wants Loan of Over Four Million Pay Deficit.

OTTAWA, June 16.—Hon. W. C. Kennedy, minister of Railways, announced in the House of Commons that 27 vessels of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine will be laid up this year and disposed of when possible.

The House considered a loan to the Merchant Marine of \$4,360,720 to pay deficits in operating for a fifteen months period. The item had not been adopted when the House rose.

### CHANGES ON STAFF OF LOCAL TEACHERS

Five Resignations Received and Several Applications for Positions.

Resignations were received last night by the school board from Miss Greta Maloney, Miss Alice Perry, Miss Alice M. Mercer, Miss E. L. Thornley, and E. S. Sims, vice-principal of the Booth School.

The school board will invite applications from teachers to fill the vacancies. Applications are already on hand from James Mitchell, Miss Caroline Mitchell, and Miss Marsh of Terrace and others. Miss Tingley, formerly on the staff and now at Ocean Falls, had written inquiring what vacancies there would be. Misses Morrison and Rix had applied for positions but had withdrawn their applications.

It was decided to appoint Miss McPherson to the permanent staff and to ask the principal to make recommendations in regard to filling five other positions and report at a meeting to be held in ten days time.

### PREPARE FOR THE EXPERTS

Full Report on Booth School is Asked by Trustees from Architects.

### ARRIVE SATURDAY

To Examine Building from Foundation to Roof, Former Reports Withheld.

The visit of the two experts to examine the school building in this city was discussed at some length at the meeting of the school board last night. Both are expected to arrive on Saturday and Dr. W. T. Kergin, chairman of the board was delegated to meet them and to explain that the board wanted a thorough examination of the whole building inside and out from foundation to roof. They are to be given the use of such a man or men as may be necessary to remove part of the masonry or otherwise facilitate the work.

The architects are not to be given any of the previous expert reports and will be expected to act independently of each other, although they will probably visit the school together. Mr. Jeffers, who is employed by the board, will report to them, whereas Mr. Whittaker, who is employed by the Provincial Government, will report to the Government. However the government is to be asked that the board be given copies of the report at once so that there may be no unnecessary delay in going ahead with the necessary work.

Examine Everything.

Dr. Kergin favored placing all existing documents in the hands of the experts so as to be sure that every point mentioned in them would be covered in the reports. They wanted a report on the foundation as well as the walls and roof. Nothing should be omitted.

The other trustees decided it would be better not to give out any information except such as was available from other sources.

It was pointed out that Mr. Whittaker was employed by the Provincial government. Mr. McMeekin suggested we were the most vitally interested but the chairman explained that the government was interested to the extent of \$60,000.

Mr. McMeekin: "If both are working together they will both find the same things. If separately their reports may be different. We want to know whether the tile construction is all right."

Dr. Kergin: "These are reputable men."

Mr. McMeekin: "Yes, the other man was supposed to be that, but he did not get far."

Show Changes.

On motion of Mrs. Ling it was decided to ask Mr. Potter to prepare a report showing the changes which had been made in the specifications. These specifications and changes will be given the experts.

Dr. Kergin again suggested that all documents be shown Mr. Jeffers. Cox's report was damning. They would lose nothing and would save time if he was allowed to see everything. They would like a report on every point referred to in the Cox report. On motion of Mr. McMeekin it was then decided that no reports be shown the architect, but the heating and ventilation will be examined by them.

### CANADIAN TRADE IS ON UP-GRADE

Figures for May, 1922 Show Healthy Increase Over Same Month Last Year.

OTTAWA, June 16.—Canadian trade maintains an upward movement. For May the total was \$136,580,039 as compared with \$120,366,032 in May, 1921.

### MRS. MOLLA MALLORY BEATEN AT TENNIS

Victor is Miss McKane the British Star Player

LONDON, June 16.—Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, the American lawn tennis woman champion, was defeated in the semi-finals of the Kent championship in the women's singles by Miss McKane, British star.

### Irish Elections Proceed in Orderly Manner With Steady Stream of Voters

DUBLIN, June 16.—Polling in the Parliamentary election in southern Ireland began at eight o'clock this morning and in all the metropolitan districts the average election activity is reported. There is little excitement but a steady stream of voters of all classes and both sexes are passing through the booths.

The publication last night of the draft of the Irish constitution which the new Parliament must pass before it becomes law of the land is not expected to influence voters. Comment in the Dublin morning papers today are more or less favorable to the constitution.

### GENERAL RILEY TO TRY AGAIN

Will Lead a Second Army of Unemployed Veterans to Government at Ottawa

TORONTO, June 16.—General Riley is planning another "trek" to Ottawa at the head of unemployed veterans and a start is to be made as soon as a sufficient number can be enrolled for the trip. Riley declares that they are going in sufficient numbers this time to demand their rights. He also says that the government has fallen down on its promises.

General Riley and his first army were recently returned home from the capital, their fares paid, after having reached Ottawa on a similar mission.

### RUPERT HARBOR EASY TO REACH

Capt. Milton of Skirmisher Says He Will Not Need Pilot in Future.

The entrance to Prince Rupert harbor is very easy to navigate, according to Captain Milton, skipper of the Canadian Skirmisher, who is expecting to get away with his ship today southbound. He says when he comes again it will not be necessary to have a pilot as he can come in without difficulty. When he arrived the other day he had no charts of this part of the coast but now the defect has been remedied navigation into port will be easy.

The Captain was much interested in the report that a number of Merchant Marine vessels are being laid up. He says that on the lakes there are a number of smaller vessels laid up. These might be suitable for the business on this coast.

### DRUG PEDDLERS TO GET LASH

New Law Provides For that if Selling to Minors—Alien Deportation.

OTTAWA, June 16.—A peddler of drugs to minors will be made subject to the lash and imprisonment without the option of a fine under the new amendments to the Drug Act brought up in the House of Commons yesterday. The new law will also make alien peddling drugs subject to deportation.

### BENNY LEONARD IS NOW IN TRAINING

Will Set Up World's Record in Meeting Three Tough Customers Within Thirty Days.

NEW YORK, June 16.—A new fighting record is about to be hung up by Benny Leonard, world's champion lightweight boxer, who today commences training for battles with three of the toughest opponents within the short space of thirty days. Jack Britton, world's welterweight champion, Lew Tendler and Rocky Kansas are the trio with whom Leonard is to mix at short notice.