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WOULD HAVE PENSION OFFICIALS REMOVED

CHALLENGER STAYS WITH CHAMPION TILL VERY END BUT LOSES DECISION

G.W.V.A. ask for Purge Pension Department by Dominion Government

VANCOUVER, July 5.—Declaring that the recent proceedings before the Royal Commission together with the clear cut findings of the commission have conclusively shown to the public that officials charged with administration of the Pensions Act and application of the government funds for widows and orphans of deceased soldiers have not only been derelict in their duties but have shown calculative disregard to the hardships and injustices which their arbitrary actions have caused. The executive of the G.W.V.A. in annual convention here today demanded that the government of Canada, as trustees for the widows and orphans, take the necessary steps to purge the pensions board and department of soldiers' civil re-establishment of the element which will only tend to create national discontent and unnecessary suffering.

PRINCE RUPERT DOCKS MONDAY

Coast Steamer Will Have Propeller Blades Changed—New Funnel For James Caruthers

TWO C.G.M.M. BOATS ARE EXPECTED SHORTLY

Next Monday, the C. N. B. steamer Prince Rupert will be fitted out on the pontoons at the local dry dock to have her propeller blades changed. The vessel arrives from the south on Monday afternoon and the docking will be performed without interfering with her schedule which calls for her returning south at 11 p.m.

Two C.G.M.M. freighters are expected at the dock in the course of the next few weeks for overhaul. Definite dates of arrival are, however, not yet known.

The Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.'s trawler James Caruthers is at present tied up at the dock having a new smoke stack installed.

U. P. TRAIN IS WRECKED

Locomotive Which Hauled President's Train Runs Into Landslide—Engineer is Killed

TACOMA, July 5.—The monster Union Pacific locomotive which on July 4 drew President Harding's special train into Portland was wrecked just outside of the city of Tacoma this morning. One trainman is dead, another is seriously injured, four or five passengers were slightly hurt with the possibility of one or more tramps being dead as a result. The engine, which was bringing the Union Pacific owl train from Portland, ran into a landslide at Salmon Beach early this morning. Edward Roddey, engineer of Seattle, is dead.

ENGLISH EXPRESS TRAIN CRASHES AT MOUTH OF TUNNEL

Six Persons Killed When Leeds-Manchester Express Collides at Full Speed With Engine

HEDDERSFIELD, July 5.—Six persons were killed, including two railway guards, and seven persons were injured in a train wreck today at Diggle near here when the Leeds-Manchester Express drawn by two engines collided while running full speed with an engine outside a tunnel. The crash piled up a mass of wreckage.

CITY VICTORIOUS IN APPEAL COURT

The Grand Trunk Pacific Development Co.'s assessment appeal case against the City of Prince Rupert, which was heard in the Court of Appeals at Victoria, was unanimously dismissed according to a wire received this morning by Ald. M. M. Stephens, front City Solicitor E. F. Jones, who has been handling the case on behalf of the city.

Mr. Jones will return to the city on Monday.

OLIVER LAUGHS AT ELECTIONS

Says Will be no Appeal to Country in Near Future: Expense of Election Too Great

VICTORIA, July 5.—Premier Oliver gives the laugh to all election rumors and states that the government has no intention of going to the country for a long time to come. The present term of the legislature extends to near the end of 1925 and it is very likely the government will decide to live out its term. At the same time the opinion is expressed that the government is today stronger than it has ever been. The defeat of the farmer movement in Ontario is an indication that people do not look with very great favor on third parties. Most of the followers of General McTear, the millionaire self-appointed saviour of the province, are recruited from the Conservative ranks and any strength he is able to show is the direct result of the split in the Conservative party over the leadership. Dissatisfaction with Mr. Bowser is just as great as ever and the opposition forces are broken up.

One of the ministers here stated that this would be an opportune time for the government to appeal to the country but they did not feel justified in putting the province to the expense of an election just now in order to get a renewal of power for the present administration. The country recognized the splendid fight Premier Oliver had put up on the freight rates question but he did not think it would be right to take advantage of the situation created just to get back to office.

CABINET MEETING AT OTTAWA TODAY

A Number of Important Appointments, it is Understood, May be Made at Session

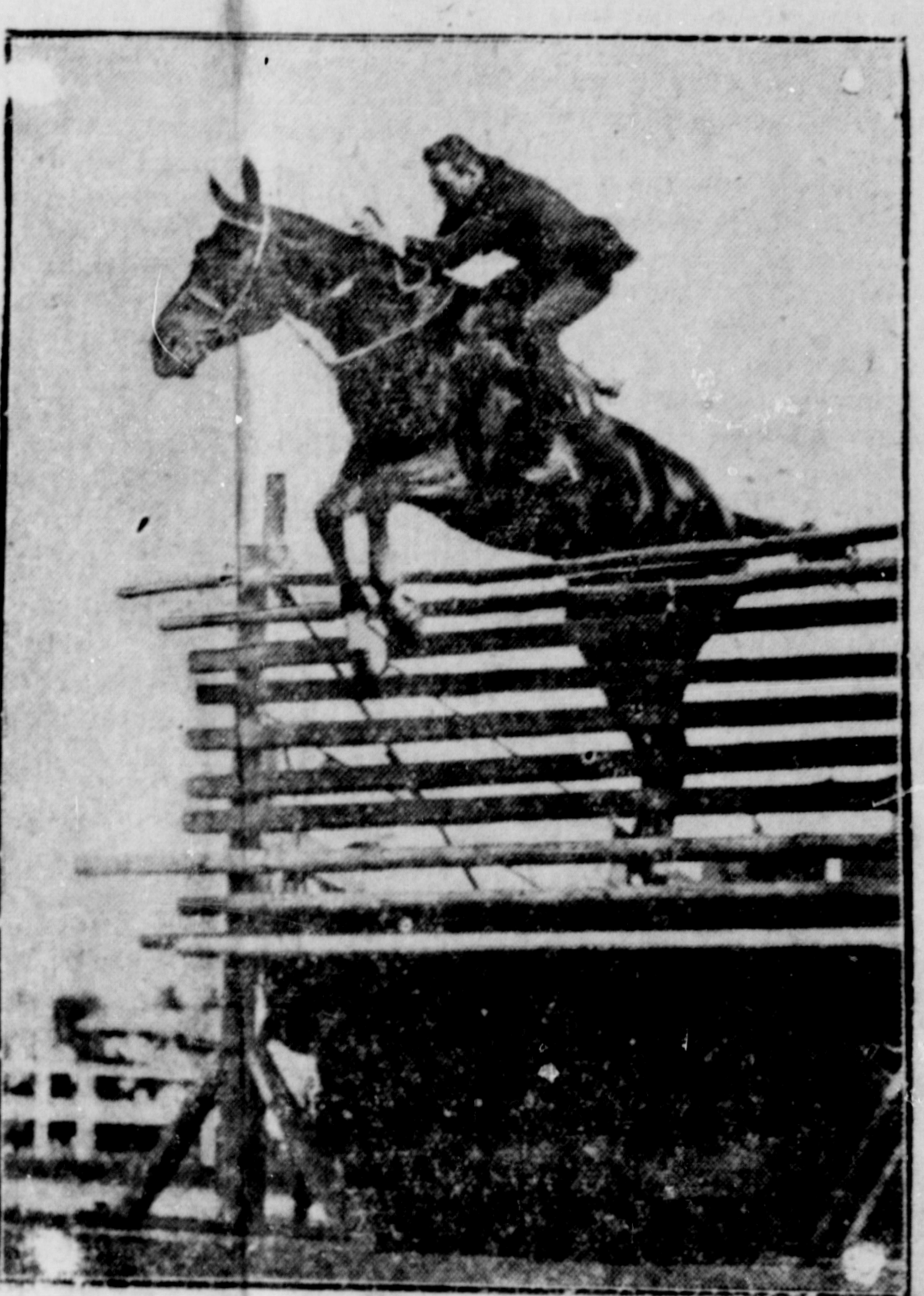
OTTAWA, July 5.—The first meeting of the cabinet since prorogation of the House of Commons is scheduled for today. Premier King, who has been in the country, returned to Ottawa. It is possible that a number of senatorial and judicial as well as high civil service official appointments may result from the session.

STRIKE CRISIS IS NOW COMING

Military Being Rushed to Cape Breton and Special Police Being Recruited

SYDNEY, July 5.—With special trains carrying trained detachments from all but two military centres in the West and reinforcements for special provincial foot and mounted police being recruited as rapidly as possible, the strike situation in Cape Breton is thought to be reaching a crisis. No outstanding event marked the last twelve hours.

The annual Anglican Church Sunday School picnic is taking place today on Digby Island. The "Oh Baby" made three trips across at 10, 11 and 2 o'clock and some 150 youngsters with grown-ups accompanying them are enjoying the day. Archdeacon G. A. Rix is in charge.



Great Heart, an eight-year-old thoroughbred horse owned by Mrs. Stuyvesant of Chicago, broke the world's high jumping record when he cleared the hurdles at 8 feet 13-16 inches.

Smithers Celebrates Holiday with Sports and Games in Spite of Doubtful Weather

SMITHERS, July 5.—In spite of threatening clouds which appeared as if they held a deluge, a record crowd from the surrounding country attended the Dominion Day celebration held in Smithers on July 2. Flags fluttered from flag poles in the town, store fronts and private houses carried their quota of decorations, while all the "Henrys" and their more costly brothers were decked for the occasion.

From an early hour numbers of visitors were coming into town, so that by 11 o'clock when the first event on the program took place, a good crowd was on hand. Intermediate points from Pacific on the west to Endako on the east contributed their share of those on pleasure bent.

The new fair grounds situated just off the Lake Kathryn Road was the scene of activities, and the Athletic Club officials are to be complimented on the arrangements made to take care of the crowd. Ice cream and refreshment stands were hives of industry, while Ed. Eby and his capable assistants saw that no one willing to take a chance at the various games of skill were allowed to lose.

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Dempsey Retains Title Though Gibbons Gives Him Game Fight Until End of Fifteen Rounds

SHELBY, Montana, July 5.—Jack Dempsey retained the heavyweight championship of the world yesterday when, at the end of the fifteenth round of the bout amid scenes of greatest excitement, he was awarded the decision on points over Tom Gibbons by Referee James Daugherty of Philadelphia. In staying with the champion until the bitter end after sustaining a terrible body beating, Gibbons created the boxing sensation of the decade and went on record as the boxer who stayed the longest with Dempsey since he won the heavyweight title. Gibbons gave a wonderful exhibition making the champion miss time after time and, though it was apparent from the first that Dempsey sought to get in the fatal knockout blow, the challenger, through marvellous defence work and capacity to stand punishment, withstood these efforts and retired at the end of the fifteenth round smiling and still on his feet though much weakened.

MINISTERS TO MEET PUBLIC

Meeting Arranged For Saturday at Which Pattullo and Sutherland Will Speak

On Saturday, Hon. T. D. Pattullo and Hon. Dr. Sutherland, minister of public works in the Oliver government, will return from a tour of central British Columbia and will leave that night or next morning for the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Taking advantage of the presence of the two ministers in the city a public meeting is being arranged to take place Saturday evening in the Empress Theatre at which both visitors will give addresses. In view of the interest being taken here by the Canadian National Railway and the possibility of developments taking place, this meeting will be of special interest as it will give the ministers an opportunity to declare the policy of the provincial government toward the city and district.

Dr. Sutherland is head of the greatest spending department of the government and for that reason it is desirable that he be given a good reception. He spent a short time here on his way to the interior and on his return will have another opportunity of noting the progress made here and the needs of the city in his particular department.

SALMON PACK NEAR LARGEST

Value of Fish Canned Last Year in B.C. About Eleven and Quarter Million Dollars

VICTORIA, July 5.—The 1922 salmon pack amounted to 1,290,326 cases against 603,548 in 1921, announces Hon. William Sloan, commissioner of fisheries. Notwithstanding the fact that the pack was the fourth largest on record, its value was low owing to the fact that sixty per cent was pinks and chums.

The 1922 pack was valued at \$11,247,000 against \$8,577,602 in 1921. Sockeye contributed only forty per cent of the pack, most of the gain being on the Skeena and Naas rivers. The report shows a startling decrease in Fraser River sockeye.

BELYEA GOES TO DIAMOND SCULLS

Canadian Champ Wins Seat in Big Race by Defeating Dr. Bossard of Switzerland

HENLEY, Eng., July 5.—Hilton Belyea, of St. John, N.B., the Canadian sculling champion, today won his seat for the Diamond Sculls easily defeating Dr. Bossard of Switzerland.

SOCKEYE ARE COMING WELL

Run Better Than Last Year on Skeena River But Poor on Naas

Sockeye fishing on the Skeena River is better than last year at the same time, according to the official report on the progress of the industry received here. The average to the boat has been about 29.

Spring salmon fishing has also been good and as a consequence the mild cure plants have been very busy. On the Naas River there is a different story to tell. The sockeye have not been running as well as last year and the outlook is that the catch will be not a very large one. Spring salmon fishing on that river shows just an average catch.

Last week at the Naas a freak boat got as high as 61 but the average was very low.

CANADIAN KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT VANCOUVER, WASH

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 5.—Three men were killed and two were injured when an automobile plunged through the railing of a bridge over the Lewis River here today. The dead include Jack Marshall, aged 45, timber worker, railway engineer and Canadian war veteran.



Jack Dempsey



Announcement has been made of the forthcoming wedding of Princess Maud, niece of King George, to Lord Carnegie, oldest son of the Earl of Southesk.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Stewart are sailing tonight by the steamer Prince Rupert for Vancouver on their annual vacation trip. Mr. Stewart will be away till the end of this month while Mrs. Stewart and family will spend till the end of August at their summer home at Boundary Bay, near Vancouver.