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LOWER VALUATIONS IN ASSESSOR'S REPORT

SIR HENRY THORNTON TO KEEP EXISTING SERVICES GOING AND EXTEND

Text of Contract with Sir Henry Thornton and Canadian National Ry.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—The contract signed October 4, 1922, between the Government of Canada and Sir Henry Thornton, under which the latter takes over the management of the Canadian National Railway and the Canadian Government Merchant Marine Ltd. at a salary of \$50,000 a year for three years, was read in the House today by the acting minister of railways at the request of Hon. Arthur Meighen.

The contract provides that either side may terminate the agreement by giving six months' notice under a compensation and remuneration arrangement. The agreement may be terminated by mutual arrangement. Sir Henry under the contract is to devote his full time to the management of the railway and to seek to diligently maintain and extend the service, which he is given control. Sir Henry agrees not to be or to become connected with any company or corporation selling bonds or otherwise dealing with the railway system.

AGED RESIDENT OF METLAKATLA DIED YESTERDAY

Mrs. Susan Leighton Was Mother
of Six Sons and one Daughter
— Several Grand-children

One of Metlakatla's oldest and most respected native residents passed away in the person of Mrs. Susan Leighton, whose death occurred yesterday at the age of 82 years. She is survived by her husband, Albert Leighton, six sons, William, Reuben, John, Peter and Albert, at Metlakatla, and Robert, at Hazelton, and a daughter, Susan, at Hazelton, and a daughter, Susan, at Hazelton, and a daughter, Susan, at Hazelton.

HERMAN LOST ARM

John Heckman, Engineer of Alaska, Had Member Amputated
at Juneau Following
Accident

John Heckman, engineer and owner of the American halibut schooner Alaska, had his arm amputated at the Juneau hospital this week as a result of an accident when the member was caught in the gear of the schooner's winch and terribly lacerated.

The Alaska was returning from the fishing banks with a full catch of halibut when the accident occurred and the course was immediately diverted into Juneau, the nearest port. The schooner arrived in port this morning and marketed her catch. Members of the crew stated that the unfortunate man was resting as easily as might be expected when they left Juneau.

Mayor Taylor left this morning for Smithers on a two days departmental trip.

GRAYSON WINS BIG DOG RACE

C. B. Morgan, With Three Consecutive Wins, Is Permanent Holder of Burns Cup

THE PAS, Feb. 24.—Covering the 200 miles in 26 hours and 52 seconds, Billy Grayson, veteran musher of the north country driving C. B. Morgan's entry, yesterday afternoon won the annual non-stop Dog Derby classic. He finished the long run at 1:52 p.m.

A. Russick, of The Pas driving a team of hounds, was second and W. Winterton, driving Creighton's team, was third. All three drivers mushed seven-dog teams. This is the third consecutive win for Morgan's team and he now retains permanent possession of the Burns Cup.

VANCOUVER MAINTAINS HER LEAD IN HOCKEY

Beats Seattle Last Night and
Victoria Defeats Edmonton
Touring Team

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—Vancouver defeated Seattle four to two at Victoria last night, maintaining its one point lead in the Pacific Coast Hockey League. Victoria defeated Edmonton 5 to 2, so Seattle drops to third place.

Western Canada League
Saskatoon, 2; Calgary, 3.

SLEEPING SICKNESS EPIDEMIC VANCOUVER

Fourteen Cases Reported in Past
Week or So—One Death, Remainder Will Recover

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—Fourteen cases of sleeping sickness have been reported in the city during the past week or so. There has been one death and the rest of the cases are expected to recover.

GENE TUNNEY IS BOXING CHAMPION

Beats Harry Greb Who Held
Title Since Last May

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Gene Tunney of New York regained the American light heavyweight championship, defeating Harry Greb the title holder since last May, according to the judge's decision in a fifteen round bout.

LITTLE DAMAGE TO CAR BARGE

Tug Bermuda Went to Porcher
Island This Morning to Investigate—Will Be Pulled Off

The tug Bermuda went down to Porcher Island this morning to investigate the condition of the Swanson Bay car ferry which went ashore yesterday morning and it was ascertained that the craft is lying on the beach with little damage to her hull or the nine cars on board. Weather conditions being favorable, it is hoped that the Bermuda may pull the barge off next Monday or Tuesday and bring her here to the dry dock where such repairs as are necessary will be made.

EMIGRANTS LEAVE ON C.P.R. STEAMER BOUND FOR CANADA

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The largest number of emigrants to leave this year embarked for Canada on the C.P.R. steamship Montclair. This is the first fruits of the new immigration policy of the Dominion Government which is encouraging people to come here from the British Isles and other countries from which suitable settlers are obtained.

FREE STATE MAKES BETTER PROGRESS

CORK, Feb. 24.—Further arrests and the capture of arms and ammunition as well as the surrender of a number of irregulars is officially reported.

FIRE ABOARD LINER

Refrigerator Plant of Zealand
Destroyed When Undergoing Repairs

ANTWERP, Feb. 24.—Fire aboard the Red Star liner Zealand, which is undergoing repairs, destroyed the refrigerator plant and twelve workmen were overcome.

WALES BEATS FRANCE

CARDIFF, Feb. 24.—In the Rugby International match here today between Wales and France the results were Wales 16, France 8.

SCOTLAND BEAT IRELAND

DUBLIN, Feb. 24.—Scotland defeated Ireland in a Rugby International game this afternoon by 13 points to 3.

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Gold Medal Contest Brings out Much Splendid Talent for Public Speaking at Booth School Event

Two girls, Rosario Soriano and Jean McKay won the Rotary gold medals at the Oratorical contest at the High School last night. Running them close for honors were Margaret Casey and Lee Gordon who tied for third place while next them in the order of merit and with little to choose in regard to excellence of their efforts were Roth Gordon, Jack Stevens, Sudao Suga and Hazel Beadellstone. All acquitted themselves wonderfully well, so well that the judges, W. E. Williams, Thomas McClymont and H. F. Pullen, found it difficult to decide the winners.

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FINANCIER ARRESTED

W. U. Runnalls, of Vancouver,
Charged with Theft of
\$5,962 from Defunct
Concern

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—On a charge laid by the liquidators for the defunct firm of the Securities Corporation of British Columbia, Ltd., W. U. Runnalls, former manager of the bankrupt concern, has been arrested for the alleged theft of \$5,962 from that firm. Runnalls was charged and released on bail of \$5,000. He was at one time inspector of trust companies for the provincial government at Victoria.

FRENCH TOOK GERMAN CASH

Boarded Train Between Berlin and Cologne and Confiscated Twelve Billion

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—The French have adopted a new method of collecting indemnities. Today a French force boarded the Berlin and Cologne express train and confiscated a consignment of twelve billion marks and plates belonging to the Reichsbank.

COOK OF SCHOONER SWEEPED OVERBOARD

Gordon M. Fox, of Vancouver,
Lost His Life from City of
San Diego, off California Coast

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—The gas schooner, City of San Diego, on arrival here today, reported the death of her cook, Gordon M. Fox, of Vancouver. Fox was swept overboard by a big wave off the California coast recently.

Reduction of Over One Million Dollars in Assessment of City Will Mean Higher Millage Rate

The city of Prince Rupert will levy taxes this year on taxable property, valued at \$1,949,240, as against \$6,072,354 last year. In bringing down his assessment for 1923, Assessor J. C. McLennan made reductions from last year totalling \$1,023,379 and the court of revision, which closed yesterday afternoon, made further reductions totalling \$99,735.

With the assessment down by over a million dollars, there appears to be little doubt that there will be an increase in the rate in 1923 in spite of the most stringent economy that may be practised in the city's business. Last year's mill rate was 37.3182. The estimates will have to be brought in and finally adopted by the city before the rate for this year may be struck.

The assessment for the year by sections is as follows:

Section 1	\$2,231,055
Section 2	191,670
Section 3	40,850
Section 4	186,160
Section 5	676,380
Section 6	518,940
Section 7	358,385
Section 8	180,845
Section 9	139,640
Waterfront Parcels	2,750,476

Total Assessment \$1,949,240
G. T. P. exemption 2,340,861

Assessable Property \$1,919,240

The grand total valuation of property in the city including land and improvements, taxable and non-taxable, is \$15,584,386 made up as follows:

Taxable Property	
Land	\$7,290,201
Improvements	5,353,935
Non-Taxable Property	
B. C. Gov't. Land	1,118,995
Dominion Land	26,000
City Land	738,820
Hospital and Churches Land	26,750
B.C. Gov't. Improvements	637,750
Dominion Improvements	3,000
City Improvements	298,860
Hospital and Churches Improvements	90,075
Total	\$15,584,386

OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON CASUALTIES MADE

Germans Say French Have Killed
9, Wounded 13 and Captured
100 in Huhr

ESSEN, Feb. 24.—Nine Germans have been shot dead including one child, thirteen have been wounded and about one hundred arrested by the French army of occupation according to an official German statement.

NEW ENGINEER IS APPOINTED

F. W. Pearson, of Elm Creek,
Manitoba, Gets Job at Salary
of \$225 a Month

The appointment of F. W. Pearson, of Elm Creek, Manitoba, as the new city engineer at a salary of \$225 per month, was confirmed by the city council at a special meeting last night when re-organization of the city hall staff was given another thorough discussion in private. He will arrive here next week. Reporters were notified before the meeting that the meeting would not be open to the public. It was also decided to re-advertise for a city treasurer. The salary offered is \$225 and applications are to be in by March 15. Consideration of the Hays Creek bridge question was further deferred until March 19.

BETTER HOUSING ACT.
Applications will be received by the undersigned up to 5 p.m. Monday next from Returned Soldiers (married) for the transfer of Lot 3, Block 28, Section 6, and dwelling thereon; now occupied by W. C. Reith. Cash payment approximately \$300.00.
E. F. JONES,
46 City Solicitor.

EARTHQUAKE SEVERE SHOCK

Two Observatories Record Big Tremor From Pacific Ocean

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Another earthquake shock, apparently centering in the same locality as the tremendous quake that shook the Pacific on Feb. 3, was recorded here today.

VICTORIA, Feb. 24.—Another heavy earthquake shock was recorded at the observatory here last night at 11:42. The distance of the quake is calculated at 2,990 miles and the record lasted four hours. It is believed to have been in the vicinity of the Kamchatka peninsula.

CHURCH WILL BE DESTROYED

Anonymous Card Says Catholic
Cathedral and Bishop's
Palace in Victoria
Will be Fired

VICTORIA, Feb. 24.—An anonymous threat has been received saying that St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral and the bishops palace here will be set on fire and destroyed. The threat was written on a postcard and mailed from Portland, Oregon. A careful watch is being maintained on the church property.

VANCOUVER YOUNG LIBERALS CHAMPS AMATEUR HOCKEY

VANCOUVER, Feb. 24.—Vancouver Young Liberals became the senior amateur hockey champions of British Columbia last night defeating Nelson seven goals to two, the same score as in the first game.

U.S. AMBASSADOR DIES

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—Charlambage Tower, former United States ambassador to Germany is dead here of pneumonia.