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EFFORT AGAIN BEING MADE TO SELL P.G.E.

WIRELESS STATIONS ON COAST TO COMMUNICATE DIRECT WITH VICTORIA

May Sell P.G.E. Ry. to Canadian National Railways: Negotiations to Be Opened by J. D. McLean

VICTORIA, July 14.—The Daily Colonist this morning says: "Renewed efforts to sell the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to the Canadian National Railways will be made in the near future by the Provincial Government, it was learned today at the Parliament Buildings.

Premier Oliver was non-committal when asked about the proposal to resume negotiations with the Canadian National system but stated that the Provincial Government would be glad to dispose of the road at a low figure and pointed out that in the past several attempts had been made to interest the Dominion Government in the property.

"Our overtures have so far been ignored but we are still looking for a purchaser," said the premier. "Active negotiations for the sale of the road will await the return of Hon. J. D. McLean, minister of railways, who is touring the mainland."

The premier said that he was unable to confirm the report that provincial interests were negotiating the purchase of the Pacific Great Eastern and that they had survey parties at work north of Prince George with a view to linking the government owned road with the Peace River country.

It is understood that engineers and surveyors representing the Canadian Pacific Railway and Canadian National will be in that territory this summer planning a route into the Peace River country.

"A casual remark of Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National, the other day to the effect that his company had not yet been asked to take over the P.G.E. and that it would hardly be proper to do so unless formally requested, has encouraged the provincial government."

LIQUOR VOTE IN MANITOBA

Final Figures in Referendum Which Will Make Province Wet

WINNIPEG, July 14. — The referendum of the Moderation League demanding the right to buy liquor in sealed packages in Manitoba was approved by exactly 10,000 voters. The final figures show 108,244 in favor and 68,244 against.

The final figures in the vote under which the people of this province rejected the proposal to sell liquor in hotels and restaurants have not yet been compiled but the majority against is a large one.

ROLLING STOCK FOR RAILWAYS

Both C.P.R. and C.N.R. Ordering Thousand New Freight Cars

MONTREAL, July 14. — The Canadian railroads are placing orders for several million dollars worth of rolling stock. The Canadian Pacific and the Canadian National are placing orders for a thousand new freight cars each. The former will build at the Angus shops, Montreal, and the latter will place orders with several different companies.

YOUNG NATIVE GIRL DISAPPEARS; POLICE SENT TO INVESTIGATE

Search Being Conducted for Celina McKay Who Was Working at Cannery on Skeena River

The local provincial police office has been notified of the disappearance from Sunnyside Cannery this week of Celina McKay aged 18, daughter of Mrs. Louisa McKay, native. The mother and J. F. Strang, manager of the cannery, have asked the police to investigate and accordingly Constables Saint and Martin have been ordered to scour the river.

REVEILLE BREAKS TAIL SHAFT AND IS TOWED TO PORT

The Canadian halibut schooner Reveille, Capt. Wie, arrived from the banks last evening under tow, her tailshaft having broken in Hecate Straits. She will go into dry dock for repairs. The vessel's catch of 5,000 pounds was marketed at the Exchange this morning.

FINE YACHT IS VISITING HERE

Tacoma Boat is on Way to Sitka Skippered by Dr. Rich

The pleasure yacht Rosemary, of Tacoma, skippered by Dr. E. A. Rich, commodore of the Tacoma Yacht Club, with a party of nine people aboard, arrived in port at 10 o'clock this morning en route to Sitka, Alaska, on a pleasure trip and tied up at the Prince Rupert Yacht Club wharf. Dr. Rich reports an excellent trip up the coast although a heavy sea was encountered late yesterday afternoon which necessitated putting into Oceanic for anchorage. On the trip north the yacht will call in at Ketchikan where Dr. Rich will perform a little orthopedic work for Dr. Ellis.

The Rosemary is a very fine type of pleasure craft and measures fifty feet long by a twelve foot beam, and is powered with a 50 horse power Sterling engine. The party will probably proceed north this evening.

On board the yacht are Judge and Mrs. Collett, Sydney, Montana; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Samuels New York City; Mr. and Mrs. Al. Friend, and Dr. and Mrs. Rich and son Bob, of Tacoma.

TENDERS ASKED FOR REMOVAL OF BUILDING

Tenders are being asked for removal of the former Provincial Government court house which has been purchased by the local Masonic lodge and will be moved to a lot situated at the corner of Sixth Ave. East and Bowser Street, in the near future. A building committee, of which R. V. G. LePine is the secretary, has the matter in hand.

The building will be used as lodge room for the Tsimpsean and Tyee Lodges.

OFFICIAL WILL HELP WELCOME PRESIDENT

Usher of Black Rod to Have Charge of Ceremonies at Vancouver

OTTAWA, Juyl 14.—Colonel E. J. Chambers, usher of the black rod, left for Vancouver to take charge of the ceremony of greeting President Harding on his arrival at Vancouver. Under military and naval auspices Canada's welcome will be tendered by Hon. Dr. J. H. King, federal minister of public works.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League

Chicago 5, Brooklyn 1.
St. Louis 10, Boston 6.
Cincinnati 20, Philadelphia 7.
Pittsburg 10, New York 1.

American League

New York 3, Chicago 4.
Philadelphia 7, Cleveland 16.
Boston 6, Detroit 4.
Washington 8, St. Louis 4.

Coast League

Seattle 2, Varnon 4.
San Francisco 14, Salt Lake 9.
Los Angeles 0, Sacramento 5.
Portland 5, Oakland 6.

The Earl and Countess Castle Stewart arriving in America with their young son for a three months' tour.

WONDERFUL AIR WEAPON

Huge Airships Will Hover Among Clouds and Launch Smaller Craft

LONDON, July 14.—Keels are now being laid in Great Britain for huge rigid airships which will hover above the clouds with a number of small fighting machines on board ready to launch at a foe, says an aeronautical expert in the London Daily Chronicle. The task of these new machines of war, he says, will be to carry aloft to immense heights and to transport, if necessary, thousands of miles, squadrons of swift, deadly, steel-built "attack-planes." These will be launched from high above the clouds, and will rush at 200 miles an hour and more earthward to harry other aircraft and raid the commerce of the seas.

"The airships will have the power, lacking in a small machine," the writer says, "of longdistance flights at a great altitude, while on the other hand, the small planes they carry will be able to outfly and out-fight any machine laden for a long journey.

ANOTHER BROTHER OF SHERIFF JOHN SHIRLEY HAS DIED

Late Thomas Shirley Was 82 Years of Age and Died on the Farm he Was Born on Near Ottawa

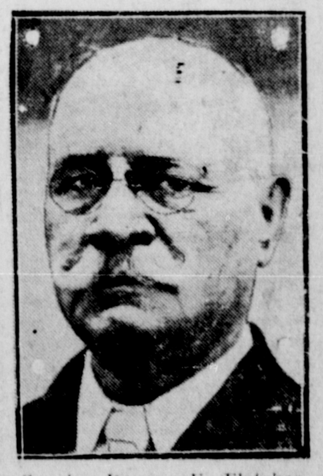
Another seat around the hearthstone of the pioneer Shirley family of Ontario, of which Sheriff John Shirley of this city is a member, has been made vacant through the recent death of the second oldest brother, Thomas Shirley. Sheriff Shirley has received the sad news of his brother's death on June 28 at the age of 82 years.

The late Thomas Shirley passed away at Montague, near Ottawa, on the farm on which he was born. During his long life, he had never been at any great length from his birthplace. He was a great grandfather.

Of the original family of ten, only three brothers are now living—William Shirley, aged 86, the oldest, in Michigan; Sheriff John Shirley of this city, 79; and Isaac Shirley, Metcalfe, Ont. 68, the youngest of the family.

GREAT SPEED IN AERIAL DERBY FOR THE KING'S CUP

LONDON, July 14. — W. T. Courtney won the 800 mile aerial Derby for the King's Cup, completing the course at an average speed of 149.3 miles an hour, an increase of nearly twenty miles an hour over the previous best time.



Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of the United States, who sailed on the Leviathan's maiden trip in order to keep a check on expenditures.

PRINCESS CHARLOTTE COMING NEXT WEEK

Crack C.P.R. Liner is Bringing an Overflow Crowd of Alaska Tourists

Two C. P. R. tourist steamers will reach port next week bound from Vancouver to southeastern Alaska with heavy bookings of excursionists.

The Princess Alice will arrive on Monday morning and the Princess Charlotte on Friday. The latter ship is making a special extra run on account of the fact that the other two big boats, Alice and Louise, will not be able to handle all the July tourists. This will be the first and only call of the Charlotte here this year unless another special excursion is arranged.

A Vancouver paper reported that the men of the C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Scottish would walk off the ship on arrival here and join with the strikers against the company. This is not the case. The men, it is reported, will stay with the ship at least till she reaches Vancouver.

Prince Rupert Will Talk Direct with Victoria and Other Southern Points by Wireless says Haughton

VICTORIA, July 14.—With the object of increasing the efficiency of the wireless service on the British Columbia coast, the Dominion government will this summer change the apparatus at the Gonzales Hill, Bull Harbor, Alert Bay and Prince Rupert stations from the spark to the continuous wave system, according to an announcement by E. J. Haughton, superintendent of radio-telegraphs for British Columbia.

This would mean increased range for all these stations and a general speeding up of the government wireless service on this coast, Mr Haughton stated. When the change had been made Gonzales Hill would be able to communicate direct with Prince Rupert, he said. At present it is necessary to relay messages between these points. No change will be made at the Point Grey station for the present.

Continuous wave transmission and receiving is a great improvement over the spark system, and is being adopted in nearly all parts of the world. The government wished the B.C. Coast service to be thoroughly up to date, and is therefore making the change, Haughton declared.

Another factor which had a bearing on bringing about the change was the fact that a large number of private radio stations were operated on this coast by logging companies, paper mills, mines and other industrial enterprises, Mr. Haughton stated. These stations were on the increase and demanded a speeding up of communication and increased range if the volume of business offering was to be successfully handled.

Owing to its comparative initial cheapness and the fact that it eliminated heavy overhead, radio was appealing more and more to the operators of large industries, he said.

The new apparatus will be the four-valve type with an input of 8,000 watts. This type of apparatus was expected to do a large volume of work more efficiently than a 15,000-watt spark set, Mr. Haughton said.

SWEDISH PULP AND PAPER MAN IS HERE

R. Pearson Studying Canadian Methods in Industry—Will Visit Ocean Falls and Powell River

R. Pearson, a pulp and paper man from Sweden, is visiting the city, having arrived here yesterday morning. He will be here for several days and will later visit the Falls and Powell River plants. Mr. Pearson is studying methods in the industry here and is also taking the opportunity to look over the country generally.

EDGAR FAWCETT OF VICTORIA DIES; WAS HISTORIC AUTHORITY

VICTORIA, July 14. — Edgar Fawcett, a resident of Victoria for the past 45 year, died here aged 59.

Mr. Fawcett was a historian of note and he often contributed interesting stories to the newspapers about conditions in the early days. During his residence in the province he saw Victoria grow from little more than a village and Vancouver come into existence.

BIRTH

There was born at the Anyox hospital on July 11 to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Morrison of Alice Arm, a daughter.

LIQUOR HELD UP BY STATES

Consignment Valued at $100,000 on Vancouver Dock Bound For Yukon

VANCOUVER, July 14—George Black, M.P. for the Yukon who is leaving today for home commented bitterly on the United States refusal to permit the Yukon's liquor supply to be shipped across the panhandle of Alaska. He pointed out that supplies now lying at Vancouver docks worth $100,000 may have to be taken round Behring Sea and down the Yukon river, a distance of 4,000 miles when all that intervenes between Canada and the Yukon is a twenty mile strip of American territory.

FISHING STILL IS IMPROVING

Skeena Canneries Averaging Close to Fifty to Boat For Week

OTHER PLACES VARY

Rivers Inlet and Smith Inlet Very Good With Bella Coola and Kimsquit Poor

Reports received today from the Skeena River in regard to the sockeye catch indicates that it is steadily improving, fishermen averaged about 46 sockeyes to the boat and they are also catching some humpbacks. Spring salmon are still being taken and everything now points to a successful season.

Further details of the fishing in the southern part of the district show that sockeye fishing has been particularly good both at Rivers Inlet and at Smith Inlet where about 130 fish to the boat have been taken on good days. At Rivers Inlet one boat got 368 fish, a record catch.

At Bella Coola and Kimsquit the run so far is only fair, while at Fitzhugh Sound it is average, about fifty fish to the boat being taken.

Everywhere in the south the weather conditions have been favorable.

The pack this year at Rivers Inlet is far better than last year, but it is not quite up to the 1920 pack. No fish are being caught there except sockeye so far.

Lieut. Raja Sukhdev Singh of Poonch, who was invested with ruling powers in India in 1922 is at present visiting England

REQUIRE MEN FOR PRAIRIE HARVEST 60,000 ARE NEEDED

WINNIPEG, July 14.—Western Canada will require approximately twenty per cent more harvesters to garner this year's crop than were needed last year. Some 60,000 men will have to be brought in it is estimated.

FRENCH ADVANCE

BERLIN, July 14. — French troops have occupied the big industrial city of Elberfeld on the edge of the Ruhr region.

Old Timers' Picnic
DIGBY ISLAND
Sunday, July 15
Adults, 50c; Children, 25c
Everybody Welcome