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P.G.E. PROBE IS NOT YET ARRANGED FOR TIMBER RESOURCES OF NORTH B.C. ARE NEEDED BY WORLD, HANSON SAYS

Rotary Club is Urged to Make Known Latent Wealth in this District

Olof Hanson, in his address on the lumber situation in Northern British Columbia before the Rotary Club yesterday, laid stress upon the importance of advertising to the world the wonderful timber resources of the northern territory and thereby inducing large lumber capital to come in and assist in the development of the country. With the country possessing such tremendous timber limits, he was of the opinion that the establishing of additional lumber mills in the north and the consequent increased output would be the means of creating a much larger volume of trade with the Orient and that, instead of only one C.G.M.M. freighter a month calling in for export lumber, there would be three or four freighters necessary as lumber carriers between this port and the Orient.

ROAD BYLAW TO BE SUBMITTED

In the course of his address the speaker said that in a new country all working men, working in their own professions or business, did not have time to look into the natural resources surrounding them. He had followed the development of the lumber industry in the north for some years and realized that he was only a "small bean" when he saw the colossal nature of the timber resources he was trying to develop. He said that in the manufacture of timber, Sweden had always been a keen competitor although situated 6,000 miles from the market, which included the United States, Australia and New Zealand. When on his trip to Sweden recently he was astounded that Canada did not hold the market especially in view of the fact that in Sweden they were paying ten times more for their timber. He considered there was something radically wrong about a situation of that sort. He had tried to find out the reason why and he had got to a certain point where he could give some of the reasons. Sweden had supplied 62 per cent of the pulp and timber to the world up to the year 1919. He compared the small area of Sweden with the gigantic area of northern British Columbia which was three times the size of that country. The speaker stated that the northern B.C. timber was superior, nearer the market and had greater transportation facilities. He thought that for these reasons it behooved everyone here to try and let the world know what the country possessed in the way of timber resources.

Receiving a report from the city engineer estimating the cost of making the city's connection with the proposed government road leading out of the city at \$26,300, the council last night, on motion of Ald. Mackenzie seconded by Ald. Perry, gave instructions that a bylaw be drawn up for submission to the people at the January election to cover the raising of the money to build the road.

The city road estimated upon by the engineer will start from the centre of Eighth Avenue and Frederick Street, follow along Frederick Street and the Prince Rupert Boulevard to Shawatlans Road and thence to the city limits.

Various members of the council who spoke expressed the opinion that a bylaw providing the city's connection should be submitted at once in order to put no further obstacle in the way of the provincial government making an early start on the road.

MASSEY IS IN OTTAWA TODAY

New Zealand's Premier Will Discuss Trade Questions Informally

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Premier Massey, of New Zealand, reached here today and will remain in the capital for a couple of days before leaving for the West.

He will discuss trade questions informally with members of the government while here.

RAISULI IS STILL ALIVE, OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS

TANGIER, Dec. 28.—It is officially stated that, contrary to the report of his death, Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit leader, is still alive and in an improved condition.

NOTICE

A meeting of Fishing Boat Owners is called by the Committee for tonight at 8 o'clock in the City Hall.

B. M. NEWELL, Sec.

CANNERY SUES FOR QUARTER MILLION

Bank of California Charged in Suit for Alleged Mismanagement of Alaskan Canneries

SEATTLE, Dec. 28.—Mismanagement of Alaskan canneries, formerly owned by the Southern Alaska Canning Company, is charged in a suit for \$250,000 alleged damages against the Bank of California, National Association, filed here today in superior court by attorneys for the plaintiff.

Postponement of a forced sale of three of its fishing boats, set for Wednesday at Houghton Lake, Washington, to satisfy the bank for alleged promissory notes, was also asked by the company in a request for an injunction to prevent the sale by Sheriff Starwich, of King County.

Basing the suit on allegations that in December, 1921, the bank offered to operate the canneries through the Alaska Consolidated Canners, Inc., as subsidiary corporations, for the benefit of the Southern Alaska Company, the plaintiffs assert that valuable machinery was removed from the canneries and poor machinery installed.

RECORD YEAR FOR HALIBUT

Total to Date Since January 1 Has Been 29,000,000 Pounds

This year is going to establish a record in the total of halibut fares at this port. To date 29,000,000 pounds have been landed here since January 1 last as compared with 25,500,950 pounds in 1922 and 25,600,000 pounds in 1921.

The total for December so far is 2,500,000 pounds. There are yet two market days to be counted in the total for this month and year.

CITY GETS FIRST REAL FALL OF SNOW

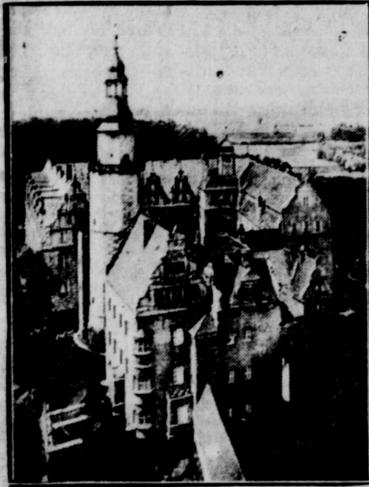
Eight Inches Now on Ground, Most of It Having Fallen Since 4 This Morning

Early this morning Prince Rupert received its first real fall of snow of the winter. There is now eight inches on the ground, the most of it having fallen since 4 o'clock in the morning.

A change in the winter schedule of sailings for the Canadian National steamer Prince John came into effect on Wednesday, December 26. The steamer left Vancouver on Wednesday and will arrive in Prince Rupert, via the Queen Charlotte Islands, on Monday morning, December 31, leaving Prince Rupert for Vancouver via the Queen Charlotte Islands on Wednesday, January 2, at 8 p.m. and every second Wednesday thereafter.

Accounts up to December 22 totalling \$15,435.72 were passed for payment by the city council last night.

D. Jackson arrived from Premier on the steamer Prince George this morning and is registered at the Prince Rupert hotel.



Here is the castle at Oels, to which the ex-German Crown Prince went after his long vacation in Holland, and where he was joined by the former Crown Princess Cecilie and their children.

BOWSER IS SPEAKING FOR COLONEL PECK

Leader of Opposition Will Reply to P.G.E. Charges Tonight

VICTORIA, Dec. 28.—Tonight W. J. Bowser, leader of the Liberal-Conservative party in provincial politics, will address a meeting at Sidney. The meeting is being held in the interests of Colonel C. W. Peck, V.C., D.S.O., the party candidate for the Islands. Mr. Bowser, in his address, will deal at some length with the P.G.E. question and the charges that have been levelled against him in this connection.



Miss Margaret Boyd, of Owen Sound, has been mysteriously missing for over three weeks from Los Angeles, California. A nationwide search for her has been conducted in vain.

LEAVES NOTHING TO SON; GOVERNMENT TAKES CARE OF HIM

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 28.—By the terms of the will of Etta M. Haddock of Uxbridge, filed in Probate Court here, her estate is shared by three of her four children. A codicil in the will reads: "To my son Frank H., I give no bequest because he was wounded at the battle of the Marne and I rely upon the bounty of a grateful government to provide for his necessities in case he is unable to provide for himself."

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bushby, Pemberton Road, have as their guest for the holidays, Robert Piers of Vancouver.—Victoria Colonist.

HIGHLANDER DUE TODAY

C.G.M.M. Vessel Direct From Orient to Enter Dry Dock

C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Highlander, Capt. Fisher, is due in port about 9 o'clock this evening to enter the Canadian National shipyard for cleaning and painting. The job, it is expected, will not keep the vessel here any longer than a week. She is coming direct from Japan and from here will go south to load cargo.

Capt. E. McCoskrie, harbor master, left this afternoon for Triple Island to board the Highlander and pilot her in.

CITY BUILDING FOR PAST YEAR

Seventy-three Permits Issued in 1923 to Value of \$97,148

There were 73 building permits issued at the City Hall during the past year to the total value of \$97,148.00. Included in this total was the permit for the new Nurses' Home, the Meeker block on Third Avenue, and repairs to the Bank of Montreal building. In the month of December a permit was issued to S. Batchelor for repairs to dwelling at a cost of \$100.

NEW RUBBER BOOTS LEAD LAD TO DEATH

Three-Year-Old Boy Tries Out His New Waders in Creek Loses Life

CUMBERLAND, Dec. 28.—A most distressing fatality occurred here when Raymond Ernest, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horwood, of Happy Valley was drowned in a small creek that runs close by the house. The youngster had just received a nice present in the shape of a new pair of high rubber boots, and begged his mother to put them on for him.

Going outside, the child evidently wandered to the creek, where he was found drowned a short time afterwards by one of the children of neighbors.

PLANK WALKS ARE REPEALED

Dispute in Council Over Change of Construction Ends With Split Vote

After considerable further discussion and with the opposition of Ald. Munro, the city council last night finally put through the bylaw repealing the bylaws providing for board walks in connection with the grading of Fourth and Fifth Avenues in Section Five. Thereupon, Ald. Stephens gave notice that, at the next meeting of the council, he would introduce bylaws providing for the construction of cinder paths on the initiative plan.

Difference of opinion again arose as to whether the majority of the residents wanted plank walks or cinder paths. Ald. Munro took the stand that the petitions submitted did not show that the majority were in favor of cinder paths. Of a total of 74 persons affected, 22 had signed the petition asking for cinder paths. Of 2775 front feet of city property, 10,54 feet was represented on the petition.

Ald. Collart thought the petition had not been properly circulated. Had it been, there would have been more people signing it. The idea of putting down cinder paths was to have a good base for future cement sidewalks. If boards were put down, they would have to be renewed in four or five years. He was against further delays.

Stating that he would support giving what the majority wanted Ald. Macdonald was not yet clear as to what they did want.

Ald. Stephens took the view that it was clear what the majority wanted. That was evident when the number of names on the petitions were compared with the number of resident owners. The majority, without a doubt, wanted cinder paths and Ald. Munro should know it.

Ald. Mackenzie was in favor of cinder paths because they would cost less.

Finally, after Ald. Perry had submitted an amendment calling for the laying over of the matter further and withdrawn it, the motion calling for the final adoption of the bylaw repealing the plank walk construction was carried, Ald. Munro voting against.

FISH ARRIVALS

Three American Schooners Sold 137,000 Pounds of Halibut Today

Three American schooners sold halibut catches totalling 137,000 pounds at the Fish Exchange this morning. Prices jumped several points for both first and second class fish over the prices prevailing yesterday. The arrivals and sales were:

Seattle, 57,000 pounds, at 13.6c and 9.5c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.
Helgeland, 58,000 pounds, at 13.5c and 9.5c, to the Pacific Booth and Atlin Fisheries.
Virginia, 22,000 pounds, at 13.4c and 9c, to the Atlin Fisheries Ltd.

Raymond A. Fisher, who has been visiting for Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fisher, Fourth Avenue East, returned to Victoria on the Princess Beatrice tomorrow.

REPORTS ARE GUESS WORK

Premier Oliver Declares Government Has Not Yet Arranged for P.G.E. Probe

VICTORIA, Dec. 28.—The appointment of the royal commission which will investigate the charges of wrong doing in connection with Pacific Great Eastern Railway affairs has not been considered by the government yet, Premier Oliver declared yesterday when he denied Vancouver reports that he and his colleagues had arranged to get the royal commission under way next month. On account of the pressure of business towards the end of the session and the accumulation of departmental duties at that time, the cabinet had not yet had the opportunity to go into the matter the Premier stated.

"All reports that arrangements have been made in this connection are pure guesswork," he added.

On his return to the city yesterday, the Premier commenced to go fully into the petition of the Provincial Party asking for the appointment of a royal commission.

FAMOUS VESSEL TO BE RETIRED

Cutter Bear, Central Figure in Many Rescues, to Leave Arctic

SEATTLE, Dec. 28.—After a career of nearly fifty years, first as a British steamship, then as a unit of the United States navy, and for the last thirty-eight years a member of the United States coastguard fleet, the retirement of the famous old cutter Bear is recommended in the annual report of the coastguard service.

The Bear has been the central figure in numerous thrilling rescues in the Arctic. She has been operating from Seattle, making cruises to Point Barrow and along the coast to Siberia. She returned this fall after one of her cruises to the Far North and left for San Francisco, her winter station. The vessel is commanded by Com. C. S. Cochran.

The Bear was built in Greenock, Scotland, in 1874, and launched as the British steamship Bear. The vessel was transferred from the navy to the coastguard in 1885. The Bear is expected to make one more cruise to the Arctic before her retirement. She is to be replaced by a more modern ship.

TEA DANSANT TO BE HELD ON NEW YEAR'S DAY I.O.D.E.

The tea dansant, to be held in the Elks' Home on New Year's day from 3 to 6 p.m. under the auspices of the Hill 60 Chapter, I.O.D.E., promises to be one of the popular social events of the season. The ladies of the chapter have been working hard to make the affair a big success as the proceeds will go toward the cost of establishing a children's ward at the General Hospital. A feature of the program will be fancy dancing by the children.

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