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# FIELDING IS PREPARING FOR RECIPROACITY

## LOWER LIGHT RATES PROPOSED BY CITY COUNCIL AND BYLAW IS READY

### Fielding Proposes Reciprocity in Budget Speech and Mentions Fish as Negotiation Commodity

OTTAWA, May 12.—Hon. W. S. Fielding in his budget speech yesterday announced steps which he said he hoped would lead to reciprocity with the United States. He proposed to include a clause in the Canadian tariff authorizing any Canadian minister to enter into negotiations with a representative of the United States with a view to making a commercial agreement.

Mr. Fielding further proposed that if the president of the United States under authority of the U.S. Act determined to reduce by 50 per cent the duties on cattle, flour, wheat, oats, barley, potatoes, onions, turnips, hay, and fish, the Canadian Government should be authorized to make compensatory reductions.

The minister spoke optimistically, refusing to add to the deficit of the country despite the fact that he had a deficit of nearly fifty millions to announce. He looked to increasing customs and post office revenue and better conditions under which the Canadian National Railway was being operated to keep reducing the deficits year by year.

**Specific Changes Made in Revision**

Mr. Fielding's main announcements were:

- An increase in the British preference on goods shipped through Canadian rivers and sea ports.
- Sales tax to be collected at the source at the rate of six per cent.
- A reduction in the sugar duties and the excise duties on sugar to be dropped.
- The cigarette tax to be reduced to the former rate.
- The tax on soft drinks to be replaced by a tax on carbonic acid gas.
- Bounties to be granted on hemp and copper with the ceasing of bounties on manila, linen thread and petroleum.
- New items are created to give protection to the artificial silk industry.
- Duties to be increased on raisins to allow a substantial preference to be made to Australia.
- Reduced excise on Canadian wines, raw furs and drain tile farm purposes.
- Manuscripts and newspapers to be exempt from sales tax.
- In speaking generally of the changes made, Mr. Fielding stressed the need of tariff stability in order not to disorganize the business of the country.

### HOSPITAL WILL ACCEPT OFFER MADE BY CITY

**After Defeating Several Resolutions Board Accepts 60c. Conditionally**

After defeating several resolutions including one to accept the sixty cents per capita offered by the city, the Hospital Board last night decided to accept the offer conditionally in somewhat the following words:

"That this board is of opinion that it cannot operate without going in to debt on sixty cents per capita, but, in the belief that the city council is trying to put into effect measures of economy, we agree to accept the sixty cents a day and hold out the hope that if it shall become necessary the board will later come to our aid."

This was carried with only D. C. Melae voting against it. It was moved by S. K. Campbell, seconded by W. E. Williams and supported by W. E. Collison, J. Ross Mackay, E. H. Mortimer and Alderman Theo. Collart.

**First Motion**

The first motion was by Ald. Collart, seconded by Mr. Mortimer that the sixty cent offer be accepted. It was discussed at some length, Mr. Melae advocating as an alternative charging \$2.50 a day and was defeated.

President D. G. Stewart favored accepting the offer as he feared the collection of \$2.50 a day would lead to confusion and friction. The city had always been behind the board and would be again.

Mr. Mackay did not see how it could be said the city was behind them. Ordinarily when special new work was going on in a city such as was at present being initiated by the board, the city made a special grant toward it, but instead of that the city was cutting them down. He knew that the council was elected on an economy platform and every department had been criticized. The hospital had come in for its share but he had not found any alderman that could put his finger on any extravagant spot.

Mr. Williams said he had looked into the financial statement for the year and found that in spite of the various grants they had been running behind \$2,500. The income was less than the expenditure. He was in favor of accepting the sixty cent offer but was strongly of opinion that they could not finance on it and would have to come back for a bonus.

Mr. Campbell was satisfied the institution could not be run on less than 70c. but he did not favor collecting the \$2.50.

**Friendly to Board**

Ald. Collart did not think they had a right to assume that the council was not friendly to the board. The feeling of the council was that more attention should be paid to matters of collection and finance this year. If they knew the financial condition of the city they would not ask for more money. He urged that the

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### SIXTY WOMEN ARE SUMMONED TO ACT AS ASSIZE JURORS

**Sheriff Shirley Stated This Morning That Notices do not Apply for Session of Next Month**

Sixty women of the city received summons by registered mail yesterday to serve on the Supreme Court assizes next fall. Sheriff Shirley stated today that several had already refused to act. Under the new regulations providing for women jurors, they are given the privilege to refuse to sit within ten days after receipt of notice.

The sheriff also stated that these notices do not apply to the spring assizes opening here next month and that women are not being called upon to act as jurors for that session.

### PLASKETT HONORED

**Made Member of Royal Society For Discovering Twin Suns**

LONDON, May 12.—Among the new fellows of the Royal Society here are Dr. J. J. McCleod, professor of psychology of Toronto and Dr. J. S. Plaskett of Victoria, B.C., formerly Dominion astronomer. Plaskett's discovery of twin suns fifty-two quadrillion miles from the earth by means of the huge telescope at Sarnich Mountain is regarded by scientists as the outstanding astronomical achievement of recent times.

### Light and Power Rate Reduction Proposed in By-Law Laid Before City Council at Meeting Today

A new bylaw providing for considerable reductions of light and power rates now charged by the city was presented to the city council for its information at a special meeting at noon today. On Monday evening it will be dealt with by the council when the superintendent of utilities will be called into conference.

The following proposed rates are embodied in the new bylaw:

- Residential lighting including irons, toasters, washing machines, etc. not of more than 600 watts each, connected to one meter, 8c. per kilowatt hour, graduated down to 5c. according to consumption.
- Commercial lighting rates for all business purposes, 8c. per kilowatt hour, maximum to 6c. minimum.
- Small power rates on connected load less than one horsepower on the same basis as business lighting rates.
- Power rates, 1 to 20 h.p., 6c. to 3c.
- Power rates, 21 to 100 h.p., 5c. to 1c.
- Industrial plant lighting where power is also supplied by the city, to be measured by separate meter, 5.5c. to 3c.
- For all cooking and heating devices used for intermittent service with a rating of 3.5 kilowatts or over, 3.5c. to 2.5c.
- Water heaters at flat rate of 83.50 for 1,000 watt heaters, larger and smaller heaters on same ratio.
- Street Signs**
- Approved signs or individual lamps over 200 candle power adding to illumination of streets, 50c. flat per 150 candlepower for day and 60c. for night.
- Street lighting, at actual cost of production plus cost of maintenance and renewals.
- Discounts, 10 per cent before 15th of month, ranges and flat rates no discount, commercial lighting 10 per cent under \$25 and 15 per cent over, power 10 per cent.
- Connection charges are also provided for. Meter rents are abolished and minimum rates are also fixed.
- The proposed changes shall be made for all light and power supplied by the city except where different rates were set by special contract.

### PROTEST AT THE BRITISH

**Demonstration in Moscow at Ultimatum Note: Factories Closed**

MOSCOW, May 12.—All Moscow's factories and government institutions closed today to permit employees to take part in a great demonstration against the British note. Surging crowds early began to fill the streets. The intent of the demonstrators seemed peaceful but it appeared evident they meant to make the demonstration impressive.

### SOVIET WOULD LIKE TO CONFER FURTHER

**Cannot Accept British Ultimatum But Has no Wish to Break With Britain**

MOSCOW, May 12.—The Soviet Government does not desire to break with Great Britain and is willing to confer with that country but cannot accept such an ultimatum as that contained in Lord Curzon's recent note, said Gamselsky, deputy minister of foreign affairs.

### ESQUIMALT DRYDOCK

OTTAWA, May 12.—A vote of \$1,500,000 for the Esquimalt drydock passed the House of Commons last night.

### Caribou Rode to Death Down Yukon River on Ice Floes and Others Passed Through City

DAWSON, May 12.—A dramatic spectacle was witnessed here yesterday when with a mighty crash millions of tons of ice swept past the city following the breakup yesterday.

On an ice floe amidst the moving mass were three young caribou, which were swept to death in a jam a short distance from here. They were probably survivors of a herd of several hundred, which attempted to cross the river just as the ice broke.

Tens of thousands of caribou have been ranging in the vicinity lately and several hundred swam the river yesterday, passing through the outskirts of the city unmolested.

Ice floes grounded on the Dawson front, a distance of half a mile, the heaviest in years. Thousands of tons piled high on the beach.

### FISH ARRIVALS

**Nine Boats Sold a Total of 137,000 Pounds at the Fish Exchange This Morning**

Fairly even prices for American and Canadian halibut, with the advantage going to the latter, were paid at the Fish Exchange this morning. Five American boats disposed of 93,000 pounds, and four Canadians, 44,000 pounds, a total of 137,000 pounds.

**American**

- Wireless, 43,000 pounds, at 13.4c and 8c, and Uranus, 10,000 pounds, at 13.2c and 8c, to the Royal Fish Co.
- Bringsold, 6,000 pounds, and Eagle, 4,000 pounds, at 13c and 8c, to the Canadian Fish & Gold Storage Co.
- Kodiak, 60,000 pounds, at 12.7c and 8c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

**Canadian**

- Pair of Jacks, 44,000 pounds, at 13.1c and 9.4c and Allin, 41,000 pounds, at 13.3c and 9c, to the Canadian Fish & Gold Storage Co.
- Selma, 10,000 pounds, at 13.6c and 9.1c, and Cape Spencer, 9,000 pounds, at 13.3c and 9c, to the Allin Fisheries.

### OBSERVING OF HOSPITAL DAY

**Institution is Being Thrown Open This Afternoon for Public Inspection—Refreshments**

In order to fittingly observe National Hospital Day and at the same time give the public an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the workings of the hospital and learn of the importance of the institution to the community at large, the Prince Rupert General Hospital from 2.30 this afternoon is being thrown open for inspection. Members of the nursing staff will escort the visitors to the various departments such as the operating theatre, case room, x-ray room and kitchen and demonstrations will be given where possible.

Tea and refreshments will be served under the supervision and management of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Mrs. R. C. Parsons, president, and the Graduate Nurses' Club, Miss Dorothy Gillingham, president. High School girls and other ladies will also give assistance.

General arrangement for the reception and entertainment of the visitors have been made by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

### HAVE BEEN FEW FIRES IN INTERIOR DISTRICT

P. S. Bonney, district forester, reports that there have been about seven rather serious fires in the interior but at present there is nothing that is causing any worry. Small crews have been employed in extinguishing those which have so far broken out and no material damage has been done so far.

Owing to the rather continued dry spell in the interior they have had to be watchful but the advent of rain would make the situation reasonably safe.

### RUMORS IN TURKEY OF BULGARIA REVOLUTION

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 12.—Rumors are circulating here of serious revolutionary events taking place in Bulgaria but they cannot be confirmed.

### LEAGUE BASEBALL

**American League**

- Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 14.
- Washington 4, Detroit 1.
- (Others postponed)

**National League**

- Chicago 4, New York 7.
- Cincinnati 4, Boston 5.
- Pittsburg 6, Brooklyn 7.
- St. Louis 14, Philadelphia 20.

**Coast League**

- Vernon 35, Salt Lake 11 (correct).
- Portland 2, Los Angeles 5.
- Seattle 0, San Francisco 2.
- Oakland 2, Sacramento 9.

### CANADIAN FOOTBALL TEAM MAY TOUR IN ANTIPODES IN 1924

WINNIPEG, May 12.—The possibility of a Canadian football team touring New Zealand in 1924 is contained in an announcement by Sam Davidson, secretary of the Dominion Football Association, which has been invited by New Zealand to send a team to the antipodes.

### BREACH OF PROMISE

**Toronto Lady Gets \$4,000 Heart Balm From Doctor's Son**

TORONTO, May 12.—A jury in the breach of promise action brought by Mariette Vanhoorde against Walter Woods McKeown, son of a Toronto physician, returned a verdict for the plaintiff on all counts. The court awarded Miss Vanhoorde \$4,000 heart balm.

The case will be appealed.

### TENNIS CHAMPION

LONDON, May 12.—George Covey, England, retained the world's professional court tennis championship today defeating Walter Kinsella of New York 7 to 3.

### WILLARD KNOCKED OUT FLOYD JOHNSON

**Fight at New York in Eleventh Round With Right Uppercut.**

ON THE SIDELINE, NEW YORK, May 11.—Miss Willard came back to her best fame defeating Floyd Johnson of Des Moines, a man half his age, here this afternoon. Willard sent Johnson flying to the canvas in the eighth round with a right uppercut. Johnson was unable to get up for the twelfth round.

A record throng crowded the arena to see the heavyweight fight. In the first bout Harry Jones of England, received the referee's decision over John McNeil, Newark, N.J., in a four round bout.

Johnny Herman of Omaha, beat Ed Reich of New York in the eighth and last round of their bout, knocking him down to the canvas for the count.

J. Renault of Chesham, Que. was awarded the contest with Fred Fulton of Minnesota in the fourth round. The referee claimed Fulton fouled Renault with a left swing. Renault had the better of the fighting until the foul was committed.

Luis Angel Firpo, pride of the Argentine, knocked out Jack McAuliffe, Detroit, in the third round.

A writ of attachment on any money Floyd Johnson may earn from the bout with Willard was served on Johnson in behalf of the Boston Athletic Club which claimed it suffered \$5,000 damages through Johnson's failure to appear for the bout with Fred Fulton in Boston recently.

### DORIS CHAMBERS IS GOLF CHAMPION AT BURNHAM, ENGLAND

BURNHAM, England, May 11.—Miss Doris Chambers of Wirral, Cheshire, won the British open golf championship today defeating Mrs. Allan McBeth in 36 holes by one up.

Mrs. McBeth, when Miss Muriel Dodd won the championship in 1913 and created a surprise, yesterday was eliminated as title holder by Miss Joyce Wethered.

### QUIMET WAS BEATEN BY ENGLAND'S BEST

DEAL, England, May 11.—Francis Quimet, the last hope of visiting Americans in the British amateur golf championship, went down to defeat yesterday afternoon before Roger Wethered, the Oxford expert, after Quimet had overwhelmed Cyril Tolley, who is considered England's best player, by four and three.

### RATES BYLAW FOR YEAR INTRODUCED

**City Council Had Special Meeting at Noon Today For Purpose—Figures Not Out**

The city council had a special meeting at noon today to give the rate levy bylaw for the year 1923 its first reading and put it into the committee stage. It will be further considered at Monday night's meeting. So far no figures have been placed in the bylaw as estimates are not quite completed. It has been taken up at this time in order to comply with the legal requirements which necessitate the bylaw being completed by May 15.

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