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PEAL TO STEAMSHIP COMPANY AINST SERVICE CURTAILMENT—AST AND ISLANDS TO SUFFER

oncern was expressed at a special meeting of executive council of the Prince Rupert Chamber ommerce yesterday afternoon over the serious ts that would result both in inconvenience and ship for smaller communities along the coast as those of the Queen Charlotte Islands and north of Prince Rupert and in loss of business ordinarily tributary to Prince Rupert from the drastic curtailment in coastal steamship service which is proposed by Union Steamships Ltd. A special committee consisting of G. G. Withers, W. M. Watts and E. T. Applewhaite was appointed to draw up a strong case for presentation to the company outlining the various adverse effects of the move. The committee is in session this afternoon and, meantime, a telegram has been sent to the company requesting that it postpone the changes until it has received the local representations which will seek reconsideration of the whole plan.

The Chamber council studied the proposed new schedule which involves the reduction of ships running between Vancouver and Prince Rupert from four to two, cutting the service to Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands, to once in three weeks, reducing service to such points as Stewart, Port Simpson, Alice Arm and Bella Coola to fortnightly and eliminating the Alaska service altogether. As for the Queen Charlotte Islands, it was held that the new service would result in actual loss of business with Rupert to Vancouver.

It will also be suggested to the company the loss of goodwill which has been built up over so many years of service, catering particularly to smaller coastal points and local traffic, also the disappointment of Alaska people at the precipitate cutting off of a service there which was rapidly developing. The Chamber of Commerce has already expressed its disappointment over the cutting off a fast service between here and Vancouver.

The community of Massett has already protested to the company at the curtailment of service there.

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nson to Be Presented Mr. Hart—Anscomb intains Silence

NCOUVER (CP) — Byron Johnson's fifty-seventh day, which he celebrated rday, marked a twin event e history of the British mbia Liberal party. Within hours in the final session e two-day party convenhe New Westminster Libmember had been chosen and Premier John Hart announced that he would Mr. Johnson to the Lieut Governor before Christand ask that the leader of the government be erred to the new chief-

genial industrialist edged Attorney General Gordon by a vote of 475 to 467. on Mr. Wismer's motion, convention declared its unanimous.

all the proceedings in yer, Finance Minister rt Anscomb, head of the rvative bloc in the coali- withheld comment. "It's g to do with me," was all uld say.

RT EDWARD AN CHARGED TH THEFT

liminary hearing of Leslie n, 25-year-old Port Ed- fisherman, on three s of breaking and enterand theft, began in district trate's court Wednesday noon. The case is being by Magistrate W. D. in his capacity as stipenmagistrate for the district Court House.

son is charged with breakand entering three native at a fishing camp at Ke- Bay in Gardner Canal August.

g a search warrant, proal police entered Wilson's at Port Edward on Der 1 and seized a number icles alleged to have been from the Gardner Canal g camp. These included a er of household articles a shot gun.

erick MacLeod is acting behalf of Wilson, while the for the crown is being prened by Corporal A. Taylor. hearing is continuing to-

RT EDWARD ILDING BURNS

former United States Army house at Port Edward ownNelson Bros. Ltd. and ocd by Mr. and Mrs. William thews of Massett, who had arrived a couple of days re from Vancouver, was gutby fire yesterday afternoon. family were absent in Prince ert at the time. They lost effects.

OCKEY SCORES

National Hockey League
oronto 2, Detroit 2 (tie).
ontreal 4, New York 4 (tie).
oston 5, Chicago 6.

"A THING OF BEAUTY"—Snow often makes a thing of beauty of the most commonplace of scenes. Here a little grove of evergreen trees behind the legislative buildings at Regina looks like something out of a fairy tale. The photo was made shooting almost straight into the sun, and the snow texture brought out with sparkling clarity.

HUGE RAFT OF LOGS LEAVES

More Than Million and Half Board Feet Off to Ocean Falls

The biggest flat raft of logs to leave Prince Ruvert in years—more than a million and a half board feet—was scheduled to get away from its booming ground near the elevator today under tow for the Pacific Mills pulp plant at Ocean Falls.

Made up of more than 40 sections, the raft covered about four-and-a-half acres of water as it trailed behind the tug Wireless, Capt. Bale. The raft had a width of 200 feet and was almost 900 feet long.

The raft was boomed at the west end of the harobr during the last week. Twenty four sections are owned by the Crawford Moore Logging Co., 10 sections by the Skeena Lumber Co., of Bilmor and the balance by various handloggers.

The logs were about 60 per cent hemlock and the rest spruce.

Larger Dapis rafts have left Prince Ruvert in recent years but this is the biggest flat raft it is believed.

Little Girl Flown South

Five-Year-Old Lynn Griffiths Victim of Painful Accident

Her right eye severely injured by a painful accident with sharp pointed scissors about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, five-year-old Lynn Griffiths was being flown this afternoon to Vancouver by Canadian Pacific Airlines for treatment by specialists. Local physicians, having sealed the eye, were hoping that there might be some chance, by means of delicate surgery, of saving its function. The accident occurred at the home of the child's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pettenuzo, and the first the mother knew of it was when she screamed in pain. She had been out of her mother's sight for less than five minutes.

The Griffiths are a well-known and esteemed family and many friends were soon proffering any assistance it might be possible to give.

New Commander of H.M.C.S. Crescent

OTTAWA—The new commanding officer of H.M.C.S. Crescent is Lt.-Commander John A. Charles, R.C.N. (destroyer) who comes from Rouleau, Saskatchewan. The ship is at present at Esquimalt. The change becomes effective late in December.

INDIANS CLAIM ANNETTE ISLAND

Want Rent For Air Field Which Has Destroyed Natural Resources

The Metlakatla Indans of southeastern Alaska have been negotiating with the Federal government at Washington, over the question of rental of one of the most valuable air bases in the territory—the former army field at Annette Island. For five years, the army paid $3,600. Now the Indians say, in view of the Civil Aeronautics Association having taken over the field, they should make a settlement.

It was in 1891 that President Grover Cleveland assigned Annette Island to the Indians as a reservation. The natives claim the airfield destroyed hunting and trapping areas and damaged fishing grounds.

LONG EXTINCT

The ancestor of the elephant, the mammoth, was much larger than his modern counterpart and was covered with long hair.

Conrad P.T.A. is "Definitely Opposed" To Roosevelt Park Site

Conrad Street School Parent-Teachers' Association has gone on record as being "definitely opposed" to selection of Roosevelt Park as the site of Prince Rupert's proposed new high school.

At its monthly meeting, the association expressed itself as favoring either of two alternative sites—the present Booth Memorial High School location or one at the corner of McBride Street and Sixth Avenue.

Decision of the meeting followed a lively discussion in which opinions were expressed by the members and a vote taken.

The meeting also decided to purchase a new radio for the school, with a built-in record player.

Mrs. Martin Stuart, newly-elected vice-president, was chairman of the meeting.

Following the business session, the group enjoyed carol singing, followed by a moving picture, "Meat and Romance." The meeting concluded with refreshments served by a committee headed by Mrs. J. R. Kings.

CHARLES JONES ELECTED MAYOR FOR VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER (CP)—Acting Mayor Charles Jones today dropped the "acting" after gaining a majority of 4,265 votes over both his opponents in yesterday's civic election. He defeated Mrs. Effie Jones, no relation, polling a total of 24,133 votes. Peter McAllister, Independent, had only 1,456.

Ald. A. W. Fisher and R. K. Gervin of the Civic Non-Partizan Association, which was headed by Mayor Jones, were re-elected along with former Ald. Halford Wilson of the Civic Improvement Group, and Mrs. Laura Jamieson, C.C.F.

The Non-Partizan Association made a clean sweep of the school board elections, winning four vacancies, while the C.C.F. took two of three Parks Board vacancies.

SHOT AT POWDER MAGAZINE—DEAD

CORDOVA—Jimmy La Gassa, a navy veteran, felt curious last week. He happened to be near the powder house of the Mount McKinley Mines, Alganik Station, twenty miles from here. He thought he would fire a rifle at a powder shack "just to see what would happen." The shack held 450 cases of dynamite. La Gassa fired. All that was found of him was a leg. The blast was terrific.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

An onshore flow of moist Pacific air is causing cloudy skies over the northern British Columbia coast. Widely scattered snow flurries are occurring in central and south eastern British Columbia and cloudy skies are general in the remainder of the interior. Some clearing was expected about midday in the southern coastal areas but a disturbance now approaching the Oregon coast will bring increasing cloudiness to these regions during the afternoon and rain showers are expected tonight and Friday. Temperatures remain near normal in almost all areas of the province.

Forecast

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast with showers this morning. Intermittent rain during the afternoon and tonight. Cloudy with showers Friday. Winds light, increasing to southerly (20 m.p.h.) during afternoon. Temperatures normal. Lows tonight and highs Friday—At Port Hardy, 35 and 42; Massett, 35 and 42; Prince Rupert, 35 and 42.

Northern B.C.—Cloudy, clearing during the afternoon. Cloudy Friday. Winds light. Colder tonight. Low tonight and high Friday—At Telegraph Creek, 6 and 25.

Outdoor Writers To Visit Alaska Again

JUNEAU—Members of the Outdoor Writers Association of America, who visited Alaska last summer, plan on journeying north next summer.

Agreement Reached On Main Points of Pact

LONDON (CP) — The Board of Trade announced today that agreement had been reached on all main points of the British-Soviet trade pact now under discussion at Moscow. Wheat and timber are the principal commodities which Britain seeks from the Soviet Union while the Russians want steel rails, machinery, electric generating equipment and other heavy goods from Britain.

Bulletins

PARLEY TURNING POINT

LONDON—Firm United States demand upon Russia to halt removal of reparations from Eastern Germany confronted Foreign Minister Molotov today and, upon his answer, may hinge success or failure of the Big Four conference here.

BRITISH WITHDRAWAL

LONDON—The British government's intention to withdraw all troops from Palestine by August of next year was officially announced today in the House of Commons by Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones at the opening of a two-day debate on the Holy Land.

ONLY SIX SURVIVORS

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass.—The United States Air Transport command announced today that there were only six survivors of twenty-nine military men who were aboard the transport plane that crashed in Labrador wilderness Tuesday at midnight. A doctor, who landed at the wreckage eight miles north of Goose Bay, reported that twenty-three had been killed in the crash.

TRAIN COLLISION

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas—Two Missouri - Kansas - Texas passenger trains collided head-on near here last night and exploded into flames, killing two trainmen, injuring nine other persons and leaving three men missing. Two of them were crew members and the other a railroad inspector.

NOT ALL STRIKING

ROME—A paralyzing leftist-directed general strike gripped Rome today but many workers, apparently with their Christmas pay envelopes in mind, reported for duty and stood by in the hope that the work stoppage would be called off by night fall.

Anti-Coalitionist Is Liberal Prexie

VANCOUVER— Arthur Lang, after a contest with Donald McDonald of Trail, was yesterday elected president of the British Columbia Liberal Association, succeering Dr. W. J. Knox. Mr. Lang, a young Liberal, is an opponent of coalition in principle and his election to the presidency is considered as a triumph for anti-coalition forces.

DP'S FOR WORK ON RAILWAYS

Some of 856 Landed at Halifax Are Coming to B.C.

HALIFAX—The first group of railway track workers, some of whom will be employed at Kamloops, to be brought to Canada from displaced persons camps in Germany were among the 856 persons to reach Halifax Wednesday in the steamer General Sturgis. Included among the 856 persons who will travel from Halifax on two boat specials over Canadian National lines, are 94 domestics, 82 garment workers, 150 track workers, 230 mine and 92 electrical power workers, plus 168 of their relatives and dependents.

FINED $50 ON THEFT CHARGE

Simon Morrison, an enfranchised native, was fined $50 plus $3.50 costs in city police court Thursday afternoon when he was convicted on a charge of theft of a purse at the Cow Bay floats. He was given an optional one month in jail in case he did not pay the fine. The charge arose out of a complaint by Herman Gray early Wednesday morning of the disappearance of a purse from among effects which he had placed on the floats preparatory to loading into a boat. An investigation by Constables Rossiter and Fletcher revealed the purse on another boat occupied by Morrison. Morrison, who pleaded not guilty, told the court he had been drinking at the time.

LOCAL TIDES

Friday, December 12, 1947

High	1:26	19.1 feet
	12:59	21.7 feet
Low	7:00	8.2 feet
	19:42	2.5 feet

:: *TODAY'S STOCKS* ::

Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.

Vancouver	
Bralorne	10.50
B. R. Con.	.04½
B. R. X.	.09
Cariboo Quartz	2.80
Dentonia	.18
Grull Wihksne	.05½
Hedley Mascot	.95
Minto	.02½
Pend Oreille	2.01
Pioneer	3.75
Premier Border	.05
Privateer	.33
Reeves McDonald	1.05
Reno	.14
Salmon Gold	.22
Sheep Creek	1.10
Taylor Bridge	.50
Vananda	.21
Hedley Amalgamated	.03
Central Zeballos	.01¼
Silbak Premier	.65
Oils—	
A. P. Con.	.12¼
Calmont	.36½
C. & E.	2.70
Foothills	3.00
Home	4.70
Toronto	
Athona	.10
Aumaque	.24
Beattie	.87
Bevcourt	.52
Bobjo	.15
Buffalo Canadian	.16
Cons. Smelters	97.00
Conwest	1.18
Donalda	1.02
Eldona	1.06
Elder	.72
Giant Yellowknife	6.20
God's Lake	.91
Hardrock	.34
Harricana	.08
Heva	.25
Hosco	.44½
Jacknife	.07
Joliet Quebec	.42
Lake Rowan	.15
Lapaska	.15
Little Long Lac	1.60
Lynx	.09
Madsen Red Lake	3.30
McKenzie Red Lake	.62
Macleod Cockshutt	1.58
Moneta	.35
Negus	2.12
Noranda	46.75
Louvicourt	1.50
Pickle Crow	2.50
Regcourt	.08¼
San Antonio	4.30
Senator Rouyn	.70
Sherritt Gordon	2.98
Steep Rock	2.10
Sturgeon River	.22

BETTER THAN A MINK COAT—Little Stephen Andrews, 4, cuddles up to his collie pup, "Snowball," in his Germanville, Md., home, just as "Snowball" cuddled up to him with his other dog when Stephen was lost in the woods near his home. The dogs are credited with saving the youngster from freezing during the night he spent in the wood while a posse of 50 sailors and marines and 150 civilians were searching for him. The searchers themselves managed to get lost before they found the boy.

VOTING HEAVY AS CIVIC POLL OPENS TODAY

Number of people who had cast ballots this morning in the civic election was far greater than for corresponding times a year ago when snow blanketed the streets, making it difficult for pedestrians and motorists alike. Up to 11:30 this morning, 256 voters had cast ballots, as compared with 135 for the same period at the 1946 elections. At noon, the figure stood at 333, as compared with 204 at noon last election day. Polls close at 8 p.m.

Prince Rupert voters make their annual visit to the polls today to fill seven elective positions of civic government from a panel of 13 candidates. The polls opened at 8 o'clock this morning with few beside election officials present.

During the 12 hours of voting at the Civic Centre, the citizens will elect a mayor, four aldermen and two school trustees, all for two-year terms of office.

For the first time in the history of the city, the office of mayor—which is being sought by Mayor Nora Arnold and ex-Mayor Harry M. Daggett—will be for a two-year term. The mayor's term of office was extended from one year to two years by an amendment to the Municipal Act this year.

Returning Officer H. D. Thain and his five deputies—William Long, Mrs. S. A. Kielback, Mrs. Stanley Saville, Mrs. H. D. Thain and Mrs. Percy Pierce—were on duty well before 8 o'clock.

First voter to enter the polling booth in the Civic Centre auditorium was Don Forward, Civic Centre managing secretary, who received his ballot promptly at 8 o'clock. He was followed by Alderman George Rudderham.

Mayoralty Candidate H. M. Daggett and Aldermanic Candidate George Rudderham and School Board Candidate George Dawes were on hand when the polls opened.

NO PARTICULAR CONCENTRATION

There was no great concentration of voters at any time this morning. They came in a continual stream, on foot and by car, many taking advantage of transportation offered by the candidates.

With the biggest voters' list in the recent history of the city, coupled with moderate weather, observers anticipate the largest vote in years.

Heaviest balloting is expected to take place in the late afternoon and early evening when workers are freed from their jobs.