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Big Four Collapse

THE COLLAPSE of the Big Four foreign ministers' conference, which adjourned yesterday without even setting a date for reassembling, was not unexpected but it was nonetheless disappointing. Weeks ago when it opened, it was gloomily forecast even in these columns that, owing to the uncompromising attitude of Russia, it would probably end like this. Much happier, of course, would everyone have been if the pessimistic prognostications had failed to materialize.

With no Austrian peace treaty in sight, much less a prospect for a settlement of the future of Germany, it is indeed a confused and dismal outlook. The penetration and consolidation of the Russians for political and economic position will go on. The western nations will keep on aiding on an emergency basis the nations which are starving and bankrupt. Armies will have to be maintained to keep order.

This, because the conference, unfortunately, has ended as we expected but not as we had hoped.

Some of the new model cars have scarcely enough ground clearance to pass over a pedestrian.

THANKS, UNION STEAMSHIPS

WE ARE HAPPY to commend and congratulate our old friends, the Union Steamships, at the decision they have made to cancel the abortive schedule of coastal service curtailment which they had threatened last week to put into effect—a schedule which Prince Rupert, not being dependent upon the company, could have put up with but which would have worked real hardship on such coastal points as Stewart, Alice Arm, Port Simpson and Bella Coola to say nothing of what was going to happen to the Queen Charlotte Islands.

It was with reluctance that we felt constrained to protest vigorously last week when the curtailed service proposal was made. So it is with double pleasure that we now express our appreciation and satisfaction at the company's decision to carry on the steady-going service as a result of which they have built up their good name and goodwill these many years.

Since representations made from this end possibly had something to do with the company's very commendable decision to change its plan, we are all the more anxious that the change will be found to be justified. Increased cost of operation, we realize, present difficulties of operation and the consideration of the company in maintaining the present service uninterrupted is, therefore, the more appreciated.

Man is a highly adaptable creature. The longer skirts have been in style only a short time, and already an optician has reported a male client with x-ray eyes.

BASKETBALL DISPUTE

CONSIDERABLE AGITATION has developed in local basketball circles during the past week by discussion in the press and elsewhere of recent incidents of playing floor misdemeanours and the adequacy or otherwise of penalizing those responsible. Not having been there ourselves we are not in a position to judge of the seriousness of the offences.

Without implying any blameworthiness on the part of any one, it does seem to us, however, that there appears no good reason for continued acrimonious discussion. If players are careful and clean, if game officials are capable and decisive and, if the governing body, in this case the Prince Rupert Basketball Association, keeps due control, there should be little difficulty in keeping play within bounds and the game interesting and wholesome and attractive. There is a difference between competitive interest and acrimony. The latter should not be permitted to continue.

Hotel...

arrivals

J. A. Northcott, city; E. Rosell, Port Edward; H. B. Thorsternson, New Westminster; R. W. Wilson, Vancouver; N. O. Griffin, Regina; R. J. Kirk, Regina; Mrs. S. H. Grist, Victoria; Mrs. L. Sheppard, Sandspit; J. J. Siemens, Altona; Manitoba; Mr. and Mrs. J. Chapman, Shawatians.

STURDY VEHICLE

A bicycle is capable of carrying 10 times its own weight.

Train Schedule

For the East—
Monday, Wednesday, Friday—
8 p.m.
From the East—
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday—
10:45 p.m.

TANGANYIKA DEVELOPMENT
DAR ES SALEM, Tanganyika
—The British colonial resources department has allocated \$4,200,000 to the development of roads in Tanganyika. The roads are expected to help boost the output of coal and rubber industries.

Pure chocolate is about 50 per cent oil or pure fat content.



SEES AVIATION NEEDS
HERE—Grant MacConachie, president of Canadian Pacific Airlines, urges Prince Rupert to work for airport and range station.

LETTERBOX

FATE OF PENSIONER

Editor, Daily News:
I would like you to publish a letter in your paper about the fate of a friend of mine who passed away recently—an old age pensioner by the name of Samuel Beaton. I would like the public to know the finish they gave a hard-working honest man after he had spent all his years with the railroad company keeping the bridges safe for human lives.

Now, when he passes on and you go to find out when they are going to put him away to his well-earned rest, they ask you: "Do you think he has got any money?"
It looks to me that they are not satisfied with making money out of you who are alive but they also want to make a profit out of you when you die. If that is our true democratic Christian system, then it is a poor one—taking our comrade and friend away in the early hours of the morning and never even letting his friends know when they may pay their last respects.

They will boost what they do for the "over seventies" by giving a Christmas dinner but that is a long-time to wait for it—one meal out of about 1100. Then they bury you like a dog when you come to the finish of the course. Of course, they may give you a prayer and that helps you on the way even if they do put you away quickly.

"Not a drum was heard,
Not a funeral note,
As over the ramparts they hurried.
There were very few at the scene to review.
At the place where our comrade was buried."

Thank you for your valuable space.
ROBERT KYDD

Steamship Sailings

For Vancouver—
Monday—ss Princess Adelaide 10 p.m.
Tuesday—ss Coquitlam, 1:30 p.m.
Thursday—ss Prince Rupert 11:15 p.m.
Friday—ss Catala, midnight.
From Vancouver—
Sunday—ss Coquitlam, 4 p.m.
Monday—ss Princess Adelaide p.m.
Wednesday—ss Prince Rupert 10:00 a.m.
Friday—ss Camosun, 9 a.m.
Friday—ss Catala, a.m.
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Thursday—ss Prince Rupert, 8 p.m.



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Local Road Recognized

Included For First Time In Provincial Highway Report

For the first time the Terrace-Prince Rupert section of the northern transprovincial highway is included in the regular road report of the British Columbia Government Travel Bureau covering the highways of the entire province. This results from representations of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce and the Prince Rupert Public Relations Council. The highway thus will receive further valuable publicity and its existence is officially recognized.

Here is what the December road report says of the local highway:

"Terrace-Prince Rupert—91.5 miles, gravel surface.

Terrace-Tyee—69.5 miles, road runs close to C.N.R. tracks for long stretches. Gravel loose and although good after grading, frequently unravels and forms pot holes, before available grading equipment can get over it again.

"From Tyee for 13 miles, road 20 feet wide, good.

"Next 9 miles to Prince Rupert, road is winding, 16 feet wide, drive carefully.

"If snow comes gradually and can be handled with equipment available this road may be kept open, if heavy snow occurs, road will be closed."

DEPARTURE OF POPULAR NURSE

On Monday evening Miller Bay Hospital said farewell to Miss Beryl Willis who sailed on the Princess Louise for Vancouver where she will visit friends for a few days before going East. She will also visit in the Okanagan Valley. A small dinner party was given for Miss Willis on Friday evening at the Civic Centre. Miss Willis is an ex-sergeant of the RCAF and was stationed at Rockcliffe and Trenton during the war. She is a native of Jamaica B.W.I. but spent some years in Chateau-guay, P.Q. in the Julius Richardson Memorial Hospital. She was in the service throughout the entire war period. After eleven months at Miller Bay Hospital she will be missed by her friends. She was a popular nurse who had a genuine interest in her patients.

TELESCOPE FROM BRITAIN
CANBERRA —The Commonwealth observatory at Mount Stromlo here is to obtain a 74-inch telescope from Britain to study stars visible only in the southern hemisphere. The only similar telescope south of the equator is the Radcliffe telescope in South Africa.

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Sports
A.M.
9:00—Booth School Physical Education Class.
P.M.

1:00—Booth School Physical Education Class.
4:00—High School Juvenile Girls Basketball.
5:00—High School Junior Boys Basketball.

Basketball Practices

6:00—Gyro Juniors.
7:00—Merchants.
8:00—Fashion Shoe Store.
9:00—Co-op.

Special Events

1:00—Gyro Club Luncheon.
7:00—Kinsmen Club Meeting.
8:00—Booth Memorial Drama Club Plays.
8:00—Basketball Association Meeting.
8:00—Citizens' Forum.

EASTERN CANADA SHOULD BE SEEN

Doug Frizzell Impressed With Ancient Quebec

More British Columbians should see Eastern Canada said Douglas Frizzell, speaking yesterday of his recent trip to attend a convention. He drove a car for several thousand miles.

The convention was held in Quebec City and to anyone who has never been in that venerable town he recommends a stay. There is no other centre just like it in America, and the novelty and strangeness form the basic attractions.

Doug put up at the Chateau

HERO'S RUBBER BOOTS RECOVERED

Leonard Smith who dived into the icy water of the harbor from the ramp at the Fishermen's floats shortly before noon Saturday to rescue three year old "Rusty" Rougeau, lost his rubber boots while in the water. Without pausing to shed his clothing or boots, Leonard hit the water close behind little "Rusty" and then discovered the weight of his water filled gum boots was hampering his efforts to swim so he promptly kicked off hampering footwear.

When the Kinsmen heard of Leonard's loss they immediately decided to fit the boy hero out with a new pair of rubbers but, on contacting Mrs. Smith, they learned that Patrick Rougeau, brother of "Rusty," and some chums had recovered the boots at low tide with the aid of a pike-pole.

EYE OPERATION IN WESTMINSTER

The operation on the right eye of five-year-old Lynn Griffiths, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Len Griffiths of Prince Rupert, took place last Friday afternoon in the Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster. The surgeon was Dr. A. W. Bowls. There is a 50-50 percent chance of the sight being saved. When Mr. Griffiths and the child, flying from Prince Rupert, arrived in Vancouver a special car was waiting at the airport. The injury to the eye was caused by the sharp point of a scissors.

26-YEAR THIRST

WICK, Scotland —Fisher-man James Sheer, 77, and Alexander Stephens, 65, "dead-beat-ed" for first place at the bar when the first public house here in 26 years was opened.

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