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OIL SCANDAL BRINGS DOWN U.S. MINISTER

MINING DEVELOPMENT OF CENTRAL B.C. IS OUTLINED BY DISTRICT ENGINEER

Second Member of U.S. Cabinet Forced to Resign as Result Inquiry Into Teapot Dome Oil Scandal

WASHINGTON, March 28. — At the request of President Coolidge, Attorney General Daugherty today resigned office. The president's decision was based on the conviction that the attorney general could not give disinterested attention to his official duties while under the stress of the Senate inquiry into his conduct in connection with the oil scandals.

The president wrote Daugherty that his continuance in office must inevitably be a source of "ever-increasing embarrassment."

In a letter Daugherty replied that he was resigning "solely out of deference to your request."

In a second letter to the president, the retiring attorney general declared the grounds on which his resignation had been forced seemed to him "untenable." Any suggestion that he could not function as attorney general and "defend myself against these attacks at the same time," the letter said, "is hardly warranted by the facts."

MASTER ROBERT WAS WINNER OF STEEPLECHASE

Horse Owned by Lord Airlie Was Anything But Favorite at Start of Race

22 CAME TO GRIEF

Long Course and Stiff Fences Resulted in Few Reaching Finishing Post

LIVERPOOL, March 28.—Master Robert, an outsider owned by Lord Airlie won the Grand National Steeplechase of £5,000 with extras run here today.

The second horse was T. Laidlaw's Fly Mask and the third W. H. Medwood's Silvo III.

All the places in the race were won by outsiders, the betting against Master Robert being 25 to 1 and the other two nearly as long odds, the betting against each being 100 to 7.

Master Robert won by four lengths and Fly Mask finished three lengths ahead of Silvo. Only eight horses out of the thirty starters finished. The fences were a bit stiff and the gruelling race caused the rest to come to grief at various parts of the course.

The "National" course covers four miles and 856 yads of formidable country, in which no less than 30 jumps have to be negotiated, the fences for the most part being larger and more difficult than those found elsewhere. The obstacles were not so stiff in the early days of the race, and the original idea was to restrict the event to amateur riders, but this intention was not adhered to.

Race Every Year

Since its inception the "National" has had an uninterrupted career, except during the three years of the war period, when substitute events were run at Gatwick, these being won by Vermouth, Ballymacad and Poethlyn.

The last-mentioned also won the real "National" at Liverpool the following year, when he carried the maximum weight of 175 lbs. Poethlyn is one of a select band of four to have won with this weight, the others being Cloister, Manifesto and Jerry M.

The performance of Cloister,

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OLYMPIC STADIUM IS OPENED WITH GAME OF RUGBY, WALES WINNING

PARIS, March 28.— Colombes stadium at which the 1924 Olympic games are to be staged was semi-officially opened yesterday by a rugby match between Wales and France in which Wales won by a score of ten to six.

INDICATIONS POINT TO RECORD SEASON OF RAILWAY BUSINESS

Assistant to General Manager Sends Out Cheery Message to West

WINNIPEG, March 28.— This will be the best year the Canadian National system has known, judging from inquiries which have reached the traffic department from all parts of the globe, according to A. A. Tisdale, assistant to the general manager of western lines. Last year the western region handled more passengers, more grain and more general freight than ever before and this year is expected to exceed all from present indication.

This was the gist of a message broadcasted on the radio last night from the local station.

FISH ARRIVALS

137,000 Pounds of Halibut Sold on Exchange this Morning

American boats landed 111,500 pounds of halibut here today and Canadian boats landed 25,500 pounds, the sales being as follows:

American Boats

Columbia 53,000 to Cold Storage at 9c and 5c.

Crescent, 2,500 to Booth Fisheries at 11.50 and 6.

White Star 8,000 and Valorous 9,000, Sentinel 30,000 to Royal Fish Co. at 9,70c and 6c.

Discovery 11,000 to Atlin Fisheries at 10.90c and 6c.

Gladys 8,000 to Atlin Fisheries at 10.40c and 6c.

Canadian Boats

Gertie Bell 500 to Cold Storage at 9.50c and 6c.

Gibson, 7,000 to Royal Fish Co. at 9.40c and 6c.

Kaien 8,000 to Cold Storage at 9.50c and 6c.

Fisher 10,000 to Royal Fish Co. at 9.60 and 6c.

ROUND THE WORLD PLANE IS AT ROME

ROME, March 28. — The British 'round the world airplane piloted by Stuart McLaren arrived here today. They were delayed in France by fog which threw them slightly behind their schedule.

NEW ZEALAND HEARS CANADIAN NATIONAL RADIO AT CALGARY

CALGARY, Mar. 28.— The growing efficiency of radio as an advertising medium for Canada is again shown by a letter just received by the W. W. Grant Radio Limited, to the effect that the Canadian National Railways program broadcast from CFON station here on February 27 was heard at Motcuka, New Zealand. The writer states that he picked up speeches and music very loud and clear for several minutes until broadcasting closed down. He also states he was the only person at that point who had heard Canadian stations.

ENGINEER MINE AT ATLIN TO OPERATE

Has Long Been Tied up by Litigation But Disputants Agree to Lease Property

VICTORIA, March 28. — The Engineer mine at Atlin will be operated again at an early date according to Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, who has just returned from the East and who says the disputants have agreed to lease the property for operation.

The mine, which is a hydraulic property said to be very rich in gold has been idle since the death of Captain Alexander who went down on the Princess Sophia in Lynn Canal in 1918. Much litigation has followed. The captain died without a will and had no direct heir.

WIRELESS REPORT

8 a.m.

DIGBY ISLAND. — Snowing, northeast wind; barometer, 29.36; temperature 30; sea moderate; 3 a.m. spoke steamer Prince John due Buckley Bay 8.30 a.m. northbound.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Cloudy, light northwest wind; barometer 29:68; temperature, 42; sea smooth.

BULL HARBOR. — Snowing, northwest wind; barometer, 29.34; temperature, 30; sea moderate; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Jefferson, 358 miles from Seattle Southbound; 7 p.m. spoke steamer Princess Mary off Pine Island northbound; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Admiral Rogers in Milbank Sound northbound; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Alameda 300 miles from Seattle southbound; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Queen 444 miles from Seattle southbound.

Noon

DIGBY ISLAND.—Part Cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.42; temperature, 34; sea smooth.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Cloudy, fresh northwest wind; barometer, 33; sea moderate.

BULL HARBOR. — Snowing, northwest wind; barometer, 29.38; temperature, 34; sea moderate; 10.30 a.m. Princess Beatrice Ivory Island northbound.

This herd of reindeer gives the appearance of a flock of wild ducks as they ford the Rystrom, near Tromso, Norway, in a wide V, the current carrying them out of their course.

British Transport Strike Seems Nearing Final Stage Result of Government Action

LONDON, March 28. — The Prime Minister, after a long conference with all parties to the transport dispute, announced in the House of Commons that he had succeeded in bringing two sides together and had impressed them with the necessity of a settlement which they admitted they equally desired.

Negotiations were begun yesterday and will be continued today.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said the government would do its utmost for the public interest while the dispute lasted. The first step would be to issue a proclamation that a state of emergency existed. He said he wished to make it quite clear that the government would not act merely as a strike breaking organization. He protested that in such disputes where the public was inconvenienced only one side was blamed, namely labor.

The Premier said he trusted nothing would be said in the House which would make negotiations harder.

BOUNTY ON WOLVES RAISED IN TERRITORY

OTTAWA, March 28. — The bounty on wolves killed in the Northwest Territories has been raised from $20 to $30, provided the pelt is surrendered to the Government.

INVESTIGATION INTO HOME BANK FAILURE

OTTAWA, March 28. — The House of Commons early this morning charged the Banking and Commerce committee of the House with the investigation into the failure of the Home Bank.

CANADIAN SCOTTISH INQUIRY NEXT WEEK

Probe Will be Held Into Circumstances Attending Stranding of C.G.M.M. Vessel

An inquiry into the circumstances of the recent stranding of the C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Scottish on Digby Island is to be held next week in Vancouver. Capt. McCoskrie, harbor master, Capt. Harris, master of the Canadian Scottish, and Mr. Edge, chief officer, left this morning for the south to attend as witnesses.

MORE THAN HUNDRED PERISH IN LANDSLIDE

PALERMO, March 28. — More than one hundred persons are known to have perished in a landslide in the region of Amalfi. Thousands are homeless and many are missing. Torrential rains continue to make the plight of the homeless more acute. Great efforts are being made to alleviate the distress.

Soldiers at Merville Win Case Against Comox Logging Railway Damages Amounting to $125,000

VANCOUVER, March 28.—Fifty-two settlers in the Merville district of Vancouver Island, a majority of whom are war veterans, were awarded judgment by the supreme court yesterday by Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald against the Comox Logging Railway Company on claims for loss sustained through forest fire on July 6, 1922.

The court decided that the company was guilty of negligence in that it operated a logging locomotive with a defective spark arrester and also allowed debris to accumulate in proximity to the railway.

Aggregate damages claimed approximated $125,000. There were 48 claims for property destroyed three claims for personal injury and compensation asked for the death of sixteen year old Jack Clifford.

ALLAN CUP FINALS

TORONTO, March 28. — Soo Greyhounds won the first game in the Allan Cup finals by beating Selkirks six to two in amateur hockey.

Mining Engineer Tells of Activity in Interior Possible Developments

Dome Mountain, Mamie, Owen Lake, Fiddler Creek, Babine, Bonanza and Hazelton Properties to be Worked.

Greatly increased activity, especially in the way of development, is expected this year in north-eastern mineral district by John D. Galloway, resident mining engineer for the district, who was in the city this morning on his way from Hazelton to Victoria.

The Federal Mining & Smelting Co. is taking a good hold in the district and intends to extend its program of production and development which it started last year. In addition to the Henderson and Mamie mines on Hudson Bay Mountain, work is to be carried out by the company this year at Owen Lake, 26 miles south of Houston, and on a copper property north of Usk. With the Henderson the only property yet on the shipping list, the company is still under great expense and returns so far do not offset the outlay. In common with most of the properties of the interior, the holdings of the Federal Company are largely milling projects but further development work will have to be carried out before mill construction is warranted. Eventually, there will probably be a mill at the Mamie mine to take care of the Federal Co.'s Hudson Bay mountain ore. The Henderson is a mine with ore of such value to warrant direct shipment to the smelter. This, however, is not the case with the Mamie mine.

Dome Mountain

The Federal Co. is also continuing its active program of development on Dome Mountain east of Telkwa and besides this Mr. Galloway expects development work to be carried on by other interests on several other properties nearby this summer.

J. F. Duthie, former owner of the Henderson and Mamie mines, is continuing his investments on development work in the interior district and has an active program outlined for the coming season with work to be carried out on properties he recently acquired at Fiddler Creek and in the Driftwood country north of Smithers.

Also at Hazelton

There may also be increased activity in the Hazelton district, Mr. Galloway states. He looks for resumption of work on the Rocher de Boule mines, at the Sunrise and possibly on the Silver Standard.

The high price at present prevailing for lead should cause many silver-lead properties to be worked this year in the interior district particularly the Babine Bonanza, owned by James Cronin of Spokane, which Mr. Galloway predicts may do some shipping this year. Transportation has always been a difficulty as far as shipping from the Bonanza has been concerned, but the better price for lead may make the marketing of its production possible. Several other properties in the district are in a similar position and may be similarly stimulated this year. The Bonanza is another property which will require a mill to make possible profitable production on any scale.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

First Division

Westham 2, Huddersfield 3.

Northern Section, Div. III.

Grimsby 1, Wigan 1.

NO POWERS TO FORCE ECONOMY

Premier Mackenzie King Says he Thinks Commissions Overdone in Government

OTTAWA, March 28.—"I think this commission business has been a little bit overdone in a country where we have responsible government," said Premier Mackenzie King to a delegation from the boards of trade and chambers of commerce throughout the Dominion, which had come to urge strictest economy upon the government.

The premier was referring to the difficulties in making economies in the civil service. He stressed the point that the government could not appoint a single clerk without referring the appointment to the civil service commission.

POPULAR BOY DIED VERY SUDDENLY AT STEWART YESTERDAY

Kingsley McLeod Succumbs to Pneumonia—Body is Being Taken to Vancouver

Death came very suddenly at 2 o'clock yesterday morning to Kingsley McLeod, fifteen-year-old and only son of Angus M Leod, prominent Stewart mining man, and Mrs. McLeod. The body was on the steamer Prince George this morning being taken by Mr. and Mrs. McLeod to Vancouver where interment will be made.

The lad was striken with pneumonia on Tuesday and died less than 48 hours afterwards. He was a very popular boy and his death was a distinct shock to the people at Stewart generally.

CONTRACT AWARDED EDMONTON ELEVATOR

EDMONTON, March 28.— The contract for building the new elevator at this city has been awarded to Carter, Halls and Aldinger Ltd., according to word received here from Ottawa. Work is being started at once.

The new building will have a capacity of two and a half million bushels and is to be finished by September 15.

J. A. Stephen, assistant district engineer for the provincial public works department, was a visitor from Anyox to Stewart this week.