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DISCUSS COALITION PROSPECTS IN BRITAIN

MURDER MYSTERY AT HAZELTON IS STILL BEING PROBED BY THE POLICE

Liberal-Conservative Coalition Openly Canvassed in Great Britain Following Nomination on Saturday

LONDON, Oct. 20. — In the British elections 1,422 candidates were nominated on Saturday including 42 who were unopposed. They were made up of 532 Conservatives, 501 Labor, 342 Liberal, 12 Independents, 9 Co-operatives, 8 Communists, Nationalists and Christian Pacifists.

Owing to many withdrawals of Liberal candidates, there will be 247 straight fights between Labor and Conservatives. Owing chiefly to Labor party activity in nominating at the last minute, there will be 227 tripartite contests.

Women candidates number 41, of whom 22 are Labor, 12 Conservative, six Liberal, one Independent.

The possibility of a Liberal-Conservative coalition is now being frankly canvassed in the press.

HALIBUT PRICES ARE STILL KEEPING HIGH

Prices still continue high for halibut fares at the Fish Exchange. The American boats selling this morning averaged slightly over 20c and 8c and the Canadians, slightly under. The arrivals for the day totalled 60,000 pounds—two American boats having 32,000 pounds and five Canadians, 28,000 pounds.

Sales were as follows:

American
Helgeland, 15,000 lbs., at 20.4c and 8c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Anna J., 17,000 lbs., at 21c and 10c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian
M. M. Christopher, 12,000 lbs., at 19.4c and 8c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Pair of Jacks, 7,000 lbs., at 19.7c and 8c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Kouyos, 4,000 lbs., and Mab, 2,000 lbs., at 19.5c and 8c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

P. Dorreen, 3,600 lbs., at 20c and 8c, to the Royal Fish Co.

FORMER MAYOR VANCOUVER SHOT

Pistol in Pocket of Coat Goes off When Garment Being Changed

VANCOUVER, Oct. 20.—James Findlay, former Mayor of Vancouver, is in the hospital in a serious condition as a result of having accidentally shot himself. While changing his coat in the office building Saturday evening an automatic pistol in one of the coat pockets was discharged and the bullet entered Findlay's abdomen.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 20. (later). James Findlay, 70 years of age, died at noon yesterday. He was born at Montreal. He organized the B.C. mechanics for overseas service and took that body to England. He was there given an appointment under the minister of munitions.

In addition to being mayor of Vancouver in 1912 he was prominently connected with a large number of civic and athletic organizations.

T. A. Kelly, the well known Queen Charlotte Island logging operator, arrived from Vancouver on the Prince Rupert Saturday night and proceeded on the Prince John to Lockport.

MURDER APPEAL IS DISMISSED

Five Out of Six of the Men Convicted Must Hang; Other Being Heard

OTTAWA, Oct. 20.—Without calling counsel for the crown, the supreme court of Canada today dismissed the appeal of five of the six Bank of Montreal bandits under sentence of death. The proceedings were by way of an application for a writ of habeas corpus the only ground of argument being that Judge Watson, who tried the case, was without jurisdiction. This disposes of the case of Frank Morel, Gambino, Serafini and Valentino. The appeal of Leo Davis, which was a separate one, was taken up and is being heard today.

SCHOOL POPULATION OF KETCHIKAN ONLY HALF PRINCE RUPERT

The school population of Ketchikan it is announced is 467, which is about one hundred more than for last year. That is only about half of the school population of Prince Rupert. The big new Ketchikan school, which cost \$150,000 is now open and a picture of it in the Ketchikan Chronicle shows it to be a very fine building worthy of a progressive city.

BULKLEY VALLEY FARMER MARRIED

John B. Langston of Smithers Weds Miss Bessie Forrest at Victoria

SMITHERS, Oct. 20.—Another well known farmer of the Bulkley Valley, who has decided that single bliss and batching were not intended for the life on a farm is John B. Langston, who arrived back home on Thursday morning accompanied by his bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Langston were married in Victoria on October 7, and spent part of their honeymoon there and in Vancouver.

Mrs. Langston who was formerly Miss Bessie Forrest of Newport, N.S., is a sister of Mrs. C. L. Dimock with whom she had been visiting for the past year.

Mr. Langston is a real pioneer of the district, having come here from Chicago about seventeen years ago several of which were spent in prospecting, mining, and trapping before he located on his farm which is about two miles from Smithers. In addition to the regular farming, "Shy," as he is popularly known, is somewhat of a chicken rancher and has a large and profitable flock of fowl on his place.

On Thursday evening a number of town residents and neighbors gathered at the home of the newly weds to tender them a welcome and wish them every happiness.



Dennis Drake and John Tibbo, fishermen from Newfoundland, were lost in a fog off the Grand Banks, finally to be picked up by a Portuguese schooner. When they arrived home their families were holding memorial services for them

COLLISION ON ELECTRIC LINE

Two Killed, Many Injured Near Buffalo Yesterday in Railway Accident

BUFFALO, Oct. 20.—One woman and one man, both of Philadelphia, are dead and four probably will die, while 75 are injured and are now lying in the hospital and in private homes as the result of a rear end collision Sunday afternoon on the Niagara Falls-Buffalo high speed electric line.

A number of people received slight injuries in addition to those seriously hurt.

LAPORTE AT WASHINGTON

Is Exchanging Ratifications of Halibut Treaty with Canada

(Special to Daily News)
OTTAWA, Oct. 20.—Hon. Ernest Lapointe, minister of justice, has gone to Washington for the formal exchange of ratifications of the Pacific Coast Halibut Treaty which was approved by the Canadian Parliament and by the United States Congress last spring. It provides for a close season of three months annually commencing November 15 of this year for halibut in all Pacific waters.

FOUR BANDITS SHOT WATCHMAN

Blew Open Safe of Union Oil Co. Tacoma and Then Got Away

TACOMA, Oct. 20.—Four bandits shot August Wolper, watchman for the Union Oil Company, early this morning, blew open the safe and escaped in an auto. Wolper is in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Duthie arrived from Seattle on the Prince Rupert Saturday night. Mr. Duthie, accompanied by his field manager, J. R. Turner, proceeded by train to inspect his mining properties at Dorreen and Smithers and Mrs. Duthie is remaining in the city until he returns.

IRAQ BOUNDARY UP OCTOBER 27

League of Nations Will Hold Special Session to Settle Dispute

GENEVA, Oct. 20.—Officials of the League of Nations announce that a sufficient number of favorable replies have been received from member nations to assure a special meeting of the council to settle the difference between Great Britain and Turkey over the Iraq boundary. The meeting will be held in Brussels on October 27.

SALVOR IS CRIPPLED AFTER HITTING TREE TO BE DOCKED HERE

Towed to Prince Rupert by "Salvage Boy" Commanded by Capt. P. F. McManus

Crippled after having hit a floating tree in Queen Charlotte Sound early one morning last week while coming up the coast from Vancouver, the John Galt freighter Salvor, formerly owned by the Pacific Salvage Co., arrived in port at 10.30 yesterday morning in tow of the Vancouver Salvage & Dredging Co.'s boat Salvage Boy, Capt. P. F. McManus. The vessel has a damaged rudder and propeller and will go into the local dry dock after she has unloaded a cargo of package goods for the Imperial Oil Co.

After the accident, the Salvor was picked up by the American motorship Oregon and was towed to Safety Cove from where the Salvage Boy brought her to Prince Rupert. The Salvor is commanded by Capt. Rush, a well known coast skipper.

BOMBS DROPPED NEAR BRITISHER

Pekin Navy Continue to Bombard Manchurian Line North of Shan Hai Kwan

CHINWANGTAO, Oct. 20.—Four bombs dropped by Manchurian airmen of the forces of General Chang Tso Lin fell within 700 yards of the British submarine L-73 yesterday. The naval craft of the Pekin central government forces continued to bombard the Manchurian line north of Shan Hai Kwan.

Suspected Murder at Hazelton Difficult to Explain but Police Working on Case There now

Further particulars of the suspected murder among the Indians at Hazelton are contained in the last issue of the Omineca Herald published at New Hazelton. An Indian named Matthews is mysteriously missing and it is feared that he may have met with foul play. However, his body has not been found nor trace of who might have been responsible although Inspector T. W. S. Parsons, assisted by members of his own force and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, has been working on the case for several days.

REGISTRATIONS COMING SLOWLY

City Solicitor E. F. Jones Advises Household to Make Their Declarations Early

Though about 600 persons have this year paid their \$5.00 poll tax which entitles them to vote at the civic election next January providing they are otherwise duly qualified and take out their declaration before October 31, up to this morning only 18 persons had so far registered, to thus qualify themselves as householders. The time for the taking of such declarations expires at midnight on October 31 but City Solicitor Jones was urging this morning that declarations be made as early as possible so as to avoid congestion towards the end of the period. In past years there has always been an eleventh hour rush to get on the lists.

It is thought at the City Hall that the most of persons subject to the \$5.00 poll tax had already paid up as a result of an effective canvass that was made during the summer by George Crate who was engaged by the council for the purpose.

CANADIANS IN O. C. POLITICS

Number of Candidates Connected With the Dominion on Conservative Side

LONDON, Oct. 20.—Canadians or those connected with the Dominion nominated Saturday include:

Sir Hamar Greenwood, East Walthamstow, where as a Conservative he will be opposed by both Liberal and Labor opponents.

Colonel W. Grant Morden, Conservative, who is again standing for Brentford and Chiswick also has two opponents.

G. S. Hall Caine, son of the novelist who is associated with the Canadian pulp trade, is again contesting East Dorset as a Conservative.

Captain E. Wallace, aide to the Duke of Devonshire when he was Governor General of Canada, is fighting as Conservative in Hornsey.

Percy Hurd, newspaper correspondent, Conservative, is contesting Devises.

BIRTHS

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on October 19 to Mr. and Mrs. G. Fasolo of Prince Rupert.

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The Omineca Herald says:

"Matthews was last seen about a month ago, following a general jamboree held by a number of Indian men and women and half-breeds on the reserve at Hazelton. During the celebration considerable liquor was consumed, and the missing man left the cabin to get a further supply, and that was the last seen of him. The police, however, have since found remnants of clothing and other indications which lead to the belief that Matthews was done to death and his body disposed of. As Matthews left the party alone, and as no one saw him after, it is difficult to explain who the assailant was, if indeed there was an assailant, and it will likely be some time before there will be any material evidence which will lead to the arrest of the guilty party."

The police know and have questioned all the members of the party, except one, who has since been picked up at Prince George. Those people can give little information upon which to work, although there is some hope for the officers. The clothing recovered was found near the roadway down by the Slough, so it is not believed that the missing man ever reached South Hazelton, the reported source of the liquor supply.

Inspector T. W. S. Parsons of the provincial police arrived from Prince Rupert on Wednesday morning and with Corpl. Bryce, of Telkwa, and Chief Service of Smithers, held a consultation with Constable Cline in Hazelton on Wednesday morning and plans were made for further investigation.

In the meantime several of the boys and girls in the party are in jail, awaiting charges of being drunk on the reserve and of supplying liquor to Indians. Their cases will be heard this week. Other cases are also expected to develop.

STORIES OF ARREST JANET SMITH KILLER DENIED BY POLICE

Allege Rumors Originate at Pink Teas and Other Parties; Dramatic Action Threatened

(Vancouver Sun)

Following persistent rumors that an arrest had been made in connection with the murder of Janet Smith, nursemaid, found shot to death in the home of F. L. Baker, Shaughnessy Heights, some months ago, Walter Owen, superintendent of Provincial Police, denies that there is any new development in the case.

"There are some terrible stories being passed around and when we trace them down we find that they originated at 'pink teas' and other gossiping parties. Something will have to be done and drastic action taken if these rumors, which drag the names of citizens through the mire, persist," Superintendent Owen said.