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## RAILWAY HEAD ENUNCIATES LOCAL POLICY

### CANNERIES WORKING APACE TO KEEP UP WITH PHENOMENAL FISH CATCHES

#### Recommendation will be Made to Build Two Passenger Steamers at Prince Rupert and Tourist Hotel

Sir Henry Thornton was in Optimistic Mood at Dinner Given in his Honor Last Evening

#### ELEVATOR HERE IS A NECESSITY

Will Interview Minister of Railways in Regard to Project Immediately on Return to Ottawa.

Sir Henry Thornton at the dinner given in his honor last evening by the Prince Rupert Board of Trade declared it was his intention to seek not only authorization for the completion of the first new ship at Prince Rupert for coastal tourist traffic next year but also for the construction of a second and the erection of a suitable hotel here for the tourist business. In no uncertain manner he outlined the policy that he intended pursuing with respect to the development of this port and said that as a result of the possibilities for business he had observed on his tour, he would immediately on his return to Montreal interview the minister of finance and the minister of railways with a view of providing the funds immediately for the starting of the first boat in the local dry dock with completion of it and the construction of the second provided for in next year's budget. The president was in a very optimistic mood and expressed the hope that, although full port development could not be expected to occur in any sudden manner, Prince Rupert would in a gradual manner become a place of importance such as the management of the Canadian National Railways no less than the people resident here desired.

**Many Attended**  
The banquet to Sir Henry, which was held in the Boston Hall, was attended by fully 150 citizens as well as the majority of the railway officials who are making the tour with the president and other visitors. S. J. McLeod, president of the Board of Trade, acted as chairman and the affair was managed by the entertainment committee of the board consisting of S. K. Campbell, David Thomson and F. G. Dawson. Mayor Newton also took an active part in the reception and was seated at the speakers' table. A splendid fare was provided by the management of the Boston Grill and music furnished by the orchestra of the steamer Prince George greatly assisted in enlivening the proceedings.

The toast to the King was observed in the usual manner and Mr. McLeod, in calling upon Sir Henry for the speech of the evening, expressed the pleasure that it was to have the privilege of entertaining and listening to him again. Even on his first visit to Prince Rupert, Sir Henry had shown that he knew much more than might have been expected of the problems of Prince Rupert. It might well be felt that the port had a great friend in him.

Sir Henry, on rising to speak, was given an enthusiastic and extended ovation.  
**Sir Henry's Address**  
Humorously warming up to his address, Sir Henry referred jokingly to the effective reason local people had given for their presence in Prince Rupert by singing "We're Here Because We're Here." The drive he had taken (Continued on page six)

#### PUBLICITY MAN VISITS RUPERT

George I. Warren of Victoria Publicity Bureau and Chamber of Commerce Here

#### MAKES SUGGESTIONS

That Prince Rupert does not make half enough of its tourist business is the opinion of George I. Warren, commissioner of the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau, and managing secretary of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, who was here yesterday making the triangular tour with the railway party. He will return to Victoria by way of Jasper.

Mr. Warren is a live wire in publicity work. He has done some excellent work for Vancouver Island and was largely instrumental in securing the ferries for autos which now operate between Victoria and the mainland. He is always looking for new ideas and just now he is urging that a provincial tourist organization should be formed that would undertake publicity for the whole province, capitalizing the scenery and making the most of all the available resources.

Mr. Warren suggests that more should be done for the tourists at Prince Rupert and an effort should be made to keep them here longer than a few hours. This he thinks quite possible. The great thing is to give them something to do and to advertise the attractions. On Vancouver Island they make most of their publicity literature pay for itself, those directly benefitting paying the cost.

This was Mr. Warren's first visit to Prince Rupert and he was particularly pleased at what he saw and especially at the splendid scenery of the coast and the evidences of prosperity here.



Judge Charles A. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, of Montreal, photographed at New York as they sailed for a vacation abroad. It was Judge Wilson who sentenced the six bandits to death for the murder of Henri Cleroux in the hold-up of the bank of Hochelaga messenger.

#### SUDDEN DEATH OF LOCAL LADY

Mrs. F. G. Dawson Passed Away at General Hospital Last Evening

#### WAS PROMINENT HERE

The death occurred suddenly last evening of Florence Morris Dawson, wife of F. G. Dawson of this city, who passed away at the Prince Rupert General Hospital whither she had been taken following a sudden seizure.

Mrs. Dawson who had been in poor health for some time had been better recently and had planned to entertain Sir Henry and Lady Thornton at their home last evening following the dinner. It was while the dinner was going on that Mr. Dawson was called out and all festivities were afterwards cancelled.

General regret was felt throughout the city at the sad news and expressions of sympathy with Mr. Dawson and other members of the family in their bereavement were general, not only among the Prince Rupert people but also among the visiting railwaymen with whom Mr. Dawson is held in high esteem.

Mrs. Dawson had been prominent here in work in connection with the Presbyterian church and also as a leading member of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire. She held the positions here of Regent of the Municipal chapter and also of the Queen Mary Chapter and was delegate to the Dominion convention. During the war she took an active part in Red Cross and other work and in private life her friendship was always one that was valued highly.

Born in Ontario she yesterday celebrated her 48th birthday. She was married to Mr. Dawson at Regina 23 years ago and came to Prince Rupert with him during the tent days of the city taking part in all the work of a pioneer. She was the daughter of the late William Rothwell, inspector of schools for the North West Territories.

The late Mrs. Dawson leaves to mourn her loss, besides her husband, her mother, Mrs. Margaret Rothwell of Regina, three

brothers, Will Rothwell of Des Moines, Iowa; Dr. E. J. Rothwell, M.L.A. of New Westminster; Dr. Oswald Rothwell of Regina; three sisters, Miss Jessie Rothwell of this city; Mrs. (Dr.) Fasken of Regina; and Mrs. Scott of Lumsden, Sask.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday next, the B.C. Undertakers having charge and Rev. Dr. Grant officiating.

#### RUSSIAN BISHOP

SEATTLE, Aug. 7.—Rev. Father V. Alexandroff of Seattle, international missionary for twenty-nine years in the United States and Canada, has been appointed by the Holy Synod of Russia as archbishop for the Pacific coast, Hawaii and Alaska of the Russian orthodox church.

#### Biggest Salmon Run in Many Years is now in Progress on Skeena R.

One of the biggest runs of salmon that has taken place in years is now in progress in the Skeena River. Reports received here state that every cannery is working to capacity and that even at that it has become necessary to limit the number which each boat may catch. The big run is of pinks but sockeyes are still continuing to come.

A cannery manager last evening stated to the Daily News that the run of sockeye this year was even greater than in the big year of 1919 so far. How it would compare at the end of the season of course he could not say. It had exceeded all expectations of the canners.

Some phenomenal catches have been made by individual boats which indicate what an immense number of fish are going up the river.

#### Promising for Future

It is pointed out that the limiting of the number to be taken by each boat is good for the future of the Skeena as a salmon producing stream. It means that more fish will go up to spawn and that future runs may be expected to be large.

The number of boats fishing now is not as large as it was in 1919 and the weekly close season from six o'clock Friday evening to six o'clock Sunday evening is longer than was the close season five years ago. All this makes for the permanency of the fishing industry on this purely Canadian river.

#### REORGANIZE WHALEN CO.

Effort Made to Put Big Concern on Sound Financial Basis

VANCOUVER, Aug. 7.—A strong effort is being made by the bondholders and holders of debentures to reorganize the Whalen Pulp & Paper Company on a sound basis. A committee of the holders of six per cent serial mortgage bonds has forwarded to all holders a request for early deposit of those bonds either with the committee or with the Montreal Trust Company.

Alexander MacLaren, the noted Canadian lumberman and financier, who has been making a tour of the Whalen timber limits, has returned East after making a valuation of the assets. He represented the bondholders and debenture holders and is also expected to establish their right to an equity in the reorganization.

#### SCIENCE CONVENTION OPENED IN TORONTO

Twenty-six Papers Read This Morning on Diversified Subjects

TORONTO, Aug. 7.—Business of the various sections of the British Association for the advancement of science began this morning with the reading of 26 papers which dealt with diversified subjects.

#### President British Association Tells of Advance of Medicine Urges Keep People from Sickness

TORONTO, Aug. 7.—"Medicine in future must change its strategy; instead of awaiting-attack, it must assume the offensive."

"It must no longer be said that a man was so sick he had to send for a doctor."

These were the statements of Major General Sir David Bruce, eminent parasitologist and chairman of the governing body of the Lister Institute of Preventive Medicine, who, as president, delivered the inaugural address before the British Association for the Advancement of Science last night. Taking as his this waste.

**Disease Under Control**  
Sir David Bruce is intimately concerned with this progress, as the memorable researches of it is largely through his efforts, Louis Pasteur; how diseases have during his long connection with succumbed to the onslaught of the army medical corps, that a scientific research, and have number of parasitic diseases have been conquered, one by one; how been brought under control, especially during the war.

Drawing attention to the prevalence of disease in civilized countries, the president said: "Upwards of 20,000,000 weeks of certain troublesome diseases, and work are lost every year among the providing of knowledge which the insured workers of England, would not have been obtained in which is an equivalent of the many years under normal conditions; and finally, he drew attention to the enormous toll which this is added the corresponding disease still exacts in diminished human efficiency, and shortened human lives, showing how ignorance and indifference are in a large measure responsible for this economic loss, and prophesying that with redoubled efforts, science will eventually eliminate

#### MURDERER IS DISAPPOINTED

Corbett Thought he Would Get Off Free or With Light Sentence

NEW WESTMINSTER, Aug. 7.—Alfred Corbett, who was to hang Friday morning, expressed disappointment when informed that his life had been spared and that the death sentence had been commuted to life imprisonment. He said he expected he would get off entirely or with a light sentence. Corbett had been sentenced to hang for the murder of his wife at Cumberland.

#### Settlement in Canada Will be Further Assisted by the British Government Through Agreement

OTTAWA, Aug. 7.—A new agreement whereby British settlers coming to Canada will receive financial assistance from the British government in actually settling on the land has been negotiated in London it is unofficially stated here.

The new scheme of the immigration department and the British overseas settlement board is to have the British government extend its assistance and advance money to enable immigrants to establish themselves in agriculture instead of, as in the past, sharing with the Canadian government half the cost of transportation.

Under the new scheme, the Canadian immigration department is likely to lend its machinery to carry on the administration of settling the arrivals and take charge of collections and refunds which will go back to the British government.

Hon. J. A. Robb, acting minister of finance, is stated to be responsible for the negotiation of the agreement.

#### BISHOP DIES

HAMILTON, Aug. 7.—Thomas Joseph Dowling, Roman Catholic bishop of Hamilton, died here last night.

#### CITY FOUNDING IS RE-ENACTED

HALIFAX, Aug. 7.—A historic scene in pageantry depicting the founding of Halifax by Hon. Edward Cornwallis 175 years ago was re-enacted yesterday in connection with the anniversary carnival. The venue was the campus of Dalhousie University near what is believed to be the exact spot upon which Cornwallis planted the British flag in 1749.