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LOGICAL CENTRE FOR HANDLING OF GRAIN

SCHEME PROPOSED BY MINISTER FOR GOVERNMENT INSPECTION OF BANKS

Establishment of Elevator Here is Sound Economic Proposition Expert Advises Railway Company

That the establishment of grain elevator facilities at Prince Rupert is an economically sound proposition; that the construction of a grain elevator is all that is necessary for Prince Rupert's establishment as a grain export port as its present railway and harbor facilities are other wise adequate, and that the location appears to be especially favorable for grain shipments to the Orient and is under no serious handicap for shipments via the Panama Canal are the conclusions arrived at by C. D. Howe, expert elevator engineer, who, at the request of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade, was sent to Prince Rupert on February 20 and 21 of this year to make a careful examination of the port for the Canadian National Railways.

Mr. Howe's report was presented to A. E. Warren, general manager of C.N.R. western lines, a short time ago, and is now made public. Dealing with the various advantages of this port as a terminal point for grain shipping, the report is as follows:

Prince Rupert City

The City of Prince Rupert is situated on Kaien Island, in latitude 54 20' N., longitude 130 20' W., being about 40 miles south of the Alaskan boundary. Its population is about 7,000. The city owns its own gravity water system, hydro-electric plant generating at present about 2,500 h.p., and sewerage system, and maintains an efficient fire department. Taxation is on the single tax basis, no taxes being charged on property other than land. Due to the influence of the Japanese current, the climate is temperate throughout the year, zero weather being practically unknown.

Prince Rupert Harbor

The harbor is situated between Kaien Island on the south and Digby Island and the Tsimpsean Peninsula on the north and is reached from the Pacific by way of Dixon Entrance and Brown's Passage. The approach from the ocean is easy of navigation the entrance to the harbor being well marked with lights and buoys, and depth of channel being 24 to 29 fathoms. The harbor has a width of about 1½ miles and a length of about ten miles. Depth of water in the harbor varies from 20 to 27 fathoms. The shores are of rock and drop off abruptly into deep water. Anchorage in the harbor is good and being free from ice and obstructions and exceptionally well sheltered, it is a safe and easy harbor to manoeuvre in. While the tidal variations amount to 24 feet for average spring tides the harbor is free from currents. The Dominion government maintains a quarantine station, a hospital for sick mariners and an isolation hospital.

Harbor Facilities

The port has a floating drydock with lifting capacity of 20,000 tons and fitted up with most modern machinery. The plant includes machine shop, boiler and blacksmith shop, power house, shipbuilding shed and side launching platform with travelling cranes. This drydock was built by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway at a cost of about $2,000,000.

The Imperial Oil Company maintains a large supply of fuel

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George V. Wilkinson of Orme's Drug Store staff is sailing tonight for Vancouver where he will attend a convention of the Oddfellows' Lodge.

OBJECTION TO PREFERENCE ON BRITISH GOODS

Member for Montreal Claims Articles Being Dumped in This Country

OTTAWA, June 5. — British manufacturers are dumping woollens as well as shoes into Canada, said Senator David of Montreal, in urging his motion for the repeal of the British preference on imports until Britain shoud grant a reciprocal tariff. He was opposed to the British preference because Canada was getting nothing in return.

GERMANY WILL ACCEPT REPORT

Chancellor Marx Says Exports Recommendations Provide Way Out

BERLIN, June 5.—Chancellor Marx declared in the Reichstag that Germany was ready to receive the reparations experts, report as an indivisible whole and the opposing parties will be expected to assume the same attitude.

The chapcellor said that Germany's economic life is miserable if not desperate. Conditions were threatening a complete breakdown unless a relaxation of the monetary system be attained. The Government saw in the experts' report a way out of the crisis.

CORONATION CUP RACE CLOSE ONE

Verdict, 3 to 1, first; Parth, 9 to 4, second; and Poisoned Arrow, 9 to 4, third

LONDON, June 5.—The Coronation Cup race run at Epsom Downs this afternoon over the Derby course was won by Lord Coventry's Verdict at three to one. A. K. Macomber's Parth, nine to four, was second but half a length behind the winner and Poisoned Arrow, 9 to 4, third, was beaten by a head.

COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO ESTIMATES FOR NATIONAL RAILWAYS

OTTAWA, June 5. — The appointment of a select standing committee to consider the estimates of the National Railways and G.G.M.M. was confirmed in the House of Commons today.

TRAINER GETS BIG WINNINGS

LONDON, June 5.—The Earl of Derby is handing over the entire stake money won by his horse Sansovino yesterday at the Derby to his trainer, Hon. George Lambton, who will benefit to the extent of about £55,000.

OFFICIALS NOT YET HEARD OF ELEVATOR

Permanent Staff Not Saying Anything in Regard to Announcement

OTTAWA, June 5.—Officials of the public works department stated last night that they had not heard of a definite decision to provide in this session's estimates for the construction of a terminal elevator at Prince Rupert. Neither the Prime Minister nor the minister of public works could be reached for a statement.

Members of the permanent staff either have not heard of the decision or if they had they would not tell it without authority.

REG BEAUMONT IS PROMOTED

C.G.M.M. Superintendent Here Given Position as Manager of Coast Steamers at Vancouver

Reginald Beaumont, for many years Canadian Government Merchant Marine superintendent at this port, has been promoted to the position of manager of coast steamers of the line with headquarters at Vancouver. His new duties on which he will enter July 1 will apply to the vessels of the fleet plying between Pacific Coast ports including those running to California. While Mr. Beaumont's many friends will be pleased indeed to learn of his promotion it will be a cause of regret to them that it involves his moving frm the city.

Mrs. Beaumont returned to the city yesterday afternoon from Vancouver where she went to make arrangements for moving. She obtained a house and will move towards the end of the month with her mother, Mrs. Leys, and family. Mr. Beaumont is expected back on Saturday.

Mr. Beaumont's successor here will be John Carroll, formerly dock agent at Seattle and more recently in a similar position at Victoria.

WIGWAM STRANDED

While towing a barge of lumber from the Georgetown mill the power boat Wigwam stranded on the rocks early this morning in the Metlakatla Passage. It is expected she will be refloated at high tide to-morrow morning.

THE MARK THAT WON'T COME OFF

FAILURE OF DEATH RAY

Actual Test Carried Out by Government Proves Invention Ineffective

LONDON, June 5. — The deadly power of the death ray, which was recently invented and offered for sale to the government, failed to materialize in recent government tests, the House of Commons was told today by William Keach, under secretary of air ministry.

During the tests, Mr. Keach said, one of the ministry's experts placed himself in the path of the ray only ten yards distant from the point of emanation. If the inventor's claim had been borne out the expert ought to have disappeared. Instead, the under-secretary was pleased to report, he was doing very nicely and when last seen showed little signs of having suffered.

JAP OFFICERS KILLED IN AIRPLANE BLOW-UP

Five Lose Lives and Sixth Fatally Wounded When Fuel Tank Exploded

TOKIO, June 5.—Two Japanese naval officers and three non-commissioned officers were killed and another was fatally injured in an air disaster at the Yokobuka naval base. The six were aloft in a hydroplane when the fuel tank exploded.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE RETURNS FOR MAY ARE ANNOUNCED

Customs and excise revenue for the month of May this year at the port of Prince Rupert totalled $26,977.04 according to figures given out this morning at the customs house. A decrease is shown from the total for May last year which was about $44,000, while there was also a slight decrease from April of this year when the total was $28,475.96.

NEW MODERATOR PRESBYTERIANS

Dr. McKinnon Elected: Encouraging Work in Sunday Schools Reported

OWEN SOUND, June 5.—The Fiftieth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada opened last night. Rev. Clarence McKinnon of Pine Hill Theological seminary, Halifax, was elected moderator, succeeding Dr. Gandier.

Very encouraging progress has been made in Sunday School work during the fifty years' history of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, according to the report of the board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies presented to the Presbyterian General Assembly here today. In 1875 there were reported 706 Sunday schools, with 7,139 officers and teachers and 99,204 scholars. Today there are 4,002 Sunday schools with 35,378 teachers and officers and 313,866 scholars.

Policy Recommended

The following policy is recommended:

"That we encourage Sunday school boards and teachers of our public schools to take full advantage of the provisions of the school law in their respective provinces in regard to religious exercises and instruction in the public schools.

"That the plans for the week day religious education under the auspices of local churches and closely corelated as to the work of the public school, be commended to our ministers and other leaders as a valuable way of extending the work of our Church in this department."

THIRD FLYER HAS REACHED SHANGHAI

KAGOSHIMA, June 5. — Lieut. Smith and his mechanic, whose airplane developed trouble on Wednesday, hopped off for Shanghai at 6.50 on Thursday morning to join the other flyers already there.

SHANGHAI, June 5. — Lieut. Smith, the American flyer, arrived from Kagoshima at 12.10 Thursday afternoon.

Annual Examination of Head Offices and Leading Officials Included in Robb's Proposal

OTTAWA, June 5.—Hon. J. A. Robb, acting minister of finance, has laid before the banking committee of the House of Commons a proposed scheme of government bank inspection the chief features of which are that a general inspector of banks appointed by the minister of finance, shall examine the head offices of all banks at least once a year and any branch that is considered necessary, that he shall be given power to examine the general manager or officials under oath and it will be his duty to report to the minister when he is satisfied that the bank is insolvent and the minister then, without waiting for the bank to suspend, shall request the bankers' association to appoint a curator.

It is proposed that the banks will be assessed on the basis of their assets for the cost of the inpector and of the officials under him.

MINERAL RESEARCH WORK IN INTERIOR

Dr. George Hanson of Ottawa and Party to Make Examinations this Year in Smithers and Babine Country

Mineral research work is to be carried out this season in the Smithers and Babine districts by Dr. George Hanson, geologist for the federal department of mines. Dr. Hanson is making his headquarters at Smithers and his family is already there. There will be three assistants in the party this year—H. C. Gunning, B.Sc., who graduated in 1923 from the University of B.C., and C. F. Barton and J. L. Ramsell, geology students at the same institution. Mr. Gunning and Mr. Barton already have arrived in the north and Mr. Ramsell will be here shortly.

Dr. Hanson arrived in the city from Smithers last night and this morning with members of his party he left for the interior by hand car. Some cursory examinations are to be made between here and Smithers and some samples collected by them during the next few days.

VARYING PRICES FOR FISH SOLD TODAY

Salmon Fetches 12½c, About Same as Paid For Halibut

Four American halibut boats sold catches totalling 66,500 lbs. at the Fish Exchange today and a similar number of Canadians, 19,000 lbs., making a total for the day of 85,000 pounds. Prices were somewhat lower than yesterday.

Arrivals and sales:

American

Alaska, 40,000 lbs., at 13.2c and 6c, to the Pacific and Booth Fisheries.

Bravo, 7,500 lbs., at 14.3c and 6c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Baltic, 12,000 lbs., at 14.4c and 6c, and Carolen, 7,000 lbs., at 13c and 6c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Canadian

Thelma II., 4,000 lbs., at 12.5c and 7c, to the Royal Fish Co.

Kaien, 5,000 lbs., at 12.5c and 7.2c, and Minnie V., 3,500 lbs., at 12.4c and 7c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

D.S.T., 6,500 lbs., at 12.6c and 7c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Salmon

Karen, 1,700 reds, at 12.6c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Siljan, 1,000 reds, at 12.5c, to the Royal Fish Co.

WILL SOLVE IRISH TANGLE

Boundary Commission Likely to Have as Chairman a Chief Justice

LONDON, June 5. — Following the announcement by Premier Macdonald that the Government had secured a chairman for the Irish boundary commission and that his name would be published Thursday, it is reported that Sir James Ross-Innes, chief justice of the Union of South Africa has been appointed.

The Premier declared that the Government had decided to constitute a committee to solve the constitutional and legal issues of such a commission. The committee will include Sir Adrian Knox of Australia and it will sit during July.

LONDON, June 5. — Premier Macdonald announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that Justice Feetham of the Union of South Africa would be chairman of the Irish boundary commission.

MILLION TO DEFEND BOYS

Clarence Darrow Has Huge Sum at His Disposal in Kidnapping Case

CHICAGO, June 5. — It is reported that a million dollars has been placed at the disposal of Clarence Darrow, chief defence counsel for Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, confessed slayers and kidnappers of Robert Franks.

MCGILL GETS HALF MILLION DOLLARS

Announcement is Made of Gift from Rockefeller Foundation to Medical Faculty of College

MONTREAL, June 5.— Official announcement is made of the gift of $500,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation to the medical faculty of McGill University.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League

Washington 5, Detroit 6.
Philadelphia 6, Cleveland 5.
New York 3, Chicago 4.
Boston 6, St. Louis 5.

National League

St. Louis 12, Philadelphia 5.
All others rain.

C.N.R. steamer Prince John, Capt. Neil McLean, is expected from the Queen Charlotte Islands and Vancouver on Saturday and is scheduled to return south via the same route at 8 o'clock Monday evening.