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BRITISH ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT BEGINS

KENNEDY OF EDMONTON BACKS FRED STORK IN ASKING ELEVATOR HERE

British Round the World Flight Left this Morning for France and will Continue way of Rome

CALSHOT, England, March 25.—In bright, calm weather A. Stuart McLaren, Flying Officer Plenderleith and Sergeant Andrews took to the air today in a Vickers Vulture plane for a flight around the world. They left only forty minutes behind scheduled time.

A large crowd cheered the fliers as the machine rose from the ground and they were escorted out of Southampton by a squadron of naval and land planes. Brigadier General Lord Thompson, minister of air, bade them God speed.

The fliers expect to reach Lyons, a distance of 435 miles, before sunset and tomorrow they will proceed from Lyons to Rome, 550 miles. From Lyons the route will be to Brindisi, Italy, Athens, Cairo, Bagdad, Basra, Karachi, Calcutta, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Tokio, over the Aleutian Islands to Alaska and striking inland at Prince Rupert they plan to fly across Canada to Newfoundland, Azores, Lisbon and back to Southampton.

ST. MARGARET FINE VESSEL

Steamer Selected by Capt. Donald Well Fitted For Service on This Coast

That the steamer St. Margaret, which he selected in the Old Country as a suitable vessel for the Canadian Government Merchant Marine to purchase for the Queen Charlotte Island run, is in every way fitted for the service on this coast is the opinion of Capt. D. Donald who is in the city.

Capt. Donald states that the St. Margaret is a well kept up boat and has such passenger accommodation that she might be used as a relief ship between here and Vancouver if needed. She is much larger than the Prince John and could handle the freight as well as passenger requirement. She was originally built for passenger service along the north coast of Scotland.

The transfer of the vessel from her Aberdeen owners to the Canadian Government Merchant Marine is now awaiting a settlement of the price to be paid.

EACH BRANCH IS SEPARATE

Minister of Railways to Bring Down 26 Bills Dealing With Building Program

OTTAWA, March 25. — Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways, intends to bring down 26 separate bills for the branch line program of the Canadian National Railways. Last year all were covered in one bill which was rejected by the Senate.

By bringing down separate bills for each branch line, parliament will be given an opportunity, if it so desires, of discriminating in favor of certain branches and some of them may thus pass.

NEW BORN INFANT IS FOUND IN FURNACE OF GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE

OTTAWA, March 25. — The body of a fully developed newly born infant half burnt was found in the furnace of Rideau Hall Sunday night. An investigation is proceeding.

IMMIGRATION INCREASE

OTTAWA, March 25. — Immigration for the eleven months of the fiscal year totalled 135,128 an increase of 104 per cent over the corresponding eleven months of last fiscal year.

CAPTAIN FREEMAN TO BE BURIED IN SOUTH

Remains of Well-Known Mariner Will be Forwarded to Seattle on Camosun Today

The remains of the late Capt. Hoomes K. Freeman are to be forwarded this evening by the Union steamer Camosun to Seattle where interment will take place. This afternoon at 2.30 there was a service at the B.C. Undertakers' Parlors, a large assemblage of deceased's friends being present. Rev. Dr. H. B. Grant officiated and referred in fitting manner to the loss that had been sustained by the community at large in the tragic demise of such a well known and respected figure. W. Vaughan Davies presided at the organ.

The pallbearers were Capt. C. C. Ketchum, Capt. R. L. Newcombe, A. Akerberg, M. J. McNeill, N. M. McLean and Victor Markland.

There were floral offerings from Akerberg, Thomson & Co., Ltd., Prince Rupert Rowing & Yacht Club.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, S. Webb, gasboat boys of Cow Bay, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ketchum and family; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Frizzell, Howe & McNulty.

FISH ARRIVALS

Seven Boats Sold Catches Totalling 71,000 Pounds at Exchange Today

Seven halibut schooners marketed catches totalling 71,000 lbs. at the Fish Exchange this morning. Five American boats had 62,000 pounds and two Canadians, 9,000 lbs.

Arrivals and sales were as follows:

American

Katalla, 8,000 lbs., and Lansing, 8,500 lbs., at 13.9c and 6c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Democrat, 27,000 lbs., at 13.7c and 6c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Norma, 8,500 lbs., and Reliance, 12,000 lbs., at 14.1c and 6c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian

Tramp, 8,000 lbs., at 11.9c and 6c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Point May, 1,000 lbs., at 11c and 6c, to the Royal Fish Co.

PURCHASE FOOD FOR GERMAN WOMEN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Disregarding party lines the House of Representatives adopted a resolution yesterday to appropriate ten million dollars for the purchase of food supplies for the destitute women and children of Germany.

MAYOR RECEIVES REPLY TO TELEGRAM

Minister of Trade and Commerce Answers Telegram Sent to Premier King

The following reply has been received by Mayor Newton to the telegram which he recently sent to Premier W. L. Mackenzie King with regard to the erection of an elevator and other port development:

"Your telegram of March 10 addressed to the Prime Minister has been referred to me for attention. This matter and the question of the development of Prince Rupert port have been under consideration for some time."

THOS. A. LAW,
Minister of Trade and Commerce.

MAKING PROGRESS IN POUNDING OF HERRING

Run at Captain's Cove About Over and Filling of Pound at Jap Inlet Will Soon Commence

With the herring run in that vicinity about over now, the N. M. & R. Fish Co. and Bradbury & Yelf have between 400 and 500 tons of herring impounded at Captain's Cove. The pound at Jap Inlet is now being fitted out in readiness for the run there which will soon be starting. In addition, a pound has been established in Prince Rupert harbor at Wolfe Island containing between 70 and 80 tons. Local fishermen are now drawing bait supply from this point.

EDMUNTON CUTS ALL SALARIES OF CIVIC HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS

EDMONTON, March 25.—With one exception, all salaries of civic departmental heads were cut by an even forty-eight dollars per annum at a special meeting of the city council when consideration of the budget was practically completed. The one exception was Deputy Fire Chief Albert Dutton, whose salary was increased from $1,920 to $2,100 per annum.

Commissioner Yorath's suggestion that his own salary be reduced by five per cent was accepted by council on a motion by Alderman J. J. Duggan. The cut in Mayor Blatchford's salary at $225 as moved by himself at a former meeting, stands.

"Aye! Them were the days." W. Ross, an inmate of a Sydney Old Sailors' Home, was born on a ship one hundred and seven years ago and didn't leave the sea until a short time ago. He still talks cheerily of the old days.

All Irish Political Parties Repudiate Queenstown Shooting and Repudiation is Accepted

LONDON, March 25.—That the outrage in Queenstown is not likely to cause difficulties between the Irish Free State and the British government was shown when Hon. J. H. Thomas, secretary of the colonies, stated in the House of Commons that the crime had been repudiated by every political party in Ireland, adding "We accept that repudiation."

Expressing the opinion that the crime was the work of irresponsible elements whose motive was to bring about the downfall of the Free State government, Mr. Thomas continued: "We are convinced that the Free State government is doing its utmost to track the murderers and wipe out the blot on Irish honor and should have all the sympathy we can give it."

GREECE NOW A REPUBLIC

National Assembly of That Country Passes Resolution Favoring it

ATHENS, Mar. 25.—Greece is today practically a republic. The National Assembly today passed a formal resolution in favor of the overthrow of the Gluckburg dynasty and the establishment in its place of a Greek republic.

This action, which has been somewhat delayed, followed a movement which commenced some months ago when the King and Queen were driven into exile and former Premier Venizelos was sent for to advise on the reorganization of the government. Several changes have taken place since that time leading up to the present drastic action. This sees the end of the monarchy.

DAYLIGHT SAVING IS REJECTED BY VICTORIA

VICTORIA, March 25. — Daylight saving was defeated by a vote of the city council last night. Last year this city was the only place on the coast that had daylight saving and there was a good deal of criticism of the measure toward the end of the term. This year it was claimed that the council could not eliminate it without taking another plebiscite as it had been brought in by a vote of the ratepayers.

CITY INSURANCE BEING SHARED UP

Ald. Collart Replied to Ald. Casey's Queries at Last Night's Council Meeting

In connection with the passing of insurance accounts for 1924 at last night's council meeting, Ald. Casey inquired if equal distribution of the business was being made among the various agents in the city. Ald. Collart replied that such a principle had been adopted by the finance committee last year and it was being continued as far as possible. Ald. Macdonald explained certain increases in utilities department insurance last year and stated that some reductions were being effected this year.

FIRE IN HOLD OF BRITISH STEAMER LADEN WITH LIME

ASTORIA, March 25. — The British steamer Ed. Kingsley of Vancouver, B.C., bound to San Francisco with a cargo of lime put in here with a fire in number two hold. Longshoremen are removing 40,000 feet of lumber in order that the firemen may flood the hold.

THEATRE ROOF FELL

RIO, Janeiro, Mar. 25. — Two are reported killed and fifty injured as the result of the falling of the roof of the theatre at San Pablo on Sunday.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

Rotherham 1, Bradford 0.

Member for West Edmonton is Championing Prince Rupert as Grain Shipping Port of Pacific

Prince Rupert has another champion in the person of D. M. Kennedy, member of parliament for West Edmonton, who in speaking in the House of Commons on the address in reply to the speech from the throne backed up Fred Stork and urged the erection of an elevator here. According to the Hansard report he said:

"We have been in the last few years as a country, developing the grain routes of the Pacific. We have two ports on the Pacific; you might possibly say three. We have Vancouver and Prince Rupert, and I believe, Westminster claims to be a port. I was glad to read the speech of the hon. member from Prince Rupert (Mr. Stork) because I did not have the pleasure of listening to him when he put forward his claim for Prince Rupert. That port was selected as a Pacific port by a Liberal government. The Canadian National railways are connected with Prince Rupert. They are not, I believe, at the present time connected with Vancouver, except by an arrangement whereby the Canadian National trains run over the Canadian Pacific railway. I believe the government will do very well to listen to the advice given sympathetically by the hon. member for Skeena and take steps in the near future to provide money if necessary, to build an elevator there. This may be something that the government may possibly not feel inclined to do at once; but I do not see any reason why they should hesitate, because if we may judge from the Price Waterhouse report, terminal elevators have been paying very well. We do not want government elevators to pay as well as the elevator at Fort William according to the Price Waterhouse report, but we believe this is a business that will pay its way and incidentally help our National Railway to make a success."

ALBERTA'S DEBT IS STEADILY INCREASING

Farmer Government There is Criticized for Expenditures by Leader of Opposition

EDMONTON, March 25.—The Hon. J. R. Boyle, leader of the opposition, during the course of an attack on the 1924 budget in the Legislature, declared that the net debt of the province had been increased by $20,329,828 since the present government had taken office.

The debt of the province in 1921, according to the budget speech given by Premier Herbert Greenfield in March, 1922, had been given as $57,212,419, Mr. Boyle said. At the end of 1923 the net debt had increased to $71,792,247, as was set out in the budget speech of the Hon. R. G. Reed, provincial treasurer, of last Tuesday, and with a forecasted debt this year of $5,750,000, the total amounted to $77,542,249 increase.

This income in debt, Mr. Boyle declared, had been incurred solely by the present government, and there was very little in the way of capital assets to show for it.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS RECORDED AT VICTORIA

VICTORIA, March 25. — Two earthquake shocks estimated at a distance of four to five thousand miles, possibly off the Asiatic coast, were recorded here.

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SINGAPORE BASE IS DISCUSSED

Government to Make Statement in Near Future, States Premier Mackenzie King

OTTAWA, March 25. — Early discussion of a resolution in regard to Singapore naval base which was considered by the Imperial conference will take place soon in the House of Commons. Answering a series of questions put by Thomas Church of Toronto yesterday afternoon Premier Mackenzie King stated that the Dominion government had not any correspondence with any other overseas dominions regarding the Singapore base.

"What position did the government of Canada take on the question?" asked Church.

"At this moment I do not consider it advisable to say, but I will be prepared to make it clear in the House when the matter comes up for discussion," the Premier replied.

MURDERERS ARE COMMON FOES

So Says Premier Macdonald to President Cosgrave of Ireland

LONDON, March 25. — Premier Ramsay Macdonald sent a message to President Cosgrave acknowledging Queenstown's public repudiation of the crime of shooting at British soldiers and their wives and families last week. "Queenstown can rest assured," says the message, "that this murderous outrage perpetrated by common foes will not be allowed to disturb the friendship of the British and Irish nations cemented by treaty.

PLAYGROUND PROJECT KILLED BY COUNCIL

Recommendation From Board of Works That There be no Diversion of McBride St. is Adopted

The school board's proposition for the consolidation of the four park squares at the corner of Sixth Avenue and McBride Street into one large playground went by the board at last night's council meeting when a report from the board of works recommending that there be no diversion in the present course of McBride Street was adopted without discussion.

LENINE'S BODY TO BE EMBALMED ONCE MORE

MOSCOW, March 25.—Because of the demand that the body of Lenine be kept on view, the Soviet government has decided to re-embalm it permanently if possible.