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BRITAIN RETURNS TO THE GOLD STANDARD

PROMINENT LIBERAL ADVOCATES UNION OF TWO BIG RAILWAY SYSTEMS

Great Britain Returns to Gold Standard Today Announces Right Hon. Winston Churchill in Speech

Deficit of Nine Million Pounds on Excess Profits and Corporation Taxes but Increase on Others

EXPORT OF GOLD TO BE ALLOWED

LONDON, April 28. — Right Hon. Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in his budget speech in the House of Commons today that acts prohibiting the export of gold bullion would be allowed to lapse on December 31 next.

The most important announcement in the speech was that the gold standard would be restored, dating from today. By special license the Bank of England would be allowed to export gold bullion.

The chancellor characterized the yield from internal revenue as satisfactory. Excess profits and corporation profit taxes showed a deficit of nine million pounds sterling over what was estimated, but these were "moribund" and were counterbalanced by the yield from income tax, super and death tax.

JAP AT OKALLA MURDER CHARGE

Alleged to Have Cut Throat of Countryman With Razor as Lay in Bed

VANCOUVER, April 28 — Y. Yanamoto, a Japanese charged with the murder of Y. Isojima at Port Alice last Thursday, was brought to Okalla yesterday in custody.

The wife of the slain man identified accused at the preliminary hearing at Port Alice as the assailant who had cut her husband's throat with a razor as he lay in bad.

TWO PREMIERS REACH OTTAWA

Oliver and Greenfield Will Have Conference With Government on Peace River

OTTAWA, April 28.—Premier Oliver of B.C. and Premier Greenfield of Alberta are in this city for the purpose of urging upon the government early construction of the railway outlet for the Peace River district. A conference between the two western premiers and members of the Federal Government is expected to take place within the next day or two.

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NO AGREEMENT ON RAILWAY

Prospects of Action on Peace River Outlet This Year Said to be Vanishing

SETTLERS LEAVING

Ottawa Correspondent of Winnipeg Paper in Rather Pessimistic Mood

WINNIPEG, April 28. — The Manitoba Free Press prints the following from its Ottawa correspondent:

"Discouraged by the vanishing prospects of immediate relief and by the complete absence of agreement between the various governments and railroads, the settlers in the Peace River district are abandoning their holdings and going to the United States." This is a statement made here today by George Mills, M.L.A., in the Alberta Legislature for the constituency of Athabaska, who is a member of the delegation of citizens from Peace River who is in Ottawa.

After surveying the situation, members of this delegation, while they would not say so, appear to have given up hope of obtaining an outlet to the Pacific coast this year.

Mr. Mills made the statement that to his own knowledge 1,000 settlers left the Peace River country during the past five years and if nothing was done this year, half of those left would be gone by this time next year.

FISH ARRIVALS NOT SO HEAVY

Eight Boats Sell 146,500 Pounds of Halibut at Prices About Same as Yesterday

Halibut catches sold at the Fish Exchange this morning totalled 146,500 pounds — six American boats disposing of 132,000 and Canadians, 14,500 pounds. Prices were about the same as yesterday.

Arrivals and sales were as follows:

American

Seymour, 30,000 pounds, at 7.8c and 3c, to the Pacific Fisheries.

Venus, 20,000 pounds, at 8c and 3c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.

Galveston, 20,000 pounds, at 8.1c and 3c, and Brisk 30,000 pounds at 8c and 3c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

National, 18,000 pounds, at 8.7c and 3c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

June, 14,000 pounds, at 8.9c and 3c, to the Royal Fish Co.

Canadian

Cape Spear, 9,000 pounds, at 8.2c and 3c, and Ringleader, 5,500 pounds at 8.8c and 3c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Salmon

Taplow, 14,500 pounds, at 11c for red and 2c for white, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Went to Sitka

The American schooner Mildred H. yesterday afternoon accepted 8c and ½c, Sitka delivery, for a catch of $3,000.

Weston Coyney, pioneer journalist of the city, who has been in the Prince Rupert General Hospital for the past year or so, will be leaving in a few days for Kamloops where he will take up his future residence.

ENGLISH EXCHANGE GOES UP A CENT RESULT OF BUDGET

NEW YORK, April 28. —Demand sterling advanced one cent on the stock exchange today to $4.83, the highest it has been in ten years. The announcement of the advance came ten minutes after news of Great Britain's return to a gold standard was received.

Sir Broderick Harkwell Tells People he Duped of Failure to Successfully Land Liquor

LONDON, April 28.—The Daily Mail, which recently told of Sir Broderick Harkwell's misadventure in whiskey running off the American coast, now says Harkwell has circularized his supporters to the effect that he lost everything in the debacle. Of 61,000 cases in shipment, American authorities are declared to have seized more than 32,000 and it is problematical whether the balance can be disposed of owing to the risk of seizure.

Approximately 6,000 cases were disposed of.

Mlle. Lonise Weiss, editor of "L'Europe Nouvelle," who has just been made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, will visit this continent in October with a view to establishing an edition of her magazine here.

Public Meeting Thursday will Discuss Fisheries and Drydock and Other Public Matters Here

On suggestion of Ald. Casey, whose motion was seconded by Ald. Larsen, the city council decided last night to call a public meeting on Thursday night at which will be considered matters affecting the welfare of the city including the halibut fisheries situation and the operation of the dry dock.

Ald. Casey said that there were several citizens who were desirous of having a public meeting held to consider the fisheries question. The mayor had proposed a couple of years ago to call public meetings of the citizens to go into matters affecting the well-being of the city. Such a meeting he deemed it would be advisable to call now. The situation was such that, if continued, it looked as if in another year there would be no Canadian halibut fleet operating out of Prince Rupert. A great disaster seemed to be impending for the fleet and the community.

"Delinquency in the matter of operation of the dry dock," was another thing that Ald. Casey felt should be discussed by the public. Formerly it had been deemed that there could be no remedy for this situation when the dry dock was a "government institution in the hands of enemies to the city." Since then the administration had changed to one described as "a friendly government." Since the transformation of the government, however, there had also been a transformation of business. Repairing of large vessels here had meant to carry out the promise, been discontinued and it was now found that the C.N.R. was doing all its repair work elsewhere. Instead of building a new boat here as had been intended, the old steamer Prince Charles had been purchased in the Old Country. Alterations which it was expected would cost some $80,000 were to be made to the vessel and it was proposed to do the work in Vancouver. The Prince George, Prince Rupert and Prince John had been overhauled in Vancouver this winter. The citizens were be-

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Little Else but Talk at Ottawa Among Members on Both Sides on Budget; No Election This Year

OTTAWA, April 28. — The prolongation of the debate on the budget from week to week with about one-third of the members of the House of Commons taking part in it is probably due to two main causes. There is the evident determination of the Conservatives to prolong the present session as late as possible to make it very difficult for Liberals to assist in the provincial general elections this summer in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and for the Progressives to have a hand in the provincial contest coming in Saskatchewan. Second, there is the attitude of private members generally in the House that whether or not there will be a Federal general election this year they will take no chances and are, therefore, getting "on record" this session for campaign purposes whenever the contest comes.

No General Election

All this fear of a Federal appeal this year is in the face of various indications that the King Government is apparently making no plans for an election before 1926. One evidence is in the fact that a conference has been called for the latter part of June of the representatives of the various British West Indies with the Dominion Government with a view to laying the basis for a new trade pact. Then, again, there is to be the conference between the provincial and the federal governments on the

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Another Advocate of Union of Railways is Heard Ottawa House

Chairman of the Railway Committee Urges in Strong Terms Amalgamation of C.N.R. with C.P.R

OTTAWA, April 28. — W. D. Euler, independent Liberal member for North Waterloo, chairman of the House Committee on National Railways and shipping, in the budget debate strongly advocated the amalgamation of the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways. He mentioned that under such a scheme there would be a saving of one hundred million dollars. This figure was given him by "as high an authority as we have in this country."

Euler said he believed the people of the country would destroy any government that dared to hold the National Railways in opposition to a privately owned corporation. The union of these two systems would give the country and not the C.P.R. the benefit of savings affected. This, he said, would enable the government to reduce taxation by one third or at least one quarter. It would restore confidence and encourage the Canadian people to go ahead knowing that light was breaking on the financial horizon. It would stimulate trade and lower the cost of living, encourage enterprize and lead to more rapid development of the natural resources of the country. It would solve the general rates problem and on it could be based a practical scheme for extinction of the national debt.

NO DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE SOON SAYS PREM. BALDWIN

LONDON, April 28. — Prime Minister Baldwin, replying to a question in the House of Commons regarding possible summoning of another disarmament conference, declared he did not see signs of an early call for such a conference from any quarter.

ANTI-ORIENTAL ACTION URGED

Resolution Passed at Victoria Asking all Immigration be Stopped From Japan and China

VICTORIA, April 28.— A resolution urging the Federal Government to put a total stop to the immigration of Japanese and Chinese into Canada was adopted at a mass meeting attended by 160 delegates of various organizations under the auspices of the Sons of Canada.

BASEBALL

American

New York 0, Philadelphia 8.
St. Louis 10, Detroit 8.
Cleveland 4, Chicago 12.
Washington 2, Boston 1.

National

Chicago 5, Cincinnati 2.
Boston 2, Brooklyn 15.
Philadelphia 3, New York 5.
Pittsburg-St. Louis, rain.

PEACE RIVER RAILWAY LOST OVER $50,000

Edmonton Dunvegan and B.C. Not Yet a Financial Success is Announced

EDMONTON, April 28.— Hon. V. W. Smith, minister of railways, will continue to represent the Alberta government on the directorates of the E. D. & B. C. and Central Canada railways. All the officers and directors of the two roads were re-elected at the annual meetings, which were held in Winnipeg and from which Mr. Smith has just returned.

A deficit on operating account of $58,918 was reported for the calendar year 1924, as compared with $158,175 in the year preceding. This loss is absorbed by the Canadian Pacific Railway under the terms of its agreement with the government.

No action was taken at the meeting in Winnipeg in regard to any future change in the management of the northern roads, this being left to await the results of the negotiations now pending in Ottawa.

Expenditures on maintenance and capital accounts of some $310,000 for both roads were authorized, on condition that ways and means of financing them can be found. These are for such items as ballasting, tie renewals, straightening steel, fencing, sidings and miscellaneous improvements.

VETERAN MOUNTIE DIES AT VICTORIA

VICTORIA, April 28.— George L. Service, a veteran of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police and of the second Riel rebellion died here aged 66 years. He was with the force from 1876 to 1900 and served in the Yukon in the 1898 gold rush.

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In honor of Chas. D. Roberts, poet and author, Boston Hall, Thursday, April 30, 1 p.m. Tickets $1.00 at Ormes Ltd. or Geo. Hill's store.