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# NEGLECT OF RUPERT DEFENSES MENTIONED

## DROP IN PRICE OF FRENCH MONEY DUE TO LACK OF FAITH IN COUNTRY

### Esquimalt Obsolete and Prince Rupert Neglected is Comment of Army Chief of Staff in Address

General MacBrien Contrasts the Condition of  
Canada with that of Australia  
and Urges Action

#### IMPORTANCE OF PACIFIC OCEAN

Desire of Expansion of Some Great Power may  
Cause War and Canadians Could  
Not be Onlookers

(Special to Daily News).

MONTREAL, Feb. 14.—That the defenses of Esquimalt are out of date and no attempt has been made to defend Prince Rupert, was the comment of Major General J. H. MacBrien, chief of staff of the army department of defense, who gave a stirring address yesterday on disarmament and the duties of the department of defense in peace and war at the anniversary celebration of the imperial order of the Daughters of Empire here.

General MacBrien began by pointing out the importance of Pacific problems to students of military strategy. World policy or the development of the trade positions of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, made the trend of affairs in the Pacific of vital importance to the Empire. "Whatever happens, we cannot be merely onlookers. We shall have to be participants."

#### Passion for Expansion

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—After an eventful week in which tragedy was mingled with a whole-hearted welcome and much enjoyment ashore and afloat, the three cruisers of the Japanese training squadron passed out of Vancouver harbor this morning on their way home via Honolulu. Vice-admiral Hyakutake sent an official message to the government and people of Canada thanking them for the welcome.

### A LARGER AND FINER EXHIBIT

Canada to be Well Represented  
at Wembley Along with  
Other Dominions

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—Canada will carry on at Wembley this year with an even finer representation than that which won world-wide appreciation last year, according to W. R. Robb, minister of immigration yesterday. Every dominion and colony which participated last year will be represented again.

### VANCOUVER GETS 270 CARS GRAIN IN WEEK OUT OF 1810 LOADED

WINNIPEG, Feb. 14.—During the period from August 1 to February 11 at midnight a total of 3,418 cars of grain had been delivered by the Canadian National Railways at Vancouver and of these 270 were delivered during the past week. The total loading on the C.N.R. during the week were 1810 cars containing 2,464,000 bushels.

Grain in storage at country elevators on the system at country points amounts to 11,671,000 bushels.

### BULGARIA'S MINISTER STATES ASSASSINATED

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• STORK ASKS HOW  
PROVINCES STAND  
TOWARD DOMINION  
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• OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—Fred Stork today, after a conference with G. G. McGeer, put a resolution on the order paper of the House of Commons urging an inquiry be undertaken to ascertain the amount of monies received by the Dominion Government from the Provinces and their contributions to each with a view to finding out if B.C. is getting an equitable share of federal revenue.  
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• TUG FEARFUL AND  
DREDGE EXPECTED  
HERE IN DAY OR SO  
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• Already Some Preliminary Work  
is Being Done at the Elevator Site Here  
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• It is expected that the tug Fearful and dredge No. 10, belonging to W. G. Arnett, will arrive here by Sunday or Monday to start work on the elevator site. Mr. Arnett is understood to be coming north with the equipment. Operations will start a day or so after the tug and dredge arrive.

### JACK MILLER IS SENTENCED

Former Local Man Gets Two  
Years and \$15,000 Fine for  
Liquor Conspiracy

(Special to Daily News)  
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14.—Jack Miller, Vancouver liquor dealer, was sentenced to two years in Leavenworth Penitentiary and fined \$15,000 on four counts in connection with a liquor smuggling conspiracy.

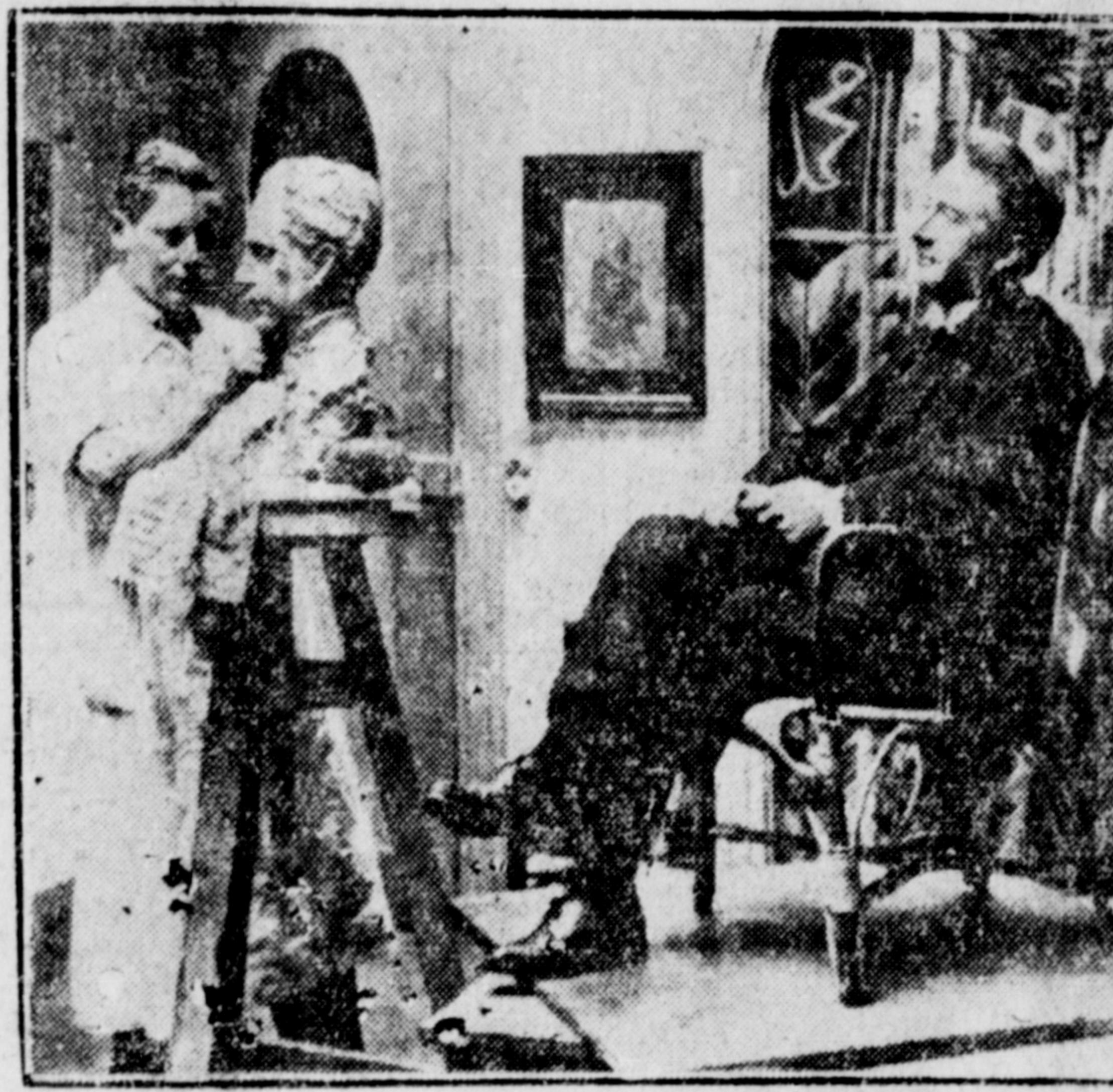
Alexander Curtis, president of the Curtis Packing Co. of Longbeach, was sentenced to two years and fined \$7,500.

### FUNERAL HELD TODAY OF MAGNUS SIGURDSON DR. GRANT OFFICIATING

The funeral of the late Magnus Sigurdson, who was drowned near Smith Island on Wednesday, took place this afternoon from the house on Fifth Avenue, Rev. H. R. Grant officiating. Pall-bearers were Thomas Boulter, Jno. Philipson, T. H. Jonason, Wm. Grimson, Jno. Eysolfson and R. E. Eysolfson.

Floral offerings were sent by R. H. Keethaber, Mr. and Mrs. Moersch, Mr. and Mrs. Boulter, Freddie Boulter, Mr. and Mrs. R. Long, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Stephens, Miss Sara Phillipson, Mr. and Mrs. Took, Miss Sharp and Hyde Transler.

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William T. Cosgrave, resident of the Irish Free State, poses for his bust, which is being executed by George F. Waters, the American sculptor, in his Auteuil studio.

### Coroner's Jury Disagrees in Investigating Death of Little Norma Munro: Driver Charged

After deliberating for one hour and 20 minutes, the coroner's jury at the inquest into the death of little Norma Munro, who was killed on Thursday afternoon when knocked down by an automobile driven by G. V. Symes, returned to the courtroom at 1 o'clock this afternoon reporting that it had failed to come to an agreement. Disagreement of a coroner's jury is a rare occurrence in the history of British Columbia law courts, but it is provided for by statute by having the enquiry adjourned until the next court of assize and the jury retained until that time. G. V. Symes, the driver of the car, is out on \$5,000 bail on a charge of manslaughter.

The inquest opened this morning at 10 o'clock in the city police court before Coroner Norman Watt. The jury comprised John Dybhavn (foreman), Leo Waugh, W. D. Vance, G. P. Tinker, John R. Mitchell, and E. S. Allistone. City Solicitor E. F. Jones and W. O. Fulton appeared as counsel, the latter for Symes.

The first witness was Mrs. John Manson. She saw the little girl apparently standing in the road and the car approaching fairly near. The driver attempted twice to turn and clear the youngster and, in doing so, the right wheels of the car went up on the sidewalk. She did not actually see the child struck. Later she saw the child lying on the street. The car came to a stop about 110 feet further on. The car was travelling at a reasonable rate of speed, witness opined. It was travelling on the right hand side of the street.

#### Saw Car Coming

Annie Smith, aged 12, saw the car approaching as the little girl was crossing the street. She thought that the car would run into the child and she turned her back. The driver tried to slow up and the car ran on to the sidewalk. She did not hear the horn of the car tooted. The little girl was lying on the road in front of the Munro house. The car stopped near the Spencer house.

Edna Edgar heard a boy screaming for his father whom she saw come out and pick up the little girl. She saw the man get out of his car which was stopped near the Spencer house and come back. She did not see the little girl struck and she did not hear the horn tooted.

#### Heard Scream

Mrs. D. C. McTee, who was coming along Young Street near the Baptist Church, heard a grating and grinding noise. She saw a car go by on Fifth Avenue (continued on page three)

### Exodus of Capital and Political Unrest Cause Price of Franc to Drop

PARIS, Feb. 14.—The continued exodus of capital from this country ascribed to decreasing confidence in France on the government's financial policy is given in banking circles for the sharp flurry in exchange, which sent the dollar to 19 francs 25 centimes today. Capital exportation is said to be going on largely through the purchase of foreign securities on the Bourse. It is estimated that four billion francs have been exported since Christmas.

Premier Herriot is confident that when the government's financial policy is understood, the alarm will be shown to have been unfounded.

Another factor believed to be contributing to the situation is the political unrest due to the growing conflict between government partisans and Catholics, which culminated in the recent Marseilles riot.

### INTERESTING FISH BOAT CASE HEARD IN COUNTY COURT

If Member of Crew Shares Profits Should He also share Losses is Question Involved

A test case to decide the liability of a member of a fishing boat crew for portion of loss on a trip was heard by Judge Young in the County Court yesterday afternoon and judgment was reserved. The case was that of Gavigan vs. Sheppard in which S. W. Taylor appeared for the plaintiff and E. F. Jones for the defendant.

In 1923 the fishing boat Dolphin, the crew of which defendant was a member, ended a voyage at a loss. One of the crew had been drowned and another had gone insane. The plaintiff claimed he had entered into an agreement with Capt. Byrne whereby the captain and crew were to share in losses on trips if any. Defendant claimed that he was not aware of any such arrangement. It was proven, however, that defendant had shared in previous profits and the question arose as to whether this constituted partnership.

### OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL IN THE GULF

#### Moresby Taken Over by Wealthy Californian Who Will Lay It Out

VICTORIA, Feb. 14.—Moresby Island, one of the largest of the minor groups of islands in the Gulf of Georgia, about twenty miles from Victoria has been sold to Louis Bradbury, a wealthy mining operator and land owner of California. The occupants of the island are now moving off to turn it over to Bradbury and his associates. It will be developed as a pleasure resort. An artificial lake will be constructed, a golf course laid out and a club hotel erected.

Union steamer Venture, Capt. A. Johnston, was in port at noon southbound from Anwoy and the Naas River to Vancouver.

#### MINING PROSPECTS OF BULKLEY VALLEY

The Smithers Board of Trade has recently prepared a survey of the mining prospects of the Bulkley Valley. The work has been in charge of L. S. McGill, last year's secretary and this year's president, and is very comprehensive. It covers each property in detail and will prove of great interest to miners and others. The report will be published in this paper in serial form, continued for several days until completed.

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION I.

Arsenal 0, Huddersfield 5, Aston Villa 1, Birmingham 0, Burnley 1, Tottenham 4, Bury 3, West Ham 2,

Cardiff 1, Notts County 1, Leeds 1, West Bromwich 1, Liverpool 1, Newcastle U. 1,

Manchester City 1, Blackburn 3, Preston 1, Bolton 0,

Sunderland 3, Everton 1,

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#### SCOTLAND BEAT WALES

EDINBURGH, Feb. 14.—In an international soccer match played here today Scotland defeated Wales three goals to one.

### ATTACK MADE ON GOVERNMENT

Spirited Debate on Address in Commons Yesterday: Senate Adjourns

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, which came near dying a natural death Thursday evening, was revived when the House of Commons resumed Friday and became strenuous as the day wore on.

The debate was carried on by Conservative members, who joined in a spirited attack on the government.

The Senate adopted the motion for the address in the evening and adjourned until March 10.

### DISTRESS NOT UNUSUAL ERIN

Minister of Agriculture Accuses  
Newspaper Correspondents  
of Exploiting

DUBLIN, Feb. 14.—Patrick Hogan, minister of agriculture, told daily press correspondents that they had been exploiting the distress in western Ireland for their own purposes and said there was no abnormal distress this year. There is always distress in these districts. There was no failure of the potato crop except in limited areas.

### PILLSBURY TRYING FOR BOAT CONTRACT

So Says Special Despatch From Ottawa Published in Vancouver Sun

A special despatch from Ottawa to the Vancouver Sun says: To persuade the government, through the Canadian National Railways, to build a ship at Prince Rupert, is the mission here of J. Pillsbury, superintendent of the Prince Rupert dry dock.

### MISS TOLMIE FALLS FROM WINDOW AND DIES

VICTORIA, Feb. 14.—Miss Geraldine Tolmie, niece of the late Lieut.-Governor T. W. Patterson, is dead as a result of falling from a window of the home in Uplands. She had not been well for some time. She was born in Kincardine, Ont., and was the daughter of the late John Tolmie, member of Parliament for Bruce constituency.

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