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VICTORIA HOCKEY CHAMPIONS OF WORLD

IMMENSE QUANTITY OF HALIBUT MARKETED HERE SINCE SEASON OPENED

World Championship is Won by Victoria Hockey Team amid Wild Scenes

Flappers Storm the Dressing Rooms and Kiss the Players following Six to One Victory

(Special to Daily News)

VICTORIA, Mar. 31. —Good generalship is conceded to have been the prime factor in the triumph of the Victoria Cougars last night when by defeating Les Canadiens of Montreal by 6 to 1 they annexed the Stanley Cup and world hockey championship. The Canadiens held the cup last year and the Cougars last night gave them the worst trouncing of the season in the fourth and deciding game of the series.

Brilliant hockey was played by the winning team. The managerial starlegy of Lester Patrick featured the tussle. Patrick poured in all his substitutes in continual procession, while Manager Dandurand would not trust any but his old stalwarts on the ice. The result was Les Canadiens retired frequently to defense for breathing spells leaving the openings for the Cougars to snarl, show their teeth and snatch plums from Vezina's cupboard.

Skated Like Demons

The Cougars skated like demons, passed with perfect precision and shot swiftly and often like machine guns.

In the first place Frederickson scored with a long shot. In the second period Hart scored on a shot with a mean hop. Boucher for the visitors replying with a long one from the right boards that glanced off Hanny Holmes

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ELECTION NOT CONSIDERED

Premier Answering Question of Progressive Leader Makes Statement

OTTAWA, Mar. 31. — "The Government has not decided on date for a general election. So far as I am concerned, the matter has not been considered," stated Premier W. L. Mackenzie King in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, when replying to a question raised by Robert Forke, who read a despatch quoting Hon. E. J. Murray, solicitor general, as suggesting an election following prorogation.

Halibut Catch for Month Very Large Compared with February Almost Five Millions for 1925

During the month and a half this year since the first close season on halibut fishing was raised, landings at this port have totalled 4,927,400 pounds as compared with a total of 2,722,400 pounds landed in 1924 for the first three months of the year ending March 31. Of the 4,927,400 pounds landed so far this year, 4,287,200 pounds has been from American boats and the balance, 640,200 pounds, from Canadian boats. This means that something over ninety per cent of the total halibut handled here has been from American bottoms which certain interests are now endeavoring to have excluded from the use of the port and its transportation facilities which offer such ready and speedy access to the Eastern fresh fish markets.

During the month of March closing today, a total of 3,810,800 pounds of halibut was landed here as compared with 2,552,000 pounds landed in March 1924. In volume of fish landings here, this month has been the second highest on record the highest having been August 1924 when 3,842,500 pounds was landed.

This morning six boats disposed of a total of 115,000 pounds at the Exchange as follows:

American

Allen, 45,000 pounds, at 8.2c and 3c, to the Pacific Fisheries.

Kanaga, 30,000 pounds, at 8.6c and 3c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Tatoosh, 22,000 pounds, at 8c and 3c, and Eureka, 4,000 pounds at 8.5c and 3c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Star, 8,000 pounds, at 8.2c and 3c, to the Royal Fish Co.

Canadian

Inez II., 6,000 pounds, at 9.1c and 3c, to the Royal Fish Co.

AIR SERVICE TO VICTORIA

Bids to be Called for Contract With U.S. Post Office Authorities

SEATTLE, Mar. 31.—Bids for the air mail contract between Seattle and Victoria are to be submitted by May 30, Carl Egge, superintendent of the U.S. mail service announced today. The success of the flights between the two ports for connection with transpacific liners is unquestioned, he says.

UNIVERSITY OF B.C. BASKETBALL LEADERS WILL PLAY IN EAST

EDMONTON, Mar. 31. — The University of B.C. basketball team defeated the 49th battalion here last night 22 to 15, winning the round 43 to 38 and with it the right to play the Ottawa Rideaus for the Canadian championship.

ORIENTAL GOODS ARRIVE IN CITY ARE BEING SORTED

Customs officers were busy at the government wharf this morning carefully inspecting the largest single importation of Oriental goods ever to be landed at this port. The shipment, which consists of Japanese goods including toys, seeds, dried fish, foodstuffs, etc. to a value landed here of about $1500, is consigned to E. Kishimoto of Port Essington. There are 334 separate parcels which arrived at Vancouver from Kobe on the Empress of Asia last week and were delivered here by the Princess Mary.

GERMAN SOLDIERS DROWN AT DETMOLD

Temporary Bridge Collapses and Throws Hundred Men Into River

DETMOLD, Mar. 31. — At least fifty German soldiers were drowned this morning when a temporary bridge constructed in connection with Reichswer manoeuvres collapsed, precipitating over 100 of the advancing column into the Weser River. The men were handicapped in their struggles to keep afloat by the heavy weight of the full field equipment.

TRAWLER NEW ENGLAND DAMAGES PROPELLOR

Fishing Vessel Was in Port This Morning Southbound From Ketchikan to Vancouver

The New England Fish Co.s trawler New England, Capt. Scott, was in port this morning southbound from Ketchican to Vancouver where her propellor, two blades of which were recently lost on the fishing banks, will be repaired. The New England discharged a catch of 175,000 pounds of halibut at Ketchikan.

PRAIRIE TOWN IS WITHOUT LIGHT AND HEAT DURING COLD

CALGARY, Mar. 31. Isolated by a broken gas main MacLeod in South Alberta is without light, heat or water in freezing weather. Gas fuel was used at the power house.

FORTY MINERS LIKELY LOST

Are in Flooded Mine at Newcastle With Little Hope of Recovery

NEWCASTLE, Eng., Mar. 31.—Forty men are now stated to have been entrapped in a mine at Scobwood near here which was flooded yesterday by a sudden inrush of water. Little hope is held of saving any. Men who attempted to enter the pit this morning said the water was rising rapidly and that the deadly black damp was already present.

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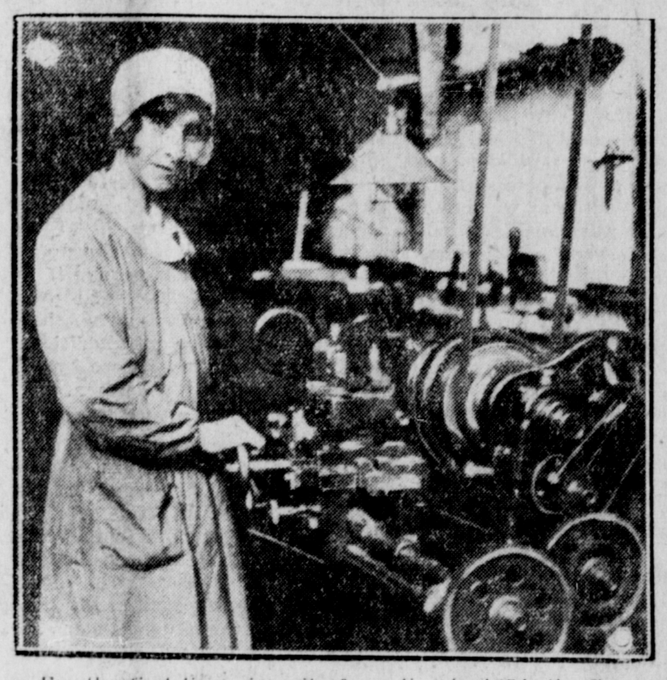

For the first time since its formation in 1854, the Society of Engineers has selected a woman member. She is Miss Annettee Ashberry, works manager of Atlanta, Limited, Fulham, England, an engineering firm which is run entirely by women

FISHPACKERS ARE OPPOSED TO CLOSING OF THIS PORT AGAINST AMERICAN BOATS

The fish packers are unanimously opposed to closing the port of Prince Rupert to American fishermen. At a meeting held yesterday at which practically all the members were present, it was decided to send a night lettergram to Fred Stork as follows:

"We, the 65 members of the Fishpackers' Union of Prince Rupert, at a special meeting held today resolved unanimously that we are strongly opposed to the closing of this port to American fishermen as it would result in our being thrown out of employment and our wives and families would suffer hardship.

"(Signed) E. C. PHILLIPS,
"Acting Secretary."

Two Sides to Question Closing This Port to American Fishermen

There are two sides to every question. In discussing whether or not to ask for the exclusion of American boats there is no need for heat or oratory of a declamatory nature. It is a business proposal and as such should be talked over calmly. All Prince Rupert people have the best interests of the city at heart but they are not agreed as to which is the better method of attaining prosperity. Following are two letters setting out the arguments for and against closing the port to other than Canadians:

BOAT OWNERS' VIEW

Editor, Daily News:

As the Board of Trade is calling a meeting of their organization Tuesday night to ratify a resolution passed by their executive to the effect that this port be not closed to the American fishermen, and as this association will not be represented at that meeting, we trust that you will give us pace in your paper to acquaint those of the Board of Trade who are not familiar with the ramificationsof the fish business with our reasons for asking Ottawa to bar American boats, whose owners or captains do not maintain a residence in B.C., from the use of these ports.

First — The U.S. government does not permit (except under extenuating circumstances) Canadian fishing boats to sell fish in their ports; they must be brought in by freight boats.

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AGAINST CLOSING

Editor Daily News.

As mover and seconder of the resolution passed by the Executive of the Board of Trade opposing the resolution passed by the Retail Merchants' Association reparding the closing of this port it may be permissible at this time to ask you for privilege to set out a few facts concerning the agitation and controversy now being carried on by some influences in favor of closing our port to the American fishing vessels, and it is solely for the benefit of the public at large in order that they may know some of the facts and not merely have to be guided by theoretical propaganda.

In the year 1924, 1015 American vessels landed at this port a total of 24,372,200 lbs., and 1036 Canadian vessels landed a total of 7,799,800 lbs. These figures are taken from the hail-

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Alderman Stephens Opposes Method of Selling City Lots and Suggests an Alternative

There is still apparently considerable difference of opinion among members of the city council as to the method to apply in selling of lots reverting to the city at tax sale. At last night's meeting of the council a report was read from the finance committee recommending the sale of certain lots at certain figures. There was also a letter from Ald. Stephens in the way of a minority report, criticising the system being followed by the finance committee in disposing of lots. Both the report and the letter were laid over for a week, on motion of Ald. Stephens, seconded by Ald. Brown, so that other members of the council outside of the finance committee might go into the question before voting. Ald. McKechnie and Ald. Larsen voted against the amendment to have the matter stand over. Ald. Casey said he had no objection to other members of the council being given the opportunity to study the question before voting.

Ald. McMordie gave notice that at the next meeting of the council he would introduce a bylaw to govern the sale of lots reverting to the city at tax sale.

The report of the finance committee recommended that offers for tax sale lots be accepted as follows:

Peter Bruno, $386.93 for lots 9 and 10, block 17, section 5.

Charles Nelson, $44.80 for lot 8, block 27, section 7.

A. Mackenzie, $300 for lots 18 and 19, block 2, section 2.

J. W. Moorehouse, $195.93 for lot 35, block 9, section 5.

O. A. Johnson, $400 for lots 35 and 36, block 13, section 7.

Ald. Stephens' letter was as follows:

Stephens' Reports

Re the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the following lots, the property of the city, be sold for the prices set opposite each:

For convenience sake I have given each separate offer a parcel number, for more ready reference in comparison:

Parcel 1, lots 18 and 19, block 2, section 2, Price recommended, $300.00 pair, Assessors' value, $1000, City's charges against the lots, $241.82.

Parcel 2, lot 35, block 9, sec.

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ABOLISH OFFICIAL HOME OF GOVERNOR ALBERTA THIS YEAR

EDMONTON, Mar. 31.—Government House, the official home of the Lieutenant Governor, at the end of the present year, will be used as government offices, according to a decision of the Legislature, Monday, when a resolution to that effect was passed by 29 to 16. It was moved by C. M. Davidson of Calgary.

GOVERNMENT USES A CLUB

Point Grey Turns Down Proposed Agreement so Lands Taken From it

VICTORIA, Mar. 31.—Following the rejection of the proposed agreement between the Provincial Government and the municipality of Point Grey regarding the University grounds, Saturday, Hon. T. D. Pattullo announced that an order-in-council was being prepared establishing the lands as unorganized territory under Government administration.

DOUKHOBORS MUST REBUILD

Cost of Schools Will be Charged Against Them if They Do Not

VICTORIA, Mar. 31—The Government has instructed school inspector Sheffield to go about the whole Doukhobor district of British Columbia and inform the people therein that they must rebuild the schools that have been destroyed or else the Government will do this and have the cost charged against them, stated Hon. L. D. Maclean yesterday.

BROADCASTING NEWS TO SHIPS AT SEA IS TO BE FEATURED SOON

New Station at Lulu Island to be Utilized For This Purpose Says Minister

OTTAWA, Mar. 31.— "Broadcasting of news items to ships at sea was one of the features at present under consideration by Canadian National management in connection with the new radio statio," W. G. McQuarrrie of New Westminster was informed in the House of Commons this afternoon, when he asked for information regarding the new Lulu Island plant.

Anti-Oriental Resolutions are Moved and Referred Committee at Victoria Meeting Yesterday

VICTORIA, Mar. 31.—Sixty organizations which met here a week ago at the call of the Sons of Canada to discuss the Oriental question resumed the discussion last night. Resolutions advocating the boycott of all Orientals, urging the Legislature to put an absolute stop to further Oriental immigration and to pass laws to make it impossible for Orientals to own or lease land were proposed but referred for consideration to a committee to report at a later date.

One suggestion made at the meeting was to establish a school for sawyers with the object of training white men to replace Chinese in the mills.