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## NEW GOLD STRIKE IN CASSIAR DISTRICT

## TWO DOMINION HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS CAPTURED BY WESTERN CANADA

### Free Gold Discovered on Eagle River Near Grady-Ford Diggings

**Report States Telegraph Creek is Facing general Shortage of Supplies**

WRANGELL, Alaska, Mar. 26.—A telegram received here announces a new gold strike 250 miles northeast of here on a tributary of the Eagle River in the Cassiar district of British Columbia. The new find is a short distance from the placer discovery made last September by Ford and Grady. The latest strike is of free milling quartz.

Telegraph Creek, B.C., 150 miles up the Stikine River from here, the principal base of supplies for the Cassiar district is reported to be without butter, lard, beans, rice and cigarettes.

J. C. Calvin, one of the stamperers to the Gold Pan Creek district last fall, leaves here today by dog team for the new district.

### TUG QUALICUM HERE SAFELY

Brings Transfer Barge With Material for Elevator Wharf—Had Rough Voyage

After an extremely rough trip up the coast in the course of which there was considerable delay because of stress of weather, the C.P.R. tug Qualicum, Capt. Goll, arrived in port at 2 o'clock this afternoon having in tow the transfer barge No. 4 loaded with cross-acted piles and lumber from North Vancouver for the elevator wharf. Outside of the weather, the voyage was an uneventful one. Over Monday night, when the furious southeaster was raging the tug and barge tied up at Bella Bella after having successfully navigated Queen Charlotte Sound.

The Qualicum and her tow are now tied up at the ocean dock but they will move to the lumber wharf to discharge the lumber. The piles will be floated to Digby Island where they will be kept until needed.



Lord Lee of Fareham, shown above, with his wife, an active advocate of closer relations between Great Britain and the United States, is to confer with President Coolidge regarding the new arms conference.

### Senate Reform Urged by Progressive Member in House of Commons

OTTAWA, Mar. 26.—The reputation of the Canadian Senate was hanging in tattered shreds when the House of Commons weighed the Upper Chamber in the balance and found it sadly wanting in just about every particular.

Examining the Senate carefully and with marked fairness, the Commons saw it as a mill-stone around the neck of the Canadian system of government for two clear-cut reasons—it was wrongly constituted in the first place through a fatal compromise among the fathers of Confederation, and it has worked out in actual operation to the great disadvantage of the Canadian people.

But the Commons discussion was not purely negative. It did not content itself with wrecking the Senate's reputation. . . . It advanced definite remedies for what it considers is the cancer in the country's legislative organs. Reforms varying from abolition of the Senate to the popular election of senators were proposed and while, of course, they got no further than the proposal stage, they unquestionably will form excellent food for thought when an inter-provincial conference is called this year to consider the whole Senate question. For that reason the Commons debate was extremely useful.

To Joseph T. Shaw, the promising young Progressive member for Calgary West must go full credit for exposing the inherent weaknesses of the Senate in a masterly speech, buttressed by historical facts and strengthened by actual incidents in the checkered career of the only reactionary remnant in the Canadian constitution.

Safeguards Needed

Mr. Shaw admitted frankly in the first place that ample safeguards are needed in all democratic countries against freak or hasty legislation. He pointed out, however, that times have changed since the Senate was established and he was not sure that instead of "trying to curtail democratic intensity we might more properly be engaged in this case in trying to curtail reaction."

"In our day," said Mr. Shaw, "the reactionary has full and complete opportunity for his activities, whereas the man who seeks even the slightest measure of reform finds himself opposed by all kinds of checks and balances."

But Mr. Shaw was confident that the tide of democracy, while it might be held up for a while would move on inevitably.

The Progressive member then looked into the fundamental defects of the Senate—defects inevitable from the very nature of its constitution. In the first place, he pointed out that while the Senate was originally born to protect provincial rights and sectional interests, yet the Senators were not responsible in any way to any provinces or to any sections of the country, either through legislatures or otherwise. And, he asked bluntly, who ever heard of the Senate, in all its long history, ever doing anything to protect provincial (continued on page four)

### LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT VERY COSTLY

Manitoba to Follow Suit of B.O. and Make Deductions From Municipalities

WINNIPEG, Mar. 26.—Liquor law enforcement under government control is costing the government of Manitoba more than in the days of prohibition according to a statement made by Attorney General Craig in the legislature yesterday when the opposition attacked the proposal to deduct part of the cost of enforcement from the municipalities' share of liquor profits.

### CONVENTION AT VICTORIA 1926

Local Rotary Club Receives Message From George Bryant, Delegate at Portland

The Prince Rupert Rotary Club received the following message last night from George Bryant, the local delegate at the Portland district convention.

"The business of the twelfth annual convention of District No. 1, International Rotary, came to an end this evening. Climatic conditions are ideal. There is no change in the district this year as regards territorial division. Ed. Campbell of Seattle has been nominated for district governor. Victoria has secured the convention for 1926. We have enjoyed it all but will be glad to get home."

### EXEMPTIONS IN EIGHT-HR. DAY

Interior Mills Not Liable to Enforcement—Elasticity in Other Lines

VICTORIA, Mar. 26.—All saw-mills east of the Cascade or Coast ranges of British Columbia are exempt from the operation of the new Eight-Hour Day law it was announced today. The exemption has been granted the interior mills so they may be able to compete with those of the coast. They do not have as long an operating year.

Workers in ship repair plants and machine shops etc. when engaged on urgent work in which delay might seriously handicap other industries are also exempted.

### LOCAL FIRM OPENS OFFICE IN VANCOUVER

E. Williams Leaving in Few Weeks to Have Charge of Southern End

The local firm of Williams, Mason and Gonzales has decided to open a law office at Vancouver. The firm of Williams and Mason, one member of which is the Attorney General, has been in business here since the beginning of the city. Later William Gonzales joined it.

W. E. Williams is leaving in a few weeks for Vancouver with Mrs. Williams and family and now on they will make their home in the south. Mr. Williams spending only part of his time here. Messrs. Gonzales and Taylor remain in charge of the local office.

DRIVERS' LICENSES HAVE ARRIVED AT PROVINCIAL OFFICE

The licenses for all drivers of motor vehicles have arrived and are being issued by the Provincial Police. This license, it seems, must be secured by everyone driving, whether professionally or not. It must be carried on the person at all times and shown to any officer of the law on request.

### OFFICIAL PARTY VISITING HERE

H. C. Milburn, C.P.M.M. Assistant General Manager, Paying First Visit to District

H. C. Milburn, assistant general manager of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine with offices in Montreal; B. C. Keeley, Pacific Coast manager; J. M. Horn, C.N.R. general freight agent, and P. W. Baldwin, local auditor, arrived from Vancouver on the Prince George yesterday afternoon. Mr. Milburn, whose first trip it is north, is visiting Stewart and Anyox today accompanied by the rest of the party. All will return south on the Prince George tomorrow morning.

### ANOTHER HOCKEY TROPHY FOR WEST

Regina Team Defeats Toronto in Final For Junior Championship of Canada

TORONTO, Mar. 26.—The Memorial Trophy, emblematic of the Junior Hockey Championship of Canada, returned west last night as a result of the Regina Patriots conquering the Toronto Aura Lees on the home ice of the latter by 5 to 2.

A Victoria paper, in telling of a recent accident at the Victoria Machinery Depot when the Princess Ena slipped off the ways before it was intended, recalls a similar occurrence several years ago to the steamer Camosun. Capt. F. T. Saunders, now at Digby Island, was then in command of the Camosun. It happened to be on the bridge when the ship suddenly slid off and he broke a blood vessel in his leg at the time.

### LOCAL MAN TO FLY AIRPLANE

Lieut. Harry Floyd Will Pilot Hazelton This Season—Leaving for Interior Soon

Lieut. Harry Floyd of this city has been engaged by the Railway Employees' Industrial & Investment Association to pilot the all-metal monoplane Hazelton which will be used this season in carrying passengers and freight from Hazelton to the northern interior mining fields. He expects to leave the city on Saturday's train to supervise work that is to be done on the machine prior to its being put in commission again.

Mr. Floyd saw service as a pilot during the Great War and has been in the employ of Parker's garage here for some time. He is an active member of the First Battalion North B.C. Regiment with rank as lieutenant. Mrs. Floyd and family will probably join him at Hazelton later in the season.

### LIEUT.-GOVERNOR BACK FROM EUROPE

Hon. W. C. Nichol Says Relations Between England and France Were Never Better

MONTREAL, Mar. 26.—Relations between England and France were never more cordial than they are today states Hon. W. C. Nichol, lieutenant governor of British Columbia, who has just returned here from a trip to Europe. He left for the West last night.

### ALLAN CUP WON BY PORT ARTHUR

WINNIPEG, Mar. 26.—Port Arthur, Western champions, last night won the Allan Cup emblematic of Dominion amateur hockey championship by defeating Toronto Varsity three to two. The Port Arthur team won the first game on Monday four to nil.

### Four Hundred Pound Anchor Hurlled Over Nearby Buildings Body Lifted to Adjacent House

HAMBURG, Mar. 26.—Eight people were killed and three seriously injured in a heavy explosion on a lighter at Saturn Harbor today. The force was so great that it tore the 210 foot vessel apart and hurled the 400 pound anchor over several nearby buildings and the body of one of the workers was lifted to the roof of an adjacent house.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by men working with an oxygen blast apparatus on supposedly empty tanks which probably contained a residue of oil.

### Logging Operating to Resume at Alice Arm by the Abbotsford Logging Company Early in April

The Abbotsford Logging Co. will resume logging operations in full at Alice Arm on April 6 states J. O. Tretthway, head of the company, who is in the city. Something over 50 men will be employed and there is sufficient timber to keep the work going for the most of the season.

No. 1 and No. 2 logs will be delivered at the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill from the Abbotsford camp and the lower grades will go to Ocean Falls where they will be used by the Pacific Mills in the manufacture of pulp and paper. Deliveries here will start about April 15.

As principal shareholder of the Sunrise Mining Co. at Hazelton, Mr. Tretthway attended a meeting of the directors of that company which was held in the city yesterday afternoon. It was decided to raise money for the continuation of development work on the property this year.

Mr. Tretthway will sail for the south tomorrow morning but expects to be back on his way to Alice Arm in about a fortnight's time.

### GASOLINE IS AGAIN FATAL

Three Members of Quebec Family Dead as Result of Pouring it Into Stove

ST. PHILIPPE de NERI, Quebec, Mar. 26.—Three are dead and a fourth is dying as a result of a fire. They are all members of the Chamberland family whose home was destroyed as a result of pouring gasoline into a stove.

Mrs. E. F. Guest, who has been visiting at Anyox, returned last night to her home in Edmonton.

### BIRTHS

A son was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital March 26 to Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Bonney, 621 Fifth Avenue West.

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on March 26 to Mr. and Mrs. Bureau.

### CAPIN WINNER LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP RACE

LINCOLN, Eng., Mar. 26.—The racing season opened here yesterday. There was an average entry of horses but the quality of the string was above the average. The winners of the Lincolnshire handicap, the chief race of the day were: First—Tapin, ridden by Donoghue.

Second—Grave Fairy.

Third—King Willow.

### MUSSOLINI WELL AGAIN

Communists and Fascists Exchange Greetings in Italian Chamber Today

ROME, March 26.—Premier Mussolini, in going to the chamber of deputies today for the first time since his recent illness, was given an enthusiastic welcome by the whole assembly with the exception of the Communist members who broke into cries of "Viva Communism." When the uproar died down, the rest of the members replied with the Fascist hymn.