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CANADA'S POSITION LEAGUE OF NATIONS

GREAT PREPARATIONS MADE FOR BIG HOCKEY MATCH CALGARY TONIGHT

Canada Looms Large at League of Nations as Her Document is Read

Refusal to Accept Protocol of Peace and Safety Causes Stir and Speculation as to Country's Influence

GENEVA, Mar. 14—Canada's communication to the League of Nations rejecting the protocol but expressing willingness, with some reservations, to consider acceptance of the compulsory jurisdiction of a permanent court of international justice when it comes before the League next September, was read to the council. Reception of the Canadian document, signed by Premier Mackenzie King, created a stir only second to that produced by the speech of Right Hon. Austin Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, in his announcement Thursday of Britain's rejection of the protocol.

Speculation as to how much the attitude of Canada and the other Dominions had to do with the stand of the Mother Country is rife, while the clauses of the Canadian communication dealing with arbitration caused new emphasis to be laid on that feature of the international problem.

Custody of Child Given to Mrs. Anna Johnson by Judge Young in County Court Today

Breaking down and weeping audibly, Mrs. Anna Johnson of Nevada, today resumed custody of the little daughter of herself and her divorced husband, Carl Johnson of this city. The child she claimed had been removed forcibly from her at the Prince Rupert Hotel last Wednesday morning by her husband with the assistance of Sergeant Bailey of the city police.

The hearing of the case followed the application of Johnson for legal custody of the child. This was refused by Judge Young on the grounds that there was no evidence to show that the mother was not fully capable of taking charge of the child. W. E. Williams had the case for the father and L. W. Patmore appeared on behalf of the mother.

Taking of evidence commenced yesterday and continued this morning, decision being given during the noon hour. Mrs. Johnson claimed that her husband had mistreated her and had forced her to leave him by his conduct. Despite this, she asserted that she had been at all times willing to give her husband access to the child, although she refused to give it up. She positively denied suggestions made as to her moral character, and levelled such accusations at her husband.

The father claimed that the removal of the child to Reno had constituted refusal to access. He asked that the custody of the childr be at least given to some third person at his expense so that both parties would have access. There were a number of witnesses on both sides, including Sergeant Bailey of the city police, who claimed that he had understood the father had papers entitling him to the custody of the child, although he had not seen them. He (Sergeant Bailey) had not exercised any force in having the child removed from the mother but had been merely called by the father as a witness. He had later made certain that the child had been delivered into to the care of Mr. and Mrs. Olier Besner.

Judge's Summary

"I do not see that there is any necessity to reserve judgment," said Judge Young at the conclusion of the proceedings. "The facts are quite fresh to us all. Our main consideration is the interest of the child. I cannot find in the evidence any justifi-

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GRATTON STORE AGAIN ROBBED

Loss to Estimated Value of $100 Removed—Same Window as Before Was Used to Get In

Entering open the same window through which entry was made several months ago when a burglary was committed, a thief or thieves during last night entered the store of W. Gratton on Third Avenue and removed goods to the estimated value of $100 including two revolvers, two watches, a hunting knife, pair of holsters and pocketbooks.

Mr. Gratton, on opening his store this morning, found that it had been entered. The back window had apparently been forced with a pick that was found to the rear of Jabour's store. The back door had been used to leave the place and it was found open.

The police are investigating.

NEW SPRUCE MILL AT QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY NEARLY READY

The sawmill at Queen Charlotte City, recently taken over by Wallace & Sereth of Vancouver, has been named the Sitka Spruce Mills. Work on renovating the plant is proceeding rapidly and the machinery is now being placed in attention. The Prince Rupert on this trip, brought up the boiler tubes for the plant from Vancouver. A new smoke stack has been erected. It is expected that the mill will be in operation within a few weeks.

DISCUSSION ON SHIP SUBSIDY

Arguments for and Against Given in Parliament Yesterday by Speakers

SUPPORT BY FORKE

OTTAWA, Mar. 14.—Tentative support of the Government proposal for reducing ocean rates was given in the House of Commons yesterday by Robert Forke, Progressive leader. "Let us make an attempt to deal with this matter anyway," Mr. Forke said.

The Progressive leader admitted he had doubts as to the efficacy of the measure proposed by the Government but was quite willing to investigate and willing to give the Government credit for at least making attempts to do something to better existing condition.

Donald Sutherland, Conservative, in opposition to the scheme asked "Why subsidize another line to enter into competition with the Canadian Government Merchant Marine?" and asked the Government, in view of its large railway obligations, to go very slowly before involving the country in more expenditure.

Hon. George Graham, minister of railways, gave the measure his support and said that for fifteen years the Government had struggled with the ocean freight rate problem which the present Government now was making a serious attempt to solve.

WATSON IDENTIFIED AT NANAIMO TRIAL ON ROBBERY CHARGE

NANAIMO, Mar. 14.—The preliminary hearing of Ross Watson, former Seattle policeman, opened yesterday and is being continued today on the charge of being implicated in robbing the Royal Bank here in December last of $42,000. A witness identified Watson as a member of the gang.

WILL DISCUSS DAILY TRAIN NEXT WEEK ON ARRIVAL OF WARREN

The Board of Trade has received a wire from A. E. Warren, general manager of the western region, Canadian National Railways, that he will discuss, on arrival here from the south next week, the complaint made at the decision to delay the inauguration of the daily train service from April until May.

MOUNTAIN CLIMBER SCALES LAST PEAK

VICTORIA, Mar. 14—Sir James Outram of Calgary, famous mountain climber, third baronet and grandson of the famous Indian mutiny hero of the same name died yesterday aged 60.

IRISH RUGBY TEAM WON FROM WALES

BELFAST, Mar. 14. — Ireland beat Wales today in a rugby match the home team getting 19 points to the visitors' 3.



Helen Taft Manning, daughter of Chief Justice William Howard Taft, former president of the U.S., has recently been appointed dean of Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pa. Her husband is an associate professor of history at Swathmore College.

Hockey Battle Tonight 20 Below Zero Weather Before 4,000 Spectators

Calgary Loses One of Best Players but Hard Ice Favors Home Team; Canadiens Leave for West

(Special to Daily News)

CALGARY, Mar. 14.—Enthusiasm is at its highest pitch here today in anticipation of the hockey battle tonight to decide whether the locals or the Victoria Cougars meet the Canadiens for possession of the Stanley Cup. Unless there is a dramatic surprise at the last minute Red Dutton, Calgary's white haired boy and sharp-shooter, will not turn out owing to injury.

At late announcement is that the double referee system will be used tonight with Ion and Battell officiating. Manager Patrick and the Calgary chieftains reached a deadlock after four hours discussion before a decision was made to use both referees.

Every inch of room in the arean, which holds 4,000 spectators has been contracted for. The weather is cold, the thermometer registering 20 below zero with hard ice and all the conditions just right for the gladiatorial battle. Eastern advices that President Calder of the National Hockey League has declared the Canadiens league champions as the result of the Hamilton players refusing to play unless they were paid $200 apiece, which their management refused in fear of losing their franchise, was quickly followed by the announcement that the Canadiens would leave tonight for the west.

The Canadiens last night defeated St. Patricks two goals to nothing after winning the first game three to two.

Attention is being given here by hockey magnates to the schedule of the playoff games on the coast. Vancouver as well as Victoria will see a game, dates of which are to be out soon.

CALGARY, March 14. (Later.)—It was announced this afternoon that the second game of the Western Canada League series will be played at Victoria, Wednesday next. The first game of the Stanley Cup series between the East and West will be played at Calgary or Victoria, depending on weather conditions, on March 24.

Lived in United States over Sixty Years and then when Returning Refused Admission

VANCOUVER, Mar. 14.—Paddy Dillon, 70 years of age, who has lived in the United States since he was eight years old, on returning to his home at Concrete, Washington, after spending Tuesday on business in Vancouver, was barred from re-entering the United States by immigration authorities. He will be admitted temporarily when he is able to raise the amount required for a bond but must prove his nationality if he wishes to remain on the other side. This may prove difficult as he was born in New Brunswick before confederation and knows of no records of birth. His father was a naturalized American. He will be admitted if he can prove he is either Canadian or American.

Prince Rupert Mentioned in Alberta Legislature as Probable Outlet for Peace River District

Prince Rupert was prominently mentioned in the Alberta legislature this week when a resolution was passed dealing with the Peace River railway. It was pointed out that either of the favored routes, that of the Pine Pass or Peace Pass, the outlet might be by way of Prince George to Prince Rupert or south by the P.G.E. to Ashcroft and Vancouver.

Incidentally members of the Legislature learned that the government had been given an outline of the plans of the two railway heads in strict confidence. A resolution moved by Premier Greenfield and seconded by L. A. Giroux, Liberal member for Grouard, follows:

The Resolution

That, whereas people now settled throughout what is known as the Peace River territory have for years past and are still suffering under severe handicaps in the conduct of their farming, commercial and other operations by reason of lack of railway transportation facilities to their nearest and more natural market points, namely the Pacific coast ports;

And whereas, the province of Alberta has already incurred a heavy financial obligation by way of assistance in providing the present railway system in the north country;

And whereas, as the result of the recent conference called by the minister of railways and canals for Canada for the consideration of the northern railway problem and the Pacific coast outlet, representatives of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Canadian National Railway systems are now considering the situation;

Asks Speed

Be it resolved, that this legislature urges upon the Dominion government the immediate and pressing need for such further railway construction as will insure to settlers in the Peace River district an outlet for their agricultural products to the Pacific coast, and the necessity for an early statement from the presidents of the two trans-continental railway systems, in order that negotiations may proceed at the earliest possible date and arrive at an early solution of this vital problem;

Further, that, giving due consideration to transportation service for the territory involved, any plan for such railway construction should, as far as possible, have regard to the present provincial railways, the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia railway and the Central Canada railway in order to preserve, as far as possible, the investment of the provincial government therein.

Four Passes

The premier, in introducing the resolution, dealt very briefly with the circumstances which led up to the decisions of the railroads to secure engineers' reports on all suitable outfits, and of the conference which was to follow, at which, it was hoped, a real solution to the railway needs of the north would be found.

L. A. Giroux (Liberal), Grouard, who seconded, stated that the northern outlet must serve the territory north and south of the Peace, and also that of the Lesser Slave Lake country. He followed with a carefully argued address in which, dealing with the four principal possible passes, the Peace, Pine, Monkman and Wapiti, he declared that to truly serve the great inland empire of the north, the outlet should be via the Peace or the

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LAURA WHALEN ARRIVES HERE

Millerd Floating Cannery Made Port From Quatsino Yesterday Afternoon

In tow of the International Towing Co.'s tug Canada, the big converted sailing ship Laura Whalen, used as a floating cannery by the Millerd Cannery Co., arrived from Quatsino at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon after an uneventful trip up the coast. The vessel is now tied up at the drydock pending completion of the company's wharf at Seal Cove where she will be moored until she is taken south to her location which will this season be at Barnard Cove on the north of Princess Royal Island.

CANADIENS WIN EASTERN LEAGUE

Hamilton Players Defaulted and Asked For More Pay and Thus Lost Out

MONTREAL, Mar. 14.—President Calder of the National Hockey League declared the Montreal Canadiens to be league champions and entitled to play the winner of the Western Canada League for the championship following the refusal of the Hamilton players to continue the games without extra compensation.

BURGLARS HAD CHOICE TASTE

Looted Mission Liquor Store and Carried Away Nothing But Scotch

MISSION, Mar. 14.— Burglars last night looted the liquor store here of all the Scotch whiskey in the place, some 20 cases in all. Other liquors were not touched. It is thought the burglary was the work of an experienced band.

BUILD EXPERIMENTAL STATION IN SUMMER AT PRINCE RUPERT

MONTREAL, Mar. 14.—It was announced here last night by Dr. A. G. Huntsman, director of the Atlantic Biological station that the Prince Rupert station would be commenced this summer.

The new station at Halifax, he said, would bear the same relation to the fishing industry that an agricultural research college does to farming.