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AIRPLANES OFF FOR NORTH POLE FLIGHT

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN DISCUSSED BY PROFESSOR SHORTT AT LUNCHEON

Two Amundsen Airplanes Hopped off Yesterday on Flight to Try to Reach the North Pole by Air

NEW YORK, May 22. — Two airplanes belonging to the Roald Amundsen North Pole expedition, hopped off late yesterday from Kings Bay, Spitzbergen Island, in an attempt to reach the pole and return in a quick dash.

As the planes are not equipped with wireless apparatus no information as to the result of the flight will be avaiablle until the party lands at some point where communication with the rest of the world is available.

Spitzbergen is directly north of the Scandinavian peninsula.

NOT MURDER MAN INSANE

Payette of Kamloops Who Crushed His Wife's Skull is Acquitted

WILL GO TO ASYLUM

KAMLOOPS, May 22—Payette, the man charged with the murder of his wife at Notch Hill a year ago, was acquitted by the jury yesterday after an hour's deliberation, on the ground that he was suffering from alcoholic insanity.

Payette will be held in prison to await his commitment to the asylum for the insane.

In a previous trial the man was sentenced to be hanged but upon appeal a retrial was ordered. Evidence showed that he crushed his wife's skull with a heavy poker and had been habitually a heavy drinker all his life.

NOTED GENERAL OBEYS COMMAND

Earl of Ypres, Formerly Lord French, Died This Afternoon in England

DEAL, England, May 22.—Earl of Ypres, formerly Field Marshal Viscount French, died this afternoon, aged 73 years.

Lord French was commander of the British forces in France and Flanders for 16 months until December 1915. He was then made commander in chief of the armies of the United Kingdom until he was made Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in May 1918. An attempt was then made to assassinate him but he escaped uninjured.

PROSPECTORS FOR STIKINE

Fourth Boat for Gold Country Left Yesterday for Wrangell

WRANGELL, May 22. — The fourth boat to carry prospectors and freight up the Stikine to Telegraph Creek left Wrangell yesterday. The three boats which left on May 10 have returned.

Several hundred tons of freight stored here will be shipped up the river before the end of the week.

S. J. Nixon of Anyox was a passenger going south on the Prince George last night. He is on his way to Montreal where he will board the Aurania on May 29 for Liverpool.

GEORGE BUSHBY IS NOMINATED

Unanimously Chosen at Convention Last Night to Bear Tory Standard in Federal Election

Conservatives of Skeena riding in convention last night unanimously nominated George G. Bushby as their candidate in the next federal election. The name of Dr. Learoyd of Anyox was also put up but he withdrew in favor of Mr. Bushby.

The convention was held in the Imad Hall and the following points were represented either by delegates in person or proxies: Oona River, Banks Island, Refuge Bay, Oceanic, Inverness, Woden River, Tow Hill, Massett, Terrace, Lakelse, Buckley Bay, Port Simpson, Port Clements, Skidegate, Sandspit, Alice Arm, Anyox Mine, Anyox Beach, Smithers, Telkwa, Cedarvale, Hazelton, New Hazelton, Kispiox, Kitwanga, Skeena Crossing, Moricetown and Prince Rupert. J. C. McLennan was chairman of the convention and George Hill, secretary.

Mr. Bushby accepted the nomination and addressed the meeting.

C. H. Orme was elected president of the district committee and J. S. Rogers, secretary. Prince Rupert will be the headquarters of the committee.

FLOOD IN KOOTENAY AT KITCHENER MILL

Conditions on Lower Fraser are Improving and Believed Danger is Over

VANCOUVER, May 22. — The flood situation in the Fraser Valley is slowly improving with continued cool weather and it is now believed the danger for the time being is passed.

Warm weather in the Kootenay followed by heavy rains last night caused flood conditions at Kitchener where the Paulson-Mason lumber mill was flooded and the householders forced to flee leaving their belongings behind.

STOCK MARKET

	Bid.	Asked
B.C. Silver	.	1.48
Granby	14.00	
Howe Sound	15.00	
Indian	.09¾	.09¼
Surf Inlet	.05¼	.05¾
Dunwell	3.25	3.90
L. & L.	.25	.27
Daly Alaska	.22	.25
Selkirk	.05	.05½
Bayview	.10	.11½
Premier	2.36	2.40
Terminus	.50	.70

ONLY AWAITING CLEAR WEATHER

Aerial Prospecting Expedition Will Probably Leave Here Early Next Week

A clearing up of weather conditions between here and the Stikine River is all that is now awaited before the take-off is made for Telegraph Creek today announced Archibald Little, Detroit mining engineer, who will go north from here aboard the Vickers Viking flying boat piloted by Col. J. Scott Williams of Montreal on a prospecting expedition to the Cassiar district. Reports received are to the effect that the ice is practically out of the Stikine River. The plane itself is already for the air. It is probable that the expedition will depart early next week.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH VANCOUVER HARBOR

Coroner's Jury So Declares in Connection with Body of John Smith of Campbell River

VANCOUVER, May 22.— The coroner's jury declared the body taken from the inlet Sunday to be that of John Smith, a Campbell river farmer and miner, who disappeared from the steamer Charmer on March 12. It was found that he came to his death by accident from falling from the deck of the steamer and hitting a projection before striking the water, thus causing the fracture of his skull.

OFFICIAL FIGURES ON HOSPITAL DONATIONS

S. K. Campbell, president of the hospital board, states that the official total of receipts for the children's ward at the hospital is $2,075.10 and there are a few promised subscriptions that have not yet been received.

BIG BOOM OF LOGS ARRIVE

Cape Scott Came in Yesterday With One of Largest Tows Ever to Enter Harbor

Bringing in one of the largest tows ever to arrive in this harbor, the Hecate Straits Towing Co.'s tug Cape Scott, Capt. F. J. Brown, came in yesterday afternoon in front of a flat boom of 46 sections of logs or roughly two million feet from the Abbotsford Logging Co.'s camp at Alice Arm for the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill. The boom, which consisted mostly of spruce with a small quantity of hemlock, took several hours to handle in the harbor but the logs were finally safely delivered at Seal Cove. The Cape Scott then returned north to Alice Arm to bring down another boom for the local mill.

Down around Digby, Nova Scotia, oxen are still the beasts of burden, and this scene is typical.

Floods at Prince George Drive Residents From Homes: Children Enjoy Riding on Rafts in Streets

PRINCE GEORGE, May 22.—From 11 a.m. Wednesday to 2 p.m. yesterday the water had risen seven inches in the flooded section of the city. Water covers an area of about half mile square from the G.N. grade on the north to the hills on the south and from about 200 yards east of George Street to the hills on the east. A number of the residents of this district have had to move to higher ground and if the water rises a much during the next twenty-four hours as it has in the past a much larger number will be compelled to move.

The Connaught Hotel on Second Avenue east of George Street being built in a rather low spot is practically surrounded by water which is within a few inches of the basement windows on the west side of the hotel.

The kiddies of this city are having the time of their young lives riding on rafts and even some of the adults seem to be taking their turns at it. Yesterday afternoon it was a common sight no matter which way you looked in the flooded district, to see from one to four kiddies in bathing suits riding on rafts and swimming to and from them. The board sidewalk is afloat and tied to stakes driven in the ground. The water runs from a depth of about a foot to four or five feet in the low spots. The water on both sides of the C.N. grade now is at the same level and flood conditions now depend entirely on the rising of the rivers.

BASEBALL

American League

New York 6, Cleveland 3.
Washington 6, Detroit 2.
Boston 9, Chicago 7.
Philadelphia 20, St. Louis 4.

National League

Cincinnatti 1, Philadelphia 9.
St. Louis 3 Boston 12.
Chicago 4, Brooklyn 5.
Pittsburg 4, New York 5.

FIRES CHECKED NEW BRUNSWICK

Welcome Rain Came Last Night and Aided Fire Fighters: Timber Destroyed

CICHIBUCTO, May 22.—Forest fires starting near here Wednesday are practically under control this morning following heavy rain last night. The flames swept through the hardwood forests causing the loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of timber besides the destruction of four homesteads and outbuildings.

BUSH FIRE IS NEAR HUTTON

PRINCE GEORGE, May 22.—A big bush fire is reported burning along the right of way of the C.N. about one mile east of Hutton. No. 3 westbound passenger train was held up at this point for some time last night on this account. All wire communication east were interrupted also. Further details of the fire are not yet to hand.

Granby Company Commences to Develop Zinc Property McGrath Mountain, Alice Arm, This Week

ALICE ARM, May 22.—The Granby Company began active operations here this week looking toward the development of their McGrath Mountain property. The first work consists of constructing a pack trail suitable for pack horses from the end of the present trail to the Standard Group. As soon as this trail is completed supplies will be freighted in and actual development work will begin.

The first work on the property will consist of trenching and stripping in order to get a line on the ore bodies, preparatory to diamond drilling later.

The Standard Group of claims lies about two miles from tide water on the south slope of the McGrath mountain. It was bonded from Miles Donald and associates early in the year. The predominant mineral is zinc with gold and silver values.

Earle Anderson of the Granby Mine staff will be in charge of operations.

Japanese Steamship Map Shows Line from Yokohama to This Port

Professor Shortt urges cultivation of friendship with Island Empire and courteous treatment

That there is hanging in the offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Japan's greatest steamship company, a huge map on which a dotted line shows a projected steamship line to Prince Rupert, was mentioned at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday by Professor Shortt of the Anglican Theological College at Vancouver. This company is the largest in Japan and is backed by the Japanese Government. It is the company that is sending the Yokohama Maru here on a trial trip at the end of September.

Professor Shortt, who is here substituting for Archdeacon Rix, who is administering the diocese of Caledonia until a Bishop is appointed, spent eighteen years in Japan. He said that Japan was not concerned with having her people come here. She did not want them to come. She had her eye on this port, however, in the way of trade and had planned a steamship line here at least ten years ago.

The shortest route to Liverpool from Japan by way of the Pacific was through this port and the Professor said he had often, when in Japan, thought to see this port grow into importance. He could not see that it could be otherwise than one of the great world ports on one of the great trade routes.

Discussing the attitude of Canada toward Japan, the Professor suggested that people here knew very little of Japan and her people. "Japan is a great empire and is prejudiced in favor of the British at present," he said. This was a time, he thought, to cultivate the friendship of Japan. The immigration problem was not a serious one and the country might become a great asset if looked on rightly and treated rightly.

When Ambassador Paige held office representing the United States in Britain he urged upon his government the desirability of being courteous to the British people. So the Professor urged that it would be the part of wisdom to treat the Japanese wisely and well. He urged people here to read as much as possible about that country and visit it if convenient.

CHINESE REMANDED ON MURDER CHARGE RESULT OF SHOOTING

PORT MOODY, May 22. — When Shui Sing and Shen Say Yung, charged with murder in connection with a shooting affray here on Tuesday night appeared before Magistrate Noble at the preliminary hearing yesterday, they were remanded eight days pending the verdict of the coroner's inquest.

JOYCE WETHERED IS AGAIN GOLF CHAMP.

TROON, Scotland, May 22. — Joyce Wethered retains the British ladies' open golf title today by beating Cecile Leitch at the 37th hole.

J. W. Reid, an official of the railway commission, arrived on the train yesterday afternoon from Calgary and sailed by the Prince George for Vancouver.

MINERS MUST HAVE PAPERS

Duty Will be Charged on Their Goods Going to Dease Lake if Irregular

VANCOUVER, May 22. — Following reports from Canadian miners en route to Dease Lake objecting to having to pay customs dues before proceeding up the Stikine, J. E. Miller, Canadian Customs inspector, issued the following statement:

"Anyone going from Canada to the gold diggings should have necessary manifest prepared at the customs for all equipment. If this is not done and goods are not properly manifested from Vancouver, on arrival at the Alaskan boundary on the Stikine River they will be subject to duty."

CHARGE MURDER CHINESE CASES

Coroner's Jury Brings In Finding that Two Should be Committed

NEW WESTMINSTER, May 22. —The coroner's jury at the inquest on the body of the Chinese who were slain at McNair's mill camp at Port Moody Tuesday night found that Mack Dip shot Fred Lambert and then shot himself. They also found that as a result of evidence submitted Sue Fee and Ching Sam Young should be committed on murder charges in connection with the shooting.

BIG TORNADO IN COLORADO

Three People Killed and Many Injured From Severe Wind Storm

DENVER, May 22.— A trail of debris 75 miles long remains in northeastern Colorado today following a heavy windstorm which tore through a dozen villages and the intervening country yesterday killing three persons and severely injuring a number of others and causing thousands of dollars in damage.

The gale lasted an hour and during its height reached tornado proportions.