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THORNTON PROPOSES RAIL AMALGAMATION

LOCAL CANNERYMAN DECLARES BIG SALT PRODUCTION HERE IS POSSIBLE

Merger of Canadian National and C.P.R. Would Effect Great Saving Declares Railway Head

Sir Henry Thornton Defends Administration of Line and States Will Advertise When Necessary

OTTAWA, April 23.—"A merger of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways," declared Sir Henry Thornton before the parliamentarly committee on railways yesterday, "would result in an enormous saving providing there were sufficient net earnings to meet the fixed charges of both railways."

Sir Henry declared that the suggestion that the deficit on the National lines was due to state ownership was nonsense. The deficit was due to conditions which existed previously and had been forced upon the management.

Criticized by Sir Henry Drayton for expenditures on advertising Sir Henry Thornton said that if the National officials found advertising necessary "we are going to advertise."

CONFERENCE IS NOT COMBINE

Colonel Gear Declares it is Benefit to Shippers and Not Hindrance

OTTAWA, April 23. — "The conference is in no way a combine as generally understood by the word, asserted Colonel Gear of the Robert Reford Company before the special committee on ocean rates. To strangle trade by going to extremes in ocean rates is not the object of the North Atlantic conference, he declared. Not only did the conference not extort excessive rates but it conferred numerous benefits on the shippers in the line of regularity of service, reduction of premiums, improved accommodation, etc. He denied that New York governs the conference.

MAY ESTABLISH A CAN FACTORY

The establishment of a can factory in connection with the Prince Rupert Spruce Mills is under consideration, announced J. A. Smith, president of the company, this morning. If cans are made here, boxes would also be sold with them. Mr. Smith stated. This would give the mill a further outlet for its lower grade lumber. The cans and boxes would be for the fishing industry.

Seal Herd Now Passing Off Mouth of Hecate Strait and Moving Northward Bering Sea

If sealing were legal many of the small fishing boats could now be out off Dixon Entrance gathering the valuable pelts which would be marketed here. The main seal herd has passed a little north of that point now and is steadily moving northward to Bering Sea where the seals breed on the Pribyloff Islands, but the smaller herds are now outside.

The seals are being protected by the coast guard cutter Unalaga, Lieut. Commander R. C. Weightman and the cutter Snohomish.

The herd is scattered a good deal and has been passing Queen Charlotte Islands for several weeks. Now and then a Canadian or American fishing boat picks off a skin but there is no market for them and very little illegal fishing takes place.

If the treaty is annulled a year from next December, as is being asked, many boats will meet the scattered herds off Vancouver Island and follow them up the coast, taking their toll en route when the weather is favorable.

LIFE USELESS WITHOUT WIFE

Agassiz Man Shot Himself When Better Half Left Him

AGASSIZ, B.C., April 23. — Archibald Boyd, 60 years of age, stipendiary magistrate, was found yesterday in his home with his brains blown out. The police state it is a clear case of suicide.

Boyd had quarrelled with his wife the previous day and she left him to take up a separate residence.

142 BEER LICEISES

VANCOUVER, April 23.—There are now 142 beer licenses issued in this province, the latest being to the Kingsway at Port Alberni and the Pretoria at Ladysmith.

BASEBALL

American

St. Louis 3, Cleveland 2.
Philadelphia 6, Boston 5.
Detroit 1, Chicago 3.
New York 1, Washington 10.

National

Chicago 1, Pittsburg 6.
Brooklyn 7, Philadelphia 8.
Boston 5, New York 6.
Cincinatti 3, St. Louis 12.

GROW TOBACCO VANCOUVER ISD.

Experimental Farm at Sidney to Make Experiments This Season

VICTORIA, April 23—The possibilities of Vancouver Island for tobacco growing is to be tested at the experimental farm at Sidney under the Dominion department of agriculture. Various kinds of tobacco will be planted and tests made. So far seeds of seven different varieties are being grown under glass at the station and the seedings will be set out just as soon as they are large enough.

Tobacco has been grown here by private persons and also at the experimental farm but no tests as to its commercial and curative value have been made so far.

TRYING TO STIR UP OTTAWA GOVERNMENT

Hon. John Oliver and General Odlum Gone to Capital to Urge Action

VANCOUVER, April 23.—Before leaving for Ottawa Hon. John Oliver said he was unable to give out anything for publication except that he was going there to try to find out what was being done and what was likely to be done. Brig.-Gen. Victor Odlum, M.P.P. is also gone to lend a helping hand in trying to solve the Peace River problem.

Vancouver business interests are urging the Government to try to arrange for the Peace River project to be taken up this year with a view to construction being actually commenced.

AMELIUS JARVIS LIBERATED TODAY

Fine of $60,000 Paid Before Former Financier Was Allowed to go

TORONTO, April 23.—Amelius Jarvis, prominent financier and yachtsman, was released from the prison farm this morning after a fine of $60,000 imposed upon him had been paid.

Jarvis was convicted for his part with Peter Smith, former provincial treasurer, in connection with Ontario government bond scandals.

T. B. BOOTH CHOSEN LIBERAL CANDIDATE TO CONTEST NANIMO

DUNCAN, B.C., April 23. — T. B. Booth of Nanaimo was chosen to represent the Liberal party in the Nanaimo riding at the federal election by the party convention here last night. The vote stood 89 for Booth and 26 for C. H. O'Halloran of Victoria.

Booth is a Nanaimo newspaperman and O'Halloran a lawyer living at Oak Bay.

Alexa Stirling, woman golf champion of the United States, is shown with her husband, Wilbert G. Fraser of Ottawa, after their recent marriage at East Lake, Georgia

Grain Elevators Burned At Chicago Last Night Loss Over Two Million

CHICAGO, April 23.—A fire last night destroyed two wooden elevators of the Rosenbaum Grain Corporation containing two million bushels of corn and oats with a monetary loss estimated at $2,250,000.

For a time it was feared a large industrial section of the city would be wiped out, the heat being so intense that the firemen were unable to approach to within fifty feet of the burning structures at times.

The blazing grain poured into the south branch of the Chicago River clogging the stream and threatening shipping. Also it caused the withdrawal of two fire tugs.

COLLINS' BODY RESCUED TODAY

Directly After Removal Lateral Slid into Deep Pit Beneath It

CAVE CITY, April 23. — The body of Floyd Collins was freed today from the underground trap where he met a slow death two months ago, following seventeen days of suffering.

Miners yesterday reached the body and found a large stone right across the ankles with morsels of food, rope, chisels and hammers by its side.

A few minutes after the recovery of the body the lateral caved in and slid 100 feet below into a black pit, substantiating the remark of Collins to those who attempted to rescue him that there was a deep pit right behind him.

The body was in a good state of preservation. Burial took place on the top of the Crystal Cave, another cavern discovered by Collins.

SMALLPOX BANN IS LIFTED AT VANCOUVER

SEATTLE, April 23. — The quarantine against smallpox, which went into effect on March 17, requiring all persons entering the United States from Vancouver to be vaccinated, was lifted today.

GEODETIC SURVEY COMING TO RUPERT TO COMMENCE WORK

(Special to Daily News

OTTAWA, April 23.—A geodetic survey party under Major George McCallum, which leaves here for British Columbia, Monday, will commence its labors at Prince Rupert and work eastward along the route of the Canadian National Railways.

FIVE WOMEN ARE ON JURY

VANCOUVER, April 23.— Five of the twelve persons on the jury in the Chang Sing murder trial are women. They will help decide whether Sing will swing for his alleged crime or go free. It is the second trial of the Chinaman who is charged with being the slayer of David C. Lew, the brilliant young Chinaman, who was shot to death last September.

The women are not allowed to talk to their husbands until the trial is over but are being quartered in the Dunsmuir Hotel under charge of a police matron.

W. L. Stamford, engineer for the marine department, sailed last night on the Prince George for Anyox on departmental business in connection with the changing of a light in the steamer passage near Anyox.

Passengers on Homeric Think Japanese Might Likely Been Rescued

Say They Saw Men Swimming Toward Vessel Who Might Have Been Picked up but Others Disagree

NEW YORK, April 23. — The White Star liner Homeric docked last night with the passengers divided in regard to the possibility that at least some of the 38 members of the crew of the Japanese freighter Raifuku Maru which sank on Tuesday might have been saved..

Many passengers reported that they had seen Japanese seamen swimming or being swept toward the Homeric after the freighter foundered and that they believed they might have been saved had the lifeboats been lowered from the liner.

At least an equal number declared everything possible had been done.

Captain Roberts' statement declared it was impossible to effect a rescue. No seamen or bodies were seen.

The Raifuku Maru was built in 1918 at Kawakaki dockyard and was of 9081 tons deadweight. The owners were the "K" line of which B. L. Johnson, Walton Co., Ltd. are the local agents. This line own over one hundred tramp steamers, some of which it is very likely will call at this port later for cargoes of grain.

DAWSON MAN DIES.

DAWSON, April 23.—Olaf Oleson, 74 years of age, died yesterday. He was an old timer here who made strikes during the gold rush on Bonanza Creek.

WOULD REDUCE PARLIAMENT

Senator Proposes Basis of Representation be Changed from 65 to 50

OTTAWA, April 23.—Reduction in the membership of the House of Commons is sought in the petition to the King of which notice had been given by Senator Lynch Staunton. He suggested that the representation from Quebec which was a fixed factor on which Dominion representation from the rest of the country was based be reduced from 65 to 50 so that the unit of representation could be reduced all over the country.

Direct Shipments From Here to Orient of Herring Would Help Industry Says Millerd

That it should be possible to have transPacific steamers come here in the very near future to load general cargo for the Orient is the opinion of Francis Millerd, head of the Millerd Cannery Co. This morning, in discussing a shipment of 300 tons of salt herring that was recently loaded from his floating cannery Laurel Whalen to coasting vessels for delivery to Seattle and Vancouver where it was transferred to steamers for Japan, Mr. Millerd stated that, could that cargo have been loaded direct here, $5 per ton would have been saved in coastal freight rates. However, to have boats come here it is necessary to have general cargo including such commodities as wheat and lumber in addition to fish. Every year 20,000 tons of salt herring is shipped from Nanaimo to the Orient. Just as much as this could be produced here. The only difficulty is obtaining direct transportation. There is always a ready market in the Orient for salt herring and almost any quantity can be absorbed there if the price is right. Mr. Millerd says that next year his company will endeavor to get direct transportation for its product from here to the Orient.

The floating cannery Laurel Whalen, which has been salting herring during the winter, is now being outfitted to start canning salmon. About the first of July the vessel will be taken to Barnard Cove on Princess Royal Island where she is to be used.

Work on the extension plant at Seal Cove which the Millerd Co. recently acquired to make it into a full-fledged salmon cannery is proceeding Mr. Millerd reports.

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AUSTRALIA NOT REOPEN TREATY

Canada Must Pass Upon it as It Stands States Premier Bruce

MELBOURNE, April 23.—Premier Bruce cabled Premier King regretting his inability to reopen the discussion on the proposed trade treaty. The Commonwealth premier states that they are now awaiting the decision of the Canadian Parliament on the treaty.

SWIMMING CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Swimming club will be held in the City Police Court room on Thursday, April 23, at 8 p.m.

All members and those interested are requested to attend. 96