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PEACE RIVER OUTLET BY PRINCE RUPERT

AIR ROUTE FROM LONDON TO TOKIO IS PROPOSED BY WAY OF ALASKA

Prince Rupert as Outlet for Peace River District

Several Routes Through Mountains Advocated; Objections to Hansard and Peace Pass

Prince Rupert is the natural outlet to the world markets for grain raised in the Peace River district or in the northern part of the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. A revision of the freight rates promised by the government should make it profitable to ship grain from the whole of Saskatchewan and even from the western part of Manitoba westerly through Prince Rupert.

Until quite recently the Peace River grain has gone to the head of the Great Lakes, a distance of over 1600 miles, when there was tidewater here only 600 to 700 miles away. The cost of carrying grain from Prince Rupert to Liverpool would be about the same as from Fort William as one handling would be saved.

The difficulty today is that there is no direct route from the Peace River to the Pacific Seaboard but the Dominion Government has promised that the matter will be dealt with at the present session of Parliament.

ASK FOR SALE WHALEN ASSETS

Bondholders Appeal to Courts for Permission to Dispose of Concern

VANCOUVER, Mar. 7.—Notice of motion has been filed here on behalf of the Montreal Trust Co. as trustees for the bondholders for judgment and for an order that all undertakings, properties and assets of the Whalen Pulp & Paper Co. be put up for judicial sale. The motion is returnable Wednesday.

150 FISHERMEN LOST ON ICE

Went Out With 60 Horses to Bring in Catch and Were Carried Away

SKATERING, Mar. 7.—One hundred and fifty fishermen and sixty horses were drowned or frozen to death when caught in the ice floes on the Sea of Azov. The fishermen with their horses went out to haul in the catch but when in the middle of the sea the ice broke and they were carried away before assistance arrived.

COAL STRIKE IS ON NOVA SCOTIA

Inability to Negotiate New Contracts Results in Work Being Stopped

SYDNEY, Mar. 7.—Following the failure of the negotiation of a new contract between the British Empire Steel Corporation and the miners in Nova Scotia, cessation of work in practically all the coal mines of the province commenced at eleven o'clock last night involving 4400 men.

FATHER OF LOCAL MAN DIES IN SOUTH

John A. McMillan, Who Passed Away Yesterday, Was Postmaster for Many Years in North Vancouver

John A. McMillan, postmaster of North Vancouver for many years and father of Glen A. McMillan, draftsman at the local dock, died yesterday. Mr. McMillan sailed this morning for the Venture for North Vancouver to attend the funeral.

COLEMAN WINNER AMATEUR HOCKEY AGAINST ROSSLAND

VANCOUVER, Mar. 7.—Coleman amateur hockey champions of Alberta defeated Rossland, B.C., the senior champions, by five goals to one in the first game of the western elimination series for the Allan cup.

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WIRELESS REPORT

8 a.m. DIGBY ISLAND. — Cloudy, strong southeast wind; barometer, 29.91; temperature, 40; sea rough; 7:10 p.m. spoke Canadian Freighter passing out bound for Genoa Bay; 8 p.m. spoke tug Cape Scott 16 miles south of Bonilla Island bound for Cumshewa Inlet; 7 a.m. in steamer, Venture northbound; 8 a.m. in steamer Princess Beatrice northbound.

BULL HARBOR. — Overcast, calm; barometer, 30.00; temperature, 40; moderate swell; 7:30 a.m. spoke steamer Prince John left Allison Harbor southbound.

DEAD TREE POINT. — Raining, light southeast wind; barometer, 29.79; temperature, 36; sea smooth.

Noon DIGBY ISLAND. — Raining, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29.90; temperature, 43; moderate swell; 8:30 a.m. spoke tug Cape Scott anchored at Cumshewa village.

BULL HARBOR. — Overcast, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29.97; temperature, 45; moderate swell.

DEAD TREE POINT. — Cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.79; temperature, 42; sea smooth.

INVESTIGATION IS CALLED OFF

Only Four Turned up at Joint Meeting on Price of Fish

With a view to taking action on a complaint that was made to the city council this week by the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union regarding the low prices being paid locally for halibut, a meeting of the joint fisheries committees of the city council, board of trade, Fishermen's Union and Boat Owners' Association was called for last night. The only persons who turned up were Mayor Newton, Ald. Smith, Ald. Larsen and H. M. Dagggett, so the meeting was called off.

J. H. Meagher, secretary of the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union, stated this morning that the manner in which the matter was taken up by the city council through the joint committee was suitable neither to his union or the Boat Owners' Association. Therefore, they were not represented at the meeting. These two organizations are already taking the matter up with Ottawa, asking for an investigation.

SWANSON AND GAMMON GET \$4,000 SALVAGE

Case Over Rescue of Barge Griff Near Here Over a Year Ago Settled Except Costs

Settlement of the lawsuit in the Admiralty Court between Capt. A. Swanson and Richard Gammon of this city against the Coastwise Steamship & Barge Co. arising out of the salvage of the defendant's coal laden barge Griff near here over a year ago has been reached. The owners of the barge have increased their tender from \$2,000 to \$4,000 and this has been accepted by the plaintiffs. The matter of costs in the action remains to be settled.

FINE NEW HALL IS BUILT AT GREENVILLE

Concert and Basketball Games Held There Last Week; Painting Yet to be Done

The fine new hall which has been under construction for some time at Greenville is now completed except for the painting of the building which has been delayed until the weather improves. The building is 96 feet long and 40 feet wide with 16 foot walls and total cost so far has been \$5,300.

Last week the Greenville concert band gave a concert in the hall which was attended by a large number of people. After the concert there was a basketball match.

The secretary of the Board of Trade reported last night at the monthly meeting of that organization that he had received a query from the Dominion Government fair wage officer asking what was the current wage here for carpenters. He was informed that for first class men the wage paid was seven dollars for eight hours.

C.P.R. steamer Princess Beatrice, Capt. T. Cliffe, arrived from Vancouver and wayports at 8 o'clock this morning returning south at 11.



It has just become known that Nina Ramono, above, has been the wife of Lou Tellegen, movie actor and former husband of Geraldine Farrar, since December 17, 1923.

Proposed Air Route London to Tokio by Way of Alaska; Test Flights coming Summer

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 7.—Haacken Hammer of Seattle, Amundsen's chief aide in the 1923 attempted trans-polar flights, announced plans he is making for a test flight from London to Tokio by way of Alaska this year with the object of establishing an air route.

Hammer said the 5,000 miles across the Pacific would be flown in 50 hours with two stops for refuelling. He has just returned from Japan where he secured the promise of assistance from the Japanese government. He said the atmospheric conditions were ideal for flying along the proposed route between May and September and such a route, thoroughly established, would be of value strategically as well as commercially.

PRISON FOR COMMUNISTS IS PROVIDED

New Law Passed by Japanese Parliament to Curtail Propaganda

TOKIO, Mar. 7.—The Peace Preservation Act, also known as the Anti-Bolshevik law, providing punishment by imprisonment for nearly every form of Communist activity, was passed by Parliament yesterday while a heavy police guard surrounded the buildings. The law is designed to check Bolshevik propaganda and is said to be the direct result of the Russo-Japanese agreement.

POLICE AGENTS BURN PRIEST

KIEV, Mar. 7.—Father Andre Edoukovich, a Polish Catholic priest, was burned alive in a town of Jioir near here. The authorities allege that the assailants were agents of the Polish police.

BIRTH At the Prince Rupert General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. William Grimsson of Osland there was born a son on March 7.

Amelius Jarvis Pays into Court Fourteen Thousand out of Sixty Thousand Fine imposed upon him

TORONTO, Mar. 7.—Amelius Jarvis, it was announced by the attorney general this morning, has paid \$14,000 of the \$60,000 fine imposed on him following his conviction on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Ontario government.

Jarvis claims that the amount paid represents his actual profit on the bond sale involved plus five per cent interest. He claims that the balance of the profit went to Andrew Peppall, now under arrest in Los Angeles.

The attorney general made no comment on the probable effect of the Jarvis payment.

FISH PRICES SHOW GRADUAL RECOVERY

Four Canadian Boats Sold 22,500 Pounds of Halibut at Exchange This Morning

The halibut price on the local Fish Exchange seems to be gradually recovering from the recent slump although bids are as yet far from being satisfactory to the fishermen.

This morning four Canadian boats offered 22,500 pounds and the catches were disposed of as follows:

- Scrub, 6,000 lbs., at 8.5c and 4c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.
- Hanaco, 4,000 lbs., at 8.5c and 4c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.
- Cape Spear, 2,500 lbs., at 8.6c and 4c, to the Royal Fish Co.

REFORMERS WON COUNTY COUNCIL LONDON, ENGLAND

LONDON, Mar. 7.—Municipal reformers were again chosen for the eighteenth year to serve on the London County council. Of the 124 seats the reformers won 83, socialists 35, progressives 6.

MANY AT FUNERAL OF HON. WILLIAM PUGSLEY

ST. JOHN, N.B., Mar. 7.—Hundreds of citizens, including representatives of the federal and provincial governments attended the funeral of Hon. William Pugsley.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

English League Division I. Arsenal 1, Bolton Wanderers 0. Aston Villa 0, Tottenham 1. Bury 1, Everton 0. Manchester C. 2, Notts County 1. Newcastle U. 3, Preston N. E. 1. Notts Forest 1, Sunderland 1. West Ham U. 0, Leeds United 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION I.

Airdrieonians 2, Hearts 2. Morton 1, Cowdenbeath 3. Raith Rovers 2, Third Lanark 0. St. Johnstone 1, Partick Thistle 1.

FOOTBALL CUP GAMES PLAYED

Completion of Fourth Round Brings Series Near to Close

LONDON, Mar. 7.—Both English and Scottish football teams played the fourth round of the annual cup tie series today. The Scottish semi-finals will be played on March 21 and the English March 23. This will be followed by the final games which will be the spectacular events of the season. The games played today were:

English Cup Southampton 1, Liverpool 0. Cardiff 2, Leicester 1. Sheffield United 2, West Bromwich 0. Blackburn 1, Blackpool 0.

Scottish Cup Dundee 1, Broxburn United 0. St. Mirren 0, Celtic 0. Aberdeen 0, Hamilton 2. Kilmarnock 1, Rangers 2.

RAILWAYMEN IN GERMANY STRIKE

Freight Handlers Join Movement and Others Expected to Follow

BERLIN, Mar. 7.—The German railwaymen's strike spread this morning to the freight handlers in three principal Berlin stations one fourth of the workers only reporting for work this morning. It is likely the maintenance of way men will join the movement. The men are demanding higher wages.

OPERATION ON LORD CURZON

Suffered Collapse While Addressing Meeting Thursday at Cambridge

LONDON, Mar. 7.—Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, who suffered a collapse while addressing a meeting Thursday night at Cambridge, will undergo an operation Monday to relieve the cause of bleeding.

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BANDITS GET PAYROLL

PATTERSON, New Jersey, Mar. 7.—Three robbers held up employees of the Manhattan Shirt Co. this morning and escaped with the payroll of \$17,000.