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EFFORT MADE TO RETURN GOLD STANDARD

COMMERCIAL TREATY NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN FRANCE AND GERMANY FAIL

Make Preparations for Gold Standard Renewal and Parity of Sterling

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6. — Officials have been informed what has been hitherto unexplained to New York that Montagu Norman, governor of the Bank of England, is connected with the proposal by which the British government and financial interests could restore the pound sterling to its gold parity in the near future.

It is not expected that Norman will negotiate with the United States government, as that is not necessary, but close co-operation between London and New York money markets is essential.

Responsible British agencies it is believed can bring the pound to par at any time but the problem is to keep it there. It is understood that Norman is gathering estimates in regard to the trend of capital and gold movements, which might result from the parity of the pound and is arranging tentatively for readjustment of the monetary and banking machinery to meet the new demand.

Some Washington officials believe strong parity would hasten redistribution and would require the export of gold from the United States.

QUADRA WAS LEGAL PRIZE

Nothing Irregular Proved in Regard to Seizing of B.C. Vessel

VIOLATED U.S. LAWS

Whole Matter Within Jurisdiction of California Courts Decides Judge

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6. — Seizure of the British steamer Quadra with a reputed cargo of liquor valued at half a million dollars by the coast guard cutter Shawnee recently was legal in every way and the crew of the Quadra "violated the laws of the United States," U.S. district judge John Partridge decided.

The judge declared he could find no evidence of treaty violation by the coast guard, that the Quadra was legally seized as a prize and the whole matter was within the jurisdiction of his court.

INTER-ALLIED DEBT PARLEY

Plans For Such a Meeting Said to be Formulated by Winston Churchill

PARIS, Jan. 6.—Plans for an inter-Allied debt conference at Brussels next March, to which the United States will probably be invited to send a delegate, are declared to have been formulated by Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, British chancellor of the exchequer, who is due to arrive here this evening at the head of a British delegation to attend the conference of allied finance ministers which opens tomorrow.

CY ARNETT BUYS $100,000 DREDGE

W. C. (Cy) Arnett, who for many years was associated with Gen. J. W. Stewart on the Gold Coast and elsewhere, including Prince Rupert, has purchased from Grant, Smith and McDonnell, Vancouver, contractors, the dredging outfit which he has been using on the Wallace fill at North Vancouver. The price was approximately $100,000.

Mr. Arnett, who was formerly superintendent for Grant, Smith and McDonel, has large filling sub-contracts at No. 3 elevator and the Robin Hood Docks, Vancouver, in addition to the work on the Wallace fill.

Mr. Arnett is tendering on the elevator job in Prince Rupert.

CONFERENCE TODAY OF TRAFFIC MEN OF NATIONAL RAILWAY

WINNIPEG, Jan. 6.—The annaul conference of the freight traffic department of the western region, Canadian National Railways, is being held today in the board room of the Union station under the presidency of W. G. Manders, freight traffic manager.

Matters pertaining to the movement of freight traffic and prospects for the year are under discussion.

Those taking part in the conference include J. M. Horn, general freight agent; J. R. Scott, assistant general freight agent; W. A. Whyte, division freight agent, Victoria; James Waugh, general agent, San Francisco; F. L. Norman, general agent, Seattle; R. H. Bell, division freight agent, Edmonton; R. C. Fair, division freight agent, Calgary; T. A. Fonger, division freight agent, Saskatoon; R. M. Milliken, division freight agent, Regina; A. Campbell, travelling freight agent, Moose Jaw; H. K. Gays, division freight agent, Brandon; W. A. Kember, city freight agent, Port Aruthur; C. A. Skog, division freight agent, Duluth; Geo. H. Brown, general agent, Minneapolis; and the following Winnipeg officials: W. G. Manders; A. E. Rosevear, general freight agent; J. M. MacRae Whately and F. G. Adams, assistant general freight agent; John Paul, division freight agent.

BARBER SHANKS WANTS "HOLLYWOOD" STARTED

New Alderman at Victoria is Already Attempting to Implement Pre-election Pledge

VICTORIA, Jan. 6.—Ald. Elect J. A. Shanks is already busy attempting to implement his pre-election pledge that he would bring British movie producers here and make a virtual "Hollywood" adjacent to the city.

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For the first time in the history of London, Lamas, or high priests from the mountain fastnesses of Tibet, were seen there recently where they were much interested in the sights, especially the churches of different sects

DAN GUGGENHEIM SERIOUSLY ILL

NEW YORK, Jan. 6. — Daniel Guggenheim, famous financier and head of the American Smelting & Refining Co., collapsed in his room at the Ritz-Carlton hotel here and his condition is serious. He is 68 years of age. The Premier mine at Stewart, B.C. is among the properties he controls.

CANDIDATES OF LABOR CHOSEN

T. and L. Council Last Night Endorsed Four Aldermanic and One Police Board Candidate

The following, all of whom it is expected will run, were endorsed by the Trades & Labor Council last night as candidates at the forthcoming civic election:

For aldermen—W. M. Brown, John McKechnie, Ald. George B. Casey and Oscar Larsen.

For Police Commissioner—J. Coombs.

No endorsements were made for the mayoralty or for the school board.

There was a large attendance, some 50 being present at the meeting which was presided over by Ald. S. D. Macdonald.

SAMUEL GOMPERS' WIFE NOT TREATED VERY WELL IN WILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.— Mrs. Samuel Gompers, widow of the late Samuel Gompers, has retained an attorney to protect her rights in the settlement of the estate of the late Labor leader. She has not indicated whether she will contest the will which left her only "the minimum allowed by the law" to a widow.

Mr. Gompers bequathed the bulk of his estate, the value of which has not been disclosed, to his sons and granddaughters.

HOCKEY SCORES

Vancouver 2, Calgary 6.
Edmonton 2, Regina 6.

France and Germany Are at Deadlock Over Proposed Trade Treaty

PARIS, Jan. 6.—Negotiations between the French and Germans for a commercial treaty have reached a deadlock. Both sides are avoiding any action or declaration that might be interpreted as a formal rupture but no secret is made in French official circles that since the German delegates returned from their holiday trip to Germany they have made further negotiations impossible.

The Germans let it be understood by the French that if the allied troops remained at Cologne after January 10, the French might look for a tariff war.

Two B.C. Men in Party to Make Attempt to Scale Mount Logan Second Highest American Peak

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—An attempt to scale Mount Logan, the highest unclimbed mountain on the continent, will be made during the coming spring, officials here stated.

Mount Logan is 19,850 feet high, and is the second highest peak on the continent. It is located in the southwestern section of the Yukon Territory.

The mountain climbing party will leave here about April 15 proceeding to Seattle where they will embark on May 2, and it is expected that the attempt, if successful, will be completed by the end of July.

The party will be under the leadership of A. H. McCarthy of Wilmer, B.C. Other members will be H. F. Lambert of Ottawa, Col. W. W. Foster of Vancouver, Allan Carpe, the United States representative, and a photographer and his assistant and two porters.

Colonel Foster was formerly member of the B.C. Legislature, representing the Islands, the constituency now represented by Colonel Cy. Peck. Prior to that he was a deputy minister during the McBride regime.

TWO NEW LAWYERS IN PROVINCE WOMEN

VICTORIA, Jan. 6.—Of nine students called to the British Columbia bar two were women, Sarah Patricia Rennie and Dorothy Maude Mackie.

Harry Fowler, skipper of the ferry boat Awake which plies between Anyox and Alice Arm, arrived from Alice Arm on the Cardena this afternoon. He is here on business and will return north tomorrow night on the Prince Rupert.

OPEN CHURCH JANUARY 25

The handsome new Presbyterian Church on Fourth Avenue East is now about completed and it was announced at last Sunday night's service by the pastor, Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant, that the first services would be held there on Sunday, January 25. Painting of the exterior of the building is completed and some interior details are now being finished up.

KLONDIKE PIONEER LADY DIES IN SOUTH

VICTORIA, Jan. 6.—Miss Nellie Cashman, until recently a resident of Wiseman, Alaska, and a well known pioneer of the Klondike and Cassiar gold camps, is dead here.

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City Wants to Know Why Liquor Enforcement is Charged Against City when no Prosecutions Here

On motion of Ald. McMordie, seconded by Ald. Casey, the city council last night decided to ask the provincial authorities for an explanation as to why the sum of $3,291 was deducted from the city's share of liquor profits to cover enforcement of the Liquor Act.

The matter came up when a letter from the city treasurer reporting the checks for $3,539.93 and $4,954.58 covering the city's share of liquor and pari-mutuel profits respectively for the past six months had been received. This letter also pointed out that $3,291 had been deducted from the city's share of liquor profits to cover Liquor Act enforcement in spite of the fact that there had been no prosecutions during the year under the Liquor Act by provincial authorities

City Solicitor Jones stated that similar deductions had been made at Nanaimo, Victoria and other municipalities. The city treasurer had already telegraphed for an explanation.

Mayor Skeptical

Mayor Newton stated that the full amount of Prince George's liquor profits had been deducted, though it was contended there that the provincial authorities in no sense of the word had aided in the prosecution of the local situation. A similar situation existed here. The provincial authorities had never communicated with the police commission regarding the enforcement or non-enforcement of the requirements. As far as Prince Rupert was concerned, the police commission this year had gone beyond what was done last year and had engaged special police in order to have not only the provincial but city requirements observed. During the year the provincial authorities had never once complained to the city regarding local conditions and, as far as he knew, had never sent its officers in. In any case, no charges had been laid. He took this all to mean that, even if officers had been sent in, the local situation had been found to be such that the laying of charges had not been warranted. In view of this, he felt that it was small business on the part of the province to deduct this sum from the city after more than the ordinary endeavor had been made locally to meet the requirements. He felt that it was very unfair for the province at this late hour to step in and practically confiscate the profits that were justly due the city. However, the provincial government possessed the higher authority and, if it saw fit to resort to confiscatory methods, there seemed to be nothing for the city to do but sit quietly and grin at the loss and file the report of the treasurer. He did not think there was a fighting chance to recover the $3,291 now that had been deducted.

Ald. McMordie

Ald. McMordie felt that there would be no harm in at least seeking an explanation from the provincial authorities and he so moved. This was seconded by Ald. Casey.

Ald. Macdonald pointed out that the city had been warned that, if it was deemed necessary, the provincial government would send in its officers and charge the cost to the city. However false such reports might be, Prince Rupert had the name of being a "wide-open" city and it was possible that the attorney-general might have sent in officers. He felt that an explanation

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ST. PAUL'S IS STILL UNSAFE

Dome May Have to be Removed and Rebuilt Costing Half Million Pounds

LONDON, Jan. 6. — The city surveyor declares that St. Paul's Cathedral is still in an unsafe condition and the municipal authorities, according to the Daily Mirror, have served notice on the custodians that they regard the dome as a "dangerous structure."

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FINE RESORT STUART LAKE

Ten Buildings to be Erected by Next Summer to Accomodate Tourists

VANDERHOOF, Jan. 6.—Fort St. James on Stuart Lake is to have a fine summer resort this year in which the promoters will co-operate with the Canadian National Railways. Grier Starrett, formerly of Prince Rupert and after whom one of the company fishing boats is named, is in charge of building operations and he states that there will be ten buildings including the main lodge.

As attractions to visitors there will be tennis courts and bowling greens facing on the half mile beach. Boats will be provided and the whole will be surrounded by a fine natural park.

The scenery on Stuart Lake is said to be magnificent.

FRED AURIOL IS SENTENCED

Gets Two Concurrent Terms of 3 Years and 9 Months at New Westminster Penitentiary

Pleading guilty to a charge of burglary of the residence of Mrs. A. Fortier, Eighth Avenue West, on Christmas Eve, and found guilty of a similar offence at the Ivarson residence on Eighth Avenue on Christmas Day, Fred Auriol, Metlakatla Indian, was sentenced this morning by Judge Young to two concurrent terms of three years and nine months each at New Westminster Penitentiary.