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GRAIN BUSINESS IS MAKING VANCOUVER

PASTOR OF VANCOUVER UNITED CHURCH REFUSES TO WORK WITH KLAN

Grain Business Making Much Activity for Port of Vancouver This Year

Ships from almost every prominent country lie in harbor awaiting cargoes and building boom results

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—The grain trade is making Vancouver a great shipping port. Formerly many vessels came here for lumber and general merchandise and shipped in quantities of goods from Great Britain, the Orient and other countries. Now the business in all these lines is increasing, largely because of the increase in the grain shipping business.

Today there is a building boom in Vancouver, caused by the grain business and its concomitant, the shipping business.

Ships flying the flags of nine major nations lie at anchor in Vancouver harbor. Foremost among the shipping in the port are flying the red "duster" of Great Britain, but American, Swedish, Norwegian, Japanese, French, Danish and German vessels also figure with several small craft who register under South or Central American flags.

Figures for ship arrivals and departures issued at the Vancouver Merchants' Exchange indicates today that every seafaring nation of any consequence has been represented in this port during the past six months with one exception. That exception is Spain. Where Cordova first showed the banner of Spain in these waters the yellow and red flag of Costille has not been seen in Vancouver harbor since January of last year. In the past two years but three Spanish boats have put into port, all to load grain.

American Second

For the past month the United States leads after the British. There were 14 Japanese vessels registered in to the port, with 20 registered as from the United States. Of the Jap craft four were owned by United States owners, but under Japanese registry. Forty-three British vessels, three Danish, six Norwegian, two French, two Dutch and one Italian made up the total of 88 arrivals for the month.

Arrivals during the first few days of December and the last two weeks of November show a healthy increase over the figures of last year from the figures now being totalled. This increase shows in every case but a couple of the nations trading into this port with the British, United States, Japanese and Scandinavian ships showing the largest increase of arrivals.

The grain trade is attracting the major portion of the new arrivals, shipping through the Panama Canal with the British Isles, Scandinavian countries, Germany and France as the customers. Canadian merchant marine ships show increased cargoes out of port and better carrying trade for the runs back from Australasian and South Sea points and also from Atlantic to the Pacific trade.

JAP INLET IS DEVELOPING

Captain Sullivan to Erect Fine New Residence on Porcher Island

Captain Sullivan arrived in town today from Porcher Island on his gasboat the Amy S. He has just completed the season's work in the service of the marine and fisheries department and is arranging to erect a fine residence at Jap Inlet, where he lives. He says good progress is being made at the Inlet and an active building program is planned. The Farmers' Institute, of which he is president, is an active organization and keeps in touch with the local situation.

Captain Sullivan is very optimistic about the future of Jap Inlet. He has a radio installed there and by its means keeps himself in touch with current events.

HOUSE TO SIT MORNINGS NOW

Adjournment of Legislature Expected to Take Place Before Christmas

VICTORIA, Dec. 14.—The Legislature begins morning sessions tomorrow in an endeavor to clear away the work and prorogue in time to permit the members to return home for the Christmas holidays.

The public accounts committee, which has been meeting mornings, held its final sitting this morning and it is expected the opposition resolution calling for a general beer investigation by a committee of the House will not be adopted.

HOCKEY GAME WITHOUT SCORE

Ten Minutes Overtime at Victoria Against Calgary Without Result

VICTORIA, Dec. 14.—So close was the hockey game Saturday night between Victoria and the visiting Calgary team that ten minutes overtime had to be played and even then neither side scored. This was the closest game yet this year in the Western Hockey League series.

JUDGE MACAULAY OF DAWSON IS IMPROVING

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14. — Mr. Justice Macaulay of Dawson, who underwent an operation here, is reported to be showing good improvement.

G. Woodruff, U.S. Customs officer at Ketchikan, was a passenger aboard the Princess Mary this afternoon returning north after a business trip to Seattle.

WILLIAM KEITH DIED SATURDAY

Well Known Resident Will be Buried With Military Honors Tomorrow

The death occurred at the hospital Saturday evening of William Keith, a well known citizen and former resident of the Yukon, after a long and lingering illness. He was well known here where he and Mrs. Keith had a wide circle of friends.

Born in Ireland 63 years ago, Mr. Keith had been in Canada 37 years and lived for some time at Nanaimo. Lured by the gold excitement of the days of '98 he was one of the first men to go to the Yukon and he staked on Bonanza Creek that year. Later he staked a bench claim on El Dorado and worked it for a time returning to Bonanza where he remained until he came here in 1912. He then visited Belfast for a year and returning here worked for a time in the employ of the Prince Rupert Coal Company.

Called by the war he enlisted in a forestry corps and while overseas contracted pneumonia, was sent home and discharged as unfit for further service. When the liquor office was opened by the government he was given a position there, but an attack of flue two years ago ended his active work. Since that time he has put up a valiant fight against the dread disease that eventually took his life. A year ago he and Mrs. Keith celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. They had six children but all died from diphtheria years ago.

Two months ago Mr. Keith went to the hospital and was there for a month. About two weeks ago he returned there again and remained until his death. He will be given a military funeral under the auspices of the G.W.V.A. and the Masons of the city on Tuesday afternoon. He was a member of Kilwanin Lodge A.F. and A.M.

STANDARD OIL MEN ARE GOING NORTH

Two Directors From 'Frisco and Officials From Seattle Were Passengers on Princess Mary

Making the round trip to Skagway aboard the Princess Mary which was in port this afternoon were J. R. Douglas and C. H. Robertson, of San Francisco, directors of the Standard Oil Co. of America; E. J. Timmins, of Seattle, superintendent engineer, and J. R. Jones, also of Seattle, marine superintendent. They are on a trip of inspection to the company's holdings in Alaska.

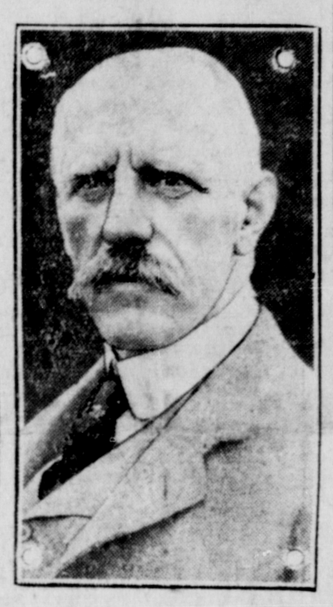
ELECTION TODAY AT EDMONTON FOR MAYOR

Blatchford Running Again and Several Other Candidates in Field

EDMONTON, Dec. 14. — The election of mayor and aldermen is taking place here todoy and the vote promises to be a large one. Mayor Blatchford seems to be the big gun of the mayoralty. Other candidates are J. W. Adair, closely allied to some of the big interests; Rice Sheppard, a farmer living in the city and Alderman Collison.

WOMAN MAKES VENTURESOME CANOE JOURNEY

SASKATOON, Dec. 14. — Miss Kathleen Rice, B.A., a woman prospector, who had been missing for the past two weeks in the Rice Lake mining district, safely returned to The Pas, after making her way over six lakes and 22 portages with a twelve foot canoe.



Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, noted explorer, who was elected rector of St. Andrew's university by 216 votes as against 160 for John Galsworthy, the writer.

KHYEX RIVER BRIDGE IS IN

Repair Equipment is Now Working in on Big Slide at Kwinitsa —First Train Set for Friday

The date for the passing of the first train through the present trouble area on the railway line between Kwinitsa and Usk has been advanced to Friday of this week by W. H. Tobey, C.N.R. superintendent. It had been originally hoped that the trains might start moving on Wednesday. However, the work of making repairs is proceeding as rapidly as possible and service will be restored at the earliest practicable moment, either by running the trains right through or by making transfers.

Repairs to the Khyex bridge, in progress all last week, were completed yesterday morning at 9 o'clock and the equipment has reached the big slide at Kwinitsa where it is now working. From the East, the first bridge near Usk has now been put in passable shape and work is proceeding on the second. These bridges again in shape, the equipment will be allowed to move westward to work on the slides and washouts from that direction.

MOTHER-IN-LAW WAS KILLED WITH AN AXE

STEPHENVILLE, Texas, Dec. 14.—F. M. Snow, a wood cutter, yesterday confessed to the killing of his mother-in-law and eighteen year old son-in-law with an axe.

KILLED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

Anthony Cyr Thrown from Car and Skull was Fractured

INQUEST TO BE HELD.

Vehicle Turned Upside Down on Muskeg on Eleventh Avenue

Anthony Cyr, commonly known as "Buck," aged 23, was killed about 3.30 Sunday morning in an automobile accident on Eleventh Avenue East in the 1100 block. John McKay, who was in the car which was being driven by Cyr, received only a scratch on the back of the hand at the same time, but temporarily lost consciousness. The car, license number B.C. 22-215, turned completely over after leaving the roadway and the top was smashed. Pending the holding of an inquest, exact details as to the nature of the accident are not forthcoming.

According to the report of City Police Sergeant A. H. Bailey, who attended, he received a hurried call at 4 a.m. to Eleventh Avenue East where the accident had occurred. On arrival at the scene just near 1609 Eleventh Avenue East, he found the car upside down on the muskeg over the left hand side of the roadway. The officer was met by R. McKay, dairyman, who informed him that he had sent the driver of the wrecked car to the hospital. Sergeant Bailey then examined the scene of the accident and found that the car belonged to R. Arthur's taxi service. The track of the wheels showed that the car had zig-zagged from the right to the left of the road and then had skidded on the left hand guard rail, turning completely over into the muskeg, bottom uppermost. The car was going east but, after the accident, was facing west.

Attended Wedding

The only witness of the accident, according to the police report, was John McKay who stated that he was in the car at the time. He drove the car to the residence of M. G. Edgar, 728 Lotbiniere Street, to pick up Cyr who had been attending a wedding there. They left the Edgar residence at 3.15. Cyr took the wheel and was driving McKay home. Questioned as to Cyr's condition, McKay said that he seemed to be happy.

After examining the scene of the accident, Sergeant Bailey proceeded to the hospital where he was informed that Cyr was dead. Dr. L. W. Kergin stated that deceased's skull had been fractured. The body was turned over to the B.C. Undertakers and ordered not to be interfered with pending an investigation. The car was also ordered to be not removed.

The late Anthony Cyr was 23 years of age and was born at Black Lake, Quebec. A sister, Mrs. C. Latimer, Boissevain, Man. has been communicated with. The funeral will take place under the auspices of the Moose Lodge of which deceased was a member. He had resided in the city some 2½ or 3 years and has followed the business of a car driver.

An inquest opened at 1.30 this afternoon before Coroner Norman A. Watt. The jury consists of G. H. Munro, E. J. Large, Joe Bent, J. D. McLeod, Joe Brown, and George Bushby. After the remains had been viewed, the taking of evidence commenced, among the witnesses being R. McKay, John McKay, Dr. L. W. Kergin, Sergeant A. H. Bailey and Mark Edgar.

United Church Clergyman in Pulpit Tells of Refusal to Fight Drugs with the Ku Klux Klan

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—Answering a letter addressed to him by Dr. Keith K. Allen, "Imperial Kliaiff," inviting him to come to the headquarters of the Ku Klux Klan here, Rev. J. Richmond Craig, pastor of the First United Church, last night declared from the pulpit that he would not go to the "Imperial Palace" to discuss the anti-narcotic campaign projected by that organization.

British justice, Mr. Craig declared, did not need the help of the Klan and he further stated that the organization did not include the liquor evil in its objectives.

CACHE OF OPIUM FOUND VANCOUVER VALUED AT $17,000

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14. A waterfront cache of 171 tins of opium valued at $17,000 was seized here Saturday night by police acting with the customs authorities.

CANADIAN PRESS IS SUED BY CAMPBELL OWNER OF BULLETIN

Refusal to Grant Edmonton Paper Franchise Results in Court Action

EDMONTON, Dec. 14.—When the Edmonton Bulletin went out of business temporarily, the Canadian Press franchise was dropped and the Journal published a morning edition. Charles E. Campbell of Vancouver, purchased the Bulletin and applied for a franchise which was refused except upon such terms as the Bulletin felt it could not comply with.

The Bulletin commenced to publish and has since started an action against J. H. Woods, John Imrie and the Canadian Press charging them with conspiracy in restraint of trade and asking damages to the extent of $110,000.

HIGHEST WIND OF YEAR IS RECORDED

Gusts Between Midnight and Six O'clock This Morning Reached Velocity of 50 miles Per Hour

Prince Rupert had its most severe gale of the year between midnight and 6 o'clock this morning when the wind in gusts reached a velocity of 50 miles per hour. There seems to have been no damage of consequence done. S. C. Jackson, Dominion meteorologist, reports that one of the lines to the aerial masts at the Digby Island wireless station was broken but this did not interfere with radio service.

BROKE RECORD FOR BREAST SWIMMING

YONKERS, Dec. 14. — Walter Spence of the Brooklyn Y.M.C.A. on Saturday night broke his own world record for the 150 yard breast stroke swim, going the distance in 1 min. 50 4-5 sec.

M. Fox, M.D. of Atlin, has been appointed medical health officer and medical inspector of schools for Atlin and Discovery.

LOCAL BOYS ARE MISSING

W. Moorehouse, 16, and W. Richards, 14, Left For Metlakatla But Have not Reached There

It was reported to the provincial police at 12.30 noon today that two local boys, W. Moorehouse, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moorehouse, Eighth Avenue East, and W. Richards, 14, son of Mrs. Richards, Sixth Avenue East, left Cow Bay yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in an unnamed 20-foot gasboat apparently for Metlakatla which place they had not reached up to this afternoon. The provincial police and others have instituted a search to ascertain what happened to them. There is a report that they were seen at Tucks Inlet but this is not confirmed.

PASQUALE SAYS IS NOT GUILTY

Murder Case Opened this Morning in Polce Court at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—When the preliminary hearing of the charge of murdering Nurse Anne Roedde opened this morning at the police court, Benite Pasquale, the accused, pleaded not guilty and the hearing proceeded.

CHINATOWN IN SOUTH RAIDED

VICTORIA, Dec. 14.— Victoria and Nanaimo provincial police raided Chinatown Sunday, seizing a large amount of unsealed liquor and some opium. Several arrests were made.

FRENCHY VAISE WAS LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMP

Boxer Dropped Dead Following Heart Attack Near Seattle on Saturday

SEATTLE, Dec. 14. — Frank Frenchy Vaise, 34 years of age, a former lightweight champion of Canada, dropped dead on Saturday at Renton, twelve miles south of here, following a heart attack.

KILLED ON RAILWAY.

REVELSTOKE, Dec. 14. — A man 23 years of age named Pretzer was fatally injured on the C.P.R. five miles west of here when he was struck by an eastbound freight train. He is believed to have been from Saskatchewan.