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FRUIT MANIPULATORS VANCOUVER COURTS

COMMUNISTS TALK RADICALISM AT LIVERPOOL LABOR PARTY CONFERENCE

Many Charges of Fraud Brought at Vancouver Against Fruit Firms and Others and Now Before Jury

Forty-two concerns involved in sixteen indictments including theft, falsification, juggling and conniving to cheat

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1.—There were 863 charges involved in an indictment on sixteen counts against 42 fruit firms and eleven individuals in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba handed to the Grand Jury at the assizes here yesterday afternoon by presiding Justice D. R. McDonald.

In the charges are mentioned theft, fraud, falsification of books for purposes of deceit, market juggling and price manipulation in restraint of trade, interference with sound business competition, syndicating and general conniving to cheat the grower and consumer with serious injury to the fruit growing industry of Canada.

Trial of the fruit interests of western Canada is taking place at the instigation of the federal department of justice.

Jurisdiction of the court has been extended to cover territory ranging from the coast to Winnipeg and J. C. McTuer, K.C., a Toronto lawyer, is here to prosecute for the crown.

The indictment is likely to be in the hands of the grand jury several days before a bill is returned.

The indictment was laid under all possible sections of the criminal code and of the Combines Investigation Act. The present charges covering fruit marketing operations in western Canada arise from the original complaint of holthouse growers of Vancouver more than a year ago.

A total of 3,007 persons are qualified to vote in the two urban polling divisions of Prince Rupert in Skeena riding at the forthcoming federal election.

The special lists for those who were not already qualified closed last night showing that there had been a good deal of activity during the past week in getting on the list.

The total thus registered was 983. J. Lorne MacLaren taking 500 names between A and L, and J. W. McKinley 483 between L and Z. In addition to this 2,021 had been already qualified by being on the provincial list.

THREE YEARS FOR STABBING

Affray on Steamer Prince Rupert Recently Results in Stiff Sentence for Steve Bandich

Found guilty of wounding with intent in connection with the stabbing of Robert Plekas in a stateroom aboard the steamer Prince Rupert on September 17 while the vessel was proceeding from Anxox to Prince Rupert, Steve Bandich was sentenced yesterday afternoon by Judge F. McE. Young to three years in New Westminster penitentiary. His honor delivered a severe castigation to accused and sounded the warning that he did not intend to permit stabbing and that any future offenders would be severely dealt with.

Witnesses were the man who had been stabbed; Norman McLean, purser of the steamer Prince Rupert; J. Aphorpe, chief steward, and Dr. H. E. Tremayne. Accused made a statement to the effect that he knew nothing of the alleged stabbing. Drunkenness in connection with the incident was suggested.

L. W. Palmore conducted the prosecution. Accused was not represented by counsel.

COWPER TRIAL IS ON TODAY

Wong Foon Sing Murder Charge to be Before Grand Jury Tomorrow

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1.—The trial of J. S. Cowper, charged with defamatory libel in his paper the Weekly Tribune, dealing with the death of Janet Smith, is expected to commence this afternoon.

The grand jury returned a true bill in this case.

The charge of murder against Wong Foon Sing will be handed to the grand jury tomorrow, it is expected.

PURCHASES ISLAND FOR A FOX FARM

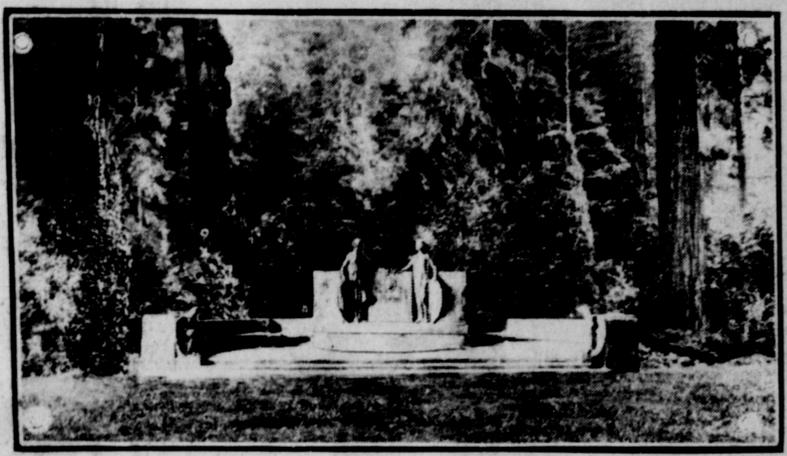
VICTORIA, Oct. 1.—For the conversion into probably the largest fox farm on the Pacific coast T. E. Westerton of Shanghai yesterday purchased Portland Island in the Gulf of Georgia for \$25,000.

TALLEST HOTEL IN WORLD TO BE ERECTED

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—The tallest hotel building in the world 67 stories high will be erected on 57th Street and Fifth Avenue at a cost of \$25,000,000.

DIED IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1.—J. Z. Hall, 62 years of age, a resident of Vancouver since 1882, died here last night.



The President Harding International Goodwill memorial, erected at Stanley Park, Vancouver, by Kiwanis International. It was dedicated on September 10th.

WAR PREPARATIONS SEEN IN FAR EAST

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 1.—Four classes of recruits have been called to the colors and officers of the first and second reserves are undergoing medical examinations.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—Strong British naval forces will be maintained in near Eastern waters during the next few weeks, the Admiralty announced today.

FURTHER ADDITION TO MUSEUM COLLECTION

Hammers and Gun Presented to the City by C. C. Perry Added to Collection

Several years ago C. C. Perry, at that time Indian agent here but now of Vancouver, presented the city with an old Enfield muzzle loading rifle with bayonet attached, and three stone hammers with wooden handles tied on with rawhide thong. These have been passed on to the museum here and are now part of the collection temporarily located in the Bank of Commerce building.

FINE WEATHER RECORD IS SET

No Rain Here in Sixteen Days—Bright Sunshine During September Totalled 174 Hours

September was the best month for sunshine in Prince Rupert this year and, while official figures were not obtainable this morning as to past years, it is believed that the 174 hours of bright sunshine recorded during the past thirty days sets up a record that has not been reached for a long period. For exactly sixteen days there has not been a drop of rain in Prince Rupert.

Weather figures for the month as announced by S. C. Jackson, Dominion meteorologist, are as follows:
 Mean temperature, 53.
 Maximum temperature 72 on September 6.
 Minimum temperature 33 on September 27.
 Rainfall, 4.84 inches.
 Sunshine, 174 hours.
 Wind during the month was negligible.

SMUGGLING TO BE PREVENTED

Regulations Recently Arranged Between Canada and United States Made Public

OTTAWA, Oct. 1.—Regulations for the suppression of smuggling between Canada and United States approved recently by the Governments of the two countries concerned, were made public last night.

Would Smash British Empire But Not Willing Pay Toward Any Cause Which They Espouse

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 1.—One of the speakers at the Labor Party conference here declared the British Empire must be smashed if the condition of the workers were to be improved. James Sexton, M.P. for St. Helens and leader of the dockers, retorted that those young men who were demanding the abolition of the capitalistic system and the monarchy and who wanted an international republic, self determination, bloody revolution and birth control, had contributed to all these movements the magnificent sum of thirty shillings.

SEPTEMBER BUILDING VALUED AT \$19,450

Chief Item is Coal Bunker and Warehouse for Thomas Trotter on Waterfront

Building permits for the month of September totalled \$19,450 in value, the principal item being Thomas Trotter's \$15,000 coal bunkers and warehouse on the waterfront. The items were as follows:

- Hubert Ward, concrete foundation for residence on Allin Ave, \$600.
- Annunciation school addition, \$3,750.
- Thomas Trotter, coal bunkers and warehouse on waterfront, \$15,000.
- Thomas Trotter, garage, Second Avenue, \$100.

PLAN TO SHIP ORE FROM DUNWELL MINE OVER WINTER SNOW

VICTORIA, Oct. 1.—Ore will be shipped out on the snow from the Dunwell mine at Stewart during the coming winter and a good deal of tunnel work will be carried on. In the meantime tests will be made to determine what kind of mill is best suited to handle the ore. This mill will be installed in the spring and from that time on regular shipments of concentrates should be made.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League Washington 1, Boston 5.
 National League Brooklyn 4, Philadelphia 6.

WESTERN ROUTE ADVANTAGE TO THE RAILWAYS

That was Claim of McGeer Before Railway Commission at Meeting Yesterday

OTTAWA, Oct. 1.—G. G. McGeer, K.C., counsel for British Columbia, maintained before the railway commission yesterday in opposing the application for revision of the MeKeown-Oliver order on westward grain rates that under the order the railway companies would gain rather than lose. The companies, McGeer contended, should be pleased with Vancouver's efforts to relieve them of the long unprofitable haul from Alberta to Fort William. Westward traffic would be more profitable to them.

Counsel argued that the removal of discrimination against the coast would bring to Canada business now going to Buffalo and to American railways.

REPAIRS TO BE MADE AT MILL

Plant Will be Closed Down for a Couple of Months During Winter It is Expected

It is likely that the Prince Rupert spruce Mill at Seal Cove will close down for a couple of months during the winter while repairs are being made and certain new pieces of machinery are being installed. The time of closing down will depend on weather conditions but it is expected the plant will not be operating around the Christmas and New Year holiday season. The management plans to operate on an even fuller basis next year, many orders being on hand especially for airplane and higher grade spruce lumber.

BRADY HEADS FEDERATION

Teachers' Organization Held Annual Meeting Last Night and Elected Officers

The annual meeting of the Teachers' Federation met last night and elected officers for the current year. These were as follows:
 President—J. C. Brady.
 Vice-president—W. C. O'Neill.
 Sec.-Treasurer—Miss M. I. Weatherhead.
 Executive—Miss Blanche Macdonald, Miss Mercer, D. H. Hartness and Miss Rothwell.

NORTON GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING

Pleads Guilty at Assize Court in Vancouver in Wong Case

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1.—Verity W. Norton, private detective, pleaded guilty to a charge of kidnapping Wong Foon Sing, the Chinese houseboy, on March 29 from the residence of F. L. Baker at the assize court today. He was remanded for sentence.

It is expected that Norton will appear as a witness against others charged with complicity in the abduction case.

MANY QUALIFY FOR ELECTION

Total Vote for Prince Rupert Will be 3,007—983 New Voters Registered During Past Week

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ORDERS MAUD GO TO SEATTLE

Vessel is Sailing South Bound for San Francisco Without Fuel

SEATTLE, Oct. 1.—Steamer Maud, which left Nome September 6 for San Francisco after making an unsuccessful attempt to drift across the North Pole, has been ordered by radio to proceed to Seattle.

As it is uncertain whether the vessel, which has no fuel and is under sail, has received the order, all ships on the North Pacific have been asked to watch for her and relay the orders if she is seen.

DUMMY GUNS SAYS JOHNSON

Prisoner at Seattle Will be Sent Back to B.C. on Robbery Charge.

SEATTLE, Oct. 1.—T. H. Johnson, one of the six men who escaped from jail here on September 15 and who was captured Tuesday after holding up a bank, declared yesterday that the jail break was made with the use of dummy revolvers made in jail.

Johnson will be sent to British Columbia to answer charges in connection with the Nanaimo bank robbery.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE COLLECTIONS LARGER

Total for September was \$32,004.19 as Compared with \$26,056.26 Last Year and \$23,460.04 Last Month

Customs collections for the port of Prince Rupert during the month of September totalled \$32,004.19 as compared with \$26,056.26 in September last year and \$23,460.04 last month.

SOCIALIST RUNNING FOR COMOX-ALBERNI FEDERAL ELECTION

NANAIMO, Oct. 1.—William T. Grieves as Cassidy has been nominated as Socialist candidate to contest Comox-Alberni riding in the forthcoming federal election. He will oppose A. W. Neill, Independent candidate.

STOCK MARKET

	Bid.	Asked.
B.C. Silver		1.10
Dunwell B.	1.20	
Hazleton		.20
L. & L.	.17 1/2	.20
Marmot		.10
Premier	2.28	2.35
Porter Idaho	.20	
Silver Crest	.06	.10
Surf Inlet	.07 1/2	.08
Gladstone	.25 1/2	.27 1/2
Terminus		.40
Daily Alaska		.20
Granby	16.00	
Howe Sound	24.00	
Silversmith	.24	.24 1/2
Lucky Jim	.14 1/2	.16
Glaetzer	.26 1/2	.28
Rufus		.18
Indian	.04	.06
Selkirk	.04	.04 1/2
Bayview	.05	.09 1/2