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CONTROL OF DRYDOCK IS TRANSFERRED

COLONEL McMORDIE ANNOUNCES THAT HE IS IN FIELD FOR MAYORALTY

Drydock Being Taken Over by Canadian Government Merchant Marine from Beginning of Year

Announcement was made here this morning by B. C. Keeley, head of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine for this coast, that the local drydock was being taken over by his department from the Railway Company, which has operated it since the amalgamation of the two railway systems.

Mr. Keeley is here now making a preliminary survey of the dock and its capacity for business. He says he expects the vessels of the fleet will be overhauled here as well as other business being undertaken. He is pleased with the prospects for grain shipment out of this port and says he thinks it will be the making of the port. If business does not come to any large extent this year, it is bound to come before long.

The change in control of the drydock and shipyard should mean a good deal to the city, local citizens think. The Marine department is directly interested in it, whereas the railway company was interested only indirectly.

Mr. Keeley was not prepared to state what changes, if any, would take place in the organization of the plant. It will be taken over at the first of the year and operated from then on under the new control.

CONFERENCE WELCOMED BY P.R. MEMBER

Hon. T. D. Pattullo Mentions the Need of Making Timber Business Permanent

CO-OPERATION URGED

VICTORIA, Dec. 10.—"One-third of the prosperity of British Columbia depends upon the timber industry and it is well that this province should be in the forefront of work to make adequate provision for the timber needs of tomorrow," said Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, in welcoming delegates of the Western Forestry and Conservation conference which opened here yesterday.

P. Z. Caverhill, chief forester of British Columbia, declared that overproduction was rampant in the coast lumber industry. He said if a co-operative ten-per-cent restriction had been put into effect last spring the present "buyer market" would have been eliminated.

A plea for international co-operation to save the forests was made by E. T. Allen, forest economist, to members of the convention. He argued that Canadians and Americans, who were of common birth and with the right ingenuity and desire for progress, could make the Pacific coast lead the continent in solving "the grave forest problems our people confront."

WEST OROWA NOW IN TOW

PORTLAND, Dec. 10.—Steamer West Holbrook reached the rudderless vessel West Orowa and it is assumed that together with the Admiral Dewey she is now towing the disabled vessel south.

NO REPRESENTATIVE FROM PRINCE RUPERT BOYS' PARLIAMENT

Prince Rupert will not send a local representative to the Boys' Parliament this year, it has been decided. Any available money is needed for the boys' camp next summer.

Prince Rupert is a long way from the centre and the cost of sending a lad and paying his expenses is quite heavy.

WHEAT DECLINES

WINNIPEG, Dec. 10.—Wheat declined six and one-half cents today.

VOTERS' LIST THIS YEAR IS SMALLER

Total of 2262 Names as Compared With 2553 for 1925 Election

There will be 2262 names on the municipal voters' list for the approaching civic election as compared with a total of 2553 last year. The decrease is due to the fact that not nearly as many house and license holders are registered this year as last.

Court of revision on the list was held this morning but there were no appeals. The court consisted of Mayor Newton, Ald. McMordie and Ald. Larsen.

The election will take place on January 21 with nominations closing on the Monday preceding.

FIRE LAST NIGHT AT COLD STORAGE

Some Damage Done when Flames Broke Out Shortly Before Midnight in Smoke Shaft

Fire broke out shortly before midnight last night in the smoke shaft at the plant of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. There was considerable excitement but, due to the effective equipment of the company, the flames were soon brought under control and were almost out when the fire department arrived on the scene. Two lines of hose were played on the fire.

PASSING WORTHLESS CHECK IS CHARGED

George A. Smith Being Brought Back from Edmonton to Vancouver Island for Trial

VICTORIA, Dec. 10.—A provincial police officer left for Edmonton today following the receipt of word that George A. Smith, wanted for alleged passing of a worthless check at the Government liquor store, Duncan, three weeks ago, was held there. He will be brought to the coast to face trial.

SUSPENDED SENTENCE FOR STEALING MONEY

Vancouver Night Watchman Who Reported Holdup But Took Cash Himself Is Out

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Having pleaded guilty to a charge of theft involving nearly \$100, which as night watchman he first reported as having been taken from the Chanticleer Cafe in a holdup, George Davidson, 24 years of age, was today released on suspended sentence.

BIRTH

A son was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on December 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hume, 133 Seventh Avenue East.

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The first of a series of large triple-engine liners for the British Imperial Airways, shown before the trial flight at Groydon, England. Sir Eric Geddes, chairman of the airways, was a passenger.

Mayor Taylor Re-elected in Vancouver with Overwhelming Majority over I. Rubinowitz

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Mayor Taylor was re-elected mayor over Rubinowitz with a majority of 7,545 yesterday, the vote for Taylor being 8,675 and for Rubinowitz 1,130. Six sitting members of the council were re-elected, four by vote and two by acclamation.

The new members elected to the council were—Ward 1, E. W. Dean; Ward 8, Angus McLunis. In both the wards sitting aldermen recently died.

The voters endorsed by 20 majority the two year term for mayor and aldermen but they refused to endorse by a majority of 1020 the pensions for firemen and policemen.

A number of money by-laws were defeated, hospital, land purchase, English Bay, Exhibition and Detention Home.

Bylaws for the purpose of making certain improvements carried while a tie vote was recorded for the purchase of an additional playground.

J. S. COWPER BEING SUED

Charged by Bakers With Delaying, Hindering and Defrauding Creditors

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—In a writ obtained today charging J. S. Cowper with "delaying, hindering and defrauding creditors," Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Baker ask that a conveyance of the home of the Tribune editor to his wife be set aside. The suit will come before the supreme court.

THREE CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO DEATH IN FIRE NEAR MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—Three boys, John, Arthur and Eugene Currottem, ranging in age from three to seven, were burned to death when fire destroyed their home at Caughnawaga last night.

Alderman McMordie is Definitely Announced Mayoralty Candidate

Ald. S. P. McMordie this morning definitely announced his candidature for the mayoralty at the civic election next January. This will necessitate his resigning from the city council as he was elected for a two-year term as alderman last year.

It is believed that Ald. McMordie will make a strong run and his supporters are confident that he will win whoever his opponent or opponents, if any, may be. He is a pioneer resident of the city and an extensive property holder. As a contractor during street construction days, he gained experience from the practical angle of city work; he is a recognized executive and has had two years' experience as an alderman. He served with distinction throughout the war, the period of which has been the only time in the last sixteen years that he has not perman-

ently resided in Prince Rupert. Ald. McMordie in 1923 served on the finance committee and board of works and this year has been chairman of the utilities committee as well as a member of the finance committee.

Canadian Government Merchant Marine Shows Operating Profit First Ten Months of this Year

Business of Service is Improving With Result That Operating Deficit is Changed to Small Surplus.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 10.—Improvement of \$667,124 in the operations of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine for the first ten months of 1925 as compared with the corresponding period of 1924 is reported by R. B. Teakle, general manager of the company, there being an operating profit of \$12,541 at the end of the first ten months of 1925 as compared with an operating deficit of \$289,879 over the same period last year.

Taking into account the overhaul, general and wharf expenses there is a saving of another \$64,704 which brings the total improvement in the operating position up to \$367,124.

During most of the ten months the C.G.M.M. has had 45 ships in commission and on the whole business has been much better than in preceding years. This was particularly the case in the Australia and West Indies freight services, where the operating ratios have been most satisfactory and the earnings considerable.

The intercoastal service, Montreal to Vancouver, which has been in operation for only a little more than a year, has also shown an operating profit.

The value of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine to Canadian importers and exporters is indicated in the value of cargoes handled during the first nine months of this year. Export traffic carried in the ships of the company amounted to 543,667 tons with a total value of \$12,899,105. Import traffic was 217,263 tons with a total value of \$32,532,671. To this may be added cargoes of intercoastal service, which amount to 71,477 tons with a value of \$6,141,201. This added to the export and import figures represents a grand total for the period of 837,407 tons with a value of \$61,482,977.

Commenting on these figures, P. N. Galloway, assistant vice-president of the Canadian National Railways, under whose supervision the Canadian Merchant Marine functions, says: "Whilst of course it would hardly be correct to say that were it not for the Canadian Government Merchant Marine this trade would not have been done by Canada, yet at the same time our services are operated on practically all new trade routes, so that I think we can reasonably assume that the Merchant Marine service is directly responsible for the major portion of this export and import trade for Canada."

"So far as the intercoastal traffic is concerned, we are safe in saying that had it not been for the intercoastal service that some of the business would have come from nearby United States ports instead of from manufacturing plants in Canada. In addition the steamship connection given by us between eastern and western Canada has reduced the cost of transportation, thus enabling the business people on either coast to get together."

TRAINS COMING TO PACIFIC NOW

Khyex River Bridge Repairs to Be Finished Tomorrow—Starting Work at Usk

W. H. Tobey, C.N.R. superintendent, and R. A. Harlow, roadmaster, arrived in town last evening from the scene of the bridge washout at the Khyex River and returned there this morning. They expected that the gap would be covered by tomorrow. The eastern approach to the bridge was washed out and the unusually high and swift flow of water down the river presented difficulties in the making of repairs.

Work is about to start on the bridges just east of Usk that were washed out. Repair equipment was delayed in reaching there on account of trouble further east.

The regular trains are now running as far west as Pacific, and No. 4 from there left for the east on time early this morning. The officials were unable to give any definite estimate as to the time when service might be restored through to Prince Rupert as they had not seen what damage had been done east of Khyex River.

MEN TRAPPED IN EASTERN MINE

Three Killed and Twelve Injured and Perhaps Fifty Still Underground

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 10.—An unofficial report received here this afternoon says three men were killed and twelve injured while an unestimated number which may reach fifty were trapped in the Overton mine near here as a result of a gas explosion.

CLOSE HOCKEY GAMES PLAYED LAST NIGHT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Portland won from Calgary last night in a very close hockey match. At the end of the third period the game was a tie and overtime had to be played in order to get a decision.

At Victoria last night there was also a close game Vancouver winning 2 goals to 1.

VANCOUVER DOCTOR IS FACING CHARGE

Mounted Police Have Case Against Dr. Noyes of Illegally Issuing Drug Prescription

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—Dr. W. T. Noyes, Vancouver physician, was charged today by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police with illegally issuing a prescription for narcotic drugs. He will appear in police court on Friday.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

SAVANNA, Georgia, Dec. 10.—Damage estimated at a million dollars was caused by fire in the plant of the Southern Fertilizer Chemical Company this morning.