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CITY MANAGER PLAN ENDORSED BY UNION

REORGANIZATION OF WHALEN PULP & PAPER COMPANY WELL UNDER WAY

Whalen Reorganization Would Take Care of All Creditors of Company

Business of concern said to have improved of late making possible to work at profit

TORONTO, Sept. 24.—A Swanson Bay pulp plant and lumber mill will probably be operated again in the near future under a plan for reorganization of the company which is being undertaken and which promises to be successful. Discussing the company's finances and the new plan, the Financial Post says:

The Whalen Pulp and Paper situation has taken on a somewhat new complexion as a result of a plan submitted by representatives of the debenture stock holders. A thirty day delay granted by the courts in the liquidation sale of assets brings the time limit to October 1 and it is probable that further stay will be granted after that date.

FISHERMEN DO NOT TRUST THE CANNERS WORD

Strike Continues Even Though Agreement is Arrived at as to Price

NEW WESTMINSTER, Sept. 24.—Although representatives of the B.C. Fishermen's Protective Association yesterday reached an agreement with the cannerymen regarding a scale of prices to be paid for salmon, H. Jacobs, a member of the men's committee, said the strike on the Fraser would continue until the men were convinced the canners were sincere in their promise to pay the increased rate.

A mass meeting will be held late today to consider the situation.

IN DEFENCE OF STOOL PIGEONS

Premier Oliver Says They Are Disagreeable Necessity; Education Costs Mounting

VICTORIA, Sept. 24.—Premier Oliver sprang a defence of the use of stool pigeons at the civic banquet given yesterday to delegates at the convention of the Union of B.C. municipalities. They are a necessity, he declared, although he admitted the necessity was disagreeable to himself and to other members of the government.

Speaking of the cost of education, Mr. Oliver said many people would agree with him when he said that educational costs had grown to an alarming extent. He had no hesitation in saying the best results were not being obtained.

MINERAL OUTPUT IS GREATER THAN EVER SAYS MINISTER SLOAN

VANCOUVER, Sept. 24.—Hon. William Sloan, addressing the board of trade at luncheon here yesterday, said British Columbia's 1925 mineral output would total \$60,000,000 as against \$19,000,000 last year.

HUDSON RETIRING.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 24.—Hon. A. B. Hudson definitely announced last night that he was retiring from public life owing to business calls.

BOOTLEGGING RING SMASHED BY POLICE CONSPIRACY CHARGED

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—What is officially regarded as the largest bootlegging ring, whose operations under the guise of a real estate firm in the United States and Canada has been watched for five months by federal agents, has been smashed. Dry agents hope to convict 27 men of conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws as a result of evidence gathered regarding Broadway transactions.

HALIBUT INDUSTRY IS BEHIND TREATY

W. A. Found Says Splendid Results are Expected to Result From Close Season

VANCOUVER, Sept. 24.—"The whole halibut industry is behind the international treaty, which provides a close season for the halibut banks of the Pacific. There is not a dissenting voice and I look for splendid results from the experiment," said W. A. Found of Ottawa, director of fisheries, who returned from Seattle where he attended the first meeting of the international fisheries commission.

SEVEN HALIBUT BOATS BROUGHT IN CATCHES

Only seven boats sold catches at the exchange this morning as follows:

American	Canadian
Constitution, 45,000, at 9.70c and 6c to Cold Storage.	Johanna, 10,000, at 10.40c and 7c to Atlin Fisheries.
Cora, 3,500, at 10.60c and 6c to Cold Storage.	Volunteer, 3,000, at 10.30c and 6c to Cold Storage.
Yukon, 26,000, at 9.30c and 6c to Cold Storage.	Serub, 7,000, at 11.90c and 7.50c to Atlin Fisheries.
Alaska, 40,000, at 9.40c and 6c to Pacific Fisheries.	

TWO NOMINATED

Neill of Comox-Alberni to be Independent and McBride a Progressive

VANCOUVER, Sept. 24.—Two candidates were nominated yesterday to contest British Columbia ridings.

At Cumberland A. W. Neill was chosen by the independents of Comox-Alberni riding and it is understood that no Liberal will be nominated in that constituency but that the Liberals will get behind the independent.

At Kamloops a convention endorsed the candidature of T. G. McBride, for the constituency of Cariboo.

GERTRUDE IS LOST

Liquor Vessel Not Reported Since April 15 When She Was Off San Francisco

ANTWERP, Sept. 24.—The Belgian steamer Gertrude, which left here last February bound for Pacific ports with liquor is given up as lost. She was last reported off San Francisco on April 15.



Historic millstones, which will be presented to Manjola by M. Pierre La Rocque, who purchased them years ago for \$5.00. They originally belonged to Louis Riel, father of the rebel, who took them west.

City Manager Plan of Government Endorsed by Victoria Convention

Government will be urged to provide for the change by legislation this year; Officers of Union elected

VICTORIA, Sept. 24.—Legislation to enable municipalities to adopt the city manager form of government if approved by the ratepayers at a plebiscite will be sought from the Provincial Government by the Union of British Columbia municipalities. The matter was discussed by the convention here yesterday and a resolution was passed giving effect to it which will be placed before the government today with a view to securing action at the coming session.

Another matter asked by the convention was the earmarking of all revenues from the gasoline tax for road purposes instead of a distribution of a part of the revenue among all municipalities.

New officers for the coming year were chosen as follows: President—Reeve Sidney Gishby of West Vancouver.

First vice-president—Reeve Reed of Surrey.
Second vice-president—City Clerk Gordon of Revelstoke.
Sec.-treasurer—A. Wells Gray of New Westminster.
Vernon was chosen as the meeting place for next year.

NO ASSISTANCE FROM STEAMER

Crew of Burning Tug Signalled for Help But Did Not Receive It.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 24.—While the crew of the tug Prospect Point which burned to the water's edge and sank off Sechart Monday night, signalled for help from their lifeboat within the circle lighted up by a northbound steamer it passed by without offering assistance, said H. Bruno, her owner, here today.

The Prospect Point was valued at \$12,000 and was partially insured.

BEGGARS TO REFUSE LESS THAN NICKEL

MARSEILLES, Sept. 24.—The beggars' union here has decided upon a scale of offerings to be accepted. Anything less than five cents will be spurned by the mendicants of this French commercial centre.

Hon. Frank Oliver Defends Lowering of Grain Rates to Pacific Ports by Commission

EDMONTON, Sept. 24.—A special despatch to the Journal gives a statement by Hon. Frank Oliver defending the ruling of the commissioners which reduces the westbound rates on grain and flour to western ports to the same level as those effective from like points to Fort William.

Complaining of a criticism by the Montreal Corn Exchange Association, he outlines at length the facts of the case, which he claims dispose of the allegation against the chief commissioner and himself of high-handed and unusual conduct, and bad faith so far as the hearing of the case is concerned. He continues: "As to the decision in the case which is made the subject of the same adverse comment as the hearing, while the decision itself is fair matter for objection by the Montreal Corn Exchange Association or anyone else who sees fit to take a like view, the framing and giving of it out was fully in accord with the provisions of the law and with the well understood principle and previous practice of the board under which the section of the board which having been duly authorized heard the evidence and arguments gave the decision."

Asks Question

"The suggestion that a decision by the section of the board which had heard the evidence and arguments was high-handed and unusual because the remaining members of the board who had not heard it, had not joined in the decision, surely cannot be justified on the ground merely that those who heard it were a minority, while those who had not heard it were a majority. Unless those who hear the evidence and arguments give the decision what useful purpose can be served by a public hearing?"

"The law was certainly framed with the idea that those who heard should decide. If that is not held to be desirable, then the law should be changed, but in the meantime I respectfully submit that the chief commissioner and myself are not open to the charge of high-handed or unusual action because we conformed to the letter and spirit of the law as it exists."

The letter to the board from the Montreal Corn Exchange Association peremptorily demands the rescinding of the board's order of September 2, reducing westbound grain rates. There is no suggestion of consideration prior to such rescission. Speaking of high-handed and unusual action, the demand above mentioned would seem to be distinctly in that class.

"If the decision of the railway board arrived at after such lengthy hearing, as in the case of the westbound grain rate, (continued on page six)"

STOCK MARKET

	Bid.	Asked.
B.C. Silver	.95	1.10
Daly Alaska		.20
Dunwell	1.30	1.40
Gladstone	.26 1/2	.28 1/2
Granby	16.00	
Hazelton	.01 1/2	.02
L. and L.	.19	.24
Premier	2.28	2.35
Silvercrest	.07 1/2	.10 1/4
Surf Inlet	.06 1/2	.07 1/4
Howe Sound	24.00	
Porter Idaho		.21
Terminus		.25
Marmot		.10
Silversmith	.24	.24 1/2
Lucky Jim	.14 1/2	.16
Glacier		.26 1/2
Rufus		.18
Indian	.04	.06
Selkirk	.04	.04 1/2
Bayview	.05	.09 1/4

MANY HALIBUT WEARING TAGS

Since Commission's Investigations Started, 3,336 Fish Have Been Tagged

(Special to Daily News)
VICTORIA, Sept. 24.—Swarms of halibut are swimming the Pacific ocean bearing a metal badge indicating that they are the elite among finny society. The halibut commission announced today that, so far, 3,336 halibut have been tagged by experts who expect to learn much about halibut life when the fish are caught in distant waters and returned to the commission. The most of the tagging was done by Prof. Wm. H. Thompson who operated out of Prince Rupert on the schooner Seamaid.

CRITICISM BY ROBERT FORKE

Leader of Progressives Would Know What Mackenzie King Wishes a Mandate For

SHOAL LAKE, Man., Sept. 24.—Speaking here last night Progressive leader, Robert Forke, said Premier King wanted a mandate from the people. He asked "What for? The Premier should tell us in his speeches what he intends to do with such a mandate in respect to the major problems confronting the country."

Mr. Forke views with alarm the taking of Marler into the cabinet, he says, was a "Montreal high protectionist." In regard to Hon. Arthur Meighen, the speaker said he had thought to offer the West but high tariff.

CAPETOWN GOES TO SAN DIEGO WITH THE DESTROYER PATRICIAN

SAN PEDRO, Sept. 24.—The cruiser Capetown and the destroyer Patrician left yesterday for San Diego where they will remain until tomorrow. The cruiser then continues her cruise through to the Atlantic while the Patrician returns to Esquimaux.

CHILD REMAINS IN PRINCE RUPERT IN CHARGE OF FATHER

VICTORIA, Sept. 24.—The nine year old son of Francis M. Davies of Prince Rupert will remain in custody of the father, Mr. Justice Gregory ruled yesterday, in refusing the application of Mrs. Davies to bring him here to her home part of each year.