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BIGGEST FISH TRAIN IN WORLD WENT OUT

GREAT BRITAIN IS GIVEN MANDATE OVER MOSUL BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Biggest Train of Fish Ever Shipped Went Out of Prince Rupert This Morning for East

Two engines drew 43 cars making fast time to Winnipeg and train will be distributed there for farther points

What is thought to be the largest train load of fish ever shipped at one time left Prince Rupert this morning when a train with two engines and 43 cars with frozen halibut and salmon pulled out of Prince Rupert for distribution throughout the continent. This is the first train out following the tieup of the road by floods and washouts.

Of the 43 cars the fish for 14 cars came in from Ketchikan and the remainder was shipped by the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage plant here. It will be followed by seven more car loads on the passenger train this evening and fifteen car loads on Saturday, making in all a total of 65 car loads in three days.

The tieup of the road here has caused almost a fish famine in the cities of the East and the big shipment is the result of accumulating orders which it has been unable to fill. The train will make fast time through to Winnipeg where the first distribution will take place. Part of it will go to Toronto and Montreal and other Canadian cities but the bulk will cross the border to Chicago, New York, Boston and American centres.

MINISTERS ARE CONFIDENT OF GOOD SUPPORT

Federal Government Will Open Parliament in Usual Way and Expect to Carry on

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—Ministers here look forward to a successful although somewhat strenuous session of Parliament commencing in January. While there has been no pledge given by the independent groups in the new House, it is the opinion of the ministers that they will secure sufficient support for their policies, once they are outlined, to enable them to carry on without difficulty.

Parliament will open in the ordinary way with all the usual ceremonies, and business will proceed on the assumption that the Government will be supported and there is every reason to believe it will be.

WHEAT POOL CONTRACT NUL

Failure to Enforce It in Courts Will Weaken New Organization.

REGINA, Dec. 17.— That the Wheat Pool is an organization in restraint of trade, and that it cannot enforce its contracts, which tie up the farmers to selling their product to them for five years was the decision of Mr. Justice Embury here in a test case brought before him. The decision, it is thought, will weaken the pool very materially, especially if it should meet with any reverse in the matter of a sudden drop in prices.

DYNAMITE CAPS FOUND IN CASE

CRESTON, Dec. 17.—A small jewel case containing dynamite caps carrying the name of a firm of jewellers at Aberdeen, Washington, found under a bush a mile south of Creston may furnish a clue to the identity of the second of two men who held up the local bank in October.

John Ward is now serving a term for participation in the crime.

ALBERTA PROPOSES COMPLETE RAILWAY EN ROUTE RUPERT

Local railway students are firm in their belief that the new premier of Alberta will conform to the wishes of the Hon. V. W. Smith to operate the E.D. & B.C. as a government enterprise, and provide for the early extension of the road westward, to connect with two projects, says the Edmonton Bulletin.

It is on this point that Federal aid will be sought in exchange for the heavy traffic that would find its way to the seaboard over the short export route via the C.N.R. from Prince George to Prince Rupert.

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Lucky Jim	13¼	.15
Hazelton		.01¾
Marmot		.10
Terminus		.50
Indian	.05	.06
Glacier	.08¼	.10
Rufus		.18
Granby	18.00	
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National Silver	.14¼	.15
Selkirk	.04	.04½
Silversmith	.24	.24½

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OLIVER MOVES P.G.E. BILL

Says He Believes Finlay Forks Route Would be Best

VICTORIA, Dec. 17.—Premier Oliver in moving the second reading of the P.G.E. bill the main feature of which is the proposed land grant for colonization purposes to purchasers of the road, said that it might be possible to secure the co-operation of the governments of Alberta and the Dominion and Great Britain in the solution of the problem.

In the event of any new construction being undertaken, the Premier said he believed it was economically wrong to extend the line over any other route that by way of Finlay Forks.

RAIL SERVICE IS RESTORED

Train Will Leave for East at 8 O'clock This Evening

Faster progress than expected having been made on the clearing up on the line following the washouts and slides, it is announced at the C.N.R. superintendent's office that the first passenger train for the east from here in two weeks will leave at 8 o'clock this evening. The train will carry mail, express and the usual business.

Service will then be resumed as usual, with the train from the East expected to arrive on time tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock and the train for the East leaving at 8 o'clock Saturday night.

A fortnight's work of clearthe line completed, the two crews met early this afternoon between Kwinitsa and Salvus stations.

DEFENDS BEER IN COMMITTEE

Brewers Appear at Public Accounts Probe and Refute Statements Made by Burde

VICTORIA, Dec. 17. — Representatives of the two British Columbia breweries appeared before the public accounts committee and refuted charges made by Major Burde of Alberni against the beer made in the province. The committee will submit a report on the situation to the Legislature.

PORTLAND WINNER OF HOCKEY MATCH BEATING VICTORIA

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Victoria again came off second best in the hockey game last night, Portland winning by two goals to one.

Lord Plumer, new high commissioner for Palestine, shown with Lady Plumer, visiting the Armenian church in Jerusalem

Edmonton Board of Trade Wants Square Deal for all Pacific Ports in Freight

The secretary of the board of trade has received a letter from the secretary of the Edmonton board of trade in regard to a front page editorial in the Prince Rupert Daily News, as follows:

"A few days ago I received a copy of the Prince Rupert paper in which it is stated that Mayor Blatchford appeared before the railway commission and advocated a higher freight rate from Edmonton to Prince Rupert than to Vancouver.

"I do not know what his exact representations were, but I want to inform your board and the people of Prince Rupert that that is not the attitude of the Edmonton board of trade. We are for a square deal for all Pacific ports. For that reason we strongly supported the erection of an elevator at Prince Rupert, as having claims as well as Vancouver.

"JOHN BLUE,
"Secretary."

Needs of Hospital Are Many and Some of Then will be Met by Surplus for Year in Sight

The needs of the hospital are many, according to S. K. Campbell, chairman of the hospital board, who last night reported on the result of a joint meeting of the house and finance committee at which the matter of finances was mentioned.

Mr. Campbell said that by practicing the greatest economies and by holding back on needed improvements and with the aid of a provincial grant they found themselves with a surplus on hand with which it was proposed to carry out some of the improvements most needed. He pointed out that changes in the heating system may use up all their money but they hoped not. Some of the most needed improvements were:

Painting the exterior of the hospital at a cost of approximately $1500.

Calsomining the walls of corridors and some of the wards.

Replacing wornout sinks in kitchens.

Making necessary changes in the office so that the secretary may see all who enter and leave the building.

Relining kitchen range with firebrick.

Improving the walk between the Nurses' Home and the Hospital.

Installing more wash basins on the second floor for the use of the doctors.

Procuring nursery clothes.

Installing towel racks in the nurses' home.

Replacing wornout mattresses in the hospital.

Replenishing the supply of chinaware.

Providing new pillow cases.

Repairing plaster at Nurses' home.

Providing mannikin for use of pupil nurses.

Providing needed reference books for use of pupil nurses.

Providing storm windows for

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FRANCE HAS COLD SPELL

Blizzard on Tuesday Followed by Low Temperature and Fog

PARIS, Dec. 17.— France is suffering from the most intaense cold spell in thirty years. The cold is accompanied in many districts by fog, which has resulted in a number of minor accidents on the railways, which have only partly recovered from the effects of the blizzard on Tuesday.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY MAN IS FINED $300 ON LIQUOR BOARD CHARGE

J. Robinson of Queen Charlotte City has been fined $300 and costs for keeping liquor unlawfully by J. L. Barge, J.P. at Queen Charlotte City, according to information received by the provincial police. The evidence was obtained and prosecution instituted by operators of the Liquor Control Board.

Britain Gets All Mosul But War Not Expected

Chamberlain says British willing to try to improve relations between his country and Turkey by negotiation

GENEVA, Dec. 17. — Neither the League of Nations nor Great Britain expects war in the near East because of the decision of the finding of the League's Council, which gives Mosul virtually in its entirety to Great Britain in the form of a mandate, Colonial Secretary Amery declared last night.

Foreign Secretary Austen Chamberlain said the British government does not wish to adopt a rigid, uncompromising attitude but desires to live on terms of peace and amity with Turkey and will gladly lend itself to conversations to determine whether it will be possible to improve the relations between the two countries.

IS AWARDED FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATE

John S. Wilson of the Booth Memorial School staff, who came to the city as a second class teacher, has been awarded a first class certificate by the Department of Education. Mr. Wilson, who served in the Great War and won his commission as a captain on the field, did overseas University work while in service. He taught at Houston last year.

WEST OROWA IS ADRIFT AGAIN

Freighter Once More Broken Down in Rough Sea of North Pacific

CORDOVA, Dec. 17. — The freighter West Orowa, which has been laboring under difficulties in the North Pacific for the past week or more, has again broken down and is once more adrift and helpless in a rough sea. The convoying ships are standing by.

SCHOOL TEACHER OF YUKON DIED AFTER LONG SERVICE NORTH

DAWSON, Dec. 17.— William Galpit, who taught school a quarter of a century ago in the Yukon, to which he came direct from school at St. Peter and St. Paul, Maidstone, Kent, England, where has was headmaster for 24 years, died suddenly and was buried yesterday under the auspices of the Yukon Order of Pioneers.

POOLEY ASKS FOR PUBLIC INQUIRY TAXING INDUSTRY

VICTORIA, Dec. 17. — R. H. Pooley, filed a resolution yesterday calling for the appointment of a commission under the Public Inquiries Act to hold an investigation throughout Canada and the United States into methods of taxing industries with a view to encouraging greater production in British Columbia.

Miss E. Milne, who has been visiting in the city, will sail tomorrow afternoon on the Princess Mary for Victoria.

BANDITS TAKE LIQUOR MONEY

Cashier of Government Warehouse Slugged Over Head and $15,000 is Taken From Him

WINNIPEG, Dec. 17.—Slugged over the head while on his way to a bank this morning, Thomas Nuttal, cashier of the Manitoba Liquor Commission warehouse, was robbed of fifteen thousand dollars by two armed men who made their escape in a waiting automobile.

Nuttal, accompanied by two employees, was stepping into his automobile at the front of the warehouse when he was confronted with revolvers. The bandits forced him to hand over a satchel containing $13,000 in cash and $2,000 in checks. As the robbers started to run, Nuttal opened fire and a number of shots were exchanged.

FUR PRICES IN SEATTLE

Fair Prices Paid For Large Offerings at Close of 1925 Auction Yesterday

SEATTLE, Dec. 17—The closing of the 1925 fur auction sale yesterday brought fair prices for large offerings.

Mink was in excellent demand, interior British Columbia skins topping the market with an average of from $10 to $13. Interior British Columbia muskrats sold up to $1.30; lynx, large and extra large, brought from $25 to $28; and British Columbia interior wolf from $9 to $11.

MINIMUM WAGE LUMBER ONLY

Major R. J. Burde Changes His Bill by Narrowing Down Its Scope

VICTORIA, Dec. 17. — The withdrawal of his Minimum Wage Bill in the Legislature by Major R. J. Burde, member for Alberni, when the measure was called for the second reading and its substitution by another which he introduced to establish a minimum wage in the lumbering industry, thus narrowed down the scope of the bill in the original measure to include but one industry.