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FIRE SITUATION IN PROVINCE SERIOUS

SENATE COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND THAT GOVERNMENT TAKE OVER C.P.R.

Much Valuable Timber Destroyed and Logging Camps Are Threatened

VANCOUVER, Aug. 5.— Millions of feet of merchantable timber is being destroyed and logging camps are threatened by numerous forest fires all over the province according to Chief Forester Cowan of Vancouver district.

The most serious outbreak is at Stillwater, 45 miles south of Powell River, where the flames swept 300 acres destroying nine million feet of standing timber.

Fires at Pender Harbor and Sechelt are also out of control and are sweeping towards Green timber despite the efforts of one hundred men who are engaged in fighting the flames.

Many of the fifty fires reported from the Kamloops district are out of control and are destroying timber.

Near Victoria a bad fire is seriously threatening the city's watershed at Sooke, a mile of which is already destroyed. Considerable time and the efforts of 125 men will be needed to curb the advance of the flames it is expected.

WORLD SWIMMING RECORDS BROKEN

Johnny Weismuller Lowers His Own 100 Yard Mark at Victoria by Three-Fifths Second

VICTORIA, Aug. 5. — Two world's swimming records were shattered here last night at the Crystal Gardens.

Johnny Weismuller of Chicago, in the handicap race, broke his own world's record for the 100-yard open style swim in 51 2-5 seconds. He lowered his old mark by three-fifths of a second.

Conrad Mila, also of Chicago, in the 440 yard back stroke swim, lowered the record held by Blitz of Belgium by four-fifths of a second swimming the distance in six minutes and one and one-fifth seconds.

Tommy Wellburn of Victoria set up a new mark for the 100 yards Canadian open free style race, doing the distance in one minute and two and four-fifths seconds.

RECLAMATION OF KOOTENAY FLATS

Hon. T. D. Pattullo Submits Proposition to Board of Trade at Nelson

CRESTON, Aug. 5.—"Up to ten thousand acres of Kootenay flats land will be deeded free of cost to any person or syndicate who will undertake its reclamation on the district drainage plan and who will sell such portions as it may be decided to dispose of at a price that will assure of the acreage reclaimed being put under crop." Such was the announcement made last night by Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, to a delegation of the board of trade.

ANYOX MAN DROWNED NEAR GOLSKEISH MINE

Verdict of Accidental Drowning is Returned

Report has been received at the local provincial police office of the death by drowning at Anyox on July 30 of Frank Lindahl. Deceased was seen swimming in Granby Bay near the Golskeish mine on the afternoon in question. He disappeared and his body was recovered the next morning. An inquest was held by Coroner John Conway and a verdict of accidental drowning was returned. Deceased was a single man and is survived by a brother residing in Seattle.

DEMAND FOR LABORERS GREATER THAN SUPPLY

Outside Points Want Men as Well as Local Elevator

The demand for laborers locally is greater than the supply according to James Campbell of the employment service here. At the present time requests are coming in from outside points for men and, in addition, the local elevator plant is asking for quite a number more.

Mr. Campbell received a wire this morning from J. H. McVety superintendent, saying that the date for harvesters leaving for the prairies had been advanced to August 8 as the weather conditions on the prairies have been very good and the crop will be ready for harvesting sooner than anticipated.

REFRIGERATOR CARS ARRIVING HERE TODAY

Halibut Fares This Morning at Exchange Slightly Over 100,000 Pounds

Halibut arrivals this morning totalled slightly over 100,000 pounds. Prices were about at the same level as those paid yesterday. Five express refrigerator cars are due from the East this afternoon.

Arrivals and sales this morning were as follows:

American

Polaris, 48,000, at 9.90c and 5c to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co.

Happy, 11,800, at 10.20c and 6c to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co.

Kennebec, 7,000, at 10.20c and 6c to Atlin Fisheries.

Unimak, 7,000, at 10.40c and 6c to Booth Fisheries.

Reliance, 16,000, at 10.30c and 6c to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Col.

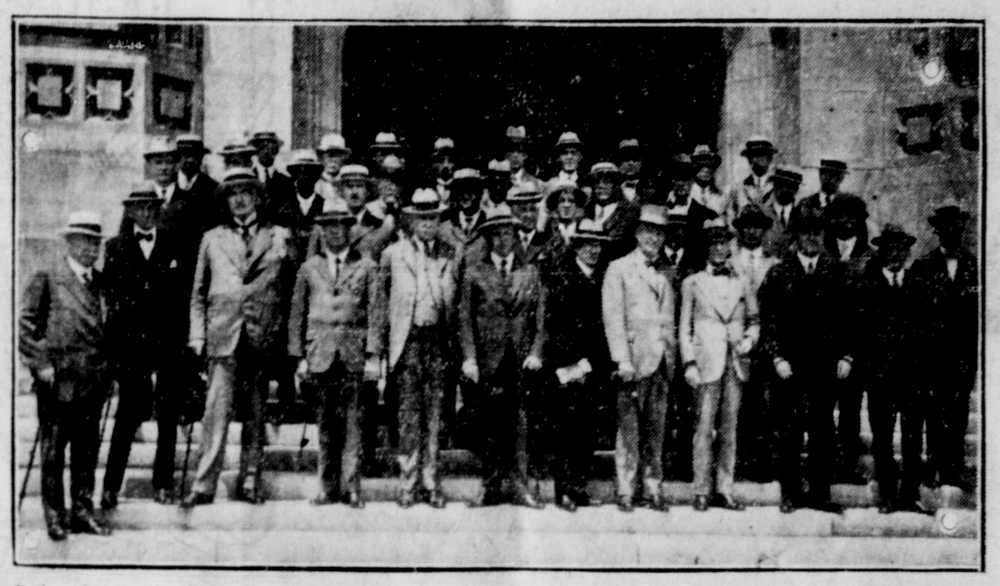
Flattery, 7,500, at 10.20c and 6c to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co.

Star, 14,000, at 10.50c and 6c to Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian

Cape Spear, 7,500, at 10.20c and 6c to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co.

Miss Alice Pillsbury returned to the city from Vancouver this morning on the Prince Rupert



Delegates to the British-America conference at Ottawa. A new trade treaty was concluded between Canada and British countries to the south.

TO BEER OR NOT TO BEER?

New Westminster Business Men Want Parlors Opened There to Meet Vancouver Competition

VICTORIA, Aug. 5.—That their potential customers were lured to Vancouver to do their shopping by the beer parlors there was the assertion made here today by a delegation representing New Westminster business men which conferred with Premier Oliver in an effort to secure permission for the opening of such establishments in the Royal City. The premier said the government was giving the matter careful consideration but no decision had been reached.

New Westminster has no beer parlor licenses now as that riding voted against beer by the glass in the plebiscite last summer. The government subsequently decided that beer licenses would only be granted in constituencies that voted in favor of beer by the glass and that is why New Westminster is dry and Vancouver is wet.

While it is understood that some influences are in favor granting the request of the New Westminster business men, several of the members of the cabinet are known to be opposed to doing so in view of the fact that the most of the people in that riding voted against beer by the glass. It is expected that there will be representations from other interests in New Westminster opposing the opening of beer parlors. It is possible that a special vote may be taken to settle the question.

STOCK MARKET

	Bid	Asked
Dunwell	2.00	2.60
L. & L.		.35
Marmot Metals	.11	.15
Premier	2.15	2.25
Porter Idaho	.19	.23
Silvercrest		.17
B.C. Silver	1.00	1.20
Daly Alaska		.24
Granby	13.00	15.00
Hazelton	.01⅝	.02½
Surf Inlet	.04¾	.05½
Howe Sound	20.00	
Rufus	.12	.20
Terminus		.48
Selkirks	.04	.05
Gladstone	.24½	.26
Bayview	.05	.09½
Indian	.06	.07

Advertise in the Daily News

Toronto Paper Hears About Recommendation of Senate Committee

Thornton and Beatty would be joint managers of railway system under high government official says Telegram

TORONTO, Aug. 5.—The Toronto Telegram prints a despatch from Ottawa stating that it is learned on good authority that the special Senate committee investigating the railways situation will hand down a report on August 15 which will recommend that the government take over the management and operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The report is also understood to recommend that Sir Henry Thornton be appointed joint general manager with E. W. Beatty, K.C., present head of the Canadian Pacific Railway. These two, it is said, would be supervised by a high government official whose name is not mentioned.

ANOTHER CHANNEL SWIMMER GIVES UP

War Veteran and Victoria Cross Man Forced to Quit When Half a Mile Short of Goal

DOVER, Aug. 5.— Col. Donald G. Fryeberg, war veteran and holder of the Victoria Cross, failed in an attempt to swim the English Channel yesterday being forced to quit within half a mile of his goal. He left Cape Grisnez at 8.25 last night.

NAVAL ESTIMATES FINALLY PASSED

Government's Program Given Its Last Approval by Vote of 305 to 125

LONDON, Aug. 5.—The House of Commons last night finally adopted the government's naval estimates including the program for the construction of new warships. The bill passed on a vote of 305 to 125 without discussion.

BASEBALL

American League

Chicago 3, Philadelphia 9.
Cleveland 1, New York 4.
St. Louis 10, Boston 7.
Detroit 2, Washington 5.

National League

Brooklyn 2, Chicago 5.
Philadelphia 8, Pittsburg 4.
New York 2, St. Louis 4.

RUSSELL SCOTT CASE TO JURY

CHICAGO, August 5.— The effort to save Russell Scott, former Canadian financier convicted of murder, from the gallows concluded yesterday with the testimony of five alienists that they had found him mentally deficient. The case will probably go to the jury on Thursday.

SISTER OF JANET SMITH IS COMING

Will Leave Old Country Next Month to Make Enquiries in Vancouver

LONDON, Aug. 5—Mary Smith, the only remaining daughter of Mrs. Smith, whose daughter Janet was murdered in Vancouver last year, is leaving London about the middle of September to be present at the trial of the Chinaman, Wong Fung, who is being held on a murder charge. It is learned here that Mary has been communicating with friends in Vancouver who have advised her to make inquiries of her own there. Other cases in connection with the mystery of the late Janet Smith are to come up in the Vancouver courts while Miss Smith is there.

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Imposing Structure of Local Grain Elevator Will Soon be Rearing Height on Waterfront

Good progress is being made in constructing the local grain elevator, a large amount of preliminary work already having been done with work now proceeding in pouring cement for the grain bins.

A large amount of preparation was necessary for such an undertaking, including the installation of equipment and machinery to handle the materials used in the structure. Material for use in the building has been rapidly assembled and cement and gravel are continuing to arrive regularly as needed.

Today every branch of the work is proceeding very satisfactorily and, by the specified time, it is expected the plant will be ready to handle any grain which may offer.

The construction is so far advanced at the present time that an additional shift will be put on at once to rush the work to completion. This will mean the employment of a large number of men and provision has been made so that the work may proceed at night as well as day. Electrical equipment has been installed throughout the undertaking and everything is in readiness to proceed with despatch.

From those who have been employed on such work, it is learned that the whole structure rises at the same time. As soon as the cement hardens sufficiently, the forms are jacked up a little each day and the work continues without interruption. The work of making wooden forms has been practically completed and everything is in readiness to be used as needed as the work advances.

Construction Details

To the lay mind unskilled in structural work there is a fascination about the whole undertaking as the different materials are assembled and properly mixed for the actual work of construction. The cement, which is stored in the new warehouse on the dock—which has almost been completed by the Northern Construction Co.—is brought to the mixer on conveyors where the sand and gravel feed from the large bin immediately to the rear. The sand and gravel are also brought from the dock by a large belt conveyor and stored in this huge bin ready for use. The steel used has been conveniently placed that it may be readily accessible and the various elements are worked into the whole structure orderly and systematically.

The actual pouring of the cement is carried on by a large number of men who use carts capable of carrying a good quantity. These are loaded at the mouth of a spout which conveys the mixed material from an elevated position to which it has been hoisted from the mixer. And thus the whole undertaking is proceeding under the careful eye of inspectors who see that there is no mistake made in carrying out the plans and specifications.

Wage Schedule

The rate of pay has been determined by F. E. Harrison, who is Dominion Government Fair Wage Officer at Edmonton and in a prominent place is posted the minimum scale of wages which must be paid. The following is the schedule for an eight hour day:

	Per hour
Bricklayers	$1.25
Blacksmiths	.75
Carpenters	.87½
Concrete finishers	1.00
Common laborers	.50
Experienced bldg. lab.	.55
Electricians	.90
Painters	1.00
Plumbers, steam fitters	1.00
Plasterers	1.25
Sheet metal workers	1.00
Structural steel workers	1.12½
Two horse team and teamster	2.00

SAM HIBBERD'S BODY IS FOUND

Remains of Young Man Who Was Drowned Last Month Brought Here by Indians

The body of Sam Hibbard was recovered today in the vicinity of Port Simpson and brought to town by Indian fishermen and is now at the parlors of the B.C. Undertakers.

The deceased was lost about a month ago while en route to Dundas Island on board the cannery tender Horseshoe. While search was made for the remains it seem a difficult task as little information was available as to the exact location that the boy disappeared. It now seems that the body came to the surface and was located by Indians who were aware that he had been missing and so brought the remains to town. Funeral arrangements will be made later.

RAILWAYS AS LINK OF PEACE

C.N.R. Vice-President Delivers Address at Belleville, Ont.

BELLEVILLE, Aug. 5.— Railway enterprise as a contribution to the conservation of peace between the United States and Canada formed the basis of an address delivered here by W. D. Robb, vice-president of the Canadian National Railways. The address was delivered during the exercises in connection with the local celebration of 100 years of peace between the Republic and the Dominion which event has been made the occasion of an interesting program extending throughout the week coupled with the old boys' reunion.

EDMONTON MAN TO HEAD TEMPLARS

Lieut. Col. George R. McLeod Elected Supreme Grand Master at Victoria Assembly

VICTORIA, Aug. 5—Lieut. Col. George R. McLeod of Edmonton was elected Supreme Grand Master at the forty-second assembly of Sovereign Grand Priory of Canada, Knights Templar, at the concluding session today.

Miss Margaret Johnson has been appointed matron of the Prince George school home under the United Church of Canada.