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OTTAWA IS DISCUSSING RIGHT TO GOVERN BIG AMALGAMATION OF PAPER MILLS INCLUDES THOSE IN THIS PROVINCE

Position of Government Subject of Discussion During Ottawa Debate

Two Progressives deliver "wobbly" speeches without committing themselves to any line of action

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—A. H. Garmichael, Progressive, of Kindersley, opened the debate yesterday on the amendment of non-confidence in the government introduced by Hon. Arthur Meighen, and at the conclusion of his speech the Progressive member left the House in mystery as to his viewpoint. He confessed he was between the deep sea and an individual "with an unsavory name." He brought Conservative applause when he declared that defeat of the non-confidence amendment would be flouting the will of the people as expressed at the polls and voting confidence in a defeated government. Both he and T. W. Bird, Progressive of Nelson, stated they would vote for the party which gave a frank and honest expression of its policies.

DIFFICULTY OF GETTING GRAIN

Eastern interests will not send Product West and Alberta is Battleground Says Speaker

FARMERS WANT PACIFIC

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—Addressing the Victoria chamber of commerce, J. A. Walker of Edmonton, former member of the Alberta Legislature, asked if it could be reasonably expected that men who had millions invested in equipment at the head of the lakes would go out of their way to send business westward. He pointed out that eastern dealers had paid higher prices than ever before. The spread between street and track prices, usually amounting to 5 or 6 cents a bushel had been sacrificed by eastern buyers in a campaign to get the wheat. Alberta was the great battleground, as it was from that province the Pacific coast expected to draw.

FIRST PARTY TO CASSIAR REGION

Bob Martin Was Passenger on Princess Mary Yesterday Afternoon Enroute to Palmer Creek

On his way to Atlin from which point he will lead the first mining expedition of this year into the Dease Lake country, B. W. "Four-Finger" Bob Martin was a passenger aboard the Princess Mary yesterday afternoon accompanied by three men. Mr. Martin is one of the best known mining men in the province and has operated extensively in the Stewart district, his last venture there having been the Victoria Mines Ltd.

CHANGES MADE BEER PARLORS

Tobacco May be Sold There it is Said Under Latest Regulations

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—Removal of the ban on the sale of tobacco in beer parlors and prohibition of the use of any musical instrument, including radios, in the establishments, features the new regulations which have been decided upon by Commissioner Davidson, it is learned here.

BIRTH.

A daughter was born on January 10 at the Prince Rupert General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bond, 217 Seventh Avenue West.



Above is an interior view of Canada's first artificial ice curling rink, on Huron Street, Toronto. Curlers from Montreal, Detroit, Galt and Hamilton were present at the recent official opening. There are five perfect sheets of ice which, even on warm days, can be kept as keen as in zero weather.

EXTREME COLD IN RUSSIA TODAY IS CAUSE OF DEATHS

LENINGRAD, Jan. 12.—This city and country surrounding it are experiencing the coldest weather that has been experienced here in 136 years, the thermometer registering 22 degrees below zero. Many persons are perishing in the suburbs of the city.

GRAIN MAY COME SOON

G. Watson, Grain Inspector, Arrives in City to Assume Duties

J. G. Glossop, superintendent of the local elevator, stated this morning that there may be notice at any time of grain coming into the plant. A number of enquiries have been received as to when the elevator will be ready to ship grain and the answer is being sent out that the plant will be in a position both to receive and ship by January 15.

DR. VYE GOES JAIL FOR YEAR

Appeal Fails and he Enters Government Institution For Illegal Act

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—Failing to secure an appeal before the Supreme Court of Canada from a conviction for having performed an illegal operation, Dr. J. P. Vye was taken into custody last night by the provincial police and removed to the mainland to enter on the one year imprisonment term imposed by the court.

ANNANDALE MAYOR NEW WESTMINSTER

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 12.—Mayor T. S. Annandale was yesterday re-elected mayor by acclamation.

British Columbia Paper Mills Included in Big Deal by Which Many Properties Amalgamated

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Reorganization of the Crown Willamette Paper Company which controls the Pacific Mills at Ocean Falls, and which was semi-officially announced some time ago, was officially announced yesterday by a Wall Street banking group. The new company will be the largest paper concern on the Pacific Coast, the capitalization being approximately \$55,000,000. The properties involved include plants at Ocean Falls and Powell River in British Columbia and the older plants in Washington and Oregon. It also includes 170,000 acres of timber lands.

MINISTER EXPECTED ARRIVE TOMORROW

Hon. T. D. Pattullo Left Vancouver Last Night For Prince Rupert

Hon. T. D. Pattullo left Vancouver last night on the steamer Prince Rupert for this city on departmental business. While here he will address the Rotary Club and will meet committees of the Board of Trade and others in connection with the administration of governmental affairs in this constituency.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked.
Wheat	1.59 3/4	
B.C. Silver	1.73	1.75
Daly Alaska		.15
Dunwell	1.53	1.60
Gladstone	.34	.36
Brazellon		.09 1/2
L. & L.	.13 3/4	.14 1/2
Porter	2.20	2.25
Porter-Idaho	.13 1/2	.15
Silver Creek	.12	.14
Surf Inlet	.09	.09 1/2

ACCLAMATIONS MANY PLACES

Sixteen Mayors and Reeves Returned Without Opposition in B.C. Yesterday

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—Sixteen mayors and nine Reeves in various cities and municipalities throughout the province were returned by acclamation throughout British Columbia yesterday. Two new candidates, Mayor J. H. Ashwell of Chilliwack and J. W. McKenzie of Courtenay, were returned unopposed.

MURDERERS TO HANG THURSDAY

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Income and Expenditure of City is Outlined in Report of City Treasurer Just Issued

According to a preliminary statement issued by City Treasurer D. J. Matheson of the revenue and expenditure account of the city for the year 1925 exclusive of utilities, a surplus on the year's operations of \$6,477.85 is shown. The total income of the city was \$386,536.14 and expenditure, \$389,958.29. Revenue was accounted for as follows:

Tax Levy, general, etc.	8217,203.77
Tax Levy, local improvements	89,916.15
Penalties, current taxes	4,216.13
Penalties, local imp.	2,755.49
Int. on arrears	4,475.48
Dog taxes	622.00
Poll taxes	5,100.00
Government Grants	
Teachers salaries	15,311.81
Liquor profits	9,638.98
Pari Mutual taxes	2,681.86
Motor licenses	5,100.49

General	
Building permits, etc.	579.35
High School fees	337.50
Police fines	8,282.00
Trade licenses	7,122.50
Burial permits	785.65
Interest receiver less paid	670.778
Soldier's Housing int. etc.	4,900.00
Light dept. 3% earnings	3,000.00
Tax sale costs	2,440.41
Sundry receipts	1,055.49

Expenditure	
Expenditure per department was as follows:	
General administration	\$36,017.69
Miscellaneous, interest, etc.	185,160.25
Engineer's dept.	2,924.43
Fire dept.	15,130.71
Health dept.	15,175.46
Public schools	73,246.10
Sewers	3,320.11
Public Works	30,820.16
Police	15,963.36

SIX VICTIMS FIRE IN EAST

Children of Mrs. Tanguay of Clarkstown Met Death When Residence Burned

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—Trapped in a blinding smoke Mrs. W. E. Sarazen, 23 years of age, three younger sisters and two brothers, all children of Mrs. Albert Tanguay were burned to death when fire destroyed the home at Clarkstown early this morning. Mrs. Tanguay and a visitor named Kelly, cousin of the six young victims, were badly burned and injured, while Mrs. Tanguay's daughters escaped unhurt.

MANY BANDITS MEXICO KILLED

Loot Taken on Train Has Been Recovered: Troops Hunting Outlaws

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—An unknown number of bandits, who massacred passengers and their guards on the train between Guadalajara and here has been killed in a fight with federal troops. Eight others who were captured were immediately executed. All the loot secured by the bandits was recovered. Four thousand picked troops have been sent to hunt bandits with orders to kill or capture them or in the alternative face disgrace.

LINERS BUNKER SEATTLE NOW

Drop Union Bay as Coaling Port and Will Save Time by Going Elsewhere

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—The Blue Funnel liners dropped Union Bay as a coaling port, which it has used for the past 35 years, in favor of Seattle, where the vessels can be bunkered quicker. This means a loss to the island mines of approximately \$100,000 annually.

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McMordie's Election Assured

Ex-Ald. McMordie is gaining support as mayoralty candidate in many unexpected quarters. People who state they have voted consistently for Mayor Newton in the past, now say they cannot see their way clear to do so again. After so many years of Newton administration, they feel that firm and business-like conduct of city affairs is desirable. This attitude of mind is to be found everywhere in the city. It will assure the election of Ex-Ald. McMordie on Thursday. Hundreds of Mayor Newton's past supporters are rallying under the McMordie banner which stands for reform and good judgment in civic administration. CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

ORIENTAL MARKET FOR GRAIN BETTER THAN OTHER YEARS

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—It is estimated that sixty per cent of the grain being shipped from the port of Vancouver this year will go to the Orient, most of the remainder going through the Panama Canal to Great Britain and Ireland. It is hoped that by the end of the season the total shipments will aggregate 70,000,000 bushels.