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GENERAL STRIKE IS CALLED IN BRITAIN

COAL MINERS BACKED UP BY 203 OTHER UNIONS OF FIVE MILLION MEN

British Miners Quit Work Last Night and General Strike Called for Tuesday of All Vital Services

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COAL EXPORT HAS BEEN FORBIDDEN

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LONDON, May 1. — Coal miners throughout the country down their tools at midnight and the mines are idle today.

LONDON, May 1.—Great Britain is fearing a general strike result of the coal miners' strike against lower wages and ased hours of work. Representatives of 203 unions com- g 5,000,000 workers decided today to back up the miners Tuesday if the coal dispute is not settled by then.

The government is aroused by the action of the miners in down their tools at midnight and has issued a proclamation "that a state of emergency exists." This gives the government unlimited powers.

Some hope remains that negotiations between the coal owners and their million employees may be reopened in time to prevent a general strike on Tuesday.

Vital Services Tuesday

LONDON, May 1. — A general strike in support of the coal miners has been called for next Tuesday, the trades unions conference decided today. The conference decided to call out employees in the vital services including transport workers unless the miners' dispute is settled before Tuesday.

It was announced that the trade unions would offer to maintain by voluntary arrangement the distribution of essential foodstuffs.

Coal Ships Return

CARDIFF, May 1.— Orders have been received at South Wales ports to suspend exportation of coal. Ships which have already sailed are being ordered to return.

Naval Preparedness

PLYMOUTH, England, May 1. —While the utmost secrecy is being observed in official quarters, it is understood that since the coal negotiations entered a serious stage special trains have been marshalled at the Devonport dockyard. Special naval men have been notified to keep themselves in readiness for emergencies.

CKEY IS OFF FOR NEXT YEAR

ns Will be Sold, the Cougars Probably Going to Detroit

ONTREAL, May 1. — There be no professional hockey in ern Canada during the com- winter, Frank Patrick stated today before a special meet- of the National Hockey ue. All the western teams n the market, he said, and if oit enters the National ue the Victoria Cougars will be purchased for $100,-

atrick said the entire western s could be acquired for ,000.

OTEST MADE FAVOR PLANES

n Takes Up Cause of Fish- eries Protection in this Province

CTORIA, May 1. — Fearing nvasion of Northern British mbia waters this year by ed States fishing operators Alaska besides violation of fisheries regulations by Can- s, Hon. William Sloan, pro- ial commissioner of fisher- telegraphed to the federal rtment of marine and fish- a protest against the pro- d withdrawal of the aerial ol from the coast.

AGE DISPUTE AT VANCOUVER

NCOUVER, May 1.—A strike be called in the greater ouver shipyards on May 7 e shipyard owners and ers fail to reach an agree- it was announced at a mass ng of shipyard workers last . The men are demanding and 75c a day increase in s with no change in working

FEWER VESSELS ARE NOW CARRYING GRAIN

Tendency to Slacken off Until New Crop Begins to Move in Fall

VANCOUVER, B.C., May 1. — Fewer vessel are now carrying grain and the probability is there will be a steady slackening up of business until the new crop begins to move in the fall. Ships loading grain from here during the week follow:

Africa Maru for Yokohama, 10,000 bushels.

Koyo Maru for Yokohama 205,967 bushels.

Kongosan Maru for Shanghai 238,334 bushels.

Edmore for Tsingau 9,940 bushels.

Canadian Seigneur for Antwerp with option of Rotterdam, 74,666 bushels; for Antwerp 33,000 bushels and another shipment for Antwerp 74,666 bushels.

DECISION IN SANKEY CASE COMING MONDAY

Taking of Evidence Against Indian, Charged With Attempted Rape, is Completed

Evidence was taken this morning before Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. McLeod in the case of Joe Sankey, Port Simpson Indian, who is charged with attempted rape at Port Essington and court was adjourned until Monday afternoon when decision will be given. Sankey, aged 24, is alleged to have assaulted an eleven year old girl. All those involved in the case are Indians. Sergeant A. H. McNeill prosecuted while L. W. Patmore appeared on behalf of Sankey.

ROCHER DE BOULE TRAMLINE BEING MOVED TO DUNWELL

A. B. Wing of the B.C. Equipment Co. and Alexander Scobie of the Dunwell Mining Co. have arrived in the city from Hazelton where they have been making preparations for the removal of the old Recher de Boule tramline to Stewart where it will be used by the Dunwell mine. They will proceed tonight to Stewart. The B.C. Equipment Co. has discontinued further dismantling work on the Rocher de Boule machinery and equipment until next year.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division I.

Arsenal 3, Birmingham 0.
Bolton 0, Everton 2.
Burnley 4, Cardiff 1.
Leeds 4, Tottenham 1.
Liverpool 2, Sheffield United 2.
Manchester U. 3, West Bromwich 2.
Newcastle U. 3, Manchester 2.
Notts County 4, Huddersfield 2.
West Ham 0, Bury 2.

Division II.

Fulham 2, Bradford City 0.
Middlesboro 1, Clapton 2.
Oldham 8, Notts Forest 3.
Portsmouth 4, Chelsea 0.
Preston 4, Barnsley 2.
The Wednesday 2, Blackpool 0.
South Shields 5, Port Vale 2.
Stockport 3, Derby 0.
Stoke City 1, Southampton 1.
Swansea 1, Darlington 1.

MRS. ALBERT GRIFFITHS IS PRESIDENT OF I.O.D.E.

VANCOUVER, May 1. — Mrs. Albert Griffiths of Victoria was re-elected president of the provincial chapter of the I.O.D.E. Mrs. W. R. Stokes of Ocean Falls if fifth vice-president.

BIRTH.

A son was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on April 29 to Mr. and Mrs. James Weir, 300 Sixth Avenue West.

SID BOYS

Western Canadian billiard champion who will meet Jack McMillan here.

WILKINS BACK ARM IN SLING

Made Trip Out From Point Barrow to Fairbanks in 5 Hours 45 Minutes

FAIRBANKS, May 1.—Captain George Wilkins and Pilot Eielson of the Arctic air expedition, who left Fairbanks for Point Barrow April 15 in a single engine airplane, returned Friday night, having made the journey of 500 miles in 5 hours 45 minutes.

Captain Wilkin's arm is in a sling as a result of injury received on the last trip to Point Barrow.

COLLINS PETITIONS PARLIAMENT FOR SEAT OCCUPIED BY KENNEDY

OTTAWA, May 1.—A petition declaring D. M. Kennedy, the sitting member, not duly elected for the riding of Peace River was presented to the House of Commons yesterday afternoon by Hon. R. B. Bennett. The petitioner was J. A. Collins, who claimed he was elected and should be permitted to take the seat.

CUSTOMS COLLECTION IN APRIL $65,248.99

Figures Announced This Morning Compare Favorably With Previous Months

Customs and excise revenue collected at the port of Prince Rupert during the month of April totalled $65,248.99 according to report made at the customs house this morning. The figure compares favorably with previous months.

BROOKLYN TEAM LEAGUE LEADER

Defeated Philadelphia in Sixth Straight Win. Ruth Gets Another Homer

NEW YORK, May 1.—By defeating Philadelphia and winning the sixth straight game, Brooklyn advanced to the leadership of the National League yesterday while New York was losing a ten inning battle to Boston and St. Louis forced Chicago to battle eleven innings before conceding victory.

In the American League New York won the seventh straight victory by defeating Washington, during which Babe Ruth hit his fourth home run of the season and the fifteenth scored by the Yankees in as many games. Scores of the day follow:

National League

New York 4, Boston 5.
Philadelphia 4, Brooklyn 8.
Cincinnati 4, Pittsburg 13.
St. Louis 9, Chicago 10.

American League

Boston 2, Philadelphia 5.
Washington 2, New York 7.
Cleveland 2, Chicago 3.
Detroit 7, St. Louis 6.

FLYING MEN KNOWN HERE TRANSFERRED TO EASTERN POSTS

The reduction of the staff of Jericho Beach air station to two officers and nine men following the recent slashing of parliamentary estimates has resulted in the transfer of flying officers well known here to eastern stations. Flight Lieutenant Earl MacLeod who was in charge of aerial fisheries patrol here for the past three years, will go to Camp Borden while Flying Officer Morfee, who has already left Vancouver, and Flight Lieutenant V. F. Mawdsley, who is going soon, are transferred to Winnipeg. Squadron Leader J. H. Tudhope remains in command at Jericho.

MANY FOREST FIRES IN NELSON DISTRICT

NELSON, May 1. — Seventeen forest fires are burning in the Nelson district, making 84 there this season. Fanned by a high wind a fire started Friday near Bonnington and is not yet under control.

After having spent many years in Prince Rupert in charge of the Court House gardens, E. Van Gastel leaves on this evening's train for Fraser Lake where he has accepted a position as gardener at the Catholic Industrial School. Mrs. Van Gastel will accompany him. Their positions here are being taken by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Captain.

Person Has Right to Be Drunk on Own Doorstep and Cause a Disturbance There Says Judge

VANCOUVER, May 1.—Citing a recent pronouncement of a London magistrate that it is permissible for a person to be intoxicated on his or her doorstep, counsel for Barbara Campbell, 27 years of age, successfully appealed against a conviction for having caused a disturbance while under the influence of liquor at Chase, east of Kamloops, on April 20. Mr. Justice Morrison of the Supreme Court of B.C., who heard the appeal, quashed Miss Campbell's conviction by justices of the peace and ruled that the warrant of commitment failed to show that the offense occurred in a public place.

Effort to Be Made to Secure Uniformity in Taxation Through Conference of Finance Ministers

VICTORIA, May 1. — The collection of income taxes and other financial matters will be discussed at a conference of finance ministers of the provinces with Finance Minister Robb and members of the department early in June. There will first be a conference at Montreal in regard to uniform succession duties commencing May 31, Hon. J. D. McLean, minister of finance for B.C. announces, and this will be followed by a further conference at Ottawa where the system of income tax collection will be overhauled and other finance matters be discussed with a view to greater uniformity throughout the Dominion and the lessening of costs of collection.

THIRTEEN BOATS IN WITH HALIBUT SOLD AT EXCHANGE

Prices Ranged From 14.20c to 16.90c For First Class Fish Today

American halibut boats sold their catches today at 15.70c to 16.90c for first class and 7c to 3.50c for seconds. Canadian boats fetched 14.20c to 15c for first class and 7c for seconds. Sales were as follows:

American

Arrow, 27,000, to Booth Fisheries.

Yukon, 26,000, to Pacific Fisheries

Virginian, 21,000, to Cold Storage.

Bravo, 9,500, to Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian

Livingstone, 15,000, to Cold Storage.

Kaien, 12,000, to Atlin Fisheries.

Alken, 10,000, to Atlin Fisheries.

Scrub, 7,000, to Cold Storage.

Cayeeon, 5,500, to Royal Fish Co.

RoseSpit, 13,000, to Atlin Fisheries.

Atli, 10,000, to Cold Storage.

Marguerite, 3,000, to Royal Fish Co.

Mayflower, 6,500, to Royal Fish Co.

BAXTER POLE CO. AT PORT CLEMENTS

L. Littlefield With Party of Ten Men and Full Equipment Arrive at Massett Inlet

L. Littlefield and party of ten men, bringing with them horses, supplies and general equipment, arrived at Port Clements on this week's trip of the steamer Prince John to resume pole and tie cutting operations for the Baxter Pole Co. This company first entered the Graham Island field last year, having acquired considerable holdings there.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
Wheat	1.56⅝	
Dunwell	1.80	1.82
Indian	.09½	10
L. & L.	.11	.15
Silver Crest	.10	.12
Surf Inlet	.08	.10
Gladstone	.31½	.35
Howe Sound	32.00	35.00

C.P.R. steamer Princess Beatrice, Capt. S. K. Gray, arrived from the south at 9.30 this morning and sailed at 11 o'clock on her return to Vancouver and wayports. The Beatrice brought a new propeller here for the government steamer Givenchy which is in the dry dock.

PROMOTION TO HIGH SCHOOL

New Regulations Being Inaugurated this Year to Prevent Unworthy Pupils Advancing

VICTORIA, May 1.—Extension of the practice of promoting public school pupils to the high school this summer on the basis of the work of the entire year was announced today by Hon. J. D. McLean, minister of education. At the same time, however, new regulations designed to prevent the advancement of unworthy pupils will be inaugurated in future. Promotion by recommendation will apply in all schools with four or more divisions, provided a high school exists in the district.

MAHER LEAVES FOR CALCUTTA

Is Appointed Vice-Consul at Indian Capital After Fourteen Months Here

E. A. Wakefield, American Consul, received word today that Dale W. Maher, vice-consul here, has been appointed vice-consul at Calcutta and he will probably get away for his new position within a week or ten days.

Mr. Maher, who is a West Point graduate and who served for five years in the army, recently was notified that he had been made a full fledged foreign service officer. He has been here fourteen months and during that time has become deservedly popular.

Consul Wakefield this morning expressed deep regret at losing so valuable an assistant but expressed pleasure that Mr. Maher's abilities had been recognized.

FIVE DAY WEEK IS THE OBJECT

Carpenters in Vancouver Fail to Appear on Jobs This Morning

VANCOUVER, May 1. — Endeavoring to enforce a demand for a five day week, a thousand union carpenters failed to report this morning, tying up the work of all the large contractors.

The men say that they will resume Monday but the employers insist that all the men must pledge themselves to work for a 44 hour week or be refused employment.

The tile setters and bricklayers are also endeavoring to inaugurate a five day plan. Most of the New Westminster carpenters are out.