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LARGE MAJORITY FOR MINISTER OF LABOR

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF CITY DISCUSSED PRIOR TO SETTLING TAX RATE

Civic Finances Engage Attention of Council

Tax rate will be 43 mills or more, the amount depending on system of payment for surfacing streets adopted by city fathers

Whether the tax rate this year is to be 43 mills or some higher amount will depend largely on the attitude of the council tonight when it assembles once more to wrestle with the financial problems of the city. At the special meeting called for the purpose last night, Alderman Casey announced that the estimates had been pruned to the bone, that garbage collection was to be made a charge against those getting the service and that it was recommended that the surfacing of the down town streets with asphalt at a cost of \$10,000 and the surfacing of residential streets with tarvia at a cost of \$18,000 be financed by a five year loan. This with the cutting down of some expenditures and the total elimination of others would enable them to finance with a levy of 43 mills.

AUTO TARIFF IS DISCUSSED

Substantial Reduction Advocated and Debate in Commons Lasts Until About Midnight

OTTAWA, March 30.—An all day debate in the House of Commons yesterday on the resolution advocating a "substantial reduction in the customs tariff on automobiles and motor trucks" concluded shortly before midnight on a motion for adjournment. The resolution which did not reach a vote was introduced by G. G. Cole, Progressive member for McLeod.

BIG INCREASE IN INDUSTRIES

Report of Workmen's Compensation Board Tells of Additions to Payroll

VICTORIA, Mar. 30.—Since 1922 British Columbia's industrial payroll has increased from \$130,000,000 to \$160,000,000 in 1925, according to the annual report of the workmen's compensation board issued today. The industrial pursuits engaged 359 employees in 1925 than in the previous year, the report shows.

CHARRED BODIES FOUND IN FIRE

Man and Wife and Five Children Lost Lives When Home Was Destroyed

WILLIAMS, Minn., March 30.—H. Newman, his wife and five children, were burned to death Sunday when their home was destroyed by fire. The charred bodies of the father and four children were found in the ruins. The body of the mother and one other child were found outside the home where they succumbed to burns.

FORTUNE LEFT TO ANCIENT RECLUSE

CORDOVA, March 30.—Thomas Mathews, a sixty-two year old recluse who has been an object of charity for the past ten years, died Monday. It became known here that he has been left a fortune of many thousand dollars.

LIBERALS ARE ELATED OVER THE VICTORY

Minister of Labor Lost Out in Only Seven Out of 52 Subdivisions

NOW DOWN TO BUSINESS

OTTAWA, March 30.—Liberals here in the West Middlesex riding and throughout the East are highly elated over the fact that the minister of labor was elected by such a large majority. He carried practically every subdivision in the constituency, even in those where it was expected the Conservative candidate would get good leads. In 82 subdivisions, the new minister was at the bottom of the poll in only seven. This is considered to be a wonderful record in view of the strenuous opposition put up by Hon. Arthur Meighen and his lieutenants on behalf of T. A. Elliott, the defeated candidate.

The opinion here is that now it is made clear the people are behind the present administration business will be allowed to proceed more expeditiously. As a matter of fact the people in this part of the country did not favor the policy of obstruction carried out by the Conservative opposition and the leaders are beginning to find that out. The result has been better progress with public business of late.

ORGANIZED LABOR AND IMMIGRATION TO BE DISCUSSED

OTTAWA, Mar. 30.—Tom Moore, president of the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress, announced yesterday that a conference of labor organizations would be held on May 18, to decide the attitude of organized labor toward migration between countries. It is not decided yet whether a Canadian representative will attend.

KING'S SISTER HAS PNEUMONIA

Third Member of Royal Family to Suffer From Attack of Influenza

LONDON, March 30.—Princess Victoria, sister of King George, is suffering from "influenza pneumonia," says a bulletin issued from Marlborough House. She is the third member of the Royal Family to suffer an attack of influenza recently and her condition causes some anxiety although her strength was maintained up to noon today.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
Wheat	1.51 1/2	
B.C. Silver	2.00	2.10
Consolidated	193.00	
Dunwell	2.07	2.18
Hazleton	.01	.02
Howe Sound	33.50	36.00
Indian	.13	.14
L. & L.	.15	.18
Marmot	.07	.08
Premier	2.23	2.30
Porter Idaho	.09 1/4	.11
Silvercrest	.13 1/2	.15
Surf Inlet	.08 1/2	.10

LONGSHOREMAN WAS KILLED FROM FALL

VANCOUVER, Mar. 30.—Harry Winning, a longshoreman, was killed this morning when he fell down the hold of the steamer Piave.

Ed. Lawler, skipper of the wrecked fishing boat Anna J. arrived in town yesterday from Ketchikan.



BURBANK'S CAKE HAS 77 CANDLES—Luther Burbank, the plant scientist, was given this huge birthday cake on his 77th birthday at a picnic given in his honor by the American Legion of Santa Rosa, where he lives. Burbank says he expects to live five more years during which he expects to do the most important work of his life.

Minister of Labor Elected by Large Majority Over His Opponent in West Middlesex

Hon. J. C. Elliott (Liberal) 6520
T. A. Elliott (Conservative) 3839

STRATHROY, Ont., March 30.—Hon. J. C. Elliott, minister of labor in the Mackenzie King cabinet, was elected yesterday by a large majority in West Middlesex, defeating T. A. Elliott, Conservative, by a majority of 2681. The vote was a large one and keen interest was taken in the result, it being understood that the outcome of this poll would indicate political opinion in regard to the action of the present government in retaining office in face of the fact that Liberals were a minority party in the House and were kept in power only by the support of the Progressives and other independent groups.

MUCH HALIBUT PRICES LOWER

Arrivals for the Day Amount to 233,000 Pounds, Mostly American Boats

There was a large quantity of halibut offered for sale today and the price was considerably lower than yesterday. The total offerings amounted to 233,000 pounds of which 206,600 was American. The U.S. boats got from 14.60 to 15.90 for their first class fish and the Canadian 13.20 to 13.60 but for seconds the Canadians were paid 8.50 whereas the Americans got only 7 cents. The arrivals were:

American:
Seattle, 44,000 to Cold Storage.
Albatross 22,000 to Cold Storage.
Paragon 35,000 to Pacific Fisheries.
Helgeland 48,000 to Alin Fisheries.
Atlas 34,000 to Booth Fisheries.
Grant 18,000 to Royal Fish Company.
Bravo 5,000 to Booth Fisheries.

Canadian
Selma 9,000 to Pacific Fisheries.
Westerner 3,000 to Royal Fish Co.
Euome 4,000 to Cold Storage.
Toodie 9,500 to Alin Fisheries.
Maivin 1,500 to Royal Fish Co.

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KILLED BY A GRIZZLY BEAR

Trapper Near Prince George Found, Axe in Hand, Head and Face Gone

PRINCE GEORGE, March 30.—According to a report of the provincial police, Tom Geany, a trapper on the north fork of the McGregor River, was killed last Wednesday by a huge grizzly bear, which he surprised in the act of devouring the carcass of a goose killed by Geany previously.

Jack Yargeau, the dead trapper's partner, discovered the body with face and top of the head torn off and an axe, the only weapon the man had, still gripped firmly in his hand.

Native Sons Urge Policing City by Provincial Authorities and Uniting Utilities and Works

Memorial Presented to City Council Last Night in Regard to Present Financial Crisis in Civic Affairs

The Native Sons organization last night tendered some advice to the city in the form of a memorial suggesting methods for helping to overcome the financial difficulties with which the city fathers are at present wrestling. One suggestion was that to avoid the unnecessary police duplication, the policing of the city should be taken over by the provincial department and another was that to avoid the employment of two high salaried officials the utilities and public works department should be combined under one head. The memorial follows:

INQUIRIES FROM GRAIN SHIPPERS

Japanese Line of Steamships Asking For Full Particulars Regarding Port

That shipping companies and others are beginning to interest themselves in Prince Rupert is indicated by inquiries coming in to the board of trade. The Matsui Shipping Company of Japan ask a list of sixteen questions in regard to the harbor and port which the secretary of the board is answering.

J. P. Coles of Vancouver, grain exporter, is also looking for further information in regard to this port and the elevator facilities.

NO MONEY FOR NEW HIGHWAY

Provincial Minister Turns Down Proposal of Alberta Government for Yellowhead Outlet

VICTORIA, Mar. 30.—"We haven't got the money to go into a scheme of that sort," said the minister of public works, Hon. W. H. Sutherland, in announcing that the proposal of the Alberta Government to build a highway through the Yellowhead Pass would not be supported by British Columbia.

TEAMS TIED CUP SERIES

Fourth Hockey Game to be Played for Allan Cup at Toronto

TORONTO, March 30.—Port Arthur and Toronto Varsity played two periods overtime and ended with a tie, the score being three to three in what was expected to be the deciding game in the Canadian amateur hockey championship series for the Allan Cup.

The fourth game will be played tomorrow night.

NEW POTATOES ARE SOLD 40c POUND NEW WESTMINSTER

NEW WESTMINSTER, Mar. 30.—Showing how early the spring is this year, new potatoes, grown in the open ground, were marketed here today. They were sold at forty cents a pound.

TRAIN COLLISION

BOGOTA, Columbia, March 30.—At least ten persons are known to be dead and twenty injured as the result of a collision between a passenger and freight train near here last night.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

A new telephone directory is about to be issued. Applications for moves, changes or new listings for this issue must be made in writing to Telephone Department, City Hall, not later than April 10.