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FRUIT COMBINE MEN AND FIRMS CONVICTED

BRITISH FLYER BEAT FAST STEAMER BY TWO DAYS FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Fruit Combine Brokers Found Guilty and Fined $25,000 Each Saturday

VANCOUVER, March 15.—Four individuals and 53 fruit combine defendants were found guilty Saturday evening and each sentenced to $25,000 fine. All others who were charged were acquitted.

It is announced that the cases will be appealed.

The individuals found guilty were J. A. Simington of Minneapolis, president of the Nash Simington Ltd. and general manager of the Nash firm; William Colquohoun of Regina, supervisor for Saskatchewan, and W. E. Carruthers of Calgary, supervisor for Alberta and British Columbia of 42 companies charged. A verdict of guilty was brought against the four firms, Mutual (Vancouver), Mutual Brokers of Calgary, Mutual Brokers of Regina and Mutual Brokers of Winnipeg.

The total fines levied amount to $200,000. Each of the four individuals guilty was also sentenced to one day imprisonment.

STORE ROBBED ON SATURDAY

Thieves Were Seen About Midnight Operating at Rear of George Kerr's Butcher Shop

The occurrence being witnessed by three bank clerks who were coming up the stairs leading to the hall at the back, two marauders broke into George Kerr's butcher shop on Third Avenue about midnight on Saturday and got away with three hams and three bacons. Entry was made by breaking an iron bar and going through a rear window which had no pane. When seen by the bankers, one of the thieves was on the roof of a small shed and another was apparently inside. The police were forthwith notified but when officers arrived on the scene, the thieves had made their getaway.

This was the fourth time that Mr. Kerr's store had been entered in a similar manner within a short space of time. The old shed, from which access to the window is an easy matter, is being taken down and Mr. Kerr says he is going to have the bars charged with electricity. On the occasion of each robbery, hams and bacons were taken.

REGINA BEATS TOWERS HOCKEY

First Game of Two for Elimination in Allan Cup Series Goes to Victorias

REGINA, Mar. 15.—Regina Victorias defeated Vancouver Towers, five goals to three on Saturday in the first of two Allan Cup playoffs here. The winner will be the one that secures the largest number of points in the two games.

JAPANESE DIES RESULT WOUNDS

Paymaster Victim of Shooting by Nationalist Troops at Entrance to Pei River

PEI RIVER, Tientsin, Mar. 15.—Paymaster Captain Tsuji is dead as a result of injuries received Friday when Chinese National troops fired on Japanese destroyers entering Pei River at Taku. Nine others were wounded.

W. H. Manuel, C.N.R. travelling auditor, is in the city on business having arrived from Prince George on this modning's train.

DOUBLE WEEKLY BOAT SERVICE

C.N.R. Inaugurates Spring Schedule Next Week With Prince George and Prince Charles

The C.N.R. Coast Steamships spring schedule, providing for twice-a-week service between Vancouver, Ocean Falls, Prince Rupert, Stewart and Anyox, will be inaugurated next week. Under this schedule, the Prince George will arrive from the south at 10.30 Wednesday mornings and, after making the run to Stewart and Anyox, will sail for the south at 9 o'clock Friday mornings. The Prince Charles, arriving from the south on Saturdays, after making the Sterart-Anyox trip, will sail for the south at 9 o'clock Monday mornings. It is the intention to main this service until June when three boats a week will be put on. It is stated unofficially, however, that the Prince Charles will be replaced by the Prince Rupert within a month.

The first large special party of the year will be handled by the C.N.R. next Monday. Some 100 officials and agents of the Great West Life Assurance Co. will arrive from the east by special train at 1.30 Monday afternoon and will sail for the south on the Prince Rupert which is to make a special trip for the occasion. The steamer will proceed from here to Victoria via Ocean Falls where a convention is to be held. The party coming from the East will be joined here by 15 or 20 persons from the south who will arrive from Vancouver on the Cardena Sunday afternoon and return south with the main party.

The city ticket office announces that there will be some accommodation for regular business on the special trip of the Prince Rupert.

ROBBERS CARRIED AWAY VALUABLES FROM BRONX STORE

NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—Five robbers escaped with diamonds and jewellery valued at $75,000 last Saturday night after holding up Sims & Company's store in the Bronx, locking the proprietors and two clerks in the washroom.

WARM WAVE OF SPRING PASSES OVER COUNTRY

At No Place Was the Weather Cold Yesterday, Ten Above Zero Being Coldest in Yukon

The warm wave of spring which makes life enjoyable in Prince Rupert is affecting the whole of Northern British Columbia and the Yukon. Zero weather disappeared and the coldest was at Ogilvie in the Yukon where it registered ten above, according to the telegraphic weather report of the Government Telegraphs sent out at eight o'clock this morning, the details were:

Terrace—Clear, calm; temperature, 35.

Anyox—Clear, calm; temperature, 48.

Stewart—Clear, calm; temperature, 31.

Hazelton—Cloudy, calm; temperature, 32.

Telegraph Creek — Cloudy, calm; temperature, 28.

Smithers— Part cloudy, calm; temperature, 38.

Burns Lake—Clear, calm; temperature, 32.

Whitehorse — Clear, south wind; temperature, 36.

Lower Lebarge—Snow, south wind; temperature, 37.

Carmacks — Cloudy, south wind; temperature, 30.

Selkirk — Cloudy, calm; temperature, 35.

Stewart River— Cloudy, calm; temperature, 18.

Ogilvie — Cloudy, calm; temperature, 10.

Dawson — Cloudy, calm; temperature, 20.

HOTEL BURNED.

SHREVEPORT, La., Mar. 15.—Five persons lost their lives when the Crewell Hotel was destroyed by fire.

HIGH PRICES AMERICAN FISH

Up to 17.40 a Pound Paid for U.S. Catches and 15.30 for Canadian

Seventeen fishing boats sold their catches today at the fish exchange at prices that were quite remunerative, the American craft particularly getting high prices. Boats with U.S. registry got from 17 and 8 to 17.40 and 8 for 115,700 pounds and boats with Canadian registry were paid from 14.70 and 6 to 15.30 and 6 for 49,750 pounds.

The arrivals were:

American:

Rainier 48,000 to Booth Fisheries.

Augusta 9,000, Sherman, 11,000; Glacier, 7,000; to Cold Storage.

Alliance I., 13,000 to Pacific Fisheries.

Wave, 2,700; J. P. Todd II., 8,000 to Royal Fish Co.

Ithona 17,000 to Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian

Caygeon, 6,000, Mab 3,500, Fisher 3,000 to Royal Fish Co.

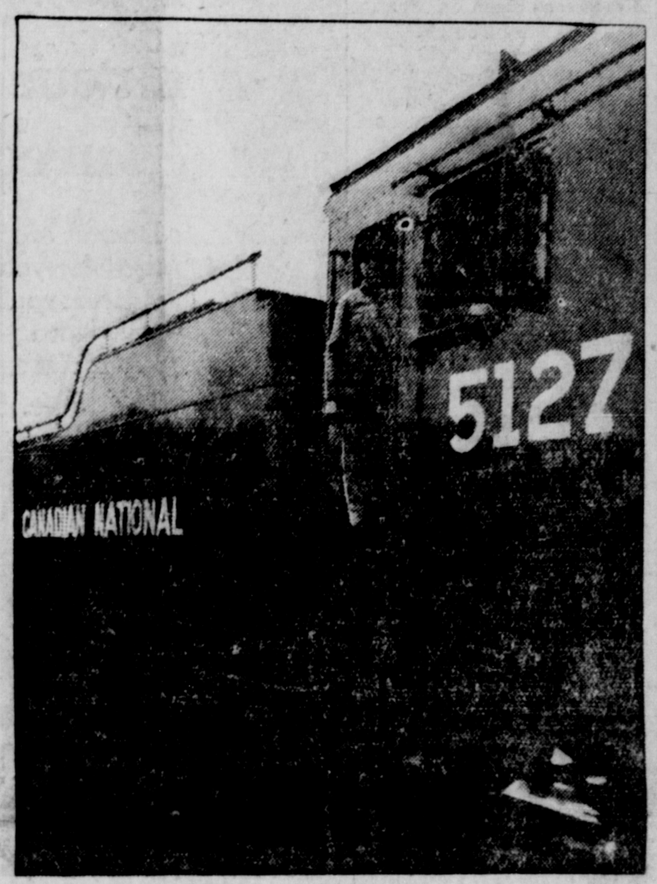
Pair of Jacks 9,000 to Pacific Fisheries.

Mayflower 5,000, Cape Swain 8,000, Koyusu 5,000 to Cold Storage.

Johanna 10,000 to Atlin Fisheries.

Edward H., 250 to Booth Fisheries.

FAMED EXPLORER MAKES TRIP THROUGH CANADA



CAPT. ROALD AMUNDSEN, famous as the discoverer of the South Pole and renowned Arctic explorer, climbed into the cab to get "shot" with Engineer Miller by newspaper cameramen during his short stop a few days ago at the Canadian National station in Winnipeg, en route to New York to sail for Europe.

Although it was his first visit to Canada, Capt. Amundsen was unable to make any lengthy stops on his trip from the Pacific to the Atlantic over National lines on his journey to Spitzbergen, where he joins the crew of sixteen pilots and explorers on the proposed "Rome to Nome" trip by dirigible, this spring. His objective on this newest mode of exploration is to fly over the North Pole. Many of his fellow countrymen and prominent Canadians greeted him at stations along the line to wish the intrepid captain all success in his exploit.—C.N.R. Photo.

FORTUNE OF A PEDDLER

Well Known Winnipeg Cripple Had $26,000 in Five Winnipeg Banks

WINNIPEG, March 15. — Familiar to thousands of Winnipeg residents, who considered him just an "unfortunate shoe lace peddler," William J. Hackett, a cripple, plunged to his death from the fifth floor of the Salvation Army hotel yesterday and today it was disclosed that he had a fortune in five banks totalling $26,000.

TRAIN WRECK IN COSTA RICA

Total Killed Was 178 and Injured 75 When Cars Went Over Embankment

BOSTON, March 15. — In the wreck of an excursion train between Alajuena and Cartage in Costa Rica Sunday 178 persons were killed and 75 injured, according to word received here by agents of the United Fruit Company, owners of the line. Three coaches went over a fifty foot embankment. The train carried a thousand passengers.

WILLIAM TOLMIE DIES

VICTORIA, Mar. 15.—William F. Tolmie, 73 years of age, brother of Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Conservative organizer for the Dominion, is dead.

NEW MINISTER IS WELCOMED

Large Congregations Greeted Rev. T. E. Rinde at Lutheran Church Yesterday

The Metropole Hall being filled to capacity for both morning and evening services, the congregation of St. Paul's Lutheran Church yesterday welcomed its new pastor, Rev. T. E. Rinde, who comes here from Laramie, Wyoming. Mr. Rinde spoke at both services, taking as his subject in the morning, "Why Have You Called Me?" and, in the evening, "The Relation of the Pastor and the Congregation." There was special music by the choir and, in the evening, Rev. P. E. Baisler delivered an address of welcome to the new pastor, also reviewing the work that had been performed by himself.

Mr. Baisler will leave on Friday of this week for Juneau on church organization work. Later he will return to his headquarters in Victoria. Mrs. Baisler and family will remain in the city until the close of the present school term.

The Pacific American Fisheries steamer Norwood, Capt. Fletcher, arrived in port yesterday morning to discharge supplies for the Port Edward cannery. The vessel was southbound from Alaska to Bellingham.

The warm sunshine yesterday brought the whole town out, many taking to the water in boats and others working on their boats in preparation for future events.

British Flyer Reached England from Capetown 8,000 Miles in 15 Days

CROYDON, March 15.—Alan J. Cobham, British premier flyer, completed an eight thousand mile airplane flight from Capetown to London in fifteen days reaching home Saturday night. He was welcomed on his arrival by King George and suite as well as by a number of prominent officials and public men.

Cobham beat the fast liner Windsor Castle by two days, both the airplane and the ship having left the South African port at the same time.

FIVE MURDER CASES ON ASSIZE DOCKET AT VANCOUVER TODAY

VANCOUVER, Mar. 15. —Spring assizes opened here this morning with five murder cases in the docket. Charles "Sonny" White will be tried for the second time on a charge of murdering Frank Rosso, a North Vancouver storekeeper last summer.

EFFORT TO REFORM HISTORY FOR SCHOOLS

EDMONTON, March 15.— Dr. Lorne Pierce, of Toronto, addressing the Press Club of this city referred to his present efforts, in the publication of a series of readers, to take Canadian history out of the hands of pedagogies and make it the tale of story tellers. Thus instead of reeking with dates and treaty causes of wars, it will thrill with the romances of a great country. Professor Burt, Professor Long and Mrs. Arthur Murphy are among the authors preparing manuscripts for this series.

PORT ARTHUR WINS FROM FORT WILLIAM IN AMATEUR HOCKEY

FORT WILLIAM, Mar. 15.—By defeating Fort William one goa. to nothing Saturday night, Port Arthur qualified for the semi-finals in the Allan cup series amateur hockey. After two games the teams were tied three to three and the third game was necessary in order to reach a decision.

STAMPEDERS RETURN NOME GOLD STRIKE

NOME, March 15.— Stampeders returning from the gold strike at Bluffs, sixty miles north of here, report the owners of the ground were generous and all were given a chance to pan for themselves. Merritt and Chiddick who made the strike, declared they took from $1 to $3.50 a pan from an eighteen inch paystreak.

The United States auxiliary schooner Boxer was taken out of the water at the dry dock today for survey and possible repairs following her recent stranding on Whitecliff Island.

Word has been received here of the death in Vancouver of Mrs Malcolm McQuarrie, well known in this district. She was the mother of Mrs. R. Gosse.

PARLIAMENT OPENS TODAY

Session Resumes After Two Weeks' Recess With Strenuous Fight in Prospect

OTTAWA, March 15. — Parliament resassembled today after the recess of two weeks asked for by the government in order to allow preparation of the sessional program and reorganization of the cabinet.

During the recess there has been a good deal of political activity, the government having had conferences over proposed legislation and the opposition securing further evidence for attacks on the administration. There is every indication that the policy of obstruction will be continued in an effort to force the government to relinquish the attempt to carry on. The Mackenzie King forces are confident, particularly so since the discussions they have had with Progressive and Labor members and the probability seems to be that they will carry through.

The order paper is cluttered with questions and motions and the fact that much of the Legislation proposed will be controversial seems to indicate that the session will be a long one or that much of the proposed Legislation will have to be dropped until next year.

Election Fight

The business of the session is scarcely secondary to the election in West Middlesex where nominations are being made today. The constituency being close to the base at Ottawa, many speakers will be sent in from both sides to help the candidate. A substantial victory is expected for Elliott.

Efforts are being made to work on the Quebec members with the idea of alienating them from the government by showing that the west is in control but so far there is no sign of any results which would justify Conservative confidence.

DELEGATION TO MEET COUNCIL

Protest Will be Made Tomorrow Night at Method of Selling Tax Sale Lots

Ex-Ald. Theo. Collart will lead a large delegation consisting of the executive and members of the Ratepayers' Association and property owners generally who will appear before the city council tomorrow night to protest against the present method followed by the city in disposing of tax sale lots. A lengthy memorandum has been prepared and a strong case, it is said, will be made out for the consideration of the city fathers.