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NAVAL INCREASE IN U.S. IS URGED

SALMON FISHERMEN ASKED PASS ON CANNERS' PROPOSAL

United States Shipping Board Charges Discrimination Against United States by British Dominions

Sixty per cent. of freight movement through Vancouver is bound to or from American points: traffic diverted

WASHINGTON, December 6.—In the annual report of the shipping board, the charge of discrimination against American railroads, ports and shipping by Australian and Canadian governments made by the restriction of the British preferential rate to goods imported through sea or river ports of Canada was apparently successful in its purpose of diverting traffic from American ports to Canadian and from American vessels to those of British registry.

AVIATOR FOUND NEWFOUNDLAND

Body of Count de Lesseps Identified by Papers and Medals

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 6.—Papers and medals found on the body of an aviator found on the shore of Clam-bank Cove, Port au Port, peninsula west Newfoundland, have identified the dead man as Count de Lesseps, missing with his mechanic since he set out from Gaspé, Quebec, October 10.

The count was a son of a prominent French family, his father having been engineer in charge of construction of the Suez Canal. The count was a pioneer in aviation in Canada. He married Miss Grace Mackenzie, daughter of Sir William Mackenzie, now residing with her family in Toronto.

FIRES ARE OUT IN CALIFORNIA

Total Damage Amounts to About a Million and a Half Dollars

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6.—With four or five major fires extinguished which over the week-end swept brush and forest lands of Southern California and a fifth controlled, the estimated losses of property and watersheds amount to total damage of more than a million and a half dollars. By far the greater part of the loss was in watersheds.

The chief property loss was in Sunset canyon northwest of Los Angeles where almost a hundred homes and the old Sunset Country Clubhouse valued at a total of half a million dollars were burned.

MORTAL TOLL OF BLIZZARD

Man Frozen to Death and Boy is Missing Near Lethbridge Following Storm on Monday

LETHBRIDGE, Dec. 6.—Johnny Huettel, aged seven, of Coalhurst, a mining town near here, who was lost in Monday's blizzard while on his way to school, has not yet been found despite the efforts of search parties.

William Cameron of the Reidhill district, a farm hand, perished when he was overtaken by the storm while on his way to a coal mine. The frozen body was found.

GOVERNMENT IS SUING GOODERHAM AND WORTS

TORONTO, Dec. 6.—Gooderham and Worts are defendants today in an action brought by the Dominion for \$419,000 claimed by the department of inland revenue as sales tax due on liquor export.

MRS. MURRAY PASSES AWAY

Death Came This Morning as Happy Release to Many Months of Suffering

Death, which occurred early this morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, came as a happy release after many months of suffering which was born with much fortitude for Mrs. Catherine Jean Murray, wife of John Murray, 705 Fifth Avenue West. The late Mrs. Murray succumbed to a malady from which it had been realized for several months she had no chance of recovery.

The late Mrs. Murray, who was born fifty-eight years ago in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, had resided in Prince Rupert for eight years. She had many friends who will sincerely regret her demise and express their sympathy with the widower and member of deceased's family.

WATCHING MOVES OF TWO BIG RAILWAYS IN ALBERTA FIELD

EDMONTON, Dec. 6.—Much interest is being taken here in the bids which the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National railways are expected to make for the E.D. and B.C. and other Alberta railways, following the recent visit of Premier Brownlee to Montreal.

It is suggested here that if one of the big companies should buy the Alberta lines, it would head off the moves of the two Vancouver promoters. Should the C.N.R. get the lines, it will result in the eventual construction of a western outlet which would take the grain to Prince Rupert. If the C.P.R. gets the system, the continuation westward may eventually reach Portland Canal.

HALIBUT REPORT WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC EXCEPT BY GOVERNMENT

VICTORIA, Dec. 6.—The halibut commission's report will be submitted direct to Ottawa and Washington and the contents will not be revealed until the governments make a statement that is the announcement made by chairman Babeck.

POSTMASTER GETS SIX MONTHS' LEAVE AND IS THEN SUPERANNUATED

VANCOUVER, Dec. 6.—After 52 years of service Francis E. Harrison, Vancouver postmaster since 1920, has been superannuated, effective June 30 next. In the meantime he takes six months' leave of absence.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, and various exchange rates for items like B.C. Silver, Big Missouri, Coast Copper, etc.

BLIZZARD IN ALBERTA WAS WORST KNOWN

Man Lost His Life From Snow Plough; Street Cars Stalled and Trains Stalled

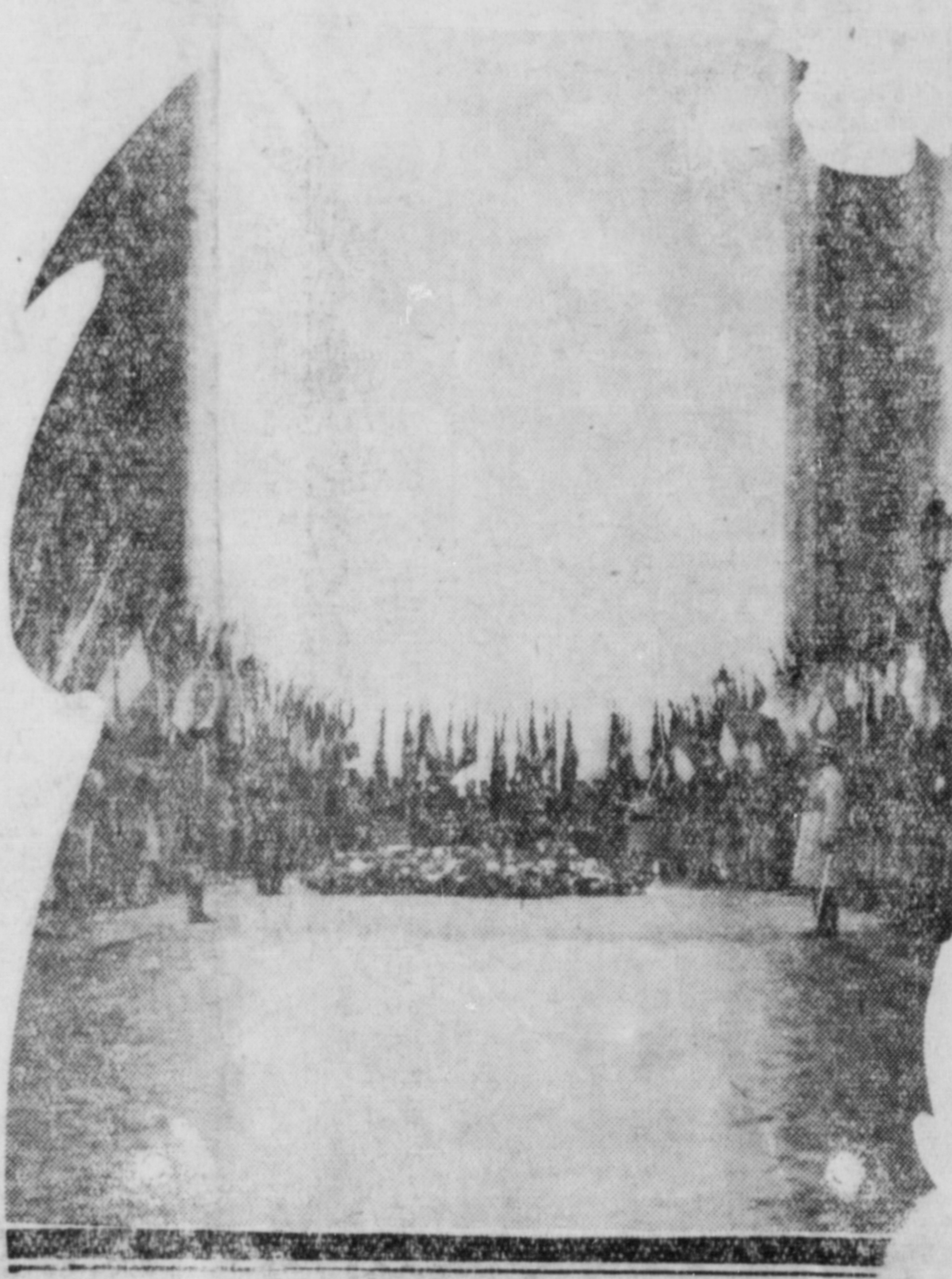
CALGARY, Dec. 6.—H. Skabor, section foreman on the C.P.R., was the victim of a blizzard which swept this district and the whole of southern Alberta yesterday. He was struck by a snow plough north of here and died soon after.

FRAUD CHARGE IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Dec. 6.—Continuing the drive against alleged bucket shops, the police last night arrested James Wilson and Edward Wallis, city brokers, on charges of conspiracy. On the warrants issued the men were charged with unlawfully conspiring to defraud the public by fraudulent means.

INQUEST COMMENCED TO PROBE DEATH OF RAILWAY BAGGAGEMAN

The body of A. W. Priestly, C.N.R. baggageman, who lost his life in an accident near Terrace on Sunday, was forwarded last night from Hazelton, where he succumbed to the injuries, to Edmonton where burial will take place. Parents of deceased live in Edmonton and his widow and young son have proceeded there from Vancouver.



ARMISTICE DAY IN PARIS: The impressive scene under the Arc de Triomphe at the grave of the unknown soldier when the colors of 250 disbanded regiments were dipped in salute

President Coolidge Urges Increase of Navy but Also Asks for Strict Economy

WASHINGTON, December 6.—Calling upon the people to continue "stern self-denial" in the matter of national expenditures, President Coolidge addressed Congress today with moderate programs of expenditure for defences and development of natural resources.

In connection with the navy, the president declared it should be expanded by the addition of cruisers, submarines, air-plane carriers and advocated the stoppage of further construction of merchant marine vessels and turning over of the fleet to provide capital and its development as a second line of defence in co-operation with the navy.

The president called for strict enforcement of the prohibition enactment and reiterated his belief in the high protective tariff, declaring that any reduction would work hardship on industry and agriculture alike.

WHEAT POOL PLANS BUILD NEW ELEVATORS

TORONTO, Dec. 6.—The Western Canada grain pool contemplates spending \$5,000,000 during the coming year in extension of their facilities in country elevators and terminals in western Canada, according to George H. McIvor, general sales manager of the pool. The program includes from one hundred to one hundred and fifty new elevators in Alberta, one hundred and fifty in Saskatchewan and fifty in Manitoba.

Slipping on the icy street at the corner of Third Avenue and Sixth Street last evening, Mrs. John McRae, 344 Fourth Avenue East, had the misfortune to break her right wrist.

Provision Made for Manitoba to Enter the Brewing, Distilling of Beer Retailing Business

WINNIPEG, December 6.—With the first reading last night of the bill providing for sweeping changes in the liquor laws of the province, a possibility is seen by members of the Legislature that the government may eventually enter the brewing and distillery business and even might go so far as to operate its own beer parlors. Provision is made in the bill for such governmental activities in the event of circumstances developing that would make such action with either expedient or desirable.

Fishermen to be Asked to Pass Upon Proposals by the Salmon Cannermen

Regulation Will be Adopted Unless Opposition to Them Develops Among Those Engaged in Industry

VANCOUVER, December 6.—Responding to a request from a delegation of B.C. cannermen for a royal commission into the salmon fisheries depletion, W. A. Found, director general of fisheries, received instructions from Ottawa to hold a series of meetings at which fishermen and others may give their views on the three main suggestions made by the cannermen.

Nine meetings will be held, the first at Prince Rupert on December 12, at 7.30, and at Alert Bay, December 14, at 2 p.m. The specific suggestions of the cannermen are:

That the B.C. coast be divided into fishing areas of such proportion as to support the canneries in those areas.

That the maximum amount of gear to be fished in each area before any weekly or annual closed season be added, be stated in the regulations.

The salmon, except the catches of trollers, fish for export or fresh fish for the markets or cold storage, be processed in the area in which it is caught.

At the close of the meetings Mr. Found will submit a report to Ottawa and if all the suggestions are approved, he said it was likely they would come into effect without further investigation by a royal commission.

STRONG ACTION AGAINST DRUGS

Drastic Recommendations Submitted by Senator Dandurand of Canada Adopted by League of Nations

GENEVA, Dec. 6.—Strong action against the narcotic evil is called for in a report submitted to the council of the League of Nations today by Senator Dandurand, Canadian representative. The report was unanimously adopted.

Repeating charges of the League's opium commission that illicit drug traffic was continuing on an enormous scale and was backed by huge financial resources, Senator Dandurand urged the nations to hasten ratification of the Geneva opium convention.

CATALA RESTS ON EVEN KEEL

Wreck of Union Vessel to be Taken to Vancouver as Soon as Temporary Patches are put on

Latest reports from the wreck of the Catala are to the effect that the vessel, which was successfully floated from Mist Island yesterday morning, is now beached on a perfectly even keel in Pearl Harbor where the work of putting on temporary patches is being rushed. In a few days it is expected that the vessel will be ready to be refloated on one of the high tides. Instead of bringing the Catala to the Prince Rupert dry dock, it is now understood that the Salvage King will take her direct to Vancouver, the headquarters of the company.

CONSTITUTION IS PICKED UP

Fishing Schooner Drifted About Helplessly for Eight Hours With Shaft Broken

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—After drifting helplessly for eight hours with a broken propeller shaft and jammed rudder, the Alaska fishing schooner Constitution reached San Francisco last night in tow of the lumber steamer Point Loma.

ROAD COMMITTEE TO MEET THE MINISTER

At a meeting of the Road Committee representing various public bodies and fraternal organizations in the city, it was decided to arrange to meet Hon. T. D. Pattullo this week and discuss the question of extensions toward Terrace and also possibly of the building from Terrace toward Prince Rupert. Alderman Jos. Greer presided.

Frank Pliscator, who reached the city on Sunday from Terrace, will sail tonight on the Camosun for Seattle.

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