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FALL ASSIZES OPENED HERE TODAY

FISHERMEN HEAR PROPOSAL CONSERVATION OF SALMON

New Scheme for Fish Conservation Is Laid Before The Fishermen

Well Attended Meeting in Moose Hall Last Night When Views Laid Before Director W. A. Found

A new scheme for protecting the salmon was suggested last night at the meeting of salmon fishermen and others presided over by W. A. Found, director of fisheries, for the purpose of discussing what measures might be taken to conserve the fish on this coast. This suggestion was made by Mr. Found himself and was as follows:

That the district be divided into sub-districts and that a license be issued for that district only. The weekly close season in that district would depend upon the number of men engaged in fishing there. As the number increased so would the length of the weekly close season and as the number of fishermen decreased so would the length of the close season. If there were a large number of fishermen in the sub-district the weekly close season would be a long one and if the number were few the close season would be a short one. This would insure that enough salmon be allowed to pass to seed the rivers and creeks without taking the arbitrary step of deciding who should fish or who should not.

Mr. Found asked for opinions on the suggestion but the president of the Salmon Fishermen's Association objected to giving an opinion off hand. He asked that the fishermen be given time to discuss it. They would do this and communicate with him later.

Outside of Mr. Found's proposal nothing particularly new developed at the meeting. The opinion was expressed by several that the regulations were not thoroughly enforced and in reply Mr. Found urged the fishermen to take the initiative themselves and see that the law was enforced. He suggested that next year there would be a better air patrol and he also relieved the minds of the fishermen of the idea that licenses might be issued by canners in future.

FISHERMEN MAGISTRATES

A proposal was made by Mr. Hoffman that magistrates might be appointed among the fishermen and cases be tried by them. They would understand the situation, something that the magistrates today did not seem to do. The idea was approved by Mr. Found who suggested that the association get in touch with the Attorney General and induce him to make such appointments.

Several speakers referred to the lack of publicity given conviction and urged that reports of such convictions be sent to the newspapers and that sales be advertised therein.

Mayor Newton opened the meeting which was attended by almost as many other citizens as fishermen. He explained the object of calling the gathering and suggested that if there were time at the close of the meeting, the matter of waterfront accommodation might be discussed.

MR. FOUND SPEAKS

Mr. Found suggested that there be a frank, straightforward, kindly discussion. He spoke of the value of the salmon fisheries as too great to risk extermination. It was estimated to be worth from fifteen to twenty million dollars a year to the province. The department was determined to maintain this valuable asset, even if it was done at the risk of making it unprofitable for some branches of the industry. He had heard loose statements in regard to the fisheries on this coast which might lead one to believe the fisheries were depleted and in danger of extinction. This was not true. The size of a pack was not always a criterion of the state of the industry. The imposition of restrictions had this year had a direct effect in reducing the pack. There were 1100 more fishermen engaged in Number 2 district than last year and the number of purse seines had also been largely increased. The pack had not been such a bad one when the restrictions were considered.

The department watched carefully each year the spawning areas and it was noticed that even when the spawning beds were well seeded a large run of fish did not always follow. Over these conditions they had no control. He invited the watching of the administration by the fishermen. If the law enforcement was not adequate, as was charged, then the department was censurable. They were ready to accept the evidence and do their best to rectify it.

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DANDURAND TO GO TO GENEVA

Will Represent Canada on Preparatory Committee on World Disarmament

OTTAWA, Nov. 23.—Senator Dandurand will represent Canada at the meeting at Geneva on November 30 of the preparatory commission arranging for a world disarmament conference. This is the first occasion on which Canada has been represented.

All the council states are entitled to nominate representatives when technical representatives are added and it is probable that representatives of the Canadian department of defense will go to Geneva.

Dr. W. A. Riddell, resident representative of Canada in Geneva will be associated with Senator Dandurand.

TERRACE MAN DIED TODAY

James Richmond, a Prominent Merchant, Succumbed to Paralysis

Word was received this morning from Terrace of the death of James Richmond, a prominent merchant of that place. He died at his home this morning of paralysis and had been sick only since Friday.

Mr. Richmond was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and returned from a trip to Scotland only a few months' ago. His daughter, Mrs. S. V. Ardagh of Mexico who is also daughter-in-law to Dr. Ardagh of Kitwanga, is at present visiting Terrace.

Funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B.C. Undertakers of this city.

MURDERERS TO BE EXECUTED

ALBANY, New York, Nov. 23. — The week beginning January 9 was fixed by the Court of Appeal today for the execution by means of the electric chair at Sing Sing of Mrs. Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray for the murder of Mrs. Snyder's husband, Albert Snyder.

NEW EMPEROR OF CHINA SUGGESTED

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The Tokio Evening News despatch says Japanese correspondents at Pekin report that Chang Tsolin is preparing to have himself crowned emperor.

STEVESTON CHINESE KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

VANCOUVER, Nov. 23.—Jong Sing, 68, well known Steveston Chinese, was killed when he was struck by an auto driven by sixteen year old William Wark.

GAME BOARD HOLDS SESSION

Charges of Poaching Unwarranted: Many Questions Discussed at Meeting

VANCOUVER, Nov. 23.—Charges of poaching against a Sumas game warden were considered unwarranted and totally contrary to the facts of the case, Major Furber, on behalf of the Game Conservation Board announced yesterday afternoon in contradiction to statements made earlier in the day by E. J. Cameron.

Numerous topics in connection with game preservation were discussed including a definite hour set instead of sunrise for the opening of the hunting season, rest periods for ducks and pheasants during the season, prohibition of rifles heavier than 22 and higher fees charged non-residents.

Chairman Jackson said the most important development in game administration was the recent decision of the Attorney General to prosecute careless hunters. Three manslaughter cases are now pending on Vancouver Island and one on the mainland.

CANADIENS WIN IN BIG HOCKEY

Montreal Maroons Also Beat Rangers Four to Three in National League

TORONTO, Nov. 23.—The Canadiens and Marcons of Montreal are tied for he leadership of the Canadian section of the National Hockey League with Ottawa next. Boston is a point behind the Rangers in the American section.

Toronto outplayed Boston in the first two periods but lost in the third last night.

Pittsburg has signed Sammy Rothschild, a Montreal sub.

Scores last evening were:
Monteral 4, Rangers 3.
Toronto 0, Boston 1.
Pittsburg 0, Canadiens 4.
Ottawa 2, Detroit 1.

PRIVY COUNCIL HEARS PETITION

LONDON, Nov. 23. — When Eugene Lafleur of Montreal presented a petition to the judicial committee of the Privy Council for leave to appeal on behalf of the Dominion Government against a decision of the supreme court of Canada on the question of the constitutional validity of Section 17 of the Alberta Autonomy Act containing educational provisions dealing with the Separate School phase of Alberta's natural resources, the committee suggested that the petition should stand over to give an opportunity of considering whether the Government will get the application in the ordinary way for leave to appeal. This was accepted.

LEGISLATURE TO OPEN ABOUT JANUARY 15

VICTORIA, Nov. 23.—Unless unforseen developments occur, the next session of the Legislature will open about January 15.

Preparations for the session are well in hand with all departments getting ready estimates and routine legislation.

The legislation of major importance will not be heavy, it is believed.

PROGRESSIVES WILL NOT OPPOSE LIBERAL

REGINA, Nov. 23.—The Progressives of Maple Creek decided not to oppose Hon. George Spence, Liberal, in the by-election December 1.

BIRTH.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Bergman, Oona River, at the Prince Rupert General Hospital, November 22.

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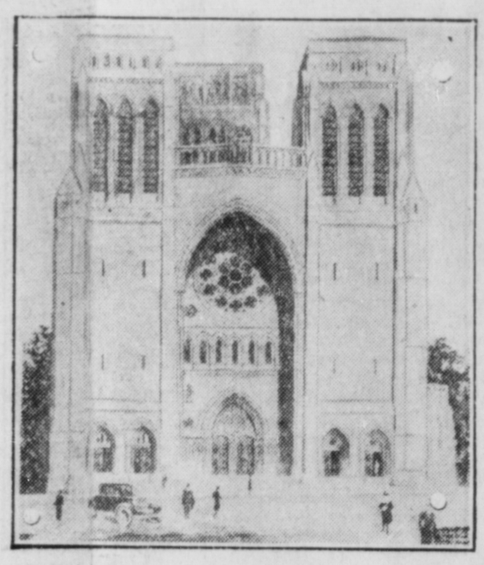

THIS MAGNIFICENT new cathedral is just being started at Victoria, B.C. Towers are to be topped with spires at some future date

Aviator Ran Into a Rain Drenched Air Pocket and Plane Went All Hay-wire

LOS ANGELES, November 23.—Captain Frederick Giles, the aviator who left San Francisco at 7.24 yesterday morning in an attempt to fly to Honolulu enroute to Australia and New Zealand, was forced back after being 500 miles out to sea and landed near San Simeon, California.

In a telephone message received here last night he said the big plane went completely "hay-wire" five hundred miles out at sea. He went spinning into a rain drenched air pocket and finally turned completely upside down, scattering charts, food and instruments into the ocean.

The aviator righted the machine and made a guess of the direction to the mainland where he landed undamaged.

SHIPMENT OF SOCKEYE EGGS FOR LAKELSE

C. T. Hearn, Superintendent, Returns from Pemberton Hatchery with Shipment

With a shipment of 6,000,000 sockeye eggs from the Pemberton hatchery on the Fraser River in his charge, C. T. Hearn, superintendent of the Lakelse Lake hatchery, arrived from Vancouver on the Prince Rupert this morning, proceeding to the interior by train. The eggs will be placed in the Lakelse Lake hatchery.

JUNKER AIRPLANE FORCED TO RETURN AZORES YESTERDAY

HORTA, Azores, Nov. 23.—The Junker plane D-123 was forced to return yesterday after a take off for New Foundland, owing to its heavy weight.

APPEALING JUDGMENT JUSTICE MORRISON

VICTORIA, Nov. 23.—The Attorney-General's department is giving notice of appeal from Mr. Justice Morrison's ruling that the Land Settlement Board may be sued without the consent of the government.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
Big Missouri	.25½	.27
Coast Copper	15.75	16.75
Cork Province	.10½	.12
Dunwell	.16	.18
George Copper	2.25	
Gladstone	.14½	
Independence	.04⅜	.04¾
Indian	.05	
L. and L.	.08½	.08¾
Leadsmith		.05
Lucky Jim	.26	.27
Porter Idaho	.35	.37
Richmond	.11	.12
Silvercrest	.05½	.05¾
Silversmith	.16	.20
Surf Inlet	.01¼	
Sunloch	.74	.77

INDIAN REPORT OF BOATS IN DISTRESS DO NOT MATERIALIZE

VICTORIA, Nov. 23.—Reports of power boats in distress in last Saturday's storm originated, it is found, with four Indians near Clo'ose, who say they watched the lights of a vessel approaching the dangerous reefs off shore and disappear among the seething waves.

The light of two other ships were also distinguished in the dangerous waters of te coast, which was thoroughly patrolled but no sign or word of any wrecks has been manifested.

BANDITS WRECKED SAFE AT ROSEDALE

ROSEDALE, Fraser Valley, Nov. 23. — Bandits wrecked the safe at the post office, doing considerable damage to the building early this morning but obtained only $60 and some stamps.

Previously they broke into the Canadian National station where they took tools for use in the second attempt.

DEATH OF INFANT LAST EVENING AND FUNERAL SATURDAY

The death occured last night at the hospital of the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Berne Bendickson. The funeral is set for Saturday afternoon from the chapel of the B.C. Undertakers, Rev. John Hanson officiating.

WEATHER REPORT

Haysport.—Cloudy calm, temp. 32.
Anyox.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 32.
Alice Arm.—Snowing, calm, temp. 32.
Alyansh.—Snowing, calm, temp. 30.
Terrace.—Snowing, calm,temp. 29.
Hazelton.—Part cloudy, calm, temp. 8.
Burns Lake.—Clear, calm, temp. 20.
Telegraph Creek. — Cloudy, calm; temp. 22.
Port Simpson.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 34. 1½ inches sleet during night.

Fall Assizes Open With Few Cases to be Tried

Not Sufficient Jurymen Appear for Sankey Case to Proceed This Morning But Goes on This Afternoon

With no civil cases ready to be proceeded with and twenty out of forty-eight summoned petit jurors failing to appear, the fall session of the Supreme Court Assizes was opened this morning shortly before noon, adjournment being taken until 2.30 this afternoon so that the necessary additional jurors might be obtained. The prospect is that the Sankey murder case will be the first to be proceeded with although it was not definitely announced. In the meantime, the grand jury is considering the indictment of Peter Whitewash, Bella Coola Indian, who is chagred with the attempted murder of Provincial Constable J. A. Williams.

In opening the court and outlining its duties to the Grand Jury, Mr. Justice W. A. MacDonald, presiding judge, congratulated the community, through the Grand Jury, on the fact that there was but one new criminal case during the past year in a district of such wide extent as this.

His Lordship announced that the only indictment the Grand Jury had to consider was that of Peter Whitewash. Joe Sankey, charged with the murder of Miss Loretta Chisholm, had already been indicted.

The judge then outlined the crown evidence in the Whitwash case, instructing the Grand Jury that it was merely for it to decide whether or not there was a prima facie case. It was not for the Grand Jury to try the case.

His Lordship stated to the Grand Jury that it was also its duty, if it was so desirous, of taking up matters of public business. One such matter he suggested would be to have the noise of a nearby boiler shop stopped during the sessions of the court. This was the third court, to his knowledge, he said, where that noise had proven a nuisance.

Considerable discussion arose as to the situation caused by the absence of so many persons who had been called for petit jury service. It was finally decided that the sheriff could call additional jurors to fill the vacancies and an order to that effect was made, court being then adjourned until 2.30 this afternoon. During the discussion, J. Edward Bird, counsel for Joseph Sankey, attempted to refer to the fact that he had time after time attempted to obtain a change of venue in this case.

Mr. Bird was quickly interrupted by A. M. Johnson, K.C., crown counsel, who stated that it was neither the place or the time to refer to a case which was to come before the court for trial.

His Lordship ruled that any reports as to the jury should come from the sheriff through crown counsel.

The original jury list was as follows, the Grand Jury being complete as named:

GRAND JURY

T. Ross Mackay (Prince Rupert), foreman; Wm. M. Brown (Prince Rupert), Francis B. Chettleburg (Telkwa), John Dybhavn (Prince Rupert), H. A. Dodd (Prince Rupert), Mrs. Martha Hanson (Prince Rupert), J. W. McDonald (Prince Rupert), Alex. McRae (Prince Rupert), John J. McNeil (Telkwa), P. H. Linzey (Prince Rupert), A. J. Prudhomme (Prince Rupert), G. H. Wall (Smithers).

PETIT JURY

Wm. Anderson (Prince Rupert), Henry Arney (Prince Rupert), Edward Anderson (Prince Rupert), Leslie G. Adamson (Ocean Falls), D. A. Balfour (Prince Rupert), G. B. Brown (Anyox), A. Beaudin (Alice Arm), Thos. Beattie (Prince Rupert), John N. Browning (Ocean Falls), Thos. Black (Prince Rupert), W. J. E. Barne (Prince Rupert), Joseph Bussengen (Telkwa), Allen W. Corner (Kisplox), H. W. Campbell (Ocean Falls), Perry Chapman (Smithers), T. G. Christie (Ocean Falls), John Currie (Prince Rupert), J. M. Carr (Smithers), Fred Clark (Prince Rupert), Robt. Duncan (Prince Rupert), J. B. Downey (Smithers), F. M. Davis (Prince Rupert), J. W. Durran (Prince Rupert), H. V. Glassford (Prince Rupert), Hector Grant (Prince Rupert), W. Gratton (Prince Rupert), Maggie M. Henderson (Anyox), Jos. Howe (Prince Rupert), Eleanor Hill (Prince Rupert), R. E. Hudson (Prince Rupert), Robt. Jones (Prince Rupert), George Johnston (Alice Arm), Harris M. Kerr (Prince Rupert), Richard Long (Prince Rupert), H. L. Landry (Prince Rupert), James Murray (Prince Rupert), Edward Morning (Anyox), A. S Millar (Smithers), J. I. Moore (Prince Rupert), J. M. McKinley (Prince Rupert), John Morley (Prince Rupert), Harry Menzies (Prince Rupert), F. H. Marshall (New Hazelton), Frank MacDonald Prince Rupert), R. A. Paine (Lorne Creek), A. H. Perkins (Port Essington), R. A. Sampare (Kitwanga), W. J. Sanders (New Hazelton).

NEW PROPOSAL ALASKA FISH

Traps to be Two Miles Apart is Asked of U.S. Commissioner

KETCHIKAN, Nov. 23.— A proposal calling for the federal selection of all salmon traps, which are to be at least two miles apart, was adopted by the so-called "independent" trap owners for presentation to H. W. O'Malley, U.S. Commissioner of fisheries.

As an alternative, it is proposed that there be a 72 hour closed period with the season to extend through the full year.

Mr. O'Malley has asked for an expression of opinion of both independents, cannerymen and owners as to the most advisable way of reducing the annual catch.

ALBERTA POOL BIG OPERATION

Handled Forty-Five Million Bushels and Paid Out Fifty-two Million Dollars

CALGARY, Nov. 23. — The Alberta wheat pool handled close to 45,000,000 bushels of wheat from the 1926 crop, R. D. Purdy, manager, stated at the annual meeting today. The total amount of payments to growers was more than $52,300,000.

In 1926 the Pool had only one terminal elevator in operation at Prince Rupert. This year it had the Vancouver Terminal under lease with a capacity of 1,600,000 bushels and a handling contract had been made with other elevator companies, the directors state, which could run for three years.

BRITISH HOPE REDUCE NAVY

LONDON, November 23. — The government announces that it is reluctant to lay down more than thousand ton cruisers at present in the hope that naval limitation may yet be reached, Hon. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons today.

PREMIER KING VISITS WASHINGTON THREE DAYS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23. — Premier Mackenzie King arrived here today. Officials of the Canadian legation escorted him to the legation where he is residing during his three day visit.

CHICAGO WON FIGHT TO DIVERT WATERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Chicago today won its fight to divert waters from Lake Michigan.