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STEWART RAILWAY HAS BEEN SOLD

LOCAL BOARD OF TRADE DISCUSSES THE NEW PROVINCE

New Province and Peace Railway is Discussed at Board of Trade Meeting

Committee Appointed and Matter Will be Further Discussed at Annual Dinner of Board Early in January

The question of the formation of a new northern province of which Prince Rupert will be a part will be taken up further by the board at its annual meeting early in January.

STRIKE TIES UP SHIPPING IN AUSTRALIA

Effort to Settle Fails and Miners Will be out of Work Pretty Soon

SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 3.—Interstate and overseas trade were completely paralyzed as the result of a deadlock of negotiations looking to a settlement of the widespread miners' strike.

It is estimated that 130 vessels are tied up at various Australian ports and it is believed that if the strike is prolonged there will be not only 25,000 miners in New South Wales out of work but also 20,000 other men.

BIG MISSOURI ROAD COMPLETE

Houses Being Built at Mine for Officials of Consolidated Who Own Mine

VICTORIA, Dec. 3.—The road from Premier Gold Mine to Big Missouri Mine up the Salmon River had been completed one day before the first heavy snowfall. The road was rushed by the Consolidated Smelters so that supplies could be taken into the Big Missouri all winter and shipments of ore started.

Construction of permanent houses for officials has started. Reports that the Consolidated had reopened the Sunloch Mine were denied today.

BANDITS KILL BRITISH CREW

Gunboats Proceeding to Scene on Yangtze River in China

HONG KONG, Dec. 3.—The British steamer Siantang, whose home port is at Shanghai, was attacked by bandits near Ichang on the Yangtze River. Some of the members of the crew were killed and Captain Lallor held for \$100,000 ransom.

McGEER AND SUTTON SAIL FOR ENGLAND TO FINANCE P.G.E.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 3.—G. G. McGeer and General Sutton sailed from New York Tuesday to negotiate with British capitalists for funds for the purchase of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and its extension into the Peace River district.

There was a snowslide yesterday on the C.N.R. in the vicinity of Kwantlen. Railway officials report that it was not very serious and was soon cleared away.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN BOARD

Organization is Criticized but President Fulton Defends it

Thirteen new members joined the board of trade last night at the regular monthly meeting. They were Stanek Smith, J. H. Thompson, F. E. Bush, Harold Ross, J. O. Fraser, Earl Barrie, J. J. Dore, George Hill, Thomas Andrew Tom Dybavn, Paul Armour, G. F. Brine and G. C. Walker.

President Fulton said the canvasser had met with some criticism, one of which was that the board of trade was a political organization. That he denied. Whatever the board might have been at one time it certainly was not that now. He hoped the addition of the new members would have a good effect and that the board would make the organization a more live one.

BONDS SOLD HIGH PRICE

Province Now Has Best Average Record of Year of any in Canada

VICTORIA, Dec. 3.—An issue of a million dollars of thirty year four per cent bonds was sold yesterday on \$4.45 basis to a syndicate composed of the Royal Bank, A. E. Ames & Co. and Wood Gundy Co.

At the time of the recent bond sale the government agreed to sell a million more debentures should the syndicate desire it and the price offered was satisfactory. The average cost of the money to British Columbia for the entire year has been reduced to 4.57 by this latest issue this being the lowest average of any province in Canada.

BAPTIST LADIES ELECT OFFICER

Mrs. P. H. Linzey Heads Organization For Coming Year With Mrs. Thurber Secretary

The Ladies' Aid of the First Baptist Church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. P. H. Linzey last night. There was a large attendance and the annual election of officers took place. The following were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. P. H. Linzey. Vice-president—Mrs. B. Morgan. Treasurer—Mrs. F. Morris. Secretary—Mrs. J. Thurber. Pianist—Mrs. Lemon.

The retiring president, Mrs. W. J. Hammond, was appointed press correspondent. The new officers will have some of the most interesting work ahead of them as the Ladies' Aid are responsible for the installation of the new pews in the church.

CONFERENCE ADJOURNED

GENEVA, Dec. 3.—The preparatory disarmament conference adjourned today until March 15.

Railway offices this morning reported that forty-one cars laden with grain had arrived at the Alberta Wheat Pool. Prince Rupert elevator during the past twenty-four hours.

Captain G. W. Leary of the fisheries patrol at Cumshewa Inlet has returned to Vancouver where he will spend Christmas.

The people of the Peace had more right to a railway than the Hudson Bay. He suggested that a committee be appointed to report at the next meeting.

G. H. Arnold said he had tried to secure a copy of the Sullivan report but was told it was out of print. It was decided to ask that more copies be made and one forwarded here.

Stewart Railway Is Sold by Sir Donald Mann to Old Country Syndicate

VANCOUVER, December 3.—The Portland Canal Railway has been sold by Sir Donald Mann who built in 1910 but never operated it, the slump in mining and other business at that time causing it to fall into disuse. An Old Country syndicate is the purchaser.

The Old Country interests have obtained large timber rights in the Bear Valley and it is stated here that they will recondition the line and extend it toward the interior with a view to marketing their timber.

Six months ago the deal was reported to have gone through but at that time it was denied. It had been suggested several times recently that a deal was in progress of negotiation.

ANNUAL BAZAAR ORANGE LADIES IS PROCEEDING TODAY

The Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association is holding its annual bazaar this afternoon in the Metropole Hall, a great variety of useful and ornamental articles, tastefully arranged, being offered at the custom of many callers.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

ENGLISH LEAGUE Division I. Birmingham 0, Leicester 2. Blackburn 0, Sunderland 0. Cardiff City 2, Aston Villa 1. Everton 0, Sheffield 0.

Division II. Blackpool 1, Port Vale 6. Chelsea 6, South Shields 0. Grimsby 3, Barnsley 1. Oldham 4, Fulham 2. Southampton 0, Preston 0.

Scottish League Division I. Aberdeen 0, Airdrieonians 0. Celtic 1, Motherwell 2. Cowdenbath 4, St. Johnstone 2. Dundee 4, Clyde 3.

Division II. Falkirk 5, Dunfermline 1. Hamilton 1, Rangers 1. Hearts 5, Boness 0. Kilmarnock 2, Hibernians 1. Queen's Park 2, Raith Rovers 1. Partick 6, St. Mirren 2.

'PRINCE OF PACIFIC PORTS' IS CHOSEN

The committee met this afternoon and chose what they considered to be the best of the slogans submitted, the choice falling on one sent in by P. d. Linzey.

'The Prince of Pacific Ports' The committee that made the decision consisted of F. G. Dawson (chairman), Mrs. R. L. McIntyre, Miss Earle, Archie Sinclair, John Bulger, F. Dibb, W. E. Williscroft and F. W. Hart.

SIR HUGH DENNISON RESIGNS HIS POSITION

CANBERRA, Australia, Dec. 3.—The resignation of Sir Hugh Dennison, Australian commissioner to the United States is announced by Premier Bruce.

STOCK PRICES WILD TODAY

C.P.R. Took Jump of Fifteen Points Yesterday and Active Again Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Speculation for advance ran wild again today on the stock market, the sales for the first hour reaching 700,000 with numerous issues jumping from one to eight points.

This morning's reports attributed the movement to a belief held by speculators that the stock had been overlooked.

PORT WARDEN'S FEE SAME AS VANCOUVER

Close Vote in Board of Trade Meeting Adopts Report of Committee

On the part of the Port and Navigation committee of the Board of Trade, F. G. Dawson reported in favor of the adoption of the same port warden's fee for this port as for Vancouver.

George Arnold suggested trying to get the nine pence a ton embargo removed. George Nickerson said this matter had nothing to do with the aids to navigation. The harbor master got only the fees and last year they amounted to \$800. He thought it wise to make the rates uniform.

PATTULLO COMING TO ADDRESS CLUB

The program committee of the Rotary Club telegraphed Hon. T. D. Pattullo asking him to address them on Thursday next at their luncheon and he has accepted. He will arrive here on Wednesday.

J. V. Burke, president of defunct bank of Kenton at Portland convicted of misapplication of funds.

Captain Archibald McLean of New Brunswick died at Seattle.

Charles G. Stimpson, general manager of the Baxter Pole Co., arrived on the Cardena this morning from Vancouver and will proceed tonight on the Prince John to Massett Inlet where his company is conducting extensive operations.

Mrs. Albert Moore and son arrived in the city on the Princess Beatrice this morning from Vancouver to be with Mr. Moore who arrived yesterday from Buckley Bay to receive medical treatment here.

Cruise of Baychimo in Farthest North and Narrow Escape from Cruel Grip of Great Ice Pack

Wireless Operator Now at Digby Island Station Tells Story of Eventful Voyage in the Arctic in Summer of 1925

To see a great wall of rock ahead in the night and to feel the great cruel Arctic ice pack closing in and then to give death the slip with a merry ha, ha, is an experience that does not come to many but it came to Donald Mitchell, wireless operator on the Hudson's Bay trading steamer Baychimo, in the summer of 1925, and now a wireless operator at Digby wireless station. It was a nerve-racking time and Mr. Mitchell tells the story clearly and well in detail as follows:

During the summer of 1925 I was attached as wireless operator to the S.S. 'Baychimo,' a small trading vessel owned by the fur trade department of the Hudson's Bay Company.

The voyage which ended in such a narrow escape from being caught in the grip of the Polar ice, began when the Baychimo left Vancouver, B.C., on July 8 loaded with stores for the company's trading posts along the northern coast of Canada.

Calling at the Island of Unalaska for bunkers, and Teller, Alaska, where we took a supply of reindeer meat and dog feed (dried fish), we reached Point Barrow on July 28. At Point Barrow we stayed a few hours and took aboard a number of Eskimos to assist in working the cargo. The Baychimo is the first steel vessel ever to navigate these waters and the Eskimos everywhere we went were extremely surprised and puzzled as to the reason why a steel ship did not sink.

Perhaps it would be well to explain here that to the north of Point Barrow (continued on page four)

WHIST DRIVE AND DANCE BY MOOSE LADIES SUCCESS

A whist drive and dance given last night by the Women of Mooseheart Legion was a most successful and enjoyable affair. There were some 150 couples present, all enjoying themselves to the full.

Winners at cards were as follows: Ladies' first, Mrs. Jos. Ratchford; ladies' second, Miss Bessie Derry; ladies' third, Mrs. William Doucet; men's first, Mr. Lemb; men's second, Nils Johnson; men's third, D. H. McDonald.

Delicious refreshments were served, after which dancing was enjoyed. Music was by Mrs. R. P. Ponder's orchestra and Gillis Royer was master of ceremonies. Mrs. F. M. Crosby presided at the door while the committee responsible for the success of the affair consisted of Mrs. Jack Ratchford, convener, Mrs. Joe Slaggard and Mrs. L. R. Parry.

EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY FROM DOMINION

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 3.—Efforts to collect from the Dominion government sums of money believed to aggregate several thousand dollars will be made by the Fraser Valley municipalities. The money is claimed as taxes on lands that revert to the soldiers' settlement board.

EDMONTON GRADS WIN BASKETBALL

EDMONTON, Dec. 3.—The Commercial Grads defeated Minnesota Bankers of Minneapolis in the first game for the International Girls' Championship, the score being 69 to 5.

FAMOUS IS OFF

VANCOUVER, Dec. 3.—The tugboat Famous of Bellingham was refloated from a reef near Turn Point by the Vancouver salvage boat Skookum.

It was expected that the elevator this morning that loading of the Japanese freighter San Francisco Maru with a full cargo of grain for the United Kingdom or Continent would be finished by today. It will be Monday, however, before the vessel sails.

It is reported, though not confirmed by the elevator management, that the following three boats will be here shortly to load wheat for the United Kingdom or Continent: December 6, British steamer Alnderby; December 8, British steamer Warlab; December 15, Ohio Maru.