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METLAKATLA SEAL HUNTER KILLED

ESTIMATES IN MOST CIVIC DEPARTMENTS ARE REDUCED

Substantial Reduction of Taxation When Rate of 46 Mills Struck on a Fifteen Per Cent. Lower Assessment

Mayor McMordie states that splendid reduction should be source of congratulation. It was result of co-operation of all departments

Not only has the city effected a reduction on the mill rate from 50 to 46 mills but the assessment has been cut some fifteen per cent, thus making a substantial reduction of taxes on the whole. It was shown at last night's council meeting when the 1928 rate bylaw was presented by the finance committee and duly adopted. It will be necessary this year for the city to obtain by taxation a total sum of \$166,449.38 of which \$86,413.13 is required to take care of bonded indebtedness, the balance being ordinary expenditures, including schools. The rate is divided as follows: Ordinary

SAILING CRAFT DISAPPEARING

NO LONGER TO BE USED IN ALASKA-SALMON TRADE AS HERE-TOFORE IS ANNOUNCED

SEATTLE, March 20.—The passing of sailing vessels from the Seattle salmon cannery trade was announced today by Libby McNeil and Libby with the withdrawal of the sailing ship Henry Wilson.

The Northwestern Fisheries Company will also rely on steamers this year. Only five sailing ships will be used by the Alaska Packers' Association.

CRUSHED UNDER AN AUTOMOBILE

VICTORIA MAN LOST LIFE WHEN JACKS HOLDING UP CAR SLIPPED

VICTORIA, March 20.—Joseph Charles Weston, 34 years of age, member of a well known pioneer family, was killed last night while adjusting the brakes of a motor car. The jacks slipped breaking Weston's neck between the drive shaft and chassis.

LEE JIM WAS FOUND GUILTY

COURT SAYS HE ATTEMPTED TO MURDER WONG LIM BY SHOOTING HIM

VICTORIA, March 20.—Lee Jim was found guilty in the Assize Court of attempting to murder Wong Lim by shooting on Sunday, February 5. Also on the second count of taking part in an affray. He was remanded for sentence until the end of the assizes.

EIGHT CHARRED BODIES FOUND

PRINCETON, March 20.—Eight charred bodies in many cases with nothing left but the trunks have been taken from the ashes covering the site of Number 3 bunkhouse at Copper Mountain, the scene of Sunday's fire will be buried in one long grave Wednesday.

ARMY AND NAVY STORE AT VANCOUVER BURNED

VANCOUVER, March 20.—Loss estimated at more than \$30,000 was caused by a fire that razed the Army and Navy Stores on Hastings Street West last night.

FLIGHT OVER NORTH POLE

WILKINS AND EILSEN REACH POINT BARROW IN PLANE FROM FAIRBANKS

SEWARD, March 20.—A radio message picked up here states that Captain George Wilkins landed at Point Barrow late yesterday afternoon from Fairbanks, covering the first five hundred miles of his projected flight across the "top of the world."

The captain was accompanied on the flight by Lieut. C. Ben Eilsen. It is planned to fly over the Atlantic "blind spot" to the other side of the world.

This afternoon's train, due from the East at 3:30, is reported to be on time.



MONARCH OF GERMANY'S DOG WORLD: This huge Russian wolfhound Borzoi Duscok von Trachenberg was crowned as the best in the dog show at Berlin.

Estimates for the Present Year Show Notable Reductions Made by Many Departments Over Last Year

ESTIMATES for the present financial year adopted last night by the city council will prove interesting to those interested in financial matters. They show a number of notable reductions and a few exceptions. The estimated expenditures with 1927 actual costs for comparison follows:

	1928	1927
Assessor	\$ 827.65	\$ 4,995.42
City Hall General Administration	24,922.47	23,602.47
Prince Rupert General Hospital	10,497.60	10,497.60
Hydrant Grant	2,000.00	2,000.00
Receptions	603.75	1,103.75
Donations	1,550.00	2,290.50
Reading Room	500.00	1,369.45
Public Library	3,000.00	3,060.57
Fire Department	15,000.00	15,285.43
Health Department	13,000.00	16,690.30
Police Department	14,220.00	14,230.43
Sewers	3,500.00	2,685.91
Public Works Department	30,500.00	35,932.50
New Water Mains	6,976.00	2,053.36
Street Lighting	79,580.00	73,142.23
School Board	5,000.00	3,707.96
Engineering Administration	86,413.13	107,206.78
Debt Service		
		\$390,581.60

The figure for the assessor last year covered costs in connection with the railway taxation appeal.

In donations, the Boys' Band receives \$200 this year, the same as last year. The sum of \$1250 is provided for the Fair Board in 1928 as compared with \$1500 last year. The Salvation Army gets \$100 this year as compared with \$108 last year. The Diamond Jubilee celebration was assisted to the extent of \$482.60 last year.

The reading room cost more in 1927 because extensive repairs were made to it.

Novel Scheme of Ottawa Civil Servant to Secure for Himself a Salary Equal That of Thornton's

OTTAWA, March 20.—"I have the greatest pleasure in stating that I find not one dollar of public money has been misappropriated." This is the finding of Commissioner Alexander Smith of Ottawa on charges by Richard A. McClymont, former civil service servant, reflecting upon the administration of the department of the interior. The report was tabled in the House yesterday afternoon by Hon. Charles Stewart.

Mr. McClymont, who was connected with the department for a number of years, had further proposed a plan to save the Dominion

hundreds of millions annually. His proposal carried with a recommendation that he be put in charge of this scheme at a salary of \$50,000 annually for the first three years. If, and his services were satisfactory, \$65,000 a year for the next three years.

Smith's report says he further consulted with the Auditor General and members of his staff and also with the officers of the department of finance. This further satisfied me that the financial methods of the department of the interior are of high standard."

All of McClymont's reports since 1922 had one thing in view, the securing of a permanent position for himself at an increased salary.

ANTHEA DUE AT WEEK-END

TWENTY-SECOND GRAIN SHIP COMING TO LOAD AT ELEVATOR

Prince Rupert's twenty-second grain ship of the season will be the British freighter Anthea which is due on Thursday to load a full cargo at the Alberta Wheat Pool's Elevator for the United Kingdom or Continent. It was officially announced at the Wheat Pool offices last night.

The twentieth ship of the season, the British freighter Mansepool, is expected to sail for the United Kingdom on Thursday night, or Wednesday morning. The steamer Anthea will start loading tomorrow morning.

No grain shipments have yet been made from Prince Rupert for the Orient so far this season or are any anticipated for some time at least. All the grain so far shipped this year for the Orient by the Pool has been from Vancouver where, in most cases, it has formed part cargoes supplemented by lumber or other commodities.

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Metlakatla Indian Was Shot While Sitting in Boat Hunting Hair Seal

Body Brought Here This Afternoon and Handed Over to Police: Gun Felt and Discharged Accidentally Natives Say

Huddled over the amidsthips seat of a rod boat in which, while engaged in hunting hair seal for the bounty outside of Tugwell Island, he was shot dead, apparently accidentally, about 10 o'clock this morning, the body of Phillip McKay, aged 23, well known young Metlakatla Indian, was brought to the city shortly after noon today by the seineboat Dickie Boy, Peter Leighton. The death boat was towed into town by the Dickie Boy and tied up at the fisheries float on the waterfront. Subsequent examination showed a gaping wound in the back at the kidneys.

According to what could be gathered from the natives who arrived with the body, deceased and another Indian, Billy Robinson, were in the rowboat when the tragedy occurred. A hammerless shotgun, which was being used by Robinson, fell to the bottom of the boat and went off, the bullet entering the body of McKay, who was at the oars, and causing death which is reported to have been instantaneous. McKay, himself, had been using a rifle. Evidently, the remains as well as the guns and other contents of the boat had not been disturbed after the accident until arrival here.

Inspector William Spiller and Dominion Constable A. J. Watkinson took charge of the case on arrival of the body until the coroner appeared. The police were unwilling that the details of the affair should be given before the coroner arrived.

The late Phillip McKay was a native of Metlakatla where he was well known. The body was accompanied in by a brother, Joe McKay, and deceased is survived by his mother as well as other relatives. Billy Robinson also came in with the body.

ATTENTION FOR MENTAL CASES

PREMIER PROMISES THAT RECOMMENDATIONS OF HYGIENE COMMISSION WILL BE CARRIED OUT

VICTORIA, March 20.—All recommendations made by the mental hygiene commission in a recent report to the Legislature will be given careful consideration, Premier MacLean said yesterday. The Premier added that the Government would carry out the recommendations of the commission in favor of the appointment of a psychiatrist in co-operation with the medical profession in the handling of cases of incipient insanity in the province.

VARSITY TEAM CHAMPIONS B.C.

QUALIFIED TO PLAY RAYMOND, ALTA., BASKETBALL FOR INTER-PROVINCIAL SERIES

KELOWNA, March 20.—Varsity last night won the Senior A basketball championship of B.C. by defeating the Kelowna Hornets 29 to 17. They won the round 59 to 37.

Varsity is now qualified to play Raymond, Alberta, in the inter-provincial series.

SUMMER TIME FOR VICTORIA

ADOPTS DAYLIGHT SAVING CON- DITIONAL ON OTHERS FOLLOW- ING SUIT

VICTORIA, March 20.—The city council last night voted to adopt daylight saving if the southern end of Vancouver Island and the city of Vancouver also adopt it. It was suggested that April 15 to September 15 would be suitable dates.

PLANE WRECKED PILOT INJURED

VANCOUVER, March 20.—When the De Havilland moth plane crashed into the waters of English Bay Monday afternoon, B. Markill, a student pilot making a solo flight, was painfully injured about the head and the plane partially wrecked in flying low when the plane made a sudden dive. The plane belonged to the Dominion Airways Ltd.

TUNNEY TO FIGHT UNKNOWN OPPONENT JULY OF THIS YEAR

MIAMI BEACH, March 20.—Tex Rickard said today there would be only one heavyweight championship match this year in July against Tunney, his opponent yet to be determined.