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CONSERVATIVE PRAISES THORNTON

LABOR MAKES GAIN IN LONDON'S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Moderates Successful in Municipal Elections in London, Yesterday

Son and Daughter of Ramsay Macdonald, Labor Leader, Were Elected and Labor Made Gains

LONDON, March 9.—Miss Isabel Macdonald was elected a member of the London County Council as Socialist representative of Poplar, and Malcolm J. Macdonald was elected for the Limehouse division of Stepney in yesterday's municipal elections. They are son and daughter respectively of J. Ramsay Macdonald, Moderator of the House of Commons, and were the only members of the Labor and 50 Liberals.

Labor made a net gain of eight seats, the Moderates lost seven, and the Liberals lost one.

STEWART LINE NOT FEASIBLE

CANNOT GO TO INTERIOR WITHOUT TUNNELLING TWO MILES THROUGH MOUNTAIN

VICTORIA, March 9.—Much speculation is rife here in regard to the proposed new railway from Stewart into the Peace River country. The Stewart short line, it is pointed out, is a mining road which should be a decided benefit to the properties on the Bear River and adjoining creeks and may before long prove quite profitable.

The later announcement in regard to its being continued over the divide is not looked on seriously, as engineers have reported that the divide is not feasible for railway construction and nothing but a two-mile tunnel through a big mountain will give an outlet to the interior. This tunnel would prove tremendously costly and no one can tell what difficulties might be encountered in connection with it.

There has been a noticeable reluctance to say anything against any development proposal but it is suggested that no person of any standing in the community would put forward a proposal which it is obvious cannot materialize.

TRAIL HOCKEY BEATS CANMORE

B.C. TEAM WILL NOW MEET SASKATCHEWAN CHAMPIONS EN ROUTE TO ALLAN CUP

TRAIL, March 9.—Trail last night defeated Canmore, the Alberta champions, 5 to 4 winning the round 14 to 7 thus winning the right to meet Delta, Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan champions, at Saskatoon in the Allan Cup playoffs.

The Regina Monarchs, the Saskatchewan junior hockey champions, defeated Blairmore Juniors, champions of B.C. and Alberta, seven to nil in the first game of a two game series to decide the western finalists for the Dominion championships.

FIRST SESSION OF COMMITTEE

IMMIGRATION BEING INQUIRED INTO CAUSING ARGUMENT BETWEEN FORKE AND CAHAN

OTTAWA, March 9.—At an initial session the select standing committee on agriculture and colonization called to inquire into the affairs and functions of the department of immigration was productive of a few minor tilts yesterday in which Hon. Robert Forke, minister of immigration and C. Cahan, Conservative, argued. The sitting however progressed smoothly and was devoted to evidence given by W. J. Egan, deputy minister of immigration, who explained the working of the department in the United States, British Isles and Europe.

Sir Henry Thornton and Board of Management Given the Whole Credit

One of Conservative Leaders Says Government not Entitled to any Cudos From Success of Government Railways

OTTAWA, March 9.—Hugh Guthrie, Conservative house leader for last session, charged the finance minister and the minister of railways with endeavoring to appropriate to themselves the credit due to Sir Henry Thornton. He thought Sir Henry and the board of management should be congratulated upon the splendid showing they made during the year. The net earnings of the road had increased by \$125,000,000 in four years, \$125,000,000 which formerly had to be withdrawn from the treasury of the Dominion. The government was not entitled to a particle of credit. Thornton and the board were entitled to the full credit for the result obtained, Guthrie pursued.

WOMEN LOST WITH HUSKIES

SEARCH BEING MADE FROM HOLY CROSS, ALASKA, FOR INTREPID TRAVELLERS

HOLY CROSS, Alaska, March 9.—The last dog team here Alphonse Bennett left Holy Cross, Thursday, in search for two women reported missing on the frozen tundras of the northern periphery between Yukon and Kusokovin rivers, southwest of the C. E. Forrest, wife of the superintendent of the bureau of education in Indian schools and Miss B. Leske, nurse at the Akiak Government Hospital, who left Bethel 100 miles southwest of here for Holy Cross on February 27 and have not been heard of since.

NEW FORD CAR IS DESCRIBED

Much interest was taken in moving picture exhibitions descriptive of the new Ford motor car which were held at the Metropolitan Hall yesterday afternoon and last evening under the auspices of Parker's Garage, local agents for the machine. While the attendance was not as large in the afternoon, it is estimated that some four hundred persons were in attendance last evening.

QUEBEC FAMILY FIRE VICTIMS

ST. JEROME, Quebec, March 9.—Mrs. Leon Duquette, 40 years of age; three daughters: Bernadette, 17; Pauline and Annette, 2; were burned to death while a daughter Therese is in a critical condition as a result of a fire which destroyed the home this morning.

SLIGHT DROP IN GENERAL MOTORS

NEW YORK, March 9.—General Motors common stock closed at \$150.50 yesterday. Speculative interest shifted to oil and public utilities, several of which reached new high ground.

REDUCTION PLANT IS REOPENED AND THIRTY MEN SENT OUT THERE

George Bushby announced yesterday that he had reopened the reduction plant at Tuck's Inlet, and had sent thirty men out here to take care of the work. Herring had now been coming to points outside Pearl Harbor and they were getting a supply at the plant.

TOTAL OF 120,000 POUNDS OF HALIBUT IS SOLD HERE TODAY

A total of 120,000 pounds of halibut was sold at the Fish Exchange this morning, two American vessels being offered 6.6c and 3c and 7.3c and 3c for 34,500 pounds while from 6.4c and 4c to 7c and 4.5c was paid for Canadian vessels with 26,000 pounds. Boats that refused to take 6c and 3c yesterday and held over until today gained by so doing.

Sales today were as follows:
AMERICAN
Summer, 50,000 pounds, Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., 7.3c and 3c.
Radin, 44,000 pounds, Royal Fish Co., 6.6c and 3c.
CANADIAN
Ternan, 9,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 7c and 4.5c.
Cape Spear, 4,000 pounds, and Nuba, 6,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 6.4c and 4c.
Fenny F., 7,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 6.5c and 4c.

MOST OF SPEECHES IN COMMONS END ABRUPTLY

Hansard shows that most of the speeches in the House of Commons now end abruptly. A member is in the midst of developing an idea when the Speaker calls "Order" to signify that the forty minutes is up and then the report goes on to the next address. Better terminal facilities will have to be developed if the effect of these utterances on the constituents that they are expected to impress, through the distribution of Hansard copies, is not to be marred.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked.
Argenta	.52	10 1/2
Bayview	.56	.58
Big Missouri	.45 1/2	.46
Cork Province	.43	.47
Georgia River	.90	.95
Golconda	.75	.78
Grandview	.22	.23 1/2
Independence	.34 1/2	.35
Kootenay Florence	.12 1/2	.13
L. and L.	.05	.05
Lakeview	.40	.42
Lucky Jim	17.80	17.85
Pendoreille	2.70	2.75
Premier	.72	.78
Porter Idaho	.52	.55
Rufus	.58	.60
Ruth Hope	.03 1/2	.04
Selkirk	.11 1/2	.12 1/2
Silvercrest	.11	.12 1/2
Blocon King	.30	4.04
Bunloch	3.00	
Toric	2.60	2.64
Whitewater	.52	.57 1/2
Woodbine	.52	.57 1/2

HOLY WAR IS NOT STARTED

KING IBN HAUD SIMPLY TRYING TO QUET WARRING TRIBESMEN

CAIRO, Egypt, March 9.—Denial that Ibn Haud, the picturesque desert King of Arabia, had declared a holy war or was even lending material aid to the tribes raiding British mandated territory was made today by Sheik Hafik Hafiz Wahaba, who has returned from Kowest near the head of the Persian Gulf, where he tried on behalf of Ibn Haud to negotiate a settlement of the difficulties between frontier tribesmen of Nejd and Irak. Hafiz said that Ibn Haud was trying to quiet the tribesmen who had revolted against the British air raids, which in turn were reprisals for raids over the border made by the complaining tribesmen in violation of treaties among the clans.

MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR FRENCH LEGATION TO OPEN AT OTTAWA

PARIS, March 9.—The finance committee of the chamber of deputies yesterday approved the appropriation for the settlement of the French legation at Ottawa. In approving of diplomatic relations with Canada valuable for both and sentimental reasons. The amount of the appropriation was not given.

NEW LOGGING CAMP IS TO BE OPENED SOON NEAR QUEEN CHARLOTTE

R. Pohl and J. Gillespie are about to open a new logging camp near Queen Charlotte City, according to word brought from the Islands on the steamer Prince John last night. Mr. Pohl and a small crew of men arrived at Queen Charlotte City from Vancouver on this trip of the John to institute preparatory work.

CUMSHEWA MINE MAY SOON BE DEVELOPED

The Cumshewa mine on the Queen Charlotte Islands is attracting considerable attention again, according to word brought from the Islands on the steamer Prince John last night. The property was recently given a thorough examination by a Vancouver engineer and, if his report is favorable, it is stated that extensive developments will be undertaken including the building of a wharf.

Fishpool Returning; an Italian Ship is Reported Coming for Grain and Two Vessels to Load for the Orient Soon

The British steamer Fishpool, which took the first cargo of the season from the Alberta Wheat Pool's Prince Rupert elevator last November, is reported to be on the way back to this port to load its second cargo for the United Kingdom or Continent and may be here before the end of the month.

Also reported to be nearing the port and due here in a few days is an Italian grain-ship. It will be the first vessel flying the flag of that country which has ever visited Prince Rupert. So far, Prince Rupert has shipped all its grain on British, Japanese or Swedish ships.

Grain shipping to the Orient will be instituted from Prince Rupert this season in April it is expected. Two Japanese vessels are understood to be due here then to load for their country. Of the twenty-one grain ships in Prince Rupert so far this year, all have loaded or are loading for the United Kingdom or Continent.

HUDSON BAY LINE SURVEY

WORK WILL BE COMPLETED BY MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK

WINNIPEG, March 9.—Surveying for the Hudson Bay Railway line to Fort Churchill will be completed by the 15th of this month, according to word received here today from Major J. L. Charles, Canadian National Railways reconnaissance engineer.

Legislature Deals With Market Act and Discusses New Election Act Proposals Without Agreement

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TWENTY-FIRST GRAIN VESSEL

BRITISH FREIGHTER DEMETER-TON ARRIVES IN HARBOR THIS MORNING

The Chapman Line British freighter Demeter-ton, Prince Rupert's 21st grain-ship of the season, arrived in port at 10 o'clock this morning from Marseilles, France. The vessel came in ballast via the Panama Canal and her master, Capt. H. D. Dowell, reports an uneventful voyage.

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PREPARATIONS MADE FOR FIRST SCHOOL GARDEN AT WESTVIEW

At the school board meeting last night Chairman Rochester reported that a plot of land at the Westview school had been dug and the stumps taken out, the cost being \$12. They planned to provide a few tools and let the children clean up and prepare a garden. A little time would also be provided.

COMPULSORY MARKETING THOUGH WHEAT POOL IS ASKED IN SASKATCHEWAN

Farmers Divided on Question and Some Did Not Vote When Resolution up

SASKATOON, March 9.—Compulsory marketing of all wheat grown in the province through the wheat pool, as soon as a 75 per cent acreage sign-up has been achieved, will be sought through enactment of provincial legislation as the result of a resolution endorsed at the closing session of the Saskatchewan farmers' convention.

The issue, which was debated during the greater part of the afternoon session, was productive of a distinct division of opinion. When submitted to a vote, the resolution was approved by a small majority.

Earlier in the day, the delegates had placed themselves on record as opposed to direct political action at the present time, but the board of directors was instructed to gather data relating to the various phases of politics, with special emphasis on the merits of group and co-operative form of government. This information will be sent to district locals for study.

Opponents of the compulsory wheat pool proposal attacked the resolution on the general premise that it involved "unconstitutional interference with personal liberties."

Several speakers maintained that the move was premature and could only have the effect of playing into the hands of the enemies of the wheat pool.

Out of a total of 600 accredited delegates it was disclosed that 307 voted for the compulsory pool with 263 against it. There were 120 delegates who abstained.

Those in favor of the resolution maintained that non-pool members should be forced to join the pool for the protection and further development of the co-operative movement. Five years, it was stated, should have proved to those still outside the pool that its permanence was established and that only their selfish isolation was providing the opposition with ammunition to fight the pool.

CONTRACT WORK AT POINT GREY

COST WAS LESS THAN ENGINEER'S ESTIMATES AND LOWER THAN BID OF CONTRACTORS

VICTORIA, March 9.—Four contracts totalling \$233,959 for curbing, sidewalks and paving in connection with the University Development project at Point Grey were given to A. B. Palmer & Co. in 1926 by the lands department of the Provincial Government.

The contracts were carried out at less than the estimates of the Government engineers and below the bids of the tenderers, the public accounts committee learned. On three contracts let to the Palmer Company the bids totalled \$180,815 and the actual cost was \$167,270.

Manager Boyd of the General Construction Company, successor to A. B. Palmer asked the committee to rectify the impression broadcast from its hearing that his concern existed chiefly upon Government work.

COSTLY DIADEM ON HIS HEAD

MAN IN HOSPITAL WALKS OUT WITH BANDAGE OF \$30,000 IN RADIUM

VANCOUVER, March 9.—Walter Haddon, 74 years of age, apparently walked unseen out of St. Paul's Hospital this morning with a bandage containing \$30,000 worth of radium around his head. Anxious search for him is being made.

SPECULATION AT NEW YORK

GENERAL MOTORS BUYING STARTS WILD OUBURST IN OTHER ISSUES

NEW YORK, March 9.—Frenzied trading in General Motors common stock which advanced more than six dollars a share to \$157 started a wild outburst of speculation which carried scores of issues up from three to ten dollars.

LARGE ADDITION TO GARIBALDI PARK UP HEAD OF HOWE SOUND

VICTORIA, March 9.—Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, announced that 900 square miles had been added to Garibaldi Park at the head of Howe Sound. The minister said the Cheakamus River in the park area could be developed for power purposes without marring the scenery.

WANAMAKER DEAD

NEW YORK, March 9.—Rodman Wanamaker, head of the Wanamaker stores, died today at Atlantic City aged 65.

PRICE OF WHEAT
VANCOUVER, March 9.—The price of wheat yesterday at closing was \$1.31 1/2.

HOCKEY SCORES.
N.Y. Rangers 3, Canadiens 4.
Montreal Maroons 3, Detroit 2.
N.Y. Americans 2, Toronto 4.