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CURRIE CASE RATHER SENSATIONAL

GENERAL DEFENDS ACTIONS HIMSELF AND MEN IN COURT

Tense Moments in Course of the Cross-Examination of General Sir Arthur Currie in Libel Case Trial

COBOURG, Ont., April 28.—For seven hours yesterday General Sir Arthur Currie, former commander of the Canadian corps, stood in the witness stand here and, after giving brief testimony in the \$50,000 libel action instituted by him against W. T. R. Preston and F. W. Wilson, was subjected to a cross examination which was not concluded when at six o'clock he stepped down at the time of adjournment.

It is expected that all the evidence for the plaintiff will be concluded today and that counsel will deliver addresses and the judge give his summing up Monday.

The case going to the jury late Monday afternoon. The corps commander heard himself asked by Frank Regan, defense counsel, why he was "not man enough when the government asked him about the casualties to put them in his report?" He heard the lawyer accuse him of "denying the men who were killed at Mons the honor of recalling that they had laid down their lives in the capture of the city." All this and a great deal more was hurled across the court room and at one stage of the proceedings reached such a tense point that when Sir Arthur, repudiating that the Canadian corps should have been ordered to stop and wait rather than press on to the objectives ordered, delivered a eulogy of his men, spectators in the court room broke into a manifestation of approval, which was repeated by the sheriff.

"Now," said Sir Arthur Currie, "you are the man suggesting that men who did these things should lie down and quit two days before the war ended."

Sir Arthur should have shown consideration for those men, counsel insisted. They should have been ordered to stop and wait.

"No," Sir Arthur's voice rose; "have them disobey an order, be guilty of treason? Be guilty of mutiny? Disregard their commander in chief? Disregard orders of Marshal Foch? Act in an unorderly way? These," he declared, "were not the type of men to do such things."

CONTINUED THIS MORNING

COBOURG, April 28 (noon).—Plaintiffs in the Currie libel case finished their case today and the court adjourned until Monday when counsel will address the jury.

Cross-examination of Sir Arthur Currie was completed this morning after he had completed nine hours in all on the stand. Sir Richard Turner, V.C., was also on the stand.

DROWNED WHEN BOAT ASHORE
TROLLING VESSEL IN TROUBLE AND ONE OF MEN RESCUED BY INDIAN BOYS

FORT ANGELES, April 28.—Emil Lindholm was drowned and his partner Nick Ostal was rescued heroically by three Indian boys when the salmon trolling boat of the partners ran aground on James Island off the coast of Washington yesterday. The boys built a fire on the island until the seas subsided allowing them to get to the mainland with Ostal.

The boys signalled by fire as their fathers had taught them intimating to the village of Lapush the tragedy that had occurred.

DIVORCE BILL NOT FAVORED
HOUSE DIVIDED ON WOODSWORTH PROPOSAL THE VOTE BEING 53 TO 21

OTTAWA, April 28.—A motion for the third reading of a divorce bill pre-arranged a division in the House of Commons last night.

On the order paper about one hundred divorce bills are in various stages of progress. When the third reading was called for the first on the list, Woodsworth, labor member for Winnipeg, moved an amendment that the House consider a bill to provide divorce courts for Ontario.

The House divided and the amendment was lost on a vote of 53 to 21.

BROKER GUILTY AT VANCOUVER
CHARLES H. PORTER AND A. L. MARKS CONVICTED OF CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD

VANCOUVER, April 28.—Charles H. Porter and A. L. Marks were found guilty yesterday by a jury in the assize court of conspiracy to defraud the public. Mr. Justice Morrison remanded the prisoners for sentence. The defense indicated that they would enter an appeal.

The prosecution arose out of the operations of J. P. Porter & Co., stock-brokers of Vancouver, of which Porter was manager and Marks salesman.

NO DEPORTING WITHOUT TRIAL
AMENDMENT TO IMMIGRATION ACT PASSES ITS SECOND READING LAST NIGHT

OTTAWA, April 28.—The House of Commons last night approved the principle of a bill providing that no person can be deported from Canada for sedition without a trial by jury. It came up in connection with the second reading of a bill to amend the Immigration Act, which passed its second reading.

SNOWING IN YUKON
The Government telegraphic reports indicate today that it is snowing throughout Yukon territory with slightly lower temperatures.

HALIBUT BIDS BETTER TODAY

TOTAL OF 133,300 POUNDS SOLD AT FROM 8.5c AND 6.5c TO 12c AND 8.5c

Halibut prices were much improved at the Fish Exchange this morning when a total of 133,300 pounds was sold. Five American vessels disposed of 64,000 pounds at from 9c and 4c to 12c and 5.5c and seven Canadians sold 69,300 pounds at from 8.9c and 6.5c to 9.9c and 7c. Arrivals and sales were as follows:

AMERICAN
Chelsea, 25,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 9c and 4c.
Anna J., 12,500 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12c and 8.5c.
Graying, 17,500 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 12c and 8c.
Thor, 5,500 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12c and 8c.
Jack, 3,500 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 11.5c and 9c.

CANADIAN
Zapora, 21,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 9c and 6.5c.
Balsac, 14,000 pounds; Nuba, 2,900 pounds, and Selma, 300 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 9.9c and 7c.
Oslo, 15,000 pounds, Royal Fish Co., 9.8c and 7.5c.
Sea Maid, 14,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 8.9c and 6.4c.
Ringleader, 3,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 9.9c and 7c.

FREE TRADE IN EMPIRE

THAT IS PROPOSAL MADE BY BRITISH BOARD OF TRADE YESTERDAY

LONDON, April 28.—Removal of trade barriers within the Empire was favored by the British chamber of commerce, which passed a resolution at the annual meeting yesterday to this effect. The resolution recommends that the matter should be considered at a conference of representatives of industry from various parts of the Empire, which it proposes to call before the next imperial conference is held.

BURDEN CHOSEN AS CANDIDATE

PRINCE GEORGE, April 28.—Fred P. Burden was chosen Conservative candidate for the Fort George constituency at a nominating convention held here. Dr. R. W. Alwood was his rival for the nomination.

FIRE AT MOUNT VERNON DESTROYED BUILDINGS

MOUNT VERNON, Washington, April 28.—Fire this morning destroyed six buildings and damaged several others in the business section, the loss being \$100,000.

DIED AS RESULT OF MOTOR CYCLE SPILL

VANCOUVER, April 28.—John Owens, 17 years of age, died last night in the hospital here as a result of injuries received when a motor cycle collided with an automobile Thursday night.



A SPECTACLE IN AIR: The Royal Air Force put on a display at Hendon for the visiting King and Queen of Afghanistan. The planes are in bombing formation.

McCracken Party Guests of Board of Trade and Leader Talks About Bears and Other Subjects at Dinner

THE chief hobby of Harold McCracken, the scientist and explorer, who is here en route to the far north on a trip to secure specimens for the Museum of Natural History at New York, is "bears." He has killed large numbers and now he usually stalks them and takes moving pictures. At a dinner given by the board of trade last night in his honor and that of Captain Bartlett and the others of the staff, Mr. McCracken told one or two interesting bear stories which kept the large gathering of men keyed up and expectant. Capt. Bartlett also gave a chatty talk which was much enjoyed. Milton Gonzales, vice-president of the board of trade, presided and the dining room was filled to capacity. Morris Blott and S. A. McPherson sang. In addition to those already mentioned the visitors present were Ed. Weyer, Ed. Manley, Andrew Johnston, F. L. Jacques, and R. Burd, engineer.

Mr. McCracken said that when he talked it was difficult to keep away from the subject of bears. He had killed seventeen and photographed 47. He wished he had brought a few of his films of kodiak, grizzly and other bears to show the people here. He was only eight years old when he met his first bear, a cub, and he had run away as fast as possible and hidden himself in the attic of their Idaho home.

THRILL IN PICTURES
Later he had done a good deal of killing in collecting museum specimens but he had never killed for the sake of killing. There was a great deal more thrill in taking pictures than in killing the animals. It takes a much better (continued on page four)

BRITISH PRO. BEATS HAGEN

WINS GOLF MATCH FOR \$750 PURSE EIGHTEEN UP AND SEVENTEEN TO PLAY

MOOR PARK, England, April 28.—Archie Compston, the British professional, playing phenomenal golf, won over Walter Hagen in a 72 hole match for a purse of \$750, beating him on the first hole of the fourth round today 18 up and 17 to play.

SENATOR KING DIES EDMONTON

WAS FATHER OF HON. J. H. KING, MINISTER OF HEALTH IN OTTAWA GOVERNMENT

EDMONTON, April 28.—Hon. George Gerald King, member of the Senate since 1896 and father of Hon. Dr. J. H. King, minister of health, died here this morning aged 92 at the home of his daughter Mrs. W. E. Nobles.

Senator King sat in the House of Commons from 1887 to 1886 and from 1891 to 1896.

Interment will take place at Chipman, New Brunswick.

VICTORIAN ELECTED GRAND FACTOR OF NATIVE DAUGHTERS

VICTORIA, April 28.—Miss "Boo" Wilson of Victoria was elected grand factor of the Native Daughters of B.C. at their annual convention here yesterday.

JOHNSTON IS GRAND FACTOR NATIVE SONS

VICTORIA, April 28.—J. J. Johnston of New Westminster was elected Grand Factor of the Native Sons of B.C. at this morning's session of the grand post. Vancouver was selected for next year's convention.

Disastrous Effect of Mixing Indians and Rum Shown in the Death by Drowning at Cow Bay

Arthur Collison Lost His Life in Drunken Brawl and all Natives Were Too Intoxicated to Know Much About it

THE disastrous result of mixing Indians and rum was seen at an inquest conducted yesterday afternoon by Coroner Norman A. Watt into the death of Arthur Collison, Kitkatla native, who was drowned in the early hours of the morning previous from his boat in Cow Bay. While there was evidence of an altercation between deceased and William Kidley, Metlakatla Indian, who is held on a charge of supplying, having taken place just before the fatality, the jury, which consisted of Robert Lahiff, foreman, Alex. Holmberg, Sam Pearce, James Harris, Henry Hayes and Vincent Morrison, brought in a simple verdict of death by drowning, there being no mention of blame attaching to any one.

After the jury had viewed the body, examination of several witnesses commenced. Henry Collison, brother of deceased, was placed on the stand for purposes of identification. Sergeant Hannah also identified the body.

Dr. L. W. Kergin, who conducted an autopsy, gave his opinion that deceased had met his death by drowning while under the influence of alcohol. There was a smell of beer and rum about the body. Ahrasons on the hands indicated that the man had struggled in the water, probably to extricate himself. There were no marks of violence.

George Cadwallader, taxi driver, told of taking a party of Indians to Cow Bay about three o'clock in the morning. The party consisted of Charles (continued on page four)

LIQUOR CASES COURT TODAY

FOUR CONVICTIONS AND HEAVY FINES SEQUEL TO INDIAN DROWNING

Five cases of supplying liquor to Indians came in City Police Court before Magistrate McClymont this morning as a sequel to the drowning yesterday morning of Arthur Collison in Cow Bay. Four convictions were made and one case was withdrawn. City Solicitor E. F. Jones prosecuted in each case. Court was in session about two hours hearing the various cases.

George Kimball pleaded not guilty to the charge of supplying William Kidley but was found guilty and fined \$300 with the option of three months' imprisonment.

William Ridley pleaded guilty to the charge of supply Lucy Collison and was fined \$50 or 30 days in jail.

Reuben Moogy admitted conniving to supply Jane Lewis and was fined \$50 or 30 days.

Richard Edgar pleaded not guilty and was found guilty of supplying Jane Lewis and was fined \$100 or two months' imprisonment.

A similar charge against Charles Edgar was dismissed.

SCOTLAND AMATEUR FOOTBALL TEAM WON AGAINST ENGLAND

GLASGOW, April 28.—Scotland defeated England three goals to two in the annual amateur championship between the two countries today.

SWEDISH FISHERMAN PASSES IN HOSPITAL

Carl Axel Norgren Succumbed Last Night Following Two Months' Illness

Following an illness of two months in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, the death occurred last night of Carl Axel Norgren, aged 39, a Swedish herring fisherman. The late Mr. Norgren was unmarried and has no relatives in this country. He has fished out of here for a number of years and last year was a member of the crew of the boat Cape Swain. He had been ill since the opening of the present season.

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

SENT FOR TRIAL ON CHARGE OF MURDER

FERNIE, April 28.—James Sutherland was sent up for trial on a charge of murder in connection with the shooting of Patrick Nicholson at Corbin, April 9, at the preliminary hearing here yesterday.

WIRELESS REPORT.

8 a.m.
Digby Island.—Raining, strong S.E. wind; barometer, 29.38; temperature, 40; sea rough.
Dead Tree Point.—Raining, light S.E. wind; barometer, 29.48; temperature, 40; sea smooth.
Bull Harbor.—Overcast, calm; barometer, 29.54; temperature, 42; heavy swell.

NOON
Digby Island.—Raining, strong S.E. wind; barometer, 29.50; temperature, 41; sea moderate.
Dead Tree Point.—Raining, light S.E. wind; barometer, 29.50; temperature, 40; sea smooth.
Bull Harbor.—Part cloudy, light S.W. wind; barometer, 29.62; temperature, 42; heavy swell.

GRAIN GOING TO PORTUGAL

MINDBERRY LOADING FOR LISBON WILL PROBABLY GET AWAY TUESDAY

The steamer Anderby, the 27th grain ship of the season, loading here, is taking on a full cargo of grain for Lisbon, Portugal, making a total shipment for the season of approximately seven million bushels compared with 5,760,000 bushels shipped last season.

A despatch from Winnipeg states 7,765,000 bushels has been shipped from here this year, but this is said to be incorrect as less than that amount has been received and not all has been shipped.

The vessel is expected to get away from here Tuesday.

WEATHER REPORT.

Prince Rupert.—Raining, strong S.E. wind; temperature, 40.