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## NEW IDEA SKEENA HIGHWAY

### PREMIER TOLMIE GIVES WINNIPEG INTERVIEW

#### Highway to Terrace by Way of South Bank of Skeena is Comparatively Easy Build

C. F. Swanson, Who Has Travelled the Route Often, Says It Could Be Constructed in Two Years Without Difficulty

By ferrying across the Skeena River at Tye, there will be only 74 miles of highway to connect Prince Rupert with Terrace, and the work could be done very well in two years, according to C. F. Swanson, formerly mail carrier on the route for the G. T. P. Railway, who has been over the route on both sides of the river and who knows the country well. Writing to The Daily News on the subject, Mr. Swanson says:

"Of the 90 miles between Prince Rupert and Terrace, there is already six miles built at this end and 10 miles at the other, which leaves about 74 miles, and I might say it is not much of a job to build it. There is some rock, of course, but lots of easy places. I know this route quite well and have made it quite a few times in winter and summer, spring and fall, between 1908 and 1909, when carrying estimates and mail for the G. T. P. Railway, and am still on the scene.

"What good will it be to go up in the air and fly over the mountains? One can always find the passes by following the water courses. I believe in the end the highway will be built along the south side of Skeena River.

"Crossing the Skeena at Tye station, then following along the south bank of the Skeena River to Terrace the road would pass five hot springs and all kinds of good trout fishing. Farther along, opposite Telegraph Point, there is a big cut off over the north side route. The ferry would land at Raspberry Island, where there is deep water suitable for the purpose, and yet in winter it would not be affected by the ice.

"There are no snow slides on the south side until Telegraph Point is reached, a distance of 18 miles, and they are not difficult or dangerous. Most of them can be avoided, there being a flat in front of them. The rivers to be crossed are small and easy to bridge, about five in all, including Lakelse River.

"The only feasible route I consider is that south of the river from the mouth of the Ecstall, and it would not be very difficult to build. A compressor could be operated on a scow for many miles, which would make the work easier."

#### Nothing for Dominions Under Reparations Scheme of Owen D. Young to Which England Objects

PARIS, May 10.—It was confirmed last night that the plan for a revision of the reparations payments by Germany proposed by Owen D. Young of the United States at the reparations conference would leave Great Britain nothing for the dominions or for arrears of interest on debts. It would award that country just enough from Germany to pay the United States from now on. British experts here refute the contention that this is all that is demanded in the Balfour note.

#### WHEAT LOWEST SINCE 1914

CHICAGO, May 10.—Yesterday wheat was the lowest here since the year 1914. It dropped to \$1.02 3/4.

J. Randolph Black, vice-president and general manager of the National Airplane Lumber Co., arrived in the city on yesterday afternoon's train from the company's mill building operations at Porpoise Harbor.

The absence of a direct representation for the dominions at the conference is considered by British delegations as all the greater reason for not yielding on the question for the dominions' share of the German reparations. The delegation is practically certain to reject that phase of Young's proposals, which would reduce German payments to the dominions to zero.

An injured Yellow Warbler was picked up this morning on the sidewalk. It was picked up and seemed to recover.

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NO CAUSE FOR WORRY  
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Premier Tolmie thinks there will be a market for British Columbia lumber in spite of U.S. tariff.

#### FIGHTING AT CANTON CITY

HONGKONG, May 10.—Heavy casualties occurred in the Chinese city of Canton today during the firing of batteries on Macao and Honan islands to put down the naval rebellion in the harbor.

#### QUEEN HOLDS COURT ALONE

Helen Wills, the Tennis Player, Among Those Presented Yesterday

LONDON, May 10.—The first court of the season and first court in 29 years over which the Queen of England has presided alone was held last night. Queen Mary was the central figure of a brilliant scene in Buckingham Palace. Among those present was Helen Wills, the tennis champion. A Canadian will be presented this evening.

#### FIRE NEAR THE PAS

THE PAS, Man., May 10.—Fire fighting crews today battled a five-mile assault of forest flame that crept northward toward the mining settlement of Gold Lake.

#### British Parliament Was Dissolved Today by King Who Held Privy Council

LONDON, May 10.—Parliament was prorogued today. Dissolution by proclamation of His Majesty, which was signed at a meeting of the privy council at Craigwell House, Bognor, followed. It was the first privy council which the King had held since the early days of his illness when he appointed councillors of state to act for him.

The speech from the throne read by the lord chancellor contained the announcement that an expert commission had been summoned to meet in London in October to consider the operation of dominion legislation, in view of altered relations between component parts of the Empire.

#### FORMER SEA CAPTAIN TAKES UP THEOLOGY

Capt. Delap Was In City This Week Enroute to Stewart Where He Will Take Charge of Church

A visitor to Prince Rupert this week of more than usual interest was Capt. Delap, an Irish sea captain, going through to Stewart where he will take charge of the Anglican Church for part of the summer at least. Coming from Ireland to British Columbia to become a theological student, Capt. Delap has voyaged to all parts of the world in the course of a long career on the sea and is a former master of ocean going vessels of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Line. During the War, he was captured and spent two years in a German military prison.

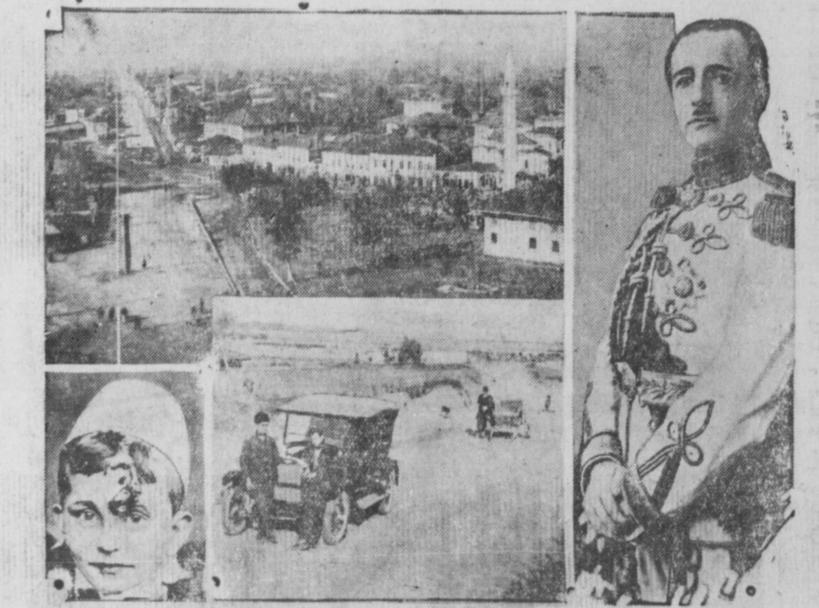
#### STATE HEALTH INSURANCE

VICTORIA, May 10.—A parliamentary commission decided on Thursday to conduct public sessions into the question of state health insurance during June, opening at Trail on June 10, Vancouver, June 13; Cumberland, June 17; and Nanaimo, June 18. C. F. Davie of Cowichan is chairman.

#### SIR WILLIAM OTTER BURIED YESTERDAY

TORONTO, May 10.—With religious simplicity accompanied by military pomp and solemnity befitting his illustrious military career General Sir William Otter was buried this afternoon in St. James cemetery here.

#### Ancient City Undergoing Modernizing



Above is a view of Tirana, the picturesque city of Albania, now under the regime of King Ahmed Zogu, right. This young monarch is suing for the hand of Princess Giovanna of Italy, whose expected betrothal to Boris of Bulgaria may never materialize on account of religious difference. Tremendous changes are taking place since the reign of city in many ways. Below is a portion of a new road being built from Myseke to Berat, modern in every respect. Note the car in the forefront. No amount of modernizing, however, will make this Albanian youngster (left) give up the charm he wears in his hair to keep away evil spirits.

#### CONTRACTS LET ROAD EXTENSION AT PRINCE GEORGE

VICTORIA, May 10.—Contracts have been let for two ten-mile sections of the highway extension from Aleza Lake to Longworth. New tenders are being called for a third section. The successful tenderers were A. M. Dore for section B, and E. H. Burden for section C.

#### LLOYD GEORGE SPEAKS OUT ON DISARMAMENT

LONDON, May 10.—"Are you preparing for war or are you resting on peace?" With a dramatic gesture David Lloyd George, Liberal leader, last night put this question to 9,000 women who packed Albert Hall and to 20,000 others who heard the speech by relay in a dozen towns. That, he said, was the question the woman voter must force the governments to answer. He spoke of disarmament as one of the most urgent issues before women today. What the world needed, he declared, was not pacts and covenants and treaties, but disarmament.

Most of the evidence for the plaintiff was taken before Judge F. McB. Young this morning in the case of James McRae who is suing Walter Hansen for the sum of \$507.60 under the Woodmen's Lien Act. The case is proceeding this afternoon with the taking of defense testimony. W. O. Fulton is acting for the plaintiff and Thomas Brown for the defendant.

#### Tolmie Thinks the Province will Soon Adjust to Tariff

Premier of British Columbia Thinks Canada Should Not Be Passive but Come Back With Spirit

WINNIPEG, May 10.—Undoubtedly all these tariff changes are going to be rather injurious and the British Columbia lumber industry will suffer to some extent, Premier Tolmie stated in an interview here yesterday. It is high time for Canada to stop her passive policy in regard to tariffs and come back with a little spirit of her own. One can be too much afraid of hurting other fellows.

British Columbia would soon adjust itself to the new rates if they remained, Premier Tolmie said. He thought there still would be markets for the whole output of the mills. Prices probably would not come down, as British Columbia lumber was selling at such a low rate at present.

#### DIVIDEND OF GENERAL MOTORS

NEW YORK, May 10.—Directors of General Motors Corporation yesterday declared an extra dividend of 30 cents a share on common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 75. The usual payments on senior stocks were also authorized.

#### AIRPORT OPENS

GRAND FORKS, May 10.—The Grand Forks airport, the first in the southern interior of British Columbia, was dedicated on Thursday by Lieutenant-Governor Bruce. Six planes took part in the opening.

#### MINING PARTY GOING NORTH

Arthur Skelhorne Taking Prospectors Into Cassiar For Mining Corporation of Canada

Arthur Skelhorne, mining engineer for the Power Corporation of Canada, arrived in the city last night from Stewart with a party of well known northern prospectors whom he will take into the Stikine River area this summer. The party includes George Bacon, John Boyanza, John Murdoch, Fred Armiture, Tom Mericle and Fred Bosence. They will go north tomorrow morning on the Princess Louise.