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ARMAMENT LIMITATION BEING URGED AMERICAN CUSTOMS BOAT SEIZED IN CANADIAN WATERS

Sir William Clark is Optimistic for Future of British Empire

WINNIPEG, April 20. — "The future of the British Empire, insofar as her trade is concerned, lies in the hands of a courageous generation where the spirit of the pioneer in his determination to master nature and the will to take big risks for high ends is predominant." Thus did Sir William Clark high commissioner for Great Britain in Canada, paint an optimistic future of Canada and the other Dominions before a gathering of 600 businessmen and visitors from other western cities at the annual banquet of the Board of Trade last night.

"If anyone has doubts and fears for the future of the British Empire, I could suggest no better remedy for so deplorable a mental state than weeks of travel in Canada," declared Sir William, who is en route to the coast.

INVESTIGATE STEWART POWER

Engineers of Power Corporation
Going North Today—Local
Surveys to Start Next
Week

George H. Kohl, consulting engineer for the Power Corporation of Canada, and G. R. Henderson, field engineer, will sail this afternoon on the Prince Rupert for Stewart where surveys will be made in connection with the proposed power development there. Mr. Henderson will take charge of the surveys at Stewart for which work ten local men are being taken north today.

Mr. Kohl will return to the city Tuesday morning on the Catala and within two days after his arrival expects to have preliminary reconnoissances in connection with the local power development under way. Preparations have been practically completed for this work.

PLANE IS NOT COMING HERE

The Alaska-bound plane from Chicago left Prince George, where it landed on Thursday, at 1:10 this afternoon for New Hazelton, expecting to reach there in 2½ hours, according to information obtained through Canadian National Telegraphs. The next hop of the plane will be from Hazelton to Telegraph Creek. That the machine will not come via Prince Rupert was definitely learned this morning.

The big Cessana monoplane is being piloted by the noted flyer, Palmer D. Cramer, who was forced down in Greenland on an attempted trans-Atlantic flight. Cramer had been delayed at Prince George awaiting the arrival of his partner, Gamble, from McBride, who had to be left behind on Thursday because the plane could not take off fully loaded in the mud at McBride.

Cramer, whose ultimate destination is Whitehorse, is not saying what his trip is for, other than that he has some information to obtain at first hand.

KILLED GIRL AND HIMSELF

Man Who Slew Mrs. Richard at
St. Laurent Took Daughter
to Cabin, Where
Both Died

ST. LAURENT, Man., April 20. —After having killed the mother of the girl he wished to marry but who had refused to give permission, J. Desjardins yesterday carried the girl off to a cabin, where he was surrounded by a posse of 30 officers and armed neighbors. Finding that there was no opposition they entered the cabin and found the man and the girl dead, the man having apparently killed the girl first and then committed suicide.

The woman killed was Mrs. F. Richards. Ema, the oldest, was only 16 years of age, and the younger children were witnesses of the scene where Desjardins urged his suit on the mother and then, when this permission was refused, shot her.

WINNIPEG, April 20:—Details of the triple tragedy at St. Laurent yesterday showed that the murderer, Jim Desjardins, 38 years of age, called at the home of Mrs. Alfred Richards, 35, and ordered her 16 year old daughter Emma Richards, to go with him. She refused and he dragged her from the house. Mrs. Richards beat Desjardins with a stick and he shot her. He then carried the screaming and struggling Emma into the bush and shortly afterwards, a posse, which had hurriedly formed heard shots from his cabin and found the girl murdered inside and Desjardins a suicide. Tables overturned, furniture smashed, gave grim evidence of a terrific struggle. The police stated a warrant was issued April 11 charging Desjardins with a statutory offence against Emma, but was not served because the man could not be located. The theory is that Desjardins was bent of wreaking vengeance for the bringing of the charge.

HAS BEEN APPOINTED

TORONTO, April 20.—Rev. George W. Dunn of Toronto has been appointed treasurer of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

FISHERMEN'S PROTEST

Port Simpson, B.C.,
April 19, 1929

Editor, Daily News:—

In reading your report of the proceedings of the fishery commission on fish traps, as reported in your issue of April 19, it would seem that all those protesting against fish traps being used for commercial purposes in Northern B.C. were convinced that arguments supporting the use of this method of fishing were correct.

Now, Mr. Editor, such is not the case. All opinions from interested sources, excepting the canners, were unanimously against the trap method of salmon fishing.

Without prejudice and on behalf of public opinion from,

PORT SIMPSON DELE.
GATES.

per, W. BEYNON.

NEW THEATRE FOR TALKIES

Fifteen Thousand Attend Seattle's
Latest on Opening Yesterday

SEATTLE, April 20.—Fifteen thousand people attended at the new Fox Theatre on the opening day here yesterday when talkies were put on at a continuous performance lasting from 1 p.m. At the opening 5000 were in line, many of whom had been there since early morning. It was a never-ending line, large enough at all times to fill the theatre.

Western Outlet from Peace River Asked Before Transfer of Alberta Lines to Companies Consummated

A special meeting of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade will be held in the city council chamber at 5 p.m. this afternoon to sanction the addressing to each senator of the Dominion of Canada the following letter:

"The Prince Rupert Board of Trade is in receipt of a copy of the petition addressed to your body from the Peace River Board of Trade, dated February 25, 1929, asking that the sale of the Alberta Railways to the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway be not consummated until such time as a definite date is set for the construction of a Pacific coast outlet.

"The Prince Rupert Board of Trade is in sympathy and accord with the settlers of the Peace River country in this matter, and begs to endorse their plea.

"Further, we wish to again recommend that surveys be made of the more westerly proposed routes to the Pacific, namely, to Fraser Lake to Vanderhoof, Hazelton and to Terrace via the Naas River and the Kitsuquallum Valley.

"Possibly the most important element to be determined in such a survey would be the natural resources of the country to be traversed. All information available goes to show that a line connecting with the Canadian National Railways at or near Terrace would

REPORT MADE GRAIN BOARD

Commission Suggests Increase
From Three to Five
Members

REGINA, April 20:—After an investigation which started in November and which covered the handling of grain at the lake ports of Fort William and Port Arthur and the evidence of hundreds of farmers, representatives of the Saskatchewan Royal Commission, under the chairmanship of Chief Justice Brown, issued an interim report in which twenty-five recommendations were made, the major one advocating a reorganization of the board of grain commissioners with the increase of members from three as at present, to five. It also recommended that offices of the board be established at Fort William and Vancouver and in each of the prairie provinces and that each member of the board shall have full powers of inquiry, if authorized by the board or chief commissioner.

Commissioners noted the general feeling of dissatisfaction with the administration of the board.

INVESTIGATING DEATH

SEATTLE, April 20.—The death of Stanley Boyd, who had been taking the drink cure under the direction of a local doctor, is being investigated.

PRINCE HENRY DIES

HEMMELMARK, Germany, April 20:—Prince Henry of Russia, brother of the former Kaiser, died this morning of pneumonia, aged 66.

Death Toll is 21 When 250 Miners Were Trapped in Shaft



Blazing tipple at Kinloch mine (left) at Kinloch, Pa., where 21 were killed by an explosion resulting from a spark from the crash of broken machinery.

SEIZED U.S. CUSTOM BOAT

Machine Gun Carried by Craft in
Canadian Waters

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., April 20.—Two United States coast guards were arrested today at Bridgeburg and their boat, a one-time Canadian rum runner, was seized. The guards were Lieut. Hubert Wilbur and Guardsman Orval L. Grant. The men were later returned in the custody of United States coast guard authorities. The boat was placed under seizure by Canadian preventive officers, together with a machine gun and small arms. She was said to be in Canadian waters illegally.

CARD OF THANKS

The Northern B. C. Salmon Fishermen's Ass'n. is taking this opportunity to express its thanks and appreciation of the support given by the local business men and organized labor in the case of the inquiry concerning trap fishing, and especially Ald. G. Rudderham for his able assistance in our opposition to the establishment of salmon traps.

M. ANDERSON, Sec.

APPRECIATION OF PREMIER'S SPEECH

(Financial Post)
Premier King never made a more business-like address than his contribution this week to the debate on the budget. It was not the Mackenzie King of a few years ago who was talking; the address was not a rhetorical triumph; it was skillful not in sophistry and subterfuge but in frankness and sincerity. It disarmed the opposition by indicating that there would be no official bargaining with the United States, no wheeling for favors, until American policy was made clear.

Lord Cushendon Urges Efforts be Made to Limit Land and Air Armaments, Suggests Sacrifices

GENEVA, April 20. — The conviction that the naval disarmament difficulties between the great powers would be overcome was expressed by Lord Cushendon of Great Britain, when making in the league preparatory disarmament commission his long-awaited expression on disarmament. But while these difficulties were obstructing progress, he declared that there was no reason why, in his judgment, the commission should not get along with limitation of land and air armaments. He strongly urged the commission to go ahead with its work of preparing a draft convention on disarmament. "We are prepared to make great sacrifices to reach the agreement we desire," he said.

POST OFFICE IS UNDER FIRE

No Progress Made During Week
With Government
Business

OTTAWA, April 20: — The greater part of four days was spent this week by the House of Commons in discussion of the Post Office estimates, and when there appeared late last night to be no hope of passing them, it was decided to shift to other business. Up to that time, while much information had been obtained during these extended debates, no actual progress has been made in the advancement of Government business since the week began.

PRINCE GEORGE GETTING ROADS

PRINCE GEORGE, April 20. — Tenders are being called by the provincial department of public works for the clearing and grubbing of 30 miles of road from Aleza Lake to Longworth. This will eventually form part of the highway from Prince George to Edmonton.

PROTEST BUYING OF NEWSPAPERS BY POWER COS.

WASHINGTON, April 20:—Efforts of power companies to control public opinion through the purchase of newspapers in the United States were protested against by Editor Abbott of the Christian Science Monitor yesterday. Mr. Abbott referred to the purchase of the Boston Herald and other papers by the companies. It had been revealed first by the Boston American which said they were buying the papers to provide an outlet for the product of their mills.

TEN-CENT FARE ASKED PORTLAND STREET CARS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 20. — Permission to charge a 10-cent fare is being asked by the local street railway, the traffic having fallen off as a result of the growth of auto traffic.

EXCLUDE UNION TEACHERS

SEATTLE, April 20.—The city of Seattle has decided to adopt the "yellow dog" clause excluding union teachers.