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POWER AGREEMENT FINALLY PASSES

INTENSE COLD THROUGHOUT EUROPE CONTINUES TODAY

Revised Power Agreement Passed at Special Meeting of the Council and Will be Voted on Very Soon

Considering suggestions made by E. C. Mayers, K.C., Vancouver lawyer, and Milton Gonzales of this city, as well as those offered by the Ontario hydro-electric power commission, and making a few more or less important amendments which it was deemed necessary, the city council, in a special one-and-a-half hour session last night, gave its final stamp of approval to the agreement with the Power Corporation of Canada before submitting the by-

HOME OIL IS SELLING STRONG

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—Home oil was the big feature on the stock market yesterday, closing 91 cents stronger at \$6.88 after selling to \$7.

MARKET BRANCH OF B. C. GOVERNMENT

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—It is officially announced that the Provincial Government will shortly establish a market branch. This announcement was made by Premier Tolmie at a banquet last night, here, of the Western Canada Dairy Convention.

Annual Meeting of Fair Ass'n. Heard Reports and Nominated Board for the Coming Season

Nominations for 1929 directors of the Prince Rupert Exhibition were received at the annual meeting of the Northern British Columbia Agricultural & Industrial Association in the city police court last night and the election will take place at a more representative meeting to be held at a later date. There were 16 present at the meeting last night and business included the presentation of the report of the president, M. P. McCaffery, as well as the financial statement which shows a surplus on the year's operations of \$200.77 contingent upon the successful collection of certain payments for advertising space, outstanding subscriptions and all of which are considered good.

GIRL GUILTY SAFE ROBBING

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14.—A beautiful 19-year-old girl, Margaret Oxford, confessed to the San Jose police that she and two male companions, Hatfield and Ryan, had been guilty of a number of robberies, including the breaking of safes and robbing of banks.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—Wheat was quoted today on the local exchange at the high price of \$1.31.

SLAUGHTER IN CHICAGO

Five Gangsters Trap Eight Others and Shoot Them Dead

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Eight members of a powerful North Side gang headed by George Moran were trapped in their North Clark Street headquarters today by five gunmen who lined them up with their faces to the wall and shot them all to death.

This wholesale killing was the most sensational in all the bloody history of Chicago gang warfare and was carried out with precision by the five executioners wearing stars and posing as police officers.

WELL-KNOWN WOMAN DIES

Mrs. A. H. McPherson Was Respected Pioneer Resident of Prince Rupert

Another well known and respected pioneer woman resident of this city passed away at 10:15 last night when death came suddenly to Mrs. Emma McPherson at her home, 446 Eighth Avenue West. Though her health had not been of the best for many years and a heart attack last October, following a trip with her husband to Ontario, had caused her to be confined to bed for seven weeks, Mrs. McPherson had been able to be around of late. Last night as she was taking a drink of water she collapsed and died in her husband's arms.

Born in Iceland sixty-one years ago on March 11, the late Mrs. McPherson came to Canada at the age of six years with her parents who took up farming in Manitoba. Later the family moved to North Dakota. Twenty-eight years ago last November 13, Mrs. McPherson was married. She lived in Vancouver for six years before coming to Prince Rupert nineteen years ago. Since that time she had resided in this city continuously.

Besides the widower, who will have general sympathy of many friends in his bereavement, deceased is survived by a sister, Mrs. Stuart Burrows, in Saskatchewan and an aunt in Glaston, North Dakota. The late Mrs. McPherson's only son, Garnet, was killed in a tragic accident in Borden Street School fourteen years ago when 12 years of age.

Funeral arrangements are in the hands of Hayner Bros., undertakers, and interment will take place on Saturday afternoon. It is being requested that no floral offerings be made.

PROBLEMS BETWEEN POPE AND ITALIAN STATE SOLVED



Above are the three principals who are responsible for the clearing up of the long controversy. Left, Pope Pius XI, Premier Mussolini and King Emmanuel of Italy.

Salmon Fisheries on Coast Be Divided in Seine Areas Chief Inspector Announces

Major Motherwell Makes Announcement of Policy of Department of Fisheries in Regard to This Coast

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—Division of the salmon fisheries of British Columbia into seining areas as a means to control conservation will be enforced by the Dominion department of fisheries during the coming season opening on June 20, it is announced by Major J. A. Motherwell, chief inspector of fisheries, who is back from a trip to Ottawa. Seines will be limited in the respective areas and, unless the regulations are observed, the district defaulting will be closed at the discretion of fisheries officers.

Major Motherwell expects to leave Friday evening for Prince Rupert.

High Council of Salvation Army Chooses Commissioner Higgins Succeed Gen. Bramwell Booth

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, England, Feb. 14.—The high council of the Salvation Army last night elected Commissioner Edward J. Higgins general of the Army, succeeding General Bramwell Booth, who was yesterday adjudged unfit for the position and deposed. In the vote which took place Evangeline Booth secured only 17 votes to 43 given to Higgins. Following the election the high council dissolved.

Commissioner Higgins has heretofore occupied the post of chief of staff and has been in close touch with international headquarters in London. He is regarded as highly acceptable to the American commissioners, as he lived for eight years at Mount Vernon, New York, and knows conditions in the United States.

Members of the Booth family refused to comment on the outcome, but it is understood they have not given up the fight for control.

Intense Cold Causes Sickness and Suffering In all Parts Europe

Cardinal Bourne Grants Dispensation to Catholics in England, Absolving Them From Fasting Owing to Sickness

LONDON, Feb. 14.—In view of the severe weather and the prevalence of flu and other sickness, Cardinal Bourne today granted a dispensation to British Catholics absolving them from fasting during Lent. Sunday was made the sole exception to the special dispensation.

Temperatures over Europe have been in many cases without precedent and lower than for 200 years. In Budapest suffering men and women stormed the coal depot and 50 persons were sent to hospitals with sprains, cuts and frozen hands as a result of the ensuing riot and conflict with the police.

In Vienna Chancellor Scipal ordered parliament to be suspended for two weeks, in order to save five tons of coal daily. Austria's coal supply has sunk from 125,000 to 20,000 tons. In Czechoslovakia miles of coal-laden freight cars were frozen fast to the track. In Poland rationing of coal has had to be resorted to.

In Cattagat and the Sound between Denmark and Sweden 130 steamers are frozen fast. Bitter cold prevails in England and many rivers are beginning to freeze. While London is free of snow, there are heavy drifts elsewhere and the roads are impassible.

The canals and lagoons at Venice are completely frozen over for the first time, it is said, since the eighteenth century. Estimates of deaths from the cold in central Europe ran as high as three hundred today.

Death Plot Between Man and Woman Resulted in Murder of Miss Baglole

It Was Arranged That Denis Barclay Was to Kill Her and Then Commit Suicide, Says a Witness at Inquest

VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—Pearl Baglole, art teacher of Vancouver high schools, who was found dead in a room of the Melville Apartment House on Monday morning, came to her death at the hands of Denis Barclay, the coroner's jury declared on Monday afternoon after hearing a number of witnesses tell of the events surrounding the tragedy.

Dr. W. A. Hunter, coroner's physician, testified that the death was due to asphyxiation, resulting from strangulation. He declared that there was every evidence of a struggle. The dead girl had four bruises on her skull, double hemorrhages in the right breast and minor hemorrhages in the brain.

There is no evidence that she had been criminally attacked, he said.

Barclay, who was charged with the murder, was not present at the inquest. He was held at the hospital for medical examination.

A story of a death pact between Miss Baglole and himself was recited in the city jail by Barclay to Andrew Simpson, a fellow prisoner, according to Simpson's evidence at the inquest. He testified that Barclay told him on Monday afternoon that the whole thing had been pre-arranged. It was planned, Barclay said, according to Simpson, that he was to

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REBEL LEADER AFRICA KILLED

KHARTOUM, Egypt, Feb. 14.—Information was received yesterday of an attack on a column of British troops by Neuer tribesmen near the pyramid of Denokur on the Upper Nile.

The tribesmen were repulsed and among their 18 dead was Gwek Wonding. As he has been the instigator of numerous disorders, it is thought that the killing of Gwek will end most of the trouble in the Neuer country.

Death of Mrs. A. H. McPherson

At her residence, 446 Eighth Avenue West on Wednesday, February 13, Emma McPherson, wife of A. H. McPherson. Funeral to take place on Saturday from Pentecostal Mission. No flowers by request.

ANOTHER EFFORT TO NEGOTIATE A DISARMAMENT PACT

LONDON, Feb. 14.—It was learned in well-informed circles today that proposals for a new approach to a settlement of the disarmament problem may be made by the British Government to the United States in the near future.