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OPPOSITION ACTIVE IN LEGISLATURE

TROTSKY OFF IN TURKISH WARSHIP EN ROUTE GERMANY

Legislature Seeks to Validate Election of Member and Pattullo Objects Change in Constitution

Doings of Legislature Indicate Effort of Liberals to Unseat Two Interior Members

VICTORIA, Feb. 1.—The bill to amend the constitution act to eliminate the necessity of the newly appointed cabinet ministers having to be re-elected before assuming office, introduced by the government, was opposed by the Liberal opposition leader, T. D. Pattullo.

When the debate on the second reading resumed, he declared he could see nothing in the argument advanced in favor of the amendment. The opposition leader predicted a cabinet shuffle in the near future and charged that the government planned a wholesale dismissal of public servants and that the bill intended to make it unnecessary for the government to subject itself to public opinion at by-elections.

There were indications in the legislature yesterday that the Liberal opposition were planning a determined effort to unseat two of the Conservative members. The first came when Mr. Pooley moved the second reading of the bill to validate the election of Captain Fitzsimmons of Kaslo-Slocan and the second when the same minister reprimanded A. M. Manson for giving the newspapers prior to its acceptance in the house copies of the resolution asking the apointement of a legislative committee to investigate the election of both Fitzsimmons and J. R. Michiel of Kamloops. Mr. Pooley explained that Captain Fitzsimmons was a holder of the government ferry charter, but had assigned his rights prior to his nomination. He declared that it was of no real importance that the public works department had refused to accept the transfer and added that any objections to the Fitzsimmons election were highly technical.

BEER PARLORS VOTED DOWN VANDERHOOF

Village Council Elected Yesterday at Interior Town; George Matthews Re-elected

VANDERHOOF, Feb. 1. — George Ogston was yesterday re-elected head of the village council here yesterday. George Matthews was also re-elected, and R. M. Taylor was chosen as the third man, all being in by acclamation.

The people of the village decided against the opening of beer parlors here, 18 voting against it and 12 in favor.

VICTIM OF BOB SLEIGH ACCIDENT NANAIMO DIED LAST NIGHT

NANAIMO, Feb. 1.—Ted Rummings, aged 23, who was injured on Wednesday night in a bob sleigh accident, died late last night. His three companions are recovering. Rummings suffered from a fractured skull and left arm when the sleigh which he was steering crashed into an auto on Wallace Street.

JAP CRUISERS ARE LAID DOWN

Last of Eight Big Ones Commenced at Kawasaki Dockyard at Kobe

TOKIO, Feb. 1.—Last of the eight 10,000-ton cruisers called for by the Japanese navy's current building programs, the Maya is now under construction in the Kawasaki dockyard at Kobe.

A dozen Shinto priests, in white robes and carrying branches of the sacred "sakaki" tree, emblem of sacramental purity, recently performed the purification rites accompanying the laying of her keel, designed to ward off evil influences and beseech the blessing and protection of the gods.

These rites of an ancient cult seem a little out of harmony with the modernity of the Maya and her sisters, but they help insure the human morale that must make these machines effective.

Engines Have 130,000 Horsepower

The Nachi, whose details are to be followed in all her sisters, has a speed of 33 knots, a designed horsepower of 130,000 and carries 10 eight-inch guns. She is believed to embody many new features of naval design, but these are a well guarded secret.

The glimpse obtained of her at the Yokohama naval review showed long, low lines drawn for speed. She carries a fighting top more like that of a battleship than of a light cruiser; turrets for her eight-inch guns show fore and aft; her aspect is formidable. She has a crew of 700.

The Nachi is to be joined in commission within a few weeks by her sister, the Myoko, now undergoing her trials off the Yokosuka naval base, where she was built.

BIG MISSOURI STOCK JUMPED

Number of Other Issues Went Up on Active Market

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1.—Big Missouri on a trade of 40,000 shares jumped 20 points yesterday. Reeves McDonald was up 10 points and Rufus Argenta four on a good demand and Premier two. Topley Richfield offered freely and fell back seven cents. George Copper was up 25 cents with the market strong all day. Pend Oreille was the only weak active issue, losing 25 points.

CONTRACT FOR NEW WIRELESS STATION BUILDING AWARDED

Mitchell & Currie, at a figure stated to be around $6,000, have been awarded the contract for the erection of the new office building and power house at the Digby Island wireless station which is part of the program of extensive improvements that have been in progress at the station for some time. The new building will be a single storey height with concrete basement, measuring 25 by 40 feet.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

(Courtesy of S. D. Johnson Co., Ltd.)

The following quotations were bid and asked:

B. C. Silver, 1.25, Nil.
Bayview, 4½, 4⅞.
Beaver Silver, 17, 18.
Big Missouri, 1.75, 1.85.
Cork Province, 23, 23½.
Cotton Belt, 56, 58.
Dunwell, Nil, 18.
Duthie Mines, Nil, 65.
George Copper, 9.40, 9.75.
Georgia River, 40½, 41.
Golconda, 98, 99.
Grandview, 74, 74½.
Independence, 10¾, 11.
Indian, 7, 8½.
Inter. Coal & Coke, 35½, 39½.
Kootenay Florence, 22, 23.
Kootenay King, 38, 39.
L. & L., 4½, 5.
Lucky Jim, 19, 20.
Mohawk, 8, 8¾.
Morton Woolsey, 4¾, 5.
Marmot River Gold, Nil, 8½.
Marmot Metals, 7½, 7¾.
National Silver, 20½, 21.
Noble Five, 72, 73½.
Oregon Copper, 1.13, 1.14.
Pend Oreille, 12.75, 12.85.
Premier, 2.15, 2.17.
Porter Idaho, 70, 72.
Reeves McDonald, 3.45, 3.50.
Rufus Argenta, 39, 40.
Ruth Hope, 55, 56.
Silver Crest, 10, 10¼.
Snowflake, 35, 38½.
Sunloch, Nil, 3.75.
Terminus, 10, 14½.
Topley Richfield, 46, 49.
Toric, 2.25, 2.40.
Wellington, 16½, 17½.
Woodbine, 3½, 3¾.

Eastern Stock

Noranda, selling at 63.75.
Sherritt-Gordon, selling at 7.95.

LUMBERMAN DIES

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 1:—C. P. Myer, aged 69,, president and general manager of the Vancouver Lumber Co., died here on Thursday from complications following automobile accident injuries on January 20.

WARMER IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1:—The intense cold has passed and the thermometer was around freezing point today with the coldest during the night at 24 above zero.

WINNER OF DISTINGUISHED AWARD IN MEDICINE
Dr. Rodolfo Robles, the discoverer of pseudo leprosy, well-known in American medical circles, has received the Brault prize from the Academy of Medecine, Paris.

MURDER TRIAL STILL GOES ON

Northcott on Stand in Own Defense at Riverside Yesterday

RIVERSIDE, Cal. Feb. 1:—"I'll admit anything I did in due course," Gordon Stewart Northcott informed Judge Freeman yesterday when the court questioned the attempt of the accused to show motives and mitigating the circumstances for the slaying alleged to have been committed at Northcott's ranch.

Northcott intimated that he would attempt to place the blame for the murders or at least implicate his father and others. "I hate him," he cried referring to 61 year old Cyrus Northcott. "I hate him now more than anyone else in the world."

Northcott obtained an admission earlier in the day from Mrs. Northcott that she was not his mother but his grandmother. later it was testified that Winnifred Clark was the mother of the accused.

FIRE AT VANCOUVER $50,000 DAMAGE

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1. — Fire in the roofing and storage sheds of Barrett & Co., Ltd., on the north arm of the Fraser River, yesterday caused about $50,000 damage, including the loss of large stocks of roofing material, which was badly damaged.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. J. Postgate desires to thank her many friends and neighbors and particularly the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union, for their kind expressions of sympathy and the many floral tributes and other tokens of respect received in her bereavement.

GOOD START IN BUILDING HERE

Permits for January Totalled $7050, Showing Increase Over Past Two Years

A better start is being made this year, as far as building in the city is concerned, than in either 1928 or 1927. During this January, eight permits were issued to a value of 7050. One new residence is included in the list. In 1928 the total for January was $3700 and in 1927 $5250.

Following were the permits issued during the past month:

R. McCarthy, concrete basement, Eberts Street, between Fifth and Sixth Avenue, $500.

Miss Scott, repairs to foundation of Wallace Block, $100.

Salvation Army, reshingling, Granville Place, $75.

C. Lindquist, frame residence, Fifth Avenue West, $4200.

E. Goodsell, addition to house, Section Six, $500.

M. Y. Aivazoff, repairs to store, Third Avenue, $1000.

S. A. Swanson, removal of building, First Avenue, $525.

A. L. Henderson, repairs to sills, 206 Seventh Avenue West, $150.

MANSON ASKS INVESTIGATION

VICTORIA, Feb. 1.—That the legislature appoint a committee to investigate the right of Captain James Fitzsimmons, Conservative, of Kaslo-Slocan, and J. R. Michiel, Conservative, of Kamloops, to sit in the house is asked in a resolution filed with the speaker by A. M. Manson. The speaker is considering whether or not the resolution is in order.

Trotsky Tried To Lead a New Revolutionary Party in Russia Sent Away on Turkish Warship

MOSCOW, Feb. 1.—Leon Trotsky, who has been banished from Russia by the Soviet, is accused of having headed a new revolutionary party in opposition to the present Stalin government. Under the law of the country he was liable to the death sentence, but fearing he would become a martyr if executed, it was thought better to send him into exile. He left with his wife and son on a Turkish warship, intending to go to Germany, where he plans to reside.

FROZEN BODY IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1:—Alexander Stonehouse, old time prospector, who had fallen upon evil days in the closing year of his life, was the man whose frozen body was found in the vacant mill office on Georgia Street West on Tuesday.

PLANE CRASHED; CREW ALL SAFE

EDMONTON, Feb. 1:—Pilot C. H. Dickins and mechanic Parmenter and "Rag" Wilson, celebrated Northland musher, who were reported missing in their plane when flying from Fort Simpson to Fort Smith are safe in a trapper's cabin near Fort Resolution, according to word received here. The plane crashed on the river ice buckling under the carriage.

NANSEN GOES TO ARCTIC

Fridjof Nansen, veteran scientist-adventurer, diplomat and humanitarian, who intends to survey the Arctic basin by means of the Graf Zeppelin, a year from next April. The dean of living explorers is eighty-seven years of age.

WHEAT PRICE UP

VANCOUVER, Feb. 1:—Wheat was quoted on the local stock exchange today at $1.26⅞.

A JOB FOR HIM

Actor—Is there any chance of a job?

Producer—Yes, we can give you a job right away. We'll cast you for the part of the burglar chased by a couple of bulldogs. —Bystander.

STOCK RUMORS ARE ILLEGAL

Investigation Being Made Into Recent International Nickel Report

TORONTO, Feb. 1.—The attorney-general's department today confirmed the statement that investigation is being made into the circulation of reports which had sensationally affected the price of international nickel on the stock exchange some days ago. Hon. W. H. Price, attorney-general, pointed out that punishment was provided by law for persons guilty of circulating rumors affecting the price of stocks.

SKINNER-EDDY BUY CANNERIES

SEATTLE, Feb. 1.—The Skinner and Eddy interests today purchased two salmon packing plants. The Deep Sea plant at Port Althrope and the Franklin Packing Company plant at Port Ashton, bringing their holdings in Alaska to eight plants. The considerations were not announced. The combined holdings will be called the Alaska-Pacific Salmon Corporation and will have a total output of about 800,000 cases annually, chiefly pinks.

BURIED UNDER A SNOWSLIDE

NELSON, Feb. 1. — Charles Woodrow, pioneer prospector, and big game hunter and miner, was buried under a snowslide close to the Reno mine yesterday afternoon. The body was unrecovered. Three other men who were working with Woodrow rode the slide and escaped. He has resided in the district 30 years.

MARSHAL FOCH IN BAD WAY

PARIS, Feb. 1: — Marshal Foch's condition this morning was quite satisfactory. The physicians said that he had merely suffered a touch of the grippe yesterday and that his lungs were not affected.

MEMBER RETIRES

MONTREAL, Que. Feb. 1:—The retirement of Lawrence Wilson, member of Parliament for Vaudreuils-Oulanges has been definitely announced.