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CANNIBALISM IS RAMPANT IN CHINA

ALD. PRUDHOMME CLOSES HIS CAMPAIGN FOR MAYORALTY

Two Chief Magistracy Aspirants Concentrate Attack on C.H. Orme

Sustained Interest in Contest Indicated by Fair Attendance at Last Night's Meeting; Mayor McMordie Brought Under Fire

Mutually concentrating their major attacks upon Ex-Ald. C. H. Orme, whose ability and qualifications to hold and administer the office of chief magistrate they both questioned, Ald. A. J. Prudhomme and Ex-Mayor Newton, candidates for mayor, were the principal speakers at a civic election campaign meeting in the Moose Hall last night.

The meeting was held in the interests of Ald. Prudhomme's candidature and H. F. Glassey was pressed into service as chairman in place of Ex-Ald. John Currie, who failed at the last minute to put in an appearance.

After acknowledging the courteous treatment that had been accorded him by Mr. Newton in his address, Ald. Prudhomme explained that he was a candidate for the magistracy because, after having served two years as alderman, his actions and work on the council had been so pleasing to many of his friends that they had asked him to become a candidate for the chief magistracy.

BRIBERY CHARGED

Sensational Disclosures Made by Former Customs Officer in Regina Trial

REGINA, Jan. 15.—Testifying for the crown in connection with an attempted bribery charge against Harry Bronfoman, Montreal liquor dealer, H. Knowles, former preventative officer of the customs and excise department, stated here yesterday that Bronfoman had attempted to bribe him during a conversation in which he said: "Knowles, you are asking for a deposit of \$3,025 on seized motor cars. Well, I'll pay you \$3,790. You can just make out a receipt for a thousand or twelve hundred dollars or any sum you can get away with, then go away. As long as you stay away and mind your own business, you will get the same sum every month."

The conversation, Knowles testified, took place at a liquor warehouse of the Liquor Export Co. at Gainsborough, Sask.

assured his audience that two more years of such reckless expenditure as the last two would plunge the city into the hands of a receiver. That would be the result should there not be careful administration by the mayor and council during the next two or three years. It was vitally necessary that expenditures should be curtailed.

In defence of a statement he had made that the city's business amounted to close on a million dollars per year, which statement had been contradicted by Mayor McMordie, Ald. Prudhomme read from the annual reports to show that city receipts had amounted in 1926 to a total of \$978,27.50, in 1927 to \$912,138.89 and in 1928, \$912,690.14. The mayor had endeavored to create the impression that he (Ald. Prudhomme) did not know what he was talking about and that city business was less so that "the people might be less afraid to elect his hand-picked candidate."

Mr. Prudhomme asked the people to judge whether the other side was playing fair. When only Mr. Newton was in the field, they had seemed afraid to nominate any one but when he (Ald. Prudhomme) had had the courage to come out with a good chance to be elected, they made up their minds that something must be done to prevent Prudhomme from being elected.

While he did not wish to be unduly pessimistic, Ald. Prudhomme declared that, if reorganization had been brought about in February, 1928, in the public works department instead of in July, 1929, the city would have been saved at least from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Nor would there have been any sewer fiasco which threatened to compare with the Booth School episode before it was completed.

"I have been here almost as long as Mr. Orme, have been just as progressive a citizen and I also have been fairly successful," declared Ald. Prudhomme. "Nothing has ever been handed me. I have worked and fought, fairly and openly, for everything I got."

Ald. Prudhomme went on to charge that what little was left of the proceeds of the hydro-electric sale was now being used to employ a few pets of the present administration in the expectation that they would cast supporting votes at the civic election. The 1929 council was leaving a \$93,917.56 legacy of a heart attack.

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Stricken Chinese in Famine Areas Carve Flesh From Corpses and Eat It as No Other Food Is Available

SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.—Unrestricted cannibalism, congested with bodies of famine victims, two million being dead and two million dying, is reported in stories recounted here of starvation and exposure that has scourged the population of Shensi, Kansu and the Shansi provinces of China.

Missionary George Andrews said that he saw sufferers on many occasions carve flesh from the dead bodies and eat it. Officials have abandoned efforts to prevent cannibalism.

ESKIMO SENATOR

Interesting Proposal Made By Northerners to Place Mrs. Klengenborg Bolt in Red Chamber

VANCOUVER, Jan. 15.—Col. J. K. Cornwall and other men from the north have advanced the name of Mrs. Eina Klengenborg Bolt as a suitable candidate for the first appointment of a woman to the Senate. She is the daughter of Capt. Charles Klengenborg, retired Arctic trader, and his Eskimo wife, and is herself married to an Eskimo.

Mrs. Bolt's sponsors state that the Northwest Territories are being taxed by the Dominion government without representation in Parliament and that Mrs. Bolt by her work in stopping the killing of female infants in Victoria Land and Coronation Gulf has rendered a service equal to that of any woman in Canada. She is a woman of refinement, education and demonstrated ability, they state.

Warehouses at Burns Lake Had Narrow Escape

BURNS LAKE, Jan. 15.—With the thermometer at 25 below zero, the volunteer fire brigade, under Chief Taylor Jensen arrived just in time to stop a fire, which might have destroyed the provincial government sheds here, containing the snow bucking equipment which is destined to equip the Omineca district roads in first class condition throughout the winter months.

Naval Architect Is Dead In South

James Stewart Clark, Who Passed Away Yesterday in Victoria, Saw Service in Many Countries

VICTORIA, Jan. 15.—James Stewart Clark, naval architect, whose services were rendered in England, Spain, Japan, and Canada, is dead here at the age of eighty.

DIED IN SANITARIUM

WINNIPEG, Jan. 15.—Dr. Robert Magill, secretary of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, died today at Battle Creek Sanitarium from a heart attack.

TEMPLE IS DESTROYED

Masonic Building Virtually Demolished in Midnight Blaze

Banquet Was in Progress When Fire Broke Out Last Night

While a banquet was in progress following a regular meeting of Tye Lodge, fire broke out at 12:15 midnight last night in the Masonic Temple at the corner of Sixth Avenue and Bowser Street and resulted in the virtual destruction of the building. All that was left of the structure this morning were the charred and leaning walls, the entire upper storey having been demolished by the most spectacular and disastrous fire that has visited Prince Rupert in the last two or three years.

The conflagration broke out in the furnace room in the basement. At first it was not regarded as being very serious and members of the order who were in attendance attempted to extinguish the blaze by use of water buckets, meantime notifying the fire department. On arrival of the brigade, it was found that the hydrant spindle at the corner of McBride St. and Sixth Ave. was frozen. By the time the hoses could be strung to another hydrant, the blaze had got beyond control. When it was finally extinguished, about an hour later, the building was virtually a total loss.

Members of the craft in attendance were able to save the regalia and most of the records of Tsimpsean and Tye Lodges. They worked valiantly to assist the fire department. Practically all the furnishings of the building were destroyed. The loss is roughly estimated at around \$10,000. Insurance was carried. The Masonic Temple, owned jointly by Tye and Tsimpsean Lodges, was a two-storey structure. On the ground floor were the banquet hall, library, waiting room and locker rooms. Upstairs was the lodge room. In addition to the primary Masonic lodges, the building was used by Kincol.

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BORDER PATROL

Will be Placed by United States in Hands of Coastguard According to President's Plan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A new military force will be guarding the Canadian and Mexican boundaries of the United States on July 1 next if President Hoover's plan for unified border patrol under the jurisdiction of the coastguard is approved by Congress. The coastguard is a military arm of the government, similar to the army and navy.

Agents of the Treasury Department are now surveying the borders to determine how many ports of the entry will be required. Assistant Secretary Lowman has expressed the belief that the plan will require at least four or five hundred ports in addition to the one hundred entry places now maintained. A large increase over the present personnel of 2600 now maintained by the coastguard, customs and immigration departments will be needed.

Women's Swimming Champion Is Dead

Miss Ruth Marriott, Aged 17, Passed Away Suddenly in Vancouver Yesterday

VANCOUVER, Jan. 15.—Miss Ruth Marriott, aged 17, daughter of Col. and Mrs. G. W. Marriott, formerly of Edmonton, holder of the women's 200-yard swimming championship of British Columbia, is dead at her home here following a brief illness. She successfully defended her swimming title here last Friday at the University of Saskatchewan-British Columbia meet.

FIRE AT MERRITT

MERRITT, Jan. 15.—Loss estimated at \$50,000 was caused by fire which destroyed the Nicola Pine Mills Ltd. planing mill Monday night.

TO LINE LEAGUE UP WITH KELLOGG PACT

GENEVA, Jan. 15.—A report recommending that a committee be appointed to draft changes in the Covenant of the League of Nations to bring it into harmony with the Kellogg Pact outlawing war, was adopted by the council of the league yesterday. British, French, German and Italian representatives on the council announced their undisturbed confidence in the league and said that the recommendation indicated no loss of faith in it.

United States Seeking To Flood Canada With Liquor of American Manufacture, Moderationists Say

VANCOUVER, Jan. 15.—California wine manufacturers are seeking to flood the Canadian market with wine manufactured in the United States since the Volstead Act went into effect and hundreds of gallons of wine containing more than 20 per cent alcohol and aged in wood for three or four years are being offered to the Canadian liquor trade, according to a statement made by Gordon W. Ross, secretary of the British Columbia Moderation League. Mr. Ross pointed out that this was in no sense a bootlegging operation as agents of California wineries represent that they are able to secure United States treasury permits for the transaction. The same permits applied to shipment of United States Bourbon whiskey, Mr. Ross declared.

BIG BAIL REQUIRED

I. W. C. Solloway Out on \$100,000 Bonds and Harvey Mills On \$50,000

ANOTHER ARREST

CALGARY, Jan. 15.—Harvey Mills, vice-president of Solloway, Mills Co. Ltd., was released on \$50,000 bail when he appeared before Magistrate Davidson in provincial police court here yesterday on a charge of conspiracy, the case being adjourned until today.

The next development in the brokerage tangle arose when H. W. Gilfoxy, head of the firm of W. Gilfoxy & Co., was informed that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. He reported to the police and was given a preliminary hearing on a charge of false pretences sworn to by Stock Exchange officials. He was remanded until Friday and released on \$10,000 bail.

Isaac W. C. Solloway, president of the firm of Solloway, Mills, arrived here soon after midnight last night to face a charge similar to that preferred against Mills by the attorney-general of Alberta. He was granted bail in the sum of \$100,000.

Five charges were laid in police court against both Solloway and Mills. Prosecution counsel asked for a remand of eight days and this was agreed to by defence counsel. Charges against the brokers are:

- 1. Common law conspiracy to defraud.
2. Conspiracy to affect public market prices of stocks.
3. Conspiracy to defraud the public, under Section 44 of the Criminal Code.
4. Conspiracy to commit bucking under Section 231 of the Criminal Code.
5. Gaming in stocks under Section 231 of the Criminal Code.
O. Hendrickson, L. L. Manson and "divers other persons" were mentioned in the charges. Both men pleaded not guilty and bail as previously granted was renewed.

Is Elevated To Supreme Court

Judge Cannon of Quebec Court of Appeals Is Given Higher Post

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—Judge L. A. Cannon of the Quebec Court of Appeals has been appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. Justice Mignault.

TUG ENGINEER DIES

NANAIMO, Jan. 15.—Ernest Larson, aged 55, chief engineer on the tugboat Protective, died suddenly on his ship at Ladysmith last night. He had been a resident of New Westminster for 23 years.

There seems to be a certain inconsistency in the proposal of the United States to put a large number of armed soldiers on the Canadian border to prevent a trickle of Canadian liquor when the United States itself permits the manufacture of a large quantity of wine for export to Canada," Mr. Ross said. He also stressed the absurdity of the United States demand that Canada stop liquor clearances across the line when United States manufacturers of liquor are allowed to compete in the world's markets.

Head of Toronto University Gets Commission Post

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—Sir Robert Falconer, president of the University of Toronto, has been chosen by the governments of the United States and Paraguay as a member of the international commission to settle all disputes between the two countries.

Vancouver Island Mayors Elected

Alex Maxwell Chief Magistrate at Cumberland and H. F. Prevost at Duncan. VANCOUVER, Jan. 15.—Among the mayors of British Columbia who were elected by acclamation on Monday were Alex Maxwell in Cumberland and H. F. Prevost at Duncan.

ENGLISH CUP REPLAY

Third Round. Brighton and Hove, 1; Grimsby Town, nil.

LOCAL DRY DOCK VERY BUSY NOW

The local dry dock has about the largest payroll today it ever had except during the days of ocean going steamer construction. There are now over 250 men on the payroll which amounts to something like \$1500 daily. The chief jobs at present being carried on are the building of a tug and barge for Okanagan Lake service and the Cardena repair contract. There is also a good deal of general repair work and two or three fishing vessels are under construction.

NOTICE! All householders are again urgently requested to reduce waste of water. Lowering the pressure by allowing taps to run at night can create a very serious fire hazard. CITY ENGINEER CITY FIRE CHIEF