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Washington is Hopeful of Settlement in Coal Strike

Break in Union Ranks at West Virginia and Colorado; Opinion Expressed That Men Should Have Been Consulted Before Strike Called.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
WASHINGTON, November 4.—Official Washington is firm in the belief that the end of the coal strike is near. There is nothing definite or tangible in the way of actual developments to justify the hope, but everywhere the feeling prevails that influences are being brought to bear to have the strikers, numbering 400,000, return to work.
 Confidential reports to the Department of Justice from the coal fields are said to show many defections from the ranks of the strikers. Scattered reports from the coal fields of 28 states showed the first breaks in the ranks of organized labor in West Virginia and Colorado.
 Advice to the Washington headquarters of the operators said non-union mines were working to capacity and turning out considerably more coal than on Saturday. Some of the operators' reports said that the union men had gone to work in non-union mines and that there was a growing sentiment that the men themselves should have had the right to vote on the strike before it was called.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—(Noon). The Government officials are very hopeful that the injunction issued out of the Federal court at Indianapolis which will shut off strike funds from the strikers will operate in bringing the present coal strike to a speedy conclusion before its effects are too far-reaching and damaging.

D. PATTULLO PRESSING FOR GROUNDHOG LINE

Gone to Ottawa to Take up Matter With Dominion Government.
 (Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
VICTORIA, Nov. 4.—Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, left today for Ottawa to press on the Dominion Government the desirability of constructing a branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway into the Groundhog coal area near the headquarters of the Naas River. The proposed line would run north from Hazelton.
 Mr. Pattullo will also try to settle the Indian lands question in a view to securing for cultivation many tracts of the best land now held by the Indians in the north in a wild state.

BOR MEN ASK CITY FOR AN AMBULANCE

Matter Already Had Been Considered by Hospital Association.
 A letter was read from the Nurses and Labor Council at last night's City Council meeting regarding a city ambulance. The present ambulance was wholly inadequate. The doctors refused to treat patients with broken limbs in it. Also infectious cases were not allowed in public taxis. The Nurses and Labor Council expressed its willingness to cooperate in any way with the city in obtaining a suitable vehicle might be obtained.
 It was reported by Ald. McRae that the Hospital Association had been looking into the matter and had written for estimates and plans but as yet had received no reply.

In this connection Ald. Casey mentioned that he thought that in the near future the health department would make a report in which he would recommend, because a new ambulance and other things, a new isolation hospital. The present one was neither large enough for an emergency nor was it in the right location. The mayor mentioned that although the Carpenters' Union Hall had been put up for use as an isolation hospital for the scarlet fever patients, the outbreak was now in abeyance and the hall would not be needed.

EXCHANGE WITH ASIA CHANGES

Silver Now at High Price and Purchasing Power Correspondingly Great.
 The mysteries of exchange were explained to the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon by Moreton Frewen in connection with an address on Prince Rupert. There had been a revolution in the value of silver in Asia. In four years the value of the metal had gone up from 23 pence to 60 pence and the change was causing a revolution in trade. The coolie coming to this country formerly paid 800 taels for the \$500 head tax. Now he could liquidate this debt with 300 taels.
 The Chinaman came here to save his wages and send it home to China. After he had earned \$500 he sent it home and got 800 taels for it. Now he got only 300 taels and thought he was being swindled by the bankers.
 In matters of trade the change in value was an aid to us. If an order was sent from China for 8,000 taels worth he was sent lumber valued at \$14,000. This difference in value tended to encourage exports from this coast. It was difficult to overstate its importance to this port. If it continued it should make the export trade immense. Ships would tend to go out full and return empty, whereas they had formerly gone out light and returned full. A ship built here for a quarter of a million dollars could be sold in China for a third of what the price would formerly have been.

FOUR JAPANESE ARE MURDERED

Woman and Three Sons Found Dead in Bed With Their Throats Cut.
 (Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
VANCOUVER, Nov. 4.—The wife and three sons aged seven and five years and eight months respectively, of Buta Sakata, a Japanese, were found dead in their beds with their throats cut. Buta Sakata is in jail charged with the murder and it is alleged by the police that he has confessed.
 The Seal Cove W. A. will hold their Bazaar in St. Peter's Church on Wednesday, November 5. Opening ceremony at 3 o'clock. 257
 B. C. Undertakers. Phone 41.

DOG STAYS BY MASTER'S BODY

When J. B. Coates of New Westminster Died Dog Led Search Party to Place.
NEW WESTMINSTER, Nov. 4. When J. B. Coates went shooting a week ago he took his dog with him. The dog showed up after having stood by the body for a week and led a search party to the place where his master had died from exhaustion, after being lost in the storm.

Grand Trunk Third Reading Wednesday

Bill will then go to the Senate; Large Supplementary Estimates Tabled by Government to Provide for Soldiers.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)
OTTAWA, November 4.—The House of Commons did not give the third reading to the Grand Trunk Bill last night and it cannot now reach the Senate before Wednesday.
 It developed that on Friday a tentative agreement had been made that the vote would not be taken until Tuesday in order to allow all members going home for the week-end to be back.
 Failure of the Grand Trunk Bill to receive its third reading last night makes it certain that prorogation cannot be reached until next week. The tabling of the estimates is another obstacle in the way of early prorogation.
 Supplementary estimates for the current fiscal year have been tabled to the amount of \$62,346,000. Of this, forty millions to carry out the recommendations of the report of the committee on soldiers' civil re-establishment is the biggest vote submitted to the House, while twenty millions is provided for advances to settle soldiers upon land and the cost of administering the Soldiers' Settlement Act.
 Hon. Martin Burrell, Secretary of State, tabled the report of the Royal Commission which inquired into the Guelph Novitiate charge. The report exonerates Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, and Major General Mewburn, Minister of Militia, and declares that "upon the evidence before us we think that the conduct of this raid was open to all the adverse criticism found in the memorandum of the Adjutant General." The charges made by Sir Sam Hughes are also declared to be unfounded.
 None of the by-election writs have yet been received at the capital and it will not be possible for the new members to take their seats before Wednesday.
 The attention of the Government was drawn to the acute sugar shortage in the West. Sir George Foster replied that at present there was an embargo against the export of sugar. He understood that raw sugar was now coming into Vancouver and the refineries would doubtless be in a position before long to relieve the shortage.

COMMITTED TO HIGHER COURT
Chinaman Accused of Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses From Grocers.
 In the police court this morning Mah Kee was given a preliminary hearing on the charge of having obtained money by false pretenses. It is alleged that he had obtained a check made out by Kim Mah. There is no account in the bank for Kim Mah and none of the parties are known by the bank officials.
 Mah Kee took the check to the store of a Japanese, T. Nakana, who, in partnership with Wati, runs the N. and W. Grocery on Fulton St. He made some small purchases and offered the check in payment. It was accepted, but on taking it to the bank, Wati, one of the partners, was unable to get it cashed, there being no account. The matter was then reported to the police who took it up and Mah Kee was arrested. The evidence was heard by Magistrate McMorris and he was committed for trial. He will probably come before the county court judge tomorrow.

CATHOLIC BAZAAR
 The pupils of the Catholic School will assist the ladies entertaining their friends and patrons at 3 o'clock this afternoon in St. Andrew's Hall. Bishop Bunez and Mr. J. L. Mullen will open the Bazaar at 8 o'clock tonight. Lots of good things and a good time for everyone at
St. Andrew's Hall, Tonight and Tomorrow

LARGER GRANT FOR HOSPITAL

Report of Finance Committee Recommended Increase to 70c per capita.
 A report from the Finance Committee in regard to the Hospital Grant was read at last night's council meeting. In this report the Finance Committee recommended that a grant of .70c per patient per day be paid instead of the \$5,000 per annum which was the present grant. It would mean a grant of \$7,700 yearly and would be a great assistance to the hospital finances. The grant to the hospital was really a means of caring for indigents that were public charges anyway.
 It was resolved unanimously that the present council go on record as being in favor of the 70c per day grant. It was pointed out that in the city of Vancouver the General Hospital received a grant of 60c.
 Ask for Atkins' Sausages. 1f

Rupert Should be Great Grain Port

That is Opinion of Moreton Frewen Expressed at Board of Trade Meeting Yesterday Afternoon.

"Prince Rupert should become a great, if not the greatest, grain port in the world," said Moreton Frewen in an address to the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon. "By all means you should try to get wheat shipped from here. It has been shipped successfully from Vancouver and this is the natural port for the business. I see an immense future to the place in the next five years, that will be ample compensation for the disappointments of the last five years."
 Mr. Frewen told of a visit he made to the coast in 1883, when Victoria was a little "Sleepy Hollow" with pheasants walking in the streets, Seattle had a population of 6,000, smaller than Prince Rupert of today, and there was not a tree cut where Vancouver now stands. He came to Vancouver again in 1906 with Charles Rivers Wilson and Charles Hays, and Mr. Hays told him of the future of Prince Rupert. "People sometimes wonder if he was wrong in his judgment," said the speaker.
 Carry Out Pledges.
 Mr. Frewen then outlined the arguments. What are the prospects? he inquired. Mr. Hays was a good railway man and he said that the Yellowhead Pass was the key to the Northwest freight situation. Owing to the nearness to the Orient and the higher speeds that might be made on the good gradient, Hong Kong was brought four days nearer London by this route than by any other. Unfortunately like other roads the G. T. P. had found itself in financial difficulties and was unable to fulfill the promises that had been made. Now instead of an insolvent corporation, the port had behind it a sound, solid government and that government was in honor bound to carry out the pledges made to the purchasers at the time the townsite lots were sold. The speaker recounted J. J. Hill's opinion of the railway and port and then told of the intention of Hargraves, the greatest railwayman of the age, to come to Prince Rupert. He sent Dr. Farquharson to go over the road and if possible to secure running rights or to acquire a controlling interest in it. Had he lived he would have made an attempt to link his railways up with the G. T. P. From this they would see that if they had erred in their judgment of this place, they were in good company. "The American trade with the Orient must flow through this port."

Mr. Frewen spoke of the vast resources and of the future growth of the town. He referred to the value of the fisheries and of the great value of the silver mines of the district which were just being opened up.
 Mentioning the almost untapped resources of the ocean, the speaker said that in England each person consumed less than an ounce of fish a day and ten ounces of meat. This should be changed so that every man should use four ounces of meat only and up to seven or eight ounces of fish. Sir James Creighton Browne in his fight against tuberculosis had advocated the use of more fish. He was going to ask the Government to put a cold storage plant into every village. Labor applied to the ocean brought much more wealth than the same applied to the land.
 Mr. Frewen said that the position of this town was unassailable. He mentioned the experiences of the C. P. R. The port here needed an ocean-going wharf and, given that, undoubtedly ships would gather here like vultures.

FEAR TROUBLE FOLLOWING THE LABOR SUCCESS
Program Issued for Plan of Municipal Socialism with Profits to Political Fund.
LONDON, Nov. 4.—The labor victories in Saturday's municipal election are arousing fears of a coming revolution. Labor headquarters in London has issued a program for the establishment of municipal Socialism throughout the country in connection with working class co-operative societies, part of the profits of which are to be given to a labor political fund.

HONOR FLAG FOR VANCOUVER
Subscribes Over Seven Million Dollars—Good Showing Throughout the Dominion.
TORONTO, Nov. 4.—Up till last evening the total subscriptions to the 1919 Victory Loan amounted to \$164,584,650, as against \$175,379,700 for the same period last year. Yesterday was a bad day but it is hoped that with a number of new communities just getting to work that the average will pick up in a day or so.
VANCOUVER, Nov. 4.—The Prince of Wales Honor Flag has been presented to the city of Vancouver by Sir Henry Drayton. Vancouver has made a wonderful showing in exceeding her quota already. Her quota for the present loan campaign was \$7,000,000 and \$7,710,000 is already subscribed.

STETCHER THROWS LEWIS OF KENTUCKY

Uses Body Scissors and Double Wristlock After Hour and Half.
NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Joe Stetcher, claimant for the world's heavyweight wrestler, catch-as-catch-can championship, defeated Ed. Lewis (Strangler) in a one-fall match at Madison Square Gardens, throwing his opponent with a body scissors and double wristlock, after one hour, thirty minutes and three seconds.

Board of Trade
 will be held on
Friday, November 7
 at 8 p.m.
 in the City Hall
 The following questions will be discussed—The condition of the streets, and possible improvement; and a letter from the Aerial League. 260

Don't forget the dance at the Catholic Bazaar Wednesday evening at half past nine. 258