

WILL BOOST UNITED STATES TAXES

VIEWS HEARD ON PROPOSAL TRADE ALASKA PANHANDLE

Ottawa Is Amused at Swapping Plan Urged by New York Chamber

Dominion Has No Power to Dicker With Territory of Provinces—Suggestion is Called Preposterous By Seattle Official—Ketchikan Facetious

OTTAWA, Dec. 9:—The proposal of the Rome, New York, Chamber of Commerce to trade the Alaskan Panhandle to Canada for land south of the St. Lawrence River belonging to Canada caused some amusement here. It was pointed out that the Canadian constitution was not framed in a manner enabling the Dominion to trade territory of one province for territory which would go to another. In order to effect such a trade as has been suggested, land would have to be taken away from Quebec while that to be acquired would go to British Columbia.

SEATTLE, Dec. 9:—To trade the Alaskan Panhandle to Canada as proposed in Rome, New York, would be preposterous, Charles D. Garfield, Alaska secretary of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, said yesterday. From potential wealth of that portion of Alaska, the United States could take enough to purchase the coveted land along the St. Lawrence River without missing the purchase price, he said.

Ketchikan Facetious KETCHIKAN, Dec. 9:—The Ketchikan Alaska Chronicle newspaper yesterday quoted the business men of Ketchikan as saying that the proposal of the Rome, New York, Chamber of Commerce to trade the Alaskan Panhandle to Canada was too late as, due to the low price of fish, "negotiations are already under way to give the country back to the Indians."

VANCOUVER IS VOTING

Municipal Election in Victoria Tomorrow—Five Candidates For Mayoralty

VANCOUVER, Dec. 9:—Today is municipal election day in Vancouver and tomorrow in Victoria. In Vancouver not a great deal of interest has been taken owing to the fact that there is no mayoralty contest, Mayor L. D. Taylor having another year to serve. Elections are being held in six of 12 aldermanic wards as well as for school board and parks board seats.

In Victoria there are five candidates in the field for the mayoralty in succession to Mayor Herbert Anson, who has retired. Voting will also take place in the capital for city council, school board and police commission seats.

Candidates for mayor of Victoria are E. B. Andros, David Leeming, Frank Leroy, W. H. Sargent and E. S. Woodward.

TO HOLIDAY IN EAST

Rev. W. B. Jennings of the Anglican Mission boat Northern Cross will leave on Friday's train for Toronto where he will spend the Christmas and New Year season at his home. Mrs. Jennings is already in the east. They expect to return here in February.

A total of 17,702,235 Italians emigrated between 1876 and 1930. The largest number, 5,058,776, went to the United States, while Argentina absorbed nearly 3,000,000.

Refused Money



Bos Gilbert (above) quarterback of the Southern Methodist University Football team, declined an offer of his parents of \$5,000 if he would not play in the three remaining games

U. S. Firm Opens Canadian Account

Books to Be Sold Henceforth on Canadian Money

The Library Board at its meeting last night received a letter from Baker and Taylor of New York stating that they were opening an account in a Canadian bank and that all purchases of books would be made on the basis of Canadian money, in order that Canadian libraries might not be handicapped by the present adverse rate of exchange. In view of this an account of theirs which had been held up was passed for payment and it was decided to continue purchases of American books through that firm.

Tomorrow's Tides

Table with tide information for Thursday, December 10, 1931. Columns include time and tide height in feet.

STARTED LONG AGO

Secretary of Agriculture Blame Wheat Seeds Planted Years Ago for Distress Among Wheat Growers

Has Been Bad Year

Seldom Has More Extreme Example of Overproduction Existed

WASHINGTON, D.C., 9.—The annual report of Secretary of Agriculture Arthur M. Hyde made public yesterday contains the following summary of the wheat situation:

"This has been a disastrous year for wheat growers, but the first seeds of the trouble were planted many years ago. They were wheat seeds and led to world-wide overproduction. When the war deprived Russia of its customary wheat market in western Europe and also curtailed all European wheat production, the wheat industry was enormously stimulated in the United States, Canada, Argentina, and Australia. Our own wheat area decreased after the war but rose again to 61,464,000 acres in 1929, and was only about 6 per cent. below that figure this year. In Canada, Argentina, and Australia, after a spurt during the war period and a temporary decline afterwards, wheat acreage climbed similarly. The aggregate increase for these three countries between 1924 and 1929 was no less than 10,000,000 acres. Russia began expanding its wheat acreage in 1923 and reentered the world's wheat market in 1930 with a wheat production equal to or greater than its pre-war production. The wheat area in Russia harvested in 1931 was officially reported to be 92,400,000 acres, an increase of 8,600,000 acres over the 1930 wheat acreage. Including the estimated production of Russia but not that of China the world's wheat output in 1930 was nearly 4,900,000,000 bushels, compared with a pre-war record of about 4,100,000,000 bushels in 1913.

"Seldom has a more extreme example of overproduction existed in modern agriculture. It is a cumulative, and not merely a seasonal condition. This is shown by the mounting world carry-overs, which demonstrate that more wheat is produced annually than is consumed annually. On July 1, 1931 the world carry-over of wheat was estimated at 679,000,000 bushels as compared with 578,000,000 bushels on July 1, 1930. These figures include, for the United States, an item not formerly included, namely, an estimate of wheat stored by mills for other interests. Leaving out this item, and estimating the carry-over on the old basis, the world's carry-over on July 1, 1931 (Continued on page six.)

SMITHERS LARGEST

Has Population of 999 It Is Announced—Stewart Next With Population of 610

Of the village municipalities of this district, Smithers has the largest population, namely, 999, it is announced by the Bureau of Statistics following the taking of the decennial census last summer.

Stewart is second with 610, Terrace third with 352, Vanderhoof fourth with 315 and Burns Lake fifth with 202.

The Dangerous Co-eds



Cock Robin had better watch out when these co-eds start handling the bows and arrows. So enthusiastic are these University of Washington misses that they practice during fall and winter.

FURS ARE SALVAGED

Passenger on Steamer Baychimo and Three Eskimo Trappers Succeed in Daring Feat

POINT BARROW, Alaska, Dec. 9:—Using dog sleds for bridges over cracks in the ice and ropes to pull themselves over huge icebergs, O. D. Morros, one of the marooned passengers on the steamer Baychimo, and three Eskimo trappers succeeded in salvaging ten bales of valuable furs from the ship.

The Baychimo is locked in the Arctic ice not far from here and it is feared she may be destroyed before the winter is over.

WEATHER REPORT

Langara Island—Cloudy, moderate westerly wind; sea choppy. Dead Tree Point—Part cloudy, light southwest wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 34; light chop. Triple Island—Overcast, heavy westerly wind; light swell.

ON INSPECTION TOUR

Inspector Cooper R. C. M. P., Vancouver, arrived in the city on the Prince Rupert this morning from the south and will proceed by train this afternoon to Hazelton and Vanderhoof in the course of an inspection tour of this district.

Lucknow is the only place in the whole British Empire where the British Flag is never hauled down throughout the 24 hours lest its observers should forget the Indian mutiny.

TO RELIEVE DISTRESSED

Gyro Club Decides to Raise Fund of \$500 to Be Used After New Year—Officers Nominated

The Prince Rupert Gyro Club, at its monthly business luncheon yesterday, decided to raise the sum of \$500 to be used in relief work in the city after the Christmas and New Year season at which time it is expected the need will be great. As one means of raising the funds, the club decided to hold a Charity Ball on December 17. It is also planned to hold a turkey shoot. Should the objective of \$500 not be raised within the specified time, it is proposed to take the balance required from the club's trust fund for public service work. The club proposes to form a special committee to administer the relief fund.

This matter and nomination of 1932 officers of the club were the principal items of business at yesterday's luncheon. It was decided to cancel the regular monthly open meeting which would fall on the Wednesday of Christmas week.

The nominations for 1932 officers were made as follows:

For President, William Cruickshank and William Mitchell.

For Secretary, A. S. Nickerson and C. E. Starr.

For Treasurer, S. J. Jabour and W. M. Watts.

For directors (two to be elected) H. A. Breen, T. W. Brown, Frank Dibb, Dr. L. W. Kergin, William Mitchell, M. M. McLachlan and W. H. Tobey.

The election of officers will take place on January 12 and installation on January 26.

All People Will Have To Pay Bigger Levies In Southern Country

President Hoover Tells Congress of Seriousness of Situation—Thirty-Month Limit on Revised Scales is Proposed

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 9:—The administration recommended today that Congress raise taxes next month for nearly the entire people. President Herbert Hoover submitted a budget bordering on \$4,000,000,000 and stressed the fact that, unless action is taken, the government would pile up a deficit of almost \$4,500,000,000 by the end of next fiscal year.

The proposed new levies would take effect next month to apply on this year's incomes. The president urged a thirty-month limit on the revised scales.

JUSTICE IS DEAD

Hon. Edmund L. Newcombe Dies in Ottawa Today at Age of 73

OTTAWA, Dec. 9:—Hon. Edmund Leslie Newcombe C. M. G., Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada since 1924, died here today at the age of 73. He was a former Deputy Minister of Justice for Canada.

Born at Cornwallis, N.S., February 17, 1859, the late Mr. Justice Newcombe was educated at Dalhousie College, Halifax, graduating as a Bachelor of Arts in 1878 and taking his Master of Arts degree in 1881. The same year he was awarded his LL. B. by University of Halifax. From 1892 to 1893 he was lecturer on insurance law at Dalhousie University where he was made an LL. D. in 1911.

The late judge actually started his legal career in 1883 when he was called to the bar of Nova Scotia. In 1893 he was called to the Ontario bar and the same year was made a King's Counsel.

On March 13, 1893, deceased was appointed Deputy Minister of Justice and he held that post for well over twenty years. In 1905 he was a delegate to Great Britain on the copyright question and was chairman from 1902 to 1906 of the select committee for revision of the statutes of Canada. He was associate (Continued on page four.)

Earl of Durham Closes His Home

Heavy Taxation and Succession of Death Dues Makes It Necessary

LONDON, Dec. 9:—The Earl of Durham, owing to heavy taxation and a succession of death duties following the deaths of the two late earls within a short period, has decided to close Lambton Castle, his ancestral home, six miles from Durham, and sell most of the contents.

A stately pile of the River Wear, the castle was built in 1797 from the plans of an Italian architect. The ruins of an old castle stand on the opposite bank of the river.

The third and fourth earls of Durham died within four months of each other in 1929, and in that period the estate, estimated at \$10,000,000 paid \$5,000,000 in death duties.

BIRTH NOTICE

There was born a 9-pound son to Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Leask at the Prince Rupert General Hospital Tuesday, December 8.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 9 — Wheat was quoted at 59 3/4c. on the local Exchange today.

Mother of Six Children Is In Dire Need of Clothing; All Under Six Years of Age

Money is still coming slowly for the Salvation Army fund, yet the number of people who should be helped is greater than ever before. Captain Steele has many requests for help both from people in the city and outside. Here is an example. A mother of six children, one of which is three months old, writes: "I wish you could help me out a little as I am in debt over my head on account of hard times and doctor's bills. We all need stockings, underwear and shoes." She then goes on to give the sizes ranging from three months to six years.

This is only one example and is one that must be answered. Who can help?

Money should be sent either to the Salvation Army or to the Daily News and will be all accounted for. Clothes or shoes should go to Army headquarters.

The following are acknowledged. Bob Ives, \$5.00. George Woodland, \$5.00. Mrs. Denny Allen, sack of potatoes.