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Story In Regard to Lindbergh Described as "Figment of Imagiration by Federal Officer

WASHINGTON, May 16 (Cana- alyn Walsh McLean of \$35,000 dian Press)-A federal officer, af- the alleged purpose of ransoming ter investigating a story told by the baby. Gaston B. Means of "contacts" Hassell and Greenberg were slain with kidnappers of Charles Augus- at Elizabeth, New Jersey. Known tus Lindbergh, jr., baby son of as beer racketeers, the men were Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lind- presumed to have been shot to bergh, Saturday pronounced the death by gangster enemies. tale "a figment of a wierd imagination that makes the Baron Munchausen look like a piker."

Means had testified in the District of Columbia Supreme Court on Friday that the Lindbergh baby had been stolen by New Jersey liquor runners, saying that J. Max Hassel and Max Greenberg were responsible. He did not know the men but they had sold beer to servants at the Lindbergh home. He 45. said that Irving Fenton, described previously by him as one of those responsible for the kidnapping, had told him Col. Lindbergh, as a practical joke, on occasions had placed the baby in a closet and told servants the baby had been stolen. This joke, said Means, gave the COAL! COAL! kidnappers an idea of how to take the baby. One of the members of their "ring" did go to the Lindbergh house with beer, picked the baby up from its crib and went

> Means said that, after lengthy negotiations with Fenton for the return of the baby, he found a POLAR KING note saying that, "in an attempt

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Vancouver Police Still Delving Into Late Francis White Peters Was 72 Circumstances of Death of Ketchikan Man

Press) - Police have found that friends of deceased having expresfoul play, was régistered at a local hotel in November and December under the name of "Sam Delaney. A portion of his baggage and laundry has been found but there was no record of valuable jewelry.

Shequin may have died of poisoning, it was revealed at an inquest held here at the end of the that Shequin died through administration of morphine or severance of the arteries in the wrists.

other signs of violence.

though the body showed that the and he retired several years ago. to remove the baby from its hiding place in New Jersey, the baby was Means, a former Justice Departany weapon discovered. ment agent, who came into pro-

minerice ouring the regime of the late President Warren G. Harding bank shortly before his disappearabout whose private life he made ance, believe he was "taken for a "revelations," was testifying in his ride" in Vancouver and murdered. servative and an Anglican. own defence against a charge that It had been previously learned that he had been in Vancouver for some time before the finding of the body and had been seen here by a

HIKERS ON HIGHWAYS

Are Worst Cause of Automobile H. P. SAUCE-Punctures, Says Pete Black, jr., -Drove From Montreal

Shoe tacks left on the highways MEADOW BROOK JAMrom the boots of hitch hikers are now the worst cause of punctures PLUM JAMfor motorists on the roads of Canada and the United States, states PORK & BEANS-1's Peter Black, jr., who is here from 3 tins Montreal to spend a brief visit SPRING SALMON-White with his mother, Mrs. Peter Black. 3 tins sr. Mr. Black, who exepcts to leave DRIED PEACHESwithin the coming week on his return to Montreal, drove from Montreat to Vancouver and will drive back fram Vancouver where he left his car. He made a very speedy trip West, having driven clear from Wyoming to Vancouver distance of 1800 miles in fortysix hours without stop.

Payment of Tax Arrears is Being Now Encouraged

The city council, at its special meeting Saturday night, finally reconsidered and adopted a bylaw whereby property owners may settle taxes delinquent and in arrears by paying 50 percent of said arrears prior to October 1, the date of the annual tax sale. The passage of such a bylaw was permitted by legislation passed at the recent session of the British Columbia Legislature.

Years of Age and Followed Railway Life For Many Years

Sam Shequin, aged 60, wealthy former general superintendent of miner of Ketchikan, whose body the Canadian Pacific Railway for was found in Stanley Park on April British Columbia, who died last 8 and was exhumed recently by re- week-end in Vancouver where he quest for further investigation, had lived in retirement for many years, was a native of St. John's, sed the belief that he met with N.B., where he was born on August 7, 1860, being 72 years of age when

Educated at St. John's Grammar School, the late Mr. Peters entered railway service as a telegraph operator and became identified with the engineering and surveying departments before being appointed week. The coroner's jury found agent at Port Huron in 1881 for the Michigan, Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway which post he held for five years. Joining the Canadian An autopsy was performed on Pacific Railway, the late Mr. Peters the body by Dr. A. W. Hunter, cor- first came to British Columbia in oner's physician, who announced 1886 and was for two years general that the man had died from loss freight agent at Vancouver later beof blood from deep gashes in each coming freight traffic manager for wrist, the traces of morphine be- five years. From that post he trans- MR. DAVIE ing later found. There were no ferred to the executive and became assistant to the vice-president at The possibility of Shequin hav- Winnipeg. Later his appointment as ing been muraered is still being general superintendent for British investigated by the police. Al- Columbia at Vancouver followed

wrists had been slashed, there were Mr. Peters was married in 1884 to no traces of blood found on the Mis Gertrude Wynyard Hurd of soil where it was found nor was Winnipeg. He belonged to the Commercial, Fort William, Brandon, Friends of Shequin, who say that Nelson, Vancouver, Manitoba, St. he drew the \$7,000 from the Seattle Charles Country and Union (Victoria) Clubs. His recreations were there has been alarming increase of

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Gives Incidents Showing Why He of members with a few guests Has Deserted Tolmie For Bowser

VICTORIA, May 16: (Canadian Press) -For the past several years, golf and shooting. He was a Con- policies by the present government which have been very embarrassing and most difficult to countenance, states Charles F. Davie in further explanation of his action in resigning the Speakership of the Legislature to join W. J. Bowser's "nonparty" movement.

The last straw, said Mr. Davie, was the enforced resignation of Hon. Nelson S. Lougheed who, he said had not done a great deal of permanent work for Cowichan-Newcastle when he was minister of public works. Mr. Davie accuses Hon. Joshua

Hinchliffe, minister of education, of 27c withdrawing old privileges from school districts in Cowichan-New-\$1.09 castle while continuing appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars 100 for the "university of the favored "In this and many other acts of

this government, there has been 25c most wanton disregard of the rights and privileges of the poorer people." 25c says the former Speaker, adding summer. LOOK F 25c dozens of important reforms in the interests of the people "to which 25c this government has turned a deaf He finds no alternative, says Mr.

Davie, but to align himself with W 18c J. Bowser in the latter's effort "to restore good government."

27c AGREEMEN

Treaties of Great Britain With Sweden and Norway

LONDON, May 16-Trade agreements between Great Britain and Sweden and Great Britain and Norway were signed yesterday. In each case Britain has bartered for increased industrial products.

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city commissioner, was the speak before the Prince Rupert Gr Club at its regular weekly lunched in the Boston Cafe today, Pre cent T. W. Brown was in the cha and there was a good attendar



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