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NEW OPERATION IN PORTLAND CANAL

COUNCIL DEFERS DECISION IN REGARD TO COMMISSIONER

City Fathers to Meet Again Tonight to Talk Out Financial Matters

Special Representations May be Made to Provincial Government For Permission to "Carry on"—Mill Rate of Fifty-Five is Proposed

Pending the holding of a special meeting of committee in the whole, the city council Thursday night laid over until another meeting to be hed tonight consideration of a resolution by Ald. Basso-Bert opposing the appointment of a commissioner to take over administration of Prince Rupert's civic affairs. Decision to this effect was reached after a lengthy discussion in the course of which several aldermen expressed belief that special representations should be made to the provincial government appealing for permission for the city to carry on its affairs in the present manner by mayor and aldermen who, they felt, would be quite as capable as a commissioner in extricating the municipality from its financial difficulties. Mayor Stephens, Ald. Rochester, charman of the finance committee, and other aldermen, on the other hand, were quite emphatic in the belief that a commissionership was now the only hope of solution of the city's financial problems.

Mayor Stephens informed the council that the city's estimates for the year amounted to $485,000 and that there was no hope of collecting more than $390,000 which was the revenue received last year. The council, after Thursday night's meeting, went into private session to deal in detail with estimates for the year and the general financial position.

In addition to disposing of Ald. Basso-Bert's resolution, the council, at the special meeting tonight, will consider a recommendation from the finance committee that a mill rate of fifty-five mills on 100% of land values and on 20% of the value of improvements be struck for 1933.

Resolution Discussed

After the opening of Thursday night's meeting, Ald. Basso-Bert added to his resolution of protest against a commissionership a clause that the city pay the $25 bond interest coupon which is the basis of the application which has been filed in Supreme Court at Vancouver seeking authorization of the appointment of a commissioner for the city.

Ald. Rudderham, in order to bring it formally before the meeting for discussion, seconded the resolution.

Ald. Basso-Bert then proceeded to explain his reasons for proposing the resolution. When the slate of candidates headed by the mayor had presented themselves at the January election, their principal plank was the pledge that they would endeavor to keep a receiver out, declared Ald. Basso-Bert. Having received the endorsation of the electors at the polls the members of the ticket had proceeded to make economies and had submitted the case of the city to the bondholders to ascertain if it would be possible to pay the interest alone on bonded indebtedness at this time, leaving the principal standing meantime. Expenses of the city had been reduced as far as possible and public works had been reduced almost to nothing.

In view of the retrenchments and economies which had been made, Ald. Basso-Bert felt that the city council should not permit the application for appointment of a commissioner to go unprotested. Some thought should be given to the consequences of relinquishing all civic powers to such an official. He would not work in favor of the ratepayers but he would come in with the sole object of collecting all the money he could in the interests of the creditors. Property owners, who had long striven to carve out a city here, would be the victims.

He (Ald. Basso-Bert) did not believe in the passive attitude which had been adopted by some other members of the council in letting a commissioner come in. Rather, he thought that the council should stand off a commissionership as long as possible. He challenged the statement that had been made by some that a commissioner would be able to do better than a city council because of the fact that he would have more power.

He (Ald. Basso-Bert) had been led to believe that the mayor's recent trip south would have brought results in dealing with the bondholders but the fact was that there had been no results. He thought that the city council should make a strong appeal to the bondholders and the provincial government to be allowed to carry on. It might be impossible in the end to keep a commissioner out but, in the meantime, he did not believe in passively permitting one to come in.

Ald. Rudderham

Ald. Rudderham concurred with Ald. Basso-Bert in the desirability of keeping a receiver out if possible. He was not familiar with the exact financial position of the cty but he believed it to be very serious. In forestalling receivership, Ald. Rudderham thought that it would be advisable, rather than opposing the court action unless the city were in a position to show its ability to carry on, to send a strong memorandum to the provincial government, setting forth the full facts and asking the government to give serious consideration to the possibility of the city council carrying on as efficiently as could a receiver. After all, whether it was a commissioner or a city council, it would be necessary to first maintain such services as schools and hospitals and then do what was possible for the bondholders.

Ald. Wesch could not see the advisability of trying to stop a commissionership by paying the $25 interest coupon Within a week there would probably be another similar application. The city was simply unable to carry on until the taxes came in. It had no money and could not borrow any. Under the circumstances, he saw no advantage in even protesting the appointment of a receiver. If money could be obtained in any way, he would be glad to carry on. As matters stood, however, civic employees were going without pay, accounts were unpaid and taxes were not due until September.

Ald. Rochester

Ald. Rochester explained that when the ticket had offered itself for election, they had not known definitely the city's financial position. They had since found out, however, and he was free to admit that they had found it to be beyond their control. It was impossible to carry on without funds. Debentures were due and must be paid or something done about it. He had been elected to represent the interests of the ratepayers and not those of the bondholders but it must be remembered that the latter had bought these securities in good faith on the assurance of the city that they were a perfectly good thing.

A commissioner would not come in to run the city into the ground but to straighten things out and put the city on its feet again, Ald. Rochester declared. To do that the commissioner would be clothed with greater powers and more authority than the city council possessed. By having absolute control, he would be able to effect greater savings. The city had got itself into a mess that he believed it would take possibly five or ten years to clean up. The city now had commitments amounting to $485,000 and would probably have no more than $375,000 to meet this amount with. He believed that the city was in no position to carry on and for this reason he was not opposing the move to appoint a commissioner.

Mayor Stephens declared that the city was in no position to pay its way. Salaries of employees were behind none having been paid since March 1, city accounts were in the same position, $32,000 in bonds and interest had been unpaid since December 1 last and there were other bills totalling $43,000 which had been carried over from last year. Without taking into consideration exchange, interest and social services, estimates for this year amounted to $485,000. Collections for last year had totalled $390,000 and the city could not expect to collect this much this year. There was no means of bridging the gap between revenue and necessary expenditures.

Ald. Black was in favor of carrying on and fighting the commis-

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CHEAPER PERMITS

Twenty-Five Cent Liquor Purchasing Licence Efective Tuesday—"C.O.D." Orders Later

VICTORIA, April 15: (CP)—Twenty-five cent liquor permits will be available next Tuesday, it is announced by the government.

"C.O.D." deliveries of beer to the homes will probably be not effective until May 5.

Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, April 15: (CP)—Wheat was quoted on the local exchange on Thursday at 51c.

CELTIC TAKES SCOTTISH CUP

GLASGOW, April 15: (CP)—Celtic defeated Motherwell one to nil today in the final for the Scottish football cup before a crowd of 90,000 fans.

SENSATION AT FINISH

Grotto Hoop Team Wins Over Premier—C. N. R. A. Drops Call to Anyox

At Premier, the Grotto team of Prince Rupert, with a sensational finish, won their basketball game last night by a score of 29 to 25. After trailing 14 to 12 at half time, the Grotto evened up the score one minute before full time 25 all, Smith for the Grotto bringing down the house with a beautiful shot from centre, following quickly with another as the whistle blew.

In the basketball game at Anyox last night between the C. N. R. A. team of this city and Anyox, the smelter town team won by a score of 27 to 24. The score at half time was 16 to 11 in favor of Anyox. It was a good, fast, clean game although the slippery floor proved bothersome for the locals. A fast last-minute spurt by Prince Rupert failed to turn the tide of battle.

GOING TO NEW POST

Bshop A. H. Sovereign Here Yesterday on Way to Athabasca Diocese

An enthusiast for the north and its life and "princely" people, Rt. Rev. Arthur H. Sovereign, who has been stationed for the past year at Dawson as Bishop of the Diocese of the Yukon, was in the city aboard the Princess Norah yesterday afternoon bound for Vancouver whence he will proceed to Peace River Crossing to take up his new ecclesiastical duties as Bishop of the Diocese of Athabasca.

Bishop Sovereign's wife and family will come out from Dawson in July and proceed to Peace River Crossing to take up residence.

Alexander Jappy Is Laid at Rest

Funeral of Well Known Pioneer Citizen Takes Place This Afternoon

Many friends were in attendance at the chapel of the B. C. Undertakers this afternoon to pay final tributes to the memory of deceased at the funeral service for the late Alexander Jappy, who passed away suddenly on Wednesday. Following the service, at which Rev. Canon W. F. Rushbrook officiated with John E. Davey presiding at the organ for the hymns, interment was made in Fairview Cemetery.

Pallbearers were George Thain, William Thain, James Watt, J. L. McIntosh, William Cummings and Alexander Duthie.

ARSENAL WINNER

Clinched English Cup by Defeating Portsmouth for Second Straight Victory

LONDON, April 15:—Arsenal today clinched the championship of the English Soccer League, First Division, when they defeated Portsmouth for their second win in two days.

BILL COOK SCORES LONE TALLY, GIVING RANGERS PUCK CUP

TORONTO, April 15: (CP)—The New York Rangers Thursday night won the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the world's professional hockey championship, by defeating the Toronto Maple Leafs one to nil in overtime. Bill Cook scored the winning goal.

Old Country Soccer

(Canadan Press)

TODAY'S SCORES

ENGLISH LEAGUE
First Division

Arsenal 2, Portsmouth 0.
Birmingham 2, Bolton Wanderers 1.
Blackburn Rovers 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 0.
Blackpool 1, Huddersfield Town 1.
Derby County 3, Sheffield United 0.
Everton 3, Chelsea 2.
Leeds United 6, Newcastle United 1.
Manchester City 4, Leicester City 1.
Sheffield Wednesday 0, Aston Villa 2.
Sunderland 0, Liverpool 0.
West Bromwich Albion 0, Middlesbrough 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
First Division

Aberdeen 1, Rangers 1.
Dundee 1, Partick 0.
East Stirlingshire 1, Cowdenbeath 1.
Hamilton Academicals 2, Morton 2.
St. Mirren 3, Airdrieonians 1.

GOOD FRIDAY'S SCORES
ENGLISH LEAGUE
First Division

Arsenal 4, Sheffield Wednesday 2.
Blackpool 3, Blackburn Rovers 0.
Chelsea 4, Leicester City 1.
Liverpool 2, Huddersfield Town 2.
Manchester City 1, West Bromwich Albion 0.
Portsmouth 2, Derby County 0.
Sunderland 1, Birmingham 0.
Wolverhampton 2, Middlesbrough 0.

Parisian Globe Trotter-Writer Visitor to City

Jean Alloucherie, Parisian newspaperman, adventurer and globe trotter, who has been spending the past six months in Alaska, Northern British Columbia and the Yukon, disembarked yesterday afternoon from the steamer Princess Norah and proceeded from here by train last night to Montreal. During the winter, Mr. Alloucherie went down the Yukon River as far as Eagle and made many trips throughout the northern country, covering much of the ground by dog team. His experiences have made material for interesting articles which he has written for the publications he represents.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. A. Jappy, Mrs. M. Clark and family desire to express their sincere thanks to all friends for their kindnesses extended to them in there recent bereavement.

CO-OPERATIVE MINING AND MILLING EXPERIMENT BEING MADE AT DUNWELL MINE

Unemployed Miners and Mechanics Have Erected Concentrating Plant—Other Activities in Portland Canal Camp

STEWART, April 15:—An interesting experiment in co-operative mining and milling is taking place at Stewart. Today it is planned to turn over for the first time a mill that has been erected at the Dunwell property. This mill has been erected without the payment of a dollar of wages by mechanics and miners who were out of work and it is designed to concentrate with it the output of a number of individual mining efforts in the neighborhood, mostly on the same property.

After Dunwell shut down the mill here was sold to Bralorne and moved away. There was, however, on the Dunwell property the old Portland Canal mill for which a junkman had offered $25. This was taken down, carefully overhauled and then set up in the Dunwell concentrator building. Little by little the plant was assembled, one piece coming from one place and another from another until today it is complete, or practically so.

A group of about a dozen men, children of circumstance, are in this way trying to undertake what the big companies refuse to do. Leases have been signed with the Dunwell mine people for the working of several veins on a royalty basis. One of these is known as the Ben Ali where Jackson and Svedberg are getting out ore. Others are working at the other veins, possibly a dozen men in all being at present occupied with mining or fixing up the mill. All ore will be treated on a customs basis and in that way it is expected to carry on, ship concentrates to the smelter and prove to the world that Stewart mines can be made productive.

The men who have been planning and carrying out this scheme are also interesting themselves in securing the leasing of other properties on a similar basis. Some owners have turned down the proposals while others see in this method a good way of bringing the mineral wealth of the district to public attention.

Silverado Active

On Thursday the steamship Mogul carried south 90 tons of high grade silver ore worth approximately six thousand dollars which has been shipped by individual effort, chiefly from Silverado. This mine has shipped 150 tons in all under direction of John Haati. It runs about 260 ounces to the ton.

This combination of individual and co-operative effort is a new trend in mining. During the past winter Stewart camp has been very dull. People have turned their attention to Cariboo where the gold boom is attracting them but the small individual mining efforts and the co-operative milling scheme are bolstering up their faith in their own district and enabling them to look forward with hope to the revival which they feel sure must come soon.

Today's Weather

Terrace—Part cloudy, calm, 38
Aiyansh—Snowing, calm, 35.
Anyox—Part cloudy, calm, 40.
Stewart—Cloudy, calm, 40.
Hazelton—Clear, calm, 40.
Smithers—Cloudy, calm, 33.
Burns Lake—Cloudy, calm, 34.

INJURED ON SLIDE WORK

W. Chapman and F. Teuber Brought to City From Railway Line For Hospital Treatment

Having had his back injured when a large chunk of frozen snow fell upon him during blasting of the slide which is obstructing traffic on the Canadian National line 43 miles from here, W. Chapman was brought in town by an extra train at noon today and was admitted to the Prince Rupert General Hospital where his injury was believed to be not serious.

Victim of a similar accident when struck by falling ice and snow, F. Teuber was brought to the city on Thursday night's train and is also in hospital but it is expected he will have to remain there for only three or four days.

LABORITES IN SESSION

No Action Taken in Connection With Provincial Election—More Railway and Dry Dock Work Sought

The local provincial political situation was gone into at some length Thursday night at the regular monthly meeting of the Prince Rupert Trades & Labor Council but no action of any kind was taken meantime.

The council endorsed the action of the executive in recent efforts to secure more company work for both the local railway shop and the dry dock yard. These matters came up in connection with discussion of the recent removal of the steamer Prince Rupert overhaul job from Prince Rupert to Vancouver.

S. D. Macdonald, president of the council, was in the chair and there was a fair attendance of delegates.

Baseball Scores

FRIDAY SCORES
American League

Boston 2, New York 6.
Philadelphia 5, Washington 1.

National League

Brooklyn 7, Philadelphia 1.

THURSDAY SCORES
National League

Brooklyn 5, Philadelphia 4.
Pittsburg 5, Cincinnati 2.
St. Louis 3, Chicago 1.
Boston at New York, snowed out.

American League

Boston 3, New York 4.
Philadelphia 4, Washington 11.
Cleveland 7, Detroit 4.
St. Louis 7, Chicago 11 (10 innings).