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A DIFFICULT TASK

City Commissioner W. J. Alder has had a difficult stitution three days before he en-dahlias are not yet out. Some may task in bringing the value of Prince Rupert city bonds up tered the cabinet, and also gave up not bloom this year if the frosts from \$35 to \$75 and the fact that he has succeeded is to his credit. He was given the position to act as a receiver in lates organized the Union Trust Looking back at the flower 450. bankruptcy to cut off all unnecessary expenditures until company and the Union Savings show, it seems that nothing such time as the city was again in a sound financial posi- Bank, of Pittsburgh. Three other would have been gained by posttion. When the city bonds are worth \$100, he will have banks and a trust company later ponement. There was a very good finished his work. In the meantime, all that can be done at resources being in excess of \$500,- and the quality of the flowers Green 997. is to carry on and keep the expenditure as low as possible. 000,000. The growth of the finan- was excellent. Owing to the boats

Some people have wondered why it is necessary to cial institutions was accompanied being late, there were fewer tourcurtail expenditures to such an extent as has been done. by extension of the Mellon indus- lists present than usual and the Looking at it from the point of view of the city, we suggest trial interests into many fields, in- general attendance was not as WANTED-3 or 4-room furnished that very soon it may be necessary to borrow once more cluding aluminum, coal, iron, oil large as expected. A number of for public works but this cannot be done while the price of put at nearly \$8,000,000,000 the total back to the society, thus enabling bonds is as low as \$75. The cost would be too high.

The Commissioner has been up against a steadily de-Mellon and his brothers had a voice. Who have not yet called at the creasing revenue, owing to the decreasing number of people who have been paying their taxes. Every time a property is allowed to lapse the city is deprived of that much income and the cost of upkeep has to be reduced to meet lon was problematical. One guage the situation. Possibly when there is demand for this re- of his personal fortune was furn- The Horticultural Society was verted city property, enough of it may be sold to pay the tration's attacks on his income tax judges. Dr. Barss, who was sent cost of building a new school or carrying out other needed returns. The tax board case re- by the provincial government to public works until such time as bonds can be sold at a vealed that he had filed a return do the work, called in as his aid price which the city could accept. In the meantime no showing a gross income of \$10,890,- Mrs. Delap, wife of the clergy. money is being borrowed and the city has sufficient funds 485 in 1931, but the government man on the Northern Cross. She in hand to carry over from the beginning of the year until 313,482,660. He paid a tax of \$647,- lin Botanical Gardens in Ireland.

Judging by the remarks heard around the city, many come of \$1,927,116 with capital loss. there was one too many sweet people think managing the city is an easy job, but it is not es on stock sales of more than \$6,- peas in a bowl, refused to diseasy for any man to have to obstinately refuse money for 500,000 and gifts and charitable qualify the exhibit on that acworthy purposes and make himself unpopular by serving chief deduction items. The governthe city faithfully. That is the most difficult thing. That ment disputed both these items In connection with the garden is why a good manager is better that an aldermanic and claimed an additional tax of judging, Dr. Barss was very helpboard. The mayor and aldermen are always thinking of \$2,050,068 plus 50 per cent of that ful. He offered constructive crithe coming election. They bow to popular clamor or they amount as penalty. do not get re-elected. The present commissioner is in the aging the huge fortune which these time at his disposal. Most of the fortunate position of not caring whether he keeps the job figures mirrored gave Mellon little owners of gardens who met him or not but while he is there he seems determined to keep time for interests outside his office. were much pleased with the visit. the city finances intact, no matter who objects. He is He was 45 years old before he marpaid to do that and he is doing it.

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PROMINENT IN FINANCE

(Continued from Page 1) tive of big business and was holding office in violation of a law prohibiting the secretary of the treasury from engaging in trade. Twice efforts were made to remove him, but his position proved unassalable.

His attitude on prohibition was a realistic one, Although devoting much thought to a reorganization of prohibition enforcement on a more efficient basis, he pointed out in his annual reports the great difficulties of attempting to make "wet" states "dry" against their wishes.

Mellon's first demand for reduction of heavy surtaxes failed to obtain congressional support, being opposed even by some of the administration leaders. Turning to the people, however, he won approval that meant passage of his revenue bill in 1926.

A mere tyro in political maneuvering when he entered the cabinet, his years of service as head of government finances made him astute in that phase of American life. At the 1928 republican national convention when the "stop-Hoover" movement was at its height, he was instrumental in swinging the Pennsylvania delegation to the Hoover column at a strategic movement, thus assuring the Californian's nomination.

Son Of Banker

Of Irish Protestant stock, he was born March 24, 1854, at Pittsburgh, the third of five sons of Judge Thomas and Sarah Jane Mellon. His father was judge in the Allegheny county court and retired from the bench in 1869 to establish the banking house of T. Mellon and

Andrew Mellon was educated in a private school and in the University of Pittsburgh, class of 1873. leaving college shortly before commencement. The next year he entered his father's banking house and was made a partner a year 02 later. When his father retired from business in 1887, Andrew became senior of the firm.

The partnership, including his brother, Richard B. Mellon, entered the national banking system July, weather this summer, the gardens 1902, as the Mellon National Bank. With Andrew Mellon as president should be at this time of year. ABOUT THESE REPAIRS - For it grew into one of the most im- The gladioli are only just showportant banks in the country. He ing bloom except for a few favorresigned the presidency of the in-ed positions and many of the all his other business connections, should be early.

In 1889, the brothers and assocand shipping, until some estimators exhibitors turned their prizes worth of the enterprises in which all expenses to be met. Those

Tax Measures Wealth

lare asked to do so as soon as How much of that total was the possible. Most of the prize money individual property of Andrew Mel- has already been paid out. 559, the return showing a net in- The judges, in one case where! contributions of \$3,821,178 as the count and gave it the first prize. tism and discussed problems as

ried and he was 67 when he entered the cabinet. He found relaxa- him at the week-end prior to the and from his work. He took anof the oldest of our local gardennual trips abroad to indulge his ers characterized it as the best hobby for art and his collection of address on horticulture he hadi paintings was one of the best in yet heard.

America. His marriage was contracted to In spite of unfortunate con li-Nora McMullen at Hartford, Eng- tions, local gardeners have been land, September 12,1900. A daugh- well kept this year and a number ter, Aisla, who married David K. E. of local people are laying plans Bruce, and a son, Paul, were born for improvements and new florto them. The union ended in di- ers next year. It takes more than vorce in 1910, the children remain- one wet summer to daunt the ing with their father. Prince Rupert people-H.F.P.

SPORT CHAT

baseball team which will journey! to Ketchikan with the Labor Day excursion for a series of two games at the "First City" turned Gyro Senior Boys' Softball league out for practice on Thursday night and made a showing of Cove losing to Acropolis 13 to 3. batting and fielding with which was the idea of having only seven players out, Dido expressed confidence that, if necessary, he could take the Ketchikan crowll with only five players. That may be all right for Dido to say but we are just going to wait un'il Labor Day to endorse any such attitude of optimism.

trimmed the wings of the Ameri- bases. can League leading New York; Yankees Thursday by defeating Tigers had a close six to five victory over Boston Red Sox and Hale; L. Grimble; Hemmons; T. crept up to within nine-and-a- Grimble; Love. half games of the Yanks. By virtue of their victory, the Browns and score keeper, Kitty Cameron. moved out of the cellar, the Philadelphia Athletics losing to Thursday.

Acropolis Wins Over Seal Cove

Seven members of the local Score of 13 to 3 in Gyro Senior Softball Yesterday

> The fifth official game of the was played last evening with Seal

Acropolis came to bat first. Latheir manager, Dido Gurvich, said porte hit to centre field and made he was well satisfied. Asked what first base. Ray O'Neill made a hit getting to first where he was called out for a lead off. The next two

batters were retired. Seal Cove came to bat with the first three players making bases and the second three retiring.

Some of the highlights of the game were Harry Lundquist's three bagger in the second inning; Fred Soles' hot box, and Bob Smith's hit The lowly St. Louis Browns which was fumbled around the

The teams were:

Acropolic -- Laporte; O'Neill; them nine to five. The Detroit Smith; Fong; Blain; Clarke; Soles. Seal Cove-Holkestad; Lundquist;

Umpire was H. Gordon-Cooper

Cleveland Indians 10 to 5 to drop R. W. Wilson, well known mininto the bottom of the class, ing man, arrived in the city on the Rain on the Atlantic Coast caus- Prince George yesterday from Vaned the postponement of all Na- couver and proceeded by train to tional League games but one on Smithers in which district he has extensive enterests.

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