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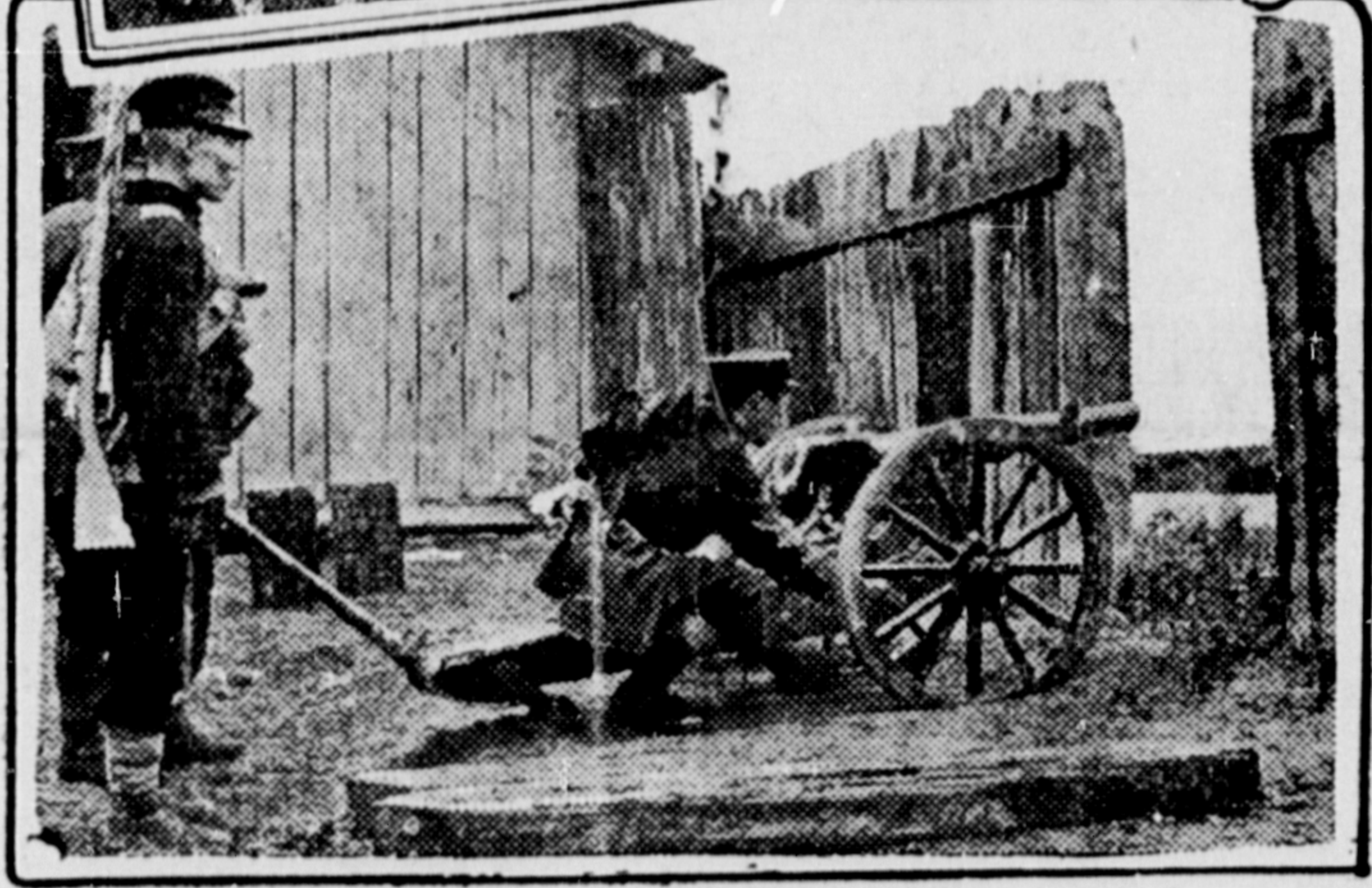
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## ADDITIONAL FORCE NOW AT WORK ON PIPE LINE

### MANCHUS ABDICATE AND REPUBLICANS RULE

Peaceful Signing of Edicts Wiping Out the Chinese Dynasty That Has Existed For Three Hundred Years

(Special to Daily News.)  
Peking, Feb. 13.—The fiery golden dragon is no more and China is at this moment a peaceful republic. Three edicts were signed yesterday which places the matter beyond doubt or cavil and there is great rejoicing among the republican forces. These three edicts making China a republic were all signed by Yuan Shikai, the regent of the empire, and by the Empress Dowager.  
The first formally announced the abdication of the throne and the relinquishment of the Manchu dynasty that has existed for three hundred years. The second accepted a republican form of government in its stead and expressed good wishes for its success and hopes that under it China would make more rapid progress in national development than ever before.  
The third edict was an unconditional approval and acceptance of the conditions before agreed upon between Yuan Shikai and the provisional president of the republic. This caused some surprise even to the republicans themselves, as they fully expected the Manchus, at the last moment, would make a strong demand that their many privileges be safeguarded. The conditions make handsome monetary provisions for all the royal family, and permission is given for its members to continue to reside in Peking, one of the palaces being specially designated for the purpose.  
There was much cheering and exploding of fireworks in the streets last night, but there were no disturbances and this morning all was quiet, the victorious returning troops being enthusiastically welcomed. The provisional government is now ruling the Flowery Kingdom.



SCENES FROM THE CHINESE REVOLUTION.

No. 1—Soldiers hearing read the first proclamation of a republic. No. 2—Revolutionary army in the trenches at the battle of Chui Chow. No. 3—Aiming a mountain gun at advancing Imperial cavalry.

### LATEST NEWS FROM OTTAWA

Proposition to Advance Financial Aid to Settlers in Various Provinces—Cabinet Ministers to Have Under Secretaries.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The Government has under consideration the appointment of under secretaries, similar to the British system. These will be for the big departments only and would divide the work with the ministers.

In the Commons Mr. Burrells introduced a bill to encourage agriculture by advancing financial aid, pro rata of population, in the provinces. The House spent the rest of the day in committee on the tariff commission bill.

#### LABOR DEFEATED

South Australian Government Beaten by Six Votes.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Sydney, Feb. 13.—The South Australian labor government has been defeated by six seats at the general election.

### THE RAG DOLLS ENTERTAINED

Highly Amusing Novelty Put on by Ladies of Baptist Church Proved Another Success for Rev. McLeod's Congregation.

In McIntyre Hall last night another agreeable novelty in the way of evening entertainments was put on by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Baptist Church and very notably by the organizing efforts of Mrs. W. J. Alder and her daughter. With the wholehearted assistance of all the other ladies of the church and their many friends, the rag doll reception proved a huge success. The hall was crowded with guests and the entertainment provided by the doll chorus in song and comical turn gave immense delight. Fearful and wonderful were the costumes of the dolls. They must have taken hours of hard sewing on the part of the ladies to complete. They were made of various brilliant materials from cheese cloth to cretonne, and verily Solomon in all his glory was never arrayed like one of these rag dolls. After the dolls had done their excellent utmost, the guests broke up into merry groups and shared in many amusing games. A goodly service of refreshments followed, and the whole assembly greatly enjoyed the fare and festivity provided for them.

#### THE WEATHER.

Twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., February 13, 1912: Bar., 29.388; max. temp., 47.0; min. temp., 44.0; precipitation, .22.

For sale, at a bargain, 2 counters, one 10 ft., one 12 ft. H. S. Wallace.

### MAYOR DOUGLAS HAS MADE GOOD

Record Short Session for Council Last Night Under His Good Natured Presidency—Adjournment Called Until Monday.

In his new capacity as acting mayor of Prince Rupert Finance Minister Alderman Douglas made good last night. Under his good humored presidency the business

#### "I MIGHT STATE"



of the council was all smoothly carried through by 10 o'clock to the minute. As Alderman H. Douglas has ever been swift to move "extension of time" when council debates prolonged themselves beyond the closure hour of 11, as they usually do. But as acting mayor Alderman Douglas has made himself famous by his able conduct of one of the few meetings of Council which have ended at a reasonably early hour.

Besides this the Acting Mayor received a large deputation with becoming dignity, and showed himself promptly decisive in putting measures to the vote without unnecessary comment when the members of the Council had had their say. Acting Mayor Douglas was pardonably proud of his achievement last night, the more so because by passing a motion of adjournment until next Monday night the Council will have a well earned rest.

#### BOWLING SCORES

Railway Team Defaults to Business Men's Team.

The G. T. P. boys defaulted to the Business Men's team last evening in a match game at Morrison's bowling alley. The Business Men bowled their three games as per schedule, making the following scores:

J. Scott	200	225	233
L. Hauley	198	142	143
P. Rorvik	213	202	225
C. Youngman	168	224	195
J. G. McNab	162	166	192

Totals ..... 941 959 990  
Average score, 193.

#### Standing of Teams.

	Ave.	W.	L.
Business Men	1,000	15	0
Premiers	666 2-3	8	4
Centrals	466 2-3	7	8
Quill Drivers	167 1-3	2	10
G. T. P.	383 1-3	1	11

### FREE SPEECH IN VANCOUVER

Immense Gatherings on Sunday Easily Dispersed by Police—Only One Arrest Made and Only Man Taken to Hospital.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Vancouver, Feb. 13.—One man, Frank Flomberg, was taken to the Hospital with a badly cut head as the result of the third Sunday attempt at free speech on the Powell street grounds. The police dispersed the crowds without much trouble.

The much advertised meeting from launches in Stanley Park caused little excitement, the police boats and mounted constables keeping the crowd moving. Only one arrest was made all day, despite the crowd at Powell street numbered six thousand.

"New Lot of Ladies'" neckwear. Wallace's.

### SAW TWO DROWN BUT NOT HIS LOVED ONES

Romantic Position Today of Lawyer Island Lightkeeper---Believed Wife and Son Drowned, Finds Them Alive

Quite romantic today is the aspect of the double drowning story which was flashed by wireless from the steamer Bertha to Rupert yesterday morning from Lawyer Island. Instead of being the bereaved widower he imagined, Light Keeper Elstermann is with his wife and son again. There was a double drowning, but those the light keeper saw perish were not his own kith and kin. Their identity is doubtful, but they are believed to be two half breed lads who left in a small boat from Porcher Island and have not since been heard of.

Light Keeper Elstermann saw

through his telescope the boat in which he believed were his wife and son capsized and founder as far back as February 1st. Since then he has been almost frantic with grief, vainly trying to signal passing vessels, and without a boat in which to make the land. The Bertha was the first boat to heed his signals.

As soon as the Rover reached him yesterday afternoon, Elstermann told his story, but on board the Rover was Walter Warner of Porcher Island, who on hearing the date of the drowning given as February 1st at once said: "But I saw your wife and child alive on Porcher Island

on Sunday, the 4th." Instantly the aspect of things was changed, and hurrying the Rover at top speed Captain Norman Broadhurst took the anxious lighthouse keeper over to the place where his wife had been staying on Porcher Island. There she was safe and sound with the boy. Elstermann could scarcely believe his own eyes, and the shock after the strain he has gone through all but unnerved him.

But meantime the fact remains that he saw two persons swamp and drown before his eyes in a small sail boat running out from Porcher Island and apparently making for his light. The boat swamped and sank at a point where already there have been three drownings and several narrow escapes. Three boats, including this latest one, have swamped here. Light Keeper Harvey, who held the position just before Elstermann, was drowned there by the capsizing of his boat. His wife was left with her child on the light, unable to communicate with land. Three years ago Ed. Hudson in a strong Columbia River sail boat ran clean under in the same seaway and was rescued by the light keeper after having been in the water for over an hour. Those who know the place say that there is a deadly three way tide rip there, which in any sort of breeze becomes a death trap.

In the Rover yesterday there were brought back to Rupert two Frenchmen, who after reaching Porcher Island in a crazy open boat some weeks ago were unable to make the home trip in the leaky craft. That the light on Lawyer Island should be equipped with only one boat is a grievance which should be remedied.

### SECOND AVENUE OWNERS APPROACH CITY FATHERS

DEPUTATION HEADED BY MR. DAVID H. HAYS REQUESTS IMPROVEMENT OF THOROUGHFARE—MAJOR GIBSON SAYS SECOND AVE. IS PAVED LIKE THE ROAD TO HADES.

Long suffering lot owners, citizens and business men resident on Second avenue last night approached the City Council by deputation headed by Mr. David H. Hays. In an able address to the Council and acting mayor Mr. Hays set forth the claims of the Second avenue owners and residents to the effect that the avenue should be put in shape speedily now. Particular emphasis was laid on the advisability of taking advantage of the offer of Mr. McLeod, owner of the high lot next the Albert block. For the good of Second avenue it was expedient, they thought, to have the rock crusher kept on Second avenue so that that important thoroughfare might be got in smoother shape at as early a date as possible. Mr. Hays suggested also that the cross streets,

such as Second street, should be put in shape as far as Second avenue.

Major Gibson made the point stick humorously by suggesting that so far Second avenue had been paved like the path to a certain sultry place—with the good intentions of the previous council.

In reply to the deputation the opinion was expressed by Alderman Clayton that First street should be paved also, and Alderman Maitland, also Alderman Morrissey, entirely acquiesced in their demands. Acting Mayor Douglas assured the deputation of the best efforts of the Council to have the matter satisfactorily attended to, especially after the arrival of Mr. McLeod by the Prince Rupert on Wednesday. With thanks to the Council the deputation withdrew.

### NEW FIRE HALL IS CRITICISED

Aldermen Morrissey and Dybhavn Have Faults to Find in the Planning and Construction in Report Last Night.

Criticism of the new fire hall formed one of the themes of discussion in the City Council meeting last night. The Board of Works had been asked to report on the work and a report from Alderman Morrissey and Alderman Dybhavn came in, pointing out that the present plan of the Fulton street floor is ill adapted to any up-to-date extension of the fire fighting equipment, such as hook and ladder outfit, extension ladder, etc. Accommodation for horses was inadequate if these appliances were added to the present outfit and storage space for hose was insufficient, according to the report.

Further criticism was directed against the construction of the basement of the building on the ground that it did not appear strong enough for supporting heavy loads like the storage of the crusher and road roller.

The whole matter was referred to the City Engineer for report.

#### GREY FOR PREMIER

Asquith Soon to Retire in Favor of Foreign Secretary.

(Special to Daily News.)  
London, Feb. 13.—The Daily Graphic this morning states that Mr. Asquith is soon to retire from the premiership, to be succeeded by Sir Edward Grey, foreign secretary. Lord Haldane is back from Germany, but nothing has leaked out as to his mission.

### RESURRECT DUNEDIN BLK.

Gaunt Old Ruin Reappears as a Perilous Menace to the City Again—Once More Matter Goes to City Solicitor.

Again that skeleton in the municipal cupboard—the Dunedin block—has rattled its decaying bones in the council chamber. This time the Dunedin block figures as a fire menace, the windows being continually open and the floor littered with shavings and inflammable material. Acting Fire Chief McDonald represented the risk to the Council.

Alderman Morrissey said that this matter of the Dunedin block had never been clear to him; the building had been condemned, but somehow this had been repealed and the structure remained unoccupied and dangerous. Alderman Clayton agreed with this strongly and a motion referring the whole matter to the City Solicitor for immediate action was passed.

#### For Sale.

Furniture of four-room house. Apply F. D. Keeley. tf

### BUSINESS CONCENTRATION

Miller, Phillips & Co. to Develop Eighth Avenue Enterprise.

Announcement was made this morning by Mr. Phillips of Messrs. Miller, Phillips & Co. that after the 15th inst. the firm will concentrate its business in the increasingly populous centre on Eighth avenue and McBride street, where they first established their store. This concentration means the firm's removal from their Seventh avenue location to develop their business in the more central location.

#### GROWING TRAFFIC

Two Hundred and Sixty Locomotives Ordered in Canada.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Toronto, Feb. 13.—Canadian railways within the past two months have ordered 260 locomotives, representing an outlay of four million dollars. The greater number of these are for use in the west.

#### SEVEN DROWNED

Collision Between Two Steamers in Hull Harbor.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Hull, Feb. 13.—Seven of the crew of the steamer Lorbay were drowned in a collision in the harbor with the steamer Wickwood during the heavy fog of last night.

### PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Miller, Phillips & Co. announce concentration on their central premises after 15th inst.

The principals in the holdup case that never occurred last night have just been discharged.

Fifty-three men at work on pipe trenching, and another gang of thirty just starting.

Acting Mayor Douglas states that he has been on the job at the city hall all morning.

Committee appointed to consider reduction of city engineering staff in session at city hall.