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NOMINATIONS WIRED FROM ALL OVER PROVINCE

SANDBAGGING OF THE PASTOR IS STILL A DEEP MYSTERY

Rev. Warren H. McLeod Was on His Way Home From a Rehearsal at Mrs. Chisholm's

WAS IT A VENGEANCE FOR HIS SERMON?

Popular Pastor Spoke Very Plainly the Sunday Previous of Conservative Orgy in McIntyre Hall and Liquor Abuses Generally ---Street Gossips Connect Two as Grounds of Suspicion

Today the activities of the police force were concentrated on investigation of the reported sandbagging of Rev. W. H. McLeod, who lies at the general hospital suffering from the effects of his ugly experience. Able to speak and think more collectedly and coherently than he could last night when only half-conscious as a result of his injuries, Rev. McLeod was inclined to the suspicion that he had, if sandbagged, been the victim of some one perhaps resenting the strong statements he made on Sunday relative to liquor. Mr. McLeod could not imagine any other motive for an assault upon him, nor can any one else. The pastor of the First Baptist Church is one

of the most popular men in Rupert. Mr. McLeod, as far as his memory served him today, recalled the moment of his leaving Mrs. Chisholm's house after a rehearsal. He remembers thinking the night clear. He was aware of footsteps approaching behind him as he gained the street. The steps suddenly quickened, and turning with an instinct of self-protection, Mr. McLeod was in the same instant conscious of a sudden shock—a blow he thinks. Then all was dark until in a hazy way he recalls being picked up and helped from the muskeg where he had fallen onto the sidewalk. Mr. McLeod is loth to accuse any one of sandbagging him, but the circumstances as he recalls them are as stated.

City Clerk Woods, who happened to be passing Mrs. Chisholm's house at ten minutes past 10 or so, just when Mr. McLeod was leaving there, recalls having seen a man in the neighborhood who might have come up behind Mr. McLeod. The figure of the man was seen only indistinctly in the darkness by the city clerk, but his footsteps were clearly heard on the board walk. Frank Bratt, who at twenty minutes past 10 was first to find

MARINE DEPOT IS FINISHED

Contractors Have Only a Few Minor Matters to Clear Up Now.

RESIDENT ENGINEER GOES

Mr. Jennings Returns to Marine and Fisheries Department at Ottawa.

F. P. Jennings, the resident engineer of the Digby Island marine depot, left on the Princess May this morning for Victoria, where he will spend a few days and then report for duty at the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa. Mr. Jennings has finished his work, but that of the contractors is not quite completed, there being several minor matters yet to fix up. It will probably be ready to turn over to the government and be placed in operation, he says, about May 1st.

Mr. Jennings was born in London, England, spent some years in railway engineering work and came to Canada in 1905 to the engineering office of the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Ottawa. He made the original survey for this marine station, which was projected as one of the largest and best equipped in the Dominion, and also prepared the plans.

He again expresses himself as particularly pleased with the work of the contractors, especially so in regard to the construction of the wharf. He says the reinforced concrete pillars supporting it are a new feature on this coast, although used in the old country for a number of years.

LAND GRABBING

How McBride Is Conserving the Land for the People.

Harry Eastman was in from Porcher Island today and said that recently a party of would-be settlers from there went to Banks Island for the purpose of staking land for pre-emption or purchase. When they arrived at the government agent's office in this city they were informed that sixty thousand acres of the best land on Banks Island had been granted to one company.

THE WEATHER.

For twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., March 15th: Bar., 29.673; max. temp., 52.0; min. temp., 36.0; precipitation, .01.

A. B. Irvine, barrister, and H. S. Hutchins of Salt Lake City, who are here on some legal business, are staying at the Royal.

RETURNS OF NOMINATIONS

Two of McBride's Cabinet Officers Are Returned by Acclamation.

PREMIER'S COMPLACENCY Seems to Believe That He Has Bought or Bottled Up Every Vote in Province.

(Special to Daily News.) Vancouver, March 15.—The following are the returns of the nominations made yesterday:

Nanaimo—A. E. Planta, Conservative; Alderman H. Shepard, Liberal; J. Place, Socialist.

Dewdney—W. J. Manson, Conservative; Mr. McNeice, Liberal.

Alberni—J. G. Wood, Conservative; acclamation.

Newcastle—R. B. Dier, Conservative; P. Williams, Socialist.

Cariboo (two members)—Callahan, Conservative; Major Fraser, Conservative. No report.

New Westminster—Thomas Gifford, Conservative; George Kennedy, Liberal.

Fernie—Hon. Ross, Conservative; W. Davidson, Socialist.

Chilliwack—S. A. Cawley, Conservative; acclamation.

Okanagan—Hon. Price Ellison, Conservative; G. F. Stirling, Socialist.

Greenwood—J. R. Jackson, Conservative; George Heatherton, Socialist.

Grand Forks—Ernest Miller, Conservative; acclamation.

Delta—F. J. A. Mackenzie, Conservative; John Oliver, Liberal.

Victoria—Hon. Richard McBride, H. B. Thompson, Henry Behnen and Fred Davey, Conservatives; H. C. Brewster, Liberal; one independent.

Esquimalt—H. Dallas Helms, K. C.; R. H. Pooley, J. Jardine, Conservatives; M. B. Jackson, Liberal; G. Oliver, Socialist.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

Vancouver—Sixteen candidates, five Conservatives, five Liberals, five Socialists and one independent, Sam Greer.

Revelstoke—Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of public works; acclamation.

Atlin—Hon. H. C. Young, provincial secretary and minister of education; acclamation.

Golden—H. G. Parson, Conservative; H. E. Forster, independent Conservative.

Rossland—Lorne A. Campbell, Conservative; L. D. Taylor, ex-mayor of Vancouver, Liberal; G. B. Casey, Socialist.

Comox—M. Manson, Conservative; W. W. Lefaux, Socialist.

Richmond—F. L. Carter-Cotton, Conservative; Reeve Weart, Liberal.

Islands—A. E. McPhillips, Conservative; P. Winch, independent.

Cowichan—H. Hayward, Conservative; Alex. Herd, Liberal.

Kamloops—J. P. Shaw, Conservative; No report.

Cranbrook—Thomas Caven, Conservative; acclamation.

Saanich—Hon. D. M. Eberts, Conservative; W. Noble, Liberal.

Kaslo—N. F. McKay, Conservative; acclamation.

Similkameen—L. W. Shatford, Conservative; acclamation.

Lillooet—Mark Eagleson, Conservative. No report.

Slocan—William Hunter, Conservative; Anthony Shilland, Socialist.

Nelson—William R. McLean, Conservative; H. Wright, independent; Arthur Harrod, Socialist.

Yale—A. Lucas, Conservative; J. P. McConnell, Liberal.

Ymir—J. H. Schofield, Conservative; R. P. Pettipiece, Socialist.

Nelson, March 14.—Speaking of the result of the nominations last night Premier McBride said he would be pleased and not surprised to see the whole country go solid Conservative on election day.

PORCHER ISLAND SETTLERS REGISTER A BIG, BIG KICK

HAVE TAKEN OUT LICENSES FOR HAND LOGGING BUT HAVE FOR COMPETITORS UNSCRUPULOUS JAPANESE WHO HAVE NO LICENSES.

The settlers on Porcher Island are being badly treated if their accounts be true, and there seems to be no reason to doubt them. They are unable to make a living on their land at present and in the off season make a little money in cutting wood. To do this they take out licenses. But they are up against a lot of wood cutters who do not trouble to take out licenses or to map out ground for cutting. They have represented the outrage to Captain McCoskrie, the local timber inspector, but without having obtained even a recognition, so they have taken the course of getting up the following petition:

Prince Rupert, B. C. March 13, 1912.

A. D. McKay, Esq., Chief Timber Inspector, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: We, the undersigned, being on the voters' list and for the most part having pre-emptions on Porcher and Lewis islands, wish to enter a strong protest against the laxness which allows the Japanese to cut cordwood and piles.

Practically all the cordwood and piles are used by the canneries and their managers are continually giving contracts to the Japanese for same. Owing to natural conditions it is impossible for us to secure a living from our pre-emptions and as a

result it is necessary for us to work out part of each year.

Should a white man wish to cut cordwood or piles it is necessary to secure a license from the government. Not so the Japanese, who are being allowed to cut and carry away cordwood and piles unmolested, notwithstanding that we have been informing the assistant timber inspector, Captain McCoskrie, again and again with no results.

We beg to inform you that the settlers are indignant and are considering the advisability of calling an indignation meeting to discuss this flaring abuse.

We also beg to inform you that we shall make it our business to seize all unlawfully cut piles and cordwood through the provincial police if not through your department.

Trusting you will give this important matter your immediate attention and issue instructions to Mr. McCoskrie how to act we remain,

Yours respectfully,
Leonard Bentley,
John Warner,
Harry List,
John Oliver,
Wm. H. Harrison,
John Dazie,
Louis Locker,
Ed. Normann,
Wm. Noel,
Harnes K. Fremann.

RECORD RUN OF RED DEVIL

Imaginary Blaze at Central Hotel Extinguished in Minute and a Half—May Result in Reduced Insurance Rates.

One of the smartest fire brigade turnouts ever achieved in Rupert was managed yesterday afternoon at about 5 o'clock. The surprise drill was quietly arranged for the benefit of Mr. R. Trumbull of the American Union Fire Insurance Companies and was planned at the request of J. Lorne McLaren of the Mack Realty Co. An alarm was rung in suddenly from the Central Hotel. In one minute and fifty-five seconds thereafter streams of water were pouring onto the building. It was a record turnout and gave satisfaction to the fire insurance expert.

WINDSOR HOTEL CASE

Evidence of Two New Witnesses Not Taken—Adjourned Again.

Two new witnesses, Malcolm McArthur and Robert Doyle, were called for the prosecution in the Windsor Hotel case today, but as their testimony concerned a period some time back and not that charged their evidence was not taken. The court now awaits the appearance of J. H. McLean, who resided in the hotel continuously during the period in question. His evidence will be taken on Monday, the case standing adjourned until then.

JOLIFFE BACK WITH GOOD NEWS

Though Illegally Delayed Government Steamer Did Her Work.

LEEBRO SAFE AT LANGARA

Report Regarding Lumber Found Jetsam Points to Trouble for Another Vessel.

Last night the William Joliffe returned to Prince Rupert from Langara Island with good news of the Leebro. The vessel is safe discharging cargo at the island for the lighthouse. What vessel cargo of lumber the 30,000 feet found on the east coast of Graham Island may have belonged to is not yet ascertained, but the report sent to the wireless station by Captain Wearmouth of the John and acted upon as promptly as possible by the provincial government authorities was of course a perfectly bona fide one.

Relatives of those on board the Leebro rendered anxious by the perfectly correct and legitimate news that the provincial government authorities here had attached sufficient weight to Captain Wearmouth's report to send the William Joliffe in search of the Leebro have no further cause for anxiety.

Neither have they any cause for complaint against any newspaper alive enough to the public

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BRITISH PREMIER ASQUITH.

Statesman who is using every possible governmental influence to bring to a settlement the disastrous coal strike.

ST. PATRICK'S CONCERT

Public Eager for Seats for Monday Night.

Seats for "Ici on Parle Français" and "Leap Year" will be on sale at the Westholme Opera House box office today, Saturday and Monday from 2 to 5. Also at Keeley's. Boxes \$10. A brisk sale is expected. "Standing room only" will be the word on the night of the performance.

FREIGHT CONGESTION

Western Transportation Problem to Be Investigated.

(Special to Daily News.)

Ottawa, March 15.—The government has signified its intention of investigating the transportation problem at the earliest possible moment by a board of special commissioners.

King's regular Saturday night dance, McIntyre Hall. Dancing lessons given 7:30 to 9. 2t

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PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Prominent banker gazing in southwesterly direction in search of a wife.

Nothing has been heard from the Falcon, the federal fisheries patrol boat commandeered by Manson.

Rev. McLeod's bump of "intellectual experience" was raised for him by a disciple of Silence.

William Angle busy stamping the first pile for the new post office.

The William Joliffe has just been rechristened the William Jellyfish cruiser.

Perfect specimen of Pacific coast jellyfish, genius Gulelmus Mansonii, type Political Invertebrate, appears at Esquimaux.