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WATSON'S ALIBI COMMENCING TO WEAKEN

LARGE NUMBER MEN TO BE EMPLOYED AT ISLAND PLANT STARTING MARCH

Seattle Police Chief is Not so Certain Now Where Detective Was

SEATTLE, Dec. 30. — Chief of Police William Severson, who had announced his belief in the innocence of Ex-Detective Ross Watson accused of participating in the Nanaimo Royal Bank robbery, was less positive today after checking up Watson's alibi.

"Some details of Watson's alibi don't pan out," said the chief, "and of course that doesn't do him any good."

Two of Watson's strongest alibi witnesses also denied that they had testified against Watson in Washington State at the time the robbery occurred.

The extradition hearing has set for January 12. The attorneys for the four suspects are applying for bail.

DIRECTOR OF HOME BANK IS FOUND GUILTY

J. F. M. Stewart is Convicted and Sentence Will be Passed January 15

TORONTO, Dec. 30. — J. F. M. Stewart of Toronto, a director of the Home Bank, was today found guilty of negligence in signing false and deceptive statements in connection with the affairs of the bank. Sentence will be passed on January 15.

Three directors and one official have now been convicted following the investigation of the affairs of the defunct bank.

ENGLISH GALE DOES DAMAGE

Terrific Wind Sweeps Water Before it on to Shore

LONDON, Dec. 30. — The gale which has been sweeping the English coast endangering shipping and causing much damage has subsided.

At Fleetwood the sea advanced like a tidal wave causing the only road leading inland to be impassable.

Selby, in Yorkshire, was almost washed out by the rising of the river Ouse. Household fires were extinguished by the flood and the furniture set afloat. Preston was also flooded out.

In the upper reaches of the river Thames the water is still rising.

FORMER ALDERMAN OF VANCOUVER IS DEAD

Body of William P. Roberts Found West End Apartments

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30. — Seated in a chair near a gas stove in his room in a west end apartment block with the gas pouring forth from open jets, the body of William P. Roberts, pioneer resident and former alderman, was found late Monday afternoon by the janitor. He had been dead an hour.

TO REWARD FLYERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. — President Coolidge has asked the general staff of the army to recommend suitable reward and recognition for the army's round the world flyers it is announced at the White House.

Legislative Library
Parliament Buildings
Montreal

NOT IN FAVOR CHURCH UNION

Local Presbyterians Vote Against Combination under Federal Act

LOCAL CHURCH AGAINST UNION

The congregation of the local Presbyterian Church last night voted against Church Union by 64 to 11. The voting took place in the church and those in charge of the balloting were J. L. Christie, Geo. Rorie and Thomas McClymont.

JAILER'S WIFE STOPS ESCAPE OF PRISONER

Pelted Rocks at Man Trying to Get Out of Prison Window

EDMONTON, Ky., Dec. 30. — Mrs. C. T. Garrett, wife of the jailer of Metcalfe county, blocked a jail delivery here after she discovered Edward Jennings, awaiting trial on a charge of highway robbery, half way out of a window, the bars of which he had loosened.

Mrs. Garrett gathered an armful of rocks and began to throw them at Jennings. They came so close that the prisoner crawled back out of range.

Jennings said later the first three rocks were "three strikes" and, as Mrs. Garrett's aim was improving, he abandoned his attempt to escape.

DATE OF ELECTION IS FORMALLY SET

Nominations Will be Received on January 12 and Voting Will Take Place on January 15

A motion by Ald. Collart and Ald. Perry setting January 12 between the hours of 12 and 2 as the time for receiving nominations for the civic election, January 15 from 8 in the morning until 8 in the evening as the time for balloting and appointing City Solicitor E. F. Jones as returning officer was passed at last night's meeting of the city council. Mr. Jones' assistants will be drawn as far as possible from the city hall staff and the deputy returning officers will be Ernest Enwin, Herbert Hampton, D. Balfour and E. S. Allistone.

HIS LOVE SONG WAS A LITTLE TOO LATE

New York Man's Wife Drinks Mysterious Poison and Dies

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. — While her husband was at his piano composing a love song which he hoped would help him to patch up a quarrel with her and her four-year-old daughter was asleep in her crib, Mrs. Herbert Stohart drank a mysterious and fatal poison at her home and died.

HOCKEY SCORES

Western Canada League
Vancouver 6, Regina 5; at Vancouver.
Calgary 5, Edmonton 2; at Calgary.



U.S. Senator Francis Warren, aged 82, of Wyoming, has been re-elected for another six-year term, is the oldest member in Congress.

Hon. Fred A. Pauline is Appointed Agent General For Province at London

(Special to Daily News.)
VICTORIA, Dec. 30. — Hon. Frederick Arthur Pauline of Saanich, former speaker of the British Columbia Legislature, has been appointed Agent General for B.C. in London succeeding the late F. C. Wade.

The new Agent General was born at Henley-on-Thames, England, on September 19, 1861, of Huguenot ancestry. He received his education in England and came to Canada in 1883 and in 1890 was married in Victoria. For many years he was in the wholesale dry goods business in Victoria, having retired in 1911.

Besides having served two terms as member for Saanich and one as Speaker in the Legislature, Mr. Pauline has been a member of the Victoria city council as well as president of the Board of Trade. Experience gained at all these posts will fit him well for his new sphere but, perhaps of more benefit to British Columbia will be his enthusiasm for industrial development in the province particularly with reference to the creation of an iron and steel industry.

It is generally conceded that the choice of a new Agent General has fallen on a man who will fill the office with effectiveness and dignity, making a worthy successor to the late Mr. Wade.

HOME NAVY IS FAVORED

A. W. Neill Will Bring up Canadian Defence at Next Session

OTTAWA, Dec. 30. — The question of naval defence of the Canadian coasts will be brought before the House of Commons at the approaching session by A. W. Neill, member for Comox-Alberni, who has given notice that he will move "that Canada should prepare to bear some portion of the naval defence of our sea coasts and of our ocean-borne lines of commerce."

PETER WRIGHT OF VANCOUVER DEAD

Was Pioneer Retail Merchant and Came to Southern City 25 Years Ago

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30. — Peter Wright, one of the city's best known retail merchants and a pioneer resident, is dead. He came from West Neath, Ontario, twenty-five years ago and was a partner with Ex-Mayor T. S. Baxter in the furniture business.

Kid McCoy is Found Guilty of Manslaughter and Sentence is to be Passed on Friday Next

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30. — Kid McCoy, former famous pugilist, has been convicted in the Superior Court here on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the shooting of Mrs. Theresa Mors. The penalty for the crime is from one to ten years' imprisonment.

Shedding tears, McCoy said he believed the verdict was unjust. "If I am not guilty as charged, I am not guilty at all," he said.

The foreman of the jury said it was a compromise verdict. McCoy was charged with murder.

Sentence will be passed on Friday. An appeal will be entered by McCoy's counsel.

WIRELESS REPORT

Noon
DEAD TREE POINT. — Overcast; calm; barometer 29.65; temperature 39; sea moderate.

BULL HARBOR. — Raining; fresh southeast wind; barometer 29.70; temperature 40; moderate swell; 8.30 a.m. spoke steamer Camosun left Beaver cannery southbound.

DIGBY ISLAND. — Cloudy; light east wind; barometer 29.70; temperature 44; sea smooth.

CANADIAN VOLUNTEER HERE FOR OVERHAUL

C.G.M.M. Freighter Arrived From South at Six O'clock Last Night

C.G.M.M. freighter Canadian Volunteer, Capt. Sutherland, arrived in port from the south at six o'clock last night for general overhaul at the Canadian National dry dock. She discharged 500 tons of coal at the Albert McCaffery dock this morning and will be taken up on the pontoons early tomorrow morning for inspection and necessary repairs.

Lumber Mill at Queen Charlotte City Taken Over and Will Resume

The lumber mill at Queen Charlotte City, formerly owned by the North American Timber Holdings Co., has recently been sold to Messrs. Ewart and Sirell of Vancouver. A. J. McCullough, who was superintendent of the Buckley Bay mill for a considerable time, is leaving on the next trip of the Prince John to get the machinery in order and have the mill running in March.

The mill at present has a capacity of 50,000 feet a day and this will be increased by the new owners to 75,000 feet a day by the installation of a re-saw and a new boiler and engine. A bath mill is also to be installed.

When operations commence in March between 125 and 150 men will be employed. Several mechanics and millwrights will arrive from Vancouver in the near future to assist with the installation of new machinery at the mill.

Speaking of the lumber situation in the New Year, Mr. McCullough says that the lumber men in Vancouver are very optimistic as to the future outlook and that the bad times will soon be a thing of the past. Already the price of logs and lumber has gone up a little which augurs well for the future market.

APPLICATION OF PROVINCE

Premier Oliver Says Discrimination Against B.C. re Crow's Nest Rates to be Pro-tested

VICTORIA, Dec. 30. — The British Columbia government yesterday prepared a formal application to the railway commission for an order making the Crow's Nest freight rates applicable to eastbound as well as westbound goods.

Premier Oliver issued a statement saying the government was protesting any discrimination against this province arising from the federal government's decision to temporarily restore the Crow's Nest rates.

CHINA HAS WHOLESALE EXECUTIONS

PEKIN, Dec. 30. — Four hundred and eighty nine coolies and incendiaries found with loot in the Talgan railway station have been tried and executed according to what purports to be an official military report.

JAP STEAMER CATCHES FIRE

Passengers and Crew of Ginyo Maru Forced to Lifeboats on California Coast

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30. — A fire which broke out aboard the Japanese steamer Ginyo Maru last night and forced 79 passengers and most of the vessel's crew of 103 to take to the lifeboats, is still being battled against today.

According to signals received the occupants of the lifeboats have been picked up. One hold is loaded with nitrate and an explosion is feared. The passengers were forced to leave hurriedly without their belongings.

REDUCTION IN UTILITY RATES DECIDED UPON

Ald. Macdonald's Bylaw Wins Out After Long Debate in City Council

Ald. Macdonald's light and power rate reduction bylaw won its way into the city council last night and was given its first readings after permission for its being introduced was granted on the following division: for the bylaw, Ald. Macdonald, Ald. Casey, Ald. McMorde and Ald. Smith; against, Ald. Collart, Ald. Perry and Ald. Clapp. Ald. Evelt did not vote.

Having given notice of motion last week, Ald. Macdonald moved that the bylaw be introduced and found a seconder in Ald. Smith. Ald. Collart, seconded by Ald. Perry, moved an amendment that the bylaw be referred back to the committee with a view to bringing about an equalization of rates without reducing the revenue so drastically. This done, Ald. Collart declared he would support the bylaw.

Ald. Macdonald stated that the bylaw proposed would bring about the desired equalization. As the objection to reduction in revenue, he was of the opinion that this would be made up for in a degree by increased consumption.

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LIQUOR HEAD TO TOUR PROVINCE

Hugh Davidson Will Investigate Conditions Throughout British Columbia

VICTORIA, Dec. 30. — To investigate liquor conditions, Hugh Davidson, recently appointed British Columbia liquor commissioner, is planning a tour throughout the province shortly.

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Poor In Spirit Always With Us.

The poor in spirit—the doubters and knockers—we always have with us. They are the drags on the wheels of the community optimism. They may be necessary and may have their usefulness in keeping us from becoming too zealous in the chase for the rainbow's end. It is said that it takes all kinds to make the world. One element stabilizes the other. We would not get very far if we did not have our cheerful spirits—those who are always wearing a smile and hoping for the best. Perhaps, of course, we might not get very far if we did not also have the other kind of persons. One ill-placed knock can do a great deal more harm than a lot of boosts. Therefore, the motto: "If you can't boost, don't knock."

Things Are Coming In Our Direction.

We are looking for a lot of things in Prince Rupert—among them are the elevator, the island road, the reopening of the sawmill and the building of a ship. The most of the people here are expecting to get these things. Some, of course, still have their little hammers out and are saying we won't. A glance at the situation as pertaining to these various things, however, is anything if not reassuring. The elevator we are certain of, the road is already partly built, promising negotiations are in progress with regard to the mill, but the ship—we are still told they have not got the money to build the ship. However, the ship—and as Sir Henry Thornton suggested more than one ship—is needed at once in the interest of good business for the Canadian National Railways. When good business demands that something be provided—that something will undoubtedly be forthcoming sooner or later.

An Absurd Kind Of Prediction.

Since announcement was made at the end of last week that the date for opening of tenders for the elevator had been extended for a couple of weeks, the knockers have been at it in their glee. They say that, after all, we are not going to get an elevator for a long, long time. This sounds bad, but nobody is worrying over it. The most of us are beginning to know the various persons around town who seem to delight in giving such opinions as these and, knowing the source, we give them the attention that they deserve—namely none. Anybody who still feels that we are not going to get an elevator in Prince Rupert has indeed a perverted sense of imagination. If it were not for the many people here who will benefit from the elevator, some of us might be inclined to make such persons feel happy by hoping that there really would be no elevator.

Even the Saturday Tribune, so popular with all who nurse a grinch, says Prince Rupert should feel elated with the prospects for the New Year.

Animal Life on Islands is Comparatively Scarce; Deer Unable to Swim Hecate Straits

(By C. Harrison)

The animals of the Queen Charlotte Islands are not as plentiful as outsiders imagine them to be and, in view of the proximity of this country to the mainland, they may be said to be rather scarce. The channel of Hecate Straits is too wide and too great a distance for any of the animals of the mainland to attempt to swim across and forms an effective barrier between our islands and the coast line. The tides through the Straits are rapid and strong and would be liable to carry any animal attempting to swim across out to the open sea rather than across. During my time, however, on these islands several dead deer have been picked up on the north and east coasts, which show that although they attempted to cross the journey was too difficult and the result was that their dead bodies must have been carried to and fro until at last they were washed up on our shores. Owing to this fact the animals now on these islands are a conclusive proof that this land must have been stocked with the same breeds when they were contiguous to the mainland. All the mammals we now have through being isolated for such a long period from those elsewhere have become differentiated in a very marked degree. The birds on these islands are very plentiful and are similar to those found from Victoria to Ketchikan, and I am fully convinced we have on Queen Charlotte Islands at least one hundred different species.

Mr. Osgood of the Biological department, Washington, in regard to our island birds makes these remarks:—"The land birds frequent the thickets of salmon berry, alder and willow bushes found bordering sandy marshes or small streams. In these restricted areas certain species are very common. The steamer which carried us to the islands dropped anchor in Cumshewa Inlet, and through the port of my stateroom sounded such an avian chorus as I have heard nowhere else on the northwest coast. The greatest volume of song came from song sparrows and fox sparrows, but the rich tones of the russet back thrushes contributed much to the strength and quality. Winter wrens bubbled and spluttered on all sides, the clear notes of a robin were heard now and then, and from further back in the forest came the weird call of the varied thrush, while all the time several huge ravens carried on a lively conversation. The deep forest is for the most part quiet and dark, and save for an occasional creeper or winter wren contains no birds. Very few of the land birds are refutably separable from those of the Sitkan district, but the tendency to dark colors and heavy markings is extreme. Two forms are peculiar to the islands, a Jay, *Cyanocitta Stelleri*, Charlotte and a Woodpecker *Dryobates Picoides*, both of which belong to groups not known to be as variable as others, such as Junco, Melospiza and Passerella, whose Queen Charlotte representatives are not strongly characterized. Ninety six species are known to occur on the islands, sixty-two of which are found in the breeding season."

Only One Vertebrate
Besides these animals and birds but one land vertebrate has up to the present date been found on the islands, and that is the toad, *Bufo Halophilus Columbiensis*, and this also is common on the mainland opposite. The bear is the largest animal we have, and is known to the biologists as *Urus Carolottae* to differentiate it from the western bear known as *Urus Americanus*. Mr. Osgood, who has taken great interest in these matters, made a collection of skulls of these island bears when he was there in 1901, and his remarks are: "Seven perfect skulls of the Queen Charlotte black bear are in the biological survey collection, and although most of them are those of immature animals. There is no difficulty in distinguishing any of them from mainland specimens. In comparisons, specimens from Western B.C. and Alaska have been used to represent *Urus Americanus*, which, as far as known at present, ranges from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The skull of *Urus Luteolus* is equal in size to that of *Carolottae*, but the teeth though as long as in *Carolottae*, are much wider and heavier, in *Carolottae* the brain case is heavier and fuller,

the arch of the cranium much greater, and the inter orbital region wider. At the suggestion of C. S. Miller, the skull of the *Urus Carolottae* was compared with that of *Urus Procerus*, the fossil species from Ohio, and more or less superficial resemblance between them was found, though, of course, detailed diagnostic characters are numerous. Both agree in general form of skull, particularly in the elongate rostrum in contrast with that of *Urus Americanus*. No skins of *Carolottae* have been examined, but they are said to be glossy at all times, the cinnamon form being absolutely unknown to the islanders."

Also in regard to Land Otter (*Lutra Canadensis*) they are easily distinguishable from those caught on the mainland, and are not plentiful as we imagine them to be. They are also very difficult to trap or to get near to shoot. The next animal that has a marketable value is the Marten (*Mustela Nesophila*). The peculiarities shown by the skulls are so marked that Mr. Osgood says "That there can be no doubt but that they represent an insular species. In the biological survey series of nearly five hundred skulls of *Mustela Americanus* and its allies, I have been able, he says, to find no others showing the characters of those individuals from Queen Charlotte Islands."

The Haida Weasel
The last marketable land animal is the Haida Weasel (*Putorius Halidarius Prellii*). There are several specimens of this weasel on these islands, and they have been caught at different places from Cape St. James to Langara Island, but yet they are very rare. Its skull is entirely different from that of any other weasel group on the mainland. Seeing that the island animals are entirely differentiated from their generic classes on the mainland, there can be no wonder that the Caribou shot two years ago by the Haidas are also different from those on the mainland. Mr. Kermode terms them, degenerate, being small in size and their antlers deformed and soon will die out, etc. but all these different points only go to prove that as with all other animals, the bear, the land otter, the marten and the weasel, the reason of these differentiations may, and most likely are due to their insular habitat, and logically there can be no more reason why the Caribou should be dying out than the bear and the other island animals.

The grizzly bear, cinnamon bear, hedgehog, mountain sheep or mountain goat, the wolf and the small red deer are not found on the islands. The sea otter was on my arrival rarely seen and shot, but not quite so seldom as at present. The Haidas were accustomed to get very many fur seals, and the old men as hunters were proficient in saving all they shot, and in this respect could not be excelled. Now the fur seals are very rare and the hunting of them a thing of the past. The Haidas have not attempted to hunt them during the past twenty-five years. All the sea animals they obtained had excellent fur and brought first-class prices, but the land animals never commanded as high a price as those on the mainland. Sea lions are plentiful on the West coast and the hair seal are quite common, but their market value is very low, and consequently it does not pay to hunt them.

Geese, Ducks and Fowl
Geese, ducks and sea fowl have always been utilized as articles of food by the natives, and the eggs of sea birds, especially the eggs of the sea-gull are collected in large quantities annually. Every lonely and wave-washed rock and islet on which the gulls lay their eggs are known to the Haidas, and have been apportioned as hereditary property amongst the different tribes.

(Editor's Note.—This is the fourth of a series of articles on the Queen Charlotte Islands by Mr. Harrison. The next will appear in an early issue.)



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Accounts up to December 27 totalling \$5,987 were passed for payment at last night's meeting of the city council.

Edward Bennett, in Indian of Vancouver, was fined \$25 in the city police court this morning for having liquor in his possession.

Special meeting of Trades & Labor Council tonight for the purpose of considering the question of municipal affairs.

Geo. Ryan, a native of Metlakatla, was fined \$15 and costs by Indian Agent Collison yesterday afternoon for intoxication on an Indian reserve.

A. C. R. Yuill, the Vancouver hydro-electric expert, who reached the city the first of the week, will leave for Anyox on the Prince Rupert tomorrow night.

Dido Gurvich appeared before Magistrate McClymont in the city police court this morning charged with using obscene language and was dismissed with a caution.

Coastwise Steamship and Barge Co.'s freighter Mogul arrived in port this morning from Vancouver and is unloading coal at the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.'s wharf.

The Standard oil tanker W. S. Miller is expected to arrive this afternoon from California with 35,000 barrels of crude oil for the Imperial Oil Co.'s tanks. This will be the vessel's first call here.

Judgment giving the plaintiff \$95 and costs and the right to put on a mechanic's lien was given by Judge Young yesterday afternoon in the County Court in the case of G. K. Ytreberg vs. Mrs. Louise Adams.

The pupil nurses entertained a number of their friends at a delightful dance in the Nurses' Home last night. Miss St. Cyr presided at the piano and delectable refreshments were served at 11 o'clock after which dancing continued until midnight.

Union steamer Gardena, Capt. A. E. Dickson, returned from Anyox, Alice Arm and Stewart at 10 o'clock this morning and will leave for Vancouver and waypoints at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Passengers going south include Mr. and Mrs. C. McL. Smith and son, Mrs. T. Kruger, A. Skelborne, M. Hanson and B. Johnson.

On recommendation of the city engineer, it was decided at last night's council meeting that the city should take over a private sewer on Fourth Avenue East built by J. W. McKinley. The sewer runs over city property and connects with a trunk sewer. The new Presbyterian Church is desirous of connecting with the sewer and Mr. McKinley gave his permission providing the city took it over.

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Moose Social, on New Year's Eve. All Moose, Women's Mooseheart Legion and friends invited.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Mathieson left on last night's train for Vancouver for a few week's holiday.

The winners of the Elks' Candle Guessing Contest will be announced at a dance held in the Elks' Home on Friday, January 2. Prizes will be presented.

Manufacturers' Clearance Sale of high class dresses for ten days only at Universal Trading Co. See our ad, and window display. We assure you the values we are offering in this sale will not be duplicated here for many a day.

Skippers well known in these waters and their wives are on the committee of the annual Merchant Service Guild ball which will take place in Lestor Court, Vancouver, on January 9. Among them are Capt. and Mrs. C. C. Saintey, Capt. and Mrs. W. S. Morehouse and Capt. Holmes Newcombe.

PYTHIAN SISTERS' CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Affair in Boston Hall Last Night Was Thoroughly Enjoyed by all

A very successful children's Christmas concert was given last night in the Boston Hall under the auspices of the Pythian Sisters. The hall was crowded with children accompanied by their parents and a musical program, the appearance of Father Christmas and a dance for the kiddies were features that were thoroughly enjoyed. G. W. Johnstone occupied the chair.

The following musical program was rendered by the children.

A song by the Sunbeam class. Duets by the Misses Edith Johnson and Enyd Morris. Songs by Miss Irene Hamblin and Bruce Stevens. Recitations by Miss Ruby Green, Miss Eva Morris, Miss Margaret Mussallem and Miss Eileen Green.

Piano solo by Misses Enyd Morris, Mabel Ivarson, Margaret Gilchrist and Evelyn Large. Piano duet by Misses Dorris Leek and Grace Howe.

Hornpipe dance by Miss Annie Gilchrist.

Bell drill by the Sunbeam class.

The accompanists were Mrs. P. H. Linzey and Miss Ina Woods. At the conclusion of the musical program refreshments were served to the children, and Father Christmas (Joe Ratchford) appeared on the scene and distributed gifts to the children. The youngsters then enjoyed dancing to the playing of Miss Ina Woods at the piano.

The entertainment committee comprised Mrs. S. Hamblin, convener, assisted by Mrs. P. H. Linzey and Mrs. G. E. Long. The refreshment committee comprised Mrs. G. W. Johnstone, convener, assisted by Mrs. A. Ivarson, Mrs. W. Gilchrist and Mrs. D. McCullough.

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CENTRAL CITY MISSION XMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Seating Capacity of Hall on Sixth Avenue Taxed to Limit Last Night

The seating capacity of the Central City Mission Hall on Sixth Avenue West was taxed to capacity last night on the occasion of the Sunday school children's entertainment and Christmas tree. James Mastin acted as chairman. A splendid program was offered to the audience, which spoke volumes for the untiring efforts put forward by the school superintendent and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Scherk. The audience showed in a marked degree their appreciation of the many items.

Those taking part in the entertainment were Doris Bunn, Ruth Scherk, Violet McEwen, Evelyn Pierce, Rena Scherk, Winnie Bunn, Hazel Hirano, Ellenora McEwen, Audrey Cook, Frank Pierce, Florence Pierce, Jean Anderson, Vera Cook, Clara Pierce, Eva Lear, Gladys Cook, Olive Hicks, Vernon Scherk, Walter Zeliszkie, Harley Lear and John Bunn.

At the close of the program Mr. Scott gave a delightful talk to the children. This was followed by the presentations from the large Christmas tree to all the scholars and babies of the mission. The successful gathering came to a close with the singing of "God Save the King" and the Benediction.

SEND IN CITY ACCOUNTS

The city treasurer requests that all having bills against the city should send in statements not later than January 1.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT

TAKE NOTICE THAT:

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert intends to construct a pavement for a wide, consisting in part of a mattress of timber and in part of a foundation of rock where a mattress is impracticable, over each form of construction there will be placed a paving giving a depth at the crown of ten inches composed of broken stone and sand, on that portion of Conrad Street and Eleventh Avenue commencing from the end of the present graded portion of Bay's Cove Avenue which is approximately forty feet north of the south boundary of Eighth Avenue, thence from said point south along Conrad Street as shown on the plans and profiles deposited in the office of the City Engineer to the intersection of Conrad Street and Eleventh Avenue, thence east along Eleventh Avenue as shown on the plans and profiles deposited in the office of the City Engineer to a point forty-eight feet east of the west boundary of Frederick Street, as a local improvement, and intends to specially assess the cost upon the land abutting directly on the work except such portion of the cost as is incurred at street intersections and at other properties.

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land in Prince Rupert Land District, including District of Prince Rupert, and situated at Barnard Cove, Princess Royal Island, B.C.

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Situate in the Skeena Mining Division of the Range 5, Coast District, where located, South of Falls Creek, Kitsumkalin Lake, and adjoining the Whistler on the East end of H. J. Lawford holders, W. Treston and D. Wilson; No. of Holders' Certificate, Treston 670100, Wilson 670101.

Take Notice that we, W. Treston, F.M.C. No. 670100, and David Wilson, F.M.C. No. 670101, intend at the end of sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a lease grant of the above land, and hereby take notice that Action under the Act of the Mineral Act must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

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For The Office—		
No. 387, Page to Day, 5x7 1/2	\$1.65
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No. 32, Page to Day, 5x7 1/2	\$1.35
1925 Gem Calendar Pads	75c
Gem Calendar Stands	\$1.00
For The Pocket—		
No. 795, Week to Page, Vest Pocket	65c
No. 525 1/2, 3 Days to Page, leather	\$1.25
No. 529, 2 Days to Page, leather	\$1.50
No. 561, 2 Days to Page, 6x3 1/2, leather	\$2.00

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The Gin you will ask for again — the standard of purity for over 160 years.

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Pure Silk
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BEAUTIFUL FUR TRIM-
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Smartly tailored, in all the
latest materials at greatly
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Third Avenue

SERVICE NOT SERVITUDE

Has it ever occurred to you that the multitude of "Household Helps" offered for sale are of themselves lifeless and incapable of service unless controlled and directed by the already overburdened housewife.

Laundry service alone is alive, vital, imposing no new obligations, and asking nothing but your friendly disposition, to change servitude into service.

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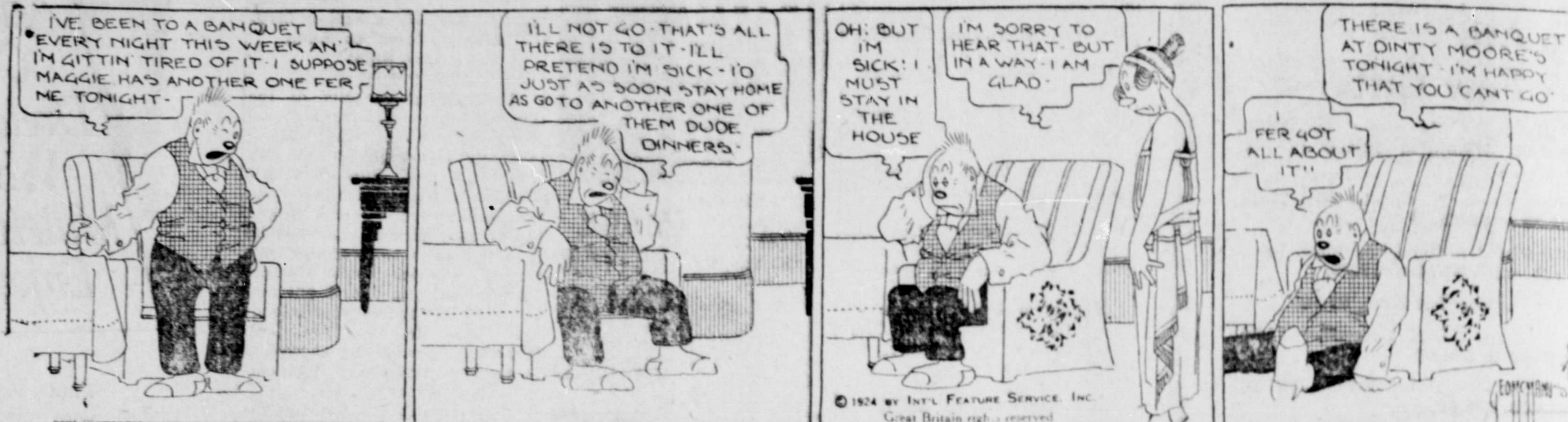
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Cartage, Warehousing, and
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Coal, Sand and Gravel
We Specialize in Piano and
Furniture Moving.

BRINGING UP FATHER



NO EXPERT THIS YEAR

City Council Decides to Defer
Appointing of Engineer to
Report on Woodworth
Lake Power

On motion of Ald. McMordie, seconded by Ald. Perry, the city council decided last night to lay over for next year's council the matter of appointing an expert to investigate into the possibilities of enlarging power production from Woodworth Lake. This motion was voted against by Ald. Macdonald, Ald. Casey and Ald. Exitt.

The question came up when, in compliance with a recent request of the council, credentials were submitted by William Anderson and A. C. R. Yuill, Vancouver experts. Both claimed to be fully qualified to make the report that the city is desirous of obtaining.

Ald. McMordie, in moving that the matter be laid over for the next council, took the view that, since a large expenditure of money might be involved, it would be ill-advised for the present council in its dying hours to enter upon the undertaking. The pressure was not such that a delay of two or three weeks would make any material difference. Ald. Perry seconded Ald. McMordie's motion.

Ald. Casey did not agree with Ald. McMordie. It was not a matter of entering into expenditure now but merely of obtaining expert advice. The city would soon be up against the necessity of providing more power to meet industrial development and he felt that, if the information as to the possibilities of extending the Woodworth Lake supply was obtained at once, that much time would be saved the new council. He was prepared to support such extension if it were deemed advisable by an expert.

Ald. Macdonald and Mayor Newton were also in favor of obtaining the information as quickly as possible. The former expressed himself in favor of engaging Mr. Ross of Seattle if he were available.

After further discussion, in the course of which it was pointed out by Ald. McMordie that the information obtained could not be acted upon until low water in summer anyway, the decision was taken to lay over for the new council the matter of engaging an expert.

NEW TELEPHONES ON GOVERNMENT LINE IN OPERATION ANNOUNCED

Long distance telephones of the composite type have been installed at Topley and Perow in the Bulkley Valley it is announced by John Dore, district superintendent of government telegraphs. Both these places are now hooked up with the Do-

EXTENSION OF POWER LINES TO ELEVATOR WILL COST \$22,000

City Council Will Meet This
Afternoon to Deal With
Money Bylaw Providing
For Expenditure

The city council will meet in special session this afternoon to put through its first readings a money bylaw which will be submitted to the people at the January election providing for the expenditure of \$22,000 to allow for extension work to the electric light lines in order to furnish power to the elevator.

At last night's meeting of the council there was a recommendation from the finance committee that such a bylaw be introduced but the bylaw had not been prepared so it was decided to defer the matter until today.

There was some discussion on the matter but the aldermen were agreed on the principle of financing the expenditure through debenture issue. Mayor Newton and Ald. Macdonald feeling that this was preferable to taxing the cost direct to the utilities department.

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DELVING INTO UTILITY DEPARTMENT FINANCES

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If a burglar breaks into your house at night looking for money, it would be a good idea to get up and help him look for it.

AN optimist is a man who wears a straw hat on New Year's Day.

AN American philosopher says it is hard for people to decide what to do with their money when they have accumulated it. Most of us find the accumulating is the hard part. The spending of it is a natural gift.

THE snow was so deep on Saturday that many local fowl keepers had to put the hens on snow shoes.

IF Pa is grouchy at the breakfast table it is not a sign of bad health but is due to the

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

December 30, 1914.

Chief J. Gammon, of the provincial police, accompanied by Mrs. Gammon, returned from Victoria this morning.

Fred Bacon, who left for Winnipeg this morning en route to the Old Country where he will enlist for active service, was given a hearty send-off by his numerous friends.

Supt. C. N. Crowell, of the Grand Trunk Pacific Dry Dock, announces that pontoon No. 6 will be launched tomorrow between 11.30 and 12 noon. The public are invited to witness the launching.

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The wedding took place in the Catholic Chapel at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, Father P. J. McGrath officiating, of Leo Dennis Doiron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Doiron of this city, and Miss Gusti Stolz, sister of Mrs. Louis Locker of Porcher Island. The attendants were Godfrey Bedard and Katherine Bedard. The ceremony was followed by the serving of a wedding breakfast at the home of the groom's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Doiron will reside in the city. The groom is well known in the halibut fishing business and the bride arrived about a year ago from Austria.

FRED AURIOL SENT UP SECOND CHARGE

Committed For Trial in Con-
nection With Burglary of
Eighth Avenue Home

Fred Auriol was committed for trial by Magistrate McLymont in the city police court this morning on a charge of breaking and entering the residence of Adolf Iverson, Eighth Ave. East, on Christmas Day and stealing jewellery to the value of \$110. The stolen property was identified by Mrs. Iverson and the witnesses were Indian Constable Watkinson and City Constable Crate.

OIL BURNER MORE ECONOMICAL THAN COAL CITY HALL

That a saving of \$2.64 per day has been effected at the City Hall through using an oil burning system instead of coal was reported at last night's council meeting by J. W. Exley, janitor. Per month 1488 gallons of oil at 8c is used whereas in a sim-

ilar period 18 tons of coal at \$11 was used. The cost of oil per day was set at \$3.96 and coal, \$6.60.

fact that he has been sitting up all night crossword puzzling.

THIS crossword puzzle is no cure for cross eyes.

A SAUSAGE is known in some circles as a groundhog with lights on.

THE poor in spirit will get their reward in heaven. They certainly won't get it on earth.

Daily News Classified Ads.

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LOST

LOST.—Rowboat, near Metlakatla, on Christmas Eve. 14 foot, painted gray. \$10.00 for its return in good condition. Notify Table Supply. 307

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MRS. HAMILTON, experienced dressmaker, Federal block.—Dressmaking, alterations, suits and coats. First class work. Reasonable prices. Phone Black 416. If

TIMBER SALE X 6812

Sealed Tenders will be received by the Minister of Lands, at Victoria, not later than noon on the 5th day of January, 1925, for the purchase of License X 6812, to cut 2,315,000 feet of Cedar Poles on an area situated on opposite side of Skeena River from, and between Hanall Spur and Pitman, Canadian National Railway, Range 5, Coast District.

TIMBER SALE X 6830

Sealed Tenders will be received by the Minister of Lands, at Victoria, not later than noon on the 5th day of January, 1925, for the purchase of License X 6830, to cut 2,250,000 feet of Spruce, Cedar and Hemlock, on an area situated on the west side of Vestalton Bay, between Queen Charlotte Islands Land District.

TIMBER SALE X 6838

Sealed Tenders will be received by the Minister of Lands, at Victoria, not later than noon on the 5th day of February, 1925, for the purchase of License X 6838, to cut 2,250,000 feet of Spruce, Cedar and Hemlock, on an area adjoining Lot 1936, Selwyn Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands Land District.

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land in Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands Land District, Recording District of Prince Rupert, B.C., and situated about one mile south of Inlet Island, Massett Inlet, and in Vestalton Bay, on Under Inlet No. 1.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve covering Lots 1435, Cassiar District, is cancelled.

G. B. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands,
Victoria, B.C.,
10th December, 1924.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve covering Lots 6592 to 6599, inclusive, Range 5, Coast District, is cancelled.

G. B. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands,
Victoria, B.C.,
November 16th, 1924.

WHALING STATIONS HAVE BETTER YEAR

More Than 200 Tons of Oil Have So Far Been Shipped From Rose and Naden Harbor

Whaling stations along the British Columbia coast have been finding business much better this year than last. Up to the present month, more than 200 tons of whale oil from the Rose Harbor and Naden Harbor stations on the Queen Charlotte Islands have been shipped to England.

BRITISH CONSOLS

SMOKING TOBACCO

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1/2 LB. 65¢

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	P.M.	P.M.
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1st Ave. & Eighth St.	2.20	8.20
6th Ave. & Fulton St.	2.25	8.25
8th Ave. & Thompson St.	2.30	8.30
11th Ave. & Sherbrooke Ave.	2.35	8.35
14th Ave. & Conrad St.	2.40	8.40
6th Ave. & Hays Cove Ave.	2.45	8.45
6th Ave. & Hays Cove Circle	2.50	8.50
8th Ave. & Colton St.	2.55	8.55
5th Ave. & McBride St.	3.00	9.00
Prov. Gov. Bldgs.	3.05	9.05
Prov. Gov. Wharf	3.10	9.10
G.T.P. Wharf	3.15	9.15
2nd Ave. & 2nd St.	3.20	9.20
3rd Ave. & Fulton St.	3.25	9.25
3rd Ave. & 6th St.	3.30	9.30

NEW YEAR'S Clearance SALE

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 Candy, per lb. 25c
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Everything in the store at Rock bottom prices.
 Stock-taking January 1.

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Silk VELVET

Rich heavily piled 36 inch silk velvets from Lyons, France.

These are always popular for street or evening wear.

\$4.50

West of England Store
 Smith Block

LITTLE DOING IN 1924 BOXING

In Spite of Prospects at Opening, Season is Closing With Few Changes

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. Despite a record-breaking amount of activity, marked by no little color, the 1924 boxing campaign passes into history with few dominant developments or sensational results.

Lacking any high spot comparable with the memorable Dempsey-Firpo battle of 1923, the season was noteworthy chiefly for a final and unsuccessful invasion of America by Georges Carpentier, the downfall of Luis Angel Firpo from the ranks of heavyweight title contenders, and the passing of two veteran champions.

Only one world's title change took place in the ring and that occurred when Abe Atlas, Goldstein dethroned Joe Lynch as bantamweight titleholder in a colorless 15-round bout at Madison Square Garden that set a colorless champion upon the 118-pound throne.

The other break in the ranks of champions came when Johnny Dundee, durable little Italian warrior, forfeited without a struggle the featherweight title he had won the year before from Eugene Ciani, gallant French fighter. Dundee relinquished the title, which he not once defended, because of his inability further to make the 126-pound limit, and the New York State Athletic Commission has launched an elimination tournament, the survivor of which will be recognized by that body as the new feather champion. It seems likely that the result of this procedure also will be universally accepted, thus shattering pugilistic precedent and upsetting the old theory that a champion can lose his crown only in the ring.

Dundee was shorn completely of titles when he lost to Kid Sullivan, the junior lightweight,

or 130-pound championship, a division, however, which is not generally recognized.

Little Title Activity

Starting out with prospects of an unusual amount of title activity, the year fell far short of expectations in this respect for a variety of reasons. The failure of Jack Dempsey, heavyweight king, to defend his crown no doubt had its effect on the rest of the ranks, while suspensions by ring authorities, eleventh hour mishaps, and a disinclination on the part of several champions to risk their crowns were other factors to bring about a dearth of championship activity.

Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, defended his crown once by defeating Pal Moran at Cleveland but in this bout injured his hands to such an extent that he was forced to call off a scheduled battle with Mickey Walker, the welterweight champion. Walker, handicapped by incurring the displeasure of New York ring solons for refusing to accept a challenge from Dave Shade, nevertheless was one of the most active champions and has an unusual opportunity in prospect early in the new year when he fights Mike McTigue, the world's light heavyweight champion.

McTigue, early this year, had a close call against his school-boy rival, Young Stribling, who nearly scored a knockout over the champion in a no-decision bout at Newark, N.J.

Harry Greb's middleweight title was in little jeopardy during the year while Pancho Villa, flyweight titleholder, left for his native Philippines after failing to go through with a match with his closest rival, Frankie Genaro. Villa claimed an injury prevented his fighting, but the boxing commission was dissatisfied with this explanation and suspended him. Greb's victories included one over Johnny Wilson, former champion, while Villa disposed of Frankie Ash, British flyweight.

Firpo's Failure

With the memory of his spectacular fight against Dempsey still fresh in the minds of ring followers, Firpo returned from Argentina for another campaign but it proved a dismal failure. The big South American, obviously not in the best of condition and affected by legal entanglements in which he had become involved, was outclassed by Harry Wills, giant negro, in a bout at Boyle's Thirty Acres, and then suffered a crowning setback when he was defeated by Charley Weinert, who had been an easy victim for the "Wild Bull" in 1923.

These defeats were looked upon as eliminating Firpo from the front rank of Dempsey's challengers, but the Argentinian may attempt another comeback.

Wills stood out again at the end of the season as the chief heavyweight contender but his victory over Firpo failed to increase the negro's prestige and the prospect that he will gain a long-sought match with Dempsey still is the ring's principal uncertainty.

Jack Renault, hard-hitting Canadian, has been regarded as a formidable Dempsey rival, but recently his stock slumped when he unexpectedly met defeat in Boston at the hands of Quintin Romero, Chilean, who had failed

to impress in any of his previous bouts.

The year failed to uncover much promising new material in any division. The few exceptions were chiefly in the featherweight ranks, where Dundee's retirement stimulated activity, while Sid Terris, flashy New Yorker, developed into a formidable lightweight contender, Paul Berlenbach, Jimmy Slattery and Stribling added color and interest to light heavy ranks.

Foreign Talent

Foreign talent continued to invade American rings but met with scant success. Discarding Firpo and Romero, South America's chief threat was Luis Vicentini, hard-hitting Chilean lightweight, who performed impressively at times but in recent months met defeat against Jack Bernstein and Terris. Panama sent a formidable feather contender in Jose Lombardo.

Besides Carpentier, France had another entry in Charley Ledoux, veteran bantamweight, but neither was successful. Carpentier lost spectacular fights to Gens Tunney, American light heavyweight champion and Tom Gibbons. Ledoux was beaten decisively by Goldstein.

Erminio Spalla, the European heavyweight champion, came to the United States after being knocked out in the Argentine by Firpo but was defeated by Tunney. Gibbons crossed to England for an international bout in which he knocked out Jack Bloomfield.

Sport Chat

The official batting records of the National League players for the season of 1924 show that Rogers Hornsby of St. Louis set a new record by leading for the fifth consecutive year. This better the previous mark of four successive batting championships made by John P. Wagner of Pittsburgh, who led the league in 1906, 1907, 1908 and 1909. Leaders in the various departments of play were as follows: In batting, Hornsby of St. Louis gets the honors with a mark of .3325, the highest percentage a player has reached since Willie Keeler hit .432 in 1897 for Brooklyn. Hornsby made the most hits, 227; hit for the total bases, 373; made the most doubles, 43; and tied with Frank Frisch of New York for scoring most runs. Fournier of Brooklyn led the league in home runs, with 27; Zack Wheat of Brooklyn collected the most singles, 149; while the three-base hit leader is Edd Roush of Cincinnati, with 21; the sacrifice leader, Ralph Pinelli of Cincinnati, with 33; and the base stealing leader, Max Carey of Pittsburgh, with 49.

The club batting records for the 1924 season show the New York club leading with a percentage of .300. The champions scored the most runs, 857; made the most hits, 1634; hit for the most total bases, 2350; made the most one-base hits, 4189, and batted out the most home runs, 95. St. Louis leads in doubles, with 270, while Pittsburgh has the most triples, 122, and Chicago accounted for the most sacrifice hits, 163.

In fielding Charles Grimm, Pittsburgh, leads the first basemen of the National league with a percentage of .995. Walter Maraville, Pittsburgh, leads the second basemen, with a percentage of .973. Henry Groh, New York, establishes a new fielding mark for third basemen, with a percentage of .983. James Cooney, St. Louis, set a new fielding record for shortstops, with a percentage of .9691. George Harper, Cincinnati-Philadelphia, leads the outfielders, with a percentage of .9862. John DeBerry, Brooklyn, leads the catchers, with a percentage of .993. Jesse Barnes, Boston, leads the pitchers in fielding, accepting 83 chances without error.

Boston leads in club fielding with a percentage of .973. Philadelphia made the greatest number of double plays, 168, and St. Louis made the most triple plays 2. Boston had the most passed balls, 18. Brooklyn had most men left on bases, 1133, and Chicago the least, 964. Pittsburgh led in putouts, with 4148, and Cincinnati in assists, with 2089. Chicago committed the most errors, 218, and Boston the least, 168. Cincinnati had the

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The G.W.V.A. Christmas tree, held in the association rooms yesterday afternoon, was attended by some 75 children accompanied by their parents and the affair proved a great success. The hall was artistically decorated with Yuletide effects.

Capt. Percy Tinker welcomed the children in an appropriate address, and the festivities opened with the singing of "O Canada" accompanied by A. Bales at the piano. J. N. Kelly made an admirable Father Christmas and distributed the gifts to each child amid much hilarity.

At the conclusion of the Christmas tree, refreshments were served to the adults and children. The committee responsible for the success of the afternoon included G. H. Clark, chairman, S. L. Warrior and G. L. Youngman assisted by Mrs. F. J. Pyle, Mrs. Landry, Mrs. Geo. Howe, Mrs. Leek and Mrs. Ross.

REDUCTION IN UTILITY RATES DECIDED UPON

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sumption made possible by the lower rates.

Go Slowly

Ald. Collart felt that the committee might have done something long ago as regarded the inequalities of present rates. He was not in favor of such a drastic cut in revenues as the bylaw entailed. The council should go slowly on the matter to insure that there would be no danger of the utilities coming back on general fund. There was danger, he thought, of the whole financial structure of the city being upset. A more moderate reduction of rates, he felt, might be effected, further reduction being left to the next council if it saw fit. He was opposed to the rates being reduced at the expense of the ratepayers whose interests it was the duty of the council to protect. He feared the effect that might ensue with the marketing of bonds in the face of such a drastic cut in revenues. It was not his intention to kill the bylaw but to protect the taxpayers.

Ald. Macdonald declared that the utilities during the last 23 months had not been digging into the pocket of general fund. A considerable balance over all expenditure had been shown, and he felt, if profits were to be made, the consumers were entitled to some benefit therefrom. Private companies in other places were charging lower rates and were declaring dividends. So could Prince Rupert pay dividends to its shareholders who were the taxpayers. In addition to this, the reductions were not so serious as might at first be believed. An examination of the new rates would show that.

Favors Reduction

Ald. Casey was in favor of making the reduction in rates if the superintendent was satisfied that a surplus would still be shown. He did not want to cripple the utilities but he did want to see the best possible rate given. If a reasonable margin of profit was still shown, he did not see what more the city could expect.

Superintendent Love stated that, on present consumption, the reduction in rates proposed would mean \$14,000 less in revenue. However, it was reasonable to expect that the consumption would be greatly increased, he then entered into technical account of what the reduced rates would mean. There were many rates under the present schedule which almost prohibited the use of power. Assuming there was a surplus this year of \$30,000, it was reasonable to expect that, under the new rates, there would still be a surplus of \$20,000. The sub-station was saving \$4,000 per year. The superintendent took the stand that the utilities on past operation really showed no deficiency and, if the truth were known, general fund probably owed the utilities a great deal. He would like to see this whole matter gone thoroughly into so that the public might have a knowledge of the true state of affairs.

Ald. Collart was still opposed to the drastic cutting off of \$14,000 in revenue and the taking of a chance that it would be made up for in increased consumption. That was not good business.

Mayor's Stand

In view of the fact that the superintendent gave assurance that there would still be a substantial surplus on operation and also if the policy of meeting new expenditure on the capital basis were to be adopted, Mayor Newton felt that it would be safe to reduce rates.

Ald. Collart then pointed to the water deficit which he felt should be met by the utilities. He was not in favor of reducing the surplus of one utility and letting another that was operating at a deficit go.

Ald. Macdonald pointed out that water collections were now being increased.

McMordie Supports

Ald. McMordie announced that he would support the bylaw, first, because the superintendent stated that rates could be reduced and still there would be a profit, second, because the rates here were high in comparison with other points in the province, third, because he did not believe reduced rates would involve an increase in taxation and, fourth, because if a change were never made there would never be an improvement and he was in favor of at least trying the new rates out and returning

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