



BORDEN TO ANNOUNCE NAVAL POLICY TOMORROW

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FORMED LAST NIGHT IN THE CITY HALL

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING INITIATES AGRICULTURAL AND MINERAL SOCIETY—HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES—FAIR TO BE HELD NEXT FALL.

At a meeting of citizens held last evening at the city hall preliminary arrangements were made toward forming an agricultural and industrial association with a membership embracing the entire area of Northern B. C. William Manson, M. P. P., took the chair and Alderman Bullock-Webster was unanimously appointed secretary pro tem. There was not a very large attendance, but amongst those present there was the utmost enthusiasm and unanimity in regard to the desirability of pushing the project to the furthest extent.

Before closing a committee of five was appointed by Mr. Manson consisting of the following: Alderman Bullock-Webster, A. E. McMaster, Dr. Tremayne, W. P. Lynch and L. Crippen, to prepare bylaws and get ready for the first annual meeting, to be held in the city hall on the evening of the fourth Tuesday in January of the coming year.

DEBATE CONTINUES ON SPEECH FROM THRONE

Three Speakers Heard on Monday—Advocate Lesser Freight Rates.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—The debate on the address from the throne continued all day yesterday. David Bradley Neely, the member for Humboldt; G. H. Bradbury, from Selkirk, and McLean, of South Fork, were the principal speakers. The latter urged action by Parliament in regard to the overland railway commission and the lessening of freight rates to and from the western provinces. The vote on Laurier's amendment will take place tomorrow.

Pantorium Pioneer—Cleaners, Phone 4.

tion, as well as the G. T. P. Ry. Co., had intimated their entire sympathy with the citizens in furthering the carrying out of the proposals of the citizens. Mr. Bullock-Webster drew attention to the fact that the credit for the inception of the idea of holding an exhibition here must be given to Mr. L. Crippen. Mayor Newton commended the work of Ald. Bullock-Webster in the matter, and moved a vote of thanks to the latter, L. Crippen and others who had shown so much zeal and interest in the initial stages of the proposition. Mr. A. E. McMaster spoke most enthusiastically in favor of the holding of an exhibition, and assured the citizens that the G.T.P. had empowered him to say that they would do everything possible towards ensuring its success.

Messrs. A. J. Prudhomme and Allison voiced similar sentiments with those universally expressed by others present.

Hub Bowling Alleys.
In the reorganized house league at the Hub Alleys, H. Levenhagen's Imperials defeated Captain Rorvik's Standards three games straight and 148 pins. Ed. Meighen had high score with 195 and W. Vance high average with 146. Next game will be played Friday night. The scores were:

Imperials	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Osberg	113	168	197	398
Sheppard	111	120	117	348
Vance	167	145	126	438
Watson	140	123	113	376
Levenhagen	137	137	111	385
Grand total	668	693	584	1945
Standards	1st	2nd	3rd	Ttl.
Johnso	133	103	95	331
Beatty	75	89	103	267
Neighen	111	125	90	326
Buset	155	124	124	403
Rorvik	161	121	118	400
Grand total	635	632	530	1797

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Before the Cadi.
Two Indians named William Smith and Charles Sankey were given fourteen days straight imprisonment this morning by Magistrate McMullin for being drunk and refusing to say who gave them the liquor. There were two cases of ordinary d. and d., contributing five and two each to the city coffers. Kwong Sun Chung, for an infraction of the health bylaws, was mulcted in the sum of \$10 and costs.

Dr. W. B. Clayton, accompanied by his assistant, Mr. Leo Henderson, left on this morning's train for a professional visit up the line to extend as far as Aldermere. They expect to be away for about ten days.

Harry C. Evans, piano tuner, is in town. Leave orders at Hayner's. 2771f

NAVAL POLICY WILL BE ANNOUNCED TO COMMONS TOMORROW BY BORDEN

Long Waited Naval Policy of the Government Which Has Been a Secret Will be Revealed Tomorrow Afternoon by the Premier

Ottawa, Dec. 4.—Developments in the political world of Canada this week will bring from the tapis the long expected announcement from Premier Borden as to the results of his recent conference with the British admiralty and also the line of action which

he and his colleagues intend to pursue in view of what has been brought to light following those conferences.

Premier Borden will make his announcement about 4 o'clock on Thursday afternoon after the routine business has been cleared

away. Not only will the benches of both parties be packed with members, but the indications point to an unusual attendance of strangers in the galleries. Members of Parliament are being besieged with applications from their friends for the seats in the galleries.

POWERS FORCE BALKANS TO MODERATE DEMANDS

Triple Alliance Influences Moderation of Peace Terms

(Special to Daily News.)

London, Dec. 3.—The action of the Powers in the Triple Alliance in standing together has compelled a moderation of the peace demands by the Balkan States from Turkey.

The armistice has not yet been signed but it is expected that it will be today.

An ambassadorial conference was held in London today in regard to the Balkan settlement.

EXPECT ANNOUNCEMENT RE PORT EDWARD SOON

Mr. Matthews, One of the Largest Stock Holders in New Townsite, Is in the City.

Mr. W. J. Matthews, a prominent Seattle capitalist and original owner of the present Port Edward townsite, is in the city. Mr. Matthews, who has not been up here for more than seven years, which was shortly after he acquired the tract of land on Porpoise harbor from the original staker, having turned over the property to a local syndicate, now remains one of the largest stock holders. He is accompanied by his secretary, Mr. W. B. Baer, and a party of other business men.

This morning the party, together with a number of local gentlemen, went over on a visit to the new townsite in a gasoline launch. It is expected that the arrival of Mr. Matthews will be the signal for an early movement toward putting this promising suburb of Prince Rupert upon the market.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

More Settlers.

A further contingent of Russian settlers for the A. M. Asanchev & Co., Russian colonization scheme up river arrived by the Prince Rupert this morning. They were met at the boat by the company's local representative, Mr. E. A. Pichugin. They all left on the train immediately after landing.

Big reductions in wall paper. See A. W. Edge Co., 2nd Avenue. 285-1f

H. F. McRae, the well known real estate man, accompanied by his wife, returned from the south this morning on the Prince Rupert.

George H. Collins, manager of the cold storage plant at Seal Cove, arrived this morning on the Prince Rupert.

Lady Bachelors and their married friends should not miss seeing "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" at the Westholme Theatre tonight. Lots of good, clean fun. 285-286

SCREAMING FARCE

At the Westholme Opera House Tonight

Doubtless there will be a crowded house this evening to witness the first performance by the Griffith Stock Company of the screamingly funny farce comedy, "A Bachelor's Honeymoon." If it can eclipse in mirth provoking qualities the two previous efforts of this clever company in this line—"The Man from Kokomo" and "Hello Bill"—then it is certainly "going some." From the advance notices of the story of the farce, it should be a scream from start to finish. A widower with twin daughters marries a lovely actress, who for pecuniary reasons he dares not proclaim as his wife. The latter is ignorant of the existence of the said twins and the twins do not know that they have a new mama. A veritable dragon of suspicion turns up in the person of the spinster sister of the widower, who has married a second time, and the result is a melange of mirth that scatters gloom like chaff before the wind. As they say in slangdom, "It listens good."

ODD FELLOWS GIVE AN 'AT HOME' TO FRIENDS

Society Entertained Friends Last Night in the Lodge Room.

Last evening in the K. of P. Hall the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows gave a most delightful "at home" to their friends and the Rebekahs of the city.

A. H. Allison occupied the chair. Music, dancing, songs, recitations and speeches helped to while away the all too short hours until midnight was reached, when the party broke up.

Amongst those who assisted in entertaining were: Mark Harby, with one of his clever ventriloquial acts; D. M. Bain, recitation, and C. V. Bennett, an address. Refreshments were served. Gray's orchestra was in attendance.

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WHOLESALE DESERTIONS WEAKEN FRENCH FORCE

Consternation Reigns in France Over Desertion of 80,000 Men

(Special to Daily News.)

Paris, Dec. 3.—The success of the anti-militarism programme is giving cause for general alarm here and it is reported on excellent authority that over 80,000 desertions have taken place in the army. It is feared that the national defence will be endangered. Several conferences have been held in the Chamber of Deputies to endeavor to provide against the continuation of the wholesale desertions.

PRINCE RUPERT BRINGS LARGE PASSENGER LIST

Large Crowd Arrive on the Prince Rupert This Morning—Much Freight.

The steamer Prince Rupert, Captain Barney Johnson, arrived at 9:45, one hour late, this morning with 75 saloon and 55 third class passengers. The list of saloon passengers is as follows:

M. Pergie, W. B. Baer, Miss McLennan, E. J. Matthews, F. Hanson, Mrs. P. R. Harris and children, Mrs. O'Connor, F. E. Finney, Ella Franklin, Mrs. J. O'Connor, J. L. Hall, W. B. Baker, W. P. Beavan, W. H. Tobey, Mrs. J. A. C. Long, George Sutton, Duncan Ross, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. McRae, E. Silcox, C. H. Keithley, S. G. Pally, Dr. Gaines, F. Callahan, H. H. Card, M. J. Maloney, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Collins, M. A. Hepburn, S. Wilson, A. M. Gottstein, F. Mortridge, S. J. McKay, A. Stoner, J. J. Brun, H. P. Jones, George Porter, Frank Egan, Allan Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. W. Brown, E. E. Dale, W. V. Doughty, A. D. Wooler, P. McDonald, A. B. Hinton, Mrs. T. C. Cartwright, R. E. Kelly, J. W. McIntosh, M. M. English, M. K. Dickenson, Mr. Walker, D. M. Moore, Miss Dennison, A. Culliton, T. F. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Law, G. Law, Mr. Hodges, P. O'Malley, C. Lowenthal, V. B. Schott, R. A. Jefford, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Locke, C. W. Peck, G. A. McNicholl, Mr. and Mrs. McClymont, Mrs. Charles Emberton.

In addition to the large list of passengers the Rupert brought a full complement of general freight, reporting an uneventful trip and weather below as rainy, but fair on the trip up.

The Sons of England will elect officers for the ensuing year at the Knights of Pythias Hall on Friday evening next, December 6th, at 8 o'clock. 285-286 F. V. CLARKE, Secretary.

Daughters of the Empire Dance.
The second of the series of five dances under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire will be held in McIntyre Hall on Friday evening, Dec. 6th. Single tickets may be obtained at Orme's Drug Store. 285-286

PRINCE RUPERT IS SITUATED ADVANTAGEOUSLY FOR PANAMA

DIRECT ROUTE CAN BE TAKEN FROM THIS PORT TO CANAL—DISTANCE ONLY TWO HUNDRED MILES GREATER THAN VANCOUVER—MUCH NEARER THE ORIENT.

The following letter addressed to the Saturday Sunset, Vancouver, will prove most interesting to the citizens of Prince Rupert and those who are interested in the development of the Great Northwest.

Many arguments are being advanced in Vancouver and the southern portion of the province to endeavor to show how that section of British Columbia will garner the trade from the rich hinterland of Prince Rupert. The letter will speak for itself:

3rd December, 1912.
The Editor B. C. Saturday Sunset, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:
The citizens of Prince Rupert appreciate the fact that for some time past your paper has been devoting considerable space to Prince Rupert and Northern British Columbia. It is on this account that I thought you would allow me to call attention to an inaccurate statement in an article entitled "From the Peace to the Pacific," published in your issue of November 30th.

That article very generously gives Prince Rupert credit for being two days nearer by steamship to any port in the Orient than Vancouver, but, in showing the advantage of Newport over Prince Rupert in its relation to the Panama Canal, the writer makes the following statement, viz.:

"That Newport is about two days' sail by water closer to the 'big ditch' than is the northern port."

Possibly the correct mileage would be much more definite than the "two days' sail," and, according to a map in front of me now, the distance from Prince Rupert to Yokohama is 3,800 miles, while

from Vancouver to Yokohama the distance is 4,283 miles, or 483 miles in favor of Prince Rupert to the nearest port in the Orient.

I have not the accurate figures before me of the distance from Vancouver to Prince Rupert, but it is approximately 500 miles, and what I particularly want to bring before your notice is that it is only approximately 300 miles north of Vancouver and 200 miles west. A boat leaving Vancouver for the Panama Canal would have to go south and west through the Straits of Georgia and Juan de Fuca for a distance of between 100 and 200 miles. A boat leaving Prince Rupert for the same destination would have to go due south a distance of approximately 300 miles and would then be in the same latitude as a boat leaving Vancouver—the difference in distance therefore being less than 200 miles in favor of Vancouver.

Another point in favor of Prince Rupert is that a steamer would be in the open waters of Hecate Straits in less than one hour after leaving the dock, and would have an uninterrupted course south and on the west side of Vancouver Island.

As it is a well known fact that during the winter months there is an almost total absence of fog in the neighborhood of Prince Rupert, the additional distance to be traversed by the steamers from Prince Rupert to the Panama would, in many cases, be more than offset by the delays consequent upon the fogs so frequently found in the neighborhood of Vancouver, the Straits of Georgia and Juan de Fuca.

Thanking you for your courtesy in publishing this, I remain, Yours truly,
G. R. NADEN.

"DIVINE SARAH"

Masterpieces of Photoplay at Empress Tonight.

Photoplay featuring the greatest actress of any age, Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, will be shown at the Empress Theatre tonight and tomorrow evenings. These films have caused a world-wide sensation and the cost of producing them has been enormous. Not a single detail has been neglected which would serve to make the photoplay natural.

Wanted—500 Bachelors
To see "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" at the Westholme Opera House tonight. A laugh a minute. Prepare to smile! 285-86

A sale of work will be held by the ladies of the Anglican Church in the church hall, Centre St., on Tuesday, Dec. 10th, afternoon and evening. Mother Goose will be there to attend to the children. There will be stalls of fancy work, home produce, candy, tea, etc. Admission free. 285-289

Two good heating stoves, almost new, for sale at once at half price. McRae Bros., Ltd. 285-3

Loyal Order of Moose.

A regular meeting will be held in the K. of P. Hall Thursday evening, the 5th inst., at 8 o'clock. 285-286 I. D. MEIKLE, Secy.

Choicest liquors and cigars—Savoy.

SHIP ASHORE ON THE VANCOUVER ID. COAST

British Barque Is Total Wreck on Rocky Coast—Assistance Sent to Crew.

Seattle, Dec. 3.—The County of Linnithgow is ashore at Otter Point, Vancouver Island, in the Straits of Juan de Fuca, opposite Port Crescent, Wash. She is on a weather shore, with the seas breaking over her, and is likely to be a total loss. The tug Lorne and the life saving steamer Santa Cruz, which are standing by, are both well equipped with life saving apparatus, and is expected the crew will be saved.

Presbyterian Club

His Honor Judge Young will address the Presbyterian Club on Wednesday evening, at the church hall, Fourth avenue, on "Modern Methods in the Treatment of Criminals, with Particular Reference to Juvenile Delinquents." A musical programme will also be given. Everybody welcome. No admission fee. 284-285

Picture News.

The Gaumont Graphic, the pictured news of the world, will be shown at the Majestic Theatre tonight. These pictures show the happenings of the world within the past few weeks and are intensely interesting.

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