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LAURIER SEEKS INFORMATION ON NAVAL POLICY

CHINESE REPUBLIC RECOGNIZED BY UNCLE SAM ONLY—TRI-WEEKLY ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE

"LET US KNOW MORE ABOUT IT," SAYS LAURIER ON NAVAL BILL

PREMIER BORDEN INTIMATES THAT A DATE MUST BE FIXED
FOR TERMINATION OF DEBATE ON NAVAL POLICY.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, April 8.—The naval debate was resumed in the house last night and after several speeches against the measure Premier Borden gave a strong intimation that a date would have to be fixed for the termination of the debate and also for the third reading of the bill.

with the subject until we know more about it than we do at present. Not only this house but the whole of Canada is deeply interested in this question, and the people want to thoroughly understand it before being called upon to vote upon it."

Premier Borden declared that this simply meant further obstruction on the part of the opposition and that this could not be much further permitted, as the debate had already been stretched to what, in his opinion, was an unreasonable length.

BYLAW FOR THE GOVERNMENT DRILL HALL PASSES COUNCIL

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY APPROPRIATED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND FOR THE ERECTION OF THE BUILDING.

One of the bylaws that were passed last night, that for the building to the Crown four hundred feet at Biggar place, Borden street and Summit avenue, for the purpose of a drill hall, passed some discussion. The mayor said that in connection with this piece of land, which is extremely valuable and possibly worth \$50,000, he had wired Mr. Clements for information as to what the city was to get from the government for so valuable a gift. He then read the telegrams and the response, Mr. Clements assuring him that the government intended to erect a drill hall sufficiently large to accommodate a battalion of eight companies, and that there was \$50,000 already appropriated for the building and its equipment.

from Mr. Clements further very shortly.

Alderman Dybhavn said it was a valuable piece of ground, but he was not going to vote against the gift as he supposed that if the city did not give the ground the government would not build a drill hall here.

Alderman Leek: It will not only be useful as a drill hall but for agricultural exhibitions and other large gatherings.

Alderman Bullock-Webster did not think any plans were sent last year and did not think the government knew what piece of land they were going to get. Therefore he would ask why the site had been changed from the entrance to the park.

The mayor said he did not know that any particular site had been specially set aside for this purpose, although the entrance to the park had been generally spoken of. To this, however, Mr. Morley Donaldson had raised an objection. It was felt that the entrance to the public park was not suitable for a drill hall, as such buildings were not always as ornamental as they might be.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

BULLOCK-WEBSTER RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH BOARD

CLAIMED THAT THE MAYOR WAS GOING OVER HIS HEAD IN
AMENDMENTS TO HEALTH BYLAW.

When the new health bylaw came up in due course before the council last night a controversy arose between Alderman Bullock-Webster, chairman of the board of health, and the mayor. The mayor said a number of amendments had been made to the bylaw without his knowledge and he thought that as chairman of the board he ought to have been informed of what was going on. If things were to be done over his head he asked the mayor to accept his resignation. The mayor replied that the alderman had never been to the mayor's office and therefore should not be expected to be informed with the facts in the case. The alderman wished to resign from his position as chairman of the board (the mayor) would regret it. The alderman complaining of being overlooked he would say that the mayor should not be overlooked but should be consulted upon all matters coming before the council. If the alderman insisted upon pressing his resignation there was no course but to accept it. But as to be-

ing slighted he might say that he had several times phoned to get in touch with the alderman and had always failed.

Alderman Bullock-Webster said he did not need to go to the mayor for information as he could get it for himself.

The mayor said there were several instances of the committee holding meetings of which he had not been informed.

Alderman Bullock-Webster said that only in the Munro case had the committee not consulted with the mayor and in that case there was good reason for such action. Now, as he was no longer chairman of the committee he withdrew his motion that the council go into committee of the whole on the health bylaw.

Alderman Maitland withdrew as seconder of the motion and the discussion closed.

THE WEATHER.

The weather report at 5 o'clock this morning read: Barometer, 29.954; maximum temperature, 44; minimum temperature, 38; precipitation, .24 inch.

RICH CLUBMAN DIVORCED Wife of Walter Hobart Obtains Interlocutory Decree

(Special to The Daily News.)
San Francisco, April 5.—Mrs. Hannah Hobart, wife of Walter Hobart, a wealthy clubman, polo player and athlete, was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce today. Both are socially prominent. Cruelty and drunkenness were the charges.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Held Third Annual "At Home"
Last Night—Cards and Dancing
the Principal Amusements

The third annual At Home given by Skeena Lodge No. 45, Knights of Pythias, in their lodge rooms in the Helgerson block last night was a most enjoyable function and a complete success in every particular. Progressive whist was indulged in from 8.30 until 10, the prize, a souvenir spoon, being awarded to Mrs. F. L. Landes, and the consolation prize to Walter McLeod. Following the cards a delicious supper, to which more than a hundred ladies and gentlemen sat down, was served. The tables were tastefully decorated and looked extremely inviting with the many delicacies provided. Much credit is due to the caterer, Ben Self, for this part of the evening's enjoyment.

About 11 o'clock the floor was cleared for dancing, which was thoroughly enjoyed for a couple of hours, splendid music being provided by Kauffman's orchestra to four pieces. Altogether the evening was voted the most successful and enjoyable of all of the social functions yet held under the auspices of the local Order.

INDIAN GIRL GUILTY

Sentence Suspended to Find an
Industrial School to Which
to Send Her.

Janetta Brown, a young Indian girl of fifteen, was before Judge Young yesterday afternoon charged with stealing a lady's gold watch and chain from an Indian woman at Hazelton. The judge heard the case in his private room. The girl pleaded guilty but the judge suspended sentence until, because of her youth and general good character he could enquire into which was the best industrial school in the province to which to send her.

RECOGNITION OF NEW CHINESE REPUBLIC

United States Stands Alone at
Present in Granting Diplomatic Recognition

Washington, April 8.—Notwithstanding the statement of Secretary of State W. J. Bryan, that the United States would be the first country to recognize the new republic of China, and the consequent rejoicing among the Chinese of New York and the Pacific Coast in honor of that decision, it looks now as if the United States would not only be the first but the only country to give such recognition. This is the date upon which such recognition is due and it became known here last night that Great Britain and Japan will positively not recognize the new republic. Also, the indications are that Russia, France and Germany will withhold their recognition of it, at least for the present.

Crockery, open stock dinnerware in many pretty patterns and at moderate prices. Wallace's. 771f

REGISTRATIONS NUMBER NEARLY FOUR THOUSAND

Splendid Work Done by Both
Parties in Registering
Voters.

The time for registering names for the Provincial and Dominion voters' lists expired yesterday. From inquiries made at the government office it is learned that 3,775 names have been registered. On the old lists recently cancelled there were 4,039. In view of the generally admitted fact that the names of hundreds of persons who are either dead or out of the country were included in the old list it has to be acknowledged that the registration in the short space of time given and in a district that is so difficult to cover has been nothing short of marvellous. The Conservatives with the machinery at their disposal in the way of road and trail superintendents and government officers in various capacities had every advantage and it is not likely that many of their followers were overlooked. The very large registration goes to show that the Liberals must have been most energetic in the matter and it is only another evidence that there has been an awakening of Liberalism throughout the district that is likely to make itself felt when another election comes on.

Notwithstanding that the registration is surprisingly large it is more than probable that many good Liberals, living in the remote parts of the district could not be reached with any reasonable trouble or expense. The action of the McBride government in allowing so short a period of time for the registration of voters in a country where settlers are so widely scattered and at one of the worst seasons of the year for travel, merits the most severe censure.

The applications from the city of Prince Rupert alone amounted to about 1,500, with nearly a thousand in Hazelton and the Bulkley valley and some 400 in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

NEW MAIL CONTRACT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Four Steamer Lines Instead of
One Awarded Mail Subsidies,
Ensuring a Tri-Weekly

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, April 8.—Postmaster General Pelletier announced to the house of commons last night that beginning the first of May Canadian steamers will in future handle all the Canadian mail between Canada and Great Britain, with a tri-weekly service in summer and a bi-weekly service in winter. The new contract is given to four lines—the Allan, the C. P. R., the C. N. R. and the White Star. The Dominion subsidies amount to a million dollars, compared to the \$650,000 for the present weekly service by the Allan line, which for many years has had a monopoly of this service.

Borden Street Improvement.

The board of works reported to the council last night that the petition for the improvement of Borden street and Fifth avenue had not been sufficiently signed by the owners of abutting property. The report was adopted.

Cowichan Eggs

The Only Strictly Fresh Eggs
on the Market.
Ask for Cowichan Eggs and
See That You Get Them.

Sold at All First Class Stores

C. M. SCHWAB RESIGNS Becomes Chairman of Board of Directors of Bethlehem Firm

(Special to The Daily News.)
New York, April 5.—Charles M. Schwab resigned today as president of the Bethlehem Steel Co. to become chairman of the board of directors of the same company. E. H. Grace was elected president in his stead.

REPORT OF EXPERT ON THE SEWER BYLAW

Necessitated No Change in Bill as
Already Drawn Which Was
Consequently Passed

Among the communications read at the city council last night was an interim report from A. D. Creer, the expert engineer employed by the city to make a report upon the proposed main sewers. The report read as follows:

"I understand that you are anxious to put a bylaw for the construction of the undermentioned sewer works before the people at the earliest possible moment:

- "1. Hays Creek tunnel sewer and outfall;
 - "2. Section A trunk sewer from Second avenue and outfall;
 - "3. Section J trunk sewer from Water street and outfall.
- "From the investigations I have made I am satisfied that your engineer's estimate will not be materially increased by reason of such adjustments in the sizes of the above mentioned sewers as may be necessary to conform with the rainfall curve and reduction factors which I shall advise you to adopt in the designs of your sewer system. I will let you have my report and replies to the reference early next week.

"Yours truly,
"A. D. CREER."

When the consideration of the money bylaws was reached the mayor referred to this report and said that it did not at all affect the bylaw calling for the expenditure of \$350,000 for this system and therefore there was no need of any change in the bylaw as it passed its second reading. The bylaw was then read in the committee of the whole and passed.

This calls for three trunk sewers, one to be carried from Hays Creek drainage area by tunnel through to the vicinity of Cameron Bay, one from Second Avenue to drain a section of Section One and the other to drain the section in the neighborhood of Water Street.

THOUSAND MILES OF RAILWAY FOR ALASKA

Congress to Issue Fifty Millions
of Government Bonds to
Finance Project

Washington, April 8.—Congress has passed the necessary legislation for the construction of one thousand miles of government railway in Alaska. The bill was handled in the senate by Senators Chamberlin and Jones. The bill as introduced in the House by James Wickersham, the representative of Alaska, and passed, authorizes the issuance of fifty millions in government bonds to finance the railroad project.

Still Fighting in Mexico

Naco, Arizona, April 8.—General Ojeddas, with three hundred federal troops, late last night, went out from Naco, Sonora, and again bombarded the state troops. The line of the latter numbered two thousand, but they fell back and General Ojeddas returned to town.

Shirtwaists—new spring models at from \$1.75—Wallace's. 771f

DAYTON APPEALS FOR HELP; NOW FACING GRAVE PROBLEM

PROPOSITION TO BORROW FROM TWENTY TO SIXTY MILLIONS FROM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Dayton, O., April 5.—"Dayton is facing one of the greatest problems that any city of the world ever faced, and we want the people of the world to know we need money and food for our stricken people," said John H. Paterson, president of the relief committee, tonight, after he had returned with H. E. Talbot, chief engineer, from a tour of sections of Dayton that were swept by the flood.

Speaking of a tentative plan to ask the federal government for a loan of from \$20,000,000 to \$40,000,000, to be used in reconstruction work, Mr. Paterson said:

"At a meeting of bankers and officials of the building associations tonight it was decided to make an appeal for federal aid. The banks and building associations have \$60,000,000 worth of assets which they will put up as collateral."

Since Monday more than \$750,000 in cash has been received from banks in Cincinnati to replace demand money.

Mr. Talbot estimated the property loss in Montgomery county would reach \$150,000,000.

TENDERS FOR IMPROVEMENT AND GRADING IN SECTION TWO

NUMBER OF BIDS OPENED BY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT AND REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

There was an unusually large audience at the meeting of the city council last night and it did not transpire what was the matter of so public an interest until the close of the sitting, when the tenders for improvements in Section Two were opened and read by City Clerk Woods. They were as follows:

Seventeenth Street.
M. R. McLeod, \$2,777; Westholme Lumber Co., \$5,493.50; S. P. McMordie & Co., \$5,000; J. H. Hilditch, \$4,150; J. A. Meeker & Co., \$3,373, or \$3,200 if in spruce; E. C. La Trace, \$3,780.

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Atlin Avenue.
Westholme Lumber Co., \$15,620; S. P. McMordie, \$16,000; J. A. Meeker & Co., \$10,733.50, or \$10,211.70 if spruce; E. C. La Trace, \$11,558.50.

Graham Avenue and Atlin Place.
Westholme Lumber Co., \$11,361; S. P. McMordie & Co., \$11,500; J. H. Hilditch, \$9,768; J. A. Meeker & Co., \$7,481.45, if spruce; E. C. La Trace, \$8,470.50.

Tate Street and Moresby Avenue.
Westholme Lumber Co., \$18,000; S. P. McMordie & Co., \$17,800; J. H. Hilditch, \$17,709; J. A. Meeker & Co., \$13,922, or \$13,409.45 if spruce; E. C. La Trace, \$13,327.

Grading Second Avenue.
S. P. McMordie & Co., 85 cents for earth; \$2.20 for rock; \$300 an acre for grubbing; \$300 an acre for close cutting, making a total of \$30,537.75.

Approach to Section Two.
E. Kaufman, \$3,008; W. Shaw and J. Peterson, \$2,500; M. R. McLeod, \$2,333; E. H. Shockley, \$3,500; J. A. Meeker & Co., \$2,133.27.

The tenders were referred to the board of works and the city engineer for report at the next meeting.

New Chairman Appointed.
Alderman Bullock - Webster having last night resigned his position as chairman of the board of health, and such resignation having been accepted by the council, Mayor Pattullo this morning appointed Alderman Sutherland to the position.

Wallpaper—new designs, moderate prices. Wallace's. 771f

T. T. Dunlop of Telkwa was among the passengers from the interior Sunday evening.

GERMANY DECIDES TO BUILD AN IMMENSE AERIAL FLEET

TWELVE AND A HALF MILLIONS TO BE EXPENDED IN FIVE YEARS—ITALY TO ADD DIRIGIBLES.

Berlin, April 5.—The German admiralty's plans for the establishment of a big aerial navy were published officially today. The fleet of airships and aeroplanes is to cost \$12,500,000, which is to be spread over the next five years. The fleet is to be entirely apart from that connected with the army, on which nearly \$25,000,000 is to be spent.

A bill providing for an appropriation of \$750,000 as the first outlay on the aerial fleet was introduced in the imperial parliament today. It calls for 10 naval dirigible balloons of the largest size, of which eight are to compose the active fleet and two are to be held in reserve. Fifty-four double revolving balloon hulls into which the dirigibles will be able to enter regardless of the weather are to be erected and another to be kept as a reserve. A total of 52 aeroplanes, of which 36 are to form the active fleet and 14 the reserve, are also to be built and these are to be manned by a special corps of 1,452 officers and men.

The appropriations for this fleet, to be spread over the years 1914 to 1918, comprise \$8,750,000 for dirigibles and \$2,225,000 for aeroplanes and maintenance of the crews. The life of the new airships is estimated at only four years each.

Italy Building Dirigibles
Rome, April 5.—The committee which had in charge the national popular subscription undertaken a year ago for presenting to the government an aerial war fleet, has completed the addition of the various subscriptions, which total more than \$660,000. Owing to the superiority of the dirigible over the aeroplane for practical war purposes, as demonstrated in Italy's war with Turkey, that type of aircraft will be bought exclusively.

Ladies' house dresses, \$1.50 and upward; in very pretty designs; just received at Wallace's.

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