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VANCOUVER COUNCIL OFFERS TO MEDIATE STRIKE

R. FIELDING DEPARTS FOR GREAT BRITAIN

Expected Departure Arouses Great Speculation—Is Thought that Laurier May Need Him to Allay British Financial Prejudice Against the Results of Reciprocity

Ottawa, May 30.—The unexpected announcement was made this morning that Hon. W. S. Fielding would depart at once for England, has given rise to keen speculation as to the reason for the sudden change of programme.

Laurier's Need
It is generally accepted that Sir Wilfrid Laurier found sentiment in London strongly opposed to reciprocity with the United States, and that he felt the need of a financial expert in Great Britain.

Fielding's Work
It is expected that Fielding will be able to allay any fears on that point, and persuade the financial

THE EDRIE IS CONFISCATED

Marine Court Orders Confiscation of the Yankee Fishing Schooner Edrie.

Victoria, May 30.—The gasoline fishing schooner Edrie of Seattle, was condemned and confiscated as a prize by Chief Justice Hunter this morning for fishing within the three mile limit at the northwest end of Vancouver Island. The Edrie was seized by the Canadian cruiser Rainbow in February.

That basketball game in the Auditorium will be a peach to-night, so will that lunch at Reilly's after the game.

BASEBALL SCORES

Northwestern League
Vancouver 1, Spokane 0.
Tacoma 4, Portland 0.
Seattle 3, Victoria 2.

American League
Philadelphia 4, Chicago 3.
New York 1, St. Louis 0.
Cleveland 7, Boston 12.
Detroit 6, Washington 5.

National League
Chicago 4, Boston 4.
Pittsburg 1, Brooklyn 4.
Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 7.
New York 4, Cincinnati 6.

Mrs. W. M. Ward will leave on Friday on a three months' visit to her home in West Virginia.

PREMIER FISHER MAY LECTURE

Australia's Labor Premier Is to be Invited to Address a Series of Meetings in Canada.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Ottawa, May 30.—As part of a propaganda they are about to begin to encourage the entry of workingmen into public life in Canada, the executive of the Trades and Labor Congress which met today, decided to invite Premier Fisher, of the Australian Commonwealth, who is now in London to make a tour of Canada, delivering lectures in all the principal cities on the practical application of labor policies to politics.

ROWING TO THEIR DEATH RESCUED JUST IN TIME

Four Men of the Schooner Toza Maru Lost Their Vessel in Fog—Picked Up Exhausted Forty Miles from Land and Drifting Seaward—Are Recovering at Jedway Today

(Special Wireless Despatch to the Daily News)

Ikeda, May 30.—Bewildered, hungry, and all but exhausted, four Japanese fishermen were saved yesterday morning by the schooner Princess Victoria which picked them up forty miles west of Tunget Island, adrift in their small open boat, and heading for the open Pacific.

The men belong to the schooner Toza Maru. They had been fishing, and lost their bearings in the fog. Unable to locate the Toza Maru after hours of toil without food, they were feebly rowing to

certain death in the open sea when the Princess Victoria chanced on them at 8 a.m. yesterday.

Nearly All In

When the Princess Victoria's crew hauled them aboard, they collapsed on the deck utterly exhausted. Without delay the skipper headed his vessel for Jedway, where he landed the rescued men, and put them in charge of the Provincial Government Agent who is caring for them. They are gradually recovering. The Japanese Consul has been notified of the rescue, and will arrange for the men's return to their vessel.

WRANGLING ALL NIGHT ACCOMPLISHED NOTHING

City Council Held Abortive Debate About the Engineer's Department—Ald. Newton Declared That Nearly Everything It Has Done is Wrong—Newton and Clayton Indulge in a War of Words—Mayor Left Room During Ald. Newton's Speech.

In spite of the copious outpourings of eloquence, and hours of time devoted by the city council to the question of the Engineering Department, the situation today on the whole business is "As you were."

There will be no raises for the engineers until the whole department conditions are investigated again this time by a committee consisting of Aldermen Douglas, Kerr, Kirkpatrick and Newton, appointed by the Mayor.

They were the four who voted against the adoption of the report brought in by the council committee of the whole that raises be granted according to Alderman Morrissey's scale, giving Mr. Lucas \$200 per month. The result was sealed after a wordy wrangle. The vote taken resulted in a tie

and Mayor Manson cast in favor of the amendment.

Reorganise Department

The motion was that the report of council committee of the whole be adopted. Then Alderman Newton moved the amendment that the whole thing wait until a reorganisation of the engineering staff could be effected. Meanwhile the engineers' raises could wait. His seconder was Alderman Douglas who severely condemned the engineering department saying the public were complaining of it.

There was the distant rumbling of a coming storm which Alderman Kirkpatrick vainly tried to stay with a suggestion that the first report of the City Engineer be accepted. Nothing doing. Alderman Morrissey also endeavored to stay the torrent with the echo of warnings he had heard

on the street telling the council to go slow on expenditures. He said he had heard this from responsible ratepayers not labor agitators.

"I don't talk only with labor agitators," interjected Alderman Douglas.

Storm Broke

Now the storm muttering in the distance really broke. Alderman Newton began to speak. He remarked that the question of the engineer's raises of salary might have been dealt with by the finance committee if his good friend Alderman Clayton had not suggested it should be referred to another committee.

"Some members of the finance committee are not capable of

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HERE IS THIS MAN'S OPINION OF THINGS

Article in Spokane Paper Written by a Prince Rupert Man—Calls George Leek an Assassin and Refers to King's Coronation as a Gathering of Degenerates

Under the heading of "DEGENERATES GATHER," and the sub-head, "Prince Rupert Assassin at the Coronation of King George in England," the Industrial Worker, a Spokane publication, publishes the following in its issue of Thursday, May 25th:

George Leek, the uniformed murderer who on April 6th, 1911, dashed himself in the battle of the Rock Cut on First avenue, Prince Rupert, for his gallantry in trying to murder a lot of unskilled workingmen, has received honor (or should I say the

degradation) of going to England at the expense of the public to assist with his blood stained hands in lifting a crown onto the head of another mental prostitute. George is color-serial in Earl Grey's scouts or better known here as Muskeg scouts. He boasts of wearing the garb of a murderer for eighteen long years. He will receive the Victoria Cross from King George for shooting down some of his subjects in Prince Rupert.

Bill Lynch is jealous of George Leek because he thinks that he

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SPECTOR PRAISES THE PRINCE RUPERT SCHOOL

Excellent Report of His Recent Visit—Mr. W. D. Vance of City Hall Staff is Appointed to be New Secretary of the School Board

Mr. W. D. Vance has been appointed secretary to the School Board of Prince Rupert to take the place of Mr. C. H. Sawle who is retiring. The appointment was made at the Board's meeting yesterday afternoon. Others who applied for the position were James Russell, Frank A. Ellis, L. Bullock, Fred James, David Thompson and David C. Stewart. The selection of Mr. Vance was probably considered chiefly because of the fact that in his position at the City Hall he will be most available at all times, and already has to do with the school

equipment. There are defects in the roof which require attention to prevent leaking. A gong is suggested to help in the Fire Drill, also a clock for the headmaster's room. These suggestions are being acted upon. As regards the state of the roof, a letter was read from J. E. Griffiths, Public Works Engineer at Victoria, stating that the building has not yet been taken over by the Government, and that Mr. McMullin has been requested to see that the contractor makes good any defects. A copy of the Inspector's report regarding the roof-defects will be sent to him.

Estimates Approved

Estimates totalling \$16,900 for school purposes during the current year revised at last Board meeting were approved, and the Mayor will be informed of this. The estimates are as follows: Salaries \$10,000, Insurance \$900, Light, Water, Fuel \$1,200, School Supplies \$500, High School Supplies \$150, Scavenging \$150, Gymnasium, Playgrounds \$1,500, Seats, etc., for three new rooms \$500, Plank Roads \$500, Contingencies \$1,000.

Amongst minor business dealt

NEW ASSISTANT FIRE-CHIEF

Dan MacDonald, of Rossland, Appointed Last Night

Mr. Dan MacDonald, at present assistant fire-chief for Rossland, B. C., was appointed assistant fire-chief here last night by the city council at a salary of \$125 per month to take effect as soon as he can get here.

This was a recommendation of the fire and water committee and was adopted.

The committee was also supported in the recommendation of making a change in the payment of the call men of the fire department. Four men, instead of six will be retained at a salary of \$10 a month.

James Gibson, the auto fire

Where to Go

EMPRESS THEATRE, Second Ave.; Pictures and music, 7.30 p.m.

MAJESTIC THEATRE, Third Ave.; Pictures and music, 7.30 p.m.

PHENIX THEATRE, Second Avenue; Pictures and music, 7.30 p.m.

AUDITORIUM, Sixth Avenue; Basketball, 8.45, tonight.

TENNIS CLUB Meeting in old Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m. tonight.

engine driver will get \$100 a month.

Aldermen Newton and Douglas asked some pertinent questions about the appointment of the assistant chief. These questions were answered to the questioners' satisfaction.

Maybe, Maybe Not

It's up to the finance committee to decide whether the council should subscribe to the "Financial News" of London, Eng. The business manager of the paper wrote asking for a subscription from the city.

The same committee will consider which of the two applicants for the position of City Auditor is the most suitable. The two applicants are Messrs. G. Monroe and David Thompson.

They Want Light

Mr. P. I. Palmer and fifty-five others want the electric light plant increased so that several ratepayers wanting to be supplied with light can be accommodated. A petition was sent to the council and was laid on the table for the time being.

City Engineer Davis has recommended that the raising of buildings where grades have been altered should be done by day labor.

REACHED RUPERT IN TIME FOR BROTHER'S FUNERAL

Coming to Seek Missing Man Here, John McLeod Arrived Just as Wire Was Sent Telling Him George McLeod Had Been Killed by Fall

Just as Ensign Johnstone and G. H. Collins of the Atlin construction company, were despatching a telegram to John McLeod of Phenix, B. C., to tell him that his brother George had been found dead at Port Essington, John McLeod himself was stepping off the Princess May at Prince Rupert. He had come to search for his missing brother, and will be in time to be present at the funeral.

Killed by Fall

George McLeod's death was apparently caused by a fall, not by exposure, or drowning as had

been reported. John McInnes, who found the body says that he first saw one of the dead man's mittens which he recognised, lying where the snow had melted. Then he found the body at the bottom of a fifty foot crag. McLeod had been walking on the trail above, and had slipped.

Funeral Today

Ensign Johnstone is to conduct the funeral today. It will be attended by members of the staff of the Atlin Construction Co., and of the Order of Foresters, as well as many friends of deceased. John McLeod will be chief mourner.

PEOPLE DEMAND LIGHT COUNCIL IN THE DARK

Petition for Extension of Light Plant and Proposal for to Have Gas Producer Plant Tabled for Week While Ald. Newton Criticises

More electric light is wanted. A petition signed by about 50 persons was presented to the council last night asking that steps be taken to increase the supply of juice. Already a proposal was before the council in a report from the light committee recommending the installation of a gas producer plant at a cost of \$28,800 to increase the supply of current and reduce the coal bill. Nothing definite has been done, however, the report was laid on the table for a week, and Alderman Hilditch only wished it had been laid there for two weeks.

Sweeping Condemnation

An opportunity occurred, however, in the talk about this matter for Alderman Newton to get in a stab at the engineering department. "The engineering department," he said, "is the greatest monument of bungling under God's heaven."

At this Alderman Clayton indignantly smiled.

"Yes," thundered Alderman Newton. "My good friend Alderman Clayton can sit there and giggle, but what I say is true." (Great laughter and applause from the back). Unheeding the noise Alderman Newton went on in pained

accents to rebuke Alderman Clayton for smiling. "I give you a quiet hearing without interruption," he said directly across the table, "and I think you might extend the same courtesy to me."

Let the People Wait

"All right, Alderman Newton," said Alderman Clayton much humbled, and Alderman Newton went on to condemn the present light plant. The cost of hauling coal to it, he pointed out, is heavy. It should have been built on a site near Lynch's Store where coal could have been supplied by a cheaper route. He was against making any additions to the present unsatisfactory plant, and said, "Better shut down the entire private system of lighting, keep only the thoroughfares lighted, and let the people wait for house lighting."

"Put the whole thing up to the people," suggested Alderman Douglas.

"It seems that Alderman Newton's idea of progress is either to stand still or go backwards," declared Alderman Clayton. "The committee's idea in bringing this forward now is to have the ma-

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