

Y MATTERS BEFORE COUNCIL

VED POSTAL SERVICE TO COMOX

of Trade Executive Holds Meeting—President Leis. Services Appreciated

At last meeting of the 1909-1910 board of trade held on a number of important matters were the New Westminster service, improved postal service with Comox, consideration of P. R. application for the extension of this to permit extension of the wharves and the readjustment of the Provincial Association for the next convention of the Library Association for Victoria.

At the Fraser river service meeting that although the council received a letter from the G. P. & Trading Company, offering the steamer Trader on a regular service, the matter being a report is received showing the business men of the city this service to be equal to their own.

Proposal to take advantage of the N. railway extension to the improving the Comox and mail service was reported. It was suggested that the mail be sent as the railroad extension to the new of good stage connections two districts. The matter has been referred to J. O. MacLeod, superintendent of railway mail services, and consideration by the board delayed until a reply is returned.

From the Canadian Pacific Company setting forth part of the proposed wharf extension the inner harbor, which have been detailed in the Times, the letter was accompanied by a plan showing the projected running from a line parallel to the street for 857 feet. It asked the board to express its opinion on the plans and the matter taken up at an early meeting.

present at the meeting were: Mayor, chairman; J. A. Mara, engineer; J. J. Shallock, Geo. F. Todd, James Forman and H. Lugin.

the completion of the council's several of the members took to refer in complimentary the services rendered by the engineer. His untiring energy during his office was unanimously

of the board, and the feeling of the was that without his untiring ability in guiding the desirability would not have resulted.

Mr. Leiser thanked the of the council for their warm and also for the co-operation given him in matters connected with the board. He felt that what was needed at the present time was the council and of the board as a whole to obtain only as the members' unflinching aid and the consequent support heived from them.

CONSUL-GENERAL

Secretary Grey Says Sir Gorst Will Remain in Egypt

July 6.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons yesterday, Foreign Secretary Grey at Sir Eldon Gorst would remain in Egypt as British diplomatic consul-general.

Questions have been asked of Gorst since Mr. Roosevelt's speech on Egypt as to what was going to do in the British agent there, in view of the Egyptian situation. This answer:

referring to the fact that Gorst is not to be removed from position of consul-general in Egypt:

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WILL, DESTROYED.

Hand, July 4.—Horace Smith's situated near Comox, was to the ground a few days ago in the fire is unknown. The insurance, as Mr. Smith could removing the machinery in time to his new mill on Little's

Alex. Urphart was returning one from the sawmill on the and road, his horse was at a boat on a wagon. Mr. was thrown from his buggy and a fracture of the left

of P. R. EARNINGS

July 6.—C. P. R. traffic for the period ending June ended \$2,735,000, an increase of over the same period last year.

CHEAP WATER FOR OAK BAY

COUNCIL DECIDES TO REDUCE THE PRICE

Hereafter Municipal Residents Will Pay Same Minimum of \$1

At last Oak Bay has been placed on an equal footing with the city in the matter of water charges. Until this month the minimum charge for water has been \$1.50, while the city the minimum was one dollar. At the last session of the legislature it was decided that the city should supply water to the municipality at a cheap wholesale, and this has now had its effect.

The water commissioner of Oak Bay recently recommended to the council that hereafter the charge for water throughout the municipality should be one dollar for the first three thousand gallons and 20c per thousand for all additional used. This was finally adopted by the council at their meeting Monday night. Revere Henderson presiding and all the councillors being present. The recommendation to spend the sum of \$50,000 on new mains and improvements to the system was also adopted and the water commissioner was given authority to proceed.

At the same meeting a local improvement by-law was introduced and passed by a three-fourths majority providing for the clearing, grading, and draining of Newport avenue, Linkleas avenue, McNeill avenue, and Central avenue; grading, draining and macadamizing of Brighton avenue, Chaucer street, and Boundary road.

Councillors Hargreaves and Sproule objected to continuing the old system of separate drains for surface water and for sewerage. Both spoke against it and opposed the passing of the by-law as a protest against its continuation.

Permits were ordered to be issued to D. R. Alcorn and H. Palmer for houses on Hampshire road north and Montevideo avenue, respectively, each to cost in the neighborhood of \$2500.

The water commissioner was ordered to lay a water pipe on Thistle street at once, in order that some houses there may be connected with the main. He was instructed to have meter boxes locked wherever necessary.

A letter from the Good Roads association proposing an amendment to the Municipal Clauses act in regard to the shovels for road construction was ordered to be laid upon the table.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

Kansas City, Mo., July 5.—Dr. B. C. Hyde, convicted of the murder of Col. Thos. H. Swope, to-day was sentenced to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary in accordance with the recommendation of the jury. The defence filed notice of appeal to the Supreme Court of Missouri.

The judge was smiling throughout the proceedings, and spoke reassuringly to his wife, who was present. The convicted man will remain in jail pending his appeal.

THIEVES BUSY AT RENO.

Reno, Nev., July 5.—Pickpockets and hotel thieves cleaned up nearly as much as they could in the night as they were seen in the city. It was estimated that 200 pickpockets came to Reno.

PARDON FOR DESERTERS.

Ottawa, July 5.—A militia order announces that, as an act of clemency, the King, on the occasion of his accession to the throne, has ordered the pardon of all deserters from the British army, whether in the Empire or abroad.

UNFOUNDED RUMOR.

Salt Lake City, July 5.—A wild rumor that Jack Johnson had been shot in some mysterious way spread through Salt Lake City to-day, and though not taken seriously, it was not set entirely at rest until the word of the black champion's safe arrival at Ogden reached here.

CHOLERA PREVALENT IN SOUTHWESTERN RUSSIA

Peasants Oppose Officials Who Are Seeking to Prevent Spread of Disease

St. Petersburg, July 5.—Riots are breaking out throughout southwestern Russia as a result of attempts by the authorities to enforce the sanitary laws. Cholera is prevalent in many localities, and the authorities are seeking to prevent its spread.

Some peasants are assigned for the opposition of the peasants to the efforts of the health authorities. First, they believe that if a pestilence visits them it is the will of heaven, and the authorities have no right to interfere; second, they object to an intrusion by officials, and, third, they fear ill-treatment of the sick at the hands of the authorities.

PRINCE WEDS IN LONDON.

London, July 5.—Prince Antoine married Dorothy Deacon yesterday in St. Mary's church to-day. The ceremony being private, immediate crowds thronged the doors and it was necessary for police guards to hold them in check.

WILL NOT MAKE INTERIM REPORT

EXPERT ACCOUNTANT SO INFORMS COUNCIL

Legal Enquiry To Be Made Into Relations Between City and Country Club

In a very diplomatically-worded letter read at Monday's meeting of the city council J. H. Halliwell, the expert accountant who is going into the books of the corporation at the instance of Mayor Morley and the members of the finance committee, explained that he could not at the present time submit an interim report as requested. The letter was received and filed.

The acting city solicitor forwarded a copy of the recent judgment of Mr. Justice Gregory in the city's suit with the Country Club. He advised that unless an amicable arrangement can be made with the club the city would find itself powerless to prevent the proposed meet. On the suggestion of Ald. Raymond it was determined to have a legal inquiry into the matter at the next meeting.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, wrote asking that the relations between the city and the company relative to the matter of electric light rates might be adjusted now that Mr. Halliwell was going through the city's books. Mr. Goward suggested an early conference with Mr. Halliwell to this end.

Ald. Mable thought the matter was one too important to be settled by Mr. Halliwell off-hand, and after some debate it was decided to refer the same to the electric light committee for report.

R. S. Day, acting for a plate glass insurance company, again called attention to the account against the city by the Sylvester Feed Company, for damages to a window alleged to have been caused by the carelessness of a city workman. The city solicitor advised that the corporation had no liability in the matter at all, and Mr. Day will be so informed.

Wm. Walker, janitor of the Carnegie library, tendered his resignation. This was referred to the library committee with power to act.

Otto Weller, Herbert Kent and Stephen Jones asked for two lights to be placed on Douglas street, between Amphlett and Park Place. This was referred to the electric light committee.

A communication was received from the city solicitor to the effect that the Worksaving Company, which was recently awarded a contract for the paving of certain streets of the city, was about to be turned into a joint stock company. He advised that while the city should consent to this Capt. Worswick be held personally liable in the bond with the city.

The city solicitor also wrote regarding the case of the Equitable Water Works Company and the Victoria West arbitration case. A final sitting would be held in a few days. It was decided to make the complete list, and communication was received and filed.

S. Perry Mills, K. C., and others protested against the laying of an asphalt pavement on Fernwood road, because Gladstone avenue and Chambers street. In the opinion of the petitioner a macadam road was sufficient for all purposes. This was referred to the streets committee.

GENERAL REPORTED EXECUTED.

Convicted by Court Martial in Nicaragua of Having Betrayed the Estrada Cause.

New Orleans, July 5.—A private cablegram received here from Bluefields, Nicaragua, says General Matuty was being executed by a trial by court martial. It was charged that he betrayed the Estrada cause.

Matuty took a prominent part as an Estrada general in the battle of El Recreo, in December. In April he was arrested and charged with treason. Matuty, Francisco Morena, minister of state, and Colonel Enrique Espinosa were alleged to have been in a plot to turn over the Atlantic coast of Nicaragua to Madrid. Matuty was finally released, and it is claimed joined the Estrada forces. Following his imprisonment a court martial was summoned, and he was condemned to death, according to the private cable dispatches received here. His execution is said to have taken place Sunday.

WILL NOT RESIGN.

Beverly, Mass., July 5.—"I have never been a quitter and have not brought my resignation with me," said Secretary of the Interior Ballinger to-day when asked if he intended to resign following the loss of his portfolio.

"Moreover, I do not expect to resign," continued the secretary. "I came to discuss with the president a plan to re-organize the land office and the reclamation service."

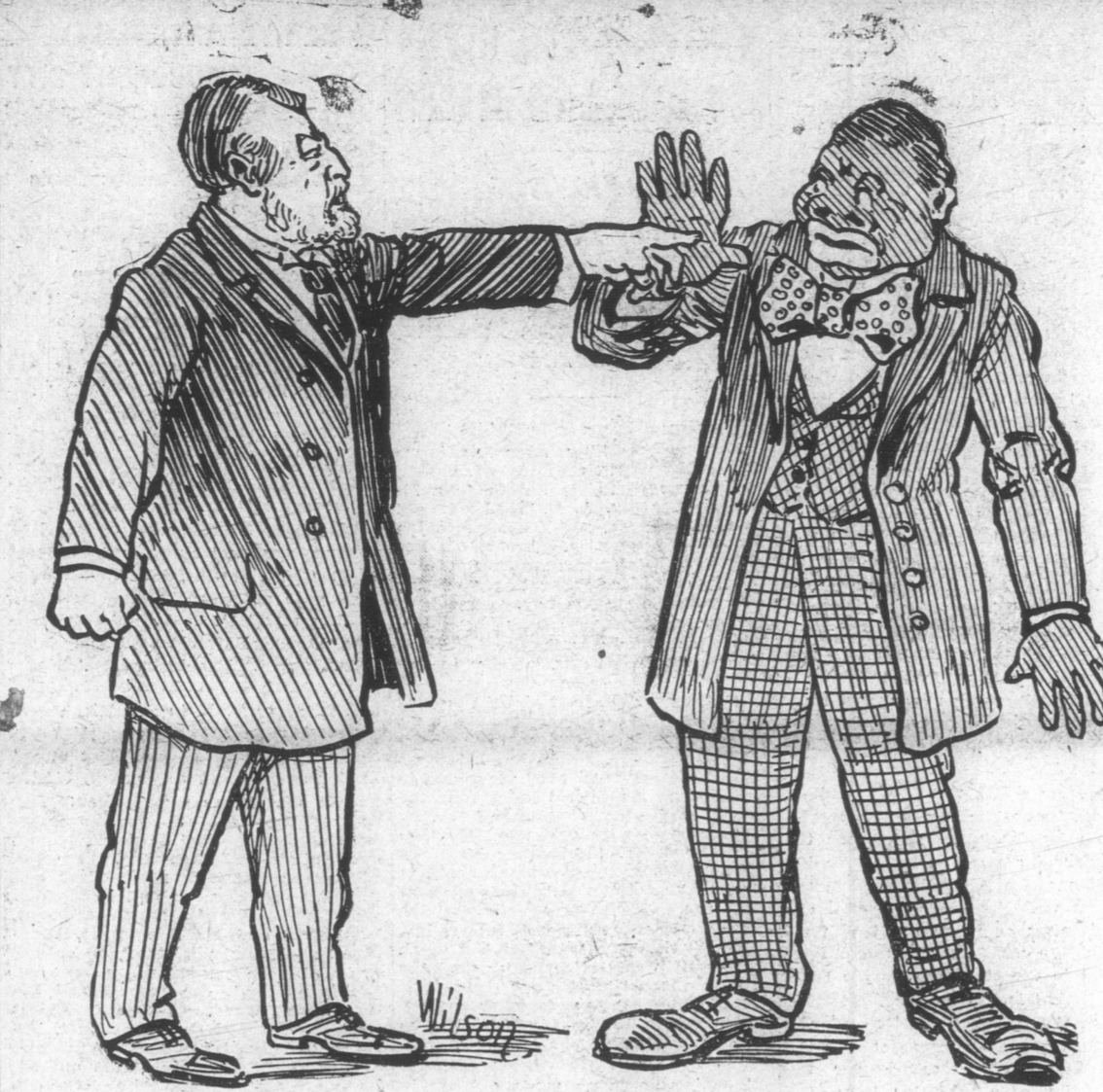
Ballinger had luncheon with President Tatt and conferred with him at 2 o'clock this afternoon. It is understood that the conference will decide the fate of Director Newell, of the reclamation service.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Spokane, Wash., July 5.—The city ordinance placing a ban on high explosives resulted in a sane fortune in Spokane. While an abundance of gunpowder was consumed, there have been no serious accidents.

James Lynch, Jr., a schoolboy, was taken to the hospital with a badly burned eye, from the premature explosion of a rocket.

John Windandy, a rancher, was killed near here. Windandy was at the electrical station at Greenacres preparing to start an excursion party. He leaped across the track to get a grip and in returning was caught by an electric train and instantly killed.



JOHNSON'S FINISH. MAYOR MORLEY—"As I was saying to my friend Phil, when I was in the ring down in California..."

FATAL RACE RIOTS IN STATES

SEVERAL KILLED AND MANY INJURED

Fighting Follows Announcement of the Result of Jeffries-Johnson Contest

Rome, Va.—Six negroes beaten and dying; one white man shot.

Pittsburg—Scores hurt in race riots in which 4,000 negroes attacked white men. One hundred rioters arrested.

Philadelphia—Whites and negroes fight with bricks and missiles. A Louisville crowd of negroes attack white newboys selling extras telling of race riots last night.

Willington, Del.—Whites attempt wholesale lynchings and scores of persons are injured in resultant riots.

New Orleans—In riots before bulletin board of newspapers, revolvers and knives are used with fatal effect.

St. Louis—Negroes are attacked by whites.

Cincinnati—Negroes are taken from homes and beaten by whites.

Atlanta, Ga.—Negro runs amok following the victory of Johnson and is saved from death by the police.

Baltimore—Several negroes stabbed in a riot.

Washington—Hospitals crowded with injured whites and blacks. Rioting continued all night; 230 under arrest.

New York—Negro beaten to death; scores injured. Police reserves out in all negro sections.

Shreveport, La.—Three negroes killed, one white man fatally injured. Scores of white and blacks hurt in riot following the fight returns from Reno. Reports from northern Louisiana tell of many persons injured in riots.

Chicago—One negro stabbed and dying; scores injured; frequent fights in the "black belt."

Omaha—One negro killed and several injured.

Little Rock, Ark.—Two negroes killed; many injured.

Houston, Texas—A white man was started by a negro and then killed his assailant. Several negroes attacked and beaten.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Two negroes attack white woman and beat her fatally with beer bottles.

WEAKNESSES OF COMPANIES' ACT

BUSINESS MEN POINT THEM OUT TO PREMIER

Answer Promised To-morrow to Their Request for Suspension of Operation of Act

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A large delegation of members of the Victoria Board of Trade waited on the provincial government this morning in the executive chamber for the purpose of requesting that the operations of the Companies Act be delayed until it had received further consideration.

The delegation was introduced by President Simon Leiser, there being present Premier McBride, Hon. Dr. Young and Hon. Eric Ellison.

The subject was opened by W. J. Ambery in a short speech, and was followed by J. J. Shallock, who was in the province of not, and whether referring to property within the province or not, and the company had to appoint an attorney with power to sue to be sued, to plead and implead, also with power to issue and transfer stock, though this last named power might be omitted in the case of companies not British or Canadian, according to clause 160 and 161, and it was difficult to see why this additional obligation was placed on British and Canadian companies. These obligations are very onerous, and letters were produced from British and Canadian companies declining to do business in British Columbia on any such terms, and a petition from 19 British Columbia manufacturers protesting against the act and this number could have been greatly increased. The commercial community asked that the enforcement of the act be suspended as regards extra-territorial companies until the powers reserved by clause 170 as of course, if enforced at all, it should be enforced in every case covered by the act.

Mr. B. Jackson explained that the trouble was to discover the philosophy of so drastic a measure. The commercial part of the community had been misled in not having been consulted in the matter. They felt it was a reflection on the credit of the province to put a barrier between the creditor and debtor, so that a debt could not be recovered by process of law. As first introduced into the house this right to recover a debt was a part of the bill. There were three reasons which he could think of why the bill had been introduced.

It might be, Mr. Jackson said, that the government did not approve of joint stock companies. They might think they were a nuisance and object to their doing business in the province. If this was so it was a very reactionary position to take. He hardly thought this could be the reason.

It might have been a protective measure, but whatever they might think about protection this was purely a Dominion government matter. If protection were the moving principle in this legislation it was unwise and unpatriotic and threatened the integrity of the Dominion.

If the reason was neither that they were opposed to stock companies nor a matter of protection it must be done for revenue purposes. It was intended to penalize only a part of the community for revenue purposes. It was a most unfair way of collecting revenue to take it from only the business community. Some of the biggest concerns doing business in the province were private trading partnerships and they were to be allowed to come here free of any tax, while the stock companies were to be taxed and put to great expense and trouble. The manufacturers of the province had not asked for the measure and an act

AN OPEN RUPTURE AT COUNCIL BOARD

Ald. Fullerton Charges Mayor Morley With Impeding Business of City—Mayor Threatens to Have Member Expelled

Mayor Morley and Ald. Fullerton, the latter the champion of the working classes of the city, came to grips at Monday's meeting of the city council, when his worship, because of certain uncomplimentary remarks passed by the aldermen in regard to the manner in which civic business is being transacted, threatened to have the alderman ejected from the council chamber.

On the matter of the pavement of Douglas street being raised, there was a dispute between the mayor and chairman of the streets committee as to the manner in which the curbs and gutters are being laid.

This gave Ald. Fullerton his opportunity to enter a protest against the action the mayor is constantly interfering with the work of the engineering department.

"In my opinion it is simply disgraceful the way the business of this council is being carried on," declared Alderman Fullerton. "We are wasting time every time we meet. I am getting tired of it."

Mayor Morley—Is that a reflection on the chair?"

Ald. Fullerton (with emphasis)—It certainly is.

Mayor Morley—I must call the alderman to order. If he does not observe the rules, I shall have to ask him to leave the chamber.

Ald. Fullerton would like to see you try and do that.

Ald. Humber asked what his worship would do if the recalcitrant alderman would not consent to be disciplined, but his question was answered by the mayor.

The cause of the trouble was that Ald. Fullerton objected to the delay in the proceedings of the board as a whole in the many deliberations. The fuss started when Ald. Bannerman

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RUSSO-JAPANESE TREATY SIGNED

Intended to Maintain Political Status in Regard to Holdings in the Orient

(Times Leased Wire.)

Tokio, July 5.—Government officials to-day received notification of the signing late yesterday of the Russo-Japanese treaty at St. Petersburg. Though the treaty has been signed, its terms will not be made public for some days. It is expected the text will be given out about July 10th.

A cable from Vladivostok to-day says the new agreement relates chiefly to territorial integrity and is intended to maintain the political status in regard to the Russian and Japanese holdings in the Orient.

The treaty, it is declared, also recognizes the right of each country to maintain armaments in Asia and provides for the surrender of criminals under extradition proceedings.

Paris has 60 wholesale firms which deal in mushrooms exclusively.