

ENGINEER REPORTS WILL INCREASE ON SOOKE WATER AT LAKE OUTLET

TWELVE FOOT DAM Reservoir Site in the Goldstream District is Suggested by Mr. Meredith

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Owing to the importance of the subject it was not possible to enter into the discussion of the report of Wyn Meredith as consulting engineer to the city council in connection with the Sooke Lake water supply at the meeting last evening, and it was decided that the council should meet Mr. Meredith at his office on Monday night in committee and hear his explanation of details.

Water Commissioner Raymur, who explained in a brief communication enclosing the report of progress made on expropriations of the necessary right-of-way from the Lake, was asked about the cost, which Mr. Meredith does not refer to as yet, pending the possession of further information, but beyond remarking that the scheme would be under two million dollars he would not be more specific as to the precise amount.

The specifications necessary before tenders can be invited are to be ready by next Friday. The report of Mr. Meredith, who deals exclusively with the southern route, follows:

"Examinations and investigations for the bringing of Sooke water to Victoria have been under way for some months. The work has taken a somewhat longer time than was anticipated owing to the extremely rough character of the country, necessitating the running of many lines to ensue the final selection of the shortest route and the most favorable grades. The field work was completed entirely complete as regards location for construction, is sufficiently advanced to be decisive as to route selected and sufficient for contracting purposes.

Would Flood C. N. R. Track. "Surveys have been made of Sooke Lake for determining the storage capacity that can be made available by the construction of a dam 50-feet in height. It should be noted that such a dam would flood some three miles of the original location of the Canadian Northern Railway along the shore of Sooke lake and in order to ascertain the possibilities in this direction, a relocation of this portion of the Canadian Northern Railway has been made by various engineers. An entirely feasible and practical location has been made, and found to be even somewhat better as regards alignment and length over the original. A survey has been made for the purpose of locating a suitable conduit line to convey Leech river water into Sooke lake. The drainage area of the Sooke lake catchment basin has been ascertained, and the drainage area of the Leech river catchment basin above the point of the proposed diversion has also been ascertained.

Reservoir Site. "A reservoir site for pressure control has been found in the district, about ten and a half miles from the city, at a sufficient elevation to deliver water by gravity to the Smith Hill distributing reservoir. This pressure reservoir site has been surveyed, its storage capacity determined and two routes have been surveyed for bringing water from Sooke lake thereto. The north route includes two tunnels, approximately in the same relation and the same length as shown by previous surveys, and indicates a flow line from the outlet of the second tunnel along the west side of Finlayson arm to the proposed reservoir. The second, or south line route is down the Sooke river and around Mount Shepherd, on a flow line grade without tunnels to the reservoir. Surveys have been partially completed for the pressure line from the reservoir to the city, and this work is now in progress of completion. Surveys of a small dam sufficient for the initial development, as well as for a 50-foot dam, have been made at the outlet of Sooke lake, and also for the dam required to form the pressure reservoir. The location of bed-rock for the foundation of the small dam at Sooke lake, and the dam at the pressure reservoir, has been determined by means of excavations to bed-rock.

Measuring weirs have been constructed at the outlet of Sooke lake, and at the point of the proposed diversion on the Leech river, and daily records on the flow are being made, together with observations on precipitation, temperature and evaporation. These records will in time form the basis for a hydrograph showing the actual annual run-off of these streams, and how much water will be available for use. There is no question but what an ample supply can be obtained for the city's requirements for many years to come, but in the absence of precise knowledge as to the run-off throughout a complete year, comparisons or deductions must be made using the known catchment area in comparison with adjacent watersheds, such as the Jordan river on the west, and Goldstream on the east, for making some determination at the present time of the amount of water available.

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WILL BE SHOT.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 11.—Harry Thorne, convicted of the murder of George W. Fassell, while attempting to rob Fassell's place of business, was sentenced yesterday to be executed December 22. A condemned prisoner in Utah is permitted to select whether he shall be hanged or shot. Thorne chose shooting.

WILL INCREASE COST OF LIVING

MERCHANTS' VIEW OF THE COMPANIES' ACT

J. J. Shallcross Presents Case of Board of Trade to the Tax Commission

(From Saturday's Daily.)

"The B. C. Companies Act is a wonderful act; it is one of the most wonderful acts ever framed in this province. The only possible justification for it is that it is a fight between British Columbia and the Dominion."

So J. J. Shallcross, vice-president of the British Columbia Board of Trade, addressed the members of the Tax Commission this morning, when presenting to that body a copy of the report recently made to the board by a special committee which had gone into the provisions of the act as affecting outside companies wishing to do business here.

C. H. Lugin asked him if he was aware that the British Board of Trade had endorsed the British Columbia Act as a model for the other Canadian provinces and as coming nearest to the British Act.

"That is more in its reference to its excellence in protecting investors," Mr. Shallcross replied. "No one has protested against the provisions of the Act as directed against fraudulent companies or misleading prospectuses, but it may have an effect on the cost of living in this province. It must increase it. It curtails competition. It prevents anyone doing business in this province who is not registered here. The objection we take to the Act is as to the manner in which it affects foreign companies. The whole Act is a limitation of trade and the board has put itself on record against it, although nearly every member is benefitted by it."

Mr. Shallcross cited cases which might arise here—extreme cases, he admitted, but still quite possible. The captain of a vessel owned by an incorporated company might come in here to buy supplies, but he could not legally do so because his company was not registered here, so he would have to go to Seattle. If he wanted to register, he would find that the whole capital of the company being then employed in British Columbia, the fee would be a prohibitive tax. If a bond company in Seattle desired to invest here and send loans to make inquiries he could not act for it until the company had been registered here, as he thus became agent for them, and the act forbade a foreign incorporated company having an agent here until it paid the fee and was registered. Or if an incorporated company outside sent a bill poster here to put up bills for it the bill poster became an agent for it, and liable to the penalties of the act for doing business for it without its being registered here. No man could tender here for work or carry on negotiations on behalf of an incorporated company unless its principals were registered. If Vickers, Son & Maxim, registered here under the act, wanted to issue debentures in England, they must come over here and secure their certificate of David Whiteside, as registrar of joint stock companies on the back of the debentures.

Mr. Malkin remarked that Mr. Shallcross' company could not do business here without being incorporated, and why then should an outside company be allowed to do so?

Mr. Shallcross—"But the man from outside who is not an incorporated company can come in and do business, while the incorporated company is penalized?"

Hon. Mr. McPhillips said it would not be right that a company in London should be allowed to come in and sell its sweat-shop product without registering in the province and paying the fees.

Mr. Shallcross, continuing his argument, contended that not only should the act curtail competition in the sale of products here but prevented the sale of provincial products. No man representing an incorporated company could come in and purchase a box of apples or a case of salmon without coming into conflict with the act.

The commissioners did not think it was as stringent as all that, but Mr. Shallcross retorted that it was a wonderful act, the more wonderful the more it was looked into.

REV. DR. WORKMAN WINS.

Awarded \$3,500 By Montreal Judge, Plaintiffs to Pay Costs.

Montreal, Nov. 11.—Mr. Justice H. Weir yesterday rendered his decision in the famous Workman case, condemning defendants to pay Rev. Dr. Workman \$3,500 and all costs in the case. Dr. Workman sued Wesleyan college for \$5,000 for wrongful dismissal, and the case has been something of a sensation from the start, owing to the prominence of the clerical witnesses called upon to testify. During the reading of his judgment, Hon. Mr. Justice Weir commented in rather severe terms upon the testimony given by some of the revered gentlemen.

FIGHT IN COURT.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 11.—An attack with a loaded revolver was made on Superior Judge Trabucco of Mariposa county, sitting in an extra session of the court yesterday, by Charles Adler of the Union Electric Company, who first attempted to strike his honor, then engaged in a fist fight with the clerk and finally drew a pistol. He was overpowered and taken into custody.

The attempt was the culmination of ill-feeling on the part of Adler against the judge, by reason of an affidavit sworn to by the latter in some litigation in which the judge went against him.



TROUBLE ALL ALONG THE BEAT

COLD SNAP STOPS FALL PLOWING

There Will Be Decrease in Acreage Under Wheat in Manitoba Next Year

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 11.—The cold wave which entered Northern Alberta on Wednesday night worked its way east into Manitoba. This early closing down of winter definitely puts an end to remaining hopes of a week or ten days' mild weather in which some fall ploughing might be done. Owing to the continued wet spells and early frosts together with delayed threshing less land than usual has been got ready by Manitoba farmers for spring ploughing and the effect is likely to manifest itself next season in decreased acreage seeded to the prime cereal.

Conditions are even less propitious in Saskatchewan and Alberta, where in some districts not fifty per cent of the grain has been threshed, and the balance to be threshed is likely to be manifest itself next season in decreased acreage seeded to the prime cereal.

NAVAL ADVISOR.

London, Nov. 11.—The Admiralty has arranged to loan a post-captain as naval advisor to the Australian high commissioner, Sir George Reid, and his salary will be paid by the Commonwealth.

O'NEIL CASE ADJOURNED.

Vancouver, Nov. 11.—To secure further evidence the prosecution in the case of Bernard O'Neil, the Idaho banker held for extradition, was further adjourned yesterday to December 2. While awaiting hearing, O'Neil has obtained a position with a commercial firm in the city.

REWARD PAID BY BANK OF MONTREAL

Sum of \$2,437 Divided Among Men Who Found Stolen Money at New Westminster

New Westminster, Nov. 11.—A little over \$400 has been paid by the Bank of Montreal to each of the six men who found \$24,370 of stolen money under the Fourth street sidewalk a week ago. The six who had received the \$2,437, are George McCleary, foreman; Tom Donovan, Gus Haros, D. Matheson, George Brown and Ole Steen. The bank is considering as to whether a ten per cent reward will be paid to George Lavery, who found the \$5,000 in the ravine and sold it to John Bozik for \$4. Bozik will come up for a hearing before Magistrate Edmonds on Tuesday, November 21, charged with having stolen money in his possession.

JURY WITHOUT FOOD.

San Bernardino, Cal., Nov. 11.—After having been out all night the jury in the case of George Adams, whom the Mexican government charged with murder, reported "we cannot agree until we have had something to eat."

"The sooner you agree on a verdict, the sooner you will eat," was the court's reply.

The jury then offered to pay for their own breakfast, but Judge Eldredge refused to permit them to leave the jury room. Half an hour later Adams was acquitted and the jurymen went to their breakfasts. Adams was accused of having killed a Mexican section hand.

NEW SCHOOLS NEEDED.

Toronto, Nov. 11.—The board of education has made a demand for \$670,000 additional for new schools.

CASE AGAINST CAR CONDUCTOR FAILS

DECISION GIVEN BY VANCOUVER MAGISTRATE

B. C. Electric Employee Charged With Allowing Passengers to Stand on Steps

Vancouver, Nov. 11.—The first prosecution under the provincial tramways act has failed. It was brought by Thomas Rae, inspector of tramways, against William Paterson, a conductor of the B. C. E. Ry., allowing the passengers to ride on the steps of his car.

"I must dismiss this charge," said Magistrate Shaw, in giving his decision. "It seems to me that the word 'passenger' in the sections 'prohibits passengers to ride' implies an exercise of the will on the part of the person in charge of the car. In this case the evidence shows that the people rushed and boarded the car before it left the station, and the conductor had no opportunity of showing whether he was going to permit them to ride there or not."

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UNIVERSITY SITE.

Ottawa, Nov. 11.—Early in the summer, when a suit was threatened by the Dominion government to contest the title of the province of British Columbia to its Point Grey University lands, a joint search of the archives of the war office in London was arranged.

Through E. P. Davis, K. C., of Vancouver, and Douglas Armour, of his firm, a search was made in London. Hon. W. J. Bower received a wire Thursday which declared that the investigation, though not absolutely completed, had greatly strengthened the rights of the province.

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CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Mrs. Jane Quinn yesterday was held to the grand jury on a charge of murder in connection with the death of her husband, John M. Quinn, who was found dead in his home 2, with a bullet wound in his nose. Mrs. Quinn declared he had been killed by burglars.

The Chicago police will continue their investigation into the deaths of Mrs. Quinn's two former husbands, John McDonald, whom she married in London, Canada, October 23, 1888, and Warren Thorpe, whom she married at Bass Lake, Michigan, in October, 1910. McDonald is reported to have died of alcoholic poisoning on September 28, 1901. Thorpe was found shot to death in his home at Jackson, Michigan, under circumstances similar to those attending the shooting of Quinn.

London, Nov. 11.—Sir Maitland Aitken has gone into the country owing to illness and has cancelled his more immediate parliamentary engagements.

EMPEROR'S KAISER'S DISPLEASURE

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE REBUKED

Emperor William Disapproves Son's Action During Debate in Reichstag

Berlin, Nov. 11.—A public and semi-official rebuke has been administered to Crown Prince Frederick William through an inspired telegram from Berlin published in the Cologne Gazette yesterday, and which fully confirms the report that Emperor William reprimanded his son for having openly demonstrated his approval of the attacks on the government's Moroccan policy and the bellicose utterances in the Reichstag.

For a similar instance of public censure for the Crown Prince one must go back to 1883, when Crown Prince Frederick was rebuked for criticisms of Chancellor Bismarck's policy in a speech made at Danzig.

The dispatch to the Cologne Gazette says: "We believe it to be the right and duty of the heir to the throne to take an interest in politics. He cannot be reproached for forming his own opinion if it is not to concur with the imperial policy."

"We further do not desire that the Crown Prince be prevented from expressing his opinion in a fitting manner, and since, not however, in the way chosen in the Reichstag, the effect of which we consider extremely grave. It goes without question that the episode and the press comments thereupon were reported to the Emperor, and the absence of the Crown Prince at Friday's sitting was due to the Emperor, to whom Thursday's events and the considerations involved therein cannot be agreeable."

The Crown Prince will return to Danzig this evening.

The Crown Prince did not appear at yesterday's session of the Reichstag, but instead cruised in Count Zeppelin's dirigible balloon, Schwaben II.

Dr. Otto Weimer, Radical, said he regretted deeply the Prince's action, which would only harm the cause of peace. This expression evoked hearty applause from the Liberal side.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg spoke again yesterday. It was apparent that he was deeply affected by the attitude of the Reichstag. He spoke, however, in a controlled manner when he began his reply to the criticism, later rang with passion as he castigated the Conservative leader, Herr Von Helldrand, for his accusation that the government had exhibited weakness by not republishing the speech of the British chancellor, David Lloyd George, which reference was made to Great Britain's treaty obligations to France at a time when France was waging war. The chancellor, fairly shaking with indignation, referred to the Conservative chief as a man "whose sword is in his mouth."

So violent a personal attack upon a party is a minister almost unprepared to direct against such a powerful one caused a sensation. Von Helldrand will never forgive the chancellor. That was the general comment among the members later.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

Premier Asquith Refers to the Discussions in London.

London, Nov. 11.—In his speech at the Guildhall Premier Asquith referred to the happy coincidences of the coronation and the imperial conference falling together, when six premiers, each fully endowed with all the powers of responsible self-government, sat daily around the same table, and he could sincerely say that it was a fruitful conference to each and of common interest to all had been discussed. For the first time representatives of the great overseas dominions had been admitted into the full confidence of his Majesty's government regarding the aims and methods of its foreign policy. Having thus surveyed together the strategic aspects of the Empire they were able to come to a complete agreement regarding reciprocal parts of military and naval defence.

ATTACKS BY ROBBERS.

Amoy, China, Nov. 11.—Attacks by robber bands in different quarters threw the city into a panic early today. The authorities, self-constituted, dealt with the situation as best they could. The water patrol captured a practical junk and its crew of 16 men swabs decapitated. The island junk traffic proceeded more freely to-day, but coast navigation was wholly suspended.

Taichang Chan assumed office to-day. The radicals favor surrendering the city to the rebels and this policy probably will prevail.

Chang Wo, with a population estimated as high as 1,600,000, situated 25 miles west by north-west from Canton, the rebels are in that city. The people are fleeing, fearing a repetition of the experiences of the Taping rebellion.

Forlgners are in no danger. Reports from Poo Chow say the fleeing train ended last evening, when the Manchus surrendered. The viceroys is dead and the Tartar general is severely wounded.

VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

Vancouver, Nov. 10.—That the death of William J. Macdonald, who was run over by a motor dray of the Vancouver Brewery Company, Monday morning, was accidental was the finding of the coroner's jury. All the witnesses of the accident testified that there was a distance of six or eight feet between the truck and the wall of the alley along which it was going.

SIR M. AITKEN INDISPOSED.

Liverpool, Nov. 11.—The Liverpool Autumn Cup, a handicap of £1,500, one mile three furlongs, was won yesterday by L. Glow's Treble, starting at 11 to 2. Willaura, 7 to 2, was second and Nustapha, 3 to 1, third.

REBEL LEADER MAY COMPROMISE

YUAN SHI KAI TELLS OF NEGOTIATIONS

General Li Reported to Be Anxious to Avert Further Bloodshed

Pekin, Nov. 11.—The theme and the government alternated between hope and despair to-day. This morning a telegram was received from Yuan Shi Kai, in which he said he was unable to come to Peking and expressed a pessimistic view of the situation. A special message coming several hours later was somewhat cheerful.

The dispatches were directed to the foreign board and in the first Yuan Shi Kai said: "The outlook is gloomy. I do not expect to be able to effect the desired pacification. Moreover, my health is so feeble that I am unable to make Peking my permanent post of president."

Gloom settled deeper over the official family when this was reported they had in mind yesterday's announcement of the Chinese news that Yuan Shi Kai had indicated his intention of resigning the presidency of the Republic of China pending the assembling of a parliament. It should be recalled that Yuan Shi Kai had given way.

Yuan's second telegram, however, was a cheering surprise. It showed the foreign board that the negotiations with General Li Yuan Hong had taken a more optimistic turn and that General Li had shown signs of becoming more irreconcilable and possibly would agree to a peaceful compromise in order to avert further bloodshed.

Yuan added that Li's communications, devoid of military policy and that trouble might ensue.

The president of the foreign board hurried to the quarters of Prince Ching, the acting premier, with the latest dispatch and Ching lost no time in conveying the tidings to the throne.

The Chinese here are preparing white flags and armbands. Some of them are sympathizing with the revolution, while others are ready to display loyalty to either party.

Reports received from Pao Tse Pa say that General Tuan, with 2,000 troops of the Third division, is moving southward of that city in the province of Chi Li.

There seems some foundation for the government's hope that it will be able to regain the allegiance of General Chang Siao Tseng. Chang is commander of the army division at Lanchow, but is now detached on "sick leave." He is reported to be in Canton, and is using every endeavor to gain his unqualified support.

That Chang possibly may return to Peking is indicated in advices received from Lanchow. A correspondent interviewed Chang and General Pao, the latter temporarily in command of the Twentieth division during Chang's absence.

Both generals, it is said, agree that they would protect the emperor, if he is still reigning, or if he has abdicated the city would side with the peace party and the constitution.

Regarding the matter, they stated, if the Manchus should massacre the Chinese or vice versa, they would fight against the offending parties.

An official announcement says the court, meeting in the deposed emperor's palace and the emperor will move from the winter palace to the inner city on November 20, and orders all officials on duty to attire themselves in winter garments. An imperial edict again put the Manchus against the Manchus and Chinese to sink their differences and live in brotherly affection.

Constitutional Convention. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 11.—Details of a plan for a constitutional convention at Shanghai, at which the new Chinese republic will be established, and a constitution drafted, were made public by leaders of the Chinese National Association here to-day. Delegates already are on the way to Peking City, according to Wang King Chong, secretary of the association. Every province which has been taken has joined the rebel cause and will be represented and provision will be made for the admission of the other provinces.

The delegates have been appointed by the revolutionaries in the various provinces, but their actions will be submitted to a vote of the people for ratification, after peace is restored. Each has been pledged to sanction only a form of government based upon the abdication of the Manchu dynasty, and the institution of a thoroughly republican system of representative rule.

Tong King Chong declared that the rebels will refuse to consider the restoration of the Manchu dynasty under any condition.

"There is no possibility of compromise in this respect," he said, "the revolution was begun for the overthrow of the Manchu and it will be carried through to that end."

A dispatch to the Ching Sai Kai received to-day, says the viceroys of the province of Canton is believed to be hiding in Hongkong, having fled from Canton several days ago. Five of the largest cities of Canton province, according to the dispatch, have joined the rebels and in all peace and order have been restored.

LONG WALK.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 11.—With 887 runners in last year's century-year-old Faneuil Hall race, Hines of Halifax, has completed 139 miles of the 15,000-mile walk, that he is making for a purse offered by the Halifax Yacht Club. Hines started his trip in 1909. He expects to finish on October 17, 1912.

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