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TO WAGE WAR ON STEEL TRUST

FEDERATION OF LABOR
APPEALS FOR FUNDS

Gompers Assails Corporation
for its Attitude Towards
Labor.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Officers of the American Federation of Labor issued all Saturday night to the 1,540,000 members of the organization, calling on them to subscribe to a fund with which to fight the steel trust. The sum of \$250,000 will be raised by this first appeal. The corporation, the call sets out, is inimical alike to the interests of labor and to the country at large, and it is termed "a bold and daring violation of the law." The sum of \$250,000 will be raised by this first appeal. The corporation, the call sets out, is inimical alike to the interests of labor and to the country at large, and it is termed "a bold and daring violation of the law." The sum of \$250,000 will be raised by this first appeal.

Although the appeal is made officially by the Federation, the funds will not be turned into the Federation treasury. All subscriptions are to be sent to John Williams, who has opened headquarters in Pittsburgh.

In his statement Mr. Gompers, in unsparring language, assails the so-called steel trust for its aggressions on labor and charges it with conspiring against production, preventing an unmanipulated market and striving for the elimination of a free press. He also charges that the corporation pays dividends on many millions of watered stock and that its financial methods are corrupt and indefensible.

"But," President Gompers, continues, "the crowning criminality of the trust is its attitude towards labor." He especially arraigns the so-called "profit sharing" plan, by which the company gives its employees an opportunity to obtain an interest in the vast business. This plan, Mr. Gompers contends, is "a transparent deceit, through which a small minority of its employees are sought to be bribed to help in daily sweating the vast majority."

H. A. ICKE PATENTS CONCRETE DAM

An Interesting Invention by
Engineer Now Resident
Here.

H. A. Icke, of this city, who was employed on the construction work of the big reservoir at Smith's Hill in an engineering capacity, has just secured a patent in the United States for a concrete dam of his invention. The Scientific American thus describes it: "The reinforced concrete dam is of cellular construction, capable of being altered for expansion and contraction due to climatic changes, and open on the upstream side of the dam to form pockets for reception of water, to utilize the water to give stability to the structure, and producing direct tensile instead of transverse compression stresses, thus ensuring the desired resistance and providing at the same time suitable spillways for surplus water."

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—The United States has \$30,000,000,000 invested in farm lands, their buildings, machinery and livestock, according to a census taken by Orange Judd Farmer. From 1,000,000 in 1850, the number of farms has increased to nearly 7,000,000 in 1900. The report adds: "The value of farms in the United States has increased 44 per cent more than in 1900, the figures of that year showing an increase of 25 per cent over the previous decade."

POLICE COMMISSION.

Business Transacted at Meeting Held Thursday Afternoon—Permit For Boxing.

At the meeting of the police commissioners Thursday afternoon, Acting Detective J. W. Hutchinson was promoted to be a detective, dating from tomorrow.

A permit will be granted to the Empress Athletic Club for a boxing contest next Friday night, the names of the principals to be furnished to the chief of police in advance, and the contest to be for medals or prizes only, and not any monetary consideration.

In view of the convention of western Conservatives which is expected to be held next July a committee meeting of local Conservatives will be held shortly to discuss Victoria's representation there.

MANY NEW COMPANIES ARE INCORPORATED

Appointments Announced in
This Week's Official
Gazette.

The following notaries public are gazetted in this week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette: Maurice Glitzburger, Harry Hugh Milard, Alfred Percy Fisher, Ormond L. Weir, Benjamin George Hanslid, Alfred Norman, barrister-at-law, and John R. Edwards, of the city of Vancouver; Sherman Herbert Ford, of Pitt Meadows; and Edwin Milan Carncross, of Cloverdale, New Westminster district.

Boards of examiners under the Coal Mines Regulation act have been appointed for several collieries, including the following:

Extension colliery: Appointed by the owners, Alexander Bryden; alternates, William Jones, Alexander Shaw; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Eugene Lowe; elected by the miners, James Glen; alternates, Erskine Nimmo, James Deeming.

Nanaimo collieries: Appointed by the owners, John Newton; alternates, Henry Devlin, John Hunt; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Thomas Budge; elected by the miners, Luther Saville; alternates, John Carr, Alexander Stewart.

Cumberland colliery: Appointed by the owners, David Mellist; alternates, John Liddle, David Walker; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, John Key; elected by the miners, Joseph W. Hobbury; alternates, Alexander McNeil, Thomas Leeman.

D. S. Tait, for the promoters, gives notice of an application for a bill incorporating a railway company with power to build from a point on the Grand Trunk Pacific near Eagle Lake, thence following the watershed of the Willow river to a point on the Cariboo road near Barkerville.

Barnard & Robertson are acting for applicants who want a charter to build a line from point near where the Salmon river crosses the boundary between British Columbia and Alaska, thence following the Salmon river to its source and on to a connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The Cranbrook Electric Light Company is given authority to construct a dam not exceeding sixty feet in height on St. Mary's river, East Kootenay and to store water in St. Mary's lake.

The Campbell River Power Company is seeking a water record for 2,800 cubic feet, or 100,000,000 inches, to be taken from a point 3/4 mile from the mouth of Campbell river, immediately above the falls. The Atlin Power Co., Ltd., is applying for a record on Fourth of July creek, twelve miles above its mouth, the quantity being 84 units.

The following companies have been granted certificates of incorporation: Cowichan Merchants, Limited, capital \$75,000; to carry on business as wholesale and retail dealers of every description, to deal in real estate, timber lands, timber and mineral claims, to act as general contractors, mine owners, power producers, smelters, refiners, shipowners, freighters, dockmasters, wharfingers, money-lenders.

Graham Island Colliers, Ltd., capital, \$250,000. Home Finance and Investment Co., Ltd., capital, \$200,000. Vancouver Gypsum Co., Ltd., capital, \$100,000; to purchase from Evans, Coleman & Evans, a contract for 31 years with the Pacific Coast Gypsum Company, of Tacoma, for the supplying of gypsum at Gypsum, Alaska, and to take over from them a lease from the C. P. R. of lands at Port Moody. Vancouver Scale and Butcher Supply Company, Ltd., capital \$100,000; to take over the business of the Vancouver Scale and Butcher Supply Co. Warwick Shingle Co., Ltd., capital \$100,000; limit-owners, loggers, sawmill and shinglemill proprietors and operators, shipowners and carriers. World Building, Limited, capital \$200,000; real estate, money-lenders, warehousemen and manufacturers. The Ethel Silver Mining Co., Ltd., with head office at Spokane, is granted a certificate of provincial registration. J. S. Lamphere, Trout Lake, is its representative.

BLAMES PHYSICIANS FOR SPREAD OF DIPHTHERIA

Health Officer Says Doctors
Prolong Ills of Patients to
Increase Incomes.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Charges that physicians here deliberately prolong the ills of patients in order to increase their income, are made by Dr. Joseph N. Neff, director of the department of health and charities, who offers this reason for the increase in diphtheria for the present year. Dr. Neff says he has proof that anti-toxine is not administered by these physicians because its use reduces the number of visible cases physicians are required to make.

LIEUTENANT WISE WILL JOIN EGERIA

Appointment Made Transferring English Officer to Pacific.

Lieutenant E. S. Wise has been appointed to the survey ship Egeria, Pacific squadron, for the duties of assistant navigating officer. Lieutenant Wise has served on the blue for the past four and a half years, and was recently sent through the Naval College with credit. He was promoted lieutenant a short time ago.

TO DO WORK BY CONTRACT

DECISION RESPECTING
DOUGLAS IMPROVEMENT

Day Labor System to Be Abandoned in the Lighting Scheme.

The contract system will be followed by the city in carrying out the scheme for a system of ornamental lights which are to be erected on Douglas street between Humbolt and Cormorant, and on Yates street between Douglas and Blanchard. This decision was reached at the special meeting of the city council on Thursday evening when there was present a deputation of owners on Douglas street to press for prompt action on the part of the board in going on with the work.

M. Hutcheson, superintendent of the electrical department of the city, was present and exhibited a number of designs of ornamental lights. These were inspected by the owners present and will be further considered.

Another matter in which the deputation of Douglas street owners is interested was considered. This was the position of C. E. Bradshaw, who owns property on that thoroughfare. He objects to wood blocks as a pavement on Douglas street and at last Monday's meeting of the board wrote saying he would reserve his rights and gave formal notification that he would object to his property being assessed as proposed. The deputation feared that this action on the part of Mr. Bradshaw might delay the work of paving.

The city solicitors, however, in a communication to the board, had anticipated the feelings of the deputation and had forwarded a letter dealing with Mr. Bradshaw's position. They advised that the latter's letter could not be taken in any sense as a proper adverse petition, and that as the great majority of the owners are in favor of the scheme it could not now be upset.

The by-law to raise \$184,000 for school purposes was amended by striking out the two items provided for the addition of four rooms to the Victoria West school and the erection of a frame school on the Bank street site, which work was estimated to cost \$24,000 and substituting therefor a similar amount to be used for the completion of the George Jay and Moss Street schools, for which sufficient funds are not available. This by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers on election day.

The bill for \$2,700, put in jointly by the city barrister and the city solicitors, at last Monday's meeting of the council, and held over until a detailed account had been submitted, was after some consideration ordered paid.

CHERRY MINE DISASTERS.

Red Cross Society Has Spent \$200,000 in Relieving Wants of Sufferers.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Plans are being made here today by Ernest Bicknell, national director of the Red Cross Society, for calling a meeting of the Red Cross councils and the executive committee of the United Mine Workers for the purpose of giving relief to the survivors of the Cherry disaster.

In replying to charges that the Red Cross had not properly relieved suffering at Cherry, Bicknell said that the organization had spent nearly \$200,000 and that the families of the miners were being cared for even better than their own breadwinners could have done.

FUEL OIL NOT USED IN LIGHTHOUSE LAMPS

Story Published Locally to
That Effect Was a
Canard.

In the marine columns of a morning contemporary of December 11th, appeared an item which turns out to have been written with a disregard for facts not unknown in these columns. It was stated that 2,000 cases of fuel oil had been sent out here for use in the British Columbia lighthouses by mistake and was now in a Victoria warehouse awaiting shipment east.

The fact is as follows: The department received a requisition from Captain Gaudin, dated 19th, February, calling for 10,000 gallons of illuminating oil (kerosene) and 3,000 gallons fuel oil for fog alarms (Pratt's Astral). Both Esocene and Pratt's Astral are brands of oil put on the market by the Imperial Oil Co. of Canada (Standard Oil Co., U.S.).

At the time this requisition was received the department was considering tenders which had been received for the annual supply of illuminating and fuel oil and the order was placed with the lowest tenderer and subsequently shipped.

On October 26th the department received a telegram from Capt. Gaudin to the effect that the fuel oil was unsatisfactory and could not be used in the fog alarm engines, and he was varied on the same date to obtain a suitable oil to meet his requirements locally, also to forward a sample of the oil complained of to Ottawa for test. Should it be found that the oil is not satisfactory, the contractor will be called upon to supply oil in accordance with the specification and reimburse the department for any expenses which may have been incurred in this connection.

The oil complained of was never intended to be used as an illuminating oil in lighthouses, as stated in this article, and was never so used. The illuminating oil supplied was satisfactory in every respect.

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TWO MEN KILLED IN ELEVATOR SHAFT Woman Narrowly Escapes Death in Railway Depot in Jersey City.

New York, Jan. 3.—Two men were killed in an elevator accident at the Hudson terminal station in Jersey City Saturday. The dead are: Irving F. Lovejoy, 34, a waiter in service for the Riverside drive, in this city, and Ernest Walker, of Jersey City.

Lovejoy's life was crushed out almost instantly between the side of the car and the elevator shaft, as the car began to move while he was attempting to board it. In a similar way, Walker was so badly injured that he died after being taken to the hospital. The car which the two men were trying to board was not in service for passenger use, but in some manner the door of the car automatically opened where a party was waiting.

Lovejoy and Walker, and a woman, whose name was not learned, stepped towards the door. The woman, who was the operator, who found the car out of his control, caused the woman to jump back, but the men pressed forward and were crushed.

WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.

Prairie Capital Will Be Billion-Dollar City by 1911.

Winnipeg, Jan. 3.—Winnipeg will be a billion-dollar city in 1911 if the bank clearings increase during the next two years at the same rate as they have during the past year. In fact, if there is any greater increase in next year's business than in this, the billion-dollar mark will be reached in 1910.

Only two other cities in Canada have approached this mark, and only eleven in the United States. Montreal and Toronto are the cities in Canada, and New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, Baltimore, Cincinnati, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Denver and Seattle approach it. Big cities like Milwaukee, Detroit, Cleveland and New Orleans fall below, and Denver, Omaha, St. Paul and Seattle do not come within \$200,000,000 to \$500,000,000 of it.

Winnipeg's increase for the year will be \$155,494,633. This mammoth sum has been made up by a series of steady increases during every day and every month of the year. Starting in for January, the increase was roughly three million dollars. This was swelled to four millions in February, eight in March, thirteen in April, eleven in May, ten in June, eight in July, ten in August, thirteen in September, twenty-four in October, thirty in November and nineteen in December.

H. W. R. MOORE RESIGNS CITY PROSECUTORSHIP Joins Firm of Barnard & Robertson—C. L. Harrison Acting Prosecutor.

Friday morning H. W. R. Moore, who has been acting as city prosecutor for the last two years, severed his connection with the position, Thursday afternoon his resignation was accepted by the board of police commissioners. Mr. Moore is entering the legal firm of Barnard & Robertson.

At the conclusion of the city police court on Friday Magistrate Jay expressed his regret at Mr. Moore's departure and tendered good wishes for his continued success. Mr. Moore, he said, had shown diligence and ability in the conduct of the cases coming before the court, some of them intricate and requiring a great amount of hard work on the part of the public prosecutor. His worthiness admitted that Mr. Moore's careful preparation of his cases had frequently been of much assistance to the bench.

Mr. Moore, in replying, spoke of the unvarying fairness and courtesy of the magistrate, and of the loyal cooperation in the preparation of his cases of Chief Langley, Capt. Palmer and the members of the detective and police forces.

Until the police commissioners make a permanent appointment, C. L. Harrison, barrister, will act as city prosecutor.

NEW WHARVES IN VICTORIA HARBOR

Plans Submitted to Ottawa by
Local Firms Using
Waterfront.

In the last issue of the Canada Gazette appears two notices published in accordance with the Navigable Waters Protection Act of work proposed to be done in the harbor of Victoria.

John Raymond (Raymond and Sons) gives notice that he has deposited the plans of a wharf and a description of the proposed site thereof to be constructed upon part of and in front of lots 542 A and 543 A, Victoria city, with the minister of public works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each in the office of the Registrar General of Titles at Victoria. At the expiration of one month from December 13th, application will be made to the governor in council for the approval thereof. The Cameron Lumber Company Ltd.,

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Is applying to the governor general in council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in that part of the waters of Victoria Harbor known as Selkirk Water, between Point Ellice bridge and Halkett Island, being on the lands known, numbered and described as Lot "D", Garbally Estate, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the minister of public works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the registrar general of titles in the Land Registry office in Victoria. The application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from December 25th.