

# OIL STRUCK IN BLACK DIAMOND DISTRICT

Oil and gas have been found at Black Diamond, 35 miles south of Calgary and 10 miles from Okotoks. The product is said to be present in commercial quantities. The discovery has precipitated a tremendous rush, and all the oil and gas rights for many miles around the points of discovery have been taken up within the past few days. The records of the land office show that more than nine townships have been filed on.

# GRAND TRUNK TRAINS HERE BY AUGUST

Grand Trunk trains will be running into Calgary by August 1. The difference between the government and the officials of the Grand Trunk have been practically settled. It is understood that the railway agrees to construct the new barracks of the Northwest Mounted Police, which are to be located east of the General hospital. The new barracks will cost about \$200,000 and work is to be started at an early date.

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## WOMEN ARE ACTIVE IN FRANCHISE MATTERS; HITCH OCCURS

City Solicitor Holds That Married Woman, Living With Her Husband, Is Not Entitled to Vote, as Joint Tenant on Property

## MOTHER CAN'T VOTE TILL FATHER WAIVES HIS RIGHT

Assessor Refuses to Be Governed by Ald. Ross' More Liberal Interpretation of Charter Provision—Compromises Matters for Women

The women of Calgary have lost no time in adopting Ald. William Ross' advice to increase their voting strength; but a hitch has occurred which may damp the ardor of the ladies. This first difficulty occurred yesterday afternoon when the application of Mr. T. O. Jensen to have his wife's name put on the assessment roll as joint tenant of the property on which he resides, was refused by the city assessor.

The city solicitor supports the ruling of the assessor on this point. A married woman living with her husband is not entitled to a vote as joint tenant of property on which her husband votes, nor as tenant in common owned by her husband, who votes both votes. Ald. Ross' interpretation of the Charter provision, which allows a woman to vote as joint tenant of property on which her husband votes, is not supported by the city solicitor.

## What the West Did Yesterday

**VANCOUVER, B.C.**—Calculations based on the directory census give Greater Vancouver a population of 100,000. South Vancouver, Point Grey and Burnaby are included in the Franco-Canadian Frontier is to build a ten-story office structure, costing \$2,000,000.

**WINNIPEG, MAN.**—Permits were issued today for 40 dwellings to cost \$200,000. The C.P.R. will award contracts to a large amount for double tracking. The building permits have passed the \$6,000,000 mark. One was issued today for an apartment block to cost \$35,000. Today 1,150 immigrants arrived.

**EDMONTON, ALTA.**—Four hundred steers fed at the Provincial Government's demonstration farms at Olds, Sedgewick, Vermilion, and Claresholm in the winter of 1912-13, yielded, according to Supt. Craig, a net profit of \$4,187, an average net gain of \$10.60 per head. Average increase of weight, 187 1/2 lbs.

**CALGARY, ALTA.**—Fifty thousand dollars will be offered in premiums and purses at the Industrial Exhibition this year. Allan Cameron, general superintendent of lands, C.P.R., department of natural resources, returning from a three weeks' tour of the United States, states American immigration will pass all records this year, thousands of farmers being disheartened over three years of bad crops. In Colorado irrigation farmers are much discouraged over the high prices of water in some parts the cost running as high as a hundred and twenty-five dollars an acre. It is reported in Denver that ten times as many American farmers migrated to Canada owing to Canada's liberal terms than there are in all the U.S. national reclamation projects. American farmers are much attracted by the C.P.R.'s grant of twenty-year payment contracts and loan policy.

## GOVERNMENT AND G.T.P. AGREE ON SITE; TRAINS RUNNING BY AUGUST

The Dominion government and the Grand Trunk Pacific railway have practically completed arrangements about the taking over of the Mounted Police barracks and it is almost certain now that the G.T.P. will be running into Calgary some time in August.

There is one detail upon which the government and the railway have not come to terms but that is not so serious that it will cause any delay in the arrangements. The Grand Trunk Pacific will not take the case to the court and the arrangement is not very different from that which was offered to the company some years ago.

It is understood that the railway will build the new Mounted Police barracks, which will be located to the east of the hospital and that the new buildings will cost about \$200,000.

The work will be started at an early date.

## NEW JOCKEY CLUB TO BUILD RACE TRACK FOR NEXT SPRING

Will Have Mile Course and Hold Fourteen Days' Racing Each Year—80 Acres Have Been Purchased South of the Country Club

## PROMOTE BREEDING OF THOROUGHBREDS

Special Prizes for Local Breeders—Many Leading Horsemen and Others in Calgary Are Behind Scheme Which Has Capital of \$350,000

The Chinook Jockey Club of Calgary which was incorporated at the last session of the legislature, is now on the way to do something of note. Eighty acres of land have been secured south of the Country Club and work will be started at once in preparing a first-class racing track which will be ready next spring.

The company has been incorporated with a capital of \$350,000 and there will be built on the site chosen, a mile race track, stables, grandstand and club house after the most approved style. There will be two meetings during the year and fourteen days of racing, part in the spring and the remainder in the fall.

**INDUCEMENT TO BREEDERS**—A special feature of the meet will be the prizes which will be offered to promote the breeding of the thoroughbred in Alberta. These prizes will be offered in addition to the regular stakes which are put up at race meets.

## FRANCE SATISFIED WITH STRENGTH OF NAVY

Special Attention Being Given to Armaments, Declares Minister of Marine

Paris, May 20.—During the course of the debate on the naval bill in the senate the minister of marine, Pierre Baudin, spoke in glowing terms of the remarkable progress in the development of France's naval strength.

## CAR LEAVES TRACK NO ONE INJURED

Yet another car ran off the track on Fourth street east, last evening on the hill leading up to Crescent Heights. Fortunately no one was injured but several of the passengers on the car got a bad shake. It was about 7 o'clock that the car left the track and it was fully a half hour before it could be replaced. The accident help up traffic for a time. This is the second time that a car has run off the track at the same place and the track appears to be somewhat loose. About two weeks later the car was going up hill at the time of the accident.

## CITY HALL WRECKING CREW DISAPPOINTED; ULTIMATUM FAILS

The Mayor and Commissioner Graves Decline to Support Commissioner Samis in His Controversy With Reporter of the Calgary Herald

## NEWSPAPER MAN STAYS IN; COMMISSIONER STAYS OUT

Commissioner Samis Not Visibly Vexed With Colleagues, but Refuses to Do Business With Them in the Presence of Reporter

After all the excitement at the city hall yesterday over the collision between The Herald reporter and Commissioner Samis, the wrecking crew which hung around in the corridors went home in disappointment. It all turned out very tamely. The immovable body stayed and the irresistible force went round it and out the side door—in other words, the Herald man stayed to report a meeting of the mayor and Commissioner Graves, and Commissioner Samis retired.

## AMATEUR THEATRICAL MAGNATES LAND IN POLICE CELLS

On Capital of \$4.80 and One Automatic Revolver Two Young Men Plan to Take Country

## APPLICANT STAYS TOO LONG AND CAUSES ARREST

Asks for an Hour from Work, and Makes Blunder Which Breaks Up Scheme; Men Will Be Held While Police Investigate

Amateur theatrical agents were given a setback in Calgary yesterday when two men were interviewed in their work of recruiting a "company" to visit the Peace River district. Through some clever detective work on the part of Sergeant Cooper the so-called agents spent last night in a cell at Central station.

## COMMISSIONER SAMIS'—One of the principals in the little comedy now being enacted at the city hall.

The reporter permission to be present. Commissioner Samis, however, was not visibly cross with the Mayor or Commissioner Graves, but he refused to do business with them in the presence of the Herald reporter today, tomorrow, or ever in the future.

## SIX NEW POLICEMEN TO BE NAMED BY CHIEF TODAY

Examinations to Be Held at City Hall This Noon; New Station Opens in Two Weeks

The first actual move towards adding to Calgary's police force will take place today, when six new policemen will be appointed by Chief Cuddy.

## PROSPECTORS HAVE SECURED ALL RIGHTS IN A HUGE OIL AND GAS FIELD NEAR TO BLACK DIAMOND

THE next great rush of the west is already over and those who want to get in the deal are now too late. Black Diamond, 35 miles south of Calgary and 10 miles from Okotoks, is the scene of the boom. Oil and gas are the causes and the former is already found to be present on the spot in great commercial quantities.

All the oil and gas rights have been taken up within a radius of many miles and all this has taken place within the last ten days. So quietly and unobtrusively has it all been done that even before farmers on the spot knew anything was in the air, all was over.

The Dominion lands office in Calgary, has been the scene of the activity but there has been no noise about the work. Those who have been in the know, including many Calgary people and a large number of investors from the States, have been very alert in their work. The whole of the oil rights and the gas rights, it is now found from a consultation of the records, have been taken up around Black Diamond for the whole area of nine townships and more.

Two Companies Boring  
For some time past the district was believed to be an oil district and there are at present two companies boring to locate the oil there. These are the Petroleum Products company and the Segur Co. Up to the present there has been no oil struck but it is known that already, as a result of the boring, there has been reached oil shale which is but the last step before reaching the oil itself. The district is clearly an oil one and it was located by two quite independent parties some months ago, both working from the south and reaching the district about the same time.

## COL. SAM HAS TROUBLE WITH CHIEF OF STAFF

Major Gen. McKenzie Going Back to England but Will Not Discuss Differences

Ottawa, May 20.—The Evening Free Press prints a story to the effect that as a result of a row between Col. Sam Hughes, minister of militia, and Major-General C. J. Mackenzie, chief of staff, the latter has resigned and is going back to England in the fall. General Mackenzie is the expert the British government sent to Canada to replace General Lake. According to The Free Press a warm exchange of letters has taken place between the minister and General Mackenzie and the correspondence will probably be tabled in parliament.

## C.P.R. PUSHING DOUBLE TRACK ON MAIN LINE

Contracts Let for Construction of Three Portions of Double Tracking in B. C.

## LEGAL ADVISERS OF CITY'S FISCAL AGENT DELAY LOAN; MEN ARE NOT PUT TO WORK

NEGOTIATIONS through the bank of Montreal for a \$2,000,000 loan with which to carry on the city's business are being delayed by certain complaints from the bank's solicitors, of five legal flaws in the securities; and the city has been unable to engage men. It was hoped that the city would put 1,000 men to work on Monday, but this has been impossible.

It is understood that the bank has already closed the negotiations for the money in London, but the hitch is in Calgary. The bank's solicitors have three times complained of legal flaws in the treasury bills of the city, and the by-law providing for the loan, and although the city council held a special meeting last week to arrange these details, fresh difficulties appear to be cropping up. On the occasion of the special meeting, which was arranged to suit the pleasure of the bank's solicitors, the aldermen were detained for almost three-quarters of an hour awaiting the arrival of the solicitor's messenger with a form of motion which the solicitors had prepared to provide for the aldermen the location of a word or two in a motion previously passed.

## LEGAL EXPERTS OF BANK PROCEEDING LEISURELY; CITY NEEDS THE MONEY

There is a general impression at the city hall that the dilly-dallying of the legal experts could very easily be cut short, an dthe money provided for the city to get on with the work which has been delayed for about six weeks beyond the usual time.

The opinion is expressed in some quarters that the city has already lost more money in the delay than the bank has saved by the sale made in London, over the offer made to the mayor in New York.

## BANKS CANNOT LOAN MONEY ON SECURITY OF LIVE STOCK

Clause Which Was Inserted by Banking Committee Believed to Be Unworkable and House Struck It Out—Talk Somewhat Acrimonious

Ottawa, May 20.—After two days' talk in the house, the bank act which was considered for ten weeks by the banking committee, the western members in particular contending that there is no reason why parliament should not be able to fix a maximum of interest, it was decided to leave the act just as the law stands at present. Under the present act, the rate of interest is fixed at a maximum rate, but the courts have decided that when the loan is negotiated, it is lawful. The clause put in by the committee on banking and commerce recognized this practice and the house today decided that this was worse than the present law with the result that it was decided not to make a change.

## NO CHANGE MADE IN BANK INTEREST RATE

After Much Discussion and Long Consideration Bank Act Passes Committee and Now Up for Third Reading—7 Per Cent. Is Interest Rate

One amendment introduced as a result of the discussion in the house provides that the banks must make an annual return as to the value of their real estate holdings.

## FAIR

Light rain is falling tonight in Manitoba but elsewhere in the west the weather has been generally fair today with not much change in temperature.

Victoria	45	64
Kamloops	40	72
Edmonton	40	70
Calgary	32	64
Prince Albert	32	62
Moose Jaw	37	45
Winnipeg	42	58
Port Arthur	34	46
London	35	60
Kingston	38	53
Ottawa	38	46
Montreal	40	62
Quebec	36	52
St. John	42	52
Halifax	46	58

Forecast: Manitoba, a few local showers but mostly fair; Saskatchewan, fair with higher temperature; Alberta, fair and moderately warm.

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