

WATER LINE TO BE LAID FROM GOLDSTREAM

Esquimalt Company Will put in Pipes to Carry 15,000,000 Gallons to Esquimalt - Work to be Completed in a Year

By next July the Esquimalt Waterworks Company expects to be in a position to deliver 15,000,000 gallons of water at Esquimalt. Already preliminary preparations have commenced on the work and within about a week's time the active operations will commence. If the pipe arrives in time the Esquimalt company will have the undertaking far enough advanced to allow of the delivery of water within the Esquimalt peninsula.

At the present time no water is obtained from Goldstream for Victoria West. The Esquimalt company depends upon Thetis lake for that purpose, using the Goldstream supply for power purposes only. In order to deliver water in the Esquimalt district it will be necessary to put in a new reservoir below the present dam used for generating power for the electric company. The clearing of the site is being done in anticipation of putting in the reservoir.

The purpose of providing for the bringing in of 15,000,000 gallons of water every 24 hours into the area contiguous to Esquimalt harbor will give rise to a good deal of conjecture. T. Lubbe, manager of the Esquimalt company, says his corporation have in view first the object of supplying the water for industrial concerns which it is felt will be located on the harbor. In this connection it has long been felt that Esquimalt would shortly become a live activity. The harbor is an ideal one for industries it has been felt would eventually be established there on a very comprehensive scale. That the C. P. R. has this in view is recognized. Recent purchasers of waterfront from the C. P. R. on this harbor have not failed to notice that the avenues to deep water are being carefully guarded by that company, creating the impression that the big corporation has definite propositions on hand which will mean industrial development at this important point.

Now comes the project on the part of the Esquimalt company to provide the means for delivering 15,000,000 gallons of water a day within reach of any industries that might be established there. The bringing of a pipe line such as is proposed to Esquimalt will give an opportunity for the company to connect up the Victoria West supply with it. It will also afford an opportunity for the city to get its water supply from Esquimalt by the gallon if such a policy should be decided upon in compliance with the provisions of the act. Under the act, if such a course is decided upon, fifteen months' notice has to be given, and the company is obliged to deliver the water within that time. According to the plan of the company for putting in this new pipe this could be accomplished it would seem.

The capacity of the pipe proposed to be laid to Esquimalt is a very large one, 15,000,000 gallons a day. When it is taken into account that the city's supply will not for some time exceed 3,000,000 gallons a day, a better idea of the supply can be understood.

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RATES ON LUMBER TO ORIENT LOWERED

Reduction Announced by the Trans-Pacific Traffic Bureau.

Seattle, Wash., June 12.—Members of the Trans-Pacific traffic bureau, consisting of the principal steamship lines operating regularly from the north Pacific to the Orient, have agreed upon a new freight rate for lumber. The rate is lowered somewhat and it is expected to place large and small shipments upon an equal footing. For shipping lumber from the north Pacific to Hongkong, Shanghai, and Japanese ports, the new rate is reduced from \$9 to \$7 per thousand feet on lumber up to forty feet in length. On lumber between 40 and 50 feet, the rate is \$8, and over 50 feet \$9. The previous schedule was \$9 per thousand for lumber up to 40 feet in length for single shipments up to 400,000 feet. It is stated a rate as low as \$7 was frequently granted for shipments larger than 400,000 feet. This was a handicap to the smaller shippers and under the new rate it is believed all shippers will be able to compete on an equal footing.

BRAKESMAN INJURED.

Grand Forks, June 12.—Finlay Matheson, a brakeman on slag train at the Granby smelter, missed his footing last night and fell under the engine, sustaining a fracture of the spinal column. Three doctors are in attendance, but slight hopes of his recovery are entertained as he is now paralyzed from the waist line down.

COPPER COMPANY'S DIVIDEND.

Boston, June 12.—The Daily West Copper Company has declared a dividend of 30 cents per share payable July 15th to stockholders of record on June 20th. A thirty cent dividend was made April 8th last which was the first dividend since December, 1907. Previous dividends amounted to \$5,877,500.

DIVED IN HIS SLEEP INTO FANCIED SURF

Student Plunged Twenty-five Feet From Verandah and is Seriously Injured.

Berkeley, Cal., June 12.—Francis R. Steel, senior at the university of California, is suffering to-day from serious injuries sustained when he dived off the sleeping porch of his home here, while dreaming that he was in the surf at Santa Cruz. Steel's head and neck are badly gashed and he will be confined to his bed for several weeks. The young man had just returned from a brief outing at Santa Cruz. He was never known to walk in his sleep before, and his parents cannot account for his 25 foot plunge.

WHEAT CROP.

Winnipeg, June 12.—The Manitoba government issued their June crop report yesterday, which is exceedingly optimistic in tone. The report says: "The prospects are better than for years, as the most perfect plant is obtainable through a continuous and rapid growth. Up to the present moment there has been plentiful. The total area under wheat this year is 2,442,011 acres, a decrease of 109,228, owing to the late spring, but sets show an increase in acreage of 127,081, and barley of 32,867.

PUGET SOUND DEFENCES.

United States Government Buys Land on Whidby Island. Tacoma, Wash., June 12.—Through a local firm, the United States government has acquired 200 acres of land on Whidby Island, near Green Bank. The purchase price is \$3,000. The land is to be used for additional fortifications to the entrance to Puget Sound. It is said that work will be begun at once.

DENOUNCES TARIFF BILL.

Washington, D. C., June 12.—Senator Overman, of North Carolina, to-day denounced a scathing denunciation of the tariff bill from the floor of the senate. He charged that the Republicans are violating the pledges contained in their national platform, and announced his intention of casting his vote against the bill.

BODY OF WOMAN FOUND BY FISHERMAN

May Have Been Victim of Foul Play—Police Renew Investigations.

San Francisco, Cal., June 12.—The body of the woman found floating in the ocean off Fort Point by a fisherman late yesterday, has been identified as that of Mrs. Caroline Steinman, wife of Edward Steinman, an employee of the United railroads. The identification, however, does not clear the mystery which surrounds her death, and the police detectives have renewed their investigations. A new light was thrown upon the case last night by the woman's husband, who stated that she carried in a chaise longue when she left her home the afternoon of May 19th, between 1100 and 1200 in coin. She started for the beach, near the Cliff House with a party of friends to spend the afternoon and was not seen again until her decomposed body was buffeted upon the rocks by waves yesterday. Steinman scouted the idea that his wife took her own life.

WILL INVESTIGATE RATES ON RAILWAYS

U. S. Interstate Commerce Commission Will Visit Coast.

Washington, L. C., June 12.—The entire interstate commerce commission will visit the cities of the Pacific slope in August or September to thresh out the difficulties that have arisen over the railroad rates between the east and coast and mountain points, according to an announcement made to-day. The suggestion that the commission hold session in the western cities was made by Commissioner Franklin K. Lane of California, and was received with immediate favor. The cities in which hearings will be held are Salt Lake, Tacoma, Seattle, Spokane, Portland, Reno, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Phoenix. Other cities may be added to the list before the schedule is announced officially.



PERPLEXITIES OF A CIVIC RULER.

TRAVELLERS' DAY AT EXPOSITION

Officers Elected at Business Session

Thousands of Members of the Organization Visit Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., June 12.—Seattle and the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition to-day are in the hands of the Knights of the Grip. Thousands of traveling men, members of the United Commercial Travelers' organization are in the city to take part in traveling men's day at the exposition.

The greater part of yesterday was devoted to business sessions, while to-day is being given over to sight-seeing at the exposition.

At the grand council meeting which concluded its work last evening, Tom W. Miles, of Seattle, was elected grand councillor of the northwestern jurisdiction, succeeding R. O. McClintock, of Spokane. Other officers elected were: Junior councillor, T. R. Carlyle, Tacoma; grand secretary, A. A. Klumolek, Seattle; grand treasurer, C. A. Whiteford, Portland; grand conductor, H. I. Somers, Spokane; grand pastor, R. L. Phelps, Vancouver; grand sentinel, W. Gordon, Portland; grand executive committee, Fred Beebe, Tacoma; E. B. McMaster, Vancouver; D. McKellar, Seattle; A. R. Kelly, Victoria; delegates to the supreme council at Columbus, Ohio, July 23rd to 25th, W. F. Lewis, Tacoma; J. H. Temple, Portland; O. C. Thornton, Portland. The date of the next year's grand council meeting was set for June 20th and 21st, a week later than this year.

The drummers began the day's festivities at 10 o'clock this morning with a parade which started from Pioneer place and took in the principal streets of the business district. Tom W. Miles of Seattle acted as grand marshal and more than 2,000 traveling men were in line. The parade was one of the largest and best ever seen in Seattle. The reason for having the parade down town instead of at the exposition as explained by Mr. Miles, was to give the people some idea of the large number of men that sell goods in the northwest. He believes that people generally have no idea of the number of traveling men in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia and the part they play in the development of the northwest.

At the head of the parade was Wagner's Exposition band, and following it came Mayor Miller, Mayor Morris, and the death of Wm. Bradley, whose body had been found on Sunday near his cabin on Six-Mile Creek. Chas. Mott visited the cabin of the deceased on Sunday evening, and discovered the body near the shack, where it had evidently been lying for several weeks. It was in an advanced state of decomposition, and Dr. Williams, who examined it could reach no conclusion regarding the cause of death, further than to say that the bones were intact and no trace of wounds or foul play could be found. The man had been dead apparently from four to six weeks.

The deceased was an old resident of this district having been here for over 15 years.

As it is known that he was not in very good health last winter, it is altogether likely that his death was due to natural causes.

After hearing the evidence, the jury brought in a verdict that no evidence had been produced to enable the jury to give any opinion as to the cause of death.

TWENTY MEN LOSE LIVES IN BLACK SEA

Disaster to Russian Torpedo Boat—Captain Among Those Drowned.

St. Petersburg, June 12.—Twenty members of the crew were drowned to-day when the Russian torpedo boat Kambla was struck by a storm in the Black Sea. The captain, first lieutenant and first engineer were among the drowned.

The boat was undergoing a series of trials at the time of the disaster.

TREACHERY CAUSES WRECK OF TRANSPORT

Number of Turkish Soldiers Reported to Have Been Drowned.

Constantinople, June 12.—Advices received to-day show that a transport bearing 500 Turkish troops, is stranded off Dasheda and that many of the soldiers were drowned. No details of the wreck have been received, but it is understood that it was caused by the treachery of Arab tribesmen.

The troops were being taken to a garrison in the vilayet of Temen in Asiatic Turkey.

DESPONDENT WOMAN'S ACT.

Ends Lives of Two of Her Children and Herself.

Rochester, June 12.—Mrs. Zwerner, a widow 30 years of age, took two of her three children into a bedroom last evening, lay down after turning on the gas and was asphyxiated with them. A third, a boy nine years of age, was playing out doors and would not come when called by his mother, so presumably he escaped death. This woman, who was an Austrian, it is said, had been brooding over the death of her husband, and in poor circumstances for about a year, or since her husband's death by accident here.

OLD TIMER'S DEATH

Had Been Dead for Several Weeks Before Body Was Found.

Vernon June 11.—An inquest was held at the Court house, by Coroner Dr. O. Morris on the death of Wm. Bradley, whose body had been found on Sunday near his cabin on Six-Mile Creek. Chas. Mott visited the cabin of the deceased on Sunday evening, and discovered the body near the shack, where it had evidently been lying for several weeks. It was in an advanced state of decomposition, and Dr. Williams, who examined it could reach no conclusion regarding the cause of death, further than to say that the bones were intact and no trace of wounds or foul play could be found. The man had been dead apparently from four to six weeks.

CUNARD LINER RUNS ASHORE

ALL THE PASSENGERS AND CREW RESCUED

The Slavonia Aground Near Flores Island—May Be Total Loss.

London, June 12.—The Cunard steamer Slavonia, bound from New York for Naples, is ashore near Flores Island in the Azores, and it is feared she will be a total wreck. All of the passengers were taken off by the North German Lloyd steamer Princess Irene, and the Batavia of the Hamburg-American line.

Crew Taken Off. Liverpool, June 12.—Officials of the Cunard line were advised to-day that a tug sent to the assistance of the steamer Slavonia, which is stranded on Flores Island, removed the crew safely. Passengers on the stranded vessel were removed yesterday by liners bound for Naples.

Messages received to-day indicate that there is no hope of saving the Slavonia, but the fact that no lives were lost gives the company officials great satisfaction, it having been the Cunard boast that the line never lost a passenger.

Cause of Grounding Unknown. New York, June 12.—The Cunard Steamship Company's offices here were stormed to-day by persons seeking information regarding the fate of the passengers on the stranded liner Slavonia. Officials of the company issued a statement saying that every passenger had been removed from the ship in safety.

No explanation of the cause of the grounding of the Slavonia has been received here.

FIVE MEN FINED FOR SMOKING CIGARETTES

First Convictions Under New Law in the State of Washington.

Aberdeen, Wash., June 12.—That the new anti-cigarette law is to be strictly enforced in Aberdeen is made apparent by the action of Chief of Police Dean in causing the arrest and fine of five men for puffing the prohibited "coffee nails." The chief to-day said that he had issued orders to all patrolmen in the city to arrest every offender of the law.

Among the men arrested yesterday was W. R. MacFarlane, president of the Aberdeen Baseball Association. He, together with the others, were released on their own recognizance, and later appeared in police court, where each paid a fine of \$5.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Track From Winnipeg to Fort William Will Be Laid By August 1st. Winnipeg, June 12.—The announcement is made by McArthur & Co. that all rock work on their enormous contract on section "B" of the National Transcontinental railroad east of Winnipeg is completed, with the exception of a little trimming, and that a thorough track will be laid from Winnipeg to Fort William by August 1st.

LOTS OF WATER THIS SUMMER

MAYOR RENEWS HIS PROMISE OF SUPPLY

Cold Winter Set Back Work on Reservoir—Complete in Ten Days.

Mayor Hall, at the meeting of the streets committee on Friday, renewed his promise that there should be an abundant supply of water this summer, and explained the reason for delay in the fulfillment of the pledge. He said during the last election. He did so, he said, to set at rest anxiety expressed by press and people in regard to the adequacy of the supply, and he assured the council that within ten days citizens will be using water from Smith's Hill reservoir.

His worship said that while citizens had a certain right to be anxious, and had been promised they would have plenty of water this summer, and while they always looked forward to there being no shortage of water this summer it was supposed by Engineer Adams that everything would be finished by June 1st, and he built on certain climatic conditions. They all knew that last winter was an exceptional one, that the frost was more exceptional than in thirty years and that it detained the work. Had it not been for that everything would be fixed and running to-day.

He had made full inquiries that day from Mr. Raymur and Mr. Kempke, and unless something unforeseen took place there would be water in the reservoir and the people would be using it from there somewhere about the week after next, somewhere about ten days hence, as he had stated the night before. Had it not been for the frosty weather the people would be using water from the reservoir to-day.

Sometimes if citizens would help the council it would be better than criticizing and making wrong statements, such as that if the work had been done by contract it would be much further ahead. If it had been done by contract he did not believe that the city would ever have it done for the money or anything like it. Years ago, when gas and water pipes were put down, no plan was made of their location and this had given much extra work to-day. In some cases the mains went off at an angle four or five feet from a straight line, making it necessary to dig one trench to lay the new main and another to take up the old main, which had given rise to a lot of talk among citizens about digging two trenches. Had the work been done by contract this would all have been an extra, and so would the necessary changes of grade in laying the salt water mains.

As to saving more water, it is at present impossible. Citizens should bear with the department until the system was connected up. The council had pushed the waterworks scheme as far as could be with the current. It was remembered that \$219,000 had been spent in little over a year. The Hillside avenue pipe was not down, due to delays on the part of the contractors for the pipe, but it was necessary for it to be down in order to use the reservoir. A portion of the James Bay district was to-day better off than ever before.

Ald. Fullerton asked if the high level tank was in service. The mayor replied that it could not be used until the reservoir was completed, as it was filled from the Yates street pumps and these were busy serving a section which would be served by the reservoir.

"Does it leak any more?" Ald. Ross asked.

"No, I do not think so," his worship replied.

Ald. Raymond asked to satisfy inquiries made about Elk lake, what the water commissioner said about the supply later on.

Mayor Hall replied that there was no question about that. There was always lots of water in Elk lake and even if it was to go down to a foot lower than last year this would not mean any shortage of water. The trouble last year was that with the old pipe there could be only three and a half million gallons brought in in twenty-four hours, whereas at certain times of the day there was a consumption at the rate of six million feet.

"Elk lake is ninety feet deep in places and there are six hundred acres of it," remarked Ald. Ross.

SEVENTH DEPT.

Later Report From Stricken District in Southern France.

Paris, June 12.—Deputy Baron received a telegram this afternoon saying that it is positively known that seventy persons are dead as the result of the earthquake in the south of France.

SCORE PERISH BY EARTHQUAKE

HAMLETS IN SOUTHERN FRANCE ARE IN RUINS

In the Cities Panic-stricken People Flee to Places of Safety.

Marseilles, France, June 12.—Between 50 and 100 persons are known to be dead as the result of an earthquake which shook southern France last night, according to advices received here to-day, and it is believed that the death list will be much larger when more details of the tremor's destruction are available.

Seven hamlets in the vicinity of La Fare and Saint Sannat were practically destroyed and it is certain that many of the inhabitants lost their lives. Warships in the harbor of Toulon were broken loose from their moorings by the force of the shock, which appears to have reached its greatest violence in the vicinity of that city.

Eight persons are reported dead in the town of Lambesc, and it is believed that many other dead or injured will be found in the debris of houses that collapsed there. A search of the ruins is being made by troops which were hurried to the scene.

The people of Toulon were panic-stricken and fled from their homes and from the cafes, taking refuge in the public square.

Scores of large towns and cities also felt the shock and the property damage is expected to be heavy. The earthquake was severe at Cannes and Nice, according to messages received from those cities. Many persons were injured in the larger cities through the populace becoming panic-stricken and stampeding for places of safety.

STEAMER TURNS TURTLE IN RIVER

One Hundred Passengers Thrown into Water—One Woman Drowned.

Philadelphia, June 12.—An unidentified woman was drowned in the Delaware river here to-day when the steamer Shearwater turned turtle at the Chestnut street wharf, throwing 150 passengers into the water.

That scores of lives were not lost due to the prompt action of the police patrol boats and several launches that rushed to the rescue. The crews of the police boats and the tugs worked valiantly, and succeeded in bringing to the docks the hysterical passengers. Ambulances were summoned and several persons removed to hospitals.

The accident occurred when the Shearwater, which was a small passenger freight river steamer, was making a landing at the wharf. The bow apparently split and the vessel parted near the deck line. The hull sank immediately, while the superstructure floated with the current. More than a hundred passengers clung to the superstructure and were taken ashore by the tugs.

CHURCH UNION.

Subject Discussed by Congregational Union of Canada.

Toronto, June 12.—The Congregational union of Canada, yesterday discussed the question of church union. Rev. Hugh Peden, Montreal, presented the report of the committee recommending that the question be referred to individual churches, and that congregations be allowed to vote whether they were in favor of union as set forth by the joint committee of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches, and if not what amendment they would suggest. The churches were asked to report by 1910.

CONTROL OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Synod of Rupert's Land to Vote On Question of Municipal Ownership

Winnipeg, June 12.—At the approaching synod of the diocese of Rupert's Land, opening here Tuesday next, Canon Murray will move, seconded by E. D. Martin, president of the Winnipeg board of trade, that the house put itself on record in favor of municipal ownership of the liquor traffic in the province of Manitoba along the lines of the Gothenburg system. The provincial legislature will be asked to deal with the matter and pass an act so that on a vote in that direction by a municipality it can then acquire all licenses within its jurisdiction by compulsory purchase. It is likely that the temperance interests will support the proposal.

AUTO FATALITY.

Man and Woman Lose Their Lives When Machine Falls Into Creek.

Bloomington, Ill., June 12.—The bodies of Oscar Walsh and Miss Abby were found yesterday when their automobile skidded on a bridge and threw them into a creek, were recovered to-day. Both were pinned under the machine when it fell into the water. The accident occurred near San Jose, Ill., last night.

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