

KAMLOOPS HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT

Council Decides to Submit By-law Providing for \$300,000

Kamloops, Nov. 24.—An important special meeting of the council was held in the council room to discuss the reports of engineers on the hydro-electric project at the Barrier river. The detailed report of Mr. Herman, Mr. Burrell and also a supplementary report from Mr. Dutcher were read, after which a lengthy discussion took place among the aldermen. No action was taken on the report.

The question arose as to whether it was advisable to perfect the city end of the scheme first by bringing the local plant to a state of efficiency by the addition of a centrifugal pump in the present power house which is to act as an auxiliary to the Barrier plant or submit a by-law to raise funds to cover the entire project.

Mr. Herman's report differs in some important features from that of Mr. Dutcher, and he estimates the cost of construction per horse power at a higher figure than Mr. Dutcher. The cost of construction as estimated by Herman is as follows: Hydraulic development \$67,550; power plant \$55,500; transmission line per mile \$1,080—45 miles—\$43,600; telephone \$500; two six-stand towers \$15,000; right of way \$4,100; 125 miles of wire costing \$13,645. Interest and sale of bonds and contingencies brings the total cost up to \$265,325, or \$133 per horse power. The plan and long transmission will raise the cost above the average, but the work should be designed for enlarging the capacity and in his report he had kept that point in view.

Dutcher's supplementary report contained another proposal to develop 10,000 horse power, 2,000 initially, by moving the plant a mile higher up and obtaining a 400-foot head. The covered concrete ditch he considered a very sound and economical proposition but the cost would be prohibitive.

Ald. Rushton thought the city solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary papers to record the water on the Barrier from the bridge to a point seven miles above, and also secure storage rights on the lakes. Carried.

Ald. Cornwall thought that specifications and plans should be called for to perfect the city plant, including a new reservoir, two boilers and a pump providing a complete unit with a capacity of 2,500,000 gallons per day, involving an outlay of about \$75,800. He introduced a motion to that effect, which was seconded by Ald. Crawford.

Ald. Rushton thought the time to go before the people with a by-law to raise money for the Barrier project had arrived and he suggested a sum of \$300,000. The city needed a new system and the sooner the machinery was put in motion the better.

Ald. Graham moved that a by-law be submitted to raise a sum of \$300,000 to cover the probable cost of the Barrier project, which was seconded by Ald. Rushton.

The mayor strongly opposed this motion, as did Ald. Crawford. The mayor pointed out the heavy expenditure facing the city next year, and said while he favored the project, he thought a by-law to raise funds without having tenders in and without knowing cost was premature. "If the city end of the scheme was completed now the bigger project could be carried forward without undue haste. The borrowing capacity of the city was at the present time \$375,000, and calls upon the treasury next year included \$20,000 for school and \$30,000 for water mains, \$45,000 for new school, and another light circuit will have to be installed. He questioned the wisdom of sinking the city borrowing power before settling whether that sum will cover it or not.

Ald. Graham's motion carried by four votes to three.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAMES

Glasgow, Nov. 25.—Today's Scottish league games resulted as follows: Hearts of Midlothian, 1; Aberdeen, 2; Ardrossan, 0; Greenock Morton, 1; Motherwell, 3; Celtic, 2; Clyde, 1; Hibernians, 0; Kilmarnock, 1; Dundee, 0; Glasgow Rangers, 7; Hamilton Academical, 0; Hon. Robert Beaven, the third Lanark, 1; Falkirk, 2; Raith Rovers, 3; Partick Thistle, 2; Paisley St. Mirren, 2; Queen's Park, 0.

LOOKING BACKWARD ON WARD SYSTEM

Some Changes of Thirty Years in Election of Victoria's City Fathers

The determination to submit a referendum to the citizens next January on the abolition of the ward system will, if carried, bring the city into line with most of the municipalities of the province in the election of councilmen at large. Special exceptions were made in the Municipal Clauses Act in the cases of Victoria and Nanaimo when the statute was passing through the legislature in 1906, and few of the cities still retain the ward system, although it was incorporated "into the statute for rural authorities in order that the more sparsely populated districts which exist in some of the rural municipalities might secure some representation which they could not hope to get if they were divided into wards, and their own men over the head of such representatives. Since, however, the municipalities around Vancouver have changed from a rural to an urban character, the tendency has been to seek to elect the councilors from the whole area, and steps to legalize this end are in progress in two or three districts at the present time. Vancouver city will automatically end the ward system in twelve months' time, when the city secures commission government, and New Westminster abandoned it some years ago, now electing seven members from the whole body of the citizens.

The ward system as it is now understood in Victoria goes back to the Municipal Clauses Act of 1906, as at the election of that year the city was still divided into North, Central and South wards, each returning three members, and so strange are the vagaries of life that the mayor has only one alderman, W. F. Fullerton, around the council board which was chosen but a few years ago. The division into three wards was unchanged from 1882 to 1906, and it was during the second mayoralty of Hon. Robert Beaven that the alteration was made from the old three wards, known as James Bay, Johnson street and Yates street wards. At the January poll in 1892 these divisions were used for the last time, the alteration above indicated being made in the following year. At that time three members were returned for each ward, making nine in all, but this was reduced to six in the early eighties when each ward had its two members; in fact, in Johnson street ward in 1887 the second and third candidates had votes each, and the returning officer declared John Coughlan elected over J. Robertson. An election by wards may easily lead to a tie, particularly in small polls, and this was seen in the James Bay ward in 1882, when the returning officer, W. K. Bull, gave his casting vote against William Wilson, a retiring councillor, who was equal third on the poll with John Hall.

MOPE SUFFRAGETTES SENT TO PRISON

Lady Constance Lytton and Lady Sybil Smith Given Two Weeks in Jail

London, Nov. 25.—Lady Constance Lytton and Lady Sybil Smith, both leaders in the suffragette movement, were sentenced, at Bow Street police court, to a fortnight in jail for smashing windows during the demonstrations last Tuesday. Mrs. Mary Leigh, who has been, as described by the police as the most troublesome of the suffragettes, was sentenced to two months in jail and if she were again convicted, she would be sentenced to hard labor. The remaining 13 cases were put over to next Monday.

In the police court on Thursday Mrs. Kathleen Robwell, who had broken a big plate glass window on the Strand, managed to make a brief speech in spite of the protests of the magistrate.

"It is out of my great love for humanity and particularly my devotion to women and children that I do this," she said. "Sex discrimination is the root of social evils and I am prepared to do anything the militant branch of suffragettes dictate in an effort to gain votes for women."

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REBELS ORDERED TO MASSACRE MANCHU

Missionaries Tell of Outbreak at Sian Fu—Many Killed by Brigands

Pekin, Nov. 25.—Missionaries arriving in Peking from Tungchow Fu, 80 miles north of Sian Fu, give accounts of the recent revolution in the province of Shen Si, where the anti-foreign element declared its intention to exterminate foreigners, Christians and Manchus, but only partly succeeded.

The rebel general at Sian Fu, they say, issued a proclamation to the people not to learn merchants, foreigners or non-combatant Chinese, but only to destroy Manchus. The Manchus thereupon prepared for defence within their fortified section of the city. They withstood an attack by a mob made up of students and soldiers, but in an attack the next day nearly all the Manchus were slain.

According to the missionaries, the Chinese informed them that horrible barbarities accompanied the slaughter. The Manchus women were spared and carried off by Chinese officers and soldiers.

At the massacre the revolutionaries neglected to properly police the city, and bandits plundered shops and demanded money of the inhabitants. They burned the school of the Scandinavian-Chinese Alliance mission and killed Miss Beckman and other teachers. A missionary was wounded, but succeeded in rescuing a number of the school children. When the rebels entered the city they decapitated many of the outlaws.

During the disorder the English Baptist mission was threatened, but not attacked. When the missionaries fled, Tungchow Fu the rebels continued to administer the city, especially, but brigands swarmed throughout the province. The country people near Tungchow Fu organized a militia and killed many of the robbers.

Another party arriving in Peking from southern Shen Si, believe the Sian Fu missionaries will be unable to get away, owing to the condition of the roads. This party was attacked when on the way higher by 20 highwaymen, who badly beat Dr. Bloom, a Swedish missionary, who was in advance of the refugees, and they slashed his wife with sabres. They declare that 14 soldiers who were escorting the party did not once lift their rifles against the outlaws.

The party also give an account of a massacre at Tung Kwan, Brigands posing as revolutionists captured and looted the town, killing 2,000 of its inhabitants. Imperial troops then recaptured the place, killed 1,000 of the brigands and carried off down the river 15 loads of Chinese girls. Later the revolutionists, took Tung Kwan.

Roger S. Green, the American consul general at Hankow, telegraphed that anti-foreign placards are being distributed in Nan Shang, Hu Peh province. The American legation has arranged for the transportation of all missionaries reaching the railway from the Yangtze river, but it remains to be seen to assist those beyond the Yangtze river.

Yuan Shi Kai continues unsuccessful in his efforts to obtain a loan. He informed the legation today that he had prepared a scheme by which he hoped to end the revolution. He said he did not intend to allow further fighting, but declined to disclose the nature of his scheme.

FIVE HUNDRED SPECIAL CONSTABLES

Aberdeen Citizens Prepare to Resist Threatened Invasion by I. W. W.

Aberdeen, Wash., Nov. 25.—Five hundred men, including the most prominent in this city in all walks of life, stood in the Elks' hall yesterday afternoon, raised their right hands, and were sworn in by Mayor J. W. Parks as special policemen to "maintain law and order" in Aberdeen, and to resist to the utmost a threatened invasion of Industrial Workers of the World, who propose to attempt to force the repeal of an ordinance which prohibits street speaking except within certain specified limits.

Guards were last night stationed on all roads leading into the city, with orders to arrest every suspicious character and turn back all those who cannot give a good account of themselves and satisfactory answers as to their business. The business men are determined to stop at the very outset the I. W. W. proposed campaign.

All saloons were closed at 6:30 o'clock last night, and the mayor issued the order was scrupulously obeyed. Notices were sent out during the day by the city superintendent of schools, Arthur Whelan, to parents to keep all children under the age of 16 out of school at night, and each child leaving his schoolroom for the day was given a printed notice to that effect. All men arrested are to be given a diet of bread and water until they are shipped out of town.

Hoguan, Montesano, Elma and other towns in Chehalis county will unite with Aberdeen, and there will be no place of refuge in this county for Industrial Workers.

On Way to Aberdeen.

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Bacon	1.19
Beans (local)	1.00
Beets, per sack	2.00
Cabbage, per lb.	0.20
Cheese	17.00
Cheese (local)	12.00
Creamery Butter	1.25
Cucumbers (hot-house), per doz.	1.75
Lettuce (hot-house), per crate	1.50
Onions (local)	1.00
Eggs (California fresh)	1.00
Eggs (Eastern)	1.00
Green Onions	1.00
Grapes (Malaga), barrel	7.50
Grapes (Tokay)	1.75
Grapefruit, per box	5.00
Hams	1.19
Haddies, per lb.	1.00
Lard	13.00
Lemons	5.00
Lettuce (hot-house), per crate	1.50
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Parasley	1.00
Peas, dried	1.00
Pomatoes	1.00
Potatoes (local)	30.00
Sweet Potatoes	1.00
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Waxbeans, per lb.	1.00
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