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WATER PLAN IS APPROVED OF

OAK BAY CITIZENS ENDORSE PROPOSAL

Public Meeting Discussed the Question of Getting Supply.

A representative meeting of rate-payers of the municipality of Oak Bay, held on Monday to discuss the water by-law, which the council has already passed. After the measure had been clearly explained by Councillor Oliver and other members of the council a vote of confidence in the council was passed and the meeting with only one dissentient pledged itself to support the by-law.

Reeve Henderson took the chair in the council chamber promptly at 8 o'clock and all the aldermen were present. In opening the proceedings the reeve said that for some time past they had been impressing upon the city the necessity of getting the municipality a suitable water supply and it was now in order to make arrangements for its distribution. A number of different schemes had been propounded but had been found impracticable. As Councillor Oliver had taken a leading part in all the arrangements and he was also chairman of the water committee he would call on him to explain the by-law which they had adopted.

Councillor Oliver in opening, stated that the city had formerly supplied the municipality with water as a favor. Now they were getting it as a right, and it was to be supplied to them in bulk. As soon as the city could install the meters they would want to come under the new arrangements. Part of the new arrangement was however that the municipality should arrange for its own distribution.

A number of redistribution schemes had been discussed and these which seemed the fairest were found to be beyond their powers under the municipal law. The council under the advice of their solicitors had finally come to the conclusion that there were only two ways in which they could do the work and that was either under the local improvement system or by raising all the money from general revenue.

The former of these plans was impracticable because some streets required six to twelve inch mains whereas on others four inch mains was sufficient. The law would not allow of any joint arrangement, it must be all local improvement or all general revenue so there was nothing for it but to give up the local improvement plan and adopt the other.

The adoption of the by-law which they had passed and which would be submitted to the rate-payers it was found necessary to cite the amount of income which they would receive from the meter during the coming year and according to the municipal law they could only borrow such a sum as these rentals would pay for four per cent interest on. The reeve was at first intended they now had to reduce their loan to \$30,000. Most of the interest and sinking fund would be paid from the water rates which would remain at present. The balance would come from the general revenue.

The whole question narrowed itself down to this. Adopt the by-law which they had prepared or do without water. Later they were able to raise the rate if they get the power, but there was nothing else to be done at present. The general ratepayers were protected in the amount which it was legal for them to borrow. When they voted they could not borrow more until their rentals increased sufficient to pay the interest of four per cent on the next amount. If they wanted water they must vote for the by-law.

Councillor McGreggor said he saw objections in the by-law, but these objections were nothing compared with the damage the municipality would suffer if they were to go ahead with the by-law without going ahead with the work. Before next year he expected they would be able to borrow under different conditions. He thought it right that those who wanted water should pay part of the cost of installing it, if this was done the cost to the consumers would be reduced. He joined with councillor Oliver in asking them to vote for the by-law.

J. J. Shallcross asked if the contract with the city would commence as soon as the by-law passed. He recognized the obligation they owed to the reeve and councillors for the faithful work they had done but he wanted everything made clear. It was his opinion that if this by-law passed the obligation they owed to the reeve and councillors for the faithful work they had done but he wanted everything made clear. It was his opinion that if this by-law passed the obligation they owed to the reeve and councillors for the faithful work they had done but he wanted everything made clear.

Councillor Newton said the council had been "up against it" owing to the number of difficulties in the municipal law. They were all much indebted to Councillor Oliver for helping them out of their difficulties. He thought the best they could do now was to turn to and support the by-law. It would be an incalculable injury to the district if they failed to put in a water supply.

J. Shallcross said he thought that if the council was unanimous in the matter they should take it without question. Mr. Sutherland objected to this. He wanted to know who would be served first. It being explained that the most populous districts would be the first served, Mr. Sutherland expressed his

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opinion that if they passed this they would be in deeper water than they had been in before. He did not like the by-law but he intended to vote for it.

In answer to another question Councillor McGreggor stated that it they secured greater powers from the legislature next year and changes were made they would be retroactive so that those getting the pipes laid free now would then pay their share the same as others.

Councillor Pemberton said that he was absolutely opposed to the by-law but he would support it because they could do no better. If they did not act now the matter would be shelved for another year. He hoped they would secure changes to the law so that they could adopt a different system next year.

Councillor McGreggor explained that the council would approach the Government before the law was put before the people and find out what were the prospects of securing amendments to the municipal law at the next session. A vote of confidence was then passed in the council and the meeting pledged itself to support the by-law.

MORE JAPANESE MEMBERS ARRESTED

Heads of Several Corporations May Be Taken Into Custody.

Tokio, April 27.—Three additional members of the Diet have been arrested in connection with the sugar scandal and a number of other large companies are under investigation. Arrests of heads of corporations are said to be pending.

SPRING SALMON IN NAAS AND SKEENA

Fish Being Salted for German Market, According to Ad- vices by Str. St. Denis.

The spring salmon have commenced running at the Naas and Skeena rivers, according to news brought down from the north on Tuesday by the steamer St. Denis. The fish are being mild cured and will be shipped to the German market, where most of the spring salmon taken on this coast are sold.

RATES ON CHIPPEWA HAVE BEEN RAISED

The rates have been raised on the steamer Chippewa, plying between this city and Seattle. For a long time the International Company has operated its steamers at the special low rate of 25c each way but Tuesday the single fare was raised to \$1.00 or \$1.75 return.

EARTH AND SNOW BLOCKS TRAINS

Slides Interrupt Traffic on the Great Northern Railway.

Kalspell, Mont., April 27.—Traffic on the Great Northern railroad is completely blocked near Nyaak by earth and snow slides which have continued for many hours. Large crews of men are working on the slides in an endeavor to clear the tracks, but little progress is being made against the intermittent slides. A half dozen passenger trains are tied up.

MAN AND HIS WIFE PERISH IN FLOOD

Madoc, Ont., April 26.—Jerry Clark and his wife were swept to death this morning by the flood while driving over the county bridge across Black creek. The Clarkes leave two children.

MENELIK AND WITCH DOCTORS

EXPERIMENTS OF QUACKS MAY PROVE DISASTROUS

Emperor's Attendants Persuade Him to Disregard Advice of Physicians.

London, April 27.—Emperor Menelik of Abyssinia is in greater danger from his alleged physicians than from the complication of diseases of which he is a victim, according to mail advices from the British legation in Abyssinia, containing the first trustworthy news that has been given to the world in a month concerning the aged African monarch's condition.

So far as actual disease is concerned it is stated on the authority of the medical officer of the legation, the Emperor may live another decade. To the treatment of skilled physicians who occasionally visit him he responds readily. His political advisors and personal attendants are so suspicious of the physicians, however, that they are constantly persuading him to disregard sound medical advice for that of Oriental quacks and African witch doctors, whose experiments have more than once reduced him almost to the point of death.

Menelik is said to be extremely susceptible to the effects of medical aid though it is a fact that his tremendous constitution is undoubtedly breaking down under the strain of years of overwork. The legation physician considered the Emperor's trouble more mental than physical, his memory having been greatly incapacitated and his powers of concentration almost completely shattered. From the last stroke of paralysis he suffered last July the doctor says he has entirely recovered.

The legation officials consider it certain that the Emperor will be succeeded despite the opposition of the present Empress by Prince Lidj Biyasi, a son of a daughter of Menelik's first wife and of Rah Michael, one of the most powerful men in Abyssinia.

DAUGHTERS OF PITVY

Monthly Meeting of Society Was Held Yesterday Afternoon.—Business Transacted.

The regular monthly meeting of the Daughters of Pitvy was held in the board of trade rooms at 2.30 Monday afternoon, with the president in the chair, and seventeen other members present.

After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and adopted, the treasurer's report was read, which showed bills paid to the amount of \$85.95; balance in bank, \$88.70; balance on hand, \$2.30.

After some discussion it was agreed in connection with the summer's work that the flower service should be held in the hospital in June, and the date for the garden fete was fixed for the 2nd of July. The president, Miss Foll, and the Misses Hiscocks and Lovell, were appointed a committee to secure a place for holding the fete, with the understanding that the Japanese tea gardens should be chosen if available.

SUSPECTED OF KILLING THREE GIRLS

Springfield, Ohio, April 27.—Suspected of being implicated in the murder of three Dayton girls, Elmer Carr is in the custody of the police. In Mary Fuschner is believed to have been killed in Dayton on January 23rd. Two weeks later the body of Elizabeth Futhart was found in a cistern, and the body of the late victim, Dena Gilman, was found a fortnight later.

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KILLED BY FRIEND.

High School Student Fatally Wounded While on Botanical Trip.

Wentchee, Wash., April 26.—Glen Trimble, a young high school student of this city, is dead at the hospital here from gunshot wounds received at the hands of G. C. Collier, also a high school student, at Feastatia, yesterday. The boys had gone to the country in search of specimens for the botany class in school. They took a gun along. While they were on the mountainside, a grouse, sawed and Collier, raising his gun to shoot the bird, accidentally sent the charge of shot into young Trimble's stomach. The wounded boy was brought to Wentchee and an operation performed, but this proved of no avail, and he died last night. Collier has not been arrested.

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DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE ORGANIZES WORK

Committee Was Named at Meeting Held Monday Afternoon.

The officials of the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Development League met Monday afternoon at the board of trade, where committees were struck and all preparations made for an aggressive campaign.

The chair was occupied by the president, G. H. Wilson, who in opening the meeting urged the necessity of getting the organization perfected at once. In his opinion it was important that a finance committee and an advertising committee be struck, the former to prepare a budget and the latter to get out advertising matter for the newspapers and the booklets for distribution.

Treasurer Kingham reported as having received in contributions over \$900, while the secretary intimated that the actual amount subscribed was between \$6,000 and \$7,000 a year, with a large number yet to be seen. There was in sight upwards of \$12,000, with which a good campaign for the city could be put up. Secretary McGaffey also said that he had practically completed the work of moving into the new quarters in the Law Courts, that already a number of magazine articles had been prepared and sent out with suitable accompanying photographs and that he had obtained the service of an assistant and the work generally was in good shape.

The urgency of placing advertisements in the east before most of those who will be coming west for the fair have made their final plans, was emphasized and this will be done without delay. Arrangements are also being made for the suitable marking of Victoria, Nanaimo and Ladysmith day at the fair.

The executive committee was enlarged by the addition of the two vice-

AGREEMENT BETWEEN C. P. R. AND BANK LINE

Frank Waterhouse of Seattle Has Returned From Trip to London.

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., April 27.—After an absence of three months, Frank Waterhouse, president of Frank Waterhouse & Company, managing agents for the Bank line, limited, has returned to Seattle, accompanied by Mrs. Waterhouse. He spent most of his time in London, where he met some of the prominent men in shipping and transacted no little business of interest to the Pacific coast.

One of the results of Mr. Waterhouse's trip to London was the completion of a traffic agreement with the Canadian Pacific, whereby the Bank line steamships will handle some of the Canadian railroad's business and from the Orient.

A man fifty years old has worked 4300 days, has slept 600, has amused himself 4,000, has walked 12,000 miles, has been ill 500 days, has partaken of 36,000 meals, eaten 15,000 pounds of meat, and 4,000 pounds of fish, eggs and vegetables, and drunk 7,000 gallons of fluid, which would make a lake of 800 square feet surface if three feet deep.

87 MILLS OF PULP LIMITS

The Company has acquired 55,000 acres of Pulp Limits on Quatsino Sound, northern part of Vancouver Island, covering almost 100 square miles, the choicest standing timber of British Columbia and representing one of the most valuable assets of any pulp and paper mill in the world. In order to encourage the development of the wood pulp and paper industry in British Columbia the Provincial Government placed a yearly rental of \$12.30 per section on these vast limits instead of \$140.00 per section, as provided under a timber license. In addition the Company is given the privilege of cutting cord-wood for a period of ten years on a stumpage basis 25c per cord instead of 35c, also exemption from taxation for a number of years, and the right to a 40-acre townsite and other special privileges. In addition to the vast pulp limits the Company has also acquired the right to a 20,000-inch water record capable of developing approximately 15,000 horse-power on Marble Creek Quatsino Sound, which passes directly through the great pulp limits. The water record, amounting to \$5,650.00, and the survey and cruising, approximately \$15,000, have all been paid up to date. A conservative estimate of these vast limits show approximately 1,500,000,000 feet of spruce, hemlock, cedar, larch and fir, and reasonably guarantee to the Company a permanent source of raw material for over half a century. These great limits place this Company in the front rank of the leading pulp and paper mills of the world. At present wood suitable for the manufacture of wood pulp is worth from \$6.00 to \$9.00 per cord through Ontario and Quebec, and range from \$9.00 to \$15.00 per cord through the United States. In 1908 almost 1,000,000 cords of wood for the manufacture of pulp was imported into the United States from Canada, and the question of securing sufficient wood for the manufacture of pulp is a matter that is perplexing the minds of both Canadian, European and American manufacturers. Expert foresters have estimated that at the present rate of cutting the American forests will be thoroughly depleted within the next fifteen years and the same inroads are being made on the European and Canadian forests. Five years ago pulp wood could have been secured through the States of Michigan, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Virginia for \$5.00 and \$6.00 per cord. To-day it is difficult to secure it at \$12.00. Every ton of chemical wood pulp requires two cords of four-foot wood. This paper mill which we are now erecting at Quatsino Sound when fully complete will consume approximately 3,000 cords of wood per month. As a matter of fact it is the consensus of opinion of every expert authority on the manufacture of wood pulp and paper in the world that owing to the decline of the forests it will only be a question of time before British Columbia and the States of Washington and Oregon will be the leading producers of wood pulp and paper in the world. At present there are six great mills in Washington and Oregon, giving employment to hundreds of people and representing over five million dollars capital, and yet they are unable to produce sufficient paper for their local markets. In 1908 the Seattle Times purchased 4,000,000 lbs. of news paper from the Laurentide Pulp & Paper Co., Grandin, Quebec, while the Los Angeles Times and other papers were obliged to secure their product from the Eastern mills 3,000 miles away. Our vast pulp limits and splendid water power not only enable us to turn out News and Wrapping Paper from \$2.00 to \$6.00 per ton lower than Eastern Canadian or American mills, but likewise assure us of permanent supply of pulpwood at a nominal price per cord, while no one can even predict what the value of wood in the Eastern Provinces or the United States will be within ten years. At present News paper can not be laid down in British Columbia in carload lots under \$56.00 per ton, while the cost of manufacture will not exceed \$30.00 per ton. No industry, not even mining itself, has yielded as large and permanent dividends as the manufacture of wood pulp and paper. At present it is absolutely impossible to purchase stock in the majority of the operating paper mills of Canada and the United States, and there is no question but that the Preferred Stock which we are now offering will pay at least from 25 to 50 per cent. dividends. Those holding reservation on the first issue of 300,000 Preferred Stock must make application at once to the fiscal agent. We are now rushing work on the first unit of the mill, and are confident that the pulp plant, with a capacity of 100 tons of pulp, will be in operation by December 1st of this year. We now offer for subscription

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