

# THE BAN IS REMOVED.

## Order Respecting Closing of Dance Halls and Gambling Houses

### WILL REMAIN INACTIVE UNTIL THE FIRST OF NEXT JUNE.

Messages From Ottawa to Major Wood and Commissioner Ogilvie Came Today.

News Spread Like Wildfire and "I Told You So's" Were Heard On All Sides — The Business Men's Representation to Mr. Sifton Did the Work — Telegrams Signed by Deputy Minister Smart — Gambling Houses All Re-Open — Treat Your Honey at the Bar.

From Monday and Tuesday's Daily.

Ottawa, March 11, via Bennett, March 18.

Major Z. T. Wood,

Commander N. W. M. P., Yukon Dis., Dawson:

In view of representation made, it has been decided to defer action re-closing theatres and gambling houses until first of June next.

JAMES SMART,

Deputy Minister of Interior.

The message of which the above is a copy was delivered to Major Wood at 12:15 Today.

It is the unexpected which is always happening and certainly it was the unexpected which occurred today when an order reached Dawson granting an extension of time during which the various gambling games in the city will be permitted to run.

This order comes in response to the telegrams and various influences which were brought to bear upon the Ottawa authorities by local commercial and political influences. As has been set forth in the Nugget on several occasions the heavy commercial concerns in Dawson united in sending to Ottawa an extended telegram asking that longer time be given for the gamblers to withdraw from business so that others who are indirectly interested might have an opportunity to protect their interests.

Word from Ottawa was anxiously awaited all last week but when Saturday night came and nothing had been received hope was given up and all the games closed at 12 sharp, the expectation being that they would not reopen.

At shortly after 12 o'clock today, however, word came ticking over the wire from the minister of the interior giving instructions that the last orders would be rescinded and extended.

At about 12:30 o'clock Major Wood

transmitted the contents of the message to Captain Courtland Starnes, officer in command of the police and he in turn telephoned the news to Corporal McPhail in charge of the town station who passed it to the patrol force and by them the proprietors of all places closed by the previous order were notified that the ban is off. Capt. Starnes likewise phoned the Nugget office of the receipt of the wire, but in the meantime a Nugget representative had seen Major Wood and procured a copy of the wire as it appears above.

When asked when the games could reopen Major Wood replied:

"Any time; this minute if they desire. The order settles the question for the present and until June 1st.

Commissioner Ogilvie received a similar message on the same question.

The news was not long in spreading all over the town and many were the "I told you so" heard from knowalls who have been assured in their own minds all along that the order would not be enforced.

All the games have reopened and Dawson is again the wide open town as of yore.

Treat your honey at the bar.

## MUST NOT BE SOLD.

### Moose Roast and Caribou Steak Days Nearly Over.

The law which prohibits the offering for sale of moose, caribou and other game after March 1st, and which law was extended to April 1st for the present year, will go strictly into effect on that date, after which game must not be exposed or offered for sale by meat dealers, neither must it be served by restaurants and hotels to their patrons.

This statement is made at the request of the police who have been informed that caterers throughout the city are buying up large quantities of this class of meat for the purpose of keeping it in cold storage and serving it along through the early summer months. But the selling of a slice of game on a plate at table is as much an infraction of the law as would be selling of an entire moose or caribou carcass from a meat market.

It will be seen, therefore, that there remains but 13 days of the season in which restaurants and hotels can lawfully regale their patrons with juicy moose roast and succulent caribou steak unless they serve meals without charge, and that is not likely to become the order.

Joe Burke and wife of 25 above Bonanza, made a visit to their claim yesterday.

## EN ROUTE TO NOME

### A Party of Travelers Starts Tomorrow For Below.

P. T. Bernard, Paul Levisman, Van Gilliard and Jacoby, of the N. A. T. & T. Co., arrived in Dawson Saturday night 11 days from Whitehorse. The party are en route to Nome and will start on their journey down river tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock. Mr. Bernard is engaged in the saloon business in the beach city, Levisman and Van Gilliard are owners of No. 6 Gold Run, and Jacoby is the assayer for the N. A. T. & T. Co. in that district. The party has six fine malamutes led by a shepherd and thinks the distance can be covered by them in from 32 to 35 days. Mr. Bernard says he passed on the way to Dawson some 35 teams loaded with chickens and turkeys and 25 carrying ladies' goods and rubber footwear.

The celebrated Ripstein ox teams were passed Friday and should arrive in Dawson today. The beasts are said to be very weak and emaciated, and as it is intended to slaughter them upon arrival here some choice leathery steaks will be distributed to the beef eaters of this city. In many places along the trail the stages have left marks, showing where they have turned over and precipitated the passengers and baggage into the deep snow.

Mr. R. P. McLennan, of McLennan & McFeely, is now on his way down the river, having left Whitehorse on Friday.

## RECEIVED BY WIRE. GENERAL HARRISON

### Ex-President of United States Is Dead.

Indianapolis, March 12, via Skagway, March 18. — Ex-President Benjamin Harrison died at his home in this city today after an illness of ten or twelve days. He was unconscious for several hours previous to his death, and gradually passed away, his bedside surrounded by his family and numerous other relatives.

## LOST WILL WANTED

### Final Testament of Samuel James Cannot be Found.

The friends of the late Samuel James who died at his cabin on Harper street Friday evening are desirous of learning the whereabouts of a will made some time ago by the deceased and left by him in the care of an American lawyer who is not known. Mr. James left a large estate consisting of an interest in a Dago Hill claim in which he was interested with Lee W. Steele. He also owned a large dump on Magnet gulch valued at from \$30,000 to \$50,000. This property will at once be taken charge of by the public administrator provided the will is not found. Fred Wright of this city was Mr. James' representative on Dago Hill. Deceased was buried yesterday from Green's undertaking parlors. He leaves a family in San Bernardino county, California, and it is in their interests that his friends here are anxious to learn the whereabouts of the will.

## KLONDIKE BRIDGE

### Is Assuming Proportions and Nearing Completion.

Commissioner Ogilvie smiles complacently these days as he thinks of the good fortune that, through his persistent telegraphic "hurry ups" fell to the lot of Dawson and the Klondike last fall when, very late in the season, scows bearing the material for the government bridge across the Klondike were tied up on the water front. The material once here, no time was lost in preparing for the actual work of construction as it was well known that the bridge could be erected while the river is solidly frozen at one-third less expense than when open. The result was that all local material needed was provided and delivered on the ice at the site and a month ago a force of 20 men was put to work with the result that before the expiration of next week the spans will have been hung on piers solid as the rock of Gibraltar.

The north pier is already completed all but the filling in of the large iron pillars with a cement or concrete on which the weight of the structure will rest, the foundation being of solid rock enclosed in caissons and composed of 150 tons of rock which in turn rests on a concrete bottom. The work of pumping water from the caissons while they are being constructed is now going on for the south pier which will be completed this week.

The work of putting up the false structure from which the iron spans will be put in place was begun today and it was stated by Mr. Ogilvie yesterday that ten more days will see the 154 feet span from pier to pier in permanent position, when all that will remain to be done will be to put down the planks and fill in the approaches. The bridge will be floored with two layers of two-inch planks, the top layer to be renewed from time to time as required.

It is expected that by the time the ice is unfit for travel the bridge will be ready for use, then vale ferryman.

The force of men, about 20, employed since the work of construction on the bridge commenced, was largely increased today as no chances will be taken on an early going out of the ice.

### British War Expenses.

London, Feb. 28. — The third supplementary estimate of £3,000,000 for the expense of the war was issued today. Transport and purchase of remounts swallow up £2,000,000, and provisions and forage cost £1,000,000. This brings the total voted for the fiscal year up to £95,309,133.

## RECEIVED BY WIRE. KID WEST COMING

### Left Skagway Strongly Guarded This Morning.

Skagway, March 18. — At last Kid West has arrived here en route to Dawson, coming up on the Danube which came in this morning. He is in charge of Seeley and three others. The party took the morning train for Whitehorse.

Spécial Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

## MISS KSA'S LAST REQUEST

### Body of Dead Jap Girl Will be Sent Outside.

The last request of Miss T. Ksa Yamayachi, the Japanese woman who died from pneumonia on Fourth avenue Saturday, was that her body be embalmed and kept here until the opening of navigation when it be sent outside to her sister in Portland, who will take it to a San Francisco crematory, after which the ashes will be sent to the land of the Mikado.

Ksa left \$9000 in a bank in Japan besides a good sized account in one of the Dawson banks. She also owned a claim on French Hill which was presented to her by an admirer last year.

### Gen. Dewet's Movements.

Oudtschorn, Cape Colony, Feb. 28. — Gen. Dewet, it is officially asserted, having failed to cross the Orange river at Daltorsport, is hurrying to Roentfontein. The range river is falling fast.

## PARTNERS TO PLACES

### The Dreamy Waltz and Alaman Left Are Not Cut Out.

Dawson was lively Saturday night, the resorts being crowded from the middle of the afternoon until midnight with people anxious to witness the grand finale, the exit of the old regime, heard the last call of "Jack box" and watch the professional black-jack player sneak a look at his hand for the last time. But the high rolling that was anticipated failed to materialize. Considerable playing in a modest way was done and many salaries for the week passed over the various tables as farewell contributions to "the house." The games had all put on limits with the result that no heavy winnings nor losses were made. Many professional gamblers who were broke were rustling "stakes" for last plays in the hope that the fickle goddess would favor them with a farewell smile and that when the order went into effect they might at least have a few dollars "eating money" in the interior realms of their pants. A few succeeded while others realized that their pockets, when the hammer fell, contained naught but an aching void.

The bars were well patronized all the afternoon and night, many who take the slightest provocation for getting drunk, not forgetting that the following day was the 17th of Ireland and they took advantage of the occasion in due form. Late at night considerable wine was consumed, nearly every bar in the city disposing of several cases.

Fair sized crowds were in attendance at the theaters Saturday night, but at those places nothing out of the ordinary occurred. There has been a mistaken belief about the order relating to the theaters as dancing has not been ordered stopped. Rigid restrictions, however, have been placed upon the women in that they are not permitted to rustle boxes, solicit drinks of anyone, neither are they permitted to drink in or around the theater buildings, and all men who drink at such places must be served at the bar, all box drinking being forbidden. The nice, dreamy waltz and the muck-luck quadrille are still permitted and partners may be engaged with impunity for two weeks ahead.

F. A. Cleveland is freighting a summer's supply of provisions and also a thawing plant to Harris & Comer's claim on Sulphur.

Henry Honnen has received the contract for moving M. Neilson's large blacksmith shop from the Forks to Dominion creek. The outfit all told will weigh about 15 tons.

## FORTYMILE AFFAIRS

### As Viewed by E. B. Condon, Who Has Just Returned.

### WAS VERY FAVORABLY IMPRESSED

### With the Outlook for the Lower Country in General.

### FRANKLIN GULCH IS GOOD.

### Although Abandoned by Old Timers, New Benches Have Been Discovered.

From Monday and Tuesday's Daily.

E. B. Condon returned on Saturday night from a trip covering the country adjacent to Fortymile and Eagle City. Mr. Condon is very favorably impressed with the Fortymile creeks and verifies the statements printed in this paper from time to time that Fortymile will yet become an important producer of gold. At Eagle City he found matters very quiet, but little being done in the town excepting in a social way. There are about 20 ladies in Eagle and on Saturday evenings dances are given at the quarters of the U. S. officials.

A literary society has also been organized which holds meetings on Monday evenings. The people of the town are enthusiastic over the proposed railway from Valdes to Eagle and feel certain that their town will take a substantial boom when railway construction is well under way.

There are from 200 to 300 people in the town and business is very quiet. The trail from Fortymile is in exceptionally good condition and travelers are making record time on the run. The Fortymile country looks very bright, particularly on Jack Wade and the other creeks in the vicinity. A well defined pay streak has been located carrying gold similar in size to the ordinary coarse gold produced in this district. Occasional pockets containing the well known rounded nuggets are still found, but the miners of Fortymile are jubilant over the fact that a pay streak carrying a uniform amount of gold has been located. This pay streak is known to exist through a width of 90 feet on No. 17, Chasley Hall's claim, and extensive preparations for the development of that claim have already been made.

Glacier and Napoleon creeks give evidence of coming rapidly to the front and will be remembered among the good creeks of the district. Franklin gulch, which was the mainstay of the district some years ago, is being worked again and pay has been located on the benches on both sides of the creek.

All the country needs in Mr. Condon's estimation is to have the litigation settled and its development on a large scale will begin immediately. Fortymile is still the supply point for the district and will continue so to be.

Mr. Condon thinks that U. S. Collector McCarty is an abused man. Mr. McCarty has only carried out the letter of the law in Mr. Condon's opinion and has been unjustly abused on that account. Capt. Farnsworth, in charge of the fort at Eagle, has set out with a survey party to complete the survey of the telegraph line from Eagle to Valdes. It is expected that the line will be in operation by mid-summer.

Dan Jonas is in business at Eagle and doing well. Judge Claypool is on his way to the outside and is accompanied by Messrs. Menzie and Hill of the A. C. Co., who have journeyed through from St. Michael. They will arrive in Dawson today or tomorrow.

Dickerman — There's one thing that puzzles me. Rawley — And, pray, what's that? Dickerman — How it happens that the new woman is generally not a very young one.