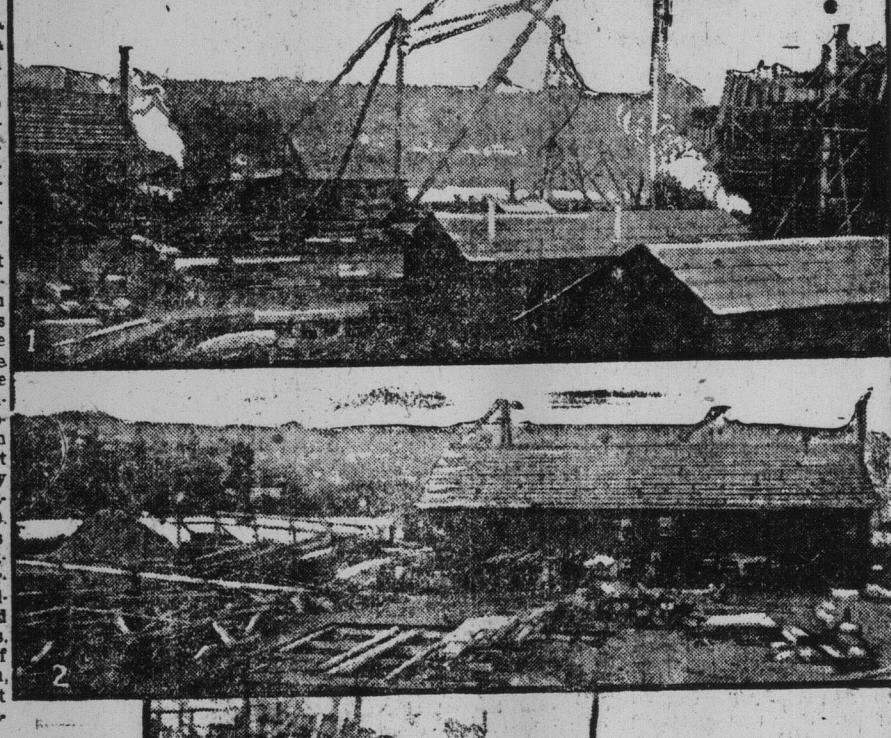


Shipbuilding in British Columbia

History can be traced upon it in just one hundred and thirty-one years since the first ship was built on the Pacific Coast of Canada. A century and a quarter passed without bringing the industry to any measure of importance, but within the last few years shipbuilding has advanced in British Columbia as if by magic. In the summer of 1912 there was one ship to be valued at half a million dollars in process of construction in the province. It represents an investment of \$1,000,000. Nine large vessels are now being built at various points, and thirty-three others, six of which are of steel construction, are either being built or have been contracted for.



The incentives for these shipbuilding activities in British Columbia have been the demand for ocean tonnage created by the German submarines, and the many extraordinary facilities which the geographical situation of British Columbia offers for the shipbuilding trade. It was for these reasons that the Imperial Munitions Board selected British Columbia to build twenty-five vessels.

British Columbia shipbuilding is carried on mainly at Vancouver and Victoria, but New Westminster has a yard of considerable proportions at Poplar Island, where four of the ships ordered by the Munitions Board are being constructed. The classes of ships being built are divided into schooners and steamers. The majority are built mainly of wood, but several are made principally of steel. At present the shipyards at Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster are engaged in building fifty of these vessels, which will have a gross tonnage of 114,980, and a deadweight capacity of 136,000 tons.

The cost of the material alone that must be applied for the completion of these ships is estimated at \$1,700,000. In order to finance the shipbuilding undertaking, the Imperial Munitions Board selected British Columbia to build twenty-five vessels.

The great ships of the Canadian Pacific Ocean Service, now plying between Vancouver, Victoria and countries of the East, when they have lived their allotted time and done their appointed work, may be replaced by other liners, just as magnificent, that will be built in the shipyards of the Canadian Pacific Coast, for it is not likely that industrial British Columbia will ever relax its hold on an undertaking that has begun so auspiciously.

(1) A shipbuilding yard in British Columbia.
(2) The Timber Dock.
(3) Ships in course of construction at New Westminster.

BASEBALL STORIES OF 30 YEARS AGO

[BY JOE PAGE]

One of the greatest batsmen and outfielders of his day was the famous Pete Browning, who spent practically his entire major league career with the Louisville, Ky., team, more than thirty years ago.

So many stories have been told on Pete Browning that it is difficult to discover one that touches upon the truth. Yet it was told one that actually occurred. Pete was with a crowd of friends and the conversation had drifted (between acts) from baseball to secret societies. An enthusiastic Elk was speaking of the superiority of his society, when, turning to the champion batsman, he asked, "Pete, why don't you become an Elk?"

"Because I have two good arms," returned the gladiator. "When I retire from the diamond and seek charity, I will be ready to talk business. I will never solicit help so long as I can get around the bases."

Another of the great players of those days and at the same time the sunshine and joy of the umpire's life, was Pat Tebeau, the then star third baseman, manager and captain of the Cleveland club. (Today high and mighty in the councils of the American Association.)

Pat was having an altercation with a friend of his, and during the war of words, Pat's friend said with great emphasis, "You go to h—l." Everybody expected Pat to Sullivan instinct in the great third baseman came to the front, and with a smile from ear to ear, he dryly asked: Will you give me half gaze and grand stand and a rain guarantee? The remark drew out a round of laughter and applause, and as I happen to know turned a serious moment into all hands up to the bar by request of Pat's hot headed friend.

During the days of the famous St. Louis Browns and when Charles A. Comiskey, the greatest of the present day managers, was manager and right hand power for the famous Dutchman

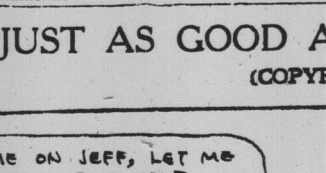


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woman hit me over the head with a pillow for almost tearing the life out of her. That with the funniest dream I ever had."

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Then you need a winter tonic to keep up your blood-strength and nerve-force. For nearly fifty years physicians have prescribed



because it is a true food and an active tonic, easily digested and free from opiates. If you are run-down, if night finds you tired and sleep is not refreshing, by all means get Scott's Emulsion today. You need it.

SPORT NEWS OF THE DAY HOME AND ABROAD

CURLING

Thistles Again Lead.
In the second of the curling matches, the Thistles again defeated St. Andrews by a score of 206 to 192. In the first game played a week ago Saturday, the Thistles also won, and by the same majority of points. The ice at both rinks on Saturday was in excellent condition and the curling was very good.

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St. Andrews 192

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SMASHING OF THE RECORDS IN MANY LINES OF SPORT

New York, Jan. 26.—The remarkable advance made in track and field athletics by American performers in recent years is strikingly demonstrated by the latest charts of the Amateur Athletic Union. With the exception of two or three events, the records show that almost every standard contest has recently been bettered during the period since the early eighties when the A. A. U. was organized.

The 100 yard dash record was cut down two-fifths of a second in a trifle less than thirty years. Between 1888 and 1912 it was broken twice and no fewer than eleven sprinters participated in breaking or tying the time. In the 500 dash four-fifths of a second was lopped off the time in a similar period, the record being broken twice and eight runners receiving credit for exceeding or equalling the previous clocking. The quarter mile event is one of the exceptions to the general rule. Wendell Baker ran the 440 yards in 47.8 seconds in 1888 and in 1900 Maxey Long reduced the time to 47 seconds flat. Since that date no sprinter has ever equaled this performance.

Coming to the longer distances, the half mile run has been bettered twice, 35 seconds having been cut off the time made by Len Myers in 1888. This time was lowered twice and four athletes are credited with tying or breaking the record in the mile run 8:4 seconds marks the improvement. W. G. George ran the distance in 1889 in 4:21.2 and in turn Tommy Connell, John Paul Jones and Norman Taber each clipped the time until at present it stands at 4:12.5. The five mile record has been broken three times and equaled once since 1887 and the total gain amounts to 24.2 seconds. The ten mile run shows a gain of 1:51.5, since 1886, the record of that date having been bettered three times.

In the hurdle race 1:15 seconds marks the gain over the 120 yard flight. In 1891 H. L. Williams did 15.4-16, and in 1912 R. Simpson established the present figure of 14.8-15. During these twenty-six years the record was broken four times and tied four times. At 220 yards the gain amounts to a full second. This record was cut off by A. C. Kramlein in 1888 and has been tied twice but never beaten. The one mile mark has been improved to the extent of 1:5.8 seconds since "Clinders" Murray stepped the distance in 6m. 29.5-30. In 1883. It was not until 1911, however, that George Goulding, Canadian walker, heel-and-toed the distance in 6:28 and no other performer has equaled those figures since.

The field events also afford some remarkable examples of the improvement in athletic competition. The running high jump mark has been moved up 8-10 inches since 1887 when W. B. Page cleared 6 ft. 4 in. Eddie Beson holds the record at present with 6 ft. 7-1/2 in. but in the interim Mike Sweeney and George Horne held the figures of their day, thus proving factors in the climb of the jumpers. The broad jump shows an improvement of 1 ft. 4-1/2 in. In 1886 the figure stood at 20 ft. 3 in. and was bettered by Dan Ahern in 1911, when the existing figure was established by Dan Ahern.

The pole vaulters also kept raising the bar steadily from the day when Hugh Baxter did 11 ft. 5 in. in 1887. Mark "Fright" now holds the record with 15 ft. 2-1/2 in., but the original height had been improved upon no fewer than seven times and tied once. In the weight events, 14 ft. 8-1/2 in. mark the gain between Queckbarr's mark of 28 ft. 1-1/4 in. with the 55 lb. ball and Matt McGrath's 40 ft. 9-8 in. made in 1911. The shot put gain amounts to 7 ft. 1 in. having been broken six times in a period of thirty years. The discus throw was not established until 1897 and the figures were held by C. H. Henne-man with 118 ft. 9 in. In 1912 the present record of 145 ft. 9-1/2 in. was made by Duncan but during these fifteen years the figures were improved no fewer than seven times and in each case Martin Sherman was an athlete to better his previous throw.

ZIMMERMAN AMONG ELITE OF BASEBALL
Heine is Only Member of The Giants in Popular Society of 300

While National League batting records showed that the Giants had two 300 hitters last season in Benny Kauff and George Burns, they have only one man who owns membership in the well known and highly popular Society of the Three Hundred. He is neither Kauff nor Burns, but Heinie Zimmerman. The man from The Bronx possesses a slick credit of .302 for all the time he has been working in the parent organization. He has been in it since late in September, 1907, when he got a chance to play in the world's series and obtained a small slice of the prize money. Burns and Kauff are not real 300 hitters as yet, based on their accomplishments, but both of them are near the charmed mark and may be companions on the big circuit. By the time the 1917 averages are promulgated, Zimmerman can slump a little in his stickwork and year and still remain among those limited few who can show a .300 batting credit for all the time their service on the big circuits. He must have had a whole of an average after the close of the 1916 campaign, for that was the last year he was in the lists of the highly considered hitters.

No man probably can show as many years killed my wife's little harmless and hithers, season in and season out, as the Giants, based on the lifetime accomplishments.

Gratitude.
"Do you know that that buldog of yours killed my wife's little harmless and hithers, season in and season out, as the Giants, based on the lifetime accomplishments."

"Well what are you going to do about it?"

"I would be so offended if I was to present him with a nice brass collar?"

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Honest Opinion Doctor Gave His Patient

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We guarantee this famous cod liver and iron tonic for all such conditions.
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GEN. WOOD WOUNDED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—General Pershing today reported the wounding in action of five infantrymen of the expeditionary forces. No details of the fight were given.

General Pershing called the war department today that Major-General Wood had been slightly wounded in the arm by an accidental explosion in France which killed five French soldiers and slightly injured two other American officers, Lieutenant-Colonel Charles F. Kilbourne and Major Kenyon A. Joyce.

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