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City Council Had A Busy Session

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditure Presented at Last Night's Meeting-- Council Decides to Grade N. Col Street by Day Labor.

The regular meeting of the City Council was held last evening, present Ald. Busby, Cavallero, Forrester, Killen, Young, Ferguson, McKinnell and McKenzie, His Worship Mayor Planta presiding.

The appended communication was received from Mr. H. Weeks:

Gentlemen: As a citizen and property owner, I would be much obliged to know why the city pound man is allowed to discriminate against some, while others are allowed to do as they please in allowing their animals to roam on the streets at their hearts content. I think it about time the Council looked into the questionable ability of this man, who appears to me as being in a condition of paid idleness.

Yours sincerely,
H. Weeks.

Ald. Busby moved, seconded by Ald. Killen the communication be received and filed. The motion carried.

Mr. C. H. Beevor Potts wrote the Council protesting against the assessment levied on his property, as follows: Gentlemen:

As owner of two lots having a frontage of some 143 feet on Westworth street, and an assessment of \$2.98 per foot for sidewalk against same I think it sufficient justification for lodging a complaint against such an outrageous assessment. I am told that as much as 300 feet of sidewalk was laid in one day, and why there should be a difference of something like \$1.60 per foot between the cost on the north side of Westworth street and the south side, is for the Council to explain. The only conclusion I can come to, and I am not alone in this, is that the engineer has made some egregious blunder. By the way, this has no reference to the present City Engineer, Owen.

I trust that you will seriously take this matter up again and have the details of cost set before the Council as a whole, instead of sidetracking this matter to a so called Court of Revision which has not sufficient knowledge of its obligations to the taxpayers as to comply with the provisions of the Local Improvement Act 1913.

Of course you may say this letter should be referred to the Court of Revision, or even that I filed no objection and therefore have lost my status, that would possibly be perfectly correct, had the act been complied with. I understand that there was not a single complaint filed which is all the more reason why the Court of Revision should have safeguarded all our interests and had a detailed statement under appropriate heads of the actual cost verified by the Clerk or Treasurer of the Municipality in accordance with section 25 of the Local Improvement Act. I have no desire to run the city to unnecessary expense and suggest that the work of the last Court of Revision be properly done over again as the quickest way out of the difficulty.

Yours respectfully,
C. H. Beevor Potts.

On motion of Ald. Forrester, seconded by Ald. Killen the communication was referred to the Legislative Committee for investigation and report.

Mr. George Harrison tendered his resignation as caretaker of the City Jail, resignation to take effect April 31. The resignation was accepted on motion of Ald. Busby seconded by Ald. McKinnell.

The question of calling for applications for a successor to Mr. Harrison was held in abeyance.

A communication from the editor of the Canadian Municipal Journal in reference to a special issue on Canadian Municipalities was referred to the Finance Committee for report.

The appended petition was received from a number of property owners on Commercial street:

Gentlemen: We would draw attention to the fact that fire insurance on all buildings on Commercial street, from Wharf street to the Old Crown Theatre have been increased from \$5.35 to

\$6.95 by the Board of Underwriters. This for the reason that the fire wall between Jepson Brothers store and the Nanaimo Hotel was not extended at the time your honorable body granted permission for an addition to the Nanaimo Hotel.

The rates effect at least twelve tax and license payers in the area mentioned, and mean an increased expenditure to many of them of many hundred dollars a year.

We submit that in view of the increased expenditure on the Fire Department, which your petitioners are bearing proportionately, and in view of the fact that your honorable body made no provision for the extension of the fire wall at the time the permit for the Nanaimo Hotel addition was granted, then you should do everything within your power to have this new insurance rate decreased.

This will be possible if the fire wall is extended. Your petitioners are agreed to bear their portion of the cost of this, and they respectfully request that you will consider

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GENERAL OUTLINE OF CELEBRATION

Children's Drill and Exercises Will be Feature of Nanaimo's Celebration of Victoria Day—A Big Day of Sport.

The General Committee of Nanaimo's Victoria Day Celebration met last night at the close of the drafting of the City Council and drafted the general outline of the sports for the big celebration on Monday, May 25th.

While the various events have not yet been definitely decided upon the general outline of the day's program will be as follows:

9.30 a.m.—Children's Sports.
10.00 a.m.—Regatta.
10.00 a.m.—Gun Shoot.
1.00 p.m.—Baseball Match.
2.30 p.m.—Children's Parade and Drill.

4.00 p.m.—Field Sports.
6.00 p.m.—Regatta.
8.00 p.m.—Band Concert.
The program of field sports as recommended by the committee, is as follows:

Hundred Yards Dash—1st. prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5. Total \$15.
220 Yards Hurdle Race—1st prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5. Total \$15.
Quarter Mile Open—1st. prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5. Total \$15.
Running High Jump—1st prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5. Total \$15.
Half Mile—1st prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5. Total \$15.
Three-legged Race—1st prize, \$8; 2nd, \$4. Total \$12.

Quarter Mile Relay Race (4 men)—1st prize, \$16; 2nd, \$8. Total, \$24.
Obstacle Race—1st prize, \$7.50; 2nd \$5; 3rd, \$2.50. Total, \$15.
Old Man's Race, 50 yards, (Fifty years or over)—1st prize, \$5; 2nd, \$3. Total, \$8.

Consolation Race, 220 yards—1st, \$6; 2nd, \$3. Total, \$9.
(For only those who have not won in any of the above events.)
(Three finish race or no second prize.)

The feature of the day's celebration will be the children's drill on the Cricket grounds. Mrs. Martindale has consented to again take charge of the children and contemplates introducing several novel features. A May Pole competition between the several schools of the city will probably be one of the features, prizes being given by the Committee for the best team entered. For the children's drill and parade on the grounds the Celebration Committee voted the sum of \$200, it being decided not to have the children parade from the school to the Cricket grounds owing to the distance being too great for the little tots to travel.

GRAVE OUTRAGE BY ULSTER

Premier Asquith Says His Government Will Take Proper Steps to Vindicate the Authority of the Law.

London, April 27.—"This grave and unprovoked outrage" was the

term used by Premier Asquith today in replying to a question in the House of Commons as to the gun-running exploit of the Ulster "volunteers." The premier said: "The House may rest assured that the government will without delay take proper steps to vindicate the authority of the law."

Immediately after he had finished replying to questions, Premier Asquith hurried to Buckingham Palace for an audience with the king.

London, April 27.—The startling audacity of Ulster's gunrunners coup has made the ministerialists gasp, and causes the most gloomy anticipations as to the happenings of the immediate future. The consensus of opinion is that the event accentuates an already acute situation amounting to open revolt. The government's decision subsequently to the receipt of this news is as yet undisclosed. Premier Asquith is expected to make a statement in the house today.

The press admits the gravity of the situation in the editorial comment. The Standard realizes that rightly or wrongly, wisely or foolishly, Ulster is determined to fight rather than submit, and says: "It is for the government to decide whether they will force a fight at the bidding of John Redmond or permit Ulster to choose its own form of government."

The Belfast correspondent of the Daily Mail states that he has been informed that the West Kent and Yorkshire regiments will arrive there this morning from Dublin, and that the Manchester regiment will arrive from Curragh.

The Dublin correspondent of the same paper records the arrival there of Rt. Hon. Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, who is personally directing the arrangements to cope with the new situation created by the daring gunrunning by the Ulster volunteers under the very nose of the authorities.

The Daily News, one of the chief spokesmen for the government, heads its columns "Insolent Ulster," and editorially says that on Friday night for many hours and over a large stretch of country, a force of armed rebels swept away the authority of the crown; terrorized the king's loyal subjects; imprisoned the king's servants and caused the death of one of them. Crimes such as this could be disregarded only at the price of surrendering all authority in Ulster, and admitting that there the parliament and crown are phantoms of which every lawless rogue may make a mock. What every man who has any sense of the sanctity of law wants is the assurance that every person will be punished who took part in Friday's rebellion."

The Unionist Standard remarks that there will no doubt be a demand from the radical benches that severe steps shall be taken, but the responsibility, especially in view of the warning of a month ago, is so appalling that it can scarcely be believed the prime minister will sanction any measures in the least degree likely to be effective.

"The police are obviously powerless to deal with a population of trained and determined men who will assuredly not submit to disarmament without a struggle. To attempt to use the military for the purpose is only to precipitate calamities from which the country was providentially saved a month ago."

VOTING IN FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Paris, April 27.—Although 351 deputies were definitely chosen in yesterday's general election for the French chamber of deputies, the country will have to await the receipt of the 251 second ballots on May 10 before it can tell whether the present government will obtain a majority. The known results do not indicate any remarkable change in the composition of the parties.

Sir Thomas Lipton is building a new yacht to compete for the international cup at the International Yacht races to take place at San Francisco during the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. President Wilson and King George of England have offered trophies.



WOULD-BE ASSASSIN SHOTS AT THE MAYOR'S PARTY.

A man who was later identified as Michael Mahoney, a human derelict fired a revolver shot into an automobile occupied by Mayor Mitchell of New York, Comptroller Prendergast and Corporation Counsel Frank L. Polk, wounding Polk in the mouth. The auto was standing in front of the City Hall as the Mayor and his party were just about to leave for lunch. The shooter was immediately captured and rushed into a nearby police station to get him away from the crowd which had begun to shout "Lynch Him."

UNIQUE CONCERT THIS EVENING

Great Galaxy of Artistes Will Appear at the Harvey Complimentary Concert Tonight.

The complimentary concert to Mr. Harry Harvey, the conductor of the Symphony Orchestra, will be given tonight in the Princess Theatre. Probably never such a program has been offered to the Nanaimo public. Some very fine numbers will be given. Possibly the heaviest selection will be the great "Prologue to Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo) one of the most difficult baritone solos ever written. This will be sung by Mr. Hamilton Earle the noted English baritone. Mr. Earle will be accompanied by Miss Maguire, Miss Lockhead, a soprano, who sung before an audience of 6,000 the other week in Vancouver, besides contributing a solo will sing as a duet with Mr. Earle, "Crossing the Bar" (Herman Lohr). This should be a splendid number. Mr. F. G. Taggart, the Scottish basso, will sing "The Village Blacksmith," "Young Tom O'Dunn" and by request "A Thousand Pipers."

One of the most popular features of the evening, however, will be the songs by Miss Eileen Maguire. This artist is always welcome here, and the audience will give her her usual welcome tonight. Mr. A. Schuck, late

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LOCAL TALENT IN WELLINGTON CONCERT

A Grand Concert, under the auspices of the Wallace Street Epworth League of C. E., will be given in the Wellington Methodist Church on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. A good program has been arranged as follows:

Organ Solo—Mr. A. Dunsmore, A. L. C. M.
Solo—Mrs. L. Jones.
Recitation—D. E. Manson.
Cornet Solo—Mr. A. Dunsmore, sr.
Dialogue "Betty's Blunder" (Five Characters).

Solo—Mr. Evan Jones.
Violin Solo—Mr. Mordue.
Recitation—Miss E. Hirst.
Duet—Mrs. L. Jones and Miss E. Lythgoe.
Recitation—Evan Baker.
Organ Solo—Mr. A. Dunsmore, A. L. C. M.

Mysterious Monster Gramophone Exhibition.
Solo—Mrs. L. Jones.
Recitation—D. E. Manson.
Violin Solo—Mr. Mordue.
Recitation—Miss E. Hirst.
Cornet Solo—Mr. A. Dunsmore, sr.
Solo—Mr. Evan Jones.

LOCAL CLUB REORGANISED

Nanaimo Baseball Club Was Reorganised at Enthusiastic Meeting Last Night in Lotus Hotel—Officers Elected.

The Nanaimo Baseball team was reorganized for the season at an enthusiastic meeting held in the Lotus Hotel. Practically the whole of last year's players are available, and there is fresh blood in town to fill the vacant places. It is proposed to arrange weekly games with outside clubs, and baseball fans will be treated to a fine series of matches. If satisfactory arrangements can be made the games will all be played on the Caledonian grounds, negotiations to this end now being in progress. The season will begin from the 24th of May on, and the players have already started training and practice.

The officers elected last night were as follows:

Honorary President—A. S. Hamilton.
President—Harold Johnston.
First Vice Pres.—Geo. Slater.
Second Vice Pres.—W.W.R. Mitchell.
Third Vice Pres.—W. McArdle.
Sec. Treas.—Joe. Boyce.
Manager—R. Benedict.
Official Umpires—J. Aitken and W. Hollingsworth.

Grounds Committee—Harold Johnston, P. Piper and R. Benedict.

The big feature of the Harvey complimentary concert this evening will be the singing of the Prologue from Pagliacci by Mr. Hamilton Earle. This opera of Leoncavallo's, his first work, was a surprising success and raved with Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" in popularity. It has even more fire and passion than the latter work, and the prologue gives a foretaste of the whole opera. It is intensely dramatic and requires in the singer a great voice and a rare gift of declamation. Mr. Earle possesses all these attributes and it should be a rare treat to hear him in one of the greatest baritone solos ever penned.

JAPAN AT 1915 FAIR.

Tokio, April 27.—An official announcement issued today by the government says it has been definitely decided that Japan will participate in the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

One of the most important conventions to be held at San Francisco during the, Panama-Pacific International Exposition, will be the International Engineering Congress, of which the chairman will be Colonel George W. Goethals.

CITY ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR

Estimated Revenue of Nanaimo For Year 1914 is Hundred and Sixty Two Thousand Dollars.

The estimates of the Finance Committee of the city of Nanaimo were presented to the City Council at last night's meeting and laid on the table for one week for the perusal of the aldermen.

The estimates for the year are as follows:

RECEIPTS.
Real Estate Tax \$27,000
Real Estate Tax Arrears 3,500
School Rate 11,250
School Rate Arrears 1,500
Road Tax 3,000
Dog Tax 400
Sewer Rentals 3,000
Trades Licenses \$4,300
Liquor Licenses 6,700
Theatre Licenses 400
Miscellaneous \$11,400

Interest on Taxes \$ 210
City Pound Fees 120
Police Court Fees 3,000
City Scales Fees 50
Grants for Schools 14,500
Sale of Hay 115
Building Permits 200
Plumbing Permits 240
Plumbing Licenses 50
Electric Wiring Fees 350
Sewer connections outstanding 1,500
Sale Sewerage Debentures 40,500
St. Sprinkling Rate 300
Water Rates \$61,435
No. 4 Reservoir \$32,500
Service Accounts 300
Cash in Bank at 31st Dec. 1913 \$4,193.92
Cash advanced account Sidewalks 500
Bylaw, No. 5 2,865.00
\$162,843.92

EXPENDITURES
City Offices \$ 5,369.00
Police Dept. 9,993.00
Fire Dept. 5,200.00
City Pound 573.00
City Engineer's Office 981.00
Board of Health 1,620.00
Parks 960.00
Schools \$9,910.97
Elections \$64,606.97
Donations 375.00
Coroner's Fees 325.00
Delegations 50.00
Municipal Council 2,980.00
Charities 1,000.00
Nanaimo Hospital 1,800.00
Street Lighting 6,175.00
Legal Expenses 125.00
Bank Loan 55,500.00
Interest on Loans 3,000.00
Building Inspection 200.00
Electric Wiring Inspection 262.00
Street Cleaning 700.00
Extension Robson St. 500.00
\$73,042.00

Payment to No. 1 Sidewalk \$856.94
Payment to No. 2 Sidewalk 169.45
Payment to No. 3 Sidewalk 144.52
Payment to No. 4 Sidewalk 145.67
Payment to No. 5 Sidewalk 121.19
Payment to No. 6 Sidewalk 231.17
\$1,669.94

Payment to Guarantee Loan, 1907 \$5,495.00
Payment to Guarantee Loan, 1909 1,898.00
Payment to Guarantee Loan, 1910 1,581.58
\$8,974.58
Water Works Maintenance \$11,067.00
Streets and all other expenses not enumerated 3,483.43
\$162,843.92

The regular meeting of Nanaimo Lodge Knights of Pythias will be held this evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Clarence Houston and wife, of Oakland, California, are paying a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. R. McKinnell, Milton street.

During his stay in Nanaimo in the interests of the Boy Scouts, the Rev. and Hon. T. R. Heneage, of Victoria is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bate, jr., Victoria road.

THE SITUATION IN COLORADO

President Wilson Has Appealed to Rockefeller to Bring About a Settlement of Colorado Coal Strike.

Washington, April 27.—President Wilson has made a personal appeal to John D. Rockefeller to bring about a settlement of the Colorado coal strike and end the violence which has cost a score of lives and large property loss.

Washington, April 27.—The financier who owns a large part of the mines affected by the strike, in response to a telegram from the president, declared he had turned over his interests in Colorado to his son, J. D. Rockefeller, jr., whom he would ask to co-operate with Chairman Foster of the house committee on mines and mining. The president sent Mr. Foster to New York today to talk with the younger Rockefeller.

Upon the outcome of the conference depends whether federal troops which have been asked for by all sides of the controversy will be sent to the strike zone. Recently the younger Rockefeller at a hearing of the mine-committee of the house, said the mine-owners would fight them to the end, even though they lost all they had invested in Colorado.

Since then the conflict has raged with all the horrors of actual warfare. The president, cabinet officers, senators and congressmen have been flooded with telegrams describing the most gruesome happenings and terrible scenes.

"Nothing has happened in Mexico," said a cabinet official today, "compared with the awful things that have occurred in Colorado. The public mind has for the moment been centered on Mexico and has not observed the great domestic troubles between the strikebreakers and the miners and the militia in Colorado."

Secretary Garrison, said today he had not been consulted as to the sending of troops to Colorado to handle the mine strike situation. It was stated at the department, however, that if troops were ordered to Colorado a detachment would be sent from the troops of the Twelfth Cavalry now at Fort D. A. Russell at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Denver, Colo., April 27.—With no open outbreak reported, but with the situation tense in Las Animas, Huertano and Fremont counties coal districts, all parties concerned in the Colorado coal strike today, anxiously awaited President Wilson's reply to the appeal for federal troops.

General John Chase, with 200 militiamen, reached Canon City early today, made a hurried tour of the surrounding territory, and reported conditions quiet. The 100 citizens who last night patrolled the town and territory to the south and east were induced to surrender their arms to the sheriff, leaving further protective measures to the militia.

Today's advice was that no fighting had occurred at the Royal George mine, two and a half miles from Canon City, and that the strikers were in possession of the Chandler mine, where there has been no serious property damage so far as known.

The governor stated that he would make a demand upon the strikers to give up the Chandler mine. There was some desultory firing during the night at Sopris, in Las Animas county, no casualties were reported. Under Sheriff Zeke Martin reported to the governor that the situation at Trinidad was strained, that his deputies guarding the county jail had been without sleep for three nights, it being feared that strikers might at any moment make an attack, possibly in an effort to rescue Louisa Zancanelli, held on a charge of murder in connection with the killing of Detective George W. Belcher in Trinidad, Nov. 28. Numerous conferences were in progress today, all of which were said to depend upon the decision of federal authorities relative to sending United States troops and the result of the president's appeal to John D. Rockefeller to bring about a settlement of the strike.

New York, April 27 (Later).—"We made no progress," said Mr. Foster after meeting with Mr. Rockefeller later. "Nothing has been accomplished here today. I see no hope that anything may be expected here in the near future. I do not expect to see Mr. Rockefeller again today, and I shall return to Washington."