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BOTH SIDES ARE CONFIDENT

FEW CARS RUNNING IN PRAIRIE CAPITAL

Striking Motormen and Conductors Will Appeal to Unions for Support

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—The street car strike is still developing quietly, although the tension is high. The company yesterday announced that they would to-day start the full schedule again, but they started late this morning with a decidedly small service which they gradually increased, although at noon they were not running any more than a half service. Policemen are on all the cars. Collegians are still in evidence as amateur motormen and conductors, although their examinations are calling men off.

A number of men arrived yesterday from the east, but they were carefully smuggled off. Little or no information is available regarding them, but sixty of them were picked up in Toronto. They look of laborer type rather than professional strike-breakers.

The company claims the strike is about broken and many people are of the same opinion.

On the other hand the men at strike headquarters appear resolute and said that some difficulty was experienced in restraining the hot heads. They are preparing a trade union propaganda. Heretofore union men have ridden to and from their work, but an immediate appeal will be made to all unions for support and backing, and there is little doubt that all will respond to what is looked upon by unionists as a carefully engineered scheme of the company to fight the union on a field of their own choosing. They point out that the present wage agreement expires in the spring and they allege that this issue is being forced in order to break the union so that there will be no organization to deal with them.

Undoubtedly there will be trouble before the men give in as many of them are desperate. None of the men have gone back so far and there is little probability of their returning by to-morrow noon when the company's ultimatum expires.

RUSSIAN REFUGEE LIBERATED.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Savvo Fedonko, the Russian refugee, who was re-arrested after Mr. Justice Robson had annulled extradition proceedings, was this morning released from custody, the second charge of attempting to kill a Russian constable being dropped.

DARING RESCUE OF INDIAN SATURDAY

Tom James Performs Heroic Deed—Saved Kuyoquot Jack From Drowning

Clinging to the bottom of his upturned canoe, with life nearly extinct owing to the length of time he had been exposed to the chilly waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Kuyoquot Jack, a member of the Songhees tribe, was rescued on Saturday afternoon from a watery grave by another member of his race, Tom James, who at the risk of his own life succeeded in getting the drowning man into his canoe and resuscitating him. Some time during Saturday morning Kuyoquot Jack left the reserve on a fishing trip. When around Brotchie Ledge he threw his hook and line overboard, but when commencing to paddle he found that it had become tangled in the rocks. In attempting to free it the Indian in some manner capsized. He tried to right the canoe, but it was too difficult a matter for one man in such a strong current. When his strength began to wane he realized that the only thing to do was to cling to the bottom of the craft.

The strong tide was gradually carrying him in the direction of Race Rocks, and had assistance not arrived when it did Jack would certainly have perished. Tom James was at the time trolling for salmon some distance off when his attention was directed towards a strange object. It at first appeared to him as a log, but he finally noticed the figure on it. James proceeded to the help of his fellow-tribesman, who was then over two miles from shore, and when he reached the upset canoe nothing but the face of the Indian remained above water, and life was fast ebbing.

The task of rescuing Kuyoquot Jack was accompanied by some danger, and Tom James more than once had a narrow escape from being precipitated into the water himself. At last he was enabled to take the drowning man aboard and the work of restoring him was soon accomplished, despite the serious drawbacks.

This is not the first time that Tom James has been the means of saving life. Some time ago he rescued a white man whose launch had broken down and was rapidly being driven towards the rocky shores of Trial Island. James, at the risk of life, with the sea running very high, steered his canoe alongside the launch and took the passenger off.

The first act of saving life by Tom James went unheeded and unrewarded, but it is hoped that with the daring rescue of Saturday his act will be brought before the Royal Life-Saving Society of London.

MR. HELLIWELL WRITES AGAIN

ANOTHER "FINAL" REPORT TO HAND

Much Important Business Coming Before City Council This Evening

(From Monday's Daily.)

Although only asked to forward for the information of the finance committee an itemized account showing the services he rendered the city for the sum of $3,500, the amount of his charge, John F. Helliwell, the Vancouver expert auditor, will this evening hand to the city council another "final" report.

This move on his part comes as a great surprise to a majority of the members of the board, inasmuch as the report read at the meeting a week ago bore all the ear-marks of being final, and was certainly so understood. Mr. Helliwell has, however, written again at considerable length in defence of the various recommendations he has made in connection with the suggested improvements in book-keeping methods at the city hall. The letter is addressed to the mayor.

The project to extend Pandora avenue through to connect with Oak Bay avenue has been amplified to some extent and at this evening's meeting a resolution will be introduced with the following purpose:

"To expropriate such lands as may be necessary to continue Pandora avenue from Fernwood road to Fort street in a straight line and of a uniform width of 66 feet and to widen Oak Bay avenue from Fort street to MacGregor street to a width of 66 feet, the cost of the expropriation to be borne by the owners of the property to be benefitted."

A large number of local improvement works will come up for consideration among them will be the following:

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement Douglas street between Fisguard street and Hillside avenue, owners to pay two-thirds of the cost, this portion of Douglas street being already passed for the cluster lighting system.

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement Blanchard street, between Fort street and Pandora avenue, owners to pay two-thirds of the cost.

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement Faithful street between Moss and Cook streets, with permanent walks and boulevards, owners to pay four-fifths of the cost.

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement May street between Cook street and Moss street, with permanent sidewalks and boulevards, owners to pay four-fifths of the cost.

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement Moss street between May street and Dallas road, with permanent sidewalks and boulevards, owners to pay four-fifths of the cost.

Grading, draining and paving with asphaltic pavement Howe street between May street and Dallas road, owners to pay four-fifths of cost.

Grading, draining and paving Johnson street with asphaltic pavement between Douglas street and Cook street, and constructing permanent sidewalk on the north side from Blanchard street to Cook street and on the south side from Quadra street to Cook street; and to light the street by a system of cluster lighting.

Two important bylaws, other than the Sooke Lake water bylaw, will come up for second reading. By the provisions of the Municipal Comptroller's bylaw the official designated is given the power to fix salaries of employees in any department. This provision has already brought from Ald. Fullerton a strenuous protest and it is likely that he will again be heard from this evening. There is resentment also amongst some of the heads of departments; and in view of this situation it is improbable that the bylaw will pass in its present form.

The Underground Telephone bylaw, which will be read a second time this evening, provides for the entering into an agreement with the B. C. Telephone company for the putting under ground in the business section of the city of the overhead telephone wires, the city to provide $100,000 on its own credit, which amount will be repaid by the company returning yearly an amount sufficient for sinking fund to meet the debentures at date of maturity.

PRISONER ENDS LIFE.

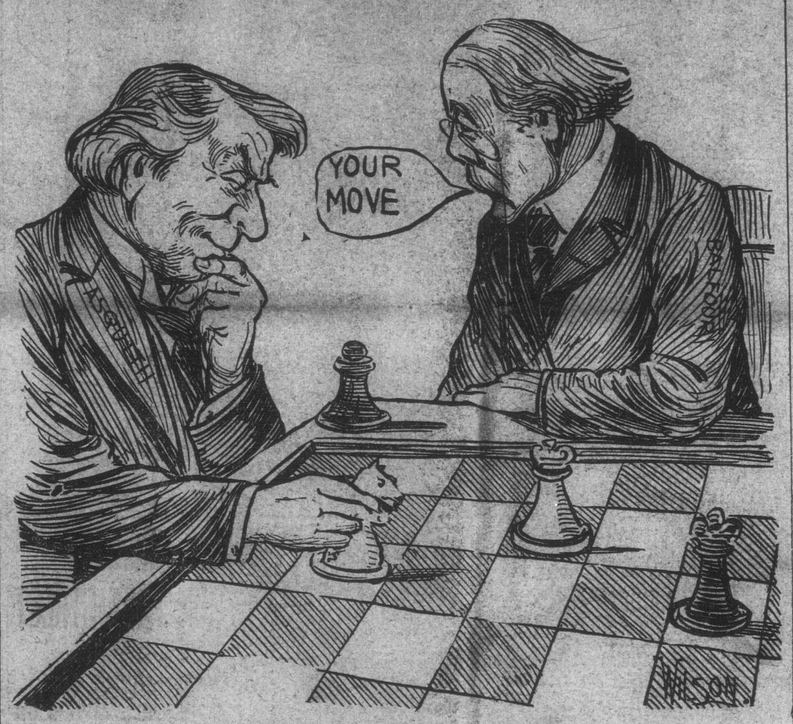
Japanese Commits Suicide in Cell in Seattle Jail.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 19.—The authorities will to-day begin an investigation into the mysterious death of George Yamada, a Japanese, who is believed to have killed himself in a cell in the city jail yesterday by some method unknown to Occidental physicians.

Doctors who inspected the corpse to-day are inclined to believe that Yamada brought about his self-destruction by contracting the muscles of the throat and strangling to death. Yamada was a grocer's clerk, and was arrested last week after he had attacked his employer with an axe when the latter had accused him of the theft of a small sum from the cash register.

RAILAY EARNINGS.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—For the second week in December the earnings of the C. P. R. show an increase of $153,000.



AN INTERESTING POLITICAL PROBLEM.

TRYING TO AVERT ENGINEERS' STRIKE

Commissioner of Labor Meets Railway Officials and Will Confer With Employees

(Times Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Dec. 19. — Chas. P. Neill, commissioner of labor, is endeavoring to-day to avert the fulfillment of threats by President Warren S. Stone, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, that unless the men employed on 61 western railroads get an increase of wages demanded, a strike on the roads will be ordered before Christmas. Neill conferred to-day with officials of the railroads and prepared this afternoon for a conference with the engineers. The commissioner declined to predict what might be the outcome of the conference.

The engineers assert that any offer of settlement of less than an increase of from 13 to 17 per cent. will be unsatisfactory.

President Stone issued a statement this afternoon saying that the railroads must grant the increased pay demanded before the end of the present week or a strike will surely follow.

"If the engineers do strike," continued Stone, "the railroads will get 15 minutes' notice, no more. We are tired of this dispute and must have action at once if the roads do not want war."

Commissioner Neill is at work, but declined to say whether he thought his efforts would be of any avail. The railroads, however, must make a decision soon, he added.

SEATTLE EDITORS WILL CONTINUE FIGHT

Contempt of Court Cases to Be Brought Up in State Legislature

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 19.—A storm of protests from the city and from outside have piled into the Seattle Star office following the sentencing of two editors of the Seattle Star late Friday afternoon for contempt of court.

The Fremont Baptist church congregation yesterday unanimously passed a 1,000 word resolution commending the editors and pledging them their utmost support in their fight for the people of the Duwamish valley. The offers of help have ranged from offers to start a big legal fund to fight the cases to suggestions about carrying the fight into the legislature.

Already bills are being drafted taking from a judge the right to try his own contempt cases, and others wiping the principle of constructive contempt—that is, contempt outside the court room—from the statue books of the state.

That the matter will be fought out in the legislature which meets early in January seems a certainty. The contempt law involving the right of a free press and the injunction law, will both come before the legislature.

One legislator has a bill which would take from the Supreme court the right to declare laws constitutional. This would serve to bind to the people the laws secured for them in their behalf in the assembly.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF QUEBEC TO RETIRE

Sir Louis Jette Will Probably Be Succeeded by Hon. L. P. Brodeur

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Sir Louis Jette, chief justice of Quebec, will retire on full superannuation in the near future, and it is understood Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will succeed him as head of the Quebec bench. Dr. Beland, member for Beauce, who has for some years been slated for cabinet preferment, is in line for the vacancy which would be caused by Hon. Mr. Brodeur's retirement.

SEVERAL ISLANDS HAVE DISAPPEARED

SWALLOWED UP DURING EARTHQUAKE

Two Hundred Persons Reported to Have Perished in West Indies

(Times Leased Wire.)

Port Lima, Costa Rica, Dec. 19.—Seventy families, consisting of from 150 to 170 persons in all, were drowned when the island on which they lived was swallowed up during an earthquake on Saturday. The sunken island was in the centre of Liopago lagoon. Word of the calamity reached here early to-day.

Liopago lagoon is a lake southeast of the city of San Salvador. It is about 5½ miles in length. The lagoon is about 25 miles from the Pacific coast, in a mountainous country.

Islands Disappear.

Colon, Dec. 19.—Earthquake shocks that have shaken the islands of the West Indies since Saturday subsided to-day, according to dispatches that reached here from La Libertad and San Salvador.

The official list of drowned in the sinking of an island in the Liopago lagoon was placed at 200, all islanders. Additional details of the sinking of the island contained in the dispatches showed that the natives were aware of the fate that waited them hours before they were drowned.

The island started to sink at midnight, and gradually slid into the sea, being completely submerged four hours after the first shock. The stronger of the islanders took the boats and escaped. The others fled to the highest peaks and huddled there until the sea swallowed them up.

Several uninhabited islands also were reported missing yesterday and to-day, having met with a similar fate.

WILL CLOSE OREGON LAND FRAUD CASES

Prosecutor Heney Likely to Withdraw Charges Against Two Men

(Times Leased Wire.)

Portland, Ore., Dec. 19.—The Oregon land fraud cases, which were prosecuted in the federal courts several years ago by Francis J. Heney, are about to terminate. Heney is in Portland to-day for the purpose of bringing the famous cases to a final ending.

Those in close touch with the situation hold to the opinion that a motion for the dismissal of the cases against J. N. Williamson and former Congressman Binger Hermann will be made. This is based on intimation from Heney that he does not intend to remain long in the northwest.

In addition, it is asserted that the cases have grown so antiquated due to the fact that Heney has made no effort to try them that the witnesses are scattered.

F. P. Mays, J. C. Potter and Will Jones were convicted and sentenced to pay heavy fines and serve short jail sentences. They appealed their cases to the court of appeals and lost. It is said they have agreed to pay the fines if pardoned. Strong recommendations for leniency have been made to President Taft by friends of the men, and it is understood that the pardons will be granted if Heney does not too seriously oppose them.

SEXTON EXTINGUISHES FIRE IN CHURCH

Congregation Unaware of Danger Until Close of the Service

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 19.—While sitting in the choir loft during the morning service at St. Mark's Episcopal church yesterday, Robert Thompson, who is sexton of the building in addition to being soloist of the choir, detected the smell of smoke. Quietly slipping from his place, he hurried to the basement and found a brisk blaze in progress. Flames were eating their way up through the floor. Thompson fought the fire desperately for twenty minutes and finally extinguished it. Then he returned to his place above and sang his solo.

It was not until after the services that the congregation knew of the danger that had threatened.

MARCH FROM BURNING SCHOOL.

Boise, Ida., Dec. 19.—With 600 children seated at their desks a schoolhouse at Rexburg caught fire this forenoon and was destroyed. Every scholar and the teachers escaped.

When the fire alarm sounded the students formed in line quickly and marched to safety. There was little disorder. The fire is believed to have started from a defective furnace.

SOME FLAWS IN SOOKE BY-LAW

SAID TO BE WEAK IN FINANCIAL ASPECT

Lively Debate Anticipated To-Night When the Second Reading Comes Up

(From Monday's Daily.)

An increasing interest is being manifested in the Sooke water by-law which it is intended shall be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers at the forthcoming municipal elections. The measure comes up for its second reading at this evening's meeting of the city council, and an interesting debate is anticipated, inasmuch as a number of the members of the board are of the opinion that it contains flaws in the shape of certain alleged misstatements which ought to be corrected before the measure is laid before the people.

By-laws are generally supposed to be somewhat dull reading, but the preamble in this case is as interesting as the proverbial postscript to a lady's letter, and as remarkable for what it says as for what it fails to say. It states that certain loans have been secured on the waterworks system, amounting to $155,000, with a yearly interest charge of $914.75, but it does not state, its critics point out, that there is also a debenture debt on account of the waterworks amounting to $894,000, and a floating debt owing to the city of Victoria by the waterworks system of over $59,000 on which no interest is apparently paid.

The premable then goes on to inform ratepayers and investors that the estimated general revenue of the waterworks system for 1910 is $150,000, but does not state that this is gross revenue, and that for the year 1909 the expenditure exceeds the revenue by $1,541, without including the interest on the floating debt, which therefore became a charge on the general taxes.

The preamble refers to the additional revenue which may be expected to accrue by reason of the development of a further water supply, but it does not state that this will depend upon an increase in the population of a part of the city, as the present population is getting an ample supply of water at full rates for at least ten months in the year.

Critics of the by-lay further say that the estimated value of the present waterworks system is given as $1,479,157, but the preamble does not estimate the reduced value of the present system if the city of Victoria gets its water supply elsewhere. The guileless system of book-keeping adopted by the author of the preamble would, it is argued, land an ordinary business man in the bankruptcy court in short order with a fine list of paper assets.

It is pointed out also that the by-law is too modest when it calls itself the Sooke Lake By-law, for the preamble states that it is deemed advisable to acquire not only Sooke lake, but Sooke river, and all the waters tributary thereto—a truly magnificent programme worthy of great men with far-reaching imaginations. And then, again, it is stated, that it is estimated that "the cost of the whole of the work above outlined, including all incidentals, will be one and one-half million dollars." It is pertinent to ask: Where is the estimate and where is the man that made that estimate?

REBELS STOP TRAFFIC.

Rumors of Battle Between Mexican Troops and Insurgents.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 19.—Insurgents stopped all Mexico-Northwestern railroad trains at Pedernales to-day and ordered them to return. Telegraph and telephone lines beyond that point were cut.

It was rumored that a fierce battle was in progress on the outskirts of Pedernales. The action of the insurgents in interfering with the railroad traffic caused widespread expressions of indignation. Scores of American soldiers on hearing the news, started for the scene, some of them offering to take the trains forward.

THREE QUARRYMEN KILLED.

Hillsboro, N. B., Dec. 19.—Buried beneath three or four hundred tons of rock and their lives instantly snuffed out was the terrible fate that befell three workmen in the Algert Manufacturing Company's quarries at Hillsboro. Several others had miraculous escapes. The dead are: Fred Nelson, aged 40; Edward Collect, aged 45; Theophilus Allan, aged 21. Octave Duplessis was severely injured.

The crew were working on the face at the bottom of the forty-foot embankment. Two of the men were drilling into the face of the quarry with a view to blasting the top off when suddenly the mountain of rock gave way and fell, burying the three men.

FIRE DESTROYS ACADEMY.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 19.—The Vashon Military Academy, a four-story building on the Island of Vashon, was totally destroyed by a fire of unknown origin early to-day. Fifteen students occupied rooms in the academy building, but all escaped uninjured. The dormitory and the gymnasium, which were separated from the main structure, were saved. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

The school is conducted by President W. G. Parkes and is controlled by the Baptist church.

TWENTY PERSONS PROBABLY KILLED

EXPLOSION WRECKS RAILWAY MILK DEPOT

Twelve Known to Be Dead—Fifty Others Injured, Several Fatally

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 19.—A toll of twelve persons dead, eight missing and fifty injured resulted to-day from an explosion of a carload of dynamite that was set off by a minor explosion of a tank of acetylene gas in the New York Central railroad milk depot this morning.

The dead: Mrs. Mary Poke, C. M. Morrow, Patrick Jordan, Frank Page, E. B. Livermore, Edith Osman, Jack Ryan, general manager of the Cosmopolitan Magazine; Wm. Poetschke and Thos. Stagg; three unidentified.

Cursory investigation gave rise to a police theory that the gas tank in the milk depot was fired by a spark from the third rail of the electric road of the New York & Hartford railroad which passed near the milk depot. On the track stood a car of dynamite and the discharge of this explosive wrought the greatest havoc.

District Attorney Whitman, upon receiving the police report as to the cause of the disaster, at once ordered an investigation.

The explosion occurred shortly after 8 o'clock, when hundreds of people were connected by the scene. A score of men were blown into the air and later found dead or dying. Two men passing near the plant were blown across Lexington avenue and the skull of one was pierced by a long splinter of glass.

Within a minute after the explosion ambulances from every part of Manhattan were hurrying to the scene. Police reserves quickly followed the firemen to the ruins that marked the big plant, and the work of fighting the flames and rescuing the dead and injured began.

With the nearby buildings in a shattered condition and threatening to topple over on the rescuers, firemen, police, physicians and newspapermen carried scores of wounded to the ambulances or placed the dead in an improvised morgue in the New York Central railroad yards.

With the first shock of the explosion 500 children, patients in the Children's Mercy hospital, became panic-stricken and those able to leave their cots rushed for the doors. A score of the little ones were trampled in the wild rush for safety. Every window in the hospital was blown in and many of the children and nurses were cut with broken glass. The panic was checked before any of the patients was seriously hurt.

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SALMON PACK FOR THE PAST SEASON

Total of 762,201 Cases—Increase in Skeena, Naas and Rivers Inlet

The salmon pack for the 1910 season amounts to 762,201 cases, according to the official statement just issued, which gives the following figures for the different districts: Fraser river, 223,148; Skeena river, 222,035; Ricers Inlet, 129,398; Naas river, 39,720; outlying districts, 147,900.

The Fraser river during last year, was responsible for the largest pack from any of the districts. In 1909 the Fraser river pack amounted to 567,203 cases, and of the last fourteen seasons there have been two only when the Skeena river offered larger packs than the Fraser.

The total pack for 1909 amounted to 867,928 cases, but last year was the big fourth year, which accounts for the extra 200,000 cases ahead of this season. The biggest pack in fourteen seasons was in 1901, when the grand total of 1,236,156 cases was reached, while the smallest pack in the fourteen years came immediately before the record year, 465,894 cases being recorded. There are only three instances in the record of over a million cases being packed, these being in addition to the record year given, 1,167,400 cases in 1905, and 1,015,477 cases in 1897.

The Fraser river canneries fell off considerably in the past season, returning only 223,148 cases as against 567,203 for last year. The Skeena river district made an increase with 223,035 cases as against 140,789 last season, and Naas river and Rivers inlet showed gains. The increase in the latter districts is attributed to the large number of new canneries operated.

The sockeyes dominated every other species this season, the figures being: Sockeyes, (cases) 565,915; red springs, 19,513; white springs, 9,476; chums, 58,062; pinks, 34,613; cohoes, 74,382; steelheads, 140.