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STANDS AT FAIR ARE GREATLY IN DEMAND

Applications for Space Continue to Come in—Many Educational Displays

Despite the fact that already the number of stands taken in the buildings and grounds shows the anticipation of the B. C. Agricultural Association...

One of the latest applications received is from Frye & Sons of England, whose chocolate business has a reputation...

The educational side of the fair will be augmented by a honey-producing exhibit...

Mr. Little has not disclosed his plans so fully as yet but Mr. Robinson, at least, is going after every prize in his department...

Another of the high class features of the forthcoming fair will be the exhibits of the district societies and women's institutes...

The societies entered to date are Victoria, North Saanich, Shawnigan, Cowichan and Metochin.

It has now been definitely decided that the Parker Carnival Company will have the best of its twenty-one shows on the grounds...

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VERNON'S NEW STATION

Man, His Wife and Son Killed and House Set on Fire—Another Son Arrested

Booneville, Ind., Aug. 25.—Richard Lee, 40-year-old, 17-year-old son Clarence, were killed in their home yesterday with a hammer, and their house set on fire. William Lee, an elder son, was arrested, charged with the murder.

The house was found burning early yesterday morning, and when the firemen reached it they discovered that all the doors and windows were locked. Break them down, the firemen found the incriminated bodies of Lee, his wife and younger son.

The skulls of the father and mother had been caved in with a hammer while they were lying in bed. The 17-year-old boy, it was found, had been shot. Robbery, it is believed, was the motive. It is known that the Lees, consisting of the father, mother and two children, had sold their small piece of property in Newburg, and divided up the money. The sum was divided into four parts, each taken by a different member of the family, and went back to their home in Booneville. The oldest son, William, who is 24 years old, remained in Newburg, and returned to Booneville after his family had gone to bed.

William Lee, it is said, ran out of the home at the time of the fire, fully dressed, and spread the alarm. He said at the time of his arrest that he was awakened by the noise and barely escaped with his life, not having had time to rescue his parents and brother.

Information also came out that Lee and his father had quarreled frequently over money matters. William, the son, who is now in the Warrick county jail, was arrested to wed Miss Mina Taylor, of Newburg, daughter of a wealthy farmer, and the nuptials were to take place yesterday. Insurance policies amounting to \$9,000 were found on the lives of Richard Lee, the father, and his son Clarence, both victims of the tragedy.

New Westminster, Aug. 24.—Preliminary steps have been taken by prominent real estate brokers to form an association for real estate men. All the real estate firms in town were invited to a luncheon given by W. J. Kerr, a prominent broker. Mr. Kerr, in explaining the project, said that similar organizations were in existence in Portland, Victoria and other large cities, and one was contemplated for Vancouver. A committee composed of Messrs. W. J. Kerr, P. B. Brown, Marks and Dodds was appointed, and they will endeavor to interest all the local brokers.

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TO HIDE CRIME

Lumbermen Will Present Case at Sitting of Railway Board

Calgary, Aug. 24.—Matters that affect lumber users throughout western Canada, but in which the lumber manufacturers are particularly interested, will be presented before the railway commissioners when they sit at Vancouver on August 30 by W. A. Anatie of Calgary, representing the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers' Association, and probably J. E. Welsh, representing the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

These matters have to do with the proposed action of the Canadian Pacific Railway in abolishing certain allowances for tare weights and with the publication of through rates on lumber to stations on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway which the lumbermen have not as yet obtained.

The first complaint has reference to the proposed action of the C. P. Railway abolishing allowances which have been in effect for years past in British Columbia and which shippers claim are necessary to cover the average variations from tare weights due to the absorption of moisture by reason of snow, ice and rain, as well as accumulation of dirt in cars. The shippers also claim that the fact that their contentions are fair one is borne out by the fact that the railways making an allowance for 50 many years.

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COMMISSIONER TO WEAR COMPLAINT

White Woman's Assault Cremated by Mob in Oklahoma Town

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The negro was caught by three other blacks yesterday afternoon, near the Oklahoma-Central railway station, as he was preparing to leave Purcell. Houghley Henry, a negro janitor at the court house, found him hiding under a table. Assisted by two other negroes who had armed themselves and joined in the search for Carter, Henry took the alleged assailant to the main street of Purcell and turned him over to the crowd, which had gathered there.

The officers were allowed to talk to the crowd and were led to the court house, presumably to confer with the leaders. As they entered a room in the building the torch applied to the mob and they were held prisoners until the negro was dead. The negro was led out and placed on the brush pile around a telephone pole. He was shot to the police and the torch applied. The crowd cheered as the flames licked his face, and men and women in autos watched him die.

Mrs. Spragings said Carter entered her home on Wednesday night and struck her on the head with a piece of gas pipe, knocking her down. He beat her nearly into insensibility and then attacked her. Finally, he tore up a mattress, scattered it over the body and touched a match to the bedding from the house. When she began to crawl from the blazing mattress the negro returned. Kneeling beside her, he again beat her with the gas pipe, breaking her jaw bone. When the negro again left the house she managed to crawl to a bench outside the house, and lay beneath it. Mrs. Spragings is not expected to live.

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MAYOR INTERFERES

Los Angeles Will Not Be Permitted to March Past Los Angeles Jail

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 25.—Plans of the labor leaders to have John J. McNamara and his brother James witness through the bars of their cells a great Labor Day parade being past the jail, received a check when Mayor Alexander blue-pencilled Temple street from the proposed line of march.

The mayor, in explanation, expressed apprehension that if the marchers were permitted to pass the jail, an unusual demonstration might result. The mayor went over the head of Chief of Police Sebastian to limit the line of march. Sebastian had granted a permit which included the right of the paraders to pass the county jail. Alexander heard of it and issued orders to the chief to notify the labor leaders that they could not swing their parade past the prison.

NANAIMO ATHLETIC CLUB. Nanaimo, Aug. 24.—The Athletic Club held a general meeting for the purpose of filling two vacancies on the Board. Ald. John Shaw was elected president. James Young, treasurer, the officers of the club now being as follows: President, John Shaw; vice-president, Fred Jepson; secretary, Robert Naylor; treasurer, James Young; directors, Messrs. John F. Beever, E. J. Warden, G. H. Beeve, F. G. D. Goddard, B. Davis, Russell Taylor, C. G. Stevens.

Work on the proposed improvements to the building was commenced Tuesday and will be rushed through with all despatch.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 25.—Between 600 and 700 men employed in the Harriman system shops in this city will vote to-night on the strike question. Ernest L. Reguin, president of the employees federation of Harriman lines, said the sentiment of the local shopmen was strongly in favor of striking and that he believed the vote would show at least 90 per cent in favor of a walk-out. None of the men employed in the local shops have been laid off, but the hours have been reduced to eight hours, and wages reduced accordingly. A five-day week has been inaugurated.

President Reguin said to-day that he had wired the president of the international unions that there is no need of further delay in calling a strike, if recognition of the federation of shop employees is refused. He implies that the men are ready to walk out, whether or not their acts receives the sanction of the international. Such approval would simply meanly 12,000 of the 14,000 men are affected, the helpers of some of the trades not being organized.

According to President Reguin, no call has been made for a meeting of the union conference committee, and no special strike vote has yet been taken by the local organization of shopmen. The votes already taken, it is said, were for the purpose of determining the temper of the men.

Many Favor Strike. Paducah, Ky., Aug. 25.—Within 24 hours the Illinois Central railroad will either recognize the federation of employees of the Illinois Central railroad or will be faced with a walkout of 97 per cent of the union employees on that system and its allied lines. It is stated at the headquarters of the federation to-day. Although only about 3,000 men are members of the federation, the pay of the various unions, federation officials claim fully 12,000 of the 14,000 men are affected, the helpers of some of the trades not being organized.

Tip to noon to-day 7,775 votes had been recorded in favor of a strike. Few opposition votes were cast. Next Sunday night the president and the treasurer who compose the sub-executive committee, will meet other members of the executive committee in Chicago. The whole committee will go over the tabulated vote together, and Monday afternoon will seek an interview with General Manager Foley of the Illinois Central railway. If that official refuses to grant an interview, he will be given a certain time, according to the officials of the federation, in which to reconsider and if at the end of the allotted time he does not receive the committee the men will be called out of the shops all over the system, with the exception of the engineers, operators and trainmen.

Officials Confer. Omaha, Neb., Aug. 25.—Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president and director of maintenance and operation of the Harriman railway system, was in Omaha an hour and a half this morning, going west at 9:30 on the Union Pacific fast mail. During his stay here he conferred with A. L. Mohler, vice-president and general manager of the Union Pacific, for an hour. In an interview with Mr. Kruttschnitt he declared that the matter of a strike on the Harriman system was up to the men and that the railroad had never refused to confer with its employees.

"So far as we are concerned," said he, "we are having no trouble with our men. We are paying the best wages of any road in the country and notwithstanding that business has been bad for months, we have been carrying on our payroll a large number of unrequired men. We have always treated our men with fairness and at the present time are paying out annually between \$300,000 and \$400,000 to superannuated employees."

Mr. Kruttschnitt refused to discuss the question of recognizing the federated labor organization.

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FIREBUG STILL AT WORK AT NELSON

Incendiary Tries to Burn Down Fire Hall—Special Constables Patrol Town

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 24.—With the audacity which has throughout characterized his crimes, the firebug last night made another attempt to burn down the fire hall, by setting the city tool shed, adjoining Albatraz. The alarm was given by Charles O'Malley and Walton Keppel, two boys on their way home. For some moments the fire burned fiercely and as usual many hundreds of people congregated. The building was practically gutted and considerable damage was done to the tools.

Thrown into a panic by the blaze which on Tuesday night destroyed a Chinaman's ranch house and many head of pigs and poultry, and which caused damage to the extent of \$5,000, the gardeners in the vicinity of the city yesterday ceased to peddle produce, all staying at home to guard their property.

In Chinatown last night men were on watch at every house, while scores of special constables were patrolling the city.

JOURNALIST DISAPPEARS. Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 24.—Socialists here received word to-day that Eugene V. Debs and Fred Warren of Girard, Kansas, have offered a reward of 500 for information relative to the whereabouts or fate of George H. Shoaf, the journalist who has been missing eleven days. Eight detectives, engaged by Shoaf's friends here have been unable so far to learn anything that might tend to clear the mystery of his disappearance.

Shoaf, who came here to write articles for a Socialist paper regarding the dynamiting cases, is the son of a San Antonio police officer. Both his father and mother are said to have expressed in letter to Debs and Warren that their son has been slain. The elder Shoaf is on his way here and is due to arrive Saturday.

RELEASED FROM CUSTODY. Clinton, Aug. 24.—Charlie Haller, who has been held in connection with the murder of J. W. White a few weeks ago, was released from custody by Magistrate Supt. The Indian, Moses Paul, was remanded for eight days, but he evidently failed to agree with this decision for he took "French leave" and is now at large somewhere in the hills.

MANDAMUS LOST BUT COUNCIL SHOULD PAY. Mr. Justice Gregory Thursday handed down judgment in the application made by the Nelson board of school trustees, asking for a writ of mandamus to be directed against the Nelson city council compelling that body to pay \$30,000 spent this year by the school board for the maintenance of the schools. The judgment is that the council has as yet failed to obey the writ of mandamus imposed upon it by the statute, and there is therefore no ground for the application, which is refused. The judgment, however, says that the duty is imposed on the council by action of debt instituted by those entitled to receive.

E. V. Bodwell, K. C., for the applicant, held that as the board has issued warrants for these charges upon the municipality, and the holders of these can sue the municipality and collect. His lordship in this particular held that if Mr. Bodwell's contention is correct the writ of mandamus is not the proper proceeding, and that the parties interested should be left to collect their debts through the courts in the ordinary way.

His lordship further says he does not wish to be understood as saying that the city can in any case refuse to pay expenses unless the same appear in the estimates of either the ordinary or extraordinary expenses. There is a very positive duty under section 39 of the act of the trustees to maintain the schools, and under section 38 an equal positive duty of the council to pay. Section 38, he says, must be read with section 40, requiring the city to pay all expenses properly incurred by the board, and if the levy of five mills is insufficient the