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CANADIAN ELECTION CONFIRMED AS PARLIAMENT BEGINS NEW SESSION

MACKENZIE KING GOVERNMENT TO GO TO THE COUNTRY THIS SPRING

OTTAWA, Jan. 26 - Instead of going over its 5-year term of office, the MacKenzie King government will go to the country at the earliest possible date following the present session.

The election was announced Thursday by Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor General of Canada, in the speech from the Throne inaugurating the present session which got under way on January 25th. Greater part of the new session will be devoted to legislation pertaining to Canada's war effort, it is reported.

The earliest possible date under the present rules when an election could be held is March 26th.

Exact date set for the election was to be announced by Prime Minister MacKenzie King on Saturday, it is stated.

FINNS REPULSE SOVIET TROOPS ON 5 FRONTS

LONDON, Jan. 22 (By radio) The Finnish high command reported that new Soviet thrusts were repulsed on five fronts with loss of more than 1,000 Russian troops, either killed or wounded. Violent fighting marked the new Soviet major offensive.

BRITISH DESTROYER EXETER SUNK

LONDON, Jan. 22 - The Admiralty has announced the loss of the destroyer Exeter which has been missing these past several days and its whereabouts undisclosed. It is feared that all on board may have been lost. The Exeter was one of the newer British destroyers.

SENATOR BORAH OF IDAHO IS DEAD.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 - A state funeral which was attended by hundreds of dignitaries was held to-day for the late Senator Wm. E. Borah, of Idaho. Senator Borah died on Friday, Jan. 26th. from a sudden heart attack. He was aged 74 at the time of his death and had served Idaho in public life for 33 years.

LOCALS

Mrs. Elmer Gaundroue and baby son returned to their home at the Elsa last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Millar and infant daughter came in from their home at the Elsa Thursday and have been spending a few days' visit in town with Rodney's mother, Mrs. M. B. Millar.

Mrs. Johnnie Kazinsky who had been confined to the hospital last week, was discharged on Saturday, Jan. 20th. and has returned to her home at the Elsa.

Quite a few miners, prospectors and trappers have come to Mayo this week from outlying points. As one prospector said, "We sure all hit town to-gether this time - I think we were all anxious to hear the latest war news and news of the Mayo camp."

Among those who came in from surrounding districts were: Andy Anderson, George Potter, George Ortell, Frank Gillespie, Henry LeBlanc, Louis Bouvette, Norman Neddory, Joe Laska, Alex Gaboury and Fred Cartier. The latter two came in Thursday and Friday respectively.

Amos Noyd, who came in last week to attend the funeral of the late Harvey Henderson took ill on Sunday when he returned home and had to come back to town the same day. Amos entered the hospital for a few days but has now been discharged.

Ed. Burnell was discharged from the hospital this week and left on Saturday for his home down the Stewart.

Alex Lesperance, veteran Sourdough of Mayo, celebrated his 85th. birthday on Sunday, Jan. 21st. Alex is still able to be out and around despite his advanced years. He is now one of the oldest old time Sourdoughs in this district.

After spending the past few weeks in this district, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Langham were outgoing passengers on Saturday's plane for Dawson where they will visit before returning to their home at Carmacks.

Nick Sutilovich, well known Elsaite was an outgoing passenger on Saturday's plane for Dawson. Nick is going to look things over in Dawson and he and his wife may locate there this summer.

DID YOU KNOW THAT: The last dredge to keep working this season closed down Jan. 15th. after a record run of over 9 months.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 27, 1940

BOBBIE BURNS NIGHT CELEBRATED HERE

Countless thousands of loyal Scottish people and their friends throughout the world clasped hands in friendship and joined on Thursday night, Jan. 25th., in celebrating the birthday of the famous Scottish bard - the immortal Bobbie Burns.

Nor was there any exception in Mayo for on Thursday night the devoted Scottish patrons of the famous poet of Auld Scotia gathered as per their custom at the home of Mrs. M. B. Millar to pay their respects to the memory of this great bard.

It was the 8th. year in succession that Burns' night has been celebrated at Mrs. Millar's home where it has now become traditional for the Scottish clan of Mayo to foregather to celebrate this time-honoured occasion.

The festivities started with a jolly dinner party at 7 o'clock cooked and served by Mrs. Millar in traditional Scottish style - and with all the trimmings. Seven guests, including Mrs. Millar's son Rod and his wife, sat down to the repast where vivacity and good cheer reigned supreme. Throughout the balance of the evening friends kept dropping in to the Millar home to pay their respects and compliments to the gala occasion. The stirring old Scotch songs were sung and re-sung while "The Book of Burns" was very much in evidence and dozens of famous Burns' poems were recited and re-read.

All in all it was a very successful and colorful occasion and it was not until the hands of the clock began ticking off a new day before the last "Wee Doch and Doris" was sung and happy Scots and their friends wended homewards (sane and sober as Mrs. Millar laughingly describes it) happy in heart and spirit and convinced in their own minds that still another glowing tribute had been paid in song, story and deed to the memory of the beloved "ploughman poet" whose poetry, writings and fame always bring a burning wave of pride to the hearts of all loyal members of the great Scottish clan.

Mrs. Millar is certainly to be congratulated for the enthusiastic manner in which she has made it possible for this great and historic occasion to be carried on and observed in traditional Scottish custom in Mayo.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT CARD PARTY

There was one of the largest attendances in the past several weeks at the IODE card party held in the IODE house Saturday night, Jan. 20th. Prize winners at bridge were Tom Foley and Mrs. C. E. Fisher while Fred Marshall held the high score at pan. Refreshments were served after the cards. Conveners for the card party were Mrs. Wm. Johnson, Jr. and Mrs. A. McIlvra.

GAY TIME AS SILVERITES JOIN IN ANOTHER OLD TIME DANCE.

Joviality and enthusiasm were the key-notes of the Old Time dance held on the stage in Pioneer Hall Thursday night when all who attended spent a very enjoyable evening tripping the light fantastic a la the old time waltzes, square dances, reels and polkas.

Special old time dance music was provided by the Mayo Ball Club's public address system. The Ball Club, which sponsors these old time dances every two weeks, has brought in the best recordings obtainable with the result that the dancers are able to enjoy some of the best dance bands known.

Dancing lasted until midnight.

Among those who made a special trip in from Galena to take in Thursday night's old time dance were: Mr. and Mrs. John Clifton, Alex McCarter and Hugo Seaholm; the trip in from the hill and back being made in Hugo's car.

Attending to the arrangements for the dance were members of the Club's executive, namely President Jimmy Wood, Vice-President Mrs. A. McCarter and Sect'y-Treas. Fred Marshall.

LAST RITES HELD FOR LATE SOURDOUGH PIONEER

The last sad rites for the late Harvey Henderson, pioneer silver miner of Mayo district and Sourdough Yukoner, were held on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 20th., from St. Mary's Church. There was a large attendance at the funeral of this widely-known Yukoner and veteran of the Great War. Burial was made in the Returned Soldiers' plot in Mayo Cemetery. Rev. Robert Boyd, Rector of St. Mary's officiated both in the Church and at the grave. In his eulogy, Rev. Boyd spoke feelingly and with high tribute to the memory of the late Sourdough. Mrs. George Andison played the accompaniments for the hymns.

The late Harvey Henderson, as was reported in last week's account of his death, came to the Yukon in 1902 and for many years mined on the various creeks in the Dawson district before going overseas with the Black contingent in 1916. He came to the Mayo district in 1924 and for many years was employed in the Treadwell Yukon's mines on Keno and Galena hills.

He is survived by a niece and nephew in Juneau, Alaska as well as by his brother in Kansas where he was born 69 years ago.

Noted for his genial disposition and kindly, generous nature, Harvey Henderson was a man of sterling character and was held in high esteem by his many friends throughout the Yukon. In Harvey Henderson's death the Yukon has lost another of its pioneer Sourdough characters whose ranks are quickly thinning with each succeeding year. The forward march of the years is steadily taking toll of that hardy clan of early-day pioneers who came North during the gold rush years.

Pall bearers at the late Sourdough's funeral were: Wm. Boyle, George Reid, Sam Wood, Johnny Hansen, Roy Thomas and Joe McLellan.

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PLANES & PILOTS

WHITE PASS PLANE FLEW TO
WATSON LAKE TO MEET YSAT
SHIP THERE

In order to make connections with the
Yukon Southern plane which was temporarily
held up at Watson Lake with motor trouble, one
of the White Pass planes flew to that point
this week, from Whitehorse.

The YSAT plane was six days on the way in
last week. A. K. Schellinger who left here
on the White Pass ship last Saturday made the
flight to Watson Lake on the White Pass ship
and flew to the coast on the southbound plane.

Incoming passengers on the YSAT plane from
the outside were Jimmy Ballentine and A. Low,
both of Dawson. They went to Dawson Tuesday
with Pilot Wasson.

AIR MAIL IN
TUESDAY

Flying the Fairchild "XJ" Pilot Everett
Wasson took the air mail North on Tuesday. He
went to Dawson direct, returning south via
Mayo. Bill Taylor was a passenger for Car-
mack on Tuesday's flight. The delayed air
mail was brought to Mayo that day.

AIR STAGE MAIL
ARRIVES FRIDAY

Bringing first and second class mail from
the American boat which docked in Skagway on
Wednesday, Pilot Ernie Kubicek flew here from
Whitehorse in the White Pass Travelair "BFV"
Friday. Pilot Kubicek hopped for Dawson
Saturday morning. Outgoing passengers from
Mayo were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Langham and "Big
Nick" Sutilovich.

WELL KNOWN CALUMET
MINERS LEAVE

Having completed their mining contract at
the Calumet, "Red" MacParlon and Ray Larkin,
well-known T. Y. miners, left for the outside
on the White Pass plane Saturday.

PILOT BILL HOLLAND
NOW WITH AIR FORCE

According to the Zeballos Miner of recent
date Pilot Bill Holland, widely-known former
Yukon flier, is now at Ottawa as test pilot
and squadron leader in the Canadian Air Force.
For the past several months prior to his
departure for the East Pilot Holland had been
flying for Ginger Coote Airways.

COSTLY FIRE RAZES ALASKA "RANCH"

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The annual congregational meeting of St. Mary's Church was held in the Rectory on Wednesday night and was well attended. The work of the Church in this district during the past year was reviewed and other matters relative to the Church work were discussed.

Following are the names of the new officers elected to the board:

Rector's Warden - C. D. Taylor. People's Warden: G. R. Bidlake. Board members: G. A. McIntyre, Thos. Portlock, G. Y. Wilson, A. T. Hall, G. R. Homer.

Following the business meeting a social evening was held and refreshments served.

SKI-ING PARTY HELD AT THE CALUMET CAMP

(Special to the Miner)

ELSA, Y. T. Jan. 25 - A ski-ing party was held last evening (Jan. 24) at the Calumet camp. Bob Westman and Hugo Seaholm were guests to a number of Elsa and Calumet ski enthusiasts.

Among those from Mayo who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Keobke. Elsaites who made the trip to the Calumet for the occasion included: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hare, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDiarmid, Mrs. Bill Thomey, George Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Blieler, Clarence Blieler, Mike Murdock and Owen Lindsay.

Hugo Seaholm donated his car and Alex McCarter drove the Elsa visitors up the hill, making two trips. Neil Keobke also took a load up in his truck.

Calumet skiers who took in the event were: Mrs. Fred Bacon, Mrs. Glen Rear, Ture Vicklund, Bob and Hugo. The latter supplied an excellent lunch of weiners, buns and coffee.

The moon shone brightly and it was well above zero on the hill. It was around one a. m. before the happy party came to its conclusion.

WITH THE MAYOITES IN VANCOUVER

(Special to the Miner)

VANCOUVER, Jan. 23 - Several more Mayoites arrived here recently on the last boat including J. D. Gallagher, Jim Mervyn and others.

Jim Mervyn is in St. Paul's hospital undergoing medical attention. It is stated here that Jim's ailment is not as serious as was believed at first.

Tommy McKay is doing fine but goes to the hospital yet for dressings.

Harry Jones, from Dawson, came in a few days ago and is going south for a vacation. He expects to visit Mr. Ferrell en route.

Johnnie Grant intends returning North on the boat of Jan. 26th. Harry Gleaves is still here; having just returned from a trip to the prairies. Freddy Walsh, Phil McKay, Jack Maloney and Jack McKee are all fine and wish to be remembered to their Mayo friends.

DIONNES BUY WAR BONDS: Ottawa - The Dionne quintuplets donated to Canada's first war loan drive with a contribution of \$20,000. The contribution was made through the guardians of the five little girls.

FINE WEATHER PREVAILS AS END OF JANUARY DRAWS NEAR

For a while over last week end it looked as if Mayo district was in for another touch of real cold weather. It was 35 below last Sunday and around 30 below on Monday morning with clear, sunny skies by day and clear moonlight nights. However the weather began to moderate again by Tuesday and Wednesday and mild temperatures still prevail.

What with the sun growing stronger and warmer each day now, and with the end of January just around the corner, there is every reason to hope that "the mildest winter on record" will soon become a proven fact.

SKATING, SKI-ING, SLIDING, BADMINTON PROVE POPULAR RECREATIONS HERE

Mild weather for the greater part of this week and moonlight nights have made ski-ing, skating, sliding and badminton fans happy and busy.

One of the most popular recreation spots around Mayo these days and evenings is Emil's slide from the river bank beside the pumping plant to the river. The kiddies have been making good use of the slide by day while quite a few grown ups have turned out these past few evenings to cut a few capers on the slippery hill.

Skating has also drawn several fans this past week but, right now, the rink is not in awfully good shape but some more work is planned on it shortly and this popular pastime should be just that inside another few weeks.

The local skiers have also been active this past week; particularly Geoff Bidlake who has built an excellent ski run at a point about a mile and a half below Mayo, where the old Liberal trail comes off the hill. A good ski run has long been needed around here and Geoff's work and efforts are bound to bring many exciting hours of recreation for the ski-ing enthusiasts.

Badminton is also drawing much larger turnouts during the past two weeks and some exciting games are being played every week while the general feeling among the badminton players now is that "we sure have a lot of fun" these Tuesday and Friday evenings. Several new members have joined the badminton club this year including Louis Kazinsky, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McIntyre, Alex Levin, Art Hagen and others.

CAT BLAMED FOR \$26,000 FIRE NEAR FAIRBANKS

FAIRBANKS - Jan. 13: One of four restless house cats bore the blame to-day for a fire which left only charred ashes and twisted shapes of metal where until 2 a. m. stood the "Ranch," one of Fairbanks' most popular suburban roadhouses.

Building, equipment and stock, including large stores of food and liquor, valued at a total of \$26,000 were destroyed in the flames which burst from the cellar, razed the two-story structure and burnt an adjoining garage to the ground. George Gilbertson and six employees and several patrons were driven from the building into a 20-below temperature. The building, valued at \$16,000 was uninsured.

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POET WAS A PROPHET: In speaking of the
song "The Bonnie Banks o'Loch Lomond," a
country teacher asked his pupils for an
explanation of the line, "You'll tak' the
high road and I'll tak' the low road."
"One was going by air and the other by
bus," answered the pupil. "Edinburgh Paper."

POLICE FIND BODY OF YOUNG TRAPPER IN WHITE RIVER AREA

Says the Dawson News of Jan. 13 - A young
trapper by the name of Sven Johansen was found
dead by another trapper on the upper reaches
of the White River on Dec. 20 last year.

The news was relayed to Stewart City where
a brother of the deceased is located. The
police at Dawson were notified and Constable
J. Clemmit left by plane for Stewart City.
He went into the wilds to the scene of the
tragedy with Jim McLaughlin and his dog team.
The two men had hard going nearly all the
way, due to snow and overflows on the small-
er streams they encountered.

They finally located the body. From all
appearances the young man had got lost and,
in desperation, took his own life rather than
suffer death by freezing. He had no sleeping
bag; his mocassins were off and he had tried
to light a fire, apparently to no avail.

Arrangements were made by the young man's
brother at Stewart to take care of the burial
in the spring. The country at the scene of
the death was very rocky and glacial and to
attempt burial at this time of the year would
prove very difficult. The body was brought
down the White some distance by the police
patrol and Mr. Johansen at Stewart was notif-
ied of its exact location.

KLONDIKE AIRWAYS STAGE ARRIVES AFTER HARD TRIP

The two Klondike Airways Ltd. "cat" stages
which left Whitehorse Tuesday night, Jan. 16
reached Mayo at 8.30 Thursday morning; bring-
ing a large load of meats for Burns and Co.
Ltd.

The stage crews comprised Frank Buckway
and Cecil Richards on one "cat" and Bud Har-
bottle and Donald Murray on the other.

According to Frank Buckway the trip over-
land, the first to be made over the winter
trail this winter, was a "tough one" and not
without a few spills en route.

Frank's arrival came as somewhat of a sur-
prise to his many friends in Mayo who thought
that he was heading south instead of North.
He left on the White Pass plane two weeks ago
expecting to make a trip to the coast for a
few months but changed his plans to go on
the overland run.

The two "cat" trains left for Whitehorse
Saturday morning. It is expected that the
overland rigs will be making a few more trips
into Mayo before the spring.

Albert Pelland made the trip south in place
of Frank Buckway who is remaining here to
undergo an operation.

COMMERCIAL FLYING IN ALASKA LEADS ALL OF THE U. S. A.

It was announced recently by the Aeronaut-
ics Authority in Washington that on a popul-
ation basis there were 116 times as many
commercial planes in Alaska as in continental
United States and 70 times more miles flown
there per capita than in the U. S. proper;
23 times more passengers carried, 48 times as
much mail and 1,034 times as much freight.

It is predicted by census supervisors that
Alaska's population will be "well over 70,000"
in 1940.

MINERAL PRODUCTION of Alaska in 1939 is
valued at \$24,888,000 according to latest
figures just released.

ALFRED BURIAN MEETS TRAGIC FATE

TRAGIC ACCIDENT TAKES LIFE OF
YOUNG WHITE PASS WOOD
CONTRACTOR WHO WAS ON
WAY TO SPEND XMAS WITH
HIS RELATIONS

"Cat" Broke Through River
Ice at A Point 6 Miles
Below 26-Mile on the
Stewart.

A sad and tragic accident which cost the life of Alfred Burian, widely-known young wood contractor for the White Pass and Yukon Route, was revealed here last Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Rennie Burian and Andy Anderson, Stewart River trapper.

Alf Burian was en route from his base wood camp at New Stewart Crossing to spend the Christmas holidays with his brother and sister-in-law - Mr. and Mrs. Rennie Burian - and was within six miles of his brother's place when the caterpillar he was driving plunged through the river ice. It is believed that the accident happened so quickly that Alf. had no time to save himself.

The place where the "cat" broke through the ice is approximately 70 feet from the bank in the main channel. It sank in about 10 feet of water. A trailer caboose and extra sleigh did not break through but remained on the surface behind the spot where the ice gave way.

Owing to the fact that there has been practically no traffic over the winter trail this winter the accident was not discovered until Friday, Jan. 19th. while Andy Anderson was on his way from New Stewart Crossing to Mayo.

Not having heard from his brother, Rennie Burian figured that Alf had changed his plans about coming up to his place to spend Christmas and, consequently, was not worrying when his brother failed to arrive. It is believed that Alf. left the New Stewart Crossing for the 26-mile sometime between the 20th. and 23rd. day of December.

According to Rennie Burian Alf was unable to negotiate the unbroken winter overland trail and was therefore making the journey by river. There were only four inches of ice at the spot where the machine dived through into the swirling current. That Alf had been proceeding cautiously along the river ice was apparent, according to Rennie, from the places where signs indicated that he had been testing the ice along the way.

Upon making his discovery Trapper Anderson came on into the 26-mile to report to Rennie Burian. The following day, that would be Saturday the 20th. the two men returned to the scene to make a further investigation. No trace of Alf's body could be found. Rennie Burian, his wife and Anderson came on to Mayo Sunday, bringing the first word here of the tragedy.

It was just by luck that Trapper Anderson happened to be coming to Mayo. Had he known that the road from the McQuesten to Dawson was broken, he would have gone to Dawson instead of coming here.

The distance from the New Crossing where Alf. had his main wood camp to the 26-mile is roughly 30 miles.

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TRAGIC ACCIDENT

After spending the Christmas holidays with his brother and sister and law at the 26-mile, Alf had planned on coming to Mayo and from here expected to fly to Whitehorse to visit friends there for a short time.

Rennie Burian and Lance-Corporal W. W. Sutherland, R. C. M. P., left here Tuesday morning to make a further investigation. Alex Profeit took them down river with his dog team.

Mrs. Rennie Burian is remaining in Mayo until her husband returns.

EXPERT WOODSMAN: One of the tragic aspects of the accident is the fact that Alf was an experienced woodsman and knew every part of the river; especially as he had made many trips up and down the Stewart in his motor boat during the summer months. He was widely known throughout the Yukon and especially in Mayo where he had visited quite often during the past two years. As a matter of fact Alf was in Mayo only last fall; leaving here in company with Rennie and the latter's wife on Nov. 5th. or two days before the river closed. From the 26-mile Alf continued on down river to his main camp and that was the last time that his brother and sister in law saw him. They received a letter from him on Nov. 20th. which was brought by A. Gibbs who hiked to Mayo overland. In that letter Alf told his brother that he would be coming to their place to spend the Xmas holidays.

Although he was only 28 years old, Alf had been wood contracting on the Stewart River for the White Pass these past four years. He came to the Yukon about 10 years ago and had worked for several seasons on the White Pass steamers after coming North. He leaves to mourn his loss his mother and father - Mr. and Mrs. A. Burian, residents of New Westminster, B. C. Other relations besides Mr. and Mrs. Rennie Burian include a brother in Styal, Alberta, brothers Carl, Eric, and Rudolph at Stewart City, Y. T., a sister Miss Maida Burian, also at Stewart City and a sister Miss Amanda Burian at Dawson, Y. T.

News of the tragic accident came as a heavy blow to Alf's parents, brothers and sisters and other relations; also to his many friends not only in Mayo but throughout the Yukon.

The young wood contractor was a hard worker and during the past four years on the Stewart had, by his initiative and enterprise built up a rapidly-expanding business. Only last summer, while here, he told friends that he had had a hard struggle in establishing his business but predicted that this past winter would prove his best one to date. He had put a lot of money and effort into his proposition and was looking forward to the time when his efforts would return him a good dividend.

A talented musician and the possessor of a happy, friendly disposition, Alf was very popular wherever he went and he had a wide circle of friends throughout the Territory.

The Miner joins with all of Alf's friends in extending to his bereaved mother and father, brothers, sisters and other sorrowing relatives, heartfelt sympathy over the loss of a beloved son who met his fate under such tragic circumstances.

NEWS FROM OTHER MINING CENTRES

STORM CAUSED CRASH OF HANS MIRROW PLANE - LOAD OF FROZEN MEATS SHIFTING CRUSHED PILOT AND BYSTEDT

It has now been revealed that a blinding snow flurry and "zero-zero" flying weather were probable factors in the plane crash which took the lives of Pilot Hans Mirrow of Nome and his mechanic Pete Bystedt a few weeks ago while on a rescue flight.

Death of the men was believed not due to the crash itself, as the plane, resting on its nose and left wing, was not badly damaged.

Investigation indicated the occupants of the 4-place Stinson Gullwing plane were probably mashed lifeless when 330 pounds of frozen meat, carried as freight in the rear of the fuselage, broke loose from its bindings and descended upon the fliers.

NEW MILL STARTS OPERATIONS AT ZEBALLOS

The new 35-ton milling plant at Central mine, Zeballos, is now being tuned up and early in the new year is expected to turn out steady production of gold.

The mill on the property owned and financed by Reno Gold Mines Ltd., was erected by Lou Smith, contractor, who also built the successful Mt. Zeballos plant.

It is anticipated that Central may be expected to produce \$25,000 monthly. In addition to Central mill, now in operation in the Zeballos camp are Privatcer, 75 tons; Spud Valley, 50 tons; and Mt. Zeballos, 50 tons. All are surpassing their rated capacity. "The Zeballos Miner."

RICH GROUND IN FAIRBANKS AREA WILL PRODUCE AGAIN

FAIRBANKS - Productive operations will be resumed in the spring on Fairbanks creek by the Gold Dredging Company, Ltd., of London, England, which owns the seven or eight miles of ground on the stream.

Announcement to this effect was made by Richard C. Wood, who has been chosen by the stockholders in London to manage the property.

Work will begin as soon as weather permits and an average of 40 men will be employed throughout the season.

Equipment including two dredges, a bulldozer, drills and other machinery are already on the ground.

Fairbanks Creek has a fine production record, showing an output of about ten million dollars to date.

MORAE TO SHIP MINING EQUIPMENT TO CLEAR CREEK

Ernest N. Patty, head of the General Morae mining interests in Alaska and the Yukon, sailed for Vancouver early this month to confer with General Morae. He planned to continue on to San Francisco to place orders for mining equipment which will be used on Clear Creek, near Dawson, this coming season.

RENO, Nevada - Fred Madsen, who recently uncovered a 15ounce nugget worth about \$500 in Gold Canyon has disposed of it as a specimen piece for a much higher price.

BARKER CREEK IN CARIBOU SCENE OF NEW STRIKE

Discovery of good gold quartz and platinum values in a quartz load on Baker Creek by Pete Oldstead, prospector, has resulted in considerable staking on ground in the area.

Oldstead, in seeking the source of what looked like rich, placer ground, uncovered the new vein to a width of eight feet without encountering either wall. Weather conditions precluded any extensive surface work. Exact location of the discovery, according to word from Quesnel, has not been disclosed but it is known to be several miles up Baker Creek where prospecting has been carried on these past 30 years.

HO, HUM! WE WONDER!

Couldn't resist picking out this port little bit of philosophy in a recent newspaper. Maybe it applies to other places too where a small newspaper is oft times as not as much of a trial to the Editor as to his subscribers.

Anyway, here's the paragraph in question: "He was indeed a man who suffered much," wrote the editor of a small town weekly in an obituary notice: "he had been a subscriber to this paper since its first number."

Of course the editor didn't realize at the time of writing the above just exactly how it sounded after a second reading.

THEY JOBBED HIM

Reprinted in a recent issue of the Bridge River - Lillooet News is this account from the Lillooet Prospector of Jan. 1, 1896:

"The town was enlivened by the arrival here of a travelling salesman selling fire extinguishers. He advertised around that at six o'clock in front of the Pioneer Hotel he would make a big pile of boxes and paper, spray it all with oil, set fire to it and then put it out with his patent fire extinguisher. Some of the boys thought up a good joke on the salesman, who by the way had a great deal to say and was very smart and flip. They got hold of the fire extinguisher, drained all the patent stuff out of it and filled it up with kerosene. The hour for the great performance drew near and Lillooet turned out to see the spectacle. A black jack game going on in the Pioneer was stopped for the first time in two years.

The torch was applied to the rubbish and it was quickly a pillar of fire. The salesman pulled his extinguisher into position and shot its contents on the blaze. Needless to say the extinguisher only added to the blaze. The flames leapt higher and higher and the salesman was good and puzzled until he discovered that he had been made the victim of a practical joke. He was a good sport and went in and stood drinks for the house. After this ceremony another trial was given the extinguisher and it worked O. K. Further drinks were had and then every household in Lillooet, including the members of the Chinese population, bought one of the patent affairs. Those framing the salesman were: Arthur Noel, Dan Hurley, Billie Allen and Harry Atwood."

PROTEST CANADA WHEAT TO RUSSIA

SHADES OF BOBBIE BURNS

In view of the fact that many of Bobbie Burns' most famous poems are as true to the life and conditions applying to the world to-day as in his own time, the following two verses from Burns' poetical works are reprinted herewith at the request of Mrs. M. B. Millar.

..... Many and sharp the numerous ills
Interwoven with our frame
More pointed still we make ourselves
Regret, remorse & shame!
And man, whose heaven-erected face
The smiles of love adorn
Man's inhumanity to man,
Makes countless thousands mourn.

"See yonder poor, o'erlabour'd wight
So abject, mean and vile
Who begs a brother of the earth
To give him leave to toil
And see his lordly fellow worm
The poor petition spurn
Unmindful, though a weeping wife
And helpless offspring mourn."

WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS COW IS DEAD

Daisy is dead.

The world's most famous cow was butchered last November.

Probably the most widely publicized bossy in history -- excepting only the legendary kicking cow of Chicago's Mrs. O'Leary -- Daisy was imported to Kotzebue, 25 miles above the Arctic Circle, more than a year ago to provide fresh milk for the three youngsters of the late Warren Ferguson, north-land trader.

Daisy met her fate within a month after Ferguson himself lost his life when his automobile crashed through the ice of Kotzebue Sound.

Report of Daisy's death was brought to Fairbanks by Maurice King, pilot for Ferguson Airways, operated at Kotzebue by Archie Ferguson, brother of the cow's owner.

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ROMANTIC DAYS OF THE GOLD RUSH RECALLED IN VIVID TALE OF THE NORTHLAND

"From Northern Lights to Fields of Gold" is the title of a new book describing the glamorous, romantic days of the Klondike and Nome gold rushes. The author is Stanley Scearce, one who went through it all and who later became a merchant prince of the North.

The whole story, presenting a remarkable picture of the great drama of the gold-fields, is chronicled in a volume of nearly 400 pages.

Advance copies are now being distributed in the North.

Written in the first person, the story is not only an autobiography or rare interest but a real contribution to the literature of these epic days.

Mr. Scearce has done a prodigious work; one that must have taken him many months if not years to complete. All northerners of the gold rush days will be enthused over this new saga of the gold rush.

LATE NEWS FROM DAWSON (Special to the Miner)

OVERLAND STAGE LEAVES - Jack Graham, well known Dawson district freighter, and a crew of two left for Whitehorse Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 24th., with a Diesel "cat" caravan to commence freighting between Dawson and Whitehorse. A streamlined caboose of the 1939 type, which offers every facility as a combination dining car and sleeper, is part of the equipment. Louis Moi and Vernon Ebby are members of the crew. On the first southbound trip the stage carried a large shipment of furs.

ICE GUESSING CONTEST - The annual Dawson Ice Guessing Contest will be run by the daughters of the Empire this year and 25% of the pool will be used for patriotic purposes by the IODE.

BUYS PRINCIPAL HOTEL - T. Best, pioneer Dawson tailor recently purchased the Principal Hotel which has now been taken over by Alex Seeley.

LATE PRESS NEWS

PARIS, Jan. 22 - French warships and seaplanes figured largely in the rescuing of 643 of the passengers and crew of the Italian liner which was wrecked when the boilers exploded.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 - Earl Browder, Communist leader in the United States, was sentenced by jury to-day to 4 years in jail and fined \$1,000 for passport fraud. The jury returned its verdict in 44 minutes.

OTTAWA, Jan. 22 - Canada's two hundred million dollar war loan was oversubscribed by sixty per cent, subscriptions reaching 310 millions when the books closed Friday.

MOSCOW, Jan. 22 - The official Soviet newspaper Pravda to-day hurled a bitter challenge directed towards the Pope and President Roosevelt; condemning them for their recent peace gestures.

OTTAWA, Jan. 23 - Jas. R. Cromwell, new envoy from the United States for Canada, has arrived in Ottawa to take over his new duties. He was met by Prime Minister MacKenzie King and other high state officials. Cromwell is the husband of the former Doris Duke, wealthy tobacco heiress.

OTTAWA, Jan. 23 - Leaders from Canada and the United States will meet shortly to try and figure out a new basis to renew the proposed St. Lawrence waterway development project.

PROTEST SENDING CANADIAN WHEAT TO RUSSIA

VANCOUVER, Jan. 22 - A vigorous protest against Canada sending wheat to Russia is made by the Waterfront Veterans' Association, in a communication to Prime Minister MacKenzie King, on the ground that "on the surface that it would appear to be giving aid and comfort to the enemy."

Russia has purchased at least two full cargoes of Canadian wheat for shipment to Russia from the Pacific Coast. The transaction, reported to involve one and a quarter million bushels, is the first negotiated in Canada with the Soviet in almost 3 years.