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ner by an arbitration board.

FINAL MOVE

Employees are now seen to be reverting in part to their original compromise proposal of \$12 for each month. When council rejected it workers took a strike vote to hold out for the full award.

Robert Skidner, federation secretary, said today that the result of the ballot will be announced and the strike issue left to his membership if the new basis is rejected.

Mr. Skinner stated that the conciliation committee is acting on its own violation. It believes, however, that members can be persuaded to approve the deal if the City Council is agreeable.

One reason for the split-year basis is that the paymaster's department is already making out bonus cheques on the \$10 scale, retroactive to January 1, to be distributed at the end of this month.

Employees are fortified in their position by the conviction that their offer is within the council's financial means. They point out that the 1942 budget includes a \$50,000 emergency fund, said to be insurance against possible ARP expenses.

Since the budget was adopted on March 10, the Vancouver Board of Trade has slipped into the picture with a guarantee to raise \$200,000 for ARP by public subscription.

Mr. Skinner said that the \$50,000 will now be available to adjust the bonus and leave a \$5000 margin in the civic kitty.

Withdrawal of All Jap Liquor Permits Urged

B. C. Security Commission today recommended to Attorney General R. L. Maitland, K.C., that liquor licenses of all Japanese be revoked at once.

Mr. Maitland told The Vancouver Sun he had referred the recommendation to W. J. Kennedy, chairman of the Liquor Control Board.

Commission officials who reported on the move declined to elaborate, except to say that in view of certain incidents at Hastings Park clearing pool, it was judged advisable.

"We have taken no action on the matter," Mr. Kennedy said over long-distance telephone from Victoria. "It's not clear just what the Commission wishes, but whatever they want us to do, we will do."

100 Recruits Join City Reserve Units

More than 100 men joined the Reserve Army on Thursday, which is believed to be the biggest day of recruiting since the force was first organized.

The 6th Division Supply Column obtained 27 recruits.

The 2nd Battalion Irish Fusiliers signed on 15 men and received inquiries from 25 more during their parade at Stanley Park Armouries. The 2nd Battalion Seaforth Highlanders recruited 20 men; included in the group was Bruce Haggart, general agent, Canadian Pacific Express.

The 6th Field Company, the Reserve Brigade's engineering unit, added 17 to its strength and interviewed many more prospects.

SHORT DRIVES IN BRITAIN

LONDON.—Under a recent cut of one-sixth in petrol ration to private motorists, 1142 h.p. cars will get five gallons in March, two and a half in April, five in May, four in June, and four in July.

After reaching a peak of \$29,000,000 in 1918, copper mining in Alaska has declined to about \$30,000 annually.

life I was nervous in a car. Spiralling roads only 10 feet wide with straight drops of 5,000 feet.

And there at the top of those mountains are entire British-Indian regiments guarding the Khyber Pass. From the top you can see the Kabul river winding like a silver ribbon through Hindoo Kush at the very spot where Robert's army made its immortal crossing.

From one of these high outposts of empire, my thoughts soared over the mighty Himalayas to Kabul, over the vast grassland plateaux of central Asia, over the Persian uplands and the Caspian, over Europe in convulsion to that little island where our breed of men which once forded the Kabul river and now holds the world on its shoulders prepares if necessary to defend Khyber's fantastic pass.

Month in Jail For Operating Betting House

Operation of betting houses in the city will be clamped down on more rigidly in future, Magistrate H. S. Wood indicated today in sentencing Robert Esson, 45, of 160 East Hastings Street, to one month in jail with hard labor.

Esson, a logger, was charged with keeping a betting house in an upstairs hotel room at 176 East Hastings Street.

Detective Clinton Owens of the city police gambling detail, told the court Esson had been previously convicted of a similar offense, involving other premises.

Magistrate Wood declared that the city collected \$6021 in fines from keepers of betting houses and their inmates during 1941, but that the fines had not seemed any deterrent to book-making activities.

"The purpose of a criminal court is not to collect revenues but to enforce the law," he remarked.

"I do not like the idea of making this seem a licensed sort of business—that is, that these people should be brought up at different times to pay a certain fine, so I think I will stop that. This thing has got too prevalent altogether."

SWEDISH EVACUATION

STOCKHOLM.—Swedish civil authorities have tried out a new plan of evacuating from the cities all children under 15, sick folk, expectant mothers and people over 70, if and when Sweden is drawn into the war.

Skagway, Alaska, chief port of entry during the Klondike gold rush, is famed for its gardens.

Afghan frontier. We have been driven up Kohat Pass and we have been blown into Miranshah in Waziristan.

Since Alexander the Great's day, conquerors of India have always come by land or sea. But today even the Hindoo Kush mountains or wide seas can be by-passed by air. We have had light on this lesson, notably in Crete.

We started up Khyber from Peshawar through utterly wild, desolate mountains rising as high as 8,000 feet, yet only the foothills of the great Hindoo Kush Himalayan ranges. At the entrance to the pass is Jaurind, an ancient fort. Here our escort took us to see the work in a shop where Pathans make rifles for use against the British.

DOWNED PLANE

The tribesmen get most of their arms from British and Indian soldiers they kill. In Miranshah last Monday they brought down a British plane with a British machine-gun. But some they manufacture themselves.

PILLBOXES ON PEAKS

Along the pass on the highest peaks and at strategic vantage points are scores of pillboxes, plackets and small forts.

At each defence line are excellent tank barriers. And hidden most cunningly everywhere are positions for heavy guns, machine-guns and anti-tank guns. These are so well hidden that you can walk up and sit on them without suspecting their existence.

At Landi Kotal, two-thirds of the way up the pass is a powerful fort and caravan-senal. Here we saw some 200 big Bactrian, double-humped camels filling through from Kabul—the first caravan of the season.

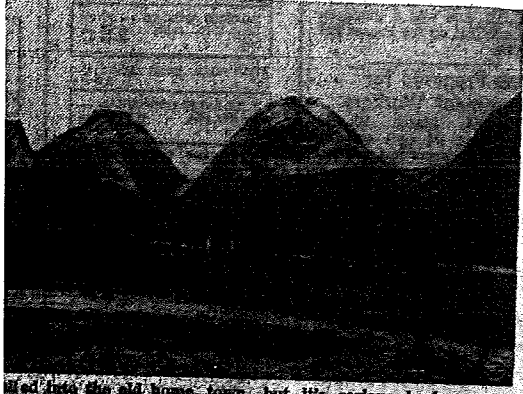
For unnumbered centuries exactly similar caravans have been coming through here with their loads of fruit, hides and other choice merchandise from the central Asian plains and returning with India's spices, gems and silks. Spellbound, we entered the Caravansenal where 40 centuries of caravans have rested. Beautiful, barbarically-clad women instantly covered their flashing eyes and fierce, hooked-nosed Pathans sullenly reached for their guns.

ENGLISH GARDEN

We lunched in the fort with the brigadier commanding, who was taking us on, and heard a hundred tales. The officers' quadrangle there in the heart of Khyber surrounds a fresh, delightful little English garden. In hell itself Englishmen would build their gardens, and they have, one touch of green even here in Khyber's rocky, treeless desolation where a thousand battles have been fought.

The brigadier took us to the frontier itself then to mountain stops to visit the various forts. I've never seen such perilous roads. For the first time in my

But It Isn't Circus Day



Went into this old house down, but it's serious business as Chrysler announced Detroit.