

B.C. 'Log Grinder' Wins Second Place

A. G. Filer, Vancouver, Among Canada's Three Top Truckmen

TORONTO, Dec. 2.—Alfred George Filer, the singing driver from Vancouver who sees it that his notes hit on high along with the motor of his machine, is today one of the top truckmen of Canada.

In competition with 10 other hard-knuckled men who handle the heavy loads of the highways, Filer took second place Tuesday night in the first Canadian truck race staged in the Automobile Building of the Canadian National Exhibition here.

Five Vancouver drivers, sponsored by the Automobile Transport Association of B.C., competed in the tricky contests to test the mettle of the truckmen. Three of them placed in the finals, and then Filer came through. "My spirit, wading conditions, to place with the champions."

The Vancouverer was a specialist for they had come under a great strain they had come through the air for 14 straight hours, and then were under a great strain for an outside course due to a wild wind that amazed the truckmen by bringing rain in its wake instead of the customary snow that usually beats off by the weather man.

TRUCKY COURSE To the uninitiated it must be explained that Filer went through to win his high spot, \$750 and a trip to the States with a company of which he was in the affair.

It was the straight truck division a straight truck means a truck with a single axle attachment such as trailers, a truck with two axles, one at the front and one at the back, attached with a series of oil drums, park backwards, a truck with only a few feet clearance on each side, delivie away the truck, and so on. The truckmen had to wheel their trucks down through a set of tracks, then narrow the truck until there's only an infinitesimal clearance. On top of that they had to drive down a "Ball Alley." This was a device to torment the best of drivers.

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OFF HIS STRIDE Filer, whose ambition is to handle the controls of a three-tonner, was living rather than handling the controls of a three-tonner, was living rather than handling the controls of a three-tonner.

Four Fined for Turkey Thefts At Nanaimo

Claims by Japs

NANAIMO, Dec. 2.—Four youths ranging from 15 to 21 years of age, who pleaded guilty Monday to taking part in theft of six turkeys from the Pleasant Valley ranch of Charles Eccles on Sunday, were fined and reprimanded by Magistrate Lloyd Bever-Potts Tuesday.

Lorne Henry McKinnel, 18, and Donald Fernan Calwell, 18, who admitted taking two turkeys each, were fined \$30 each and ordered to pay \$7.50 each toward cost of the turkeys, or serve 30 days in jail.

McKinnel was also fined \$100, or 30 days, for theft of a generator and parts from Smith Logging Company, default term to be concurrent with the first sentence.

John Patterson and Park South, were each fined \$50 and \$250 costs and ordered to contribute \$18 toward cost of the turkeys, or serve 79 days in jail.

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Japanese may claim only for property 'lost, destroyed or stolen' while in physical possession of the custodian

This contention was advanced today by Col. John W. G. Hunter as hearings of a royal commission on Canadian-Japanese claims for property losses opened today at the court house.

The claims, totalling \$3,000,000 and made by some 10,000 Japanese evacuated from the Pacific Coast in 1942, are being heard by Mr. Justice H. I. Bird, sitting as a one-man Royal Commission.

Actual hearing of the first claims began Monday in Kamloops, and subsequent sittings will be held in Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg and Montreal.

Justice Bird warned today that claimants must appear to give evidence on the dates set for the commission. In cases where illness made it impossible for a claimant to appear, he might be

Seven Granted Divorces Here

Three wives and four husbands von divorce decrees in Supreme Court on Tuesday. They were: Wick, Louis; Grayson, Frank; married in 1924; and H. J. Peterson, 37, west fifty-ninth married in 1920 by Roy Gordon Fox Denver divorcee.

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Along the Waterfront

New Salvage Vessel To Bear Famous Name

A new Salvage King is to enter B.C. coast service, carrying on the name of a wartime-lost Vancouver tug, once the world's biggest salvage vessel.

The famous old Salvage King was lost off the English coast in Victoria, in accordance with Pacific Salvage arrangement with the government.

Her sister vessel, Salvage Queen, was sold a year ago to China.

The company's Chief Pilot, Victoria, is expected to be laid up once the new King enters service. During the war the Christina, too, did valuable salvage work in British waters.

There were no deep-sea ship arrivals here overnight. Norwegian Fred Olson Line's Lissa, which arrived from Seattle, was the first to arrive here.

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