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LADIES ORGANIZE A CHURCH GUILD

Will Raise Funds For Church of England In New Alberni.

A meeting of ladies of New Alberni who are members of the Church of England was held in the Somass hotel on Monday night, and it was decided to form a Ladies Guild of the Church of England for New Alberni, the object of which would be to raise funds to help build and equip a church. Among those present were, Mrs. Withers, Miss Withers, Mrs. G. H. Bird, Mrs. Heald, Mrs. Moorhead, Mrs. J. B. Wood, Mrs. McIntyre, Miss Linguard, Miss Rollin, and Rev. and Hon. T. R. Heneage.

Mrs. Bird was unanimously elected president, and Miss Withers, secretary.

A dispatch from Ottawa says: It is generally understood that G. H. McIntyre, M. P. for South Perth, will succeed Charles Marcil, M. P. for Bonaventure, as deputy speaker of the House of Commons when the latter moves up to the speaker's chair. The names of Senators J.K. Kerr, Toronto; J. V. Ellis, St. John; and Finlay Young, Killarney, Man., are mentioned for the speakership of the senate.

The bye-election for the Manitoba legislature, held in Virden on Saturday last, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. J. H. Agnew, provincial treasurer, resulted in the return of Dr. Harvey Simpson, Conservative, by 206 majority. Mr. Agnew was returned at the last election by a majority of 85.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

Farmers' Institute.

The annual meeting of the Alberni Farmers' Institute will be held in the Court House, Alberni, on Saturday, Jan. 23, commencing at 2 p. m.

Business—Election of officers and annual reports.

Island Development.

A public meeting for the purpose of electing a delegate to the Island Development convention in Victoria will be held in Waterhouse's hall, on Monday next, the 18th inst, commencing at 8 p. m.

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Nootka.

Take notice that I, Thomas J. Marks, of Seattle, U. S. A., occupation prospector, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted on the east side of Tahsis canal, in Nootka Sound, at a point about 2½ miles from the mouth of Tahsis river, thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north along shore line to place of commencement.

THOMAS J. MARKS.

Date, Jan. 6, 1909. jan16

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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ALBERNI FEELS AN EARTHQUAKE

An earthquake shock that was felt generally along the Pacific slope, on Monday last, was also felt in Alberni. Nearly every building in both towns trembled slightly, but no damage was done to property. A. Woods, the boat house man in New Alberni, had an uncomfortable experience as a result of the shock. He was engaged at his landing trying to get back into place a log that had broken loose when he was precipitated into the deep and chilly water. He quickly scrambled ashore and when he learned of the general shake it took him some time to realize that he had been a victim rather than the cause of it.

A large number of people who were skating on McCoy lake when the quake occurred knew nothing of the disturbance till they returned home.

Nanaimo reports a slight shock at 3:55 p. m. No damage was done.

At Chemainus the shock lasted for 20 seconds.

The Bamfield cable station reported two shocks.

In Vancouver, Victoria and Comox the disturbance was of about the same force as in Alberni.

The shock caused a lot of excitement in Seattle where it lasted for several seconds. People rushed from buildings, and in some quarters there was panic.

In Bellingham brick buildings were so badly shaken that the plaster fell to the floor, and people rushed, terror-stricken, into the streets. Buildings in all parts of the town were jarred, but no one was injured, nor was there any serious damage to property.

Tacoma and other places in the state of Washington and in Oregon also felt the shock.

Professor Omori, the great Japanese authority on seismography, recently stated that slight shocks might occassionally be felt from northern California to the Queen Charlotte Islands, but they would never be of great extent, nor would they cause damage. They proved a very efficient safety valve and were similar to the ones experienced in Montreal and other parts of eastern Canada.

Clearing Contract.

The time for receiving tenders for the clearing of one hundred acres of the Alberni Land Company's townsite expired yesterday, and it is understood that there was a large number of bids for the contract.

The tenders were opened in Victoria and forwarded to London, Eng., with recommendations.

It is expected that final approval will be cabled to Victoria and that the work will be started before Feb. 1.

Fancy Price.

The people of Winnipeg propose to buy out the Electric Street Railway company of that city at the staggering cost of twelve million dollars.

ALBERNI SHOULD SEND DELEGATE

Island Development Convention Is To Be Important Event.

The convention for the purpose of forming a Vancouver Island Development association is to be held in Victoria on Friday, the 22nd inst, and no delegate to represent Alberni has yet been chosen.

From all accounts the convention promises to be an important affair, and Alberni seems to be the only point on the Island that is not showing an active interest in it. The movement was unanimously endorsed by the Alberni Board of Trade, and it also has the good will of the general public, yet, strange to say, there is a lack of force necessary to get a representative meeting and elect a delegate.

The following telegram, addressed to the Pioneer News, was received this morning from the secretary of the committee in Victoria:

"Every district on the Island, except Alberni, has appointed a delegate to the Island Development association meeting in Victoria on the 22nd inst. R. Marpole will attend personally on behalf of the E. & N. and C. P. R. companies. Who is coming from Alberni?"

Notice of a public meeting is given in another column, and it is to be hoped that there will be a good attendance, and some earnest action.

Bad Roads Delay Mail.

The mild weather of the past couple of days has rendered the road over the mountain range dangerous for travel. There had been a heavy snow fall at the summit, and the subsequent thaw has made the hillsides so slippery that horses has difficulty in keeping their feet.

The mail stage which left here yesterday morning had a hard time getting over the divide, and one of the horses was injured by a fall. The stage only got as far as the Half Way house last night, and was not expected to reach Nanaimo till noon today.

There will be no mail in before tomorrow night.

C. Hoard, engineer in charge of railway construction, drove over the summit this morning, and reported that it was still dangerous traveling.

The waterworks will be in operation again on Monday.

R. F. Blandy has left the employ of A. E. Waterhouse and will, hereafter, be identified with the Alberni Hardware company.

Rev. Mr. Wimberley was due to arrive home from England this evening, but has been delayed for a couple of days by snowslides on the railway through the mountains.

After being buried for sixteen days as a result of the recent earthquake in Italy a three year old girl was taken from the ruins alive and uninjured. The possibility of the child having had nourishment is excluded, and it is believed that part of the time she was in a cataleptic fit.

PIONEER NEWS.

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R. J. BURDE. - - - EDITOR.

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Alberni, B. C., Jan. 16, 1909.

SOMETHING DOING POLITICALLY.

A special dispatch to the Victoria Times, dated, Ottawa, Jan. 11, says:

An announcement is expected in a few days that the premier has found a way to retain the services of Hon. Wm. Templeman in the cabinet, and to provide a seat for him in the House of Commons during the coming session, pending the result of the protest in Victoria. An announcement will probably be made on the arrival here this week of William Sloan from his constituency.

The Ottawa Free Press, on the same day, in an editorial, said: "Ever since the unfortunate defeat of Hon. Mr. Templeman in Victoria in October last it has been well known that the premier has been anxious to retain his services for the country and government, and it will not be surprising if a way may be found in the resignation of William Sloan, M. P., of his seat in Comox-Atlin, and the election of Mr. Templeman in that constituency."

After pointing out that it is no new thing for a minister of the crown to find himself without a seat in parliament following a general election, and instancing the cases of Sir John Macdonald and R. L. Borden, the editorial continues:

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier was rejected by his constituents in Quebec when he first became a minister of the crown under Hon. Alexander McKenzie. The influences which contributed to the defeat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier were purely local also, and it may be that the premier, if he were not known to be staunch, loyal and true to his friends under all circumstances, had his own early experience in mind when he refused to accept the resignation of Mr. Templeman and decided to retain his services till a seat could be found for him elsewhere. Mr. Templeman has done, and is still doing, remarkable work for the development of the mineral resources of Canada, and especially of British Columbia, and it would be a national loss if he were compelled to retire from the government before his work is completed."

On the day following, the Victoria Times (Mr. Templeman's newspaper), had this to say: "British Columbia will retain representation in the cabinet providing the electors of Comox-Atlin are agreeable. The indications are that the northern constituency will be wiser in their political generation than their neighbors in Victoria. Our loss will be their gain; but whatever advantages there may be in having a representative at the council board—and there are advantages notwithstanding the arguments of a contemporary to the contrary—will be realized by British Columbia in the aggregate."

A dispatch to the Victoria Colonist, dated Vancouver, Jan. 12, says:

William Sloan, M. P., left here today for the east. It is said that he will decline, on reaching Ottawa, to arrange a deal whereby he will resign to give his seat to Hon. William Templeman.

HUMAN KINDNESS.

Commenting on the departure of Duncan Ross, ex-M. P., from Greenwood for the Coast, the Ledge says:

"Mr. Ross has been a resident in Greenwood for twelve years, taking an active part in all matters tending towards the city's advancement. Like other business men he has had his lean and his fat years, and took both as they came, spending his profits and never squealing at his losses. He has warm friends among both political parties, and also enemies—strong-minded men always have. He is not much more a saint nor much less a sinner, than any of the rest of us, and will assay above the average. He was always straight with his employees and paid the regular scale of wages without shouting it from the housetops or getting a kink in the back. The writer wishes him prosperity and chunks of it.

It is time we were thinking of doing away with the terms "new" and "old" Alberni. The future metropolis, no matter where its center may be, will be plain Alberni.

The annual convention of the British Columbia Conservative association will be held in Victoria on Friday, Jan. 22. Two delegates were elected by the Alberni association, but it is not likely that either of them will attend.

The newspapers of Vancouver and Victoria have done a lot of quarreling over the question of which city suffered the least during the recent cold snap. In Alberni we had such a mild time, comparatively, that we could not see the necessity of quarreling with anyone.

Talk about your good old summer times for strolling through shady lanes and developing love affairs, but the experiences of the past few days in Alberni have convinced all observers that the winter time and skating parties are the master agency in the line of matrimonial tendency.

NOTICE.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900"

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date, I, Edward Frigon, intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a transfer of the license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises te be known as the Central Hotel, situated at Limestone Island, Quatsino, B. C., to Gustave Moerman, of the City of Victoria, B. C.

Victoria, B. C., 12th December, 1008.

EDWARD FRIGON.

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Clayoquot.

Take Notice that Jennie Spencer and and Ada Florence Rennie, by their agent, Fred. W. Muller, of Sproat Lake, B. C., intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on Taylor Arm of Sproat Lake, about three-quarters of a mile in a southerly direction from Lot 622, thence south 25 chains to lake shore, thence easterly following the shore line for about 20 chains, thence northerly about 20 chains to point of commencement.

JENNIE SPENCER,
ADA FLORENCE RENNIE,
Fred. W. Muller, Agent.

Date, December 14, 1908.

BUSINESS NOTICE.

During my absence from Alberni my business will be in charge of James Paul who will be prepared to attend to the wants of my customers.

GEORGE FORREST,
Sashes, Doors, Glass, Etc.

Notice to Contractors

Sealed tenders are invited for the clearing of approximately one hundred acres of the townsite of Alberni, Vancouver Island.

Specifications can be seen at the office of the Alberni Land Company Ltd., Alberni, B. C.; the E. & N. Railway company's land agent, Victoria, B. C.; A. H. Nichol, E. & N. Railway company's townsite agent, Vancouver, B. C.

Tenderers must state if it is the intention of the contractor to use white or Oriental labor.

Clearing must be completed before the first day of May, 1909.

Tenders must be in on or before the 15th of January, 1909, and are to be addressed to the Alberni Land Company Ltd,, New Alberni, B. C.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

The local office will be open from 10 a. m. to noon every day, except Sunday, for the inspection of the specifications.

CARMICHAEL & MOORHEAD,
Local Agents.

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LAND ACT
NOOTA LAND DISTRICT.
District of Alberni.

Take Notice that Benjamin C. Clark, of Seattle, Wash., occupation timber cruiser, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 30 chains in a south-west direction from the mouth of Kapouse river, thence east 60 chains, thence south 60 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence north 60 chains to point of commencement.

Benjamin C. Clark.

Date, 19th September, 1908. oct31

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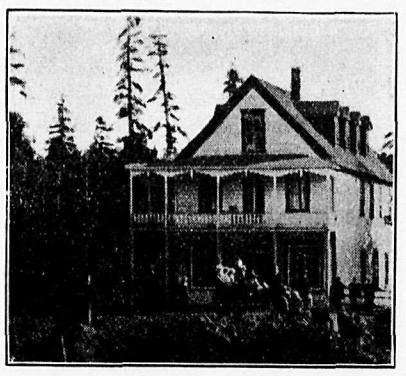

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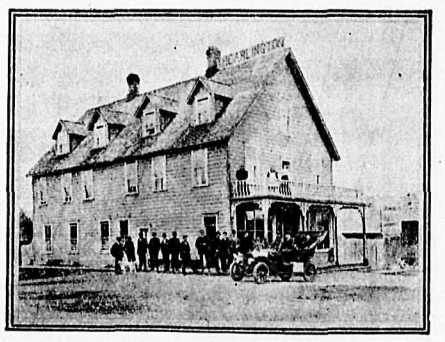

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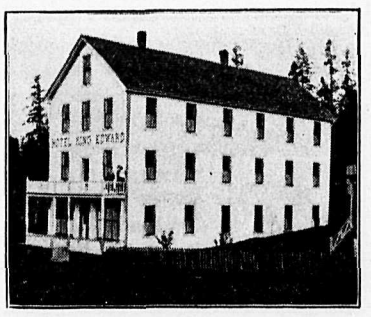

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H. H. BROWNE, civil and mining engineer, and Provincial land surveyor, has opened an office in Alberni, and is prepared to receive orders for work in any part of the district.

NOTICE.

Application For Incorporation of Railway Company.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to build, construct, maintain and operate a line of railway, of standard guage, to be operated by steam, electricity, or any other power, for the carrying of freight and passengers and express, commencing at the city of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, thence by way of Otter Point and San Juan, to a point on Barclay Sound, near Serita river, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines for the purpose of its business and for the public; and with power to own, use, and operate water powers convenient to the road for railway and other purposes; and with such other powers and privileges which are usually given to railway companies, and which are found in the Model Railway Bill.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of December, 1908.

BARNARD & ROBERTSON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

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Date, December 14, 1908.

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"Alberni is bound to become one of the most Important Towns in Canada."

The above is an extract from a phamphlet recently issued by the Canadian Pacific Railway company.

It is an official announcement.

Beware of "Wild-catters!"

Efforts are being made in cities outside of Alberni to sell Alleged Alberni Town Lots and remote sub-divided wild lands are being offered as choice residential property.

Many Have Already Been Taken In

The Alberni Land Company which holds the only genuine Townsite Property has as yet put only a limited number of Lots on sale. Carmichael & Moorhead are Local Agents.

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Grand Masquerade Ball.

Will be given by the Alberni Athletic Club, in Brand's Hall, on Friday, Feb. 12.

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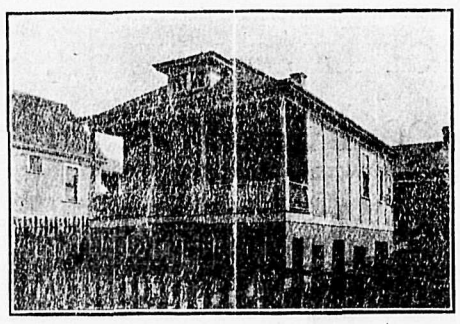

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NEWS GENERAL AND PERSONAL

Alfred Carmichael left on Monday for Victoria.

A. E. Waterhouse returned on Monday from a visit to Victoria.

M. Tebo returned on Monday from a trip to Vancouver and Victoria.

Mrs. J. S. Rollin, New Alberni, returned on Tuesday from a visit to Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shirley Richardson, late of Pachena, have taken up their residence in New Alberni.

Charles A. McNaughton, of the Albernl Hardware Company, New Alberni, returned on Saturday last from a trip to Victoria.

The annual meeting of the Alberni Farmers' Institute will be held in the Court House, Alberni, on Saturday, Jan. 23, commencing at 2 p. m.

A number of Alberni people have received invitations to attend a dance at Bamfield on Friday, Feb. 5. The steamer Tasmanian will make the round trip.

Batchelors Will Shine.

The batchelors of the two Albernis have arranged to give a grand complimentary ball to the spinsters and married people, on Monday, Jan. 25, in Waterhouse's hall. The batchelors are bent upon scoring the social success of the season, and will spare neither trouble nor expense in providing for the entertainment of their guests.

Arrangements have been made for a supper to be served in the King Edward hotel at midnight.

The invitations are general.

Prizes For Masquerade.

The committee in charge of the Masquerade Ball to be given on Friday, Feb. 12, has arranged for a number of prizes for costumes and dancing.

Socialist Returned.

The provincial bye-election in Nanaimo on Tuesday resulted in the return of J. H. Hawthornthwaite, the Socialist, by a majority of 283 votes over Mr. Barker, the Liberal candidate.

H. C. Brewster, M. P. P. for Alberni, and John Oliver, of Delta, took part in the campaign in the interests of the Liberal party.

Ladies Entertain.

The ladies of the congregation of St. Andrews Presbyterian church gave a free social, in Brand's hall, on Tuesday night, and splendidly did they entertain the many people who attended. The hall was filled with people.

Concert Last Night.

The concert given in Brand's hall last night, under the auspices of the Men's Club of All Saints church, was just what it was expected it would be, a brilliant success.

The hall was taxed to its capacity, and the best talent of the two towns was represented on the programme.

Encores were numerous.

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