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MEETING DECIDE UNDERTAKE HALL

General Meeting Citizens' Association--Recommendations of Executive Adopted---Other Matters

The general meeting of the Citizens' Association, held in Newell's hall, Wednesday evening, was exceptionally well attended. A number of ladies also were present.

President H. W. M. Rolston occupied the chair, and in the absence of Secretary Rush, Walter Broad acted in this capacity.

The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes of the previous general meeting, which were adopted. On inquiry from the chair as to the wish of the meeting regarding the work of the executive to date, it was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the executive meetings be read.

Following this a recess was declared to allow those present, who were not members and were eligible, to join the association, some eight or ten people, including several ladies, gave their names in to the secretary.

After this the meeting was again called to order. The first matter dealt with was the action of the executive in making the fire chief, Ben Lawrence, a member of the executive, which action, on motion being put, was endorsed.

Then came the main business of the evening—the building of a community hall. By a unanimous vote it was decided that the community should undertake the building of a hall. The recommendation of the executive that a committee consisting of Grant Mahood, E. R. Workman, H. P. Gibson, J. P. Scarlett, and W. J. Crawford be appointed, for the purpose of investigating the whole matter, drawing up plans, and scheme of financing, and reporting back to the next general meeting, was endorsed, without a dissenting voice.

At this stage of the proceedings, E. R. Workman, of the incorporation committee, gave a brief outline of what had been accomplished to date regarding the matter of incorporation.

The next business was that of the amendments to the constitution, as suggested by the executive committee, which were adopted in their entirety, after having been read clause at a time.

International Debate

What bids fair to be a very interesting school affair will take place in the Pioneer hall, Hyder, on Good Friday (April 14) when the Hyder school children will put on a concert, with a very interesting program. One feature will be a debate between the Hyder and Stewart school children. The question to be discussed is: "Be it resolved that city life is more beneficial than country." Dona Balch and Arthur Hall will take the affirmative for the Hyder school; Muriel Crawford and Kingsley McLeod, of Stewart school, the negative. Much interest is being manifested and a large number of people will be sure to attend. The judges, not yet selected, will be chosen from each town.

Executive Meeting

The executive of the Citizens' association met, Monday evening, and discussed a number of recommendations to be made to the general meeting on Wednesday night. Among other things dealt with was the visit of the Canadian National Railway officials and the interview with them. In view of the explanations given by the visitors and the concessions granted, it was the opinion of those present that nothing further could be gained at present by continuing with the publicity campaign in this regard; therefore, it was decided to deop the matter for the time being at least.

Premier Ore Shipments

During the week the Premier shipped about 1400 tons of ore (high and low grade) and concentrates, to Anyox and Tacoma. Thus bringing the total shipments from the first of the year up to approximately 17,200 tons.

Good Results

S. P. Fitzgerald came down from the Independence group on Goose creek, during the week, for supplies. He had with him some good looking samples, obtained during the recent development work. These were assayed, Wednesday, and gave $26.50 in all values (gold, silver and lead) the predominant values being in silver. Mr. Fitzgerald was well satisfied with these returns, as the samples were taken from near the surface on the second lead. The work is progressing very satisfactorily; good headway being made.

Bear River Bridge

Work recommenced on the construction of the Bear river bridge, Monday. The pile driver has been reassembled, placed in position, and a start made in driving the piles for the false work. Nothing authentic has yet been heard as to whether or not the getting out of the rock for the fill will be let by contract or done by day labor.

Hyder Dock

Despite rumors to the contrary construction of the dock at Hyder will commence about the 13th of this month. All arrangements have been completed and the piles are ready for driving, so no postponement is anticipated in getting the work started. As the approach has to be surveyod, some little delay may be experienced in connection with it.

Metal Market

Following are the latest New York quotations:

Silver, foreign, bar, 65.

Lead, steady; 4.70 to 4.80.

Copper, easier, 12⅞ to 13.

Zinc, quiet; east St. Louis, 4.70 to 4.75.

. . STEWART LOCAL NEWS . .

The health of Stewart is good, thank you.

One week from today (Friday, April 14) is Good Friday. Be good.

Walter Broad is busy painting the roof of his house, "The Better 'Ole."

Some of the live wires are rounding up a big program of sport for Victoria day (May 24).

Miss Comer, after spending several weeks with relatives in Prince Rupert, returned on Saturday.

If there is no place like home that is no reason why a man should loaf around there instead of looking for work.

If a judge depended upon this part of the province for a living, he would be guilty of self-murder. Not a case in court for over a year.

S. G. Benson left for the south on business, Saturday.

There are no sweeter words than "Enclosed find a check."

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart are expected to return from the south on the next boat.

The Albert brought in a number of passengers and a large cargo of freight, Saturday.

The "fans" are talking baseball, lacrosse, football, cricket, lawn tennis—and even Chinook.

The rain yesterday helped to take away some of the snow on the kopjes, and laid the dust on main avenues.

Mr. Lambert, Dominion public works engineer, paid Stewart a visit during the stay of the Albert, Saturday, for the purpose of taking over the new dock extension and warehouse, recently completed by Contractor Wade.

THE PREMIER MINE

THE article appearing on this page, last week, concerning the Premier mine, we feel sure was of interest to not only the local residents, but also to the whole of the world's mining fraternity, 'for it recorded a mining romance without counterpart in recent history of the west, and comparable only with the stirring tales of the Comstock and other historic early day camps. Within three months this great gold-silver mine, from levels but a few hundred feet below the surface, has distributed no less than $900,000 in dividends, after spending almost as much more in tramway and mill construction and necessary development."

To the province as a whole, and this northern section in particular, this was most satisfactory news, for it spells an era of prosperity for the whole north land such as has never before been experienced therein; and so in turn will help the entire province to recover more quickly from the effects of the war. For a showing such as the Premier has made will center on this northern section the eyes of the mining world, particularly in view of the fact that there are many properties in the district awaiting capital to develop them, that have better showings than the Premier ever had, when that now famous mine was in a similar stage of development. These properties will not now be allowed to lie idle much longer. And in a mineral belt such as this which as yet is only scratched, an era of prosperity is dawning that will overshadow anything ever before experienced in Canada.

Carolan's and Jake's meat markets report business the best.

H. Zeffert left for the Premier mine, Monday, and returned on Wednesday.

Last Saturday W. Cameron returned from Prince Rupert on the Robert G. Seymour.

H. Horstman, who has been working most of the winter at camp four, Premier, returned home, Monday.

Charlie Larsen spent most of the past week fishing down the canal; spring salmon having commenced to run.

It is reported that the electric light plant in Hyder has been closed down for several days during the week.

Governor-General, Lord Byng, will visit British Columbia and the Yukon during the coming summer. What's the matter with Stewart?

When you see heelprints on the dining room table hubby is boss.

B. O. Erickson has left New York and is traveling west on his return to Stewart.

Captain Anderson and party returned from Prince Rupert on the Robert G. Seymour, Saturday last.

Jake's cafe is expecting a shipment of green goods—lettuce, onion, radish, rhubarb—on the next boat.

Richard Moore, manager at Prince Rupert for P. Burns & Co., paid Stewart and Hyder a visit during the stay of the Albert last week.

Residents of Stewart and Hyder enjoyed the dinner at the King Edward cafe, Sunday night. The bill of fare contained all the luxuries on the market, including ice cream. Proprietor I. N. Hoguewood was complimented by the most fastidious.

Charlie Melby is now employed as cook at the Exchange grill.

George Fraser is expected to return on the Albert, next week.

The s.s. Amur and the Marmion were in port this week to load ore.

The Prince George or Rupert will be put on the Stewart run, May 8.

W. W. Rush went up Glacier creek, Tuesday, in connection with his mining property in that section.

J. L. Baldwin, of Seattle, trustee of the Salmon River Trading company, came in on the Albert, Saturday.

A. T. Reinholt, who has been down the canal at River's Point all winter, arrived in Stewart on Thursday.

In British Columbia only one person out of every two families has a bank account. The News devil warbles: "This is appalling."

Pat McBride, who has been working at the Silverado, came down the hill during the week. Pat is very enthusiastic about the property.

Times are not the best. But Stewartites are, on an average, disgustingly healthy, voraciously ambitious, and content only with better things—not worse.

L. Siem, brother of the manager of the Salmon River Trading Co., was among the arrivals on the Albert, Saturday. He expects to stay some little time.

Mrs. W. Tolin and William Ore were the most graceful couple on the floor at the Pioneer dance, Hyder, on the night of April 1—winning first prize for waltzing.

William Fraser, who was in the hospital for several days during the week suffering from a severe cold and lumbago, was sufficiently recovered to return home, Wednesday.

O. L. Reister arrived from the south on the Albert, Saturday. Mr. Reister has followed mining and railway construction all over the province. He expects to locate permanently in this district.

Victor King, who has been working all winter in the Exchange Grill, has quit his happy home, and is fixing up his launch in preparation for the fishing season on the west coast of Queen Charlotte Islands.

According to report the Premier Gold Mining Co. are experiencing some small difficulty with longshoremen on the dock. It seems that the company made a cut in wages of those temporarily employed, from 75c. per hour to 60c., with the result that the men, according to report, went on strike.

What's the matter with "A Progress Week," to make Stewart known as "The Beautiful Place in the Sun?" With the assistance of all citizens it will be possible to achieve this. Let the landlord put his house in order, freshen its appearance with a coat of paint, and fix up walks and fences, then the tenant will be encouraged to have a beautiful lawn, flowers, and cleanly premises.

DISCUSS LOCAL FREIGHT RATES

Citizens' Executive Meet Canadian National Railway Officials—Some Reductions—Other Matters

Osborne Scott, general passenger agent of the Canadian National Railway and Steamship services; J. M. Horn, general freight agent, both of Vancouver, and G. A. McNicholl, assistant general freight and passenger agent, of Prince Rupert, paid Stewart a visit during the stay of the Albert last Saturday, for the purpose of interviewing the executive of the Stewart Citizens' association, in connection with the campaign that, that body has recently been waging against the freight and passenger rates on the government's steamers plying into this port.

During the conference, which lasted between two and a half and three hours, the whole transportation problem was most thoroughly gone into, every phase of the situation being dealt with; with the result that the executive were informed that, in addition to the cut of $2.50 in the passenger fare, a freight rate cut of $1 on oil and disselite, and 60 cents per ton on general cargo had been authorized. This 60 cents only applies where freight is handled over the company docks.

Another matter that received attention was the unsatisfactory manner in which the company have heretofore notified Stewart of Steamship arrivals, and it was arranged that from now on an official of the company will wire the local wharfinger the time of arrival, and that such wire would not be sent until it was known definitely, to within an hour or so, what time the boat would arrive.

The matter of claims was also gone into, and the company officials took notes on several that were brought forward as evidence, with a view to having same cleared up. They explained that this department has now been reorganized and from henceforth they felt sure little difficulty regarding legitimate claims would be experienced.

The visit of these officials had a very beneficial effect and was much appreciated, as it was instrumental in clearing up some very unsatisfactory conditions.

The whole of the conversations were conducted in a friendly atmosphere that left a friendly impression on the minds of all present.

The recent soft weather is taking the snow away fast these days, and the gravel has been showing in places all week. Great difficulty is being experienced by the transfer people on the road between here and Hyder—too little snow for sleighs and too much for wheels. If the present soft weather holds a little longer wagons and motors will soon be making an appearance.

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WRANGELL ISLAND

IT does not yet appear whether the United States will acquiesce in the act of the Canadian Arctic party which raised the British flag on Wrangell Island and declared the land to be a possession of His Majesty. The proclamation bases this right on the lapse of the claim of the United States, one of whose citizens long ago took possession in the name of the republic. So far as we know neither the British government, the government of the United States, or the government of Canada has yet made any declaration on the matter. If there should be any possible doubt as to the title to this unoccupied territory there is an international court set up for just such purposes. The Hague tribunal has the confidence of the United States and Great Britain. Wrangell Island is not a matter for wrangling.

WITH RESERVATIONS

THE four-power Pacific treaty has been ratified at Washington, with certain limitations and reservations. These were considered by the delegates to be unnecessary, but they could not well be rejected. as they are in line with the contentions of Senator Lodge and other republicaus when the League of Nations treaty was before the senate.

It is not quite clear where these reservations will land the treaty when it comes up for ratification in other countries. The Washington declarations may be passed over as not affecting the main agreement, other countries ratifying the treaty as it stands. But if each nation sets out reservations, qualifications and statutory interpretations of its own there will be some confusion. The temptation is strong, for if the United States changes the import of a treaty negotiated under her own leadership and shaped by her own influence, equal if not a still larger liberty may be claimed by Japan, China and Great Britain.

U. S. SOLDIER BONUS

THE Soldier Bonus Bill has had an easier time in the United States congress than was expected, though there are yet many obstacles to be overcome. Measures previously proposed have fallen by the way because in one way or another they called for some form of immediate taxation to raise the money. The bill now making rapid progress defers the day of reckoning and spreads the payments over a long period. The soldier receives a certificate entitling him to his allowance, with the condition that a portion of the sum may be discounted at the bank on specified terms. The whole amount which the nation will be called upon to pay during the time that the certificates run is estimated at four billion dollars, but we have not seen a statement of the present value of the bonds.

TIME FOR A MEETING

IT was desirable that the Premier of Northern Ireland and the Premier of Southern Ireland should meet again and have another friendly discussion. The prospect of their working together in any kind of neighborly relations was not improved by the interchange of long distance accusations that have taken place. It might be well if the chiefs of the north and south would open up with a conservation such as that alleged to have taken place between the governors of North and South Carolina. The Free State treaty was the result of an adjournment of a long-distance controversy and the substitution of an intimate conversation. It is clear that this process must be frequently repeated in order to achieve co-operation.

SAVED BY SCIENCE

FIFTEEN years' progress in medical and surgical science may have saved 60,000 Canadian soldiers in the late war. In his address to the Canadian Club Dr. Proctor showed that the British lost more men in the Boer war by typhoid fever than were killed or died of wounds. This disease was almost entirely suppressed in the late war. Typhoid and other communicable diseases, blood poisoning and other causes of death which were eliminated or largely overcome, would undoubtedly have doubled the fatalities in the late war if the conditions had been as they were in other great conflicts.

NOTE AND COMMENT

It never hurts a live wire to shock people. Be one.

Cider doesn't provide a kick until it gets hard, and you can say the same thing about times.

There are many safe places in an automobile to carry booze, but inside the driver isn't one of them.

Very few poets are blondes. This is probably due to the fact that poets are born and not made.

"Urge unemployed to get rich wives."—News Item. Why punish a man for being out of work?

Lots of houses are all dolled up on the outside and nobody home. The same may be true of a flapper.

About the quickest way to end your worldly troubles is to remind an Ulsterite that orange is a mixture of red and yellow.

Business in Stewart is tolerably good, and if the pessimists who are waving their hands would only take some flags in them, it might be considerably better.

Up to the hour this family journal goes to press it is not learned whether the nation-wide coal strike (called for midnight, March 31) is now on, or the coal heavers are doing business at the old stand. But there's one thing the News does know—there's no trouble in the Ground Hog coal district.

Mistakes will be made, and sometimes by the best of men, but a man does not stand or fall by a single mistake in life, unless that mistake is a crime. People forget mistakes and they are gone in a day. A man stands or falls on his general average in life, not on any one good thing he has done or any one mistake he has made.

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Pre-emption now confined to surveyed lands only.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes and which is non-timber land.

Partnership pre-emptions abolished, but parties of not more than four may arrange for adjacent pre-emptions with joint residence, but each making necessary improvements on respective claims.

Pre-emptors must occupy claims for five years and make improvements to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivation of at least 5 acres, before receiving Crown Grant.

Where pre-emptor in occupation not less than 3 years, and has made proportionate improvements, he may, because of ill-health, or other cause, be granted intermediate certificate of improvement and transfer his claim.

Records without permanent residence may be issued, provided applicant makes improvements to extent of $300 per annum and records same each year. Failure to make improvements or record same will operate as forfeiture. Title cannot be obtained in less than 5 years, and improvements of $10.00 per acre, including 5 acres cleared and cultivated, and residence of at least 2 years are required.

Pre-emptor holding Crown grant may record another pre-emption, if he requires land in conjunction with his farm, without actual occupation, provided statutory improvements made and residence maintained on Crown granted land.

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or company.

Mill, factory or industrial sites on timber land not exceeding 40 acres may be purchased; conditions include payment of stumpage.

Natural hay meadows inaccessible by existing roads may be purchased conditional upon construction of a road to them. Rebate of one-half of cost of road, not exceeding half of purchase price, is made.

PRE-EMPTORS' FREE GRANTS ACT.

The scope of this Act is enlarged to include all persons joining and serving with His Majesty's Forces. The time within which the heirs or devisees of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this Act is extended from for one year from the death of such person, as formerly, until one year after the conclusion of the present war. This privilege is also made retroactive.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 26, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provision for return of moneys accrued due and been paid since August 4, 1914, on account of payments, fees or taxes on soldiers' pre-emptions.

Interest on agreements to purchase town or city lots held by members of Allied Forces, or dependents, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from enlistment to March 31, 1920.

SUB-PURCHASERS OF CROWN LANDS.

Provision made for issuance of Crown grants to sub-purchasers of Crown Lands, acquiring rights from purchasers who failed to complete purchase, involving forfeiture, on fulfillment of conditions of purchase, interest and taxes. Where sub-purchasers do not claim whole of original parcel, purchase price due and taxes may be distributed proportionately over whole area. Applications must be made by May 1, 1920.

GRAZING.

Grazing Act, 1919, for systematic development of livestock industry provides for grazing districts and range administration under Commissioner. Annual grazing permits issued based on numbers ranged; priority for established owners. Stock-owners may form Associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits for settlers, campers or travellers, up to ten head.

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SOME MINERAL WEALTH

An era of production, which students of economics are saying will shortly settle down upon the world, promises to bring a revival of mining operations wherever mineral of any value can be won from the earth.

There are many signs of a new impetus to mining in old Cariboo, and the placer claims that have been staked in the Quesnel lake section where an old and rich channel is claimed to have been discovered, promise to be the first locations in a country that will certainly be the center of a stampede this spring.

Cariboo has had a long golden history, which is familiar to any one who has studied the early development of British Columbia. The miners gradually ascended the Fraser river, and crossed the plains from the east, until at Barkerville, on the height of land in Central British Columbia, they found riches untold on the bottom of Williams creek, and the other gold producing creeks of that region.

There has always appeared a sort of metallurgical hiatus in the yield of gold between Barkerville and the golden sands of Nome. While there was a good deal of gold taken out in the Manson creek country, and north on the Peace, Findlay, and Ingenika rivers, the great stretch of the Fraser river country, north of Barkerville, was only apathetically prospected, and still forms a territory in which, with the modern transportation facilities available, much valuable prospecting might be carried on.

While the mining of the Barkerville area, and throughout the Cariboo, has largely centered in alluvial operations, attention is today turning towards a search for the mother lode of quartz from which the great alluvial deposits were ground by glacial action in the days when "the run of gold" was in nature's capricious hand.

The overburden, and heavy vegetation, make prospecting a difficult matter in this territory today, but with the development of timber operations, and the thinning of the forest growths, it will be remarkable if some very valuable finds do not occur in the Fraser valley and its tributaries, particularly the north fork, or the McGregor river, as it is now designated.

Pay Dirt in North

J. T. Smith, civil and mining enfiineer of New York, is in Edmonton making up a party of miners to sluice for gold on the upper reaches of the Peace this summer. He has had previous experience on the northern stream and he is of the opinion that the new company which is putting in a large suction dredge on the Peace "has one of the best propositions in Canada." There is no question as to gold being in the Peace in paying quantities, says Mr. Smith. When he was at Hudson's Hope the miners washing on the river bars made an average of $20 per day, when the river was low, and his party expects to do quite as well, although they will have no equipment with the exception of the usual sluice boxes.

Cedar Creek Gold

On the authority of a miner and prospector who worked on Cedar creek, Cariboo, which has just come back into the forefront of mining news, it is ascertained that this creek, of which little is printed except the astonishing richness of the prospect recently brought to light, is an old working, on which very rich pay was discovered years ago, but which petered out abruptly about a mile from its mouth.

The Ladysmith smelter may be reopened.

Metal prices are improving, both home and abroad.

That rare metal, uranium, has been found near Hope.

Copper mountain, near Princeton, will operate this summer.

Gypsum deposits at Granite Creek will be operated this year.

From a mining standpoint the Portland canal zone never looked brighter.

This is the season of the year when father dislikes mining—kalsomining.

The price of radium slumped to $1,819,077 an ounce yesterday. No one got stung in Hyder.

It is stated that Standard Oil experts will visit Terrace and northern points this summer.

What is supposed to be palladium has been discovered in East Kootenay. It is a grayish white metal.

George Ellis, a well known mining man, died at Illooet last month. He was well known to the old timers of Greenwood.

A gold nugget, valued at $1.35, was found in the gizzard of a chicken, purchased at the New Westminster market, last week. Poultry farms are being guarded while prospectors are on the trail.

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AN AGGREGATE VALUE OF $706,192,978

The substantial progress of the Mining Industry in this Province is strikingly exhibited in the following figures, which show the value of production for successive five-year periods: For all years to 1895, inclusive, $94,547,241; for five years, 1896-1900, $57,607,967; for five years, 1901-1905, $96,507,968; for five years, 1906-1910, $125,534,474; for five years, 1911-1915, $142,072,603; for five years, 1916-1920, $189,992,725; for the year 1920, $35,543,084.

PRODUCTION DURING LAST TEN YEARS, $331,995,328

Lode mining has only been in progress for about 33 years, and not 20 per cent. of the Province has been even prospected; 300,000 square miles of unexplored mineral-bearing land are open for prospecting.

The mining laws of this Province are more liberal and the fees lower than those of any other Province in the Dominion, or any Colony in the British Empire.

Mineral locations are granted to discoverers for nominal fees.

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INCOME TAX SIMPLIFIED

In the first place it must be worked out by algebra, astronomy, trigonometry, syntax, calculus, and palmistry; and should not bs undertaken till competent authority certifies your ability to prove material products assumed by anyone producing nothing during the taxable period has an excess he otherwise would not have possessed.

If your income is $2400 a year and you own a ton of coal or a diamond ring and an automobile, and are married to a brunette girl 26 years old, you take the amount of the income, add your personal property, substract the number of your postoffice box, multiply by your height, add the date of your birth, and divide by your waist measure. If there is a child in the family, subtract $300.19 from your income, add the amount of your personal property, subtract the size of your collar, omitting fractions—divide by the square root of your telephone number, add the child's age, subtract the amount you have given the church and liquor vendor during the year, multiply by time of day. divide by 41144, and add the size of your hat with and without band. If there is a second child in the family, or you keep a canary divide by the number of your automobile license tag, subtract the number of buttons on your vest, take six per cent of the answer and add seven-eighths the weight of your mother-in-law. If wife has separate income and joint return is contemplated, divide by sum of her glove and shoe sizes (6-1-7 equals 13) instead of automobile license tag.

After you get it all figured out and have arrived at an an wer which may be right and which prcbably is not, you won't have to pay taxes of any name or nature, for they will have you in the booby hatch—strapped down.

JUNK FROM THE SCRAP PILE

SOME NEWSPAPERS CALL IT EDITORIAL

British Columbia farmers now have until June 30 to pay land taxes.

From Stewart to Copenhapen it is 6852⅞ miles. This is a long way to go for snooze.

Prince Rupert has instituted a drive against undesirables, dope heads and dream pedlars.

Girls may take to smoking; but the correct way to light a match is still a man's privilege.

British Columbia sawmills have received large orders from Japan and China for lumber.

"Chickens Dressed," is the sign in a Prince Rupert store, and it is not a meat and poultry shop.

Judge Cayley of Vancouver stated that boot egging "was really the most learned of professions."

Penticton Presbyterian church is a dividend payer. It has a membership of 141, and a fat bank account.

The only conservative favoring Bowser for leader of the British Columbia conservative party is, W. J. Bowser.

Last week a man in Penticton mixed wood alcohol with Jamaica ginger to get a kick. He got it. Buried next day.

The department of justice has ruled that no women senators can be created in Canada. How can they? It is an old man's home.

Five hundred tons of British Columbia spuds were shipped to the Philippine Islands last week. Must be a few Irishmen on the islands.

Jazz dancing, hugging, cheek to cheek dancing, neck hold dancing, and all classes of suggestive dances are banned in "good old Ontario."

Premier John Oliver states there's a shortage in the government vendors' stores in British Columbia. Does the premier mean booze or money?

Vancouver must be a tough city to live in. Last month, no less than ten people, tired of living in the terminal city, took the gun route over the porphyry dyke.

The whole country south of Lethbridge has gone on an oil spree, and men are flocking to that inflammable liquid section like hoboes, of days gone by, to a free lunch counter.

There was a young lady of Hy,
With a shape like a capital I;
She said, "It's too bad!
But then I can pad"—
Which shows you that figures can Lie.

On account of high taxes the Brunette sawmills will move the mill from New Westminster (a city noted for salmon, lacrosse, Chinks and extravagance.) It has a monthly payroll of $25,000, and pays $12,000 a year taxes.

In an attempt to reduce the depredations of sea lions and hair seals on salmon, halibut, cod and other fish of the British Columbia coast, the department of fisheries is planning attacking the seal rookeies of the Queen Charlotte Islands with machine guns.

Henry B. Stewart will be the world's richest man if he collects. Forty three years ago he loaned a man $100 on a promissory note bearing 10 per cedt interest a month, compounded monthly. Stewart sued for principal and interest, and Judge Welch of the San Jose, California, court has decided that the debtor now owes Stewart $304,840,332,912,685.10. A busy evening can be spent figuring out if the judge was right. We believe he is,

It is easy to sit in your carriage,
And counsel the man on foot;
But get down and walk, and you'll change your talk,
As you feel the peg in your boot.

Shelly Bros., Vancouver, will erect a $300,000 bakery this year. Some dough.

King Solomsn and King David
In youth led wayward lives,
Each had a few affinities,
Besides their numerous wives;
But when old age came rolling on,
With all its aches and qualms,
King Solomon wrote the Proverbs,
And David wrote the Psalms.

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RE SPECIAL TIMBER LICENCES

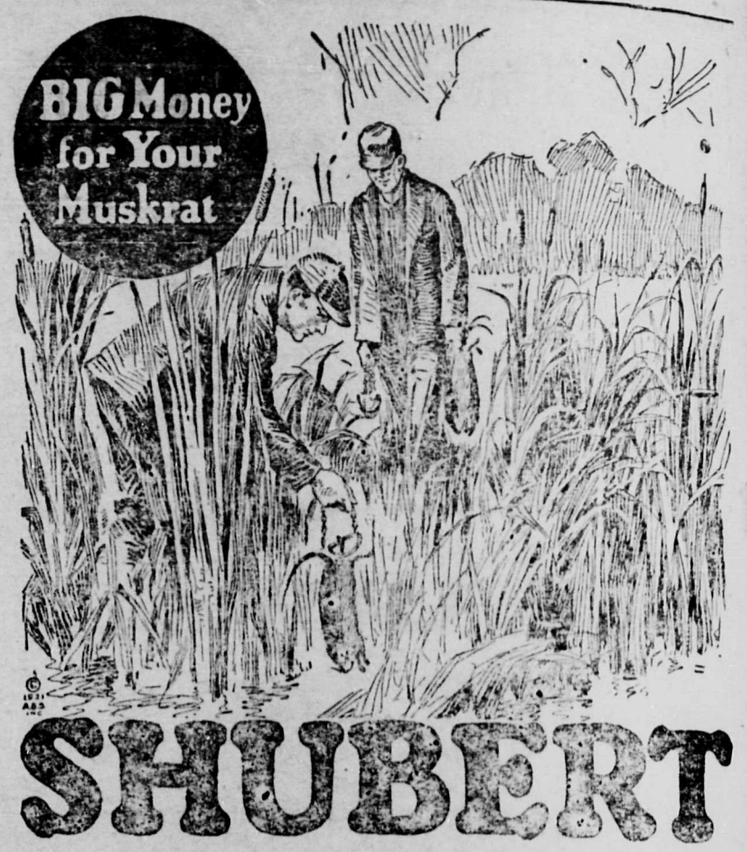
The attention of Timber Licence holders who are taking advantage of the provisions of the 1921 Amendment to the FOREST ACT, whereb, arrears of licence fees accrued *prior to* 31st December, 1920, have been funded and made payable *in annual instalments*, is specially directed to the fact that any renewal fee which became due in 1921 is not included in the instalments above mentioned, and such 1921 and all subsequent renewal fees must be paid within one year after the date of expiry of the licence in order to maintain the right of the holder to obtain a renewal of the licence. ap7-m2

WATER NOTICE

Diversion and Use

Take notice, that F. E. Winslow, whose address is Union Bank Building, Victoria, B. C., will apply for a licence to take and use 28 feet seconds of water out of Glacier creek, which flows west and drains into Bear river, about three miles from its mouth. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about half a mile from its mouth at the intake of flume near the n.e. corner of lot 405, to be used on lot 405 for mining purpose on the crown granted mineral claims, Lucky Seven, Little Joe, Eclipse, Little Joe Fraction, Herbert, Gypsy, Mayflower, Mosquito, Mosquito Fraction, and Richard 2. This notice was posted on the ground on the 23rd day of February, 1922. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert. Objections to the application may be filed with said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is March 3, 1922.

F. E. WINSLOW, Applica2t.
By H. C. Bennett, Agent.



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