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STRIKE SITUATION AT PREMIER

Company Refuse to Compromise---Meeting Tuesday Night Men Decide to Stand Pat

The strike situation has not materially changed during the past ten days, though during that time there have been several meetings and conferences. On the 21st matters took a sudden turn, and the strike committee thought it wise to address a communication to the management of the mine suggesting a fifty-fifty compromise on the cut. This to a great extent was due to a rumor that was being circulated to the effect that the company were willing to make some such compromise. Mr. Pitt replied to this communication by letter on the 23rd, which, while going into details as to the reasons for the cut, and giving a statement as to wages paid for similar work in other camps, constituted a refusal to compromise. On the strength of this letter, and as requested therein, a meeting of the strikers was called at 7:30 Tuesday evening, at which the letter was read and fully discussed. Finally J. J. Furlong moved, seconded by M. Seguin, "That a vote be taken by ballot to see whether the wage cut be accepted or not." This motion was put. On the ballots being counted it was found that the result was 32 for accepting the cut, and 121 against.

FATS WIN

Leans Lack Avoirdupois at Bat, but Run Good

Last Tuesday weight counted a yard or two in the game of ball between the Fats and Anti-Fats, when they met on the diamond to see "who's who." In a two inning game the Fats proved to the world and Hyder they had the swing behind the hickory and defeated the lean fellows by a score of three to two. It was a fast and furious game from start to finish, but not quite as furious as the Portland Canal at high tide with a heavy wind blowing. The most daring part of the game was when Harry Gibson stole a base—and he didn't get pinched. Patterson cracked a few besides the ball, but that's all in the game. The Leans played good ball—but there's several kinds of good. [Later—The game will be protested. Fats played a ringer, Jamieson from Hyder.]

Poor Hyder!

After the Fat and Lean game Stewart-Hyder played, and resulted in a victory for the home boys by a score of 9—6. It appears to a man up a tree about all the Hyder boys get—they get to Stewart, for every time this season the local boys have sent them home across the line weeping, wailing and gnashing their

Pat Benson's Grapevine
It failed to get the bacon

teeth. But allasamee the teams are pretty evenly matched. To a spectator, at times the umpire acted as if he ought to consult an eye specialist, for he called balls that should have been strikes, and strikes that should have been balls. "Otherwise he was fair." Pat Benson, who years ago was mascot for the Amities of Victoria, was in the box for Hyder, and he proved to fans, that he had seen a game or two before coming this far north; while Wilson pitched the home team to victory.

The teams lined up:

Hyder—Hank c, Benson p, Johnson 1b, Madden 2b, Foster ss, Smaill 3b, Radenbaugh lf, Ognor cf, Ward lf.

Stewart—Gray ss, Lawrence cf, Morris 2b, Davis 3b, Crawford c, Allan lf, Brown 1b, Jonson rf, Wilson p.

BASE HITS

Frazier of the Mecca felt so bad over the defeat of Hyder that he went to the town pump and took a drink of water.

In baseball society Dr. Davis made a hit.

Allan played his usual game, neat clean and attractive.

It was the opinion of many fans that the umpire was a false alarm.

Scotch whisky improves with age, but Hyder, "We hae oor doots."

A lady from Hyder remarked to a Stewart rooter: "Ah, button up your lip."

Pat Benson says in time his arm will be alright. It will be in the "box" then.

A Stewart man was out on a fly. All he said, "Well, I know where the flies go."

Manager Pitt of the Premier mine witnessed the game. He saw the striker win.

Jamieson offered the umpire the freedom of Hyder if he would let him make one run.

Some of the Hyder boys run bases with the agility of a discarded street car horse.

Hyder sports put up $832.05 on the game. Pat Benson better keep away from that camp.

Wilson in the box had Hyder's goat long before he commenced throwing in a few overdrafts.

Several local fans rooted for Hyder. A man who tries to defeat his home town ought to be parboiled over a slow fire.

It is understood Hyder has wired New York for a battery. If one cannot be secured there, Swamp Point will be tried. Better wire for a nine.

Constable Scarlett thought he was playing cricket; but the bat was too small. He could not arrest the little sphere and send it down for 30—yards.

The News always thought O. McFadden had good judgment. But—well—he backed the Hyder nine, and his bank roll is not quite so long today. Oh, McFadden!

A Hyder sport remarked: "We'll beat Stewart next time." When that "next time" arrives, elephants will be flying, fish will be living on dry land, and the hydraulic ram will be growing wool.

Sir Oliver Lodge says when the energy of an atom is harnessed we won't need any coal. By all means harness it at once. The News has just four sacks of coal in its bin.

. . STEWART LOCAL NEWS . .

Fresh milk at Tooth's

Atta boy! Clean up the back yard.

The busy fly is doing business at the old stand. Swat it.

W. H. Watson, who has been ill for some time, is able to be around again.

Ernie Armstrong went to the hospital this week with an attack of the lagrippe.

Reader, did it ever occur to you that even low shoes are very high these days.

Since the ball game on the 24th there have been inquiries for Mr. O. McFadden.

Lawrence & Workman have this week put several men to work in their logging camp at the Marmot river.

H. C. Bennett has been appointed enumerator for this district for the taking of the census, which is to commence June 1.

Royal Salad Dressing. Use only the best. Salmon River Trading Co.

William George this week has been plowing the ground around his house on Columbia street with a view to putting in a large garden.

Alex Paul, formerly of the Premier mine, was married in Victoria on April 27 to Elizabeth Eva Scott. The young couple will reside in Prince Rupert.

Chris Benson has caught a bear cub and is making a pet of it for his Fish creek road house. It is already quite at home and goes to sleep every night with the dog.

See our advt. for Special Bargains. Salmon River Trading Co

The Empire Day dance held in the Stewart hotel on the 24th was a distinct success, and a credit to the management. A large crowd was in attendance, and kept things going with a swing until 2:30 a.m. The local orchestra being augmented by San Francisco music from Hyder, and left nothing to be desired in this connection.

Drink Union-made Silver Springs at Tooth's.

H. Scovil took a crew of men to Bitter creek early in the week for the purpose of putting a pack bridge over the Bear river at the mouth of the creek. While doing this work the men will board at Murphy's road house. When this work has been completed it is the intention to proceed to American creek, where a bridge is required.

Peanut Butter, (Unicorn brand) fresh and rich in oil, S. R. T. Co.

P. Murphy came down from his road house at Bitter creek the latter part of last week and returned this week. It was good to see him in town and he received a hearty welcome. While looking much thinner, he is still the same old rugged pioneer. This was his first appearance in town since the snow fell last fall. He says that things are much more advanced up at the Creek than they are down here, having a good garden well advanced.

Strikers' dance, Monday night.

Gardening is the popular outdoor sport.

Benny Erickson is expected in on the next boat.

Join the clean up army and "go over the top."

The moving pictures shown in Hyder last Sunday and again last night were a marked success.

The Fitzgerald brothers are doing some development work on their Goose creek property, opening up new ground.

H. C. Bennett, who has been very ill with lagrippe, made a business trip to Prince Rupert on the Provincial, last Friday.

Roy Clothier and Senator John Ronan, who left a few weeks ago for Terrace on the Skeena river to look over a mining property, are expected to return shortly.

Last week the News printed a large number of extra copies, and as soon as the newsboys reached the streets the papers were quickly sold. Advertisers please note.

Don't go home hungry. Get a lunch at Tooth's Smoke Shop.

The Chuqualla came in from Swamp Point on the 24th. Mrs. Owens took the opportunity of coming in with her husband for the baseball games and the dance in the evening.

Ramsay's Cream Soda Crackers, one of the best, and cheaper too. Salmon River Trading Co.

Roy Moseley, the vegetable wizard, has new onions, lettuce and radishes ready for the table. The green goods can be seen on his "experimental farm," back of the King Edward hotel.

Pat Benson, who has been working for some time on the Lucky Boy group on Fish creek, has driven a tunnel in 18 feet. He has been drifting on the lead and is in good ore all the way.

A baseball game will take place on Saturday afternoon between a team from the strikers and the regular Stewart nine. The strikers' committee will also give a dance in the Stewart hotel on Monday evening next.

Ladies—Owing to the large demand for ladies' dainty wear in Stewart and district, I have arranged with one of Vancouver's ladies' dainty wear stores to make regular shipments to me on every boat. H. ZEFFERT, Men's Clothing and Fine Furnishings, Stewart.

Deputy Marshal J. R. Green and Customs Officer E. R. Stivers left for Ketchikan on the Taku last Sunday to attend court in that city in connection with the case arising out of the seizure a short time ago of the launch Sea Lion.

The dance at Hyder last Saturday night was poorly attended, only about seven or eight of the Canal's little bunch of sweetnesses being present; but nevertheless an enjoyable evening was spent. The music was both jake and jazzy.

At the Movie, Pioneers' hall, Hyder, Sunday, May 29, Fascinating Edith Storey, in "The Silent Woman," a five act drama of love and sacrifice. Also a good comedy and weekly. Adults, 50c, including war tax. Children, 25c, including war tax Everybody welcome.

Dance Monday night. Go!

George Young, road superintendent, and J. P. Suttie, public works engineer, leave for Prince Rupert on the Provincial.

A clay tennis court has been built at the residence of J. A. Hall in Hyder. This is the first court of its kind in the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hodgkinson have taken over and are going to run the Ocean View cabaret, thereby ensuring the public of Stewart a pleasant place of recreation.

S. Wykoff of the National Forest Service of Alaska, arrived in Hyder from Ketchikan a few days ago for the purpose of measuring the stumpage on the Premier right of way.

M. Lipovatz has opened a new store in his building on International avenue in Hyder. Mr. Lipovatz intends to very shortly enlarge his present place of business and install billiard and pool tables.

The committee, who were appointed some time ago at a meeting in Hyder of the Pioneers of Alaska, have during the week been canvassing the town with a view of ascertaining whether or not the people of Hyder can give sufficient support to enable a hospital to be built and maintained for that town. Not having completed their investigations no information is at hand as to the success they have met with. It is expected that a meeting will be held in the near future, before which it is their to put in a report.

MINING OUTLOOK PROMISING

Big Missouri Bonded---Pat Daly Meets With Success in New York---Great Activity on Marmot

The News was informed on Wednesday on good authority that a wire had been received locally from Pat Daly, now in New York, stating that he has closed a deal for the Big Missouri, in that city. There are no details to hand at the time of going to press; but it is understood this deal takes the form of a bond, and it means that active development of this property is about to be again undertaken.

Marmot Property Bonded

Word was received this week that Pat Daly has closed a deal in new York for William Fraser's Marmot river property. This deal takes the form of a working bond, and provides for considerable work to be done each year over a period of several years. This property is known as the Fraser group and consists of seven claims, situated on the north fork of the Marmot, four miles from tidewater, and at an accessible elevation. The showing on this property is very large and has been proved to some depth. William Fraser is one of the old timers of the camp, whose faith in the country and his property in particular, has now reaped him his just reward.

H. C. Magee, who returned a short time ago from Vancouver, is intending to do considerable work on his Patricia group, situated some five and a half miles from tidewater on the south fork of the Marmot river. Among his associates in this work is Dr. McKechnie of Vancouver who, it is expected, will be in Stewart during the coming summer.

Clay Porter, who with P. E. Rees located a group of claims on the south fork of the Marmot river last year, has returned from Seattle for the purpose of doing considerable work on this property. Rees sold his interest to his partners during the past winter.

Morris Peterson and Albert Johnson, who have been working on their Bay View property, 18 miles down the canal on the Canadian side, and have taken out some nice ore, spent the week end in town. They came up from the property to get supplies.

Emmel Davis, manager of the Commonwealth Mining company, whose property is situated 14 miles down the canal on the American side, will arrive in this port on the next boat for the purpose of starting work on the company's property.

POWER PLANT

Light and Power Proposition for Stewart-Hyder

Louis Johnson of Seattle is looking into the local situation with a view to establishing for the towns of Stewart and Hyder a hydro-electro plant, supplying a light and telephone service for these two towns. Mr. Johnson has had considerable experience in this line, having built the hydro-electric plant in Valdez, Alaska, and was superintendent of this plant after completion. On Wednesday he interviewed a number of local people with marked success. Arrangements have been made with Lawrence & Workman in connection with the power they own. Mr. Johnson informed The News that he has plenty of capital behind him to put the project through, if there is sufficient business offering and a satisfactory arrangement can be made with the people of Stewart.

A game of baseball was pulled off at the Stewart recreation grounds last Sunday afternoon between the home nine and an aggregation of ball tossers from Hyder. It was seven innings, and the visitors went down the gang plank like a bunch of drunken sailors. The score was 11-6. The manager of the Hyder team has a chance of making a fortune. He should sue the man for damages who told him he had the material for a baseball nine—but probably he meant the bats and balls.

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OUR SECOND BIRTHDAY

With this issue, The Portland Canal News is two years old. The first issue being published under date of May 30, 1919, by James Cullins, the founder, a well-known newspaper man not only throughout the Province, but also in this district, by reason of the fact that he was associated with Captain Percy Godenrath, when that gentleman started the Portland Canal Miner in February, 1910, and had to dig away six feet of snow in order to put up a tent in which to house their plant. With the financial depression of 1912 and the outbreak of the war In 1914, this camp experienced so severe a slump that all industry ceased and business generally declined, until in 1915, when very few people were left. With this decline Captain Godenrath discontinued his publication, and no paper was published in this section of the country, until the return of James Cullins in 1919, when he started this paper under the name of The Cassiar News, and continued to publish under that name until August, the eighth, of that year when, for good and sufficient reason, he changed the name to Portland Canal News. Taking this name for the reason that it was his intention with this publication to represent the whole Portland Canal district, and not just one section of it.

Mr. Cullins continued with this journal until November 1, 1920, when he sold out to Martin M. Smith, who co-incidentally sold a half interest to the present owner. Publication was continued under this joint management until the middle of February, 1921, when Mr. Smith sold his interest to his partner, the present publisher, who, in in March last, acquired the able assistance of Peck MacSwain, one of the best known printers in the Province.

Since November last we have doubled our circulation; and while this is very gratifying, yet we are not satisfied; therefore, it is our intention to again double it before the close of the summer.

To our patrons we would say that it is our constant endeavor to give the very best service possible under the conditions. The welfare of the district as a whole is our first consideration, and every effort to this end is our motto. A community is often judged by people, who have never seen it, by the type of newspaper that is published therein. Realizing this fact we are endeavoring to publish a journal that will be a credit to you. In addition to this we never lose an opportunity to keep before the eyes of the outside world the mining development of this section of the country, and above all, the advantages of this port as a railway terminal; which advantages are pointed out in a standing article, that for several months past has appeared in conjunction with a photograph, entitled, "Stewart," and for which we receive no financial support whatsoever. Support in this connection has never been requested, for the reason that we are of the opinion that it is our duty to boost the district.

In view of these facts we feel that we are justified in expecting to double our circulation during the coming season, and hope that our patrons, both advertisers and subscribers, will give us their assistance in this regard. This request is not on any sentimental grounds, but is a business proposition, particularly to those interested in the district.

We might say here, that it is our intention, in the very near future, to install a job printing plant in conjunction with the newspaper. Conditions, however, must be favorable before this can become an accomplished fact.

We wish to thank our patrons for their support during the past year, and hope that they will continue this support during the year which we are about to commence.

BOARD OF TRADE VISIT

The Boards of Trade of the cities of the south will visit Stewart about the 12th of next month. This affords a good opportunity to let the people of the south know something of this district, and, therefore, is a subject of interest to every resident. It would appear that it is now high time that some sort of a program for their reception were drawn up. Aside from this we would suggest that a town clean up day be inaugurated, and that every male resident turn out for this purpose. The work to be done would need to be systematized in order to prevent overlapping and insure a maximum of result. This is only a suggestion, and made with a view to getting action along some definite line.

LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS

The commencement of much needed repairs to the roads and bridges in this district has at last been made, and while there is considerable disappointment over the small amount of work to be done, yet there is some satisfaction to be gained out of the fact that the Bear River road will be made useable and that the Stewart-Hyder road is to be graveled and put in good condition.

In last week's issue we stated that the bush on Columbia street is to be cleared out, from Fifth to back of the school. This was the name of the street given to The News, but is incorrect, in that the street on which this work is to be done is Brightwell. This certainly is a step in the right direction. But only a step, for last year this town paid a large sum of money into the provincial treasury. Just exactly how much is hard to say; but if the figures could be ascertained they would prove surprising, and far more than sufficient to do the proposed road work. Yet now that the government have started this work, they will doubtless keep it up as long as they continue to collect the taxes.

EMPIRE DEFENCE

The British Dominions bordering the Pacific must make it their business to strengthen their means of naval defence.

So long as the Dominions are given the right to choose their own citizens, there should be no objection to renewal of the Anglo-Japanese agreement.

A constitution for the British commonwealth of nations and an Imperial executive are vital needs of the Empire if the present solidarity among the Dominions in relation to the Motherland is to be retained.

Such, in brief, are the views of Right Hon. William F. Massey, Prime Minister of New Zealand, regarding some of the outstanding issues to be threshed out at the Imperial Conference to which he is a delegate.—Victoria Colonist, May 6.

Good times may or may not be just ahead, but at least some of us have the satisfaction of knowing that more bad times are behind us than ahead. That is one of the few comforts to which we who are journeying downward are entitled.

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Synopsis of Land Act Amendments

Minimum price of first-class land reduced to $5 an acre; second-class to $2.50 an acre.

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 $200 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 fulfilment 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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GRANBY REPORT FOR YEAR 1920

Copper Output for Year was 27,000,000 Pounds---Decrease in Cost of Operation---No Labor Trouble

The Granby Cohsolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Company at its annual meeting re-elected directors, with the exception that J. T. Cabbe, replaced S. H. Steele, deceased.

Annual report is not ready, because of reduction of the office force in Vancouver from 25 to eight men and transfer of general manager's office to the mines at Anyox, but will be completed in about 10 days. It was stated that 1920 operations would show a deficit, as it costs the company at present slightly over 12 cents a pound to produce copper, although during the last six months economies had been effected reducing costs to 14 cents a pound Canadian, or 12.4 American currency: 4 cents a pound less than the first six months of the year.

Reserves of high grade ore were reduced 200,000 tons, being reported December 31 as 10,986,420 tons. Copper production in 1920 amounted to about 27,000,000 pounds of blister, of which 25,000,000 had been refined. Unsold copper at the end of the year came to approximately 20,000,000 pounds, of which 3,000,000 represented metal in process. Sales of copper for the year totaled 19,464,000 pounds.

Decrease in ore reserves was due to confining running operations entirely to ore production during present period of relatively high costs. As soon as the 150-foot level has been opened sufficiently so that development work will not interfere with ore production, prospecting to extend the ore boundaries will be resumed. Labor conditions are good. The men have taken two cuts in 1921 without protest and are returning to pre-war efficiency. The Granby company, as it is the main employer in the district and is from 600 to 700 miles from any large source of mine labor. feels it necessary to keep up present production, which despite deficit at present resulting, is about normal.

Coal mines of the company on Vancouver Island produced between 25,000 and 30,000 tons of coal during April and are running at normal capacity supplying considerable coal to Puget Sound cities as the result of coal strikes in Washington. During the year the coal mines produced 154,000 long tons of coal, of whick about 30 per cent was sold to outside consumers, the rest going to the company's coke plant at Anyox, where 75,600 tons of coke were produced.

All Free Miners' licenses expire at midnight, next Tuesday, May 31.

Wages in the Slocan mines have been reduced 75 cents a day and board 50 cents a day.

The renewal of the development of the mica deposits at Tete Jaune Cache by a Calgary company is of interest. These deposits have long been known, and shipments were made from them in 1898 and 1899, the dressed mica being taken out by pack train to Kamloops. Some of the mica brought $3 per pound. It is a muscovite of high quality save for a greenish cast. Canada produces about 900 tons of mica annually, most of which is exported to the United States, which is the world's largest consumer of mica.

The Daily Financial Mining Record of Denver (Colorado) says: A measure submitted to the British Columbia legislature and indorsed by the British Columbia Prospectors' Association provides for "powder at cost to prospectors." The measure will doubtless meet with opposition from the powerful powder interests, but its enactment would be of macerial benefit to the men, who face hardships in their indefatigable efforts to discover and wrest minerals from the earth, establish camps and make mining districts. Similar legislation in the interests of the mining industry would be out of place in Washington.

For International Trade

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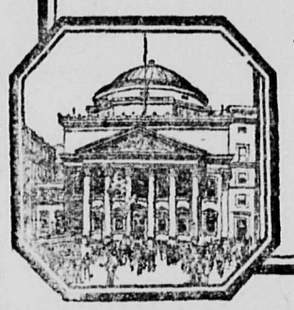

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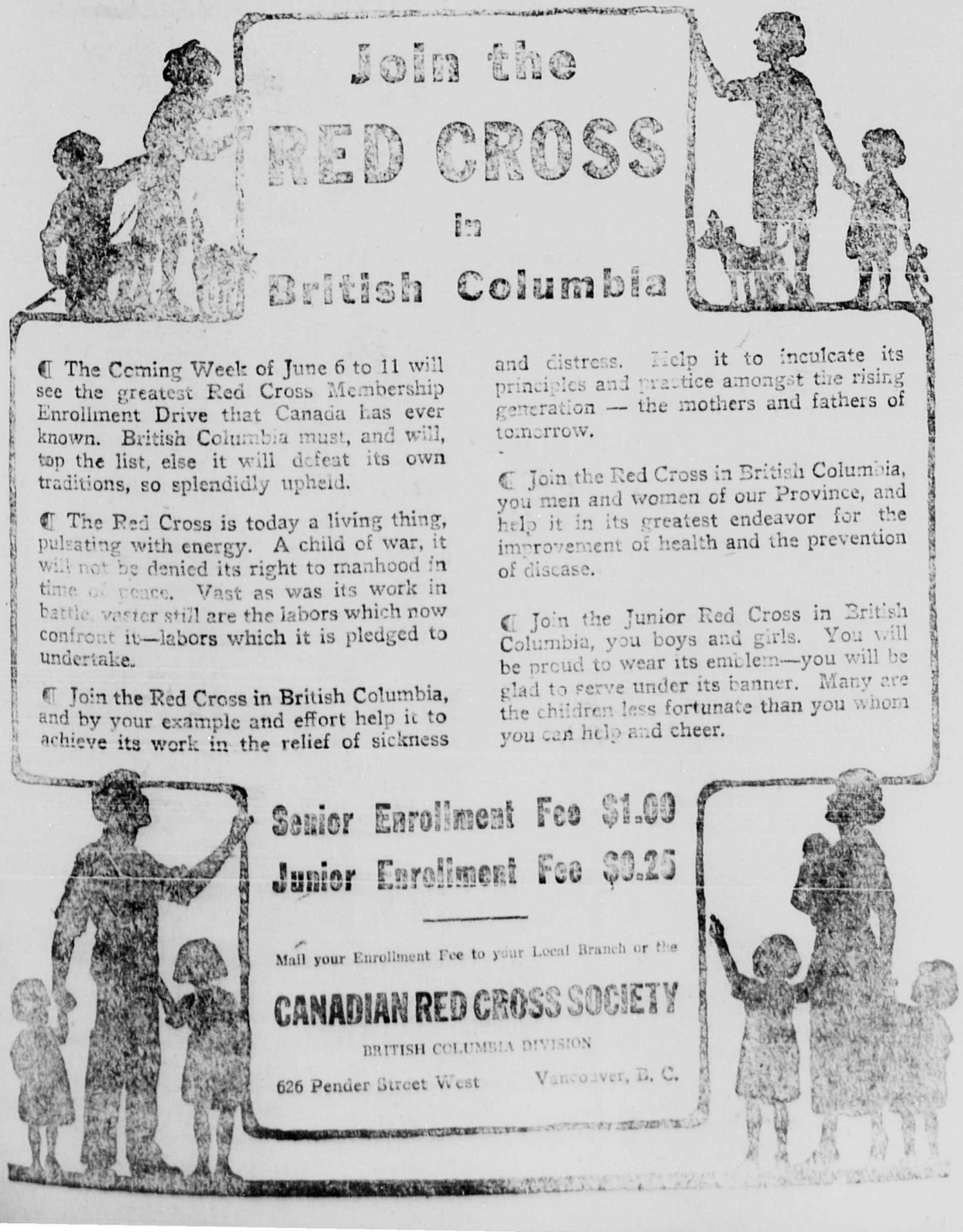

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AN AGGREGATE VALUE OF $670,649,894

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 the year 1916, $42,290,462; for the year 1917, $37,010,392; for the year 1918, $41,782,474; for the year 1919, $33,296,313.

PRODUCTION DURING LAST TEN YEARS, $322,829,310

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.

Absolute Titles are obtained by developing such properties, security of which is guaranteed by Crown Grants.

Full information, together with Mining Reports and Maps, may be obtained gratis by addressing

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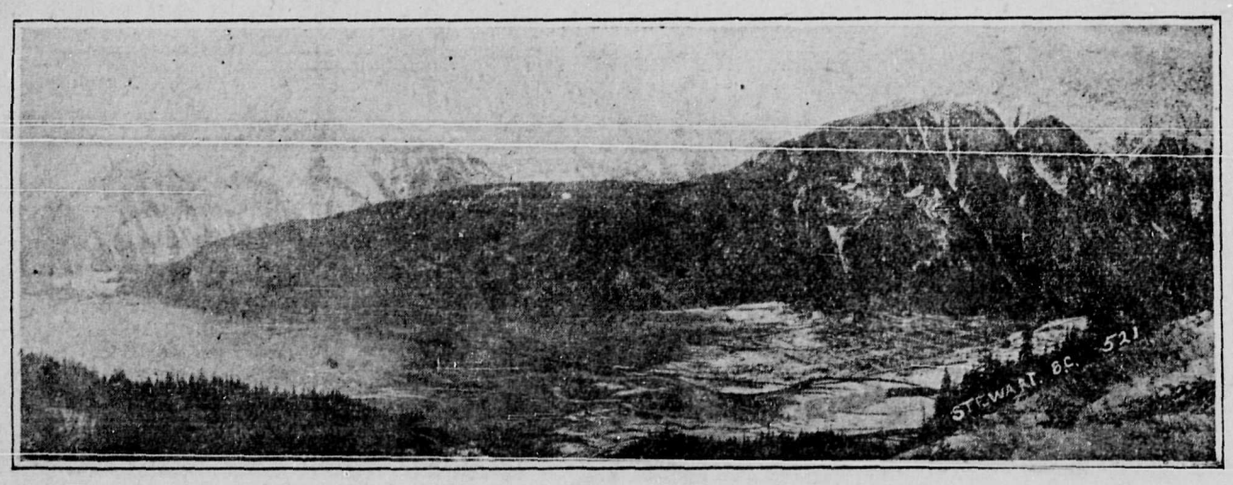

Stewart

Look at the map of British Columbia with an unbiased mind. Roughly Vancouver is 800 miles from the same point in the Peace River country that is reached in 400 miles from Stewart, which is the natural outlet for the whole northern and eastern interior.

Nearly every settler in the Peace River district is talking of railway communication with the coast.

Speaking in broad terms there are thirty-two millions of acres of the Peace River district situated within the boundaries of British Columbia, and more than forty millions of acres within the Province of Alberta, most of it being suitable agricultural land for mixed farming or ranching. In addition there is a vast area of mineral and timber resources, the extent of which is only beginning to be realized.

Immense deposits of anthracite coal have been located and the president of the Peace River Board of Trade is authority for the statement that this coal grades higher than Pennsylvania coal.

Extensive exploration work is being carried on in connection with oil and already startling results have been obtained. The oil sands are located at a depth of about sixteen hundred feet and enough investigation has taken place to be assured that they are of wonderful extent. There is also an abundance of natural gas.

The area under cultivation at present is only about three hundred thousand acres and the population of the whole district is about twenty thousand. The first grain was sent out of the country three years ago, and consisted of less than one thousand bushels. Last year nine million bushels were produced from about a quarter million acres, the average wheat yield being thirty-five bushels to the acre or nearly double the average of other portions of Alberta. The land is also well adapted for the raising of stock of all kinds, particularly hogs.

It is reasonable to suppose that if two hundred and fifty thousand acres are now producing nine million bushels of grain, that within a very few years there will be ten million acres producing three hundred and fifty million bushels of grain, or roughly, ten million tons.

GENERAL NEWS

Provincial, Dominion, America and the Old Country

Oil has been discovered in the Cassiar.

In Manitoba eggs are 20 cents a dozen in trade.

Dominion census taking will commence June 1.

The largest standing army in Canada is the Salvation Army.

Shipments of British Columbia coal were recently made to Sweden.

Wall Street is betting nine to five on Dempsey. Still Wall Street might be off its nest.

Prince Rupert is to have a fall fair. It ought to be a big affair, providing the weather is fair.

Thirty-five years ago no milk was sold in Vancouver. Hasn't changed much since that date.

The British Columbia hen that might be laying eggs these days, and is not, had better not get fat.

The Doukobors own all the good land around Grand Forks. They do not help to build up a town.

A fruit cannery is being built at Terrace. This spring many new settlers are coming into the district.

All horsethieves in British Columbia are tobacco chewers, but all tobacco chewers are not horsethieves.

Sir James Cantlie, the eminent English surgeon, says tobacco is the least harmful of "four social poisons, tea, coffee, tobacco and alcohol." Hundreds will disagree with him; but Jim ought to know what he is talking about.

At present the chief industry of Fort George is bootlegging. The payroll is a large one.

It was 100 years ago this month since Napoleon, the man who dreamed of world dominion, died at St. Helena.

The Alice Arm Herald is the latest addition to British Columbia newspaperdom. E. Moss is chief thinker.

Penticton is one of the best towns in the province. New settlers are flocking to the district like bees to a flower garden.

Judging from the reward offered for the former Soviet leader, General Rudenny, he is worth about as much as two loaves of bread.

While in Toronto Hon. Mary Ellen Smith told a reporter that British Columbia needs a million more new houses. Would one more be too many?

Sixty years ago Hope had a population of 10,000. Today it has about 100. The rush to the Cariboo gold fields made it lively camp for a short time.

Some million pounds of onions are lying in dumps in the Okanagan valley going to waste. This is due to Vancouver wholesalers buying the Washington crop.

A widow of 52, in New Westminster, is suing a young man, 19 years old, for $75,000 for breach of promise. This is certainly the high cost of loving.

Part of the townsite of Greenwood is to be turned into a sheep range. A few years ago Greenwood was one of the liveliest mining camps in the province.

Victoria citizens want the asylum moved from New Westminster to the capitol. What! Isn't the parliament buildings sufficient amusement when the house is in session?

A Vancouver paper remarks that the price of meat has been falling for three months. At the same rate of speed it should reach normal level in 933 years, seven months, eight days, five hours and two minutes.

Mort Billings, who twenty years ago walked from a little town in the state of Iowa to Cranbrook, B. C., is now business manager of the Kamloops Standard-Sentinel, and is getting out one of the best papers in the provinee.

It is stated, near Terrace is a log so crooked in the grain that it cannot remain in place, rolling around knocking down buildings, fences, fruit trees, etc. A farmer tried to cut it up and he turned left handed; a young lady looked at it and turned cross-eyed; a minister spoke about it in his sermon and he turned crooked and stole the collection. A reporter on one of the Prince Rupert dailies went to the scene to write it up, and his brain got twisted and turned into a knot. This is not a crooked story.

ATLIN ELECTORAL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that, I shall, on Monday, the 20th day of June, 1921, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Government Office, Anyox, hold a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing and determining any and all objections to the retention of any name or names on the Voters' List for the above named Electoral District.

Dated at Anyox, B. C., this 16th day of May, 1921.

JOHN CONWAY,
Registrar of Voters, Atlin Electoral District.

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MINERAL ACT,

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"Boundary," "Cabin," "Grub," "Grubstake," "Lucky," "International Fraction," "Daly," "Group," mineral claims, situate in the Portland Canal mining division of Cassiar district.

Where located: In the Salmon River Valley, in the Portland Canal Mining Division, and lying east of the Premier Group of mineral claims.

Take notice that I, William C. Ross, of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for Amos B. Trites, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16311C; Roland W. Woods, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16310C; W. R. Wilson, Free Miner's Certificate No. 16312C, and Patrick Daly, Free Miner's Certificate No. 31468C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this fifth day of March, A.D. 1921. 44

LAND ACT

Cassiar Land District—District of Skeena, near Stewart, B. C., near corner of Lot No. 792, Cassiar District:

Take notice that Lawrence & Workman, of Stewart, B. C., occupation Millmen, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 100 feet south of the northeast corner of Lot No. 792, Cassiar District, thence south ten chains; thence east five chains; thence north fifteen chains; thence west to right-away of Portland Canal Shortline; thence south along the said line of right-away to point of commencement, and containing seven acres, more or less.

G. B. LAWRENCE, Applicant.

Dated March 14, 1921.