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MINERAL PRODUCTION FOR 1924 BREAKS ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS

The monetary value of the mineral output of British Columbia for the year 1924 is estimated to be $15,116,285, according to an announcement made by the Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines. This is an increase over 1923 figures of $3,811,965, or approximately 9.2 per cent.

The increase in the production of the metalliferous mines of the Province is one of the most striking features of mining activity during the past year. The metal mines have made a production valued at $32,310,600, as compared with $25,767,062 in the previous year. Thus the actual advance is $6,543,538, or 25.3 per cent.

The value of this year's production as estimated is far ahead of that of any year of which there is record. The nearest to it is the year 1916, when mineral output reached the aggregate value of $42,290,062. It is to be remembered, of course, that this was at the height of the war when demands were great and prices were high. Since 1919 the growth of British Columbia's mining industry has been steady and healthy.

If coal production had not been as satisfactory during the past year, the figures that might have been quoted would have been of outstanding significance. Unfortunately however this branch of the mining industry has not had as good a year as was 1923. The gross production declined to the extent of about 484,456 tons. Figuring loss both in coal and in coke, there is a total monetary reduction of approximately $2,872,863, or 22 per cent. The explanation of this is that the Crow's Nest Pass field, one of the most productive of the Province, was idle for six or seven months. Latest reports are that conditions in the Crow's Nest Pass field have settled down to a resumption of work on the basis of a three-year agreement and a certain percentage of the market lost during the idle period has been recovered. As to Vancouver Island the industry has been holding its own and the prospects are favorable for the future.

Gold Production

Gold was produced in 1924 to the value of $4,965,000, an increase of $840,006 over the 1923 figures. The production this year will run to 240,500 ounces, as against 199,565 ounces last year. A comparatively small part of this was placer gold, which class of mining was responsible for only 20,500 ounces, or practically the same as 1923. The greater proportion of the increase in gold output may be put down to the Portland Canal Mining Division. This section of the Province and adjacent mineral zones produced 175,000 ounces, or an increase of approximately 12 per cent. The results of steps being taken for the exploitation of the placer fields of the Cariboo and of the Cassiar have not yet been felt. Those in touch with developments of the past year are confident that both placer and lode gold production will show a marked increase in 1925.

Silver

There has been an advance in production of silver, amounting to about 660,014 ounces, which is given a valuation of $752,871.00. The total for 1923 was 6,032,986 ounces worth $3,718,129, and that for this year is placed at 6,693,000 oz. valued at $4,471,000. This splendid showing is attributable chiefly to the mines of the Kootenays and of Portland Canal The gross output of the Trail Smelter, (Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada) in respect of this metal has been given as over 3,000,000 oz. The Northwestern District is said to have accounted for 2,010,000 ounces, an increase of ten per cent over last year.

Copper

As to copper the situation is rather unusual for there is shown to be an increase in the quantity produced and a decrease in the value of the same. In 1923 the copper output totalled, roughly, 57,750,000 pounds. In 1924 it is estimated at 63,100,000 pounds. The drop in value is placed at $109,216. The reason for this is apparent on its face. The copper market has been decidedly weak all year. Latterly however it has begun to climb. Settlement of the reparations question in Europe and the possibility of Germany and other Continental powers requiring increased quantities of this metal has sent the price up to some extent. The result is that copper operators in British Columbia are looking into the future with confidence, and there are possibilities of the resumption of work and production at Copper Mountain. It is also considered likely that if conditions continue favorable, the Sunloch mine, Vancouver Island, and the Old Sport, Quatsino, in both of which the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada is interested, will be brought rapidly to the point of production.

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STEWART-HYDER LOCAL NEWS

The Boy Scouts have received their new uniforms. Nifty.

John Meneghello is building a residence for Wm. La Rose on Fourth street.

Local mining statistics etc. can't be published until next week. No room.

J. Fred Ritchie, president of the Indian Mines, arrived Monday night from Rupert.

What do you know about 40 above and bright sunshine this time of year? Weather man gone batty?

A daughter was born at 2:30 New Year's Day, at the Stewart General Hospital to Mr and Mrs M.J.St. Clair of Riverside mine.

Donald Hayes, R. Sandy, and Gerald Stewart, who have been working at Dunwell and Glacier Creek left for their homes in Victoria yesterday.

Sam Wickwire, the jeweler and watch repairer, has moved into Whittaker's former location in the Newell building and has a nice line of jewelry displayed.

Geoffry Bagshawe, who put in the summer digging for high grades in divers and sundry prospect holes throughout the district, left for his home in Victoria yesterday.

George Clothier, resident mining engineer for the district, arrived Monday night to make a final check of mining activities preparatory to making his annual report. Mrs Clothier accompanies him.

Hans Pederson went to Alice Arm Thursday.

Mrs G. W. Smith left Monday night for a visit in Victoria.

Mr snd Mrs John Mellor left yesterday on an extended vislt in England.

"Youth must have its fling," exclaimed the young mucker as he heaved a hunk of ice at a yapping k9.

A Court for Naturalization is to sit ih the court house in Stewart, January 8, Magistrate J. P. Scarlett presiding.

Dr. Ernest L. Morgan, dentist, has taken over Dr. Butler's practice and equipment and is located in the latter's former offiee in the Portland Canal News building. His family will join him in the spring.

PREMIER MINER KILLED BY BLAST

Aldo Alazzarotto, a miner employed at the Premier, was fatally injured by a premature blast at 2:45 on the morning of Dec. 28, dying at 4 p.m. the next day. He was working with his partner, Attillo Piccolotte, on No. 4 level. The round of holes had been loaded and Alazzarotto was spitting the fuses, after sending his partner below the bulkhead with the lights, in preparation for their getaway. The latter was rendered unconscious by the explosion, but not seriously injured.

Deceased was a native of Italy and about 38 years old. He is said to have a brother working at the mine, but nothing as to other relatives is known locally. The body was brought to Hyder for embalming and to await word from friends as to its disposal. An inquest was conducted at the mine Monday evening by Coroner Whillans, the jury returning a finding of accidental death.

ARMSTRONG'S HOME BURNED

Ernie Armstrong's home on Fifth srreet was completely destroyed by fire last Saturday morning, nothing being saved except the most precious possession of Mr and Mrs Armstrong, the baby, with her little carriage, they being carried out by Mrs Armstrong.

The fire apparently started on the roof near the kitchen chimney and the strong northeast gale carried it down and through the house with almost the speed of an explosion, making it impossible to save any household effects, or a considerable amount of currency. No insurance was carried.

A bucket brigade, securing water from a creek behind the house, saved the residence of Mr and Mrs Jack Grey, from which all the household effects were carried out. As an afterthought the Fifth street pumping plant was put into action, but was of no particular benefit.

FIND BODY OF N. MACKENZIE

The body of Norman MacKenzie, a local carpenter who had not been seen here since the night of Nov. 10,, and for whom search parties were organized about a week later, was found near the float at the old wharf last Monday noon, the discovery being made by Gordon Cook who was employed in the government road crew. The foreman, H. E. Scovil, was notified and fastened the body to the float, then notifying Constable Williams.

A jury empanelled by Coroner Whillans examined all available witnesses Tuesday afternoon and returned a verdict of accidental drowning. Deceased had cashed a check with John Mellor on the evening of the 10th and then said he was going to Rupert, but no money was found on his person, though his watch, pipe and knife were in his pockets and helped to establish his identity. The features were badly decomposed.

Norman was born in Sterneway, Hebredies Islands and was about 50 years old. He came to Stewart about three years ago. He served during the war with the British North Sea fleet.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon, service being conducted by Rev. A.W.R. Ashley.

HOSPITAL DANCE GREAT SUCCESS

Wonderful Response Made To Appeal for Funds To Keep Local Institution in Operation

The New Year's entertainment in support of the Stewart General Hospital was an unqualified success in every particular. In point of attendance, if there had been any more people there they would have been crowded beyond the point of comfort. As a money getter, if there was any refined method for painlessly extracting the laat nickle, that the committees failed to think of, it has so far failed to come to light. As a source of enjoyment, it left nothing to be desired.

The full financial report is not yet ready, there being some odds and ends yet to be reported, but the net receipts will be more than $700, and possibly $800, which exceeds the hopes that even the financial committee entertained a week ago.

The three-decker cake raffled by the Exchange Grill was won by Mrs Wilkinson, while Dave Allen of Hyder carried off the turkey put up by the P. Burns Market. Winning numbers of the big raffle and the names of the holders, so far as known, are as follows:

1—424, J.E. Munro.
2—500, Jack Scott.
3—508, Ernie Armstrong.
4—287, D. Fraser.
5—395, Hyder.
6—158, Premier.
7—307, Hyder.
8—402, Hospital.
9—336, Hospital.
10— 84, W. McFarlane, Indian mine.
11—254, Premier.
12— 31, Harry Reid, Indian m.

KIDDIES ENJOY CHRISTMAS TREE

Fine Entertainment Held Monday Night Gave Glee To Tiny Tots and Also Grown-ups

Undoubtedly the best kiddies Christmas celebration ever held in Stewart was that of last Monday night, and congratulations of the community are due the committes who made the arrangements as well as to the kiddies themselves for the excellence of the entertainment they provided and from which the grown-ups derived a keen enjoyment.

The entertainment began with a series of rollicking games by the little folks, followed by recitations and tableaux. Promptly at 9:30 Santa's deputy arrived with his pack and bells, Noel Traversy of Hyder, Dictator of the Moose Lodge, filling this role as though to the manner born. And such a time as the tots had! This was the first Christmas for many of them—that could be recognized as such—and shrill plaudits of delight expressed their joy. The tree took on the attributes of a faerie picture, with its bangles and lights, its streamers and presents for 67 children.

The program follows:

Recitations

By Horton Jack, Harry Wilkinson, William Thomey, Arthur Thomey, John Thomey, Jack Lee, Eric Lee, Violet Watson, Betty Jack, Alice Wilkinson.

Dance, Sailor's Hornpipe, Vera Workman.

Tableaux

Old Mother Hubbard, Margaret Jancowski.

The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe, Pupils of Room 2.

Jack and Jill, Alice and Harry Wilkinson.

Jack Horner, Eric Lee.

Little Bo Peep, Violet Watson.

Mary, Mary, Betty Jack.

Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat, Vera Workman, Eric Lee, Dick Jancowski, Fred Jancowski.

Play, Santa's Mistake

May Campbell, Bonnie Campbell, Joan Mellor, Doreen Jack, Violet Watson, Roy Workman, Ivan Ward, Jack Lee, Dick Jancowski, William Thomey, Peter Marvin.

A perfect evening closed with dancing, which lasted until 11:15. The little folks by no means had a monopoly of the floor, as the older ones had to show them the steps. Good excuse.

Don't forget to write it 1925

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MINING PARASITES

THE FAVORITE indoor sport with a certain class of human sharks is trying to becloud mining titles. Let something good be discovered or developed, and immediately frantic efforts are made by these gentry to find some excuse for "declaring themselves in on it." This is especially true of the United States, where the mining laws are more complex than here, and where sharp practice is generally conceded to be more prevalent, though we must reluctantly admit that our neighbors have to go some to keep in the lead.

These pirates, as a rule, style themselves mining men; but they are no more mining men than the eagle who steals the seagull's catch, is a fisherman.

The Portland Canal District has had some experience with this sort of graft. The most recent case is that of the "Silver Ores Incorporated," of Delaware, U. S. A., vs the Premier Gold Mining Co., in which seven mining claims were claimed on the ground that the Delaware outfit had purchased them from one Fader, who sold them to the Premier. The latter company however made sure of the title before purchasing. If the Delaware company had any legitimate claim, it would appear to be against Fader; but the plaintiffs may have figured that the Guggenheims, rather than stand the annoyance of a trial, would make a cash settlement. From the fact that they did not appear in court, this would seem to be their reason for bringing suit.

Another case was that of Caldwell vs the Daly Alaska Co., which was thrown out of court by an Alaskan judge, but not before the compauy had been put to considerable annoyance and expense, spending money on lawyers' and court fees that they should never have been forced to spend. Then there were the attempts made against the Alaska Comstock and the Homestake and Ibex groups on Texas creek, which were so plainly "put up jobs" the court disposed of them in short order.

However, mining is not alone as a target for schemers. In every line of human endeavor, those "who toil not, neither do they spin," continually harass their industrious neighbors.

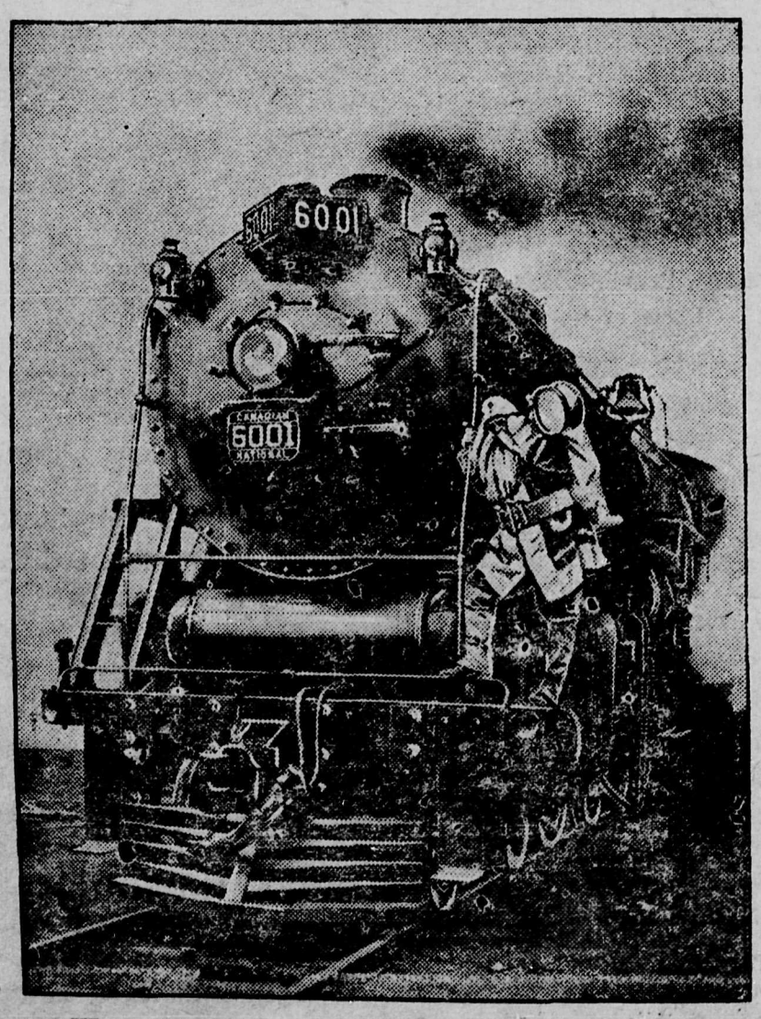
They are the fleas of the human race.

A Vancouver paper publishes a report of a man being caught in a sudden explosion. The inference is that had the explosion been slow, instead of sudden, the victim would have had time to run away.

Household goods, money, and the building itself do not constitute the principal loss in a fire that destroys a home. It is the loss of those little personal trinkets, upon which no monetary value can be put, and which cannot be replaced, that hurts.

Where the population is most dense is just above the ears. Fighting fires is a noble work, but how about preventing them?

A MODERN SANTA CLAUS



THE world is getting so big and there are so many little folks and big folks in it who look forward to a visit from Santa Claus, all on the same day, that the genial old gentleman is forced by the pressure of his duties to discard his reindeer and his sleigh on occasions and to travel on the fast passenger trains that are speeding people home for Christmas Day. Nothing but the very best will do Santa Claus, and that is why, as you see here, he has chosen as his steed one of the huge locomotives of the Canadian National Railways. These locomotives, known as the 6000 type, are the biggest passenger locomotives in Canada. Santa Claus posed for this picture when he was inspecting the engine so that all the boys and girls, and grown-ups, too, could be sure that he would reach them on Christmas Eve.

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Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timber land, i.e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is $5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land $2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

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

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers up to ten head.

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NOTICE.

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And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 7 day of November, A. D. 1924. 25

MINERAL ACT
Certificate of Improvements
NOTICE

Myra, Ben Ali No. 2, M & D No. 2. George E No. 3, Gloria, Sunbeam Fractional and Dunwell No. 4 Fractional Mineral Claims, situated in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located,—On Glacier Creek.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for Dunwell Mines, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. 84067C, intends, 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.

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MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

UNICORN, UNICORN NO. 2, UNICORN NO. 3, UNITY, GOOD HOPE, SNOW KING, H & W FRACTION and SILVER CREEK FRACTION Mineral Claims, situated in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—On Silver Creek, Upper Salmon River Valley.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for John Hovland, Free Miner's Certificate No. 61724C, and Louis Watkins, Free Miner's Certificate No. 61712C, intends, 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.

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HOLLYWOOD No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Mineral Claims, situated in Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—On August Mountain, north side of Salmon Glacier.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for Cronholm Bartholf Mines Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. 68650C, intends, 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.

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Dated this 1st day of November, A.D. 1924. 27

MINERAL ACT
Certificate of Improvements
NOTICE

Molly B Mineral Claim, situated in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—Opposite Stewart on east side of Bear River.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for James Stewart, of Stewart, B. C., Free Miner's Certificate No. 84063C, intends, 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 claim.

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MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

LAKE VIEW No. 1, LAKE VIEW No. 2, LAKE VIEW No. 3 and SILVER BELL FRACTIONAL Mineral Claims, situated in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—Glacier Creek Valley.

Take notice that Richard F. Hill, acting as agent for the Lakeview (Stewart, B. C.) Mines Limited, non-personal Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 84519C, intends, 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.

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MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE

L & L No. 1, L & L No. 2, L & L FRACTIONAL Mineral Claims, situated in Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—On North fork of Glacier Creek.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for John Lockwood, (Estate of) Free Miner's Certificate No. 61725C, intends, 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.

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ALL RECORDS ARE BROKEN

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Lead

The increase in the volume of lead for which British Columbia mines are responsible, is one of the most interesting and encouraging features of this years figures. Last year the Province produced 96,500,000 pounds of lead. This year the output comes to 132,000,000 pounds. The increase in value is over $4,250,000 For the most part this output comes from the Sullivan mine, Kimberley, one of the greatest of the world's deposits of silver-lead-zinc ore. Some, howeyer, is accounted for by the independent mines of the Kootenays and it is gratifying to report that a larger proportion is traceable to this source than heretofore. With the price of this metal at a level that permits of large or small scale operations at a profit, and with every indication that no marked decline may be looked for in the immediate future, the prospects with regard to this particular branch of the industry were never more satisfactory.

Zinc

Zinc, too, has jumped ahead in point of production. Last year the output was roughly 58,250,000 pounds and this year it is estimated to be 64,500,000 pounds, an increase in value of $765,247. In connection with this metal it is interesting to note that substantial shipments of concentrates were sent to Belgium and to Butte Montana, for treatment and distribution. This was the overproduction of the Kimberley concentrator which is operated in conjunction with the Sullivan mine, Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company. The condition that has made necessary the adoption of this course is being removed, is understood, by additions to the capacity of the various plants affected at Trail as well as by a very material augmentation of the power producing facilities at Bonnington Falls of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company.

CABIN AND CONTENTS DESTROYED BY FIRE

A cabin near Third street, occupied by Wm. (Blackie) Irwin and owned by Jimmy Lydden, was completely destroyed by fire which started about 11 o'clock last Friday night. Irwin, who waa in bed when the blaze broke out, succeeded in saving his bed, and Charlie Bibeau managed to pull the stove out, but all the other contents were destroyed, including three large tents and prospecting outfit belonging to Lydden, as well as his boat equipment, oars, sail etc. A number of other prospectors' outfits which were also stored there, went up in smoke. The building had been recently lined inside with lumber, and the fire started between the ceiling and the roof, being caused by an overheated pipe.

CONSTABLES ARE CHANGED

Provincial Constable J. A. Williams has been transferred to Bella Coola and Constable F. Islip of that place will come here. The former left for the south Monday night accompanied by his wife and daughter, and Mrs Williams' mother, Mrs Cartwright. L. T. Davis has been appointed special constable to act until the arrival of Constable Islip. Constable Williams will return in about three weeks to pack his effects and will then proceed to his new station.

The people of Stewart are sorry to see the Williams family leave here. Constable Williams has been more than a mere officer of the law, taking an active part in all civic movements for the betterment of the community and being especially active in athletic circles, by his example encouraging the young people of the town to become interested in healthy, outdoor sports. Mrs Williams and little June will be missed from the social life of the community.

TELEGRAPH CREEK BUDGET OF NEWS

Under date of Nov. 17 the Telegerph Creek correspondent of the News writes:

Homer Ficklin and Pat McBride arrived from Stewart overland via the Naas and Yukon telegraph line. They were joined here by Bob Latimer and left to prospect for some quartz stringers at the head of Gold Pan creek. Ficklin had been in there a number of years ago with a party of big game hunters and found a promising prospect.

Pat McNamara is driving team for the Provincial Government.

Alf Morganstern is wintering horses at Callbreath's ranch.

Aleck Doman is running a trap line at the head of the Iskut.

Weather conditions are good. After an unusually heavy snow fall early in September, warm rains and open weather took most of this off, and a spell of zero weather setting in about November 1st, froze the side streams and many of the crossings in the main Stikine, and insures good ice for winter travel

The Dickinson Mining Company are leaving in a few days with the last of their supplies and saw mill machinery for drilling and prospecting their property at the mouth of Dease creek. They are using a Ford tractor, and while they were delayed somewhat early in the fall on account of the muddy condition of the road, they had splendid luck after tne freeze-up came.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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International Electric Co. Ltd.
Per G.B.Lawrence, Pres.

"COMPANY'S ACT"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CRONHOLM-BARTHOLF MINES LIMITED, Non-personal Liability, intends to change its name to HOLLYWOOD MINES LIMITED, Non-personal Liability, and that it will after the statutory publication hereof apply to the Registrar of Companies, Victoria, B. C., for approval of such change.

DATED at Vancouver, B. C., this 24th day of December, 1924,
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Local Stocks

The temporary closing of the Dunwell nnd Glacier creek mines caused a marked slump in these stocks and in consequence all the Bear river stocks took a donwward trend. B. C. Silver and Premier remained steady, with few shares ehanging hands. Outside opinion is that there will be remarkable activities in all Portland Canal stocks in the early spring.

	Bid	Asked
B. C. Silver	$ 65.	$ .72
Dunwell	3.25	4.25
Glacier Creek	.19	.24
Independence	.09	.16
Indian	.03	.09
Lake View	.34	.43
Premier	2.45	2.60
Porter Idaho Sy.	23.00	27.50
Rufus	.10	.14
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