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STEWART, BRITISH COLUMBIA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1922

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## IG APPROPRIATION VOTED DISTRICT

### Good Authority States Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars to Be Spent on Public Works Next Year

According to a letter which was received in the last mail from an authoritative source in Victoria, the public works appropriation for roads, bridges and trails in this district for next year is in the neighborhood of \$5,000. This is believed to be paid entirely from any money that the department of mines may spend on trail work.

It is understood that the work to be undertaken with this money is the completion of the road from Stewart to the dock around the foot of the hill, thus doing away with the long trestle road now in use. It is estimated that this work will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000. It is not known definitely yet just where this road will leave the town, there being two alternative routes. One way being to go out Fifth street to a point just east of the baseball ground; then to run south until the hillside is met with, continuing around it to where the present road leaves the trestle and takes to the hillside. The other route is to extend the fill which at present exists just below Third street, continuing it in a straight line to the hillside. In this way the distance between Stewart and the dock will not be materially increased.

Two spans are to be constructed over the Bear river, at the present bridge site, at an estimated cost of some \$25,000 to \$30,000. It is anticipated that this work will be commenced in the spring before the snow goes, so as to be ready to care for the valley traffic as soon as it starts.

Extensive improvements will be made to the main Bear river wagon road above Bitter creek, including a big change of location at Muddy gulch. In fact it is contemplated cutting out that section of the road entirely and building a new road, following the railway around through the little Bear river canyon, then swinging back to the present road at a point beyond the other end of Muddy gulch hill.

This will give a water grade all the way up the valley and materially reduce the cost of taking supplies to the properties on the upper Bear. It is reported to be the intention of the department to construct a road as far as American creek, of such a nature as to allow of the use of

motor lorries all the way. For this work it is reported that a vote of approximately \$25,000 has been passed by the house now in session. The balance of the money will be spent on general repair work on the various trails and roads throughout the district, and also allows for a few hundred dollars to be spent on streets and sidewalks in the town.

It is not known just how soon this work will commence, but it is hoped that some of it will start before the winter is over, particularly the bridge and the outer end of the road to the dock. In the case of the latter, little difficulty would be experienced in doing this work during the winter, for being on the hillside just above high water, the snow would not interfere very much; whereas, if left until the heavy increase of traffic in the spring, continual interruptions would be experienced with passing vehicles and pedestrians.

#### Armistice Lunch

William Dann, proprietor of the Stewart hotel, himself an ex-service man, tendered a very enjoyable luncheon to the returned men of Stewart and Hyder, in the Stewart hotel at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of the 11th. Some forty or fifty men of the British and American services were present and enjoyed a most entertaining few hours. W. O. Clarke, of the local Bank of Montreal staff, presided at the piano. A number of toasts were proposed, both by the local boys and those from the American forces. Frank Bowler, in his usual good form, sang several well selected songs. As the luncheon proceeded exceptionally good talent was unexpectedly unearthed. Comrade Morris leading in a number of well known trench songs, alternating with Tom Campbell, who kept the room in roars of laughter with a number of pieces that were most amusing. Several others also assisted in making the afternoon one huge success. Toward the end William Orr proposed that an International Service club be formed, which was greeted with the utmost enthusiasm, and a meeting was called for Thursday evening. Space does not allow of a more full account of this most successful affair.

## STEWART LOCAL NEWS

Ed Hambleton left for Vancouver on the Prince Rupert, last Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. C. A. Mackenzie left for Victoria on the Prince Rupert, Sunday.

Harry Reid of the Hyder Transfer company, is packing supplies up to the Prince John property, this week.

W. J. Crawford went out to Prince Rupert, Sunday, on a business trip. He expects to return on the next boat.

Crawford Transfer company are putting on a stage from Stewart to 13-mile and camp Four—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

H. C. Bennett, who has been ill for the past three weeks, is now able to be up and about again, though not yet completely recovered.

Lawrence & Workman have about completed logging off a concession which they secured, near the old dock, from the provincial government.

Good headway is being made with Bob Keith's new hotel in Hyder, B.C. With the present rate of progress maintained this new and up-to-date hotel will soon be ready to cater to the traveling public.

It is understood that William Orr of Hyder, Alaska, and Archie Patterson of Stewart, will shortly open a general insurance and brokerage business in the district. Mr. Orr will handle the Hyder office and Mr. Patterson the one in Stewart.

J. H. Regan, who is logging seven miles down the canal, Canadian side, arrived in town, Wednesday afternoon, and reports that on Tuesday Tom Haddon, who has the logging contract, received slight injuries, Tuesday, by being struck in the chest by a falling pole. The injury does not appear to be sufficiently serious to warrant his entering the hospital.

Danny Hume, who for the past two months or so has been employed on Lade Bros. & Howe contract down at the Outsider group, returned to town during the week. He states that everything is going very well on the property, and first-class accommodation is afforded those employed. He was in charge of the water compressor engine and the recent cold weather, shutting off the supply, made it impossible to operate, is the reason he was laid off. Therefore, the work will have to be done with hand drills until the soft weather in the spring assures a supply of water.

Mrs. R. L. Clothier and her two sons left on the Prince Rupert for England, Sunday, where she will spend some time visiting her old home.

Lost—Recently, a grey alligator purse, containing a bank book and other papers. Finder please leave at The News office. No questions will be asked.

J. P. Suttie, of the provincial public works engineering department, left for Prince Rupert, Sunday, having completed his work for the season in this district.

A. E. Skinner, division immigration inspector for this district, arrived from Vancouver on the Prince Rupert Sunday, and spent the early part of the week investigating the local situation as it affects his department. He left for the south, Wednesday, going out via Anyox on an ore boat.

Duncan McIsaac, who was working at the Indian mine all summer, is enjoying city life in Stewart, this week. Dunc is a miner of the old school, who has prospected from the island of San Salvador (Atlantic coast) where Chris Columbus took up a homestead in 1492, to the banana belt of the Arctic circle. He expects, shortly, to go up to the Mobile, on Glacier creek.

An indication of the rapid growth of the district was last Sunday emphasized in the fact that the Prince Rupert arrived in port, Sunday, with a record breaking freight shipment—the total tonnage amounting to over 150 tons of general cargo—by far the heaviest shipment ever brought into this port by a passenger ship. In addition to this a ship arrived every day in the fore part of the week, each bringing considerable cargo, and taking out shipments of ore from the Premier mine.

#### Form Club

A meeting of returned service men was held in the Stewart hotel last evening, at which it was decided to form an International Service club. H. W. M. Rolston was elected chairman for the evening and William Orr of Hyder, secretary. A committee of three, consisting of William Orr, Harry Scovil and William Dann were selected for the purpose of drafting up a constitution and bylaws for submission at a meeting to be held on the 23rd. Since the meeting Mr. Dann has resigned from the constitution committee, as he feels that such a committee should be composed of men who served in the late war.

## SEASON'S WORK GIVES GOOD RESULTS

### Magee Completes Work for Year on Marmot Holdings—Encouraging Results on Three Groups

H. C. Magee, who since the spring has been doing development work on his Marmot river interest, has shut down work for the winter and will leave on the Prince Rupert for Vancouver, Sunday.

During the season Mr. Magee, who has had several men employed, and has done considerable work on three groups of claims: The Patricia, owned by himself and Dr. R. E. McKechnie of Vancouver; the Montana, owned by himself and Angus McLeod and George Bruggie; the Aberdeen, consisting of four claims, owned by himself, Dr. McKechnie and Mrs. Scott of Vancouver.

On the Patricia, situated on the south fork, containing seven claims, the tunnel has been extended 22 feet, giving a total length of 82 feet. Most of the work this season was confined to further exploration, open cuts and stripping; also to the building of trails and a cabin close to the new showings that were located during the summer.

The season's work has shown up a large mineralized zone, striking in an easterly and westerly direction across the entire group, and part way across the Montana—following the contact between the granite rocks and the green stones. In this zone Mr. Magee, during the summer has uncovered with open cuts and by stripping, three large low grade leads, assays from the surface of which run all the way from \$3 to \$5 in all values; and three high grade veins, on which assays taken from the surface to a depth of eight feet in open cuts, give values varying from \$46 to \$544 in silver, gold and copper.

One of these, a 6 foot vein, containing 2 feet of solid ore at a depth of 8 feet in an open cut, gave a total in all values of \$536. A general assay over the 6 feet gave a total value of \$160.

A very nice showing was this season uncovered on the Horse Shoe claim of the Montana group. Considerable open cutting and stripping was done on this property and a tunnel faced up. The work done gave encouraging results, uncovering ruby silver and grey copper. This group consists of six claims and is situated on the north side of the south fork, just east of the Patricia, and is within about five

and one-half miles of tidewater. Four assessments were also done by Mr. Magee on the four claims of the Aberdeen group, situated on the west side of the north fork of the Marmot, and immediately adjoins the Idaho group on the southwest. A large open cut was put in on the Copper King claim, exposing a 6 foot copper lead, carrying considerable bornite. On the Copper Queen a 15 foot open cut was made 6 feet deep, showing up a 12 foot quartz lead, highly mineralized with galena. A number of other leads were also located on this property, but owing to the shortness of the season and the volume of work Mr. Magee had in hand no work was done on them.

Eli Watland was employed by Mr. Magee since July.

Samples of ore from the Patricia group can be seen in the News office.

#### Armistice Dance

The Armistice ball, given last Friday evening in the Stewart hotel, was one of the most successful functions of its kind ever held in Stewart. A large number of people came down from the mine, and also over from Hyder, with the result that the hall was filled to capacity. Miss Ryan, who was in charge of all arrangements, deserves great credit for the evening being the success that it was. The decorations, carried out by Frank Bowler, were exceedingly good and very appropriate for the occasion. Harry Scovil, who was master of ceremonies, kept the evening going with a swing. The music, supplied by the Stewart orchestra, supplemented by George Woodworth, from the Premier mine, on the trombone, was so much appreciated that dancing was kept up for an hour and a half over the regular time. Statement of receipts and expenditures will be published in The News next week.

#### Installing Exhibit

One thing that is badly needed in Stewart is a representative display of ores of the district. Having ideal space for such an exhibit, and in order to fill this want, particularly in the spring, The News takes this opportunity of announcing the fact of the intention of installing in the front portion of our new quarters, such an exhibit. We shall, therefore, be pleased to receive samples of ore from any property in the district.







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## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINES

From coast line to Selkirk the present noticeable transition from pessimism and inactivity to optimism is extremely gratifying. The present movement in the province is not confined to one or two localities.

The record of the great Premier mine, near Stewart, which will return to its shareholders over three million dollars in dividends this year, has re-directed noticeable attention to coast districts, with the result that much new development is under way and prospectors are once more abroad over a wide territory offering wonderful possibilities.

The Kamloops district is showing more activity than for several years past.

The Slocan is taking on its old aspect of prosperity.

Several deals are under way in East Kootenay, and the area of which Nelson is the center is coming in for a good share of public attention. The most re-

assuring feature of the situation is that big capital is again on the lookout for promising prospects and has many accomplished scouts in the field.

Several important transfers of productive properties are practically completed, and it is certain that announcements in the immediate future will add to the fame of British Columbia as a locale for profitable investment in mines.

British Columbia unquestionably has the resources and it is beginning to profit from sane, consistent publicity. Its laws are the best in the world and it enjoys the paternalistic and enthusiastic aid of a minister of mines who understands the importance of his position. Capital is encouraged in every legitimate and every legitimate way and every effort is made to provide reliable information from official sources.—Mining Truth.

Keep your optics on B.C.

### MINERAL ACT, Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE.

Trites, International, Premier Fraction, and Wood Fraction mineral claims situate in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located: East of Cascade creek. Salmon river valley, British Columbia.

Take notice that I, Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for A. B. Trites, Free Miners' Certificate No. 16311C, Premier Gold Mining Company, F. M. C. No. 53452C, 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 14th day of September, A.D. 1922. 24

### MINERAL ACT, Certificate of Improvement. NOTICE

Sure Money, Sure Money, No. 1, Noble O No. 6, Shure and Money mineral claims, situated in the Portland Canal mining division of Cassiar district. Where located: On Upper Cascade creek, Salmon river valley.

Take notice that I, Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for William McGrew, Free Miners' Certificate No. 53493, and Charles Knipple, Free Miners' Certificate No. 53554C, 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 claim. And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 27th day of September, A.D. 1922. 24

### MINERAL ACT, Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE.

"Lucky Fractional" mineral claim, situate in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located: On International Boundary line, Salmon River valley.

Take notice that I, Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B.C., acting as agent for Anna M. Paul, Free Miners' Certificate No. 53486C, 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 claim.

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

Dated this 13th day of September, A.D. 1922. 16

### MINERAL ACT, Certificate of Improvements. NOTICE.

Vandal Fractional Mineral claim, situated in the Upper Salmon river valley, Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar district.

Take notice that I, Frederick C. Winkler of Victoria, B. C., Free Miners' Certificate No. 62855C, 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 fractional mineral claim. And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

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## THE FIRST CHURCH BELL

[David W. King who died in New Jersey a short time ago, is the author of the following poem. Twenty-five years ago he was editor and proprietor of the Kaslo Kootenai and will be remembered by many old time Kootenay miners, now working in the Portland Canal district. Jim Ward is still alive and living in New Denver:]

"The first church bell in the Slokan will call saint and sinner to worship at New Denver tomorrow."—News Item.

"I never quit a camp until I hear the first church bell."—Jim Ward.

"Say, Bill, what was that chimin' sound  
I heard a while ago?  
It sounded like a church bell,  
A-ringin soft and low,  
And stirrin' up old memories  
With its echoes, don't you know."

He was digging on the mountain—  
Silver mountain—when a bell  
Sent up from far below him,  
Soft as any funeral knell,  
Its first imploring music,  
And it bound him like a spell.

And mushing down the crooked trail,  
Hat in hand, to where Old Bill  
Cooked the bannocks and the bacon  
In their camp beside the rill,  
Walked the searcher after treasure,  
Pioneer of Silver Hill.

Another time, a church, a bride,  
Like some old forgotten song,  
Memory brought back to the searcher  
As he heedless strode along.  
Another time, a church, a bier,  
Came with memory's rushing throng.

"There, Bill, it's startin' in again,  
Ringin' soft and ringin' low;  
You reckon it's in Denver,  
The new church bell? Bill, you know  
This old camp's almost done for,  
And it's time for us to go."

## JUNK FROM THE SCRAP PILE

Some Newspapers Call It Editorial

If drugs were made for man,  
what was man made for?

Vancouver has 8963 automobiles. Swamp Point has none.

Gloomy thoughts are poison to body and soul, so why indulge in them?

Thirty-six years ago the milk from one cow supplied the savages of Vancouver.

Why does the fistful of knockers devote so much time to the man who is always doing things?

Looking at the mountain tops, around Stewart, these mornings, can you believe the scientist who says the earth is cooling off?

There seems to be no limit to the uses of trucks. A man in Vancouver advertises for a "man to milk and run a Ford truck."

Last week a Manitoba wife shot her husband by mistake for a mule, a mistake which is liable to happen in a good many families.

A Seattle weekly newspaper is advertising that it will give all new subscribers "The Landing of Columbus in Oil." Evidently Chris was a sardine.

Next year the ratepayers of New Westminster propose to elect a mayor who has other qualifications than those of a lacrosse player or a native son. The royal city certainly needs a mayor with horse sense.

This winter Victoria is so quiet that a deaf man can hear the rain drop.

There's a man in Stewart who loves darkness rather than light. He should be sent to the Old Man's Home.

Those folks who go around talking about a man being as crazy as a goose, should go out and try and shoot one, just to get an idea of how crazy a goose is.

Next summer shooting promises to be good in the Portland canal district. But don't shoot the knocker. Keep a garbage pile and let the flies do your dirty work.

Grumbling seems to do people some good. It's like the groans of a sick man. They don't do him any good unless it be in making other people feel miserable, and there is some satisfaction in that.

## DOING HIS BEST

"Go to father," she said,  
When I asked her to wed;  
Now she knew that I knew  
That her father was dead,  
And she knew that I knew  
Of the life he had led,  
And she knew that I knew  
What she meant when she said,  
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Another objection we have to profanity is that in times of real stress it is so darned inadequate. —Halifax Exchange.

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