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Rain Spoils First July Celebration

There was a damsel of Elko,
Who to Fernie declared she would go,
But when she gazed on the rain
She was heard to exclaim—
"Won't the stud word for mother just flow."

There were, however, many who did come to Fernie—and who were unkind enough to express dissatisfaction about the weather, the town and the athletic association generally, but they were the exception and not the rule. All who possessed a modicum of common sense realized that the athletic association could scarcely do otherwise than call everything off but the indoor events, for to have kept the children on parade would have been criminal, to say the least. At no time during the forenoon did the weather give real promise of clearing, and while, the afternoon might, by a stretch of imagination be called "fine," there were very few people who were inclined to venture far afield, while the state of the park and roads precluded the possibility of holding the sports under condition congenial. We question very much, had it been decided to hold the sports in the afternoon, whether any but a few enthusiasts and the contestants would have been present, and the meagre crowd of baseball fans who with Spartan courage followed the ball teams may be taken as a pretty fair indication of the interest that would have been displayed. Therefore, we maintain, in spite of the tremendous disappointment occasioned, that the association, having regard to all circumstances could not have acted otherwise. Many foolish remarks were made by some of the sportsmen, but the majority accepted the inevitable with best grace possible, recognizing that while every effort had been made for their amusement and accommodation, this is not the first time (nor will it be the last) that meterological conditions have had the last word in deciding our amusements.

In cancelling the sports the association have left the decision of a future date for the present, recognizing that the U. M. W. of A. may be desirous of holding sports on Labor Day, and as any date the former might arrange is likely to clash with the mine workers, we consider this very reasonable and trust that the town may not be denied a real good day's sport on Labor Day.

The School Children's Parade

The school principal had his scholars lined up on scheduled time at the Central school, and after the distribution of the flags the youngsters started out for the center of the town, and the rain started with them. Many thoughtful parents had provided their off-springs with umbrellas, but the youngsters seemed to mind the elements least of all. Upon arrival at the Coal Company's lawn the rain had increased to such an extent that a very few minutes would have sufficed to drench all, and those who escape qualified for a place in the foot races.

The rain let up for some few minutes to permit the arrival of the passengers, but no sooner had the train arrived then, all received another generous baptism.

At about 11.30 it was seen that there was no possibility of holding sports that day and the committee reluctantly decided to call off all outdoor events and put on the boxing contest for the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The printers were notified, and within a few minutes Mr. J. Lowe, assistant secretary, had an army of youthful assistants distributing dodgers announcing the cancellation of sports.

The Boxing Contest

Between two and three hundred enthusiasts gathered at the Arena to witness the boxing contest and after some delay—during which the audience expressed a little impatience—Alf Dragon and H. Marshall appeared and boxed a five-round preliminary. There seemed to be a little difference of opinion between the audience and the boxers as to what constitutes a preliminary, but this difference did not seem to be shared by the contestants. The next bout—star event—was between Eugene Piola (Fernie,) vs. Alfred Alexander (Victoria), who boxed at 140 pounds for light weight championship of Crow's Nest Pass. This bout, although going only some two rounds and 60 seconnds, was sharp and strong while it lasted. Alexander, however, shaped very poorly and failed to stop his opponent, who was both smart and clever.

The first round was all in Piola's favor, who forced his opponent to hang on the count with a heavy body blow over the heart followed by a quick short arm jab. Alexander was saved by the call of time.

In the second round, Piola again punished his man severely forcing him down to the count of seven and ten. In fact, the call of time again saved Alexander. The referee did not hear the shout of time and had awarded the fight to Piola when the timekeeper protested and the contestants were called back for the third round.

This proved to be a very short affair and Piola soon had his man down and counted out. While it lasted it was business.

The "Vets" Concert

The "Vets" had a good house for their concert in the evening and the object for which the concert was promoted should have received a good send off. The proceedings opened with an address by the chairman, Mr. J. Shanks, superintendent at Coal Creek.

Mr. Shank apologized for the absence of W. R. Wilson, general manager of the C. N. P. Coal Co., who was unable to fill the chair owing to unavoidable absence from town. After stating the object of the concert—the erection of a memorial to those killed in the explosion at Coal Creek, 1902—and the good work that the Vets association had performed in donation an ambulance for use of sick and injured, the chairman, made a few remarks upon the usefulness of mine rescue work in its application to mine disasters, giving as an illustration the fact that did an explosion similar to that of 1902 occur here again, the rescue crew would no doubt, save many lives with the oxygen apparatus. He then called upon the first artist, Mrs. A. G. Watson, who sang very pleasingly "Jessie's Dream." W. Owen followed with a nicely rendered solo "Mary." Mr. G. Finlayson, in his own inimitable style told the audience "How Bill Adamson won the Battle of Waterloo." Miss Pickering was well received with "Killarney, My Home over the Sea," while Mr. J. H. Hewitt as "Lucinda Wriggle, the Broken Star," caused as much laughter and wriggle among the audience as he produced on the boards himself. The next item was contributed by Mr. C. Andrew, "The Deathless Army." Mr. W. Shaw possesses a fine rich voice and his selection, that well known Irish ballad "Father O'Flynn," was given with a richness of brogue that would not have disgraced an "bhoy" from the Emerald Isle. Mr. J. Quinney, an old favorite, found excellent range for his fine tenor voice in "Boys of the King." "If all my Dreams," by J. McMillan, elicited much applause. Mr. E. A. Cox held the audience with his recitation "Kissing Cup." Mr. T. Biggs was in fine voice and gave "Honor's Call." Mrs. C. Percy and Mr. J. T. Puckey gave an exceedingly clever musical duet, and earned well merited applause for their very clever acting.

The second part of the program was as follows: "Till the Sands on the Desert Grow Cold," J. Quinney; "Dreams," Mrs. G. A. Watson; "Fire Fly," Mrs. Chas Percy; duet, "The Spider and the Fly," Mr. Wm. Shaw and Miss Pickering; "Rob Roy Mackintosh," and as an encore, "I Like My Breakfast in Bed on Sunday Morning," by the ever popular Archie Prentice; "Anchored," Mr. C. Andrews; recitation, "Gunga Din," Mr. G. Finlayson; "To Cheer Mim up and Help Him on His Way," Mr. J. H. Hewitt; "Love Me and the World is Mine," Mr. J. McMillan; "I put on My Coat and Went Home," Mr. J. T. Puckey. The National Anthem brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

The Vets' association wish to thank the artists, the public and all who helped by the sale of tickets and otherwise to make their concert a success. Further, they would remind all who had tickets for sale that there will be a meeting in the basement of Christ Church on Sunday evening, July 6th, when it is hoped they will attend and pay in all monies and return all unsold tickets. Total proceeds of concert will be announced later.

While the artists and all who assisted are entitled to their share of praise, we cannot conclude without mention of Lieut.-Col. J. Mackay and Lieut. G. O'Brien to whose untiring efforts the success of the concert is in no small measure due, also W. R. Wilson for grant a special train for convenience of Crowsnesters.

The shirt waist dance in the Victoria hall was an unqualified success, over 170 couples tripping to the music of Carrie's orchestra. Mr. Carrie is to be congratulated upon the introduction of this novel, if unconventional, dance and deserves the thanks of all devotees of the light fantastic.

The Town Band also deserves a share of praise for the manner in which they braved the elements, and more than one change of raiment must have been resorted to by its members, who paraded the streets in the morning, regardless of showers, to stir up a little enthusiasm and cheer the drenched and disconsolate crowd.

Dominion Day Sports at Bellevue

The sports at Bellevue were pulled off without a hitch, the day being ideal. Sports were opened with the baseball game. There were 3 entries, Blairmore, Hillcrest and Bellevue. Blairmore won the game by beating Hillcrest 5-0 and Bellevue 10-0; prizes, $75. The 100 yards, open, was well contested: 1, Seaman; 2, Williams; 3, Evans, prizes, $20 and $7.50. The football was won by Bellevue Scrub team, prize, $25. The half mile flat caused some fun, one the the contestants starting with a big overcoat on but had to discard it before the finish. 1, John Swan; 2, Scott; prizes, $15 and $7.50. There was some good sports for the young boys and girls, the girls' race under 10 being won by Miss Hamilton; second, May Kendrick; prizes, $3.00 and $1.00. Race for boys under 9, 1, Norman Syrn; 2, Sydney Earp; prizes, $2 and $1. Races for boys under 12 years won by Rode Koorlic; prizes, $2.50 and $1. Races for boys under 16, 1, J. Malcolm; prize, $4.00; 2, Leadergalls; prize, $2. Races for girls under 10—Ellen Elldealor, prize, $2.00; 2, Evvelyn Hamilton, prize, $1.00. The married ladies' race was won by Mrs. Kendrick, prize, $5.00; Mrs. Beck, second, prize, $2.50. The single ladies' race was won by Miss Hamilton, prize, $5.00; second, Miss Kendrick, prize, $2.50. Running broad jump was won by A. E. Williams, prize, $10.00; second, Nat Evans, $2.50. The running high jump was won by Nat Evans, prize, $10.00; second, A. E. Williams, $2.50. Putting shot—A. Yeppetti, prize, $10.00; second, Martin Burke, $2.50. Hundred yards—1, Mead, $15.00; 2, Dumonts, $5.00. The wrestling match was a good one, the first bout being won by W. Mills, of Bellevue, and the second bout by Pete Hackens, of Hillcrest. The final was between W. Mills, of Bellevue, and Pete Hackens, of Hillcrest. The winner was Hackens; prize, $20.00. The obstacle race was well contested furnishing quite a lot of amusement. Prize was equally divided, the winners being John Swan and James Craig. Prize, $7.50 each. The football to league players was an easy win for Hillcrest, there being 5 entries, two Bellevue teams, Coleman, Burmis and Hillcrest, won first place. Prize, $50. The three-legged race was won by M. Seaman and Nat Evans; prize, $5.00; second, A. Carsonn and J. Craig. The tug-of-war was won by A. Yappetti team, prize, $25.00. The one-quarter mile pony race—A. Scott, of Burmis, prize, $15; second, Cliff Milley, prize, $5.00. Three-eighth mile horse race (to Bellevue and district)—W. Chappell, "Queen of Woods," prize, $20.00; second, Jones Rillon, Passburg, prize, $7.50. The place kick was won by Thomas Dugdale, prize, $5. The three-eighth mile horse race (open)—Hugh Healey, prize, $50.00; second, W. Chappell, prize, $20.00. The Bellevue band was in attendance all day and furnished some good music. The day's sport was brought to a close by a dance in the Socialist hall at night. The committee deserves great credit for the way everything was managed. In the evening the committee gave every child on the field a bag of candy and an orange. All voted it *the best day's sport that Bellevue ever had.*

MEETING OF CITIZENS

A meeting of citizens will be held in the council chamber tonight at 8 o'clock; when matters of the utmost importance to the city and citizens will be discussed. Don't fail to be there.

BLOWS WOMAN OUT OF BUILDING

Five Doukhobors Get Rude Awakening in Mysterious Explosion—Three Badly Hurt

NELSON, July 3.—While five Doukhobors, two women and three men, were sleeping Saturday night, a sudden explosion blew the house to fragments and injured all the occupants, three of whom have been taken to the Nelson hospital.

One of the women was blown clean out of the house.

The Doukhobors are not members of the community. They declare there was no explosive of any kind in the house or nearby and the origin of the explosion is a mystery which the police are endeavoring to untangle.

It is believed a large quantity of stumping power was used.

See our Subscription Competition on page 6—it will be worth your while.

MYSTERIOUS DISCOVERY ON M. F. & M. TRACK

Paul Costa, a lad employed on the tipple at Coal Creek was discovered early yesterday morning beside the track, at Letcher's Spur, suffering from serious injuries to the head.

The fact that someone was injured and lying beside the track was conveyed to the train crew upon arrival of the train at Coal Creek, and the engine and caboose immediately doubled back to investigate. Upon reaching the scene of the accident, it was discovered that one of Letcher's teamsters had arrived upon the scene and the lad was immediately removed to the hospital.

How the lad came by his injuries is at present not known, but the generally accepted theory is that he must have fallen off the train.

The lad went off shift at 4 p.m. on Thursday morning, and is believed to have missed the train and walked to Fernie. Not being anxious to wake his parents at that hour it is supposed he took a nap in the empty coaches at Fernie and stayed there until the train started out at 6 a.m. Discovering that he was being conveyed back to the Creek, it is just possible that he jumped from the train and thereby sustained the injuries from which he is now suffering.

Upon enquiry at the hospital this morning we learn that the lad is improving, and that if complications do not intervene, he may recover.

JULY FIRST SPORTS AT TABER

Dominion Day celebration passed off very successfully, the weather man having let up for a few days and the grounds drying out nicely. A large number of people attended and a good program of sports was gone through. The celebration opened at ten in the morning with a parade through the streets, starting from the Taber hotel. The Taber band headed the procession, followed by a number of automobiles, handsomely decorated. Next came the school children, and they were followed by floats of various kinds. The float put up by R. C. Hosey made a hit, being an old wagon, without any tongue, drawn by a team of mules, each with a pair of overalls on his front legs, and with the force from Hosey's blacksmith shop beating old tin cans, made up Hosey's crazy band. The float took first prize for the most comic rig in the parade. C. F. P. Conybeare, of Lethbridge, made a speech at the fair grounds, after which the various sports began. At noon a baseball game was played between Taber Juniors and and a team of boys from Lethbridge, the home team winning. The hundred yard dash was won by George Thacker, also the two hundred and twenty. The football game between Taber and Grassy Lake was won by the boys from the Lake by a score of three to one. It was a very poor exhibition, as none of the players were in shape. The winning team was composed mostly of old Taber miners who are homesteading near Grassy Lake. There was a fifty dollar prize on the game. The team that entered the tug-of-war from the Canada West came out second best. The bucking horse contest was a tame affair. A serious accident happened in the afternoon, when a small boy sitting on the wheel of a wagon and the team backed up and he fell and was run over. His mother, who was in the rig at the time, fainted and was unconscious for a long time from the shock.

CITY POLICE

William Pollman was arrested last Friday by Constable Amberman and brought before Magistrate Whimster charged with theft of grip and contents from Queen's hotel, the property of a friend. He is now fulfilling a six months engagement with the provincial authorities.

Mike Seeley was arrested by Chief of Police Brown charged as suspect. He is on remand.

John Carroll, an Interdict, charged with being drunk, was arrested on Baker avenue by Constable Amberman. He had the option of $20 or 30 days.

A cripple named Johnson was arrested on Friday night by Constable Amberman charged with begging, one month.

Healey, Macleod, Robertson, McBride, Larson and Fagan were charged under vagrancy act with being drunk and disorderly and paid fines of from $5 to $10 and $1 costs.

The Chief wishes to warn residents against the numerous petty thefts that have been happening in the hotels and rooming houses of the town lately. It is the duty of every citizen to inform the police should they notice any suspicious character loitering around or offering articles of value for sale as it is only by giving such information that the police can hope to capture these petty sneak thieves.

CROTHERS LEAVES

OTTAWA, July 1.—Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, left on the noon train today for Vancouver Island, to make a personal investigation of labor difficulties in mines on the island. There has been trouble for some time and from 3,000 to 4,000 men are out on strike. Such conflicting and contradictory stories are told by the interests involved as to the cause of difficulties that Mr. Crothers has found it necessary to visit the mines and to find out at first hand the situation.

BOYS DROP INTO RIVER; ELEVEN DIE

Forty Lads Thrown into Water When Narrow Wooden Walk Breaks at Municipal Bath House

LAWRENCE, Mass., July 33.—A narrow wooden walk over fifteen feet of water to the municipal bath house in the Merimac river, gave way today under the stamping feet of a crowd of impatient boys and at least eleven of the little fellows were drowned. There may be many bodies in the stream.

The boys, ranging in age from 9 to 15 years, were waiting for Mr. William B. Blythe, the bath house keeper, to open the door. No one knew then how many there were in the party, but it is thought that forty is a conservative estimate.

The boys were jumping up and down as they shouted to Blythe to open up, when the supports sank and the walk extension dropped like a trap door, rolling the lads into the river.

Is Swift Current

There is a swift current at this point drawn by the falls a quarter of a mile below. The youngsters were caught in this. Many of them could not swim. Witnesses on the river bank bank say that all disappeared in a flash, but a moment later there was a struggling mass on the surface.

The stronger ones who could swim struck out bravely for the boathouse and a score saved themselves. Their cries brought aid and several others were pulled ashore. Five unconscious forms were brought from the water and two of these were finally resuscitated. Efforts to restore the others were futile.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY MUST PAY DAMAGES FOR LOSS ON TITANIC

LONDON, July 3.—The King's bench court today gave judgment in favor of Mr. Thomas Ryan, an Irish farmer, who brought suit against the White Star Steamship Company to recover damages for the loss of his son in the Titanic disaster.

The judge awarded Ryan the sum of $500, which had been agreed upon.

A similar award was made in two other cases at the same time.

SUFFRAGETTES SPOIL BONNIE SCOTLAND

GLASGOW, July 3.—Ballinkinrain castle, near here, valued at $500,000 was almost totally destroyed by fire early today. Militant suffragettes are suspected. The Louchars railway station near St. Andrews, also was burned.

LONDON, July 3.—Five women arrested in yesterday's suffragette demonstration were today sentenced to fourteen days in jail each.

CITY COUNCIL

City Council met on Wednesday night and accepted estimated statement of receipts and expenditure as presented by Finance committee.

By-laws 134 to 138 were read three times. No. 134 amendment to street and sidewalks by-law; 135 mayor's salary by-law; 136 aldermen's salary by-law, and 137 and 138 assessments and rebate bylaw for the year.

The council met again on Thursday night, read and adopted minutes of previous meeting, also received report from City Engineer on question of compelling householders to make sewer connections. This was left in hands of Health committee.

Mr. Spalding submitted draft of write-up of city which is intended for publication he is producing. As this did not meet with the council approval, it was suggested that the mayor and city clerk, O. W. Ross revise same.

The five by-laws read at the previous meeting were considered and passed.

At the school board meeting held earlier in the week the resignation of Mr. Jas. Lancaster as trustee was accepted and nominations arranged for 12th. Election will take place on the 16th in the council chamber, O. W. Ross returning officer.

Mrs. Elley's application for position on teaching staff was accepted at a salary of $75 per month.

H. Charly was given contract for removing two old boilers from old school, cost $30.

The Situation on the Island

Frank Farrington Writes the Deputy Minister of Labour—The Elusive "Forms"—Where be 'em?

The following letter of Mr. Frank Farrington (International Organizer on Vancouver Island) tell, without any comment from us the reason (?) why the Labor Department failed to comply with Mr. Foster's application for a board under Industrial Disputes Act. Seven months delay may be a very trifling matter to government officials but means a whole lot to the worker. Nor does there appear to be an end to the delays, for the "Forms of Application," with an elusiveness that would not disagree Masklyne or Cook have again failed to put in an appearance.

Vancouver, B. C., June 20th, 1913

Mr. F. A. Ackland,
Deputy Minister of Labor,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:—Your letter of June 12 in reply to mine of May 29th is received and contents read carefully and with much interest.

You say "In Mr. Foster's letter of Sept. 30, 1912, received by the Minister on October 7, no request is made for procedure under the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act, nor has the Department at any time received any requests for such procedure."

Your own language makes it clear that Mr. Foster did communicate with the Minister. True he did not use the form provided by the Department for use when the operation of the act is sought, but as you say, "application may be made without regard to these forms." While Mr. Foster's letters may have been somewhat crude in construction, its intent was obvious and certainly did convey to the Minister the fact that an industrial disturbance prevailed at Cumberland and Ladysmith and that he was anxious to have the assistance of the Department, otherwise he would have had no reason for communicating with the Minister on the subject.

Moreover, we are forced to the opinion, that had the Minister been really anxious to be helpful in the premise, he would have put forth some effort to bring about an adjustment of the trouble after the receipt of Mr. Foster's letter, instead of remaining silent on the matter from October 7th 1912, to May 8th, 1913, on which latter date your letter was addressed to Mr. White at Indianapolis.

Anent your claim that a telegram and application blanks were sent by the Minister to the secretary of the union on September 15th, 1912, I advise that I have made diligent enquiry, and have been unable to gain any information as to their receipt, nor has Mr. Foster, who is the directing head of the Vancouver Island branch of the United Mine Workers of America, any knowledge relative thereto, perhaps the fact that the secretary resides at Cumberland and not at Nanaimo, may account for their having gone astray.

You ask, "Why the employees, in ceasing work on Sept. 15, 1912, thought it wise to ignore the law prohibiting strikes and lockouts." The employees did not ignore the law, because the trouble had not reached the aspect of a strike, a day of idleness was taken as a protest against arbitrary treatment and for the purpose of devising plans for the rectification of complaints.

The complaints were multifarious and in the abstract, and had not, at that time, been moulded into concret form, hence there was not as yet any tangible object to which to apply the law. However, agitation strongly in favor of invoking the *provisions of the* Industrial Disputes Investigation Act was astir among the men and unquestionably in a short time the complaints would have been classified and the Act invoked had not the Canadian Collieries Company precipitated the lockout.

Continuing you say, "I am enclosing copies of the forms sometimes used in making application for a board and similar to those which were mailed to the local secretary at Cumberland on Sept. 19, 1912." While it is not important that I do so, in order to obviate what may develop into a technical argument in the future, I direct your attention to the fact that the forms were not enclosed and have not been received. This would indicate that it is quite possible that the forms you claim were forwarded to the secretary on September 19, 1912, may not have been forwarded.

Yours Truly,
FRANK FARRINGTON

NANAIMO DEMONSTRATION

To the Editor of the District Ledger:

Dear Sir: June 28th, 1913, will go down in the annals of history as another mile stone or land mark in the progress of our Industrial conflict here on Vancouver Island. The weather being all that could be desired and the arrangements throughout faultless, made the day a magnificent success. About 12.30 a.m. headed by a band, the miners of Ladysmith and district walked in to Nanaimo. Large banners were carried, bearing very suitable inscription, also scores of small flags, (red being predominant) were carried by the children. Shortly after 1 o'clock the various marshals got the children together and placed them into line. They made a beautiful picture, clean and neatly dressed, some as young as 3 years, walking 4 abreast, most of them with colors, roses or something to add to their appearance. Behind came the main procession including 1500 men and about 500 women. It was noticed that as far as age was concerned we had the two extremes, some only a few months old, and many old warriors turned out from 60 to 80 years of age. Some of the latter walked from the farthest point. The procession, which was about a mile long wended its way to the Nanaimo Cricket field with band in front and band behind. There were about 20 large banners and many score small flags all bearing very suitable inscription, being in fact, a splendid mixture of sound sense, good advice, humor and sarcasm. Two that especially drew my attention were, first, "Women's Auxilliary of U. M. W. of A." Coming immediately behind this banner were about 50 mothers wheeling their babes in buggies. The second was one I would award first prize were it a contest; it was a plain banner with the inscription, "More Limelight for the Herald." In order that you Fernie men appreciate the significance of these few

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The Sports at Michel

The Dominion Day sports held on the prairie on the 1st of July were attended by a nice though threatening weather, the most troublesome thing being the wind. The Great Northern Railway Co. ran a special from Old Town to the Y leaving at 11 a.m. but no arrangements could be made for the return journey only by rigs and other conveyances. The following long list of events was contested: Tradesmen turnout — Elk Valley Brewery; 2, Geo. Fisher. Best single turnout—1, Fisher; 2, Bulots; A. Frew. Boys' and girls' races, seven events from 7 to 16 years. Ladies' race. Old men's race—1, Fred Gullet, 2, Jabez Weaver. 100 yard dash— 1, Bert Davis; 2, Wm. Weaver; 3, Simon. Six a side football contest, 5 teams entering—finalists, Sam Hamptons team and W. Jenkins team, the first named winning the $50. Baseball—Michel beat Corbin by a score of 21 to 0 and secured the prize of $75.00. The open pony race was won by McGovern's Joey. The horse race was won by the Hosmer horse, Queenie; 2, Frews. The best lady driver was Mrs. Jess Mansfield. Local pony race—1, Geo. Fisher's Nelly; 2, Chancy Smith's Hay. Tug of war was won by the Italian team. The day's sports were concluded by a dance held in Martin's hall and a very large crowd was in attendance to the strains of Almonds orchestra. The prize waltz was won by W. Dave Grundy and Mrs. Mark Gaskell.

GOLD MINERS GO ON STRIKE

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, July 2.—A strike has broken out in the Rand district, which threatens to tie up the entire gold mining industry of South Africa. The dispute arose from a simple question about working hours in the Klinfontein mines, and from these grounds [illegible] district until the situation became so serious that troops were called out to protect property.

ALL THREE GOING HAMMER AND TONGS

SOFIA, July 3.—A terrific battle between Bulgarians and Greek forces is in progress near Lottera today. It is not known which faction was the aggressor, but it is stated that the Bulgarians advanced, and in a hand-to-hand encounter routed the Greeks at the point of the bayonet. It is also reported that a battle is in progress between Bulgarian and Servian troop.

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Cemetery Notice

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Story of the Putumayo Atrocities

By W. E. Hardenburg

The Devil's Paradise

High up in the heart of the Columbian Andes, amid the eternal snows and massive grandeur of the towering paramos, a small, swift-flowing mountain stream has its origin. Plunging furiously down the steep declivities of the Cordillera, between the heavily-wooden crags, which rise almost perpendicularly to the clouds, it dashes itself into spray against the enormous boulders that form its bed, and hurls itself over the frequent precipices in its path with a deep reverberating roar like distant thunder.

This brawling mountain torrent is no other than the celebrated River Putumayo, which, finally leaving the towering Andes, flows in a southeasterly direction for more than a thousand miles through the great, fertile, wooded lowlands of the Amazon Basin, finally entering the Amazon in the extreme western limits of Brazil.

Although the whole of this immense territory is somewhat vaguely known as the Territory of the Putumayo, until recently it has been almost a terra incognita to the civilized world. The ownership of the Central and Northern portions is in dispute, being claimed by each of the three rival republics of Peru, Columbia and Ecuador. The Southern portion is occupied by Brazil, while the Peruvians have possession of the Central, and the Colombians of the Northern, part of the territory. Ecuator has no possession to strengthen her claim.

It is in the Central portion, which is under the nominal jurisdiction of Peru, in a district comprising roughly some 10,000 square miles, lying between the 72nd and 74th degree of West longitude and the Equator and the 2nd parallel of South latitude, that the scene of the notorious Putumayo Rubber Atrocities—now known as "The Devil's Paradise"—is situated. This district is traversed by two tributaries of the Putumayo, the Caraparana and the Igaraparana, both of which rise in the higher regions that form the divide between the Putumayo and its sister river, the Caqueta or Japura, which lies to the North.

This region is one of the most fertile and beautiful on earth. Healthful, rich in game and fruits, well watered by vast rivers and limpid lakes, covered with the luxurious and variegated vegetation of the tropics, it is, indeed, an earthly paradise. Here, some twenty years ago, in the solitudes of these noble forests, uncontaminated by any of the vices and afflictions of "civilization," dwelt, free and unfettered, the ill-fated Indians of the Putumayo to the number of between fifty and sixty thousand souls.

These Indians, although split up into various tribes—of which the four principal ones were the Huitotos, the Boras, the Ocainas and the Andoques — nevertheless differed but little in appearance and in their habits and customs. While, owing to various local jealousies, bickerings and disunion prevailed among them, each tribe, as a rule, was content to go its own way and not interfere with the affairs of its neighbors.

In the feature the Indians of the Putumayo resembled to a singular degree the Mongoloid or Malay type, and this resemblance extended even to the hair and eyes and the manner of walking. "A picture of a Sea Dyak of Borneo, using his sumpitan or blowpipe," says Sir Roger Casement, "might very well stand for an actual presentment of a Boras Indian with his cerbatana. The weapons, too, are identical in structure and use, and in many other respects a striking similarity prevails between two races so widely sundered."

The different tribes were, as a rule, subdivided into clans or communes, and generally each of these had its own central dwelling-house, built of thatch in a circular form and often capable of housing two hundred persons. Surrounding this, in the region recognized by tribal law as belonging to that particular clan, individual members of it, with their families, lived in scattered huts at different cultivated clearings throughout the neighboring forest. Their weapons, almost entirely confined to the blowpipe with its poisoned darts and small throwing-spears, tipped with wood or bamboo, sufficed to procure for them an abundance of game; while their plantations of maize and cassava and the countless fruits and edible growths of the forest yielded them, with but a minimum of labor, a living superior to that of many civilized workers.

It was in the early eighties of the last century that the simple and innocent life of the peaceful natives of the Central Putumayo was first interrupted by contact with the whites. It was at that date that the first Colombian caucheros, descending the Putumayo from Patso in search of the fatal "black gold" of the Amazon, located themselves at different points throughout the district and entered into what are termed trade relations with these unsophisticated savages. And it was at that date that the seeds of those fearful and wholesale horrors, that in recent years have startled and dismayed the whole civilized world, were sown. Together with those caucheros entered Greed and Lust, deadly and terrible plagues, far worse than those dread pestilences that from time to time sprang up in the Dark Ages to traverse all parts of the globe, sowing in their wake panic, death and desolation.

That the Indians welcomed the coming of these early buccaneers, it would be futile to assert. They were doubtless, it is true, glad to get the machets and such further trifles as beads, mirrors, etc., that the conquistadores at first supplied them with in return for the rubber. But in proportion as the intruders became more firmly established, the system of barter gradually ceased and the regime of coercion began. Consul Casement puts this very clearly in the following words:

"Those who came in search of rubber had no intention of dwelling longer in the forest than the accumulation of the wealth they hoped to amass necessitated. They wanted to get rich quickly, not to stay and civilize the Indians or make their homes among them. The rubber trees of themselves were of no value; it was Indians who could be made or induced to tap them and to bring in the rubber on the white man's terms that all the invading conquistadores were in search of. Gradually a leading man fitted out an expedition with a few companions, partners in effort and initial expenditure; and with a gang of hired peons, or, as they are called in that region, racionales (half-breeds mostly who can read and write to distinguish them from the Indians, who are ignorant of all save forest lore), he journeyed to some part of the forest in search of tribes of wild Indians— infieles (infidels)—who could be easily subdued and induced to work the wild rubber trees in the territory they inhabited. An Indian would promise anything for a gun, or for some of the other tempting things offered as inducements to him to work rubber. Many Indians submitted to the alluring offer only to find that once in the conquistadores' books they had lost all liberty, and were reduced to unending demands for more rubber and more varied tasks. A cacique or capitan might be brought over to dispose of the labor of all his clan, and as the cacique's influence was very great and the natural docility of the Indian a remarkable characteristic of the Upper Amazon tribes, the work of conquering a primitive people and reducing them to a continual strain of rubber-finding was less difficult than at first might be supposed."

In the course of a few years, numerous other Colombian adventurers followed, lured on by the rich fields for exploitations discovered by the early settlers, and gradually a series of Colombian establishments grew up on the banks of the Caraparana and Igaraparana. These caucheros, however, owing to the inaccessibility of the Colombian commercial centers up in the foot-hills of the Andes, were as their numbers increased, more and more compelled to look for their fresh supplies of the necessities of civilized life as well as for such articles of barters as their dealings with the Indians required, to the Peruvian and Brazilian ports on the Amazon.

About this time there arrived in Iquitos, the chief rubber and commercial center of the Peruvian Amazon, a bare-footed young mestizo from the mountains of the interior with a quantity of Panama hats, which he hawked about in the streets. This individual was no other than Julio Cesar Arana, today a multi-millionaire, a "captain of industry," a "gentleman"—and the designer and chief beneficiary of the system that has resulted in the ravishing, torture and murder of some 40,000 human beings!

There is no doubt that Arana was gifted with a certain amount of that same low cunning and tricky ingenuity which is a common characteristic of our own industrial kings and which produces such evil and alarming results in our country, for it was not long before he built up an extensive business, which expanded steadily in all directions. In 1896 he entered the Putumayo and began trafficking with the Colombians there. It may be remarked that these latter were but rude and unlettered men, in many respects but little superior to the Indians whom they exploited. It is not surprising, then, that Arana, seeing the enormous possibilities of the region, should gradually absorb them and their holdings. In 1904 he acquired for a song the chief Colombian establishment on the Igaraparana, that of La Chorrera, which subsequently became the headquarters of his organization on that river. A little later, El Encanto, the principal Colombian post on the Caraparana, also came under the control of his company. With the two largest establishments in his possession, it was not difficult for Arana to acquire the remaining rubber centers, either by means of the economic pressure he could exercise through his control of the means of transportation or by downright force of arms. Both of these methods were employed by the Arana Company to accomplish its ends.

It should be observed that neither the original invaders nor their successors had any title whatsoever to the lands they had settled upon. From the nature of the case, as the ownership of the territory itself was in dispute, no country could grant a valid title to any settlers. They were simply squatters, with no legal rights whatever, and the following extract from a statement made in 1908 by Sis Vasquez Cobo, the Colombian Minister of Foreign Affairs, shows this clearly:

"The company that are exploiting the adjacent regions of the Putumayo today have no legal existence in Colombia, but, on the contrary, are violating many of our legal dispositions and are even committing crimes for which our laws provide penal punishment. When the time comes, the Government of Columbia will not only refuse them protection, but will punish the agents of those companies that are responsible for criminal acts with all the rigors of the law.

"In conclusion, I will say that the

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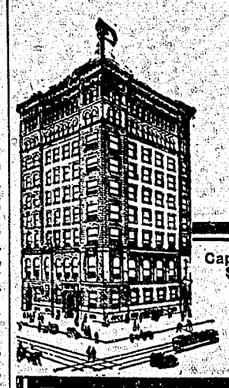

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PANIC IN COURT WHEN PRISONER FIRES VOLLEY

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Judges, lawyers, policemen and spectators were sent scurrying to cover in the criminal court here late today, when Ray M. Stewart, aged 18, fired three wild shots in to attempt to "shoot up" the court. At the first crack Justice Wendel H. Stafford disappeared beneath his desk, and over in the courtroom there was a wild scramble for places of safety. Some sought refuge under tables or behind heavy chairs and others, frenzied by fear, leaped through windows and dropped to the ground, some 15 or 20 feet below.

Justice Stafford had just refused to release Stewart on prohibition after conviction for attempted highway robbery. The boy whipped out a 32 calibre automatic pistol and fired three shots, two of which narrowly missed Assistant United States Attorney Samuel Hawkin, Harvey Gillen and Policeman Moffat. He was in the attitude of turning towards the judges as if to shoot when a witness sprang upon him and choked him into insensibility.

In the confusion that followed many thought that Justice Stafford had been struck by a bullet, but the judge emerged from his haven without a scratch.

Stewart had been convicted recently of holding up a negro in a Washington suburb last December. He had applied for probataion as a first offender, and. Judge Stafford had been hearing the testimony of witnesses for and against the application.

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Assets Have Grown Over $2,300,000 During the Year—A Well-Known M. P. and a Prominent Young Business Man Go On the Board.

The annual meeting of the Home Bank of Canada was held at the head office, 8 King street west, Toronto, Wednesday.

The Vice-President, Mr. Thomas Flynn, was elected to the chair, and Mr. O. G. Smith was appointed secretary of the meeting. The following report of the directors was then submitted:

Directors' Report

Four quarterly dividends at the rate of seven per cent. (7 per cent.) per annum have b een paid and proveded for; $200,000 added to the rest, making that account $650,000 and $40,000 set aside to be written off bank premises, which will leave a net balance of $100,470.31 for profit and loss account.

Banque Internationale Purchase

Towards the close of the year, an agreement was entered into with the directors of La Banque Internationale du Canada, for the purchase of the assets of that institution, to be paid for by shares of the Home Bank at the price of $128 per share. These assets were carefully and thoroughly inspected by experienced officers of the Home Bank, whose valuation was accepted by La Banque Internationale. The agreement was submitted to the shareholders of that bank at a general meeting, and approved, and then having received the approval of the Governor-in-Council, was formally carried into effect on the 15th day of April last. The result of this purchase is that the balance of our unsubscribed capital has been taken up, a substantial sum received for the rest account, and a connection established in Montreal and in the Province of Quebec which should prove valuable, and ten branches taken over and continued.

Authority was given under by-law No. 8 to establish a pension fund and you will be asked to vote a sum for that purpose. Some necessary changes in the by-laws will be submitted for your approval, and also a by-law to authorize the increase of the capital stock to $5,000,000.

During the year Mr. Parkyn Murray resigned from his position on the board—and Mr. C. B. McNaught was elected a director in his stead.

No new branches of the Home Bank were opened, but arrangements are being made to open two more offices in the City of Toronto.

One hundred and sixty-five (165) shareholders have been added during the year, and the total number now is 1836.

The annual examination by the directors of the treasury and securities was made, and the branches inspected.

General Manager's Report

Senator James Mason, the general manager, then read the following report:

The net profits for the year are nearly 12 per cent. on the average paid-up capital—deposits show an increase of nearly $1,000,000. The whole of the authorized capital, $2,000,000, is now taken, and almost entirely paid up—the Reserve Fund or Rest has been increased by $200,000 and amounts to $650,000, being slightly more than one-third of the paid-up capital. The total assets amount to $14,735,100.29, an increase of considerably more than $2,000,000 over last year.

The purchase of the assets and the taking over of La Banque Internationale—referred to in the Directors' Report—increases the scope of the Bank's operations in various ways—one important feature being the increased circulation following on the increased paid-up capital. The Montreal branch should also grow in time to be of considerable usefulness, inasmuch as that city is becoming a very large grain export point, and in the Province of Quebec should in due course materially add to the volume of the Bank's business and profits.

Your approval will be asked for a by-law to increase the capital stock to $5,000,000—this will only be taken advantage of from time to time, as the growing business of the Bank may make it necessary to obtain increased paid-up capital and the correspondingly increased circulation.

The Bank Act, after long and careful consideration, both in and out of Parliament, has been extended for a further period of ten (10) years—the changes made being considered beneficial both to the public and the banks. Some slight alterations in the by-laws will require to be made by reason of this new Act.

Much regret must be felt at the severance of an active connection, extending over a great many years, with the Bank and its preceding institutions, of the retiring president, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe, that gentleman having intimated that owing to continued ill-health and constant inability to attend the meetings of the board he is compelled to decline re-election. It should be added that the interest always taken by Mr. O'Keefe in the affairs of the Bank contributed largely to its success.

Mention should also be made of the death of Mr. R. B. Street, late inspector of the Bank. Mr. Street's connection with the Home Savings and Loan Company, the predecessor of the Bank, dated back to the year 1879, and he was ever a faithful and efficient officer.

Rviewing Finances Generally

The financial stringency which prevails throughout the business world, chiefly caused by the Balkan war—not yet completely settled—is felt in Canada, and aggravated by the unwise and unwarranted speculation in real estate, until recently so widespread and also by the great expansion of the business of the country. This stringency is likely to continue throughout the year, and more especially during the season when the crops require to be moved, but should prove more or less beneficial by checking over-borrowing on the part of our municipalities, and putting an end to speculative trading of all sorts. The large and steadily increasing immigration into Canada, the extensive railway construction, and the sound conditions generally of business and of the manufacturing and other industries, can be taken as a reassuring factor.

Crop conditions in the Northwest may be considered fairly satisfactory, the acreage being somewhat increased and, from the most recent reports, an average crop may be looked for.

The advisability of establishing a Pension Fund has been for some time under consideration, and it is felt that it should be no longer deferred.

That Pension Funds are considered useful and necessary is evidenced by the fact that they have been in existence for years in almost every bank in the country. Where this fund is established bank officers feel that long and faithful service will be rewarded and a competency more or less adequate secured for themselves or their families, and this necessarily creates a feeling of loyalty that must prove beneficial to the institution.

The Grain-Growers' Interests

In the discussion which followed the general manager's report, Mr. John Kennedy, vice-president of the Grain-Growers' Grain Company, addressed the meeting and referred to the three weeks' trip he had taken through the Northwest Provinces before he arrived to attend the meeting of the Home Bank.

Mr. John Kennedy, one of the Western directors of the Home Bank, and second vice-president of the Grain-Growers' Grain Company, addressed the meeting and stated as follows: "I am pleased once more, at this very important meeting, to report good progress from the West, and to say that the Grain-Growers' Grain Company—the Home Bank's biggest customer in the West and one of its largest shoreholders—is having another successful year, and will handle more grain than the previous year, which was 28,000,000 bushels.

"The leasing of the Manitoba Government system of line elevators, comprising 176 in number, was a very wise move, and gives every indication of being beneficial to producers at all points where they are located.

"The action of the company in also leasing from the C. P. R. one of their terminal elevators at Fort William, with a capacity of 2,500,000 bushels, is proving quite successful, and is giving us a wider knowledge of the grain trade. It is gratifying for me, as a director of the Home Bank, to say that the Home Bank is looked upon by many Western producers and others as being an important factor in helping to bring about conditions which are much desired by the farmers of the West.

"I am also pleased to say, and in no uncertain way, that the connection formed through the opening of a number of branches of the bank in Manitoba and Saskatchewan is being looked upon as mutually valuable, and requests for opening new branches are very frequently presented.

"Our shareholders and customers generally are well pleased with the accommodation received at the hands of the Home Bank throughout our Western Provinces.

"I wish to point out as clearly as possible that by this connection the Home Bank depositors in the East are helping to a great extent at all points where our branches have opened in relieving the financial situation, which is felt very keenly in the West. I can see a great future for the Home Bank in the West, and I would like to assure you that it is the desire of very many of our leading farmers that the Home Bank keep pace with the ever increasing development and rapid growth of the present time by becoming still more identified with the West.

"At the last annual meeting, our general manager referred to the land speculation in the West, and it is to be noted that this still continues, but in a modified way, and I hope that in the future our Canadian banks will be enabled to more largely assist the farmers of the West, who are the real wealth-producers of the country.

"In conclusion, I would like to refer to the crop conditions in the West this year. I believe that eighty-five per cent. of the three provinces has had sufficient moisture to assure an average crop, some points not having sufficient moisture."

On a motion from Senator Alexander McCall, seconded by Mr. Edward Galley, the thanks of the shareholders were extended to the officers and directors for their attention to the affairs of the institution.

In moving a vote of thanks to the general manager and officers of the bank, the honorable attorney-general, Mr. J. J. Foy, K.C., referred to the attention that he had always observed was extended to the customers of the Home Bank. The Hon. Mr. Foy's motion was seconded by Mr. William Crocker.

Home Bank Pension Fund

On motion of Mr. F. E. Luke, seconded by Dr. J. A. Todd, the sum of $10,000 was appropriated for the purpose of establishing a pension fund for Home Bank clerks and officials.

The by-law to increase the capital of the Home Bank from two to five million dollars, according to the by-law, No. 10, was moved by Mr. M. J. Haney, C.E., and seconded by Mr. H. S. Harwood.

Result of Poll

The scrutineers reported the election of the following directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. Thomas A. Crerar, Thomas Flynn, E. G. Gooderham, John Kennedy, A. Claude Macdonell, M.P., Col. the Hon. James Mason, C. B. McNaught, John Persse.

Directors' Meeting

At a subsequent meeting by the board of directors, held immediately after the general meeting the following officers were reported as elected to office for the ensuing year: Colonel the Hon. James Mason, president: Thomas Flynn, vice-president. —Toronto World.

Statement of the results of the business of the Bank for the Year ending 31st May, 1913

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

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Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st May, 1912	$ 86,001.68
Net profits for the year, after deducting charges of management, accrued interest, making full provision for bad and doubtful debts, and rebate of interest on unmatured bills	167,125.58
	$223,127.26

CAPITAL PROFIT ACCOUNT

Premium on Capital Stock received during the year	183,768.82
	$436,896.08

Which has been appropriated as follows:

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Dividend No. 23, quarterly, at rate of 7 per cent. per annum	$22,548.33
Dividend No. 24, quarterly, at rate of 7 per cent. per annum	22,595.04
Dividend No. 25, quarterly, at rate of 7 per cent, per annum	22,637.46
Divident No. 26, quarterly, at rate of 7 per cent. per annum	28,644.94
	$ 96,425.77
Transferred to Rest Account	200,000.00
Balance (Of this Balance $40,000 will be written off Bank Premises and Office Furniture)	140,470.31
	$436,896.08

LIABILITIES

To the Public:

Notes of the Bank in circulation		$1,752,220.00
Deposits not bearing interest	$2,120,624.02	
Deposits bearing interest	7,858,357.33	
		$9,978,981.35
Balances due other Banks in Canada		6,194.84
Balances due Agents in Foreign Countries		239,416.18
		$11,976,812.37

To the Shareholders:

Capital (Subscribed $2,000,000.00), Paid up	$1,938,208.10	
Rest	650,000.00	
Dividends unclaimed	964.57	
Dividend No. 26 (quarterly), being at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, payable June 2nd, 1913	28,644.94	
Profit and Loss Account carried forward	140,470.31	
		2,758,287.92
		$14,735,100.29

ASSETS

Gold and Silver Coin	$ 271,879.70	
Dominion Government Notes	1,268,750.00	
		$1,540,629.70
Deposits with Dominion Government as security for Note Circulation		89,600.00
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks		377,924.39
Balance due from other Banks in Canada		898,466.39
Balances due from Agents in Great Britian		55,019.95
Railway, Municipal, and other Bonds		331,202.75
Call Loans secured by Stocks, Bonds, and Debentures		1,921,570.19
		$5,214,413.19
Current Loans and Bills Discounted	$8,799,608.56	
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	29,357.90	
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank	7,231.70	
Bank Premises, Safes, and Office Furniture	665,557.18	
Other Assets	18,931.58	
		9,520,686.92
		$14,735,100.29

JAMES MASON,
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Since the working people do not receive the full value of their products—because a considerable profit is made by the employing class on everything the workers produce—can they be expected to buy back these products? Their numerical strength makes them the chief consumers of the country and those on whom production mainly depends.

In this way, the laboring people not being able to consume enough, and by the planless way in which production is carried on in general, the so-called overproduction is created.

Of course, no matter how much or how little the toilers of a nation create, they always create more than they are able to buy with their wages, because they have never received the full value of that production.

In this way the so-called industrial crises originate. They have come upon us about once in every twenty years, roughly speaking, since capitalist production begain its sway. At such times the trade and the manufacturing of a nation came to a standstill, because "there is too much on hand.'

And the working people have to stop work and go ragged and hungry because there is too much on hand.

Statesmen, newspapers, lawyers, and so-called reformers on such occasions claim that it is either too much silver, lack of confidence, or what not, that is the cause of the industrial crisis, or panic, as it is sometimes called.

But hard times are really hard only on those whose subsistence depends on their having work to do.

For the poor people the times are always hard.

During "hard times" the wives and daughters of the capitalists, however do not leave off attending balls, parties and operas, in their silks and diamonds.

On the contrary, if the times are very hard, the wealthy and charitable people simply arrange one more amusement and call it a "charity ball."

As far as security of work is concerned, the workman of the present time is worse off than any of his predecessors in history. In fact, the irregularity of his employment, the frequently with yhich he is out of work, is the most alarming feature of the workingman's condition. The toiler of today can not work when he wants to, or when he ought to, in order to support himself and family. He can work only when it is to the profit of the employer that he should do so.—Victor L. Berger.

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Many ways have been suggested to us interesting our readers and increasing the popularity of the Ledger, for it must be recognized by all that a newspaper to fulfil its mission must have readers Every paper is always ready to enroll new subscribers—the list of subscribers is the very life of a newspaper, and if it has not got the readers who will take a real live interest in it, then look for an early demise. And this applies in equal force to every movement; for be a cause never so great or just—if there is lacking the adherents or follower, then it just quits—fizzles out.

The Ledger has a mission, and to perform that mission we want every subscriber we can get; we want every mine worker and every union in this Western Canada to purchase and read this paper, and we want you, Mr. Reader, to help us. We are willing to repay you for this trouble—and to repay you handsomely.

As has been previously explained through these columns, the $1.00 per year in no way pays for the Ledger, it does not half pay for it; but if we can get every union man in the Crow's Nest Pass on our list we shall be content. And not thinking this impossible, we intend to try, and within the course of a few weeks hope to have other announcements to make of an equally interesting character, but in the mean time we want you to get busy and win a watch and fob or a $5.00 gold piece, or one of the other handsome prizes offered.

CONNECT UP WITH THE SUPPLY

In the ancient classic mythology there is a story about an earth-born giant named Antaeus. The warm earth, Terra, was his mother. His father was the stormy Neptune, god of the sea.

When he was in touch with the earth, his mother, strength and vitality flowed into him from the earth. When he was not in contact with the earth, his strength waned.

One day Hercules happened along, swinging his club, fresh from his exploit of holding the world on his shoulders while Atlas got the golden apples of the Hesperides for him.

Envious Antaeus was like Cassius, he could not be at hearth's ease while he beheld a greater than he.

So, the two giants engaged in a mortal combat. Hercules was the stronger. But he found that every time he felled Antaeus to the ground with his club the earthborn giant acquired new strength from the earth and sprang to his feet stronger than ever. To overcome this difficulty, Hercules seized him by the gith, swung him aloft, and held him high in the air. In this posistion, Antaeus no longer received his accustomed supply of strength from the earth. His strength therefore waned. In a short time he died, and Hercules tossed his lubberly hulk into a neighboring valley.

Modern man also derives his strength and vitality from the earth not directly like Antaeus—but indirectly, through his food, his clothing, his shelter, etc.

He, too, is entirely dependent upon the earth.

When the Hercules of capitalism comes along and cuts off his supply from the earth, he too is "up in the air." His strength wanes. And unless his connection with the earth supply is re-established, he perishes.

At the present time, all workers are deprived of most of the supply to which they are entitled.

They are deprived of it because the industries are owned by the capitalists. The private ownership of the industries enables the private owners—the capitalists—to keep for themselves most of the earnings of the workers. They can do so, because the workers are dependent upon them for jobs.

We Socialists say that the industries shall be owned collectively by all the people. Then the people will employ themselves in their own industries and pay themselves all they earn.

Their connection with their full earth supply will thus be re-established.

Then, we shall no longer be a physically and intellectually stunted race, but will have a full and free opportunity to make the most of life.—John M. Work.

THE SITUATION ON THE ISLAND

On the front page of this issue will be found a letter from Frank Farrington, International organizer on Vancouver Island, to the Deputy Minister of Labor. The letter scarcely needs comment, but as an illustration of the red tapism and pifflying technicalities that surround the Industrial Disputes Act and operation of same it is unique. If this act was intended to benefit the worker and organized labor, why should it be necessary to comply with these miserable inconsequential details? If it is to be efficatious why should there be any delay?

The usefulness of this act is only apparent when the worker is compelled, after months of struggle and privation to appeal to the government for arbitration. We say "usefulness," and undoubtedly it is useful to the employer. The very nature of enquiry under its provisions precludes the worker from giving honest and straight forward testimony.

Is it not most absurd to expect workers to give testimony in open court when they know only too well that their evidence must be deterimental to their employer. How many men will make the sacrifice, and, why should they? For their fellow-worker! Nonsense! To the unsophisticated this may appear rank heresy but it is not. True, the employer may not discriminate against the worker who does give evidence but human beings are naturally cowards when it comes down to risking—or even the thought of risking—the meal ticket—the job. To say that the act helps some classes of organized labor is too ambigious; one might as well say it helps those who help themselves. That is about the truth. No, we do not believe the mine workers of Vancouver Island will benefit a great deal from this famous piece of legislation and prefer to catalogue it benefits to the worker in the same sequence as Sir George Askwith did in his report to the British government of value to the country, the employer,—and lastly, remember to the employed!

However, if there is anything to be gained by the act then we can only hope that the mine workers on the Island may secure same, but cannot help but note Mr. Farrington's pointed comment ". . . We are forced to the opinion that had the Minister been really anxious to be helpful . . . he would have put forth some effort to bring about an adjustment of the trouble after the receipt of Mr. Foster's letter, instead of remaining silent. on the matter from October 7th, 1912, to May 8th, 1913 . . ." Just seven months! One of the principal objections given (according to Sir George Askwith) by the trade unions of Canada to the Industrial Disputes Act was the endless delays that had been experienced both in getting the act into operation and securing awards when made. Do you think they were justified?

News of the District Camps

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COAL CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson desire to thank the members of the club for their kindness in erecting a memorial stone to the late Wm. Agnew, who lost his life on the M. F. & M. track some time ago.

Coal Creek football club captured another two points on Saturday last, in the encounter with Michel. Rev. Schramn officiated with the whistle, by mutual arrangement, in the absence of Mr. Robertson, of Hillcrest. Of the game itself nothing great can be said Coal Creek having most of the play. Michel were minus several of their best players and had to put on reserves, and deserve credit for the good fight they put up. Result, Coal Creek, 3; Michel, 1. We hope to see you bring back 2 points from Hosmer on Saturday, boys.

Several members of the gentler sex journeyed with the Michel team to Coal Creek.

The Amatuer Dramatic society are busy preparing for another concert in the near future. Particulars later.

Wm. Mazzie, Ed. Roberts and Pete Dawson arrived back in camp on Monday, after their prospecting expeditions. We wonder how many Tommy Greens you buried, Pete.

Coal Creek football club journey to Hosmer on Saturday to fulfil their league engagement. The line-up is as follows: Goal, T. Banns, J. McLetchie, W, McFegan; Sweeney Parnell, Whyte; Patridge, Booth, Manning Joinson, Johnstone; reserves, Harper and Armstrong. Team leave Coal Creek 3.45 and proceed to Hosmer in conveyances.

Another Accident at Coal Creek

A thrill went through the camp on Wednesday afternoon when news got around that a man was killed in 1 East mine. On investigation, however, such was happily not the case, but a cave in had occurred and pinned a man under by the name of Joe Hubbard. The unfortunate fellow sustained injuries to his arm, foot and face. Fortunately there were no bones broken. After being attended to by Dr. Workman a special train conveyed him to Fernie hospital.

Mrs. John was the guest of Mrs. W. Thornton, Coyote street, on Saturday and Sunday last.

We are pleased to report information received that Tom Mason is doing fine after his operation which took place in St. Paul's hospital, Vancouver.

Mrs. Mark Hugall and family arrived in camp on Wednesday from Wingates County, Durham, England, Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the Shiveree band did not put in an appearance to give the musical welcome for which they are celebrated. However, the bloodhounds were around at night. Mark is wearing the smile that won't come off now. We welcome you to Coal Creek, the garden city of the west!

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook, of Lancashire, England, have taken up their residence among us. Far different to the clogs and shawl style out here Bob, isn't it? We welcome you in gradely "Lanky" fashion.

A vote of censure ought to be sent to the cleck of the weather, for the dope dished out to us on Tuesday which necessitated the postonment of the sports in Fernie. Pity also was that a special train was not run for the convenience of the women and children of Coal Creek, as some of them were in a sorry flight after being in town since early morning. We hope the sports committee will think of this in future.

The credit of Coal Creek as the home of entertainers was upheld on Tuesday night at the Vets' concert, by our representatives who contributed towards the program, for it was the general opinion that it was one of the best concerts held in Fernie. Three cheers for the Vets and their efforts.

Below we give a brief survey of the honors list at the Coal Creek schools for the last term. We are indebted to the principal, John Keough, B. A., for the list: Division 1, Diplomas for proficiency, not given; diploma for attendance, Jessie Sharpler; diploma for department, John Eckersley. Leaders, Nelly Millburn, Harold Puckey John Eckersley, Willie Walls, Robt. Joyce, Jimmy Joyce, Margaret Shanks; division 2, diplomas for proficiency, Mabel Michel; diploma for attendance, Nora Sharpler; diploma for department, Emily Lanfear; leaders, 1st readers, Mabel Michel and Frank Dooley; 2nd primers, Cyril Michel and John Hughes. Great credit is due the teachers who labored under great difficulties owing to severe weather and structural alterations at the schools.

Sells Floto advertising agent has been very busy up in this burg lately. The kids as well as grown up are wearing an anticipatory smile in consequence. Let us hope for good weather.

Wanted—all "eligibles" to get busy on the Moose racket before the charter closes. See R. Dilsborough for particulars.

Don't forgt the welcome services at the Methodist church on Sunday, July 6th. Rev. Dr. Phillips will occupy the pulpit. Everybody welcome.

Below we give the names of the Coal Creek candidates at the engineers examinations held in Fernie recently: George Vickers, Chas. Sayle, Jack Munroe, Robt. Thornton, Chas. Perrie, Alexander Smart, Lowther Morton, Jos. Buchanan, Lone Bennie and Harry Vaton.

Wonders never cease. John ——— stayed in town all night on Sunday and when he awoke he found a cow. Better than seeing snakes or rats, Jack.

A little care on the part of the person responsible for the blasting operations on the new grade, would perhaps mean less broken windows, etc. Large lumps of rock may have been quite conventional as visiting cards in the Stone Age, but we object to them being delivered through the bedroom window in this prosaic era. Ring off. Nuff sed.

Joe Palmer, formerly of Cumberland, England, late of California, accompanied by his son, is staying in the camp, with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hall, Coyote street. The old townies are glad to see you, Joe.

FRANK NOTES

Mrs. Charles Patmore and family left on Saturday for Cranbrook to join Mr. Patmore, who is now working for the summer.

Miss Doris Wright returned to Macleod on Saturday's Local after spending a month with friends here.

Mrs. J. J. Thomas left on Monday for a week's visit with her daughter, Miss Lillian, in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Burns, of Hillcrest, and Mr. T. Burns, of Coleman, were guests of Mr. Wm. Simpson on Monday.

Mr. Mark Drumm returned to Calgary on Monday much improved in health after his recent operation.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Irwin, of Bellevue, passed through town on their way to Cranbrook on Monday morning, where they are to spend the week in the interests of the annual Sunday School Convention, which is being held there this summer.

Quite a number of townspeople took in the sports at Bellevue on the 1st, and all report having had a good time.

Miss McColm left on Monday for Edmonton, where she will spend the summer vacation, and while there will attend the Summer School, held for the benefit of teachers.

Miss Mary McDonald and Mrs. McIntyre of Blairmore were visitors to town the first part of the week.

Mrs. Chas. Dunlop and children, of Coleman, spent the holiday this week the guests of Mrs. A. I. Blais.

Miss Murdoch is spending the holidays at her home in Cowley.

Mr. H. D. McKay, the school principal, has gone to Calgary and points north.

Mr. D. R. McKinnon, of Burmis, is in the hospital at present suffering from injuries received as the result of a fall down a coal chute.

Quite a number of our young men and women attended the dance at Passburg on Monday night, and the noted Bohemian band supplied the music. They came home in the early hours of Tuesday morning apparently having enjoyed themselves.

Master Willie Simpson went west to Coleman this week where he will spend the next couple of months with his uncle.

Master Jimmie Wilcox is spending a few days at Lundbreck.

Mr. Vincel Ruszicka returned home last Friday night from a two weeks' trip up to New Hazelton, B. C.

The subject of the address at the Methodist church next Sunday night will be "If I Have Different Theological Views from Another Man Can we Both be Christians?"

The Protestant Sunday Schools of Blairmore united their forces on the 1st of July, and took all the children to Burmis for a picnic. The day was a great success except for one accident, the little boy of Mr. F. M. Thomson got kicked on the jaw by a horse and was badly bruised.

Mr. Frank Perkerney is the new driver for the Frank Wholesale Wine and Liquor company.

NOTICE

To the officers and members of the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 18.

Brothers:—In accordance with the requirements of our new constitution, and through the resignation of the District Vice President and District Secretary Treasurer, the call for nominations is sent to all local unions.

Yielding to the request of many friends from various parts of the district I announce myself as a candidate for Vice President.

Will local secretary please make known this announcement to their local unions when making nominations for Vice President.

Fraternally Yours,
THOS. G. HARRIES

THE ISIS

The management again announce a splendid feature film for Friday and Saturday evening and matinee, the great spectacular English feature "Lieut. Rose, R. N., in China seas," in two parts. This is a nautical drama full of life and thrills, and is by the same film company who produced "Lieut. Rose and the Royal visit," "Battle in the Clouds," etc. The picture to be shown tonight and tomorrow will be equally realistic. Don't miss it. The usual choice program of comics and drama. Special for Monday and Tuesday, "At Mad Mule Canyon."

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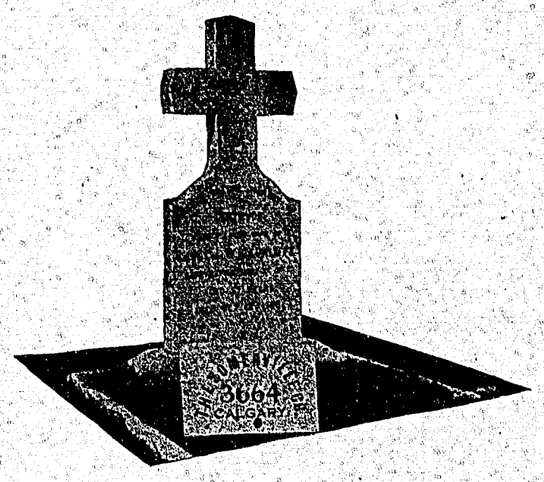

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Negotiations Off Between the Mineworkers and Coal Operators, and the Fight Will Be to a Finish—Other Coal Fields to be Involved.

Haggerty's Statement

After extended negotiations between the New River coal operators and their employees, a general strike has been ordered to begin July 1 in the entire New River field.

Violations on the part of the operators on Paint and Cabin Creeks and in the Coal River field are of such grave importance that a strike will become effective at all the mines in these sections where the terms of the recent settlement have been so grossly violated.

Miners from all other sections are earnestly advised to stay away from West Virginia, and particularly from the fields above named until advised officially by the officers of district No. 17 and 29.

THOS. HAGGERTY,
International Board Member U. M. W. of A.

Charleston, June 27

The strike is on. The coal operators of the New River field had it in their power to grant a few reasonable concessions and restore peace in that troubled district. They passed up their chance and on Tuesday, July 1, there will be from 12,000 to 15,000 men away from their accustomed places in the mines—to remain idle so long as may be necessary to force a satisfactory settlement from their employers. It will be West Virginia's greatest industrial war.

Negotiations between the operators and the miners are all off after two days of conference on both sides and after the fruitless exchange of propositions and counter propositions through Governor Hatfield, who consented to act as intermediary. The operators would agree to nothing better than the agreement entered into under Governor Hatfield's proposition to bring about a settlement of the recent Paint and Cabin Creek strike. That agreement has been very unsatisfactory because of the ease with which it has been broken by the operators from day to day. The miners' leaders know that such an agreement would neither satisfy the miners nor result in permanent peace in the troubled district, hence they turned it down. At five o'clock the strike call adopted at the recent Beckley meeting had been officially approved and was on its way to the waiting miners.

The Call

The call recites that the miners

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Nanaimo Demonstration

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words, I would like to state that the Nanaimo Daily Herald in their anxiety to help the employers are stopping at nothing, in fact, if possible, [illegible] than our friends, "The Fernie Free Press" have acted towards us from time to time, hence you will understand the richness of the rebuke. The Herald staff has a very peculiar tabulating machine. I fancy it acts much the same as a convex and concave lense—enlarging and reducing to fit their arguments. When they are looking at a herd of scabs they turn on the magnifying lense but when looking at an union procession they reverse matters, besides being very apt to make a few mistakes—not intentionally, of course. After getting settled down on the ground, District President Foster as chairman called the gathering to order and speeches were delivered by the following: International Board Member Pettigrew, International Organizer Pattison, International Board Member Rees, Rev. Howe, and last, but not by any means least, a local worker named Harry Melkle. The audience seemed delighted with the short talks. After the speech feast was over a splendid sport programme was started including many comical events, such as clowns football vs. the regulars, obstacle races. One obstacle being the eating of a bun off a string without using hands. Ladies nail-driving contest, baby show, and many other items, too numerous to mention.

Most families, despite the fact that they are on strike, had splendid spreads of eatables on the lawn, equal to what you see in any of our fancy restaurants and hotels, hence there was nothing lacking. One feature of the day was the whole hearted, carefree manner in which all joined in the fun, and the merry peals of laughter from old and young was refreshing indeed.

In conclusion I will say that apart from the opinion of the miners, it was the general consensus of opinion that yesterday's demonstration has eclipsed everything that was ever held at Nanaimo. It will undoubtedly have a marked effect. I may just add that Bro. Pettigrew and myself are addressing [illegible] I am indeed pleased with the treatment meted out to me here, being received everywhere with open arms. Many old friends who have been along the Crow going out of their way to come forward and welcome me, and also make inquiries of their old friends. Knowing the interest taken by the men in our District in this fight I thought it wise to put this epistle together and let them have something from the seat of war, feeling more confident than ever of our success out here.

Thanking you for the space.

Yours truly,
DAVE REUS

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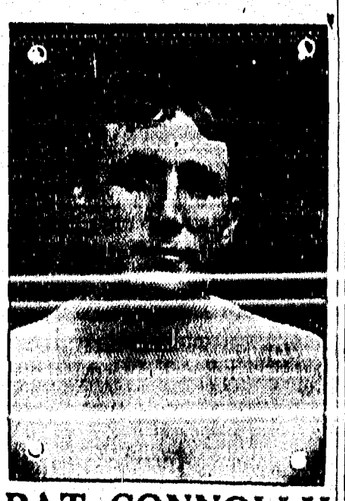

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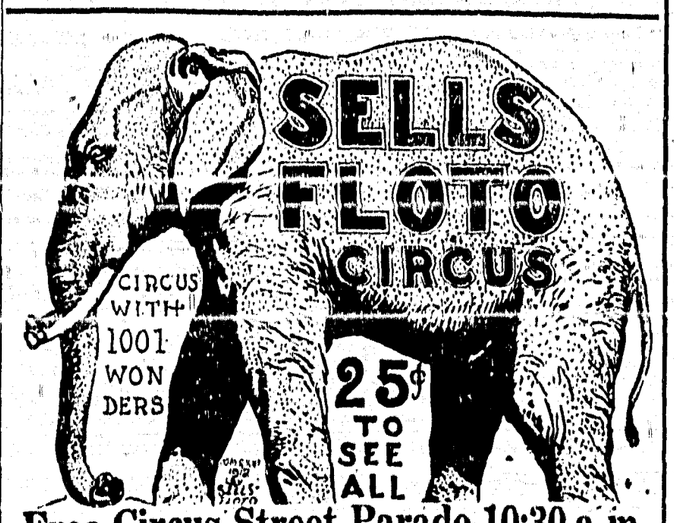

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News of The District Camps

PASSBURG NOTES
By "Observer."

(These notes, although evidently mailed in ample time, were not received until Saturday afternoon and consequently too late for publication.)

The workers seem to be very busy busy on the erection of a new fan here at the mines. The work seems to be progressing fairly well, and is expected to be completed by the middle of next month.

Sorry to report that Ed. has again left us. We hear of him being over to Beaver Creek, but wherever he is we wish him luck.

What is the matter with the boys of the Male party? They do not seem to attend practice as well as they might do. If you intend to get along successfully, attend to practice, boys.

Steve Magdall seems to be very busy painting up his house, these days. Steve knows what is necessary to improve things some.

Joe Chambers held a post mortem on his dog that was poisoned, but we did not hear of the result yet. What was it, Joe, a chunk of bad meat?

Between Passburg and Montreal there is an old country farmer by the name of Brown, who proclaims that all his products or commodities bears the union label. (A voice,) "What about yourself?"

All the farmers around here are wearing a broad smile because of the kindness showered on them by the invisible sending down a few drops of rain.

The agent of Calgary News-Telegram was in town on Friday last, hustling for subs.

It seems that some of the married men around here have fallen in love with the receptacle called wash tub. The "Observer" is wondering what next—hanging clothes or wear the peg apron. Not a murmur, but let your whiskers grow.

The "Observer" is extending congratulations to So and So who visited Fernie last week in search of a better half; why not bring her to Passburg, because she used to be a favorite here before she left. I guess the band will be engaged in a week or so.

There are a large number of miners, new men, being employed at the Davenport Collieries just at present.

A terrific—thunderstorm—prevailed here last Thursday afternoon accompanied by heavy rain, but to our knowledge no damage was done.

Mr. D. Bissett and Mr. W. Duncan were visitors at Blairmore on Thursday last, taking in all the sights, especially around the Sanatorium.

E. Ella, a rope-rider on the outside run at Passburg colliery, when uncoupling the main rope, some way or other, one of his fingers were taken off. He is progressing favorably.

The lumber for the addition of Doctor Bell's quarters has arrived and work has been started.

Passburg Local Union 2352 has just drawn and signed up an agreement with the doctor here last week. Everything satisfactory to all concerned. Expiration of agreement, 31st March, 1915.

Mr. T. Martin, of the International Correspondence School, was a visitor here last Friday. Business is not too bright, says Tom.

Around this part of the country is a bee hive of real estate agents just at present. You can easily gather the information when a lot or two is sold at about $60,000 but there is nothing mentioned about the poor individual who practically hangs on a life time to his titled property, and for the greater part of the time cannot give it away. We have townsite lots on the market extending from Coleman to Lundbreck; and what is going to happen to the easy ones? A wave of prosperity says the politican.

Young Willie Duncan, of the Passburg hotel, was taken to the Central hospital at Frank on the 21st, instant. It was feared that he was suffering with appendicitis, but glad to say that he is progressing as well as can be expected.

Sorry to say that H. Beard has lost his trainer, J. Twigg, who recently went through a course of mixology at Passburg, receiving the full percentage of 100 marks. Let us congratulate him in his success.

Our friend, Tony Stancit, mixology of the Passburg hotel, paid Bellevue a visit on Tuesday last.

Mrs. J. Thompson left Passburg for Elko on Monday evening. She claims no place like Elko.

Mr. Roughhead, of Coleman, was a visitor down here on Sunday in his automobile.

A genius of Passburg has invented a horse-tethering arrangements whereby the animal can feed and water himself and when feeling contented can walk into the barn and lay down and rest. Great inventions nowadays.

We cannot conceive in our minds the reason why the banking institution is only kept open for business three days a week. I guess the Union bank is studying economy, likewise the C. P. R.

It seems that some of the attendants at church on Sunday evening when returning were almost scared out of their wits. The "Observer" noticed one female jumping 30 feet sideways. All of us are not in favor of this nuisance being tolerated any longer, so, Mr. Car-driver beware. The car belongs to Calgary.

It seems that other people are complaining of the manner in which the postal authorities are distributing their mail at present besides the peaceful rebels of Passburg. But Hosmer is a little nearer to Fernie and the train passes earlier in the morning. (Late again,) minus agent, plus depot.

The mines around Passburg and vicinity are working full blast and the daily output is on the increase. They are expecting 1000 tons a day in the very near future.

Dan McKinnon, a miner at Burmis, received severe injuries in the mine on Friday afternoon. He was taken to the Central hospital at Frank immediately where he was attended to by Drs. Bell and McKay.

Young Willie Duncan was discharged from the Frank hospital on Friday and is improving as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

A large number of the sports left Passburg on Tuesday for the South Fork, all heavily loaded with provisions for a good day's outing. Mr. Beard was the cicerone.

Mike Klepken is still suffering from injuries received here some time ago by a fall of coal.

J. E. Smith, District President of the United Mine Workers, accompanied by R. Levitt, of Bellevue, was in the city last Thursday and left the same evening.

Mr. A. Semancit is not recreating himself out of door very much lately.

THIS WEEK'S NOTES

The new fan house which is under construction at the Passburg collieries is nearing completion, and, then some clean water, hot and cold.

Miss Thomas arrived back from Fernie last week where she has been staying for some time.

A well known young man (no names) was in attendance at a wedding the other day, and when introduced to a young lady a wave of bliss overcame him and when so blissful he awkwardly proposed and the following evening he approached the head of the family and appealed for the young woman's hand. A little investigation on the part of the "Observer," however, elicited the fact that this young man of unlimited bliss was eighth in the trend. Who's the winner?

Mrs. J. Thompson, of the Columbia hotel, Elko, is down here visiting Mrs. Duncan, of the Passburg hotel, this week.

Mr. T. Thompson, of Burmis, was visiting here on Saturday. Everything very quiet says Tomy.

The young women of Passburg are out on a campaign against publicity. It seems that they have a proviso in their by-laws. We believe the rules they are adopting are too prudish. Our advice is, study physiology and leave well alone.

There is one man down here who is very sore towards the sports committee of Bellevue. He has been training hard for the last month for the standing broad jump and the 440 yards and the program omits these two events. Keep yourself in training for Passburg next year.

All the drivers who are employed by the Davenport company are not broncho busters. The other day a new driver mounted a strange horse and we believe that he received the shaking of his life.

Harry Yearby, who met with an accident last March at Burmis colliery, is still unable to work.

Harry Hungton, of Passburg, bricklayer, who is now a member of the brick-layers' union, when night-lampman was a member of the United Mine Workers organization.

It is strange that men conversant with the industrial problem are so dense in darkness, in fact never attempting to elevate themselves above drudgery, or endeavor to break through their cramped environment and begin the task of building a new temple and a new world.

We are pleased to state that fatal accidents are unknown in this part of the district since last September, 1912, and we fully realize that it is a great blessing on God's earth that accidents of this kind are few in number, because we have in our midst a poor widow and four young children. Her husband unfortunately got killed in the mine and since that time she has been struggling against great odds. It seems at the present time that the compensation has been handed over to some authority of the High Court to be administered and by the time this poor widow receives any money in lieu of her beloved husband the largest portion of it will be eaten up. In our opinion if the mine workers of this country were fully aware of the loop holes and technicalities that are connected with the compensation act of this province they would readily realize their power and act immediately in order to amend such legislation that is so detrimental to their interest. When the employer states we will pay the $1800 compensation to the bereaved widow as soon as possible, the insurance agent steps forward and states, "We will contest this claim for compensation and we will fight it to the highest courts in the country!" regardless of the disposition of the poor widow and her starving little children. Before this great protective body will comply with the statute law of the province they are permitted to starve out a few women and children in order to pile higher dividends for the corporations. If there was not an industrial organization in existence in this province to fight and contest these claims, the insurance company would undoubtedly go into liquidation. The operators or employers would be in a position to test the strength of each individual who dared to put in a claim for compensation and would not bother with insurance. Take for instance, a case in the adjoining camp where a poor miner, who is married and crippled for life, with no hope of doing another day's work and the miserable compensation that he receives is seven dollars per week, that is twenty-eight dollars per month to board himself and maintain a wife and four children in the old country. In this prosperous country I would like to know what is going to happen to this poor individual when he received his last dollar of the compensation? Bill Taft said, "God knows!" and we are inclined to express ourselves in the same manner, because, speaking personally and having no desire to be repugnant to the views of any class conscientious individual, may say here: That as long as the various industries, such as coal mines, factories, mills, and so forth, are in the hands of the few, individually and not collectively operated for the sole purpose of exploitation, instead of for the benefit of the masses, we shall be compelled to content ourselves with the conditions as they confront us today, and the only way to progress is for the working class to use their power. The intelligent application of this power means the emancipation of the masses. What are you prepared to do to acquire this power?

MICHEL NOTES

Mr. James Scott, blacksmith of New Town, underwent a painful operation in the hospital here last week of having large portions of skin taken from his legs for the purpose of grafting it on the person of his child who was severely burned over two weeks ago; we are pleased to state, however, that both father and child are doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

At a meeting held last week for the purpose of nominating checkweigh men for the mine here. The retiring members, John Marsh and Richard Jones were nominated without opposition, and therefore were elected by acclamation for the ensuing six months.

Notice is given to the effect that on Sunday, the 6th of July, Archdeacon Beer will hold divine services in the English church both morning and Sunday evening. All those wishing to become acquainted once more with the English church doctrines should attend. One wonders if the attendance will be any greater than those of the Union meetings these days, and which will serve the best interests? Nuff sed.

Last Saturday the remains of the football team journed to Coal Creek to fulfill their league fixture; 'twas a little surprise to a few well wishers of the club to find only five regular playing members on the depot at the appointed time of departure; so a few of the juniors were asked to go and fill up the gaps, while the committee man hustled up a few more to make the required eleven, and travel on the flyer; it is a long time since the Michel team was fixed in this way before, having been in the running for honors for the last four seasons and it shows poor sportmanship on the part of some members that such is the case. However, under the captaincy of of W. Samuels, the team which consisted of two juniors, a strange goalkeeper, and an untried middle trio of half backs, Coal Creek could only manage to win by 3 goal to nil, after there being no score at half time, Jess Brisco, in goal, played a splendid game otherwise the score musts have been much heavier, and the captain was well satisfied with the showing of the half backs. The two junior enjoyed their trial, with the exception of one rough tackle, which one of the Creek full backs made, and which was hard on the youngster. We hope to see a team arranged and turn out to give Coleman a hard game on Saturday. Don't be shirkers, boys, at any cost, but keep the old club going during the troublesome times and no doubt by the time that the cup ties are played, the young players will be able to fill the vacancies.

The following were elected to office for the local Union U. M. W. of A. in the contested seats: Maurice Burrell, Secretary-Treasurer; W. T. Brown, Recording Secretary, and J. Mercer, Warden. A contract miners meeting was held on Sunday last to elect checkweigh committee at 10:30 a.m.; and at 3 p.m., after the regular meeting, a meeting of the employees was held for the purpose of electing gas committee.

Mr. Alex Almond met with a nasty accident on the morning of the sports day, while having a trial spin on Andy Frew's horse, sustaining a sprained ankle and a contused wound to the eye. He will be laid up for some little time.

Mrs. Dave Grundy and children boarded Tuesday morning's local on a visit to her parents' farm in sunny Alberta, where Mrs. Grundy hopes to fully recover from her recent illness.

The schools are now closed for the children's summer holidays and the writer is quite in sympathy with the object of the letter issued in last week's Ledger by Mr. Currie, something should be done toward that end, as a close inspection of some of the empty houses around here show ample proof of the mischief done by the youngsters who are forced to play around them.

We notice the school teachers are making themselves scarce during the vacation. Miss Hodge and Miss Melgrum went away last Saturday morning on the west bound train, and Miss McLean on Tuesday morning's train on a visit to Rossland.

T. G. Harries was taking in the sports here on Tuesday last. Say, Tom, what's gone wrong with the horse you were preparing for the sports at Bellevue?

The K. Ps. held a strawberry social on Wednesday night among its members.

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HOSMER NOTES

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The dance given by the ladies of the Catholic church was held in the opera house Friday lasst, and although the weather was very disagreeable, proved to be a success financially and otherwise. Fernie orchestra was in attendance and gave every satisfaction.

Hosmer and Hillcrest met in a league encounter Saturday before a fair sized crowd. Hillcrest turned out as selected but Hosmer were short of Thornton who failed to arrive in time, Balderstone going centre forward and Rice coming back into his old place at right half. Hosmer won the toss and played with the breeze. Right from the commencement the pace was hot, good combination being shown by both sets of forwards. Half time found Hosmer leading 2-1. Hillcrest started the second half as if they meant business and it wasn't long before they equalized, Hosmer vainly protesting against offside. Hillcrest hereabouts were the better team, but were weak in front of goal missing two or three easy chances. Towards the end Hosmer showed distinct improvement and pressed continuously. Splendid combination by the forwards ultimately resulting in the winning goal being scored a few minutes before time. Hillcrest made a last effort to save the game but were kept out, and the best game seen on the Hosmer grounds this season resulted Hosmer 3, Hillcrest 2. Mitchell, of Coal Creek, refereed and handed the game satisfactorily.

The local held a special meeting Sunday for the purpose of electing officers and considering the doctor's agreement. President Smith was in attendance and gave a short address which evidently created a good impression among the members present. All the offices were contested with the exception of President and Secretary, the following being installed as officers of the local for the ensuing term: President, J. D. Mihalcik; Vice-President, J. Standridge; Financial Secretary, W. Balderstone; Recording Secretary, J. B. McKay; Warden, J. Kosloszke; Pit Committee, W. Balderstone, J. D. Mihalcik, A. Coutts; Gas Committee, A. L., J. D. Mihalcik, J. Rosloszki; Finance Committee, J. D. Mihalcik, A. Coutts, A. Brandenburg. A special meeting of the local has been called by petition for Friday, July 4th, at 8 p.m. Business important; all members urged to be present.

Mr. J. Musgrove, who for the last four years has been pit boss on A. Level, is leaving Hosmer for pastures new. A pleasant surprise was in store for him on Monday evening last when a delegation consisting of Messrs. G. Rankin, Jas. McKelvie, H. Brown and Dr. Nay called on him and presented him with a fine gold watch and chain, suitably inscribed and a purse of gold donated by employees of the Hosmer Miners Co. and townspoople as a mark of their esteem.

Tom Shaw has taken over the duties of pit boss on A. Level recently vacated by J. Musgrove.

Hosmer meets Coal Creek on Saturday, July 5th, at Hosmer, in what should be the game of the season. The following team is expected to gather in the points for Hosmer: Goal, A. Adamson; backs, McQueen, Evans; halves, Rice, Andrew Adamson, Balderstone; forwards, Bain, Murray H. Anderson, Thornton, Patterson; reserves White, McKelvie. Kick off, 6.45 p.m.

Dominion Day passed off quietly as far as Hosmer was concerned, our ultra loyal patriots hoisted the flag as usual which was about the only difference noticeable.

Fernie was the Mecca of the athletic portion of our population. The footballers, tennis experts, and one or two runners journeyed up with the intention of having some say in the distribution of the prize money. But alas! all we accomplished was to get wet and leave some good Hosmer money behind us. But such is luck in this wild and woolly west.

Some of our fight fans took in the boxing contest and are loud in the praise of all they saw, especially the preliminaries.

The executive of the Athletic Association met Monday last and disposed of several matters of importance.

The Juniors will visit Coal Creek in quest of fame in the opening game of the Junior cup competitions on Saturday. They will line up as follows: Goal, P. Salt; backs, D. Browning (captain) T. Kier; halves, M. Hudock, M. McDougall, J. Kerr; forwards, Pruett, S. Lakey, H. Musgrove, Jas. Rolson, E. Lakey; reserves, A. Shaw and H. Robson.

D. Nay is busy putting down a lawn tennis court at the hospital. We see some good games in sight—hospital staff vs. the town.

Our hot-bloods have been cutting quite a dash lately; let's hope the cool weather has a soothing effect.

Jack McKay has resumed work after a long lay off caused by a sprained ankle. Jack says it's all right being a gentleman if one could only keep it up.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen, of Corbin, were Hosmer visitors Dominion Day.

The school kids are now enjoying their summer vacation. When they resume it will be under a new principal, Mr. Jay having resigned to the general regret of the children and their parents who consider him the best principal Hosmer public school ever had. Quite a bit of comment is being made relative to Mr. Jay's resignation, and the opinion is being pretty generally expressed that there is a nigger in the woodpile somewhere.

The mandate has gone forth that no more notices are to be posted in the postoffice. Here is a chance for the board of trade to shine. Why not put up a public notice board.

BELLEVUE NOTES

The inquest into the death of the man named Mead, electrocuted on Thursday, was held on Friday before Coroner Pinkny. The jury was composed of the following: William Grafton (foreman), Stephen Humble, Robert Conley, Harry White, Sydney Ross and J. Bouchier. After hearing the evidence and carefully considering same the jury came to the conclusion that J. W. Mead came to his death accidentally and a verdict in accordance was returned.

The Rev. W. Irwin left camp on Monday evening on urgent business in B. C.

Local 431 held their regular meeting on Sunday last when the nominations for the position of vice president came up. Mr. Bob Levitt was nominated for the vice presidency of District 18.

The local football team met Fernie on Saturday and played the league fixture. The game was a very poor one. For about 10 minutes after the play started the Fernie boys put up some good stuff but from that time on the game was dead. The first half ended 4-0 in favor of Bellevue. The second was a very poor exhibition, the Bellevue boys having the best all through and scored 4 more goals that making the score 8-0 in favor of Bellevue. Some of the Fernie boys left the field before the game ended. Bellevue Band were on hand and supplied some first class music.

District President J. W. Smith paid us a visit on Thursday on business. He intends visiting us in the near future and addressing the local.

The game of baseball on Sunday between Hillcrest and Bellevue ended in a victory for Hillcrest, the score standing 14-9 in favor of Hillcrest at the end.

Mr. Thomas Longford is now occupying the house lately vacated by Mr. Hector McDonald.

Miss Norton, of Calgary, is visiting in camp, the guest of Mrs. D. J. McDonald.

The baseball fans of the camp are are delighted with the way that Mr. J. R. McLeod managed the game here on Sunday.

TABER NOTES

An old timer in Taber and well known footballer through the Pass, in the person of Jabez Raynor, was in town and acted as goal keeper for the Grassy Lake team on Dominion Day.

Ed. Thacker and George and Ted Meachine were taking in the sports and incidentally winning foot races and kicking football on Dominion Day. Tom Snedden, Jim Bateman and Dick Jones were other visitors from Grassy Lake.

Sam Dunne and family were in town taking in the celebration.

An accident to the conveyor laid the big mine idle on Wednesday, but there will be work the remainder of the week.

Frank Lynbrick, who worked in Diamond City the last few months, has returned here and is starting in the big mine.

Will Jordan's family arrived from the old country on Friday.

Jack Bell is visiting friends in town for a day or two.

A new fire bell for the top of the fire hall was put in place this week. It is a big one and can easily be heard all over town.

The tipple at the Reliance mine, which has been idle for some time, blew down one day last week.

Will Pickering was married on Monday and took his bride to the homestead for the honeymoon.

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The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined an dpay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

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Cosmopolitan Agency Cancelled and Others Are on The Way

Federal Inspector F. F. Quinn Assumes Duties and Promises Strict Enforcement of Law

After many months of agitation on the part of organized labor in general and Vancouver Trades and Labor Council in particular a governmental crimp has been put into at least one employment agency. And others will be placed on the carpet within a week to show cause why they too should be permitted to flimflam helpless jobseekers.

The Federationist has been officially advised that the license of E. Welch of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, Vancouver, has been cancelled and will no longer be permitted to do business.

New Inspector Busy

Frederick F. Quinn, a Vancouver man, assumed the duties of federal inspector of employment agencies, under the recently enacted order-in-council, on Wednesday last. The appointment of Arnold F. George, an Ottawa man, announced some weeks ago, was not confirmed.

Inspector Quinn paid a visit to the Labor Temple and secured information concerning complaints recently made by the council. He also went over the situation with the mayor and chief of police, with a view to thoroughly acquainting himself with conditions prevailing in local and other employment agencies.

To the Federationist Mr. Quinn expresed himself as determined to enforce the provisions of P. C. 1028. "The department has given me very wide powers and I propose to eliminate some of the evils complained of by immigrants and others who have undoubtedly been victimized," said Mr. Quinn. "And in this determination I have the backing of the department."

Affidavits Forwarded Department

That persistency sometimes secures results is evidenced by the above. At last meeting of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council it will be remembered that Delegate McVety read copies of afidavits which had been forwarded to W. D. Scott, superintendent of immigration, at Ottawa, copies of which are herewith reproduced:

In the matter of Order-in-Council 1028, and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, Christopher Pattinson, of the city of Nanaimo, in the province of British Columbia, national organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, 1913, when the train bringing the sixty-one miners from England en route to Cumberland, British Columbia, arrived at Revelstoke I entered the said train for the purpose of advising the said miners of conditions at Cumberland, and that there was a strike on a t the mines there. I was accosted by one, George Cave, in the employment of the Cosmopolitan Agency of Vancouver, B. C., of which E. Welsh is the proprietor, and the said Cave endeavored to prevent me from interviewing the said miners, and assaulted me by grabbing me by the throat and stating that he would choke me and he desisted on the intervention of the men.

2. On the 6th day of June, 1913, I met the said Cave in the city of Vancouver, British Columbia, when he threatened me that he would get me yet, his exact language being: "I will get you yet, Pattinson; I got the Dago, and I will get you."

3. His reference to the "Dago" was that there was an Italian organizer at Cumberland by the name of Joseph Angelo, who was assaulted by the said Cave.

4. I have read over the affidavit of Robert Foster, sworn this date, relative to the conversation between him and the said E. Welsh. I was present when the said conversation took place, and corroborate the statement sin the said affidavit.

Sworn before me at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, this 9th day of June, A. D., 1913.

'CHRISTOPHER PATTISON."
"J. W. DE B. FARRIS."
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

In the matter of Order-in-Council 1028, and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, James H. McVety, of the City of Vancouver, in the province of British Columbia, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That I am an officer of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, and that part of my duty is to assist working men in securing payment of their wages and the return of fees paid to employment offices where the fees have been collected under false pretences.

2. That during the last twelve months more than five hundred men have made complaints to me about the misrepresentation of conditions by Vancouver employment agencies; that at least one hundred of the complaints have been directly against the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, particularly by men who have been sent to districts where strikes existed and who refused to work under such conditions and demanded a return of their fees for such employment.

4. I believe that the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency is one that should not be granted a license under Privy Council 1028, on account of the said misrepresentations that are made by it, in parlicular to immigrants that speak in foreign tongues.

Sworn before me at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, thihs 9th day of June, A. D., 1913.

"JAS. H. McVETY."
"J. W. De B. FARRIS."
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In the matter of Order-inCouncil 1028 and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, Robert Foster, of the City of Nanaimo, in the province of British Columbia, President of District 28, United Mine Workers of America, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That on the 5th day of June, 1913, at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, I had a conversation with E. Welsh, proprietor of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, relative to his attempt to bring in from England some sixty-one miners to work in the mines of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, at Cumberland, British Columbia, in place of striking miners. The miners referred to in our conversation were sixty-one miners, who came from Durham County, England, by way of Portland, Maine, United States of America, and arrived in Vancouver on the date of our conversation, and who on discovering that there was a strike at Cumberland and that they had been brought out under the false assurance that there was no strike, had refused to go to Cumberland from Vancouver.

2. Upon my statement to the said Welsh that he had failed to get these men in to work as strike breakers he stated to me that if he had been at Revelstoke when Pattinson went on the train he would have had one of his men qn each foot board of the car and had them kick the fact off him or beat him up that they both would have been arrested; if he could not do it in that way he would accuse him of being a pickpocket or a thief; if he could not have got his man to do it he would have done it himself; that he would not have cared what the fine would be for his man, he would have paid as long as he detained Pattinson.

3. The Pattinson referred to in the above conversation was Christopher Pattinson, national organizer of the United Mine Workers of America and the incident referred to at Revelstoke was when the said Pattinson entered the train on which the said miners from England were travelling, and informed them of the conditions at Cumberland and that they were being brought out as strike-breakers.

Sworn before me, at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, this 9th day of June, A. D., 1913.

"ROBT. FOSTER."
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"There are three or four agencies in this city that require attention," said the accompanying report from the Council to the department, "but the worst from the standpoint of fraud and deception is undoubtedly the Cosmopolitan."

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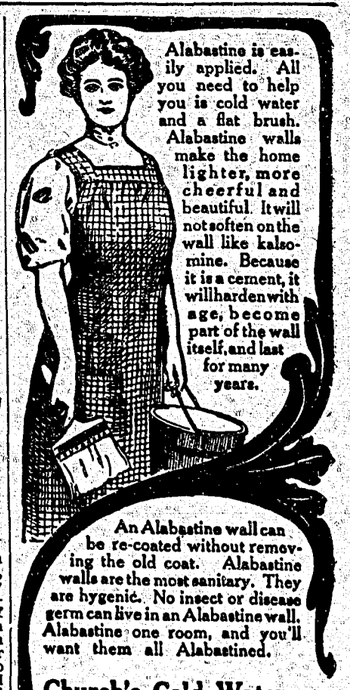

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949	Burmis	T. G. Harries, Passburg, Alta.
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2633	Coleman	W. Graham, Coleman, Alta.
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Un vecchio motto dice: Una catena puo essere altrettanto forte, quanto quo esser debole uno dei suoi anelli.

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Se vuolsi mantenere il presente alto sistema di vita condotto da coloro che appartengono alle unioni operaie, e strettamente indispensabile organizzare i milioni di immigranti che ancora non appartengono ad unioni di sorta, ovvero fare in modo che siano formate delle nuove unioni fra di loro. Se cosi non si facesse, quando viene proclamato uno sciopero, vi sarebbero sempre migliaia e migliaia di individui pronto a lavorare incoscientemente come crumiri, ansiosi di prendere il posto di coloro che scendono in lizza per rivendicare i calpestati loro diritti.

Un altro fatto sintomatico si e quello che i capitalisti, collo sviluppo delle moderne industrie, sostituiscono i lavoratori non pratici a quelli di lunga esperienza. Questo significa che anche i lavoratori senza un mestiere fisso, debbono essere organizzati nella stessa maniere che sono organizzati i lavoratori che hanno un mestiere fisso e che sono practici del loro lavoro, allo scopo di mantenere delle paghe che permettano di poter vivere decorosamente e di migliorare le condizioni dei figli del lavoro in generale.

Durante i prossimi cinque anni le organizzazioni operale degli Stati Uniti dovrebbero spendere milioni di dollari per educare ed organizzare gli immigranti, tanta economicamente che politicamente. Questi milioni, spesi in tale opera di propaganda di educazione, risparmierebbero diecine di milioni in beneficii per gli scioperi ed in perdite di salari.

Il movimento delle unioni operale ha datc prove non dubbie di avere immensamente giovato alla causa dei lavoratori collassicurar loro paghe piu alte, meno ore di lavoro e col migliorare le loro condizioni sanitarie sul lavoro.

Il mirabile progresso fatto durante questi ultimi anni dalle unioni operaie nei centri industriali del mondo, prova la potente loro efficacia nel risolvere i problemi economic che esistono fra capitale e lavoro.

Il movimento operaio d'America non puo star piu a lungo sulla difensiva. E'-nostro-impellente-e-stretto-dovere di iniziare una campagna da un lato all'altro degli Stati Uniti per organizzare tutti i, gruppi di lavoratori per porre un giorno il Lavoro in grado di potere dettar leggi al capitalismo. La mezzo potente ed efficace che contribuira mirabilmente a renderla possibile: l'istruzione.

MATI JONES V WASHINGTONU

Grozote v W. Virginiji Razkrite v Senatni Zbornici

Senator Kern iz Indiane, kateri je predložil v senatni zbornici resolucijo za vladno preiskavo tiranskih razmer med premogarji v W. Virginiji, je zadnji teden zasilisal v senatu vespricu utemeljitev svoje obtožbe v resoluciji. Glavni pricibili sta W.R.Fairley, organizator premogarske únije U. M. W. of A. in pa "Mati" Jones. Fairley je izpovedal, da vse nasilnosti v W. Va., ki so se izvršile tekom zadnjih 15 let, so direktno in indirektno zakivili lastniki premogokopov. "Vsak poskus premogarjev za povecanje place, skrajsanje delavnih ur ali za svobodno organiziranje zatrla je armada privatnih policajev, ki so v službi baronov premoga. Ti policaji ali baldwinci—kakor jih nazivajo—pretepli so vsakega organizatorja, kateri se je pribiizal v Paint Creek. Sodišča sepa čisto nič ne zmenijo za take slučaje, četudi katerega premogarja napol ubijejo. Ako pride do preiskave, prepričan sem, da bodo prisle na dan stvari, ki bodo pretresle celo republiko. Premogarji in njih rodbine niso samo v največji revščini, temveč se tudi postopa z njimi tako nečloveske, da je sramota za celi, civilizirani in krščanski svet izven Rusije."

Naravnost pretreslo pa je senatorje, ko je povedala "Mati" Jones, kaj ve o barbarstvu v W. Virginiji. Med drugimi stvarmi povedala je, kako so oboroženе Baldwinove barabe, v službi kapitalistov v temni noči napadle speče strajkarje v kočah na pogorju Stanford v New River okružju. Brez vsakega alarma so oboroženi tolovaji izstrelili celo salvo strelov v lesene koče in v spanju ubili sedem oseb in ranili 21. "In niti eden iz med krutih morilcev ni bil niti na odgovor klican, kam sele kaznovan," dejala je s solzami v očeh sivolasa mati Jones. "Teden pozneje sem obiskala tisti kraj in nasla sem eno vdovo padle žrtve na svežem grobu na pogorju, kjer je bridko jokala, Zraven je bila njena osemletna hčerka, katera je s prsti kopala v svežo zemljo in presunljivo klicala: "O papa moj, pridi ven!" — — — V Paint Creeku je lansko poletje ustavil prvatni policaj, baldwinec neko 17 etno dekle, hčer premogarja, na železniškem tiru" — pripovedovala je dalje mati Jones — "nastavil je pusko proti nji in je pod kaznijo smrti ukazal, da mora iti v bližnji potok in dvigniti obleko do pasu....Večina premogarjev ima velike rodbine, veliko oarok. Lastniki premogovnikov imajo povsod svoje prodajalne, morajo premogarji kupovati vse potrebščine po grozno oderuskih cenah, tako da, navadno od plače nič ne ostane. Koče premogarjev, za katere plačujejo družbam visok rent, so slabsse od pasjih ut. Ko me je en premogar povabil, da sem prespala eno noč v njegovi koči, so ga baldwinci drugi dan za kazen pregnali iz koče, tako da je moral dve noči prespati z ženo in s šesterimi majhnimi otroci pod milim nebom. Zapadna Virginija je v stsanju fevdalnega barbarizma in najmanj 50 let od zadaj za drugimi državami v Uniji."

"Mati" Jones je ostala v Washingtonu v nadi, da jo bodo še zaslišali kot pričo. Vse kaže, da bo Kernova resolucija sprejeta še te dni, dasiravno se še vedno zelo pročasi vleče. Senatorja iz W. Virginije, ki sta sama lastnika premoga, delata na vse pretege, da bi odvrnila preiskavo. Silni protest delavstva je do sedaj pripomogel toliko, da je guverner Hatfield preklical vojno stanje v okolišu strajka in izročil devet sodrugov, ki so pod obtožba umora, civilnemu sodišču v Point Pleasant, W. Va. Sodrugi Debs, Germer in Berger, katere je poslal v W. Virginijo narodni komite socialistične stranke, so se sesli zadnje dni v Charlestonu od koder se podajo v Point Creek na raziskavanje.

WOMEN WHO ARE OUTLAWS

Some Plain Reasons for Claiming the Vote

By Christabel Pankhurst

Why do you want the vote? people ask the suffragettes.

What an extraordinary question! One might just as well ask, Why do men want the vote? Women want the vote for the same reasons.

Why did men fight and rebel for the vote? Women are fighting and rebelling for the same reasons. In fact, the question that requires an answer is this: Why are women not allowed to have the vote—why are they robbed of that which is the birthright of a British citizen?

The demand of the suffragists is that women shall vote on the same conditions as men. At present men have the household suffrage. Therefore any woman who is a householder ought also to have the vote. Some day we may have a more extended franchise for men, and when that day comes women will, of course, claim that they shall have the extended franchise too.

Share and share alike should be the principle on which men and women divide their political rights. If a woman is a shareholder in a company she has the same voting right where the company's affairs are concerned as a man shareholder has. Why should she not also have a right to vote where the business of her country is concerned?

Political Outlaws

Anyone can be a British citizen except a woman. What an insult this is! Lunatics who happen to be outside of an asylum can vote. Criminals who have served their time can vote. Drunken men can vote. Illiterate men can vote. It is only women who cannot.

Florence Nightingale and Grace Darling were political outlaws. The women teachers who mould the ideas of the future electors are outlaws. Women hospital nurses who give their life to the services of their country in the battle against disease are outlaws.

The women doctors are outlaws. So are the women writers, actresses, and all women of genius. So are the brave widows, who keep and educate a family against heavy odds, doing the work of father and mother both. All the millions of magnificent women who, though they may be individually unknown, are nevertheless the nation's strength and glory are outlaws. But any man, however, ignorant, selfish or worthless, can get a vote.

Where men are concerned the vote is given very cheap. Where women are concerned nothing can win the same vote—no merit, no wisdom, no virtue, no service. Is it any wonder that women have become militant?

Let us imagine the position of men and women reversed—the women being the voters and the men having no power at all. It is to be hoped that the women would use their power over men more kindly than men have used their power over women; but in any case women could not possibly know the men's point of view as well as men know it themselves, and therefore great injustice would be done to men even if it were not done with deliberate intent.

If Men Were Ruled By Women

What would men say and what would they do if they found themselves ruled by women voters while having no voice themselves? The voteless manhood of the country would rise in rebellion against their female tyrants. "Votes for men" would be their watchword. As for their methods, if we may judge from what men did in the past to get the vote from the privileged few of their own sex, these would be far more violent than the present methods of the suffragists.

Yet there is this point to be noticed—it would be possible to make out a stronger case against votes for men than can be made out against votes for women. What the women who were keeping votes from men could say would be this: Women are the mothers of the race—they risk their life in order to bring new life into the world. To them the Creator has entrusted the sacred task of maternity. Therefore it is women who are the better equipped for citizenship and have the stronger right to the vote. Nature intended that the mothers of men should be their guardians and protectors where national government is concerned."

All this women could say, and could say with much reason. But they prefer the plan whereby men and women will work together, vote together, rule together. Therefore the suffragists uphold the principle of votes for women—and for men.

STORY OF PUTUMAYO ATROCITIES

(Continued from Page 2)

Arana Company . . . possesses absolutely no title to exploit these territories, where they are appointing agents and founding establishments."

As soon as Arana had succeeded in absorbing the Colombian settlements, and in securing control of the entire district, he immediately proceeded to reorganize and improve upon the crude methods of exploitation that the Colombians had heretofore employed. Scattered, isolated, working in a haphazard fashion, with no standards of output, no fixed rate of remuneration for their assistants, the Colombians had but scratched the great vein of "black gold" that followed its tortuous course through the Putumayo forests. Astute, possessed of some organizing ability, unscrupulous, Arana perceived that the rubber output of the territory could be enormously increased. That it would mean an enormously increased toll of human life meant nothing to him. Under the sway of the Colombians there was little blood-shed, and the Indians were fairly well treated, always receiving some little return for the rubber they delivered. Indeed, in many cases, there was a certain degree of affection between the Indians and their exploiters.

But Arana soon changed this. He divided the whole territory into two districts, one on the Igaraparana and the other on the Caraparana. La Chorrera was made the headquarters of the former and El Encanto of the latter. At each of these centers, superintendents were placed, who were paid by a commission on the amount of rubber their respective districts produced. This districts were, in turn, subdivided into sections, at the head of which was placed a chief, supported by a gang of miserably paid bandits, varying in number, according to the section, from eight to eighty, to overawe the Indians and keep them in slavery. These bandits, often themselves victims of the company and the chiefs of sections, were armed with the latest rifles to prevent any revolt on the part of the Indians. The chiefs of sections held absolute sway and their word was law; in most sections they imposed upon each Indian a certain quantity of rubber which he was to deliver every ten days. The chief of section, being paid only by a percentage on the output of his section, was naturally interested in seeing that the quantities of rubber he imposed were promptly delivered by the Indians.

It will readily be seen that this system, which is very similar to that employed in the Congo, is a direct incentive to crime and cruelty. There are but two alternatives; either the Indian must be paid for the rubber—and the payment must be great enough to tempt an idolent and easily satisfied freeman to undertake severe and continuous exertion—or the Indian must be coerced into giving up his native liberty and becoming the permanent serf of a few idle and vicious white men. And it will also easily be imagined that to accomplish this, the coercion must be severe and continuous. Arana apparently chose the latter alternative as being by far the more profitable. With the making of this decision, the atrocities became inevitable.

Here in "civilization" it is difficult to realize how these wholesale horrors can have been carried out. But it must be remembered that "The Devil's Paradise" is situated in the heart of South America and that the nearest town, Iquitos, is a two-weeks' journey. Except by descending the Putumayo from Colombia—a long and tedious passage—the only way to reach the district is by traveling on the Arana Company's own launches. Moreover, in the greed for gold, the desire to get something for nothing, human life counts in the rubber regions of the Amazon for even less than in our own profit-ridden land.—The New Review.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

Coal Creek, 3; Michel, 0, played at Coal Creek. Referee, R. Seram.

Hosmer, 3; Hillcrest, 2, played at Hosmer. Referee J. Mitchell.

Blairmore, 0; Coleman, 4, played at Blairmore. Referee, J. Wilson.

Bellevue, 8; Fernie, 0, played at Bellevue. Referee, J. Moore.

July 5

Fernie vs. Blairmore—J. Anderson.
Coleman vs. Michel—J. Wilson.
Hosmer vs. Coal Creek—J. Moore.
Hillcrest vs. Bellevue—J. Quinney.

July 12

Hillcrest vs. Fernie—R. Levitt.
Coleman vs. Hosmer—Jos. McGovern.
Coal Creek vs. Bellevue—J. Wilson.
Michel vs. Blairmore—J. Anderson.

July 19

Michel vs. Fernie—R. Levitt.
Hosmer vs. Blairmore—J. McGovern.
Coleman vs. Hillcrest—J. Wilson.
Bellevue vs. Coal Creek—P. McGovern.

July 26

Fernie vs Coleman—J. McGovern.
Hillcrest vs. Coal Creek—J. Anderson.
Hosmer vs. Michel—R. Levitt.
Bellevue vs. Blairmore—J. Wilson.

August 2

Fernie vs. Hillcrest—J. Mitchell.
Hosmer vs. Michel—R. Levitt.
Coleman vs. Bellevue—J. Wilson.
Coal Creek vs. Blairmore—P. McGovern.

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Coal Creek	8	7	1	0	23	5	14
Bellevue	8	7	1	0	52	10	14
Coleman	7	5	2	0	18	5	10
Hillcrest	9	3	4	2	15	14	8
Michel	9	3	5	1	14	14	7
Hosmer	8	2	4	2	12	12	6
Blairmore	9	2	6	1	9	24	5
Fernie	8	0	6	2	8	28	4

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The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Home Bank of Canada will be held at the Head Office, 8 King st., West, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 24th day of June, 1913, at 12 o'clock noon.

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JAMES MASON,
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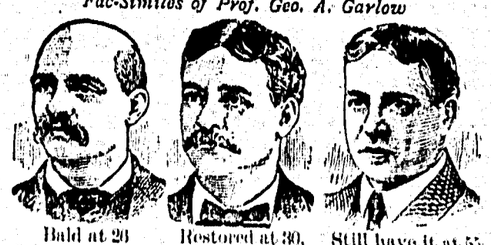

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Knox Church—Sunday services 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. A. Stuart Martin, B. D., evening subject, "Impurity."

The Fernie team to meet Blairmore on the New City Park on Saturday, July 5th, will be Andres; Gregory and Shields; Mills, Yates, Reilly (capt.); A. N. Other, Grant; Garvie, McConnell, Marchant, reserves, Corrigan and Brown. Kick off at 6.45 p.m.

Pat Connolly, light-heavy-weight champion wrestler of the world, is matched to wrestle with Gus Americus at Baltimore on Sept. 1st, and guaranteed $1,500 to appear, win or lose. If Pat should prove victorious he has been promised a match at Vancouver by Emual Klank, Frank Gotch's manager, who has written Pat expressing the belief that he is one of the few men from Europe likely to give Gotch a good match. It should be mentioned that it took Gotch two hours to get a fall off Gus Americus, and the match between Pat and the American should be interesting. Both will be pretty evenly matched for weight.

The monthly tea given by Methodist Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. King, Fernie Annex, on Tuesday, July 8th, from three to six o'clock.

"THE FLOWER OF ARIZONA"

At the Grand, Saturday, July 5th.

There will be new jokes and laughing catch-phrases entering into everyday conversation after next Saturday evening when irrespressible Fred A. Walters and his company of 25 in the new musical fun-maker, "The Flower of Arizona," which the Majestic Musical Comedy Company have produced on a big scale, comes to the Grand Saturday, July 5th.

The spirit of maddest frolic permeates every scene of this production, which comes here direct from its long run in the east. Its unconventionality is said to be the strong note in its appeal to an audience. "The Flower of Arizona" is described as not only a great play, but it is a great musical piece filled with tuneful songs that start everyone humming or whistling "catchy" melodies. Mr. Walters has been surrounded with a large company well chosen to fill the various amusing roles and also has a great madcap chorus chosen quite as much for its musical superiority as for its dancing agility.

Special train for Coal Creek at 11 p. m.

Grand Theatre

One Night Only

SATURDAY, JULY 5th, 1913

THE MAJESTIC MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY in

"The Flower of Arizona"

ADMISSION - $1.00, 75c., and 50c.

Curtain rises at 8.30

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The Struggle in Northern Colorado

(Special to The Ledger)

The Northern Colorado coal miners are now well on the way to their fourth year of struggle for the right to hold membership in the United Mine Workers organization, and that they may demonstrate to the many that their intentions are to continue in this struggle until this right is recognized, they have planned a monster celebration to be held in Lafayette, Colorado, August 1st, in which the striking miners, their families and friends from the entire northern field will participate.

President White, Vice-President Hayes and the governor of Colorado are expected to be the speakers of the day. Committees from all the northern local unions have been selected to take charge of the parade from their respective camps, as such parade will commence at Frederick from the east and Marshal from the west of the District, meeting at Lafayette where the celebration will be held.

Much interest is being displayed by a large number in a competitive contest of composing a strike song to be dedicated to the Northern Colorado strike.

The duration and bitterness of the struggle seems to have inspired all as the district office is daily receiving compositions to be entered in the contest.

The work for the strike breakers is very poor, many of them are not making expenses; the National Fuel company which operates four mines in the northern field prior to the strike is closed down, three of these mines and is working the Monarch No. 1 at Denver, Colo., as to cease working this property would cause its loss, owing to the condition of the mines. The Rocky Mountain Fuel company, the larger of the unfair companies in Northern Colorado continues to operate their mines in a half hearted way, many of their strike breakers leaving because of the conditions under which they are compelled to live and labor.

It is only recently that Bert Clifford who went strike breaking early in the strike quit his position at the Simpson mine at Lafayette, declaring that he was being driven as though he were a slave and that the company could not expect to hold strike breakers unless they accorded them better treatment.

A large number of Greeks quit this mine last wek and when leaving was asked why they were leaving the spokesman said: "Purty soon we work all a day for not'ings, soon a' the mine he go back to the union." Another case which shows the treatment the strike breakers receive is that of Sam Combs, who for an accident causing a leaking in the fire hydrant within the bull pen was charged for damages the sum of $23.10, and for damaging a stairway when moving a piano was charged $13.00; when he asked for his time his attention was called to the vast sums of money he had earned while in the employ of the company to which he agreed to, asked why it was that each month after earning such sums none was left for himself and family and not getting a satisfactory answer drew the small pittance due him and left the camp.

Many of these men who have acted as strike breakers during the past three years have employment in southern Colorado, and knowing the conditions of non-union mines from experience as a strike breaker, and later as an employee in a field where so called open shop exists, one can rest assured that a vast majority of these men will join the organization when given the opportunity.

The old time miners of southern Colorado can be heard on every hand protesting against the conditions and repeatedly asking the question, 'When is the United Mine Workers going to take hold of this field, and from all indications before the winter is over a great change will overcome that portion of the state. Many times since the opening branches in that field letters have reached the district office in Denver inquiring where and how can a miner join the organization and we believe that when the open campaign is put forth, the organization will grow by leaps and bounds, and a contract be secured for both the north and south and District No. 5 be among the best organized stated in the unitn.

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As will be seen by our advertising columns, Mrs. Todd is announcing a genuine removal sale of her entire stock of ladies furnishings. Every line will be cleared at, in many cases, less than cost. Mrs. Todd assuring us that it is her intention to open her new premises (now in course of erection) with an entirely new stock. It is hoped to have the new establishment ready by August 15th. This we believe, is the second sale to take place at Mrs. Todd's establishment and there is not the slightest doubt that this sale, like the two previous, will be quite an epoch in the feminine world.

West Virginia's Industrial War

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have acted in a spirit of fairness and have honestly endeavored to establish friendly relations between themselves and their employers; that they have sought to avoid turmoil, strife and strike by earnestly seeking to reach an amicable agreement for the mutual benefit— primarily of themselves and secondarily of their employers and the public, and that they have signally failed. It is therefore resolved "that all employees working in and about the mines in the New River district cease work on the first day of July, 1913, and remain idle until such time as a satisfactory agreement is reached between employers and employees, with the distinct understanding that any company or companies that are now complying with the agreement sought or any that may comply therewith prior to July 1, will not in any way be affected by this call."

The Ultimatum

That is the ultimatum. It is signed by the officers of the New River district and of the Raleigh county sub-district, and approved by the international board members. Signing for the the New River district are L. C. Rogers, president, and M. B. Coulter, secretary; on behalf of the sub-district, R. D. Cobb, president, Ed. Hollandsworth, vice president, and S. J. Bailey, secretary.

The demands of the miners are few and simple—and the miners believe they are reasonable and just. They are:

That there be no discrimination against the men who see fit to join the organization they have formed for mutual protection and benefit. The coal companies make it their practice to discharge the men who affiliate themselves with the United Mine Workers.

That nine hours and not 10 or 12, shall constitute a day's labor. Some of the miners and day men are said to exceed these higher figures.

2,000 Pounds to Ton

That 2,000 pounds and not 2,400 or 3,000, shall be reckoned a ton for the miner on the tipple as well as for the operator in market.

That a checkweighman be allowed on every tipple, so that the miner may be credited for the coal he actually mines and not for what the operator says is right. At some of the mines it is the system to dock the miner a thousand pounds for a piece of slate or "top" found in his car. A checkweighman would put a stop to that.

Two-Weeks Pay

That employes be paid twice a month instead of once a month, so that the men may not be compelled to borrow from their employers by taking "scrip" from the company stores. It is complained that many of the men do not have enough money "over" to run them from one payday to another.

That they be allowed to buy the necessities of life where and from whom they please, and not compelled too purchase from their employers. It is a tradition in the coal fields that the man who does not deal liberally at the company store stands to be "fired," while the man who deals to suit the whim of "the boss" keeps himself in debt to the company on throughout the year.

Guards Must Go

And finally that the Baldwin-Felts guard system be abolished and not replaced by the same thing under another name. The men allege that the hated guard system is the prime cause of all the trouble. The business of the mine guard, while ostensibly that of protecting property and life, has been that of preventing organization by beating up organizers and keeping the miners in subjection to their employers by the use of the Winchester rifles and the blackjack. The men say the guard is not needed for any of these purposes. They point to the unionized coal fields in proof of the assertion that shootings and sluggings are not necessary to the protection of property and the preservation of good order. Through 10 years of unionism on Paint Creek one deputy sheriff enforced the law and preserved the peace. Then the operators broke with the union, the guards came, and trouble began.

Will Be Hard Fought

The conflict on New River will indeed be a strenuous one. The operators there are among the wealthiest in the business. Their wealth has been piled up by a system by which the miner stands for most of the losses and the mine owner banks the gains. They will spend many thousands of dollars to protect that system, and the operators in other fields will help them.

The miners are going into the strike with the intention of winning. Their leaders are men of experience in the work at hand. The national treasury is at their command, and their more prosperous brothers in the organized states will contribute to their support until the day of victory or defeat.—Kanawha Citizen.

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