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Oil Experts Look Over Properties On West Coast Of Graham Island

B. C. Oilfields will Resume Drilling Operations Early Next Month---Other Companies will also Bore.

That the oil fields of Graham Island are the most extensive in indications of any on the North American continent, and he pins his faith to this field as the one which with development will prove the greatest producer in Canada, is the assertion of Mr. E. H. Lea, formerly employed with the geological surveys of both Canada and Uuited States, who has left after a trip to the oil fields in connection with his holdings there.

Mr. Lea was accompanied by Mr. W. P. Sloan, M.E., a mining man of considerable experience in other oilfields, and Mr. W. C. Macdonald, of Prince Rupert, who is also heavily interested in West Coast property. They expressed themselves as more than pleased with the outlook and will return shortly with drilling machinery to commence operations.

Mr. Lea has quietly held on to oil leases on Graham Island for the past four years. He frequently expressed his confidence that it was only a question of time when public attention would turn that way. It is turning there now. Mr. Lea's trip was for the purpose of getting things ready for renewed operations of the company which already has been drilling, and for the employment of a drill on the property of another company in which he is interested.

These operations will start up immediately. Mr. Henry Edenshaw was instructed by telegraph from officials of the B. C. Oil Fields to have scows ready for the purpose of taking freight and supplies to the West Coast.

With the capital which these companies have arranged for nothing ought to deter them from going ahead and proving this field according to Mr. Lea. Experts have reported several times for different companies on Graham Island fields and without exception their reports have been extremely flattering. Mr. Lea is himself a man of wide experience in the oil business and a geologist of experience. He has made a good many trips to the West Coast where the oil fields are located and he has explored there probably more extensively than any white man.

According to a statement he made to The Sun there are no faults in the geological construction of the field. Everything indicates that the oil bases are intact. Unlike most fields there is on over load and the shales and oil-saturated stratas are on the surface. The anticlines are all well defined.

In proof of the assertions that there is oil in that field, those interested recently examined the shales by crushing them and running them through the retort process. It was determined that there was from 2.8 to 3 per cent. oil of a paraffin base contained in the shales. These figures would indicate that with the great saturation on the surface it would be commercially successful to treat the shales for the oil in them even without getting to the oil bases.

The west coast of Graham Island is rocky and more or less dangerous, though Otard bay, nearest the fields, is a well-sheltered deep harbor. In the past the company, which has had a drill in operation, has been working with about every handicap imaginable. The elements were against success, and the government had no trails for reaching the field overland. The company had a poor trail to Naden harbor, but even this was not sufficent for us all year round. In addition the mail service was so poor that an order for a new part to replace a broken part, or instructions from the head office usually took from one to two months in getting to the West Coast. Men were hard to keep in the desolate spot. But things have materially improved in the past year. The mail service is better, the government has provided a good trail and the steamers call more regularly at Naden Harbor. According to Mr. Lea the public now is taking a lively interest which means successful operations in proving the field by finding the oil bases. Mr. Lea is one of the heaviest individual owners in the field.

Interest in Graham Island oil possibilities took a substantial form a few days a go, when a sufficent amount of capital waa completed to continue the sinking of the well on the property of the British Columbia Oil Fields, Limited, on Graham Island.

The well on this property has been sunk 850 feet, but owing to lack of funds work wsa discontinued a year ago.

Experts have estimated that 450 feet below the present depth oil will be encountered in commercial quantities.

The indications of oil of the highest known grade in this field are of the most promising nature. All the surface seepages indicate oil of a paraffin wax base and huge pieces of pure paraffin wax are frequently encountered at the surface forced up through the crevices of the rock.

Massett-Indian Village Road Needs Attention.

A suggestion has been made that the road from the town of Massett to the reserve be made complete by the removal of the stumps and underbrush at the sonth end. When the agreement was made to have a road to and through the reserve the Indians agreed to do the work and carried out their part of the contract, from one end of the reserve to the other, and have a roadway that is complete in every respect. The expenditure of a little time and money would make this driveway one of the handsomest in the country. If we expect to have conveyances, we must have places for them to go over, and it would not be long before we would have automobiles if we had "non-puncture" roadways.

Geological Survey Party Arrive.

Mr. J. D. MacKenzie, Dominion Government Geologist, arrived with a party of men on the last boat. They left for the Yakoun Coal Measures, where they will engage in geological and topographical work. They will also visit the Oil Fields on the West Coast. Mr. Mcdonald, resident Engineer at the Barton Drill Camp came down to Massett to meet them.

Capt. Oliver Secured Contract.

The Hospital Building Committee met on Wednesday forenoon and opened the tenders for the building as per plans and specifications already published. Four bids were received and the contract was awarded to Capt. Oliver. Work is to be commenced immediately.

An expert driller, who previously had charge of the work, has been sent for and is expected here in a few days. The necessary supplies of pipe, tools, ect., to complete the well are being shipped north and the promoters confidently expect to bring in a well within the next sixty days.

The Graham Island field has long been regarded as one of the most promising in the West. Vancouver investors have been making eager enquiries about Graham Island oil prospects, not only on Graham Island, but in Pitt Meadows and other districts during the last week and the success of the Graham Island venture will no doubt cause a second Calgary boom for British Columbia oil fields.

Local News Items

House and shacks to rent in Massett and Delkatlah.—Jessup, Islander office.

Eli Tingley and Wes Singer returned from a trip to the West coast last week. Mr. Tingley left for Prince Rupert on Tuesday.

Harrison Avenue is now opened up from Main Street to the Smythe Block, which materially improves the appearance of the place.

The telegraph rate between the Islands and Prince Rupert has been reduced to 75 cents for day telegrams of ten words and night letter of fifty words.

The "Charles Harrison" is the latest addition to the mosquito fleet. It was built by Hazelton Bros. of Woden for Provincial Constable Condon, and is a splendid model.

Mr. C. L. Cullin, pre-emption inspector, is once more in town, having spent the last month between Skidegate and Woden. His knowledge of the interior of the island should now be second to none.

The following registered at the St. Ives Hotel during the week. D. McIntosh, Victoria, B.C., A. E. Johnston, Victoria, B. C., J. D. McKenzie, Ottawa, P. M. O. Lasher, Montreal, C. L. Cullin, Prince Rupert.

The Fisheries Protection Cruiser Gannet, Capt. Haan, came into Massett on Thursday night. On Friday she left for the head of the Inlet with Frisheries Inspector Harrison. They arrived back last night and leave for Naden Harbor and North Island to-day.

The whaler White, Capt. J. Christian, of the C. N. P. whaling fleet, made a lucky and unusual haul to the Naden Harbor station last week, landing a "Right Whale," a species now very rare, especially in these waters. This particular specimen is valued at about twenty thousand dollars.

Messrs. Sam Ives, Joe. McMullen, "Batch," and Earl Wanless made a fishing trip to the Ain River on Wednesday and Thursday. They reported fishing as none too good, there being a lot of dead salmon in the river. They also struck a second Alexander Selkirk there, whose early rising habits proved a detriment to the doughty Massett fishermen.

Mr. F. Bastien arrived on the last trip or the Prince Albert bound for Sewall. He was occompanied by Mrs. Bastien, and brought several tons of effects and farming equipment, a fine team, two cows, two calves and several crates of poultry. He is the forerunner of a German colony of some forty families that are coming to that section of the island. An outfit like this is indeed welcome and better settlers in an agricultural country can not be had.

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Redistribution.

A question that is being generally discussed all over the Islands is the change that will take place before the next general election, with regard to giving the Queen Charlotte Islands a representative in the local Legislature. At the rate voters are being placed on the list we should have five hundred electors by next fall, and this number will call for a representative without attaching this district to any other. It has been asserted that Queen Charlotte Islands will form a part of another and a larger section, but if we have representation according to population, there are many other districts that will not total up with this constituency, and they should be connected with adjacent territory. If the question is one of the territory, and the government considers the requirements of the future, it is plain that our islands will now fill up very rapidly and is growing in the way of settlers coming in. It must also be remembered that our islands are diatant from any other section, and the wants of the people can scarcely be understood by a representative whose residence would be in the large cities. We have no fault to find with those who now represent this district; but when a change is made it should be to give the electors an opportunity of saying who shall watch over their welfare, without introducing a divided district and the consequent clashing of interests. The electors should make a strong plea for a member for the islands, and every voter that is on the islands should see to it that he is on the list.

Dominion Day Celebration.

The Committee who are arranging the Dominion Day Celebration at Massett had a meeting on Monday night. They are arranging a full and varied programme for the day. The children will have lots of races, though the features of the day will doubtless be the nail-driving contest for ladies, and the race for fat-young men over fifty. There is to be a tennis tournament, also football and baseball matches, and it is to be hoped that each of the settlements will be able to enter a team for the tug-of-war. A free for all motor boat race will also prove an attraction. In the evening a dance will be held which will be a good windup to what promises to be a very strenuous day. Officials for the day were appointed as follows:—Starter, J. M. Campbell; Judges, Chas. Harrison and Thos. Deasy; Ground Committee, Messrs. Richards, Bachelor, Curtis, Kennedy, McGregor, Bridden, Robertson and Whiffen. It is hoped that all who can possibly do so will attend and do their part to make the day a success. A full list of events will be found in these columns next week.

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Indian Agent Thomas Deasy haa sent a portion of his collection of Indian curios to the Entomolo ical Department at Ottawa. He still retains the Black Slste Work, of which he has the largest collection extant. The exhibit forwarded included over thirty objects, comprising the basketry, carving in wood, bone and other material, Indian hats, mocassins, model house, and a number of other interesting articles, showing the work of the Haida Indians. The curiosities will be located permanently in the goverment museum at Ottawa. He also sent a collection of shells, agates, ruby sand, graphite, and other products of the islands.

During the visit to Massett of General Agent A. Davidson, of the G. T. P. Railway Company, he discussed with Indians Agent Deasy the placing of an exhibit at the San Francisco Exposition, of the products of the islands and the taking of a number of Indian carvers and weavers to the Fair. Mr. Deasy is of the opinion that a good opportunity is afforded to publish a book, on the Queen Charlotte islands, for general distribution at the Exhibition. The G. T. P. Railway Company contemplates erecting a building to cost half a million of dollars.

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Sloop "Josephine" A Total Loss.

An unfortunate fire occurred on Sunday about noon, when that well known and staunch craft, the Josephine, Capt. Henry Edenshaw, was burned to the water line as she lay at her moorings in Delkatlah. It is thought that the sun, which was very hot on that day, must have concentrated through one of the port holes, on some matches and thus started the blaze. It was not discovered in time to do anything, and as there was about sixty gallons of gasolene aboard, none felt like getting to close until the tank had exploded. As it is, she is practically a total loss; she was worth about two thousand dollars and much sympathy is felt for Mr. Edenshaw. A fund has been started to enable him procure another boat. This is in the very capable hands of Mr. Hicks, by whom subscriptions will be received, or at the other points on the Inlet where a subsrcription list is open.

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Woden visitors during the week were: Messrs. Condon, Cullin, Spence, Hull and Miller.

The D. G. S. Lillooet sent a party of men ashore for the purpose of making observations for the new chart of the Inlet.

Mr. Haines and son were visitors to Massett on Thursday.

Mr. G. B. Hull, government engineer, and his assistant, Mr. Miller, were here surveying for the new wharf.

Mrs. Grange, Rev. Father McDonald and Eritz Rampmaier, were at Massett Monday on business;

"Daddy" Hicks of Massett spent a couple of days here visiting Mr. Grange and family. He also visited some of the pre-emptions and was surprised at the development of the district. He is jolly company and we hope he will drop in often.

Mr. Hadfield left on the last boat for Burnaby, B.C.

F. Stocks came in from the East coast Tuesday and waited over for the mail.

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COAL mining rights of the Dominion in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

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LAND ACT.

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Date February 5, 1914
dffp 18 Edmund C. Stevens

LAND ACT.

Skeena Land District—District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take notice that Edward Francis Evans, of Massett, B. C., occupation farmer, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands, being tide-flat, for ten years: Commencing at a post planted by the west 1-4 post of Section 425, Kumdis Slough, Masset Inlet, thence west 5 chains, thence north-east following east side of slough 29 chains, thence east 3 chains to west boundary of Lot 340, thence south-west 29 chains to point of commencement, containing 11 acres more or less.

Edward Francis Evans.

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D. 2nd P.—May 16

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