SIMILKAMEEN STAR

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Orange Grand Lodge

The Orange Grand Lodge of British Columbia will hold this year's annual session at Princeton, the dates fixed being February 20th, 21st and 22nd. Already the various lodges in this district are making plans for reception and entertainment of the large delegation of visitors that will be here. H. H. Avery of Princeton is a grand lodge officer, being grand censor of the Royal Black Knights.

L. O. B. A. OFFICERS INSTALLED

At the regular meeting of this week of the L. O. B. A. the following officers were duly installed for the coming year:

Mabel Knudson—Worthy Mistress,
Mrs. Rhoda Gibson—Deputy Mistress,
Mrs. Emily Wells—Chaplain,
Loraine Pearsall—Rec. Secretary,
Mrs Jessie Rainbow—Fin. Secretary.
Mrs Dora Johnson—Treasurer,
Ada Kirkpatrick—Dir. of Ceremonies.
Mrs. Margaret Kirkpatrick—Lecturer,
E. S. Sillcox—Inner Guard,
Frank Sherman—Outer Guard,
S. R. Gibson—Guardian.

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H. H. Avery—W. M.
Franklyn Sherman—D. M.
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Committeemen—B. S. Peck and H. B. Meausette.
Past Masters—S. R. Gibson, P. Russell and H. B. Meausette.

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G. M. Bennett—D. P.
H. H. Avery—Chaplain,
H B. Meausette—Registrar,
P. Russell—Treasurer,
S. R. Gibson—Dir. of Ceremonies,
Eugene Embree—Lecturer,
W. J. Kirkpatrick—Censor,
Past Worthy Preceptors—H. H. Avery, H. B. Meausette, John Knudson, and P. Russell.

Official Axe Has Fallen

The Provincial Government is out with its axe. Every road superintendent in the Province has been canned. This, of course, includes H. A. Turner of the Similkameen district.

Starting Kindergarten School

Next Monday, January 8th, Mrs. Wright will open a kindergarten and primary class for children over three years of age at her residence on Fenchurch avenue. Hours, 9:30 a. m. till 12.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. F. W. Phillips arrived home from Vancouver yesterday.

Orrin Knight brought home F. S. Norcross' car from Oroville this week.

Mrs. H. H. Avery and daughter Margaret left this morning for Vancouver

Pte. Jack Lyall, after visiting with his parents at Trail, has gone back to his regiment on the coast.

General Manager Lachmund of the B. C. Copper Company arrived from Greenwood this morning.

Ernest Waterman was laid up for several days with an attack of the la grippe, but is again able to be out.

Miss McClellan, a trained nurse of Vancouver, is assisting Mrs. Manahan, matron at the Princeton Hospital.

Miss Nellie Manahan will leave tomorrow for Vancouver to resume her studies at the Sprott-Shaw Business College.

The annual ball of Princeton Lodge No. 50 Knights of Pythias will be held on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 7th

Maurice Daly and sister, Miss Florence, of Keremeos. and Miss Avonia Jones of Hedley were amongst the several out of town people who attended the masquerade ball here Monday night.

Avery & Avery have just received a shipment of first class poultry food, including beef scraps, ground bone, crystal grit, cracked corn and International poultry food. Also calf meal and hog corn meal.

Always remember the canvasser who waits upon you on behalf of the Cunadian Patriotic Fund is giving his time and energy for a noble cause. He has his own business to attend to, so save as much of his time as possible.

O. H. Walker passed away at the local hospital early New Year's morning. He was ill only a few days, and death was due to pneumonia. Deceased was foreman of the tunnel work at Copper Mountain, taking the position formerly occupied by A. L. Peters. His remains were embalmed and prepared for shipment by Undertaker French, and Wednesday were sent to a nephew at Stillwater, Minnesota. He was 49 years of age, and came here from Salt Lake City.

One on New Westminster

A Vancouver Auto club member going through Westminster was pulled up for excessive speed.

"Didn't you see that sign 'Dead Slow' " asked the Royal city cop.

"Sure," said the Vancouver man, "but I thought it referred to your town."

THE METAL MARKET

NEW YORK—Lead, 7.62.
Bar silver—75¾.
Copper—28 @ 32.
ST. LOUIS—Spelter, 10.
MONTREAL—Lead, 9.26.

THE WIDE WORLD.

Nearly the entire business district of the famous old mining town of Valdez, Alaska, was destroyed by fire on New Year's Day.

The mayoralty contest in Nelson on January 11th will be between J. E. Annable and Harold Selous. Mryor J. J. Malone will not be a candidate for reelection.

The William A. Sunday Evangelistic Association has been formed in New York as a joint stock company. Billy has no place on the board, being simply the "stock-in-trade."

Twenty years ago Tod Sloan was the greatest figure in the turff sport. He now lives in New York and is down and out after squandering more than $100,000 over card tables and in poolrooms.

A large manufacturing concern in Milwaukee has advertised for a "red headed" errand boy. The manager says that red headed boys are brighter and more "live" than boys having any other shade of hair.

Fifty five insane women patients in the asylum of St. Ferdinand de Halifax, near Quebec, were burned to death last Satuaday night, when the building was totally destroyed. One sister perished in her efforts to rescue the inmates.

The personnel of the commission which will administer the Workingmen's Compensation Act has been announced at Victoria. E. S. H. Winn of Rossland will preside over the board, and the other members are Parker Williams of Newcastle and H. B. Gilmour of Vancouver.

Sawmill at Canford

The big sawmill plant of the Nicola Valley Pine Lumber Company at Canford is now undergoing repairs and will be ready to start up about February 1st, says the Merritt Herald. The mill will handle in the neighborhood of 30,000,000 feet of lumber during 1917. Practically all of last year's cut has been shipped to market. The company now has 12 logging camps at work, nine of which are in the Coldwater and Nicola valleys and three near Princeton. A total of about 175 men are now employed in the woods. Already the company has book orders for 1917 delivery amounting to approximately 7,500,000 feet—about one-quarter of the anticipated cut. The company also has booked orders for the delivery of 500,000 fruit boxes for Okanagan points, about 65 cars.

Mask Ball a Success

The attendance at the masquerade ball last Monday evening was the largest in Princeton since the big Dominion Day dance last July. The sale of tickets amounted to $236.50, and after paying expenses there was a net balance of $141.50. Of this amount the Ladies Auxiliary turned $50 over to the Red Cross. The dance ran until nearly 5 o'clock Tuesday morning and the floor at all times was comfortably filled. Outside points such as Copper Mountain, Hedley, Keremeos and Coalmont were well represented. The costumes worn represented almost every character one could imagine. There were real soldiers in khaki, Red Cross nurses, Colonial costumes, Belgian, Irish, Scottish, Hindu, Spanish and negro costumes, Little Red Riding Hood and a dozen and one other make-ups. The music supplied by Mr. Bush and his daughter of Midway and Clarence Garrison was excellent. Sam Gibson was master of ceremonies, and kept things moving briskly. Miss Annie Cunningham gave a clever exhibition in step dancing during the supper hour.

MINES AND MINING

Alloys are mysterious. Take gold and lead for example. Both are soft metals and tough, but if one tenth of one per cent of lead is added to gold, it becomes so brittle as to break like china when dropped on the floor—and nobody really knows why. Absolutely pure brass—that is, brass made of pure copper and zinc—is so refractory that it cannot be machined with steel cutting tools. But the addition of one half of one per cent of lead, which makes a soft metal like gold brittle, acts as a shortening for brass—just as butter shortens pie crust—and then it can be machined easily. German silver is composed of copper, nickel and zinc. Platinum alone expands under heat at the same rate as glass. This is why it is used to make the air tight joint in the electric circuit in incondescent lamps, because nothing else would do.

The Vancouver post office has received some 200,000 National Service Registration cards for distribution.

An **X** in the blank space indicates your subscription is due, and is a hint that you owe THE STAR $2.00

LOCAL ITEMS

Automobile licences for 1917 are due.

The public schools will reopen next Monday.

L. N. Marcotte was down from Coalmont Monday.

Sergt. Launcelot Spooner came up from Vancouver for New Years.

P. Burns & Co. and others in town are preparing to put up their season's supply of ice.

Pte. Stanley Thompson came over from the coast to spend New Years with friends.

This is National Service Week. Don't fail to fill out your card and mail it to Ottawa.

The next meeting of the Red Cross will be on Wednesday, January 10th, at 3 o'clock.

Dnlinquent subscribers to the Star should start the uew year right by settling up.

Miss Adeline Cook of Granite Creek spent several days in Princeton visiting with friends.

Vermilion Rebekah Lodge will have installation of officers at the regular meeting next Monday evening.

The Roughuecks and the scouts played hockey last Saturday afternoon, with a score of 13 to 10 in favor of the former.

Staff Sergt. J. F. Lawney of the 236th Maclean Kilties, spent New Years with old friends in Princeton. He put in several years around Coalmont and Princeton prior to leaving for his old home at Waasis, N. B., about two years ago. The 236th was organized at Fredericton, and is under the command of Col. Guthrie. Capt. Percy Godenrath, well known here, is an officer of this regiment. Sergt Lawney was on a recruiting mission, but found that most of the eligible men around here had already enlisted.

COMING EVENTS

Provincial Bonspiel—Trail, Monday, January 15th.

British Columbia Dairymen's Convention—Nanaimo, January 25th and 26th.

K. of P. Annual Ball—Wednesday evening, February 7th.

Orange Grand Lodge—Princeton, February 20th, 21st and 22nd.

Provincial Legislature—Meets Thursday, February 22nd.

MINERAL ACT

(Form F)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

3-Strike, 4-Strike, 5-Strike, No. 60B, and New No. 61 Mineral Claims, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located—At Voigt's Camp, near Princeton.

Take Notice that I, P. W. Gregory, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96285B, acting as agent for Emil F. Voigt, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96287B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the pur pose of obtaining a Grown Grant of the above Claims.

And further take notice that action, under Section 81, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this First day of December. 1916.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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Great Western Mineral Claim, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located—On Copper Mountain.

Take notice that I, Alfred S. Black, Free Miner's Certificate No. 3742C, acting as agent for George H. Sproule, Free Miner's Certificate No. 93276B; Richard John Edmond, Free Miner's Certificate No. 93283B; Gustaf W. Wirtanen, Free Miner's Certificate No. 93277B, and Gilbert McEachern, Free Miner's Certificate No. 93281B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 12th day of December, 1916.

MINERAL ACT

(Form F)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

"Oronoco" Mineral Claim, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located—At Copper Mountain, near Princeton, B. C.

Take Notice that I, P. W. Gregory, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96285B, acting as agent for John A. Johnson, Free Miner's Certificate No. 3706C, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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J. D. ANDRAS, Princeton, Manager.

A Record Shipment

United States Counsul Alger, of Fernie, has passed through his office within the past month, records of seventy-five cars of lead bullion shipped from Trail by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company to the East Chicago Refinery. These seventy-five cars of bullion represent a total value of $800,000, or $11,000 per car. About a year ago the territory of the Fernie consular district was enlarged so far as to take in Trail, Rossland and Greenweod, which has thrown a great deal more business through the Fernie office, and up to date for 1916, there has been a total of invoices passed by Consul Alger of 2131. With all the improvements and additions that have been added to the Consolidated plant at Trail, that institution is not able to treat all the ores that are turned out in southeast British Columbia, although the output of the B. C. Copper Company, which was formerly sent over the line for smelter treatment and refining, is now being treated, under contract at the Trail plant, and that institution is enlarging its refining capacity as fast as possible in order to take care of practically all the output of the mines within railway reach of Trail. The constantly increasing demand for copper and lead, resulting from the continuation of the European war, has placed the mining and smelting industries of British Columbia upon a basis which will mean a continuation of prosperity to that industry for a long time after peace has been declared, if not continually.

Got More Than She Gave

Miss Ryval (triumphantly.)—I suppose Jack never told you he once proposed to me.

Jack's Fiancee—No; he told me there were a number of things in his life he was ashamed of, but I didn't ask him what they were.

A 100-Mile Per Hour Slip

Remarkable details concerning the trial trip of the new Italian warship have been published in the Italian press, which is fitted with oil engines, is capable of covering over one hundred miles an hour while travelling at full speed. The foam of the big waves it throws up makes a track several miles long behind the ship, and the disturbance is so great that it is claimed no submarine could venture within effective radius, or if one did any torpedoes fired would become the sport of the waves and be thrown far away from their target. Whether that would happen or no, it would certainly be a feat for a submarine to torpedo a vessel moving at 100 miles an hour.—London Chronicle.

Good Advice

It does anybody good to get away from home occasionally and mingle with the outside world. It serves as an elixir of life. It puts one in touch with what others are doing and how they do things. Too many are content to remain at home and only too often they really come to that point where they believe that their home town is the only pebble on the beach; that it is the only town where things worth while are being accomplished. There never was a bigger fool idea. Get it out of your system. Change your viewpoint. The sooner the better.

Proof Positive

"Jimmy," said the mother to her smart eleven-year," what became of that little pie I made for you as a treat yesterday? Did you eat it?

"No, mamma," answered Jimmy, with a grin; "I gave it to my teacher at school instead."

"That was very nice and generous of you, Jimmy!" complimented his mother. "And did your teacher eat it?"

"Yes. I think so," answered Jimmy. "She wasn't at school today."

The Bandages Slipped

A soldier whose head and face were heavily swated in bandages, and who obviously had had a bad time, was being feelingly sympathized with by the solicitous lady.

"And were you wounded in the head, my poor fellow."

"No, ma'am," Tommy replied, "I was wounded in the ankle, but the bandages slipped."—Answers.

Recover From This?

Do you know what a "Brachydiastenalolhermumadigascarensis" is? You don't?. Well its an embryo sphenifanailes skesiaforid pelicepod of the paleozic age, the professor of geology at the University of Chicago told his openmouth students. No one questioned his statement.

Loaned From Vaudeville

The 1917 Ford will not be nearly so noisy. You see, they've taken the brass band off the radiator.–Ex.

A K. C.

A countryman visiting Dublin for the first time took a seat in a tram. Being next to a pompous looking gentleman, he began conversation in a rather free-and-easy style. At length the mighty one said:

"My good man, reserve your conversation for one of your own equals. I'd have you know I'm a K. C."

At this the countryman stood up with outstretched hands, exclaiming: "Shake hands, namesake; I'm a Casey myself."

I have often seen, with an anguish of mind infinitely sad, the souls of animals appear in the depths of their eyes,—the soul of a cat, the soul of a dog, the soul of a monkey,—as sorrowful for an instant as the soul of a child, revealing itself suddenly in a look, searching my own soul with tenderness, supplication or terror. And I, perhaps, have had more pity for these souls of animals than for those of my brothers, because they are without speech and incapable of coming out of their half-night; and, especially, because they are more humble and more disdained. PIERRE LOTI.

Every animal may safely ask for simple justice. It is man alone who must plead at last for mercy.

Not less than 25,000 women are now working on the railroads of France.

A wag informs us that when travelling on a train that's behind time, throw mushrooms on the track, then it will catch-up.—Let's grow mushrooms.

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of wentty-one years renewal for a further term of 21 years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

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

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, rescinded by Chap. 27 of 4-5 George V. assented to 12th June, 1914.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N. B.— Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—83575.

Float

Float is not a periodical. It is a book containing 86 illustrations all told, and is filled with sketches and stories of western life. It tells how a gambler cashed in after the flush days of Sandon; how it rained in New Denver long after Noah was dead; how a parson took a drink at Bear Lake in early days; how justice was dealt in Kaslo in '93; how the saloon man outprayed the women in Kalamazoo, and graphically depicts the roamings of a western editor among the tenderfeet in the cent belt. It contains the early history of Nelson and a romance of the Silver King mine. In it are printed three western poems, and dozens of articles too numerous to mention. Send for one before it is too late. The price is 25 cents, postpaid to any part of the world. Address all letters to

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PRINCETON, JANUARY 5, 1917.

B. C. Mines

The Whitehorse Star makes the following reference to the mining situation in Atlin district: "Despite the shortage of labor in the Atlin mining district the gold output for the season has been greater than for any year since the big rush in 1898. Efficiency has been greatly hampered this year because of the fact that many of the experienced hydraulic men have enlisted for war service and new men have had to be trained to take their places, thus causing a serious loss to operators. Despite this, however, everyone in the district prospered last season. Things have been on the up-grade since the Summer of 1913. In that year the minimum of output was reached since the days of discovery. It took a good deal of optimism to hold through the lean years but those who did are now repaid. Three rediscoveries were made last summer. On one creek there were no less than twenty small operators at work, and all are making money. Quartz operations will begin on a large scale next year if the people interested can gain facilities for treating their ore.

The Merritt Herald reports that the Kettle Valley Railway is at work constructing a spur to the Diamond Vale mine. The new washhouse at the mine is in course of construction. It seems apparent from everything that the Merritt Colliers, Ltd., are doing at the Diamond Vale property that the company intends its work to be substantial and permanent. The shipping of coal to the coast markets should commence in the course of a few days, as it is stated by the railway management that the spur now under construction will be ready by that time. Thus far the mine has only been supplying coal to local consumers.

The Copper Chief mine at Renata, on the Arrow Lakes, owned by Thomas Wilson, E. H. McDaniels and S. Taylor, shipped a barge load of copper ore to the Trail smelter last week.

Twenty-eight mines with a total tonnage of 5,252 gross tons, was shipped to the Trail smelter from Dec. 8th to 14th.

The Monitor of Port Alberni, and Jennie Bell of Ymir, are two new shippers to the Trail smelter.

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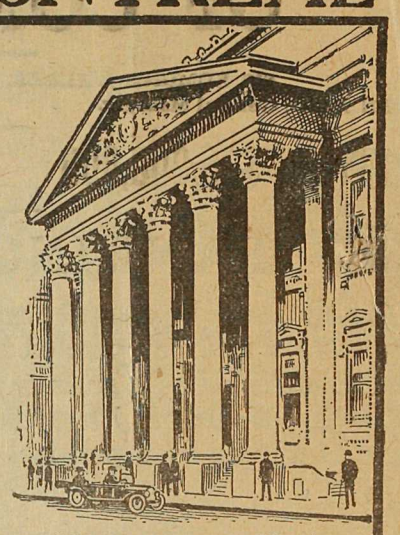

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Western News

Coal miners are scarce on Vancouver Island.

Penticton will have a new two-storey fruit packing house.

In 1916 just 164 head of cattle were shipped from Creston.

Construction has started on a new $4,000 hospital at Nakusp.

This year the Summerland Fruit Union packed 82000 packages of fruit.

Dr. J. E. Browse has put in a player piano in the New Denver hospital

J. Dobbin, an aged Westbank resident mysteriously disappeared last month.

The telephone line between Creston and Kitchener will be completed this month.

The 1916 Salmon packing amounted to 995,000 cases, Each case weighs 48 pounds.

The first regular passenger train went through the big C.P.R., 5-mile tunnel at Field last week.

The corporation of Point Grey favors putting on a poll tax to raise money for the Patriotic Fund.

It is reported that the Dominion Canners Co., who operate at factory at Vernon, will open another factory at Kelowna.

As the municipality of South Vancouver can't pay its own debts, the Government will be asked to take it over.

A. Erskine Smith, the well-known Vancouver mining man, is on his way to England to offer his service to the Empire.

Wm. Tattrie. who enlisted from Sandon with the 54th Batt. was killed on the Somme on Nov. 15. He was one of the best and most popular boys of the Slocan.

The Doukhobor settlement near Nelson, has donated 24,000 lbs of jam for use in Canada for the suffering ones caused by the war. This gift is valued at $5,000.

Peter Annance, who figured in Vancouver by election frauds during election last February, has been released from jail, on order of the Provincial Government.

The total loss from fires in South Vancouver last year amounted to $20,581.44. This is nearly $11,000 less than last year's loss.

Alphonse Brunelle, died at the Tranquille Santarium on Monday, Dec. 14. He went from Kaslo over a year ago to that institution.

A $250,000 company has just been formed to develop electric power at Kootenay Falls on Kootenay river, 39 miles east of Bonners Ferry.

Jas. Newton of North Vancouver has shot ten horned owls in the last two weeks, one of which is believed to be a record, measuring six feet two inches from tip to tip.

George Drieszens, the Alberta farmer who was accused of having tried to induce soldiers to desert and go to the United States, has been convicted by Judge Lampman of Victoria. Sentence was reserved.

A petition is being circulated in the Kootenay-Boundary for the appointment of Sergt. Robert Quin of Nelson, as sheriff of Kootenay, to succeed the late Sheriff Tuck. Quin is a returned wounded soldier.

Twenty-eight of the leading merchants of New Westminster, were fined $3 each for keeping open on Saturday afternoon and evening. In Victoria 55 merchants were fined for the same reason, with 100 more cases to be heard.

The Okanagan United Growers, Limited, have lately commeced an action against the Canadian Pacific Railway for the recovery of $3,909 damages for the loss of goods alleged to have arisen through negligence on the part of the defendant company.

A total of 1,200 officers of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have taken up military duty which represents 65 per cent. of the male staff between the ages of 18 and 45; 60 per cent. of the entire male staff, and 40 per cent of the bank. Of these 77 have been killed up to the present date, 155 wounded, 7 missing, 8 prisoners of war, and 17 ill.

It is now estimated that the loss to the apple growers of Hood River. Oregon, on account of the car shortage that resulted in the glutting of storage facilities, compelling the growers to care for their fruit as best they could, will approximate $100,000. Every vacant store building and basement in Hood River has been filled with storage apples. One of the last buildings to be occupied in this manner is an undertaking parlor.

A Two-and-a-Half Cent Coin

The institution of a two-and-a-half cent piece is hailed with joy in the United States as a practical method of cutting the cost of living. It is estimated that this new coin will save the consumers millions of dollars in providing the right charge in such articles as are now sold at three cents or two for five. People are now charged a whole cent because of the lack of fractional currency to meet situations which involve the half cent. They must either buy what they do not need and thus waste money or lose the discount by not buying in double quantity. The idea of the half cent is both bright and eminently practical. Why should we not have such a coin in Canada? Surely we need it as badly, at least as the Unites States. Here is something the government might do to reduce the cost of living without offending anybody.—Ottawa Citizen.

Positive Signs

Out in New Mexico even public signs come direct to the point. They do not waste any time in wondering how the reader will feel about it.

In a garage at Albuquerque is posted:

"Don't smoke round the tank! If your life isn't worth anything, gasoline is!"

And on the wall of a barber's shop at Taos is prominently displayed:

"If you can't raise fifteen cents, raise whiskers!"

THE WIDE WORLD.

M. P. Wetherell has taken over the Empress Theatre at Grand Forks.

The Gracia ranch, comprising 5172 acres, near Merritt is advertised for sale.

The honey crop for the Yakima valley for the last season brought $75,000 to bee keepers.

J. E. [illegible]nable will be a candidate for mayor in the civic election at Nelson on January 11th.

The Salvation Army at Vanconver provided a thousand people with dinner Christmas day.

During the holidays the post office at Trail handled an average of 40 sacks of mail each day.

The meeting of the Provincial legislature has been postponed from January 18th to February 22nd.

A steel bridge costing a million dollars will be built across the Peace river, immediately north of the town of Peace River.

Boat service has been discontinued on the lower Arrow lakes, and between Nelson and Proctor on the west arm of Kootenay lake.

The late Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, postmaster general, acted as junior counsel for the Crown in the prosecution of Loius Riel at Regina in 1885.

The Baldwin locomotive works at Philadelphia has a contract amounting to $4,000,000 for building freight and passenger locomotives for railways in France.

Odds and Ends

The hophead's favorite poem: "Snow, snow, beautiful snow."

The 1917 Ford will not be nearly so noisy. You see, they've taken the brass band off the radiator.

The Toronto Mail says if there is a short cut to peace, it is probably just under the Kaiser's chin.

Water wagons are being made lower this time so that the boys won't hurt themselves when they fall off.

WATER NOTICE

[DIVERSION AND USE]

TAKE NOTICE that the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company, whose address is 514 Metropolitan Building, Vancouver, British Columbia, will apply for a licence to take and use 50,000 gallons per day of water out of the Similkameen River, which flows Southerly and drains into Okanagan River about Oroville, Washington, U. S. A.

The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about the intersection of the Westerly margin of Burton Avenue, Princeton, B. C., with the Similkameen River and will be used for trains and engine purposes upon the land described as right of way of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 29th day of December, 1916. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Princeton, B. C. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is January 5th, 1917.

THE VANCOUVER, VICTORIA AND EASTERN RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

By A, H. MacNeill, Its Solicitor.

Kettle Valley Time Table

Train No. 1

WESTBOUND—Train leaves Nelson at 7:40 a. m., arriving at Penticton at 9:40 p. m., Princeton at 1:05 a. m., Hope at 6:30 a. m., Vancouver at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2

EASTBOUND—Train leaves Vancouver at 6 p. m., arrive at Hope 9:50 p. m., Princeton at 3:45 a. m., Penticton 7:20 a. m., Nelson at 9:30 p. m.

MINERAL ACT

(Form F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

"7-Strike," "8-Strike," "9 Strike Fractional," "No 40 Fraction B," and "J. W Hill Fractional" Mineral Claims, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located—At Voigt's Camp, near Princeton, B. C.

Take notice that I, P. W. Gregory, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96285 B, acting as agent for Emil F. Voigt, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96287 B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvement, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above Claims.

And further take notice that action, under Section 81 of the Mineral Act, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this, 10th day of December, 1916.

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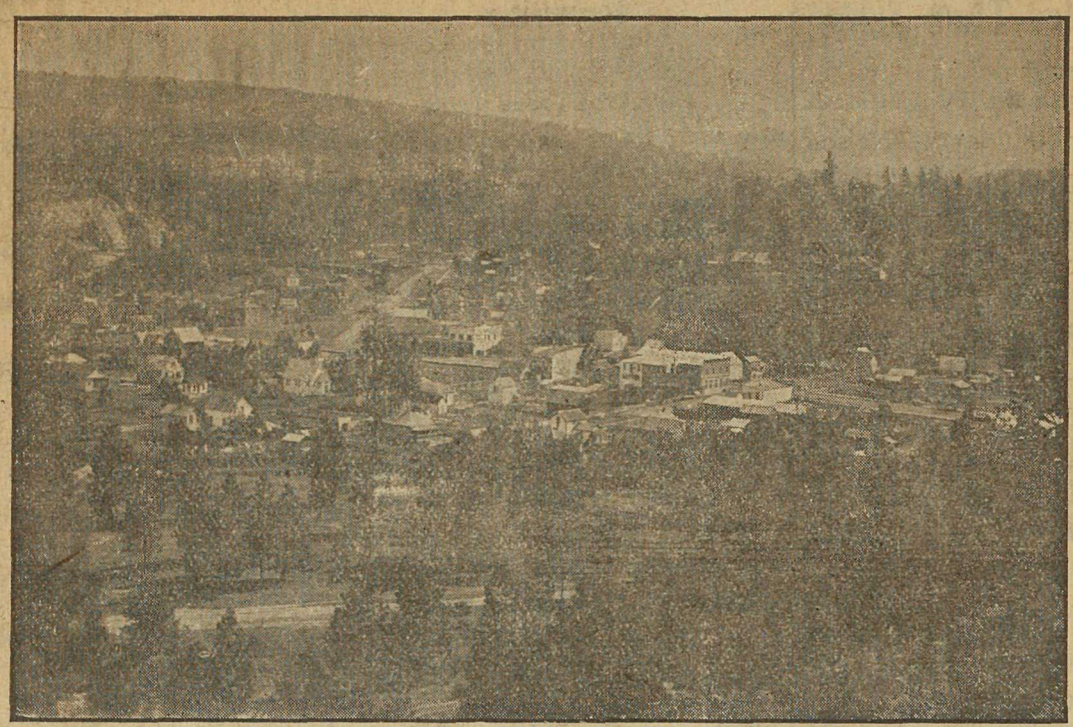

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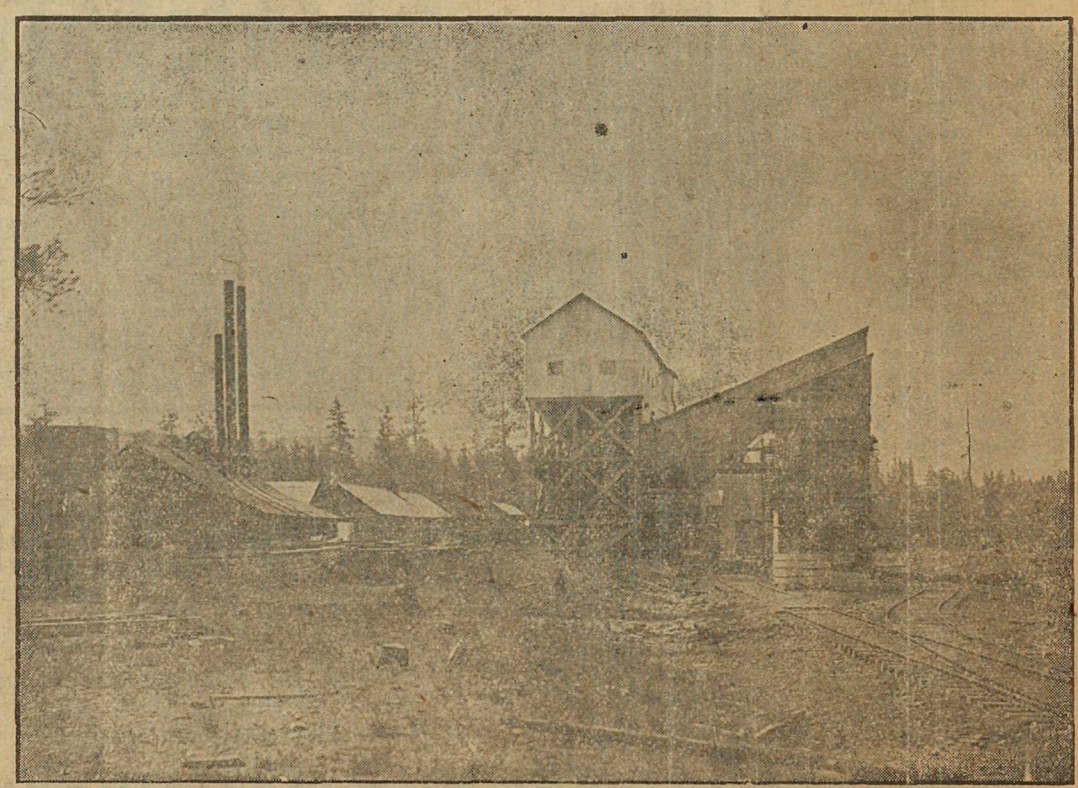

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