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Hospital Drive Looks Promising

Enthusiastic Meeting Held in The Court House Favors Keeping Doors Open

Mr. E. Waterman presided at a public meeting held last Friday night in the Court House for the purpose of bringing before the public the financial position in which the Princeton General Hospital is situated owing to the closing down of industries in the neighborhood. There was a very satisfactory attendance and much interest in the matter was evinced by those present.

The chairman gave briefly an account of the state of finances. The loss and difficulty in continuing the operation of the hospital he said was due to the closing of the mine at Copper Mountain, the mill at Allenby and other industries which contributed largely to the revenue of the hospital. He also pointed out the impossibility of maintaining the efficiency of the institution if the staff is reduced. His remarks in this respect were corroborated by a letter written by Miss Fletcher, the matron.

Considerable discussion followed and suggestions for raising revenue brought forward. The whole tone of the meeting favored the maintenance of the hospital.

A committe was appointed to canvas the town for small monthly donations consisting of Dr. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Connel and Mrs. G. G. Lyall.

It was decided to hold another meeting, probably next Monday night for the purpose of receiving the report of this committee and the success met with in this drive was to be a deciding factor in the question of whether or no the hospital should be kept open.

No actual figures can be given at present as the compiling of the list is not completed but by Thursday night the committee had collected in cash donations $325. This includes the first payment of some monthly subscriptions and several lump sum payments. It is expected that the monthy subscription will amount to over $150 in Princeton. Further information regarding this will be made public as soon as the actual figures can be ascertained. Efforts to raise money for the hospital are also being made at Keremeos and Coalmont but these points have not yet been heard from.

A dance will be held in the Odd fellow's Hall on Friday next. The orchestra has donated its services free and it is also understood that there will be no charge for the use of the hall. Refreshments will be provided by the ladies and, therefore, all proceeds being clear will benefit the hospital funds.

OKANAGAN LIME INDUSTRY PROSPERS

Valuable to Poultrymen, Farmers and Orchardists

ARMSTRONG, Jan. 13.—The lime industry in the Okanagan Valley has grown out of its cradle and is able to assist both those who nursed it along and also the farmers that take advantage of its products. At the Rogers quarry just outside of Armstrong the new lime factory is under full swing. A number of products of prime importance to the valley are being turned out. Just at present the chick grit and poultry granules are creating the biggest stir among the farmers with flocks of poultry.

In the manufacture of these commodities, advantage is taken of the fact that the quartz contains about 95 per cent of pure calcium carbonate and something like 4 per cent of silca. This material gives the gritty nature to the stuff.

Not only are the poultrymen rejoicing over the cheap substitute for oyster shell, and the farmers over the lime flour for the land but orchardists are enthusiastic over the commercial lime sulphur that is made right in their midst. The saving of transportation alone is a mighty item, and the saving in exchange is another. And it looks as though the farmers are not the only ones who are satisfied. The manufacturers are quite pleased with the demand for local product and are confident of a steady period of operation for the mills. Lime has been needed urgently in the Okanagan and the new factory is spreading it benediction over the valley.

PYTHIANS ELECT AND INSTALL OFFICERS

Annual Business Meeting and Banquet on Wednesday

The annual meeting of the Princeton Lodge, No. 50, Knights of Pythias was held in the I. O. O. F. hall on Wednesday evening. There was a large gathering of members and all present spent an enjoyable evening.

The first business conducted was the installation of officers, the following appointments being made for the ensuing year:— Mr. W. D. Young, C.C.; Dr. Lee Smith, V. C. C.; Mr. W. H. Graham, Prelate; Mr. P. Rowlands, M. of W.; Mr. P. Russell, K. R. S.; Mr. G. G. Lyall, M. F.; Mr. A. Almstrom, M. E.; Mr. F. Garrison, M. A.; Mr. W. Graham, I. G.; Mr. N. Reston, O. G.; Mr. R. Gorsulowsky, D. D.; Messrs. W. Dynin, P. Russell, G. G. Lyall, trustees. Mr. H. H. Avery, P. C., was elected G. L. Representative for 1921. The Grand Lodge will meet this year in Nelson during June.

It was decided that the lodge would hold meetings every Wednesday evening; two social evenings and two business meetings every month. The first of the social evenings will be held next Wednesday.

The annual banquet of the lodge was held at the conclusion of the business proceedings.

Princeton To Have New Stock Yards

Better Facilities For Handling Stock Being Provided By G. N. R.

New stock yards, to replace the old and inadequate ones on the Great Northern line, are being constructed a short distance further down and on the opposite side of the track from the site of the old yards. Better accommodation for the large amount of stock transfering and shipping, conducted here, has long been required, and the new yards will be much more adapted to the needs of the district.

The new yards will cover an acre of 48 by 100 feet. The yards will be divided into two pens and a runway with a shed at both ends of each pen. The dimensions of the sheds will be 16 by 48 feet with feed racks inside. Water-troughs will be installed in both pens. The loading chute will be a double decker adapted to the handling of both sheep and cattle. The cost of the yards will be approximately $1,600.

The bridge crew of the Great Northern Railway arrived and commenced work on Wednesday and the construction of the yards will take about a week.

Mr. T. F. Dixon, superintendent of this division arrived by a special car from Marcus, Washington, on Wednesday to look into the matter of ice cutting. It is proposed to commence this work next Monday and if this is done the bridge crew engaged on the stock yards will have to leave to take charge of the ice cutting. The yards will then be completed upon their return.

Mr. Dixon left on Thursday for Marcus on the K. V. R. after completing arrangements for the ice harvest.

LIVING OVER FURNACE

Fifty Acres of Mine Workings Blazing Under City

SCRANTON, Pa.—Residents of lower West Scranton are living over a raging furnace while officials of the Delaware Lackawama & Western Railway Company, together with members of the police and fire departments are making an effort to determine the location of a fire in what is believed to be old mine workings about 500 feet underground.

The fire was discovered Monday.

The blaze spread rapidly and it is believed approximately fifty acres of underground area is affected.

Officials say there is no apparent danger at present to people living in the area.

Subjects of Great Britain resident in Canada are not entitled to inherit real or personal property in the United States under treaties between this country and England, until formal notice has been given, as required by the treaty, the Supreme Court has decided.

Formal Opening Of Presbyterian Church

Dedication of "St. Paul's" Was Performed on Sunday by Rev. R. Herbison

The Presbyterian Church, henceforth to be known as "St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Princeton," was formally opened last Sunday. Rev. Dr. Geo. Wilson who had been announced to conduct the dedicatory services, wired from Romeo that his train was stalled with the deep snow in the Coquihalla Pass. Rev. R. Herbison, therefore, dedicated the church himself, at the morning service. The church was well filled and the whole service was most impressive, those especially, who had faithfully maintained this struggling cause for years, being deeply moved. The church is seated at present to hold about one hundred, and on Sunday just comfortably accommodated those who attended.

In the afternoon there were 112 at the Children's service. Mr. Herbison preached in the morning from Matt 21:42. "The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner," in the afternoon from John 3:16 "God so lovd the world etc.," in the evening from Rome 1:16 "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation." The sermons were typical of Mr. Herbison's preaching fervently evangelical in tone and message.

The church itself is an attractive building and in every way a credit to the cause of Presbyterianism, and to the town of Princeton. The outside is painted white, with the roof dark red. The interior is plastered, the floor and wainscot finished in oil to show the natural wood, the pews stained a dull brown. The windows are of hammered glass, amber color, giving a soft and pleasing effect to the interior. The free-will offering to the building fund amounted to over fifty-dollars. The building committee, Messrs Hunter, Mansfield, McLean, Bell and McConnel are to be congratulated on the result of their labors.

L.O.B.A. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Appointments Made In Local Lodge For Ensuing Year

At the annual meeting of the local lodge of the L.O.B.A. the following officers were elected to serve during 1921:— Worthy Mistress, Miss A. Kirkpatrick; Deputy Worthy Mistress, Miss K. Kirkpatrick; Chaplain, Mrs. K. Anderson; Receiving secretary, Mrs. Dora Johnstone; Financial secretary, Mrs. E. Brown; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Muir; Director of ceremonies, Mrs. R. Atkinson; Lecturer, Miss Ida Johnstone; Inner guard, Mrs. M. Prosser; Outer guard, Mr. Geo. Bennett; Guardian, Mr. P. Russell.

Judge Sentences Three Local Men

Two Get Twenty-Three Months And The Other One Year At Hard Labor

Sentences of twenty-three months hard labor at Okalla Prison Farm, were passed upon William Marnes and James Riley, of Princeton, by Judge J. R. Brown, in the County Court Judge's Criminal Court held in the Court House here last Monday. Edward Dulleston, of Princeton, was sentenced to one year at Okalla Prison Farm with hard labor.

The men Marnes and Riley were each tried on two charges of breaking and entering two local stores and committing theft there in. The stores in question were those of Mirkovitch and Vladertich and Dakin and Ferguson. The prisoners pleaded guilty on both counts and the term of imprisonment was the same in both cases. The judge ordered that the sentences should run concurrently.

Dulleston was charged with receiving stolen goods knowing them to have been stolen. He also pleaded guilty.

The evidence submitted before Judge Brown was simlar to that given at the preliminary hearing before the local justices of the peace, the previous week.

SEARCH FOR BROTHER

Sister of Mr. J. McDonald Will Send Out Parties in Spring

Mrs. C. Griffin, of Consort, Alberta, sister of Mr. J. McDonald who was lost somewhere near the Hope summit last fall and has not been heard of since, is staying in Princeton. She is making arrangements for a thorough search to be made throughout the district in which her brother was lost as soon as spring opens, in hope that something may be learned of his fate.

Mr. J. McDonald, it will be remembered, was out in company with another man searching for horses previously lost near the Hope Summit. He left camp one morning to hunt deer to replenish their food supply and was never again seen. Later his partner, after an unsuccessful search for him returned to Princeton for assistance. Two parties of men, well acquainted with that country, went out but, after spending about a week searching the district, were obliged to return to town without finding any trace of the unfortunate man.

Mrs. Griffin states that it is only quite recently that she and other relatives learned that her brother had been lost in this manner and they are anxious that no effort shall be spared in an attempt to at least discover what became of him.

To Overhaul Post Office Department

May Mean The Dismissal Of 300 Employees At Ottawa Report Says

Montreal, Jan. 12.—A confidential report regarding the reorganization of the Post Office Department has been placed in the hands of the subcommittee of the Cabinet by Griffenhagen and Associates, Limited. If this report is adopted, it is unofficially learned, it will mean the dismissal of 300 employees in Ottawa and a thorough overhauling of the department.

Members of the Griffenhagen firm refused to make any statement regarding the report which they had placed before the sub-committee.

Asked as to the accuracy of the statement that 300 employees in Ottawa would be dispensed with, again the officials of the firm declined to comment. But from reliable sources come the intimation that the long-awaited report regarding the Post Office Department was finished and that it recommended a complete reorganization on a completely different basis. This report also claims, it is said, that the expenses of the department can be reduced $300,000 annuolly. The dismissal of three hundred employees is also involved in the adoption of the report, it is said.

Griffenhagen and Associates Limited, have been working for some months on the Post Office Department envolving a scheme of reorganization. The firm is an offshoot of Arthur Young and Co., Chicago, engaged by the Government to reclassify the Civil Service. Griffenhagen and Associates undertook the reorganization of the Printing Bureau, which led to the dismissal of over 200 employees in that institution. Its appointment by the Government to reorganize the Post Office and Customs Department led to bitter criticism, but the work proceeded. The report in question, is not likely to be made public, until the coming session of Parliament.

Price of Coal Drops

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The continuing lack of demand for bituminous coal except of the best grades has forced the suspension of operations in hundreds of mines producing the cheaper grades, according to a review of the week, issued by the Wholesale Coal Trade Association of New York. "Navy standard" bitumninous was quoted at $4.25 a ton, f.o.b. mines, all week.

Some "independent" anthracite sold as low as $10 at the mines, but most of it was around $11. This was a reduction of 50 cents a ton over the preceding week, and anthracite is expected to continue dropping. The coal supply on hand in the city has improved so much that the cessation of work on the holidays made little difference.

Australia's Crisis Affecting Canada

Orders For Canadian Goods In Transit Are Being Cancelled

Ottawa.—Owing to the prevailing stringent financial conditions in the Australian Commonwealth, cancellation of orders placed with Canadian and other overseas manufacturers has been freely exercised by Australian buyers, according to the latest advices received from D. H. Ross, Canadian trade commissioner at Melbourne. In some quarters, he says, an endeavor has been made to repudiate shipments in transit, thus demonstrating the acute financial stringency even among some of the oldest and largest importing firms.

The cancellations are general and not confined to any special line of merchandise, and Mr. Ross has been advised of contracts for such diversified goods and products as Canadian dry goods, underwear and lumber of considerable values being annulled.

Letters of credit of considerable magnitude wer established in overseas countries by Australian banks prior to the Australian financial stringency becoming pronounced. These credits, covering forward purchases, extending over a period of months, will be dully honored, but when they are exhausted, there is no immediate prospects, says Mr. Ross, of fruther credits for large amounts being available, although limited credit may, in some quarters, be obtained under special circumstances

Dealing more particularly with the effect of tight money conditions on Canada's lumber trade with Australia, Mr. Ross says:

"When the present credits expire, the question is how Canadian exporters of lumber and other essential commodities are to be reimbursed for their shipments to Australia. It is anticipated that some shippers will be able to finance their usual trade, through the possible assistance of Canadian banks, but there are others who may be unable to find the necessary accommodation. If Canadian banks are disposed, under arrangements with their customers, to extend the accomodations necessary for maintaining exports from Canada to Australia, the temporary disability caused through buyers being unable to provide credits will be solved; if not, it is apparent that Canadian exportations to Australia will speedily show a marked decrease in quantity and a contraction in values."

POPULATION ESTIMATED

Province has 555,000 People Says Secretary of Board of Health

VICTORIA.— British Columbia's population is 555,536, according to Dr. Henry Esson Young, secretary of the provincial board of health, who has just made public his report for 1919-1920. This total includes, 25,649 Indians.

The board of health's population figures are based on vital statistics shown in births, marriages and deaths, and also on the school registrations. Dr. Young asserts his estimates are quite conservative. Estimates compiled by W. W. Baer, of the provincial secretary's office from voters' list returns, place the population at 700,000.

The population of Vancouver is placed at 122,219 against 115,524 in 1918-19 and 96,000 in 1917. The comparatively small increase in the population of Vancouver city itself is partly explained by the growth of the districts just outside of the city limits. South Vancouver is the only district treated in detail. Its population is now placed at 40,781. New Westminter, North Vancouver and Richmond estimates are not given.

Victoria's city population is placed at 40,878 against 39,526 in 1918 19 and 36,500 in 1917. As with Vancouver the population of the districts just outside the city limits here Oak Bay, Saanich and Esquimalt show rapid growth.

"There has during the past year been a remarkable decrease in the number of deaths in British Columbia and a phenmenal increase in the birth rate," Dr. Young states.

"The number of registration of births for the year was 10,002, and the number of registrations of deaths was 4888."

KEREMEOS FARMERS SUED

Okanagan Fruit Market Ltd. Brings Action for Breach of Contract

Vancouver.—Claiming $479 damages for breach of contract the trial has commenced before Mr. Justice Murphy of the Okanagan Fruit Market Limited, 995 Robson street, against William G. Smith and F. H. Smith, farmers of Keremeos.

The litigation has resulted from the alleged failure of the defendants to complete delivery of eight to nine tons of potatoes in accordance with an arrangement made in November, 1919. The damage is based on the profits which the plaintiff would have made out of the transaction, being the difference between the cost price of $24 per ton and the selling price of $70 per ton. Other items bring the total claim to $479.

The Smiths, in addition to pleading a general denial reply that the plaintiff did not comply with the terms of the cantract and its offer to purchase lapsed the following January.

Mr. E. A. Dickie is counsel for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. E. Burns for the defendant.

Hiccough Epidemic

New York—Without a drink in sight an epidemic of hiccoughs is abroad in New York. The hiccough fever, in which the patient indulges in the usual spasmodic jerks of hiccoughs for from twenty-four to forty hours, and which has for some time been the fashionable disease of the boulevards of Paris, has invaded New York. Druggists are reporting numerous cases. The hiccoughs are usually preceded by a cold and are due to nervous contraction of the diaphragm. According to Dr. Royal H. Copeland, Commissioner of Health the affliction is a "nervous form of the flu." Dr. Copeland adds that he has been expecting the disease to come over from Paris as it has been quite prevalent there for some time One Park Row druggist has treated sixteen cases in two days.

B. C. Maintained Mineral Output

VICTORIA, Jan. 1.—British Columbia's mineral production for the year 1920 will be practicaly the same in point value as that of the preceding.

The figures now being compiled by the department of mines indicates that an aggregate value for all mineral produced, including coal, will approximate $33,100,000 compared with $33,296,313 for the year 1919. The preliminary report of the departmen setting forth the detailed figures of production and value of the various minerals produced will be issued shortly.

The year's figures will show that there has been an increase in the output of coal, especially on Vancouver Island, and the total for silver has been swelled by the steady and increased out put from the Dolly Varden mines, Alice Arm. On the other hand, copper, lead and zinc will, it is predicted, show some declines.

The banner years in the mining in British Columbia were during the war period when the demand for the various metals and high prices ruling therefor sent the production upwards with a bound. The year 1916 proved the most active year in the history of this province, the value of the production totalling $42,290,462, compared with $29,447,000 the preceding year. In 1918, again the value of the production of the province aggregated $41,782,000. With the end of the war, the falling off in the demand and, especially, the demoralization of the metal markets resulted in a sharp decline in the value of the production the 1919 total being $33,296,000. This year, thanks to the increasing output of coal and silver, the total will be practically the same as that of 1919, bringing the aggregate value of the minerals produced in British Columbia since 1852, to over $700,000,00.

RAIN IN JANUARY

An unusual change in the weather occurred during the early hours of this morning. Rain which was light at first steadily increasing to a steady downpour as the day advanced. Considerable damage has been done to the ice on the rink and at the time of going to press there is no sign or a break in the clouds.

A thaw has usually been experienced during January but rain has been very exceptional.

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THE OUTLOOK

The financial and business outlook for the present year as indicated by statements from reliable sources is one which should engender optomism and confidence but not recklessness. A note of warning and a call for sanity of action was sounded by Sir Edmund Walker, president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, at the recent annual meeting of that institution. He pointed out that the general position at present warranted nothing but anxious care there being no evidence of a substantial decline in the spending habits of the people, continuing he said: "When the readjustment has reached the retail shop and a new basis of values has been generally accepted, a genuine prosperity will arise throughout the world in which we shall have a large share. We shall merit and we shall secure that prosperity in proportion to our good sense in realizing, however, that our particular sin is extravagance in expenditure and willingness to incur debt."

In these few words Sir Edmund Walker voices the same opinion as is expressed by such authorities as Sir Henry Drayton, Minister of Finance; Sir Thomas White, former Minister of Finance; President Beatty, of the C. P. R.; Mr. C. A. Bogert, president of the Canadian Bankers Association; and many others.

The Canadian Credit Men's Association reports a growing feeling of optimism to be noticed amongst manufacturers and wholesalers, who are making plans for business as usual.

Retailers report that the public is beginning to buy those lines which have been especially dull during the last month or six weeks.

A little more confidence by the general public is all that is needed to place business conditions in Canada on a much higher plane, but confidence unaccompanied by prudence may quickly lead to disaster. Our mistake in the past has been confidence gone crazy—recklessness. In the future we need sane confidence and according as we attain there unto will be our measure of real prosperity.

BRITISH OFFICIAL VIEW OF OIL CONTROVERSY

Sir Charles Greenway, chairman of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, in a speech in London, Eng., at a meeting of his company dealing with the oil controversy between Great Britain and the United States, said the Standard Oil Company before the war claimed certain oil rights in Palestine which would have the effect of neutralizing the complaints against British war acquired rights in Mesopotamia.

Sir Charles said there was no question of closing the door against the United States to the world's potential oil fields. "If the Standard Oil Company's rights in Palestine are to be recognized—and there is no indication of any desire to abandon them—the rights of other nationals, other than the enemy in the late Turkish Empire, must be recognized," he declared. "To act in any other way would be to adopt a policy of the 'closed door' in favor of the United States against British and other national interests.

"Nobody can reasonably object to United States producers claiming a fair share of the world's oil supplies, but every other country in the world is entitled to object to their demanding a permanent eighty or eighty-five per cent of the world's supply, and to resent most strongly their opposition to Great Britain and other countries securing their fair shares of these supplies.

"To bring forward a mandatory principles in support of monoply and confiscation of acquired rights would be a travesty on all that a mandatory principle means and the principles which, through the League of Nations, the rest of the world is trying to establish."

The London Times, discussing the address, says the remarks of Sir Charles Greenway are important because they may be taken as representing the British official view of the controversy.

MINES AND MINING

The Trail smetler received 150,656 tons of ore during 1920.

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The total value of the coal output to date of the mines of British Columbia is reported to be $670,000,000.

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A new standard of silver coinage has just been put into effect in the United Kingdom because of the great increase in the value of silver.

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The day employees of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting company at Trail have accepted a cut of 55 cents per day in wages and a cut of $15 per month for men paid by the month.

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Coal exported from the Kootenay district during the month of December was valued at $397,788, and coke at $25,150. Products of the metaliferous mines were of a gross value of about $135,000 silver bullion amounting to $66,324.

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Government purchase of silver at 80 cents and the coining of silver dollars are suggestions embodied in a resolution dealing with the silver situation adopted by the resolutions committee of the Nelson board of trade for submission to the annual convention of Associated Boards of Trade.

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The outlook for mining in the Kitchener district is reported to be very bright. It is expected that the Leadville group of silver-lead claims will enter the shipping list in the coming summer. On Iron Mountain, north of the town, is located the famous iron range of 45 claims owned by C. P. Hill, of Montreal and the Canadian Pacific Railway company. On this development work was carried on last summer and fall on a small scale but the coming spring will see greater activity in that quarter.

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Investigations into a new electrical process of smelting the magnetic iron ores of British Columbia are being conducted by the department of industries, Vancouver, under Major Martyn, Industrial commissioner. The investigations were started as a result of the visit of Col. McTavish of Vancouver to Victoria. He divulged to Premier Oliver details of some of the remarkable experiments he and associates have been conducting. Before final success was achieved, these experiments cost them between $40,000 and $50,000.

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Lost diamond mines in the state of Guerro, which, ever since the days of Emporer Iturbide, have been sought for by the curious, are again the subject of animated discussion in Mexico City. A well-known Mexican geologist recently returned from a tour of exploration of the State, and asserted he had located the lost mines. Exploring parties are now in the process of organization. General Guerrero, after whom the State was named, is believed to have discoverd the diamonds more than 100 years ago, and to have presented to Emporer Irturbide numerous gems of immense value. The General died, however, without disclosing the location of the treasure. The wild regions of that sparsely populated State have from time to time been explored in an effort to find the mines.

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Mr. H. S. Munro, general manager of the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Co., does not consider that the rumor to the effect that the C. P. R. interests may take over the Granby properties is founded on fact. He also stated that the head office of the company in New York has issued an official denial. Mr. Munro also stated that his company is pressing work steadily and intends to keep running on present capacity at least. It is now producing about 2,750,000 pounds of copper a month, and employing 1100 men. In connection with the recently adopted method of sending blister copper to the refinery in New Jersey by water, he maintains that it is working out very advantageously to the company. The water route, via the Panama, permitted a saving of half a cent a pound, compared with the cost of sending by rail; and the delivery period was about the same betwen 40 to 45 days from Vancouver to the refinery.

DENTIST

Dr. John D. Butler

Howse Block

Drumheller Output Exceeds Records

Vancouver.—Mr. S. W. Henderson, president of the Gem Coal Mine Company and Jewel Collieries in the Drumheller coal fields of Alberta, has been investigating the possibilities of developing coal properties on the Island. He stated that he had been looking over some property near Nanaimo owned by Mr. John Arbuthnot, of this city. There were coal outcroppings on a small island which was part of the Arbuthnot holdings near Nanaimo, but the extent of the coal deposits could not be determined, he said, without expert investigation. This work would be carried out.

The Alberta mine owner, questioned concerning the possibiliy of a drop in the price of coal mined by his companies, said that there would be no reduction until such time as the cost of labor came down. The miners were now working under an agreement which did not expire until March, 1922.

The output of coal in the Drumheller field exceeded during 1920 all previous records, stated Mr. Henderson, who, although he did not have exact figures, believed that the total for the year would be around the million ton mark. Markets, he said, were being extended, northern Ontario and Dakota being supplied during the past year. The shipments to the States have been held down by the freight car situation, pointed out Mr. Henderson. Canadian railway companies would not allow their cars to cross the border as they claimed they could not get them back again, and so all coal shipments had to be made in American cars.

Owing to the mild Fall it had been possible to ship more coal out from the Drumheller mines than usual, said Mr. Henderson, and owing to the same reason the amount of coal required by consumers had been cut down. This had meant that the mines had already reduced their output instead of waiting until about the end of February, as is usually done. The increased production will again commence about July or August.

The freight rates prevent shipment of Drumheller coal to this coast in competition with the Vancouver Island product.

Lump coal is selling at the Drumheller mines for $6.70 and stove coal for $5.60. Mr. Henderson ascertained that the Vancouver Island lump coal cost from $7.25 to $7.50 at the mines.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

To All Whom it May Concern

Re Lot 7 Map 589 Similkameen Division Yale District

WHEREAS proof of loss of certificate of title No. 24414A to Cecil E. Corbold and covering the above land has been filed in this office.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, I shall issue a dubplicate of the said certificate of title unless in the meantime valid objection be made to me in writing.

DATED at the Land Registry Office, Kamloops, B. C. this 10th day of December, A. D. 1920.

H. V. CRAIG,
District Registrar.

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WATER NOTICE

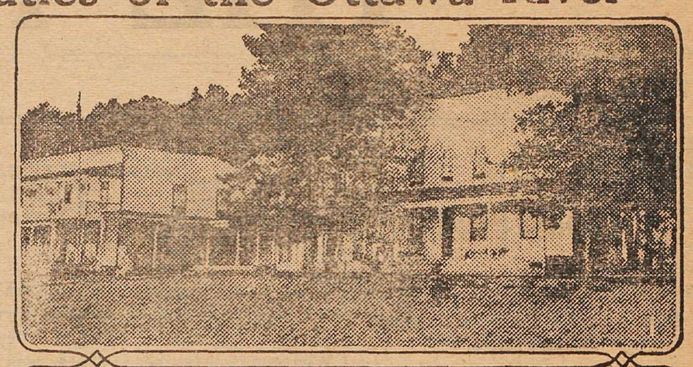
(Diversion and Use)

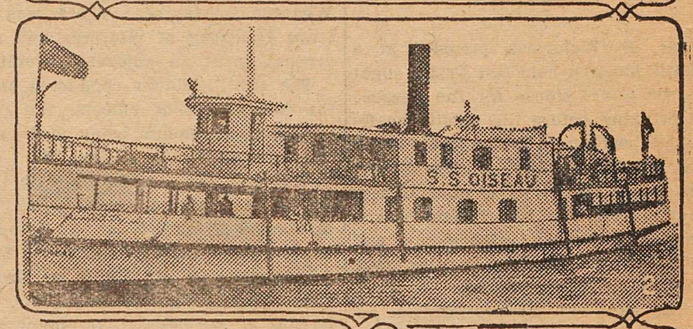
TAKE NOTICE that William Arthur Smith, whose address is Princeton, B. C., will apply for a license to take and use 300 acre-feet of water out of Hayes Creek, also known as Five Mile and its tributary known as No Name Creek, which flows Southerly and drains into the Similkameen about seven miles below Princeton. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 400 yards north of its intersection with the north boundary of Lot 937 Kamloops Division, and will be used for irrigation purposes upon the land described as Lots 936 and 3786 Kamloops Division. This notice was posted on the ground on the 31st day of December, 1920. A copy of this notce 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 December 31, 1920.

WILLIAM A. SMITH, Applicant.

6-4-np. By P. W. Gregory, Agent.

Some Beauties of the Ottawa River





Fort William, Pontiac County, Province of Quebec, is a lovely spot along the Ottawa river, and yet it is not so well known as it should be.

On one side of the Ottawa river is Petewawa training camp, and just across the water Fort William lies by the side of a forest of magnificent pine trees. Since the war Fort William has become better known, for thousands of Canadian soldiers who prepared for fighting at Petewawa were there, and they did not forget to tell their friends of its loveliness and the happy hours they spent around it.

You may reach Fort William, Quebec, by a variety of ways: You may get off the C.P.R. train on the main line at Petewawa railway station, then go for two miles across Petewawa Camp grounds to Petewawa village. At the village you may take a boat to the opposite side of the river and you are in Fort William.

Or you may go to Fort William, Quebec, from Pembroke, Ontario, by a more direct route. The Pembroke Transportation Company runs the SS. Oiseau from Pembroke to Des Joachims at regular intervals, a distance of about 20 miles, calling at Petewawa village, Fort William and other points. The fare for this trip is small, and the trip itself is most enjoyable, the scenery being beautiful, and on a hot summer day the breezes blowing along the wide lake-like Ottawa river are refreshing as sea winds.

It would indeed be difficult to find a prettier spot than Fort William, Quebec. The place looks like an inland seaside, for here there is a beach miles in length, and sandy as a sea strand. The crystal waters of the Ottawa river gently lave the golden fringes of their bed. In summertime children play in the sand and dig holes just as they do at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea. Age and youth walk together by many flowery paths. The bathing beach is safe, shallow at the shore, but you can go out into any depth you wish, for the Ottawa has a deep heart.

The river is dotted with islands. Motor boats, rowing boats and canoes ply its waters. Sometimes you may see a barge tugging a floating mass of logs to some distant mill.

The Hotel Pontiac, owned by the genial Chris. McCool, is the soul of Fort William. The hotel stands beneath towering pines; in front is the golden strand, then the river, and beyond the river the gentle Petewawa hills, which often resound to the firing of the big guns used by the soldiers training in the open country. There is a most distinct echo in this district. If you laugh or talk in a loud voice the hills will surely laugh and talk back to you.

From the Hotel Pontiac shady walks radiate in many directions. It is a nice walk from the hotel to the Beaver Dam. In the fruit season you may gather thousands of blueberries and wild raspberries on the way.

"Slow sinks, more lovely ere his race is run,
Along Fort William hills the setting sun."

Thus Lord Byron, who wrote an immortal poem on the sunset in Greece, might have written about a Fort William sunset had he seen one. The sunset at Fort William is beautiful as the sunset in Greece or anywhere. It is a marvel of beauty. Those who look on it never forget the scene. Sol goes down beyond the Petewawa hills in a robe of deep crimson, lighting up the waters of the Ottawa with its hue. The beams dart their silver among the islands. The landscape is all solemn. At that time it seems as if Nature, in worship of her Creator, is taking a great heavenly Host into her breast. Many watch the sunsets at Fort William from the log seats on the beach. Many logs that escape from the lumbermen find a resting place at the river side and make comfortable natural seats for the tourists.

Fort William, Quebec, is a romantic spot. It is the ideal place for those who are newly wed, or for those who are wooing. Everything here is peaceful and beautiful—the logs on the beach may have been cast there by nature so as to afford seats on which lovers may rest while telling their tales. Squirrels and chipmonks in hundreds in the woods play on the trees above your head, and the voices of the birds are seldom silent.

Fort William, too, is a place endeared by sweet memories. Thousands of soldiers who trod its paths, bathed on its beach and danced in the dance hall at the Hotel Pontiac now sleep in foreign fields.

There are frequent steamer excursions from Pembroke to Des Joachims and return. The steamer always takes some of the Fort William folks aboard. Not far from Fort William is the Oiseau Rock, famous amongst the Indians and local people. The Rock is 400 feet high. Beneath it the Ottawa river is 400 feet deep. There is a little lake on top of the rock. The story is still told of how in the long ago the Indians were assembled on this rock when an eagle came and bore away a papoose to the consternation of all assembled.

Fraser's Landing is a place where the Indians used to sell their goods to the fur dealers. It is a setting out point for lumbermen, trappers and hunters.

Des Joachims is the last post of call for the steamer. Here there is a half hour allowed for any who wish to visit picturesque waterfalls in the vicinity before starting their return journey.

Fort William is historic, for it was a trading post before railways were built, and when the early French explorers were going towards Western Canada they left their footprints here.

The Ottawa river affords good trout fishing. Deer and moose roam in the woods. Beaver and other fur bearing animals are plentiful. There is also good partridge shooting.

M. A. H.

(1) The Hotel Pontiac, Fort William, Province of Quebec. In front is a sandy beach and behind the pine trees.
(2) The Steamer Oiseau, plying the Ottawa River from Pembroke, Ontario, to Fort William, P.Q., and other points.
(3) On a natural seat on Fort William Beach.

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In the mellow gracious atmosphere of the Eastern Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, the Canadian Women's Press Club, of 125 members, enjoyed a week of convention and entertainment that will open up a whole universe of new thoughts and pictures of life. These scribes, representatives of every part of the Dominion, from Victoria in the West to Halifax in the East, who play a large part in formulating the new forces that are destined to shape the life of Canada, were in convention recently in Montreal, Judge Murphy (Janey Canuck) of Edmonton, Alberta, National President, presiding.

The Conference, which is a triennial event, had not, owing to war conditions, met for seven years and has made possible a larger, richer, and more potent unity among the press workers of Canada. Following the Convention, a special train of six sleepers conveyed the party to Quebec City, as guests of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. There are great epochs in the life of individuals, unforgettable dates, and around that day spent in Quebec will linger the charm of a russet October day, redolent with the romance of the old city.

Quebec, age-steeped, time-softened, yet a bustling ocean port, was of especial interest to the Western writers—on the heights of the Citadel, with panorama of city, flame-bright hills, the ever-beautiful St. Lawrence hastening to the sea, the Lower Town, on the Plains of Abraham, at Ste. Anne de Beaupre, with its historical and religious interest and in all the glory of brilliant autumnal coloring, it was pleasant to re-create, in fancy, the picturesque world of the pioneers—the shadowy figures of the heroic past, to seek for threads that would unite that autumn day with all the days of glamour that are gone. The courtesies of the city were extended by Hon. Frank Carrel, Sir David Watson, of the local press; Colonel Wood, Mr. Everall, of the Quebec and Ste. Anne Electric Line.

An interesting feature was luncheon on the C. P. R. Liner "Empress of Britain," when Captain E. Griffiths was host. A sight-seeing tour was followed by a banquet at the Chateau Frontenac, which brought to end a "perfect day."

The officers of the Canadian Women's Press Club for the coming term are: Honorary President, Judge Murphy, of Edmonton; President, Miss Lucy Swanton Doyle, of Toronto.

Vice-President for Quebec—Mrs. Eldred Archibald, of Montreal.

Vice-President for Ontario—Miss Marjory MacMurchy, of Toronto.

Vice-President for Manitoba—Miss Kenneth Haig, of Winnipeg.

Vice-President for Alberta — Miss Miriam Green Ellis, of Edmonton.

Vice-President for British Columbia—Mrs. Cromer Bruce, of Vancouver.

Corresponding Secretary — Miss Charlotte Whitton, of Toronto.

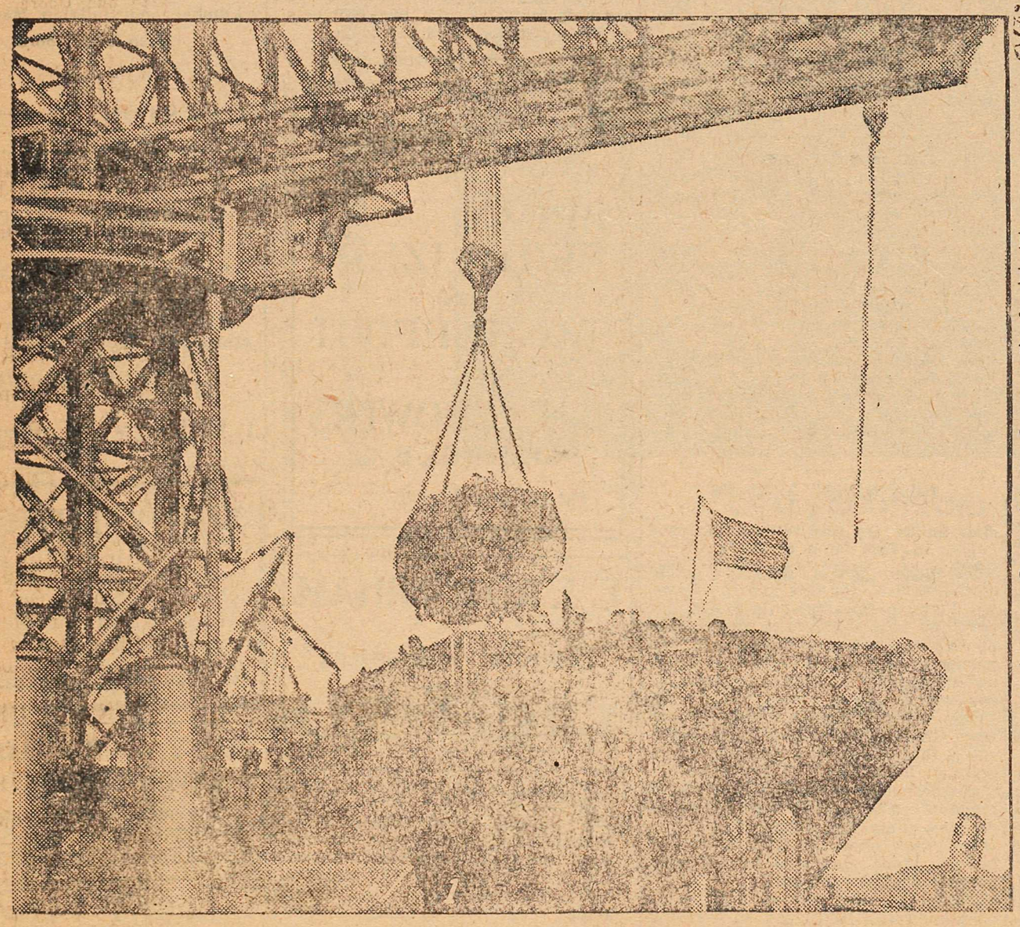
Recording Secretary—Judge Helen Gregory McGill, of Vancouver.

Treasurer—Miss Mabel Burkholder, of Hamilton.

Historian—Mrs. Sherk, of Port Arthur.

Auditor—Mrs. A. A. Perry, of Winnipeg.

The Canadian Women's Press Club has a history of interest. In 1903, sixteen Canadian women journalists attended the St. Louis Exposition as guests of the C. P. R. Co., and on the train organized the Press Club, with Col. Geo. H. Ham as honorary president; the late Mrs. Kathleen Blake Cobman ("Kit") of Toronto, as president, and Mrs. Kate Simpson Hayes, of Winnipeg, as secretary. In 1906, a convention was held in Winnipeg. Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. R. C. Osborne, Miss Lediard, Mrs. C. P. Walker, and Miss E. Cora Hind had arrangements in charge and issued invitations to all Canadian women who were newspaper or magazine writers. Fifty writers attended the gathering, which was made a professional organization, working for the improvement of journalism and protection of women journalists. In accordance with the old riddle, "What is black and white and red all over?" the above colors were chosen as appropriate for a club of newspaper women. The emblem adopted was the maple leaf with a quill above, bearing the words: "Every Stroke Upwards." From these inaugural meetings, the Canadian Women's Press Club has developed into one of the outstanding societies of Canada with promise of large development.—C. G.



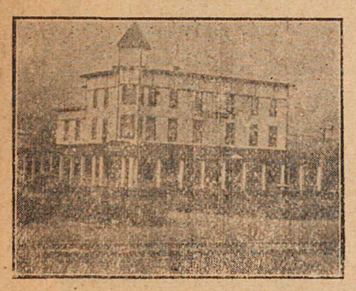
World's Pictures

(1) Lifting huge Boilers into S. S. Eugene V.R. Thayer of New York after the Launching.

(2) With the Prince of Wales when at Grenada. Lord Louis Mountbatten enjoying tea at a Garden Party.

(3) Mr. Asquith at Ayr, Scotland, the guest of Mr. G. S. Abbott; from left to right are Lady Bonham Carter, Mr. Asquith, Mr. G. S. Abbott and Sir Vivian Philips.

SOUTHERN SIMILKAMEEN



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NICKLE PLATE MINE MAY RE-OPEN SOON

Much Development Work Necessary to Make Up For Depletion During War

Hedley, Jan. 7.—The welcome news that operations may be resumed in the Nickel Plate mine, providing certain economic conditions are satisfactorily adjusted, has been received. A statement to this effect was made by Mr. G. P. Jones, manager of the Hedley Gold Mining company, in Vancouver on Tuesday.

There are strong indications that the economic situation from a mining point of view is rapidly improving. Among other things the cost of ore shipment from Hedley to Tacoma has been reduced to $7.50 per ton, or approximately the same as it was before the large rise two years ago.

Another serious matter upon which the question of the re-opening of the mine is stated largely to hinge is that of $70,000 taxes, dating back to about 1915, for which the company has unexpectedly found itself liable. The company, it is claimed, became liable to these taxes owing to retrogressive legislation passed fairly recently.

Mr. Jones is in Victoria for the purpose of consulting with the government and to obtain if possible some statement as to its probable action in respect to gold mining in the future. He will also take up the matter of this $70,000 back taxes. Last year the government appropriated certain funds to assist prospectors and miners and an endeavor will be made, it is reported, to induce the government to go fifty-fifty with the company in regard to this $70,000, the government accepting $35,000 taxes and allowing the company $35,000 to spend in development work. It is understood that should the government give this proposition favorable consideration the Hedley Gold Mining Co. would make an appropriation of an equal amount to be spent in development, thus bringing up the total for that purpose to $70,000. This sum would do a large amount of work in a proposition such as the Nickel Plate mine where the quality of the rock is known and all necessary machinery and power, on the ground. It is estimated that the government's portion of the money thus expended would, in this case, accomplish some five times as much benefit to the country at large as would $35,000 spent on prospecting in any other way.

A large amount of development work is now required in the mine. During the war owing to the country's pressing need of gold and to the town of Hedley being practically dependent on the mine, operations were continued after they ceased to be profitable. The books some months, it is stated, showed slight profits, but these profits were entirely swallowed in following months by losses, and to say the best the company simply broke even on operating expenses. In the meantime, financial conditions did not permit the carrying on of development work and the mine to a very considerable extent suffered depletion. The development work which it is now prepared to carry out is to make up for the depletion during the war.

Mr. Jones after negotiating with the government regarding these matters, will proceed to Los Angeles to confer with the president of the company and an outline of the company's future policy will be drawn up. Officials of the company feel quite optimistic.

DEFECTIVE CHIMNEY CAUSED HOTEL FIRE

Conditions at Mine to Determine the Question of Rebuilding

Hedley, Jan. 7.—A defective chimney caused the fire which destroyed the Grand Union hotel on December 8, according to the report made by Mr. J. A. Thomas, provincial fire prevention officer, who conducted an enquiry into the matter. The loss caused by the conflagration is stated to amount to $20,000, of which only $7000 was covered by insurance. Mr. Winkler, proprietor of the destroyed hotel, has fitted up temporary living quarters in a portion of the original Grand Union hotel. This hotel was burned down about two years ago but a few rooms at the back were saved. These rooms have been renovated and made as comfortable as possible as a residence during the winter. It is stated that conditions existing at the mine and mill in three or four months' time will be the determining factor in the question of whether or not Mr. Winkler will rebuild the hotel.

UNITED FARMERS MEET

Cawston Local Holds Annual Meeting and Election

Cawston, Jan. 10.—The annual meeting of the United Farmers was held in the school house last Thursday night, the president, Mr. Dunnett, being in the chair. The matter of forming a co-operative association was discussed and it was decided to put it in the hands of the executive.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: Mr. P. Madden, president; Mr. H. Sylvester, vice-president; Mr. T. Swan, secretary-treasurer; Messrs. C. E. McKenzie, C. Tickell, R. A. Whyte, T. Rooney and W. J. Hammill, directors.

Messrs. P. Madden, T. Swan and C. Tickell were appointed as a committee to receive resolutions for the annual convention of the United Farmers, to be held in Vancouver.

Mr. Whyte was appointed as delegate to act in conjunction with representatives from other organizations for the drawing up of a programme for the school fair.

Entertained on Sunday

Cawston, Jan. 10.—Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Felhauer entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cawston, Mr. and Mrs. T. Swan, Messrs. R. L. Cawston, Jr., and F. McDonald.

IN AND OUT OF TOWN

Keremeos, Jan. 9.—Mrs. A. Kirby and her daughter, Miss Rita Kirby, left here for Seattle on Friday. They will continue their trip from Seattle to Vancouver.

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Messrs. Smith Bros. left on Friday for Vancouver, accompanied by Mr. I. L Clifton The Smith Bros. figure in a suit with the Okanagan Fruit Growers connected with a potato deal. Mr. Clifton will act as a witness.

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Mr. Miller, accountant for the G. N. Ry., is in town working on the books at the depot.

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Miss Margaret Clark and Miss Mary Donnelly left for Spokane on Wednesday.

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Mr. Robt. Park, of Penticton, has been appointed as telephone agent in Keremeos in the place of Miss Gibson who has resigned.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Clifton returned from Grand Forks on Wednesday, after spending a very happy Christmas holiday there.

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Mrs. M. D. McEwen returned to Vancouver yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Daines returned from the coast this week, accompanied by Mr. Daines' brother.

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Mr. T. Bradshaw was a visitor in town on Thursday.

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Miss Spraggett returned to Keremeos on Monday to resume her duties at the school.

(Too late for last week)

Keremeos, Jan. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Innis and family left on Saturday to spend New Year's Day with Mrs. Innis' brother, Mr. G. A. Clark, of Penticton.

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Miss Mildren Kirby, of Bellingham, Washington, is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. Kirby.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kennedy have returned from West Summerland after spending the Christmas holidays there.

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Mr. David R. Innis left on Friday to visit friends during the New Year's holidays in Grand Forks.

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Mr. Jack Way, of Princeton, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Daly.

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The Misses C. and J. Mickel and Master George Mickel are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver.

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Nurse Forshaw has left to visit in Vancouver and Victoria. It is understood that she will later go east to an appointment she has received and another nurse will be sent here at an early date to take up the work of the V. O. N.

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Miss Verchere left on Friday for Mission City, after enjoying a visitt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Clarke.

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Mr. Gregson, of Princeton, is relieving in the Bank of Commerce while Mr. R. Campbell spends his vacation at his home in Victoria.

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Miss M. Donnely, of Spokane, is visiting Miss Margaret Clarke. A reception was given in her honor on Wednesday night by Mrs. R. C. Clarke. An enjoyable evening was spent in cards and dancing.

Similkameen Weather

Meteorological readings taken daily at 7 a. m. on the government instruments at Keremeos:

Date.	Max.	Min.
December 25	39	21
December 26	30	24
December 27	34	30
December 28	36	28
December 29	35	29
December 30	42	29
December 31	37	29

The rainfall for the week totalled .29 inches, and for the month of December, .66 inches.

BRINGING IN FERTILIZER

Keremeos Land Co. Supplying Manure for Maintenance of Productivity

Keremeos, Jan. 7.—The Keremeos Land Co. is at present busy shipping in barnyard manure from Princeton to be used extensively in the orchards of the district. This has been rendered necessary owing to the failure on the part of some of the ranchers to maintain the fertility of their soil.

Mr. J. J. Armstrong pointed out that the use of this fertilizer would be of great benefit to the soil; barnyard manure being the best fertilizer obtainable. The supply, which his company has secured in Princeton, he said, was in splendid condition and of good quality, rich in nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash. These are the most essential fertilizing constituents. Some of the best authorities recommend the application of ten loads to the acre, followed by the plowing under of a green crop, for the building up of a depleted farm.

RETURNS WITH BRIDE

Mr. and Mrs. C. Armstrong Received Hearty Welcome to Keremeos

Keremeos, Dec. 31.—Mr. C. Armstrong, who was recently united in matrimony, in Vancouver, to Miss Rhoda Shea, of that city, returned home with his bride today. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong were met at the station by relatives and friends. Mr. J. J. Armstrong, father of the groom, took the newly married couple home in his automobile to the noisy accompaniment of two large gasoline cans attached to the back of the car by some of the many well-wishers gathered at the depot.

ELECTING OFFICERS OF BOARD FOR YEAR

Keremeos Board of Trade To Give Valentine Event to Help Princeton Hospital

Keremeos, Jan. 9.—The annual meeting of the Keremeos Board of Trade was held on Saturday afternoon.

Regarding a matter arising out of the minutes, the secretary, Mr. H. C. N. Etches, reported that one day when he was at the depot he spoke to the agent about the sale there of return tickets to Vancouver. The agent showed him fifteen or sixteen tickets and told him that the tickets were on sale there. Subsequently, when a large party of Keremeos people were leaving for Vancouver he heard they had been unable to get tickets. Upon making enquiries about this the agent stated that he had sold out all the tickets and had wired for more but they had not arrived. The opinion of the meeting was that the trouble arose owing to the agent having failed to keep a large enough stock of Vancouver return tickets on hand.

The annual financial statement of the secretary-treasurer showed a small balance on hand.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows: Mr. O. Haldane, president; Mr. T. Daly, vice-president; Mr. H. C. N. Etches, secretary-treasurer; Messrs. D. McCullam, E. M. Crooker, W. Frith, J. J. Armstrong and H. Tidy, executive.

Mr. H. C. N. Etches offered to forego his salary of $50 a year as secretary until such time as the sum of $104, owing by the board to outside parties, was paid off. The members of the board did not consider this would be fair considering the large amount of work done by the secretary for the benefit of the district, and it was decided that the secretary should receive his remuneration this year as usual.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Department of Roads and request that the Keremeos-Penticton road be straightened and rendered more safe for traffic at a spot north of Mr. LeLievre's ranch where the road at present winds between large rocks.

Mr. Le Lievre stated that he was road foreman on that section of the road. He estimated the cost of straightening it at $175.

The subject of raising funds to assist the Princeton General hospital through a critical period, caused by the closing down of mining activities in that neighborhood was discussed. It was decided to hold a Valentine dance and basket social on February 11, in the B. C. Growers' hall, in addition to the opening of a subscription list. This was considered as quick and as sure a way of obtaining a substantial sum for this very necessary object as any. A committee in charge of all arrangements for this event was appointed as follows: Messrs. H. Tidy, T. Daly, D. McCullam, O. Haldane and W. Frith.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Government Telephone department requesting cards giving numbers of the various telephone subscribers.

WILL COMMENCE WORK

Cawston Community Hall Will Be Started in Few Days

Cawston, Jan. 10.—It is expected that work will be commenced on the Cawston Community hall at an early date.

A subscription list which has been in circulation during the past week already carries over $200 in cash subscriptions and more than $400 in donations of labor. It is expected that this will be brought up to a grand total of at least $700 within the next two or three days.

The committee appointed by the Board of Trade to take charge of the building of this hall includes Messrs G. W. Cole, R. B. Sheridan, P. M. Madden, F. M. Wright and T. Rooney.

The financial report of the Amusement Committee shows a clear profit of $216.50 to date, for this season's work. Other entertainments will follow.

Sustained a Bad Cut

Cawston, Jan. 10.—Little Eva Newville met with a painful accident while at school last Thursday, when she slipped on the oiled floor and fell on one of the desks, cutting a gash in her chest. She was taken by Mrs. Fisher to the home of Mrs. J. Armstrong where she was attended by Dr. McEwen, of Keremeos, who sewed up the wound.

Mr. Newton and several of the ladies living nearby kindly did all in their power to make the patient comfortable until her own people arrived to take her home. She is now rapidly recovering.

NEW NURSE ARRIVES

Miss Smith Has Had Wide Experience in This Kind of Work

Keremeos, Jan. 7.—The new nurse of the V. O. N. for this and the Cawston districts, Miss Priscilla Smith, has entered upon her duties and is displaying creditable enthusiasm in preparing to promptly re-open the school nursing classes and other branches of the work.

One valuable branch of the V. O. N. work which Miss Smith intends to pursue is that of establishing baby clinics both at Keremeos and Cawston. In South Vancouver, said Miss Smith, 36 babies were brought in during the first day the clinic was open. The clinics were very beneficial from a babies' health standpoint, and proved very popular with the mothers.

School nursing classes will be reopened in the Keremeos school next Tuesday and at Cawston during the following week.

Miss Smith graduated from the Toronto General hospital and was engaged in district nursing; two years in Toronto and two years in Winnipeg, before the V. O. N. opened up. She took her Victorian Order course in Vancouver, and afterwards was stationed in Calgary. Later she returned to Vancouver, where she was engaged in the work at the time she was appointed to Keremeos. Miss Smith states that there is much difference between work in the city and country districts. In the cities the nurses all specialize, but in the country they have to generalize, which renders their work far more difficult.

The V. O. N. movement, the new nurse said, is only in its infancy. There has been a dearth of students in the graduating classes to fill the many appointments awaiting nurses.

IRRIGATION IMPROVEMENTS

Old Flumes Will Be Replaced by Wood Piping

Keremeos, Jan. 3.—The Keremeos Land Company is preparing to make considerable improvement in the local irrigation system this spring. Over 3000 feet of woden piping will be put in to replace the old flumes on the three acre lots on the town flat, and 00,000 feet of lumber is also on hand for the construction of new flumes Mr. Erickson has been awarded the contract for thic work, and will commence construction in a few days.

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Mr. Lorne Campbell Optomistic Over Mining Situation

Mr. Lorne Campbell, president of the West Kootenay Power and Light Co., predicts a return next year to conditions which will enable mining operations in British Columbia to be carried on with profitable results.

Speaking of the situation in mineral development Mr. Campbell alluded to the outlook in regard to gold. During the period of inflation, he said, gold was the only indispensable commodity among minerals which could not command an increase in price owing to the "standardizig" through internal agreements. Gold producers however were forced to pay higher wages, higher prices for the materials of production and to meet other greatly increased overhead expenses. The result was that they had to close and to remain at a standstill until in a position to operate at less expense.

The passing of the mushroom industries and of those businesses built up upon the effects and causes of the war will give legitimate businesses a chance to carry on upon a sound business basis, continued Mr. Campbell. Peace time conditions have returned and the reconstruction of business on a peace time basis is now under way. The general deflation resulting from the arrival of this period means that industries will require less capital to finance manufacturing and other producing concerns. The net result will be a reduction in cost of living and credit conditions will return to a more normal basis.

Mr. Campbell believed that toward the end of 1921 great progress in establishing healthy and economically sound business throughout the country may be looked for.

With reference to unemployment, Mr. Campbell believed that the situation would be greatly relieved with resumption of mining operations. Unemployment was fairly general at the present time, he said, but the situation was not at all serious. He incidentally reported considerable activity to the mining for coal in Alberta.

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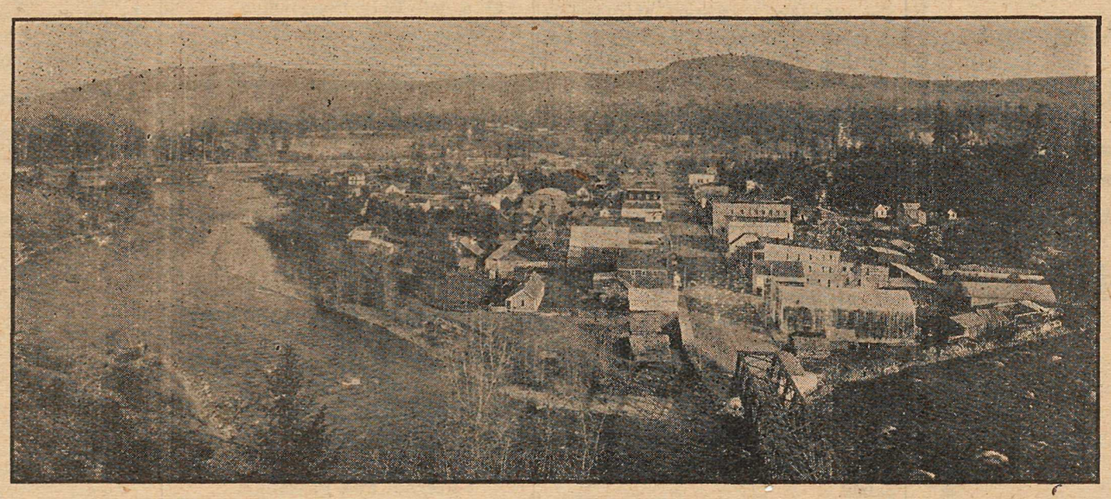

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The election of Chancellor and fifteen members of Senate will be held at the University on Thursday, April 7th, 1921. As this election must of necessity be carried on by mail, it is essential that the Committee in charge shoud have the corerct mailing addresses of all members of Convocation. Many members have moved during the past three years and have not notified the University of the change. Every member of Convocation is, therefore, asked to send in his corect address at once to the Registrar.

WAGE REDUCTIONS

TACOMA.—Wage cuts of from 15 to 25 per cent in the lumber mills of the Northwest have become effective according to an announcement made by the branch of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen.

The wage reduction effect 60,000 workmen and the new scale is expected to be adopted by all mills, whether they are members or not.

Under the new scale common labor will be reduced from $4.40 to $3.60 per day, and skilled labor will receive a proportionate cut.

The new scale, it is explained, was recently drawn up at a meeting of the trustees of the Four L organization in Portland. Both employers and employees were represented on the board that made the cut.

Lumber prices are at the lowest level in several years, manufacturers declare.

CONVENTION POSTPONED

Nelson, Jan 13.—In consequence of the change of the date for the convening of the legislature to late in February, the date for the convention of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia, to be held at Penticton, has also been changed.

The new dates will be Feb. 22 and 23, according to Commissioner Fred A. Starkey, who is sending out notices to the various boards of trade on the matter.

To Get Blister Copper

Vancouver, Jan. 13.—The Robert Dollar Company's steamer Stanley Dollar left San Francisco for Vancouver to load 1000 tons of blister copper and considerable general freight for New York. This is a special run of the Dollar ship to give service to the Granby Company in the movement of the copper to the New Jersey refineries. Captain McClements is expected to make New York in better than twenty-eight days record set by Captain Tasker on the Grace Dollar on his last run to Vancouver from New York.

Her Father's Job

The other day an Irish servant girl asked leave of absence for an hour to consult a fortune-teller. She returned wailing dismally.

"Did she predict some great trouble?" said her mistress, sympathetically.

"Och, mem, sich therrible news!" moaned the girl, rocking backwards and forwards, and wringing he and forwards, and wringing her hands.

"Tell me what she said," asked the mistress, wishing to comfort the girl.

"She tould me thot me father works hard shovellin' coal an' tindin' foires for a livin'!"

"But that's no disgrace nor sorrow," said the lady, a trifle vexed at such affectation.

"Och, mem, me poor father!" sobbed the girl. "What a hard time he must be havin,' and' he's been dead these noine years!"

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Mr. F. Foster left for Spokane last week. He will be away about two months.

Mr. E. Waterman left for the coast last Monday. He is expected to return today or tomorrow.

Superior Constable Fryer left this week for the coast as an escort to the three men committed by Judge J. R. Brown to the Okalla Prison.

The Princeton Coal and Land Co. is again bringing coal to the surface. Two cars were loaded and are ready for shipment today.

Development operations in the mine of the Princeton Mining and Development Co., have been closed down for about two months.

Mr. T. Hughes, employed at the mine sustained a bad cut in his head and a broken rib through a fall off the tipple Wednesday night.

Mr. E. B. Oliver, drummer in the Princeton Orchestra, left on Friday's train for Keremeos where he will play for a dance to be given for the benefit of the Princeton Hospital.

The dance given in the Oddfellows' hall on Thursday evening by the Princeton Orchestra was greatly enjoyed by a large number of citizens. Much appreciation was expressed regarding the excellent music provided.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Cuthbert's Church of England, held in the Parish Hall:— Mrs. Almstrom, president; Mrs. Lamber, vice-president; Mrs. Boult, treasurer; Mrs. Wardle secretary. The financial report showed that $571.86 had been raised during the past year.

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Synopsis of Land Enactments

Minimum price of first-class land reduced to $5 an acre; second-class to $2.50 an acre.

Pre-emption now confined to surveyed lands only.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes and which is non-timber land.

Partnership pre-emptions abolished, but parties of not more than four may arrange for adjacent pre-emptions with joint residence, but each making necessary improvements on respective claims.

Pre-emptors must occupy claims for five years and make improvements to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivation of at least 5 acres, before receiving Crown Grant.

Where pre-emptor in occupation not less than 3 years, and has made proportionate improvements, he may, because of ill-health, or other cause, be granted intermediate certificate of improvement and transfer his claim.

Records without permanent residence may be issued, provided applicant makes improvements to extent of $300 per annum and records same each year. Failure to make improvements or record same will operate as forfeiture. Title cannot be obtained in less than 5 years, and improvements of $10.00 per acre, including 5 acres cleared and cultivated, and residence of at least 2 years are required.

Pre-emptor holding Crown grant may record another pre-emption, if he requires land in conjunction with his farm, without actual occupation, provided statutory improvements made and residence maintained on Crown granted land.

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or company.

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

Natural hay meadows inaccessible by existing roads may be purchased conditional upon construction of a road to them. Rebate of one-half of cost of road, not exceeding half of purchase price, is made.

PRE-EMPTORS' FREE GRANTS ACT.

The scope of this Act is enlarged to include all persons joining and serving with His Majesty's Forces. The time within which the heirs or devisees of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this Act is extended from for one year from the death of such person, as formerly, until one year after the conclusion of the present war. This privilege is also made retroactive.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 26, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provision for return of moneys accrued, due and been paid since August 4, 1914, on account of payments, fees or taxes on soldiers' pre-emptions.

Interest on agreements to purchase town or city lots held by members of Allied Forces, or dependents, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from enlistment to March 31, 1920.

SUB-PURCHASERS OF CROWN LANDS.

Provision made for issuance of Crown grants to sub-purchasers of Crown Lands, acquiring rights from purchasers who failed to complete purchase, involving forfeiture, on fulfillment of conditions of purchase, interest and taxes. Where sub-purchasers do not claim whole of original parcel, purchase price due and taxes may be distributed proportionately over whole area. Applications must be made by May 1, 1920.

GRAZING.

Grazing Act, 1919, for systematic development of livestock industry provides for grazing districts and range administration under Commissioner. Annual grazing permits issued based on numbers ranged; priority for established owners. Stock-owners may form Associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits for settlers, campers or travellers, up to ten head.

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