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## HOSPITAL MAINTENANCE APPEAL RECEIVES GENEROUS RESPONSE

### Cash Donations Amount To $329.55 And Other Contributions Will Total $135.25 a Month—Keremeos, Coalmont And Allenby Are Also Assisting.

As a result of the highly satisfactory response to the appeal for funds for the hospital it was decided at a public meeting, held in the Court House, on Monday night, to continue the operation of the institution. Mr. E. Waterman occupied the chair and explained to the large assembly of citizens present, that as a result of the splendid efforts of the canvesers and the generous response of the public, cash donations amounting to $329.55 had been collected and the monthly donations promised would produce $135.25

This was thought to be very satisfactory and the opinion of the meeting favored carrying on.

Information from Keremeos is to the effect that a dance and box social will be given there, on Feb. 11, and as music, hall and refreshments will be donated it is expected that a substantial sum will be realized. In addition to this effort the people of the lower end of the valley have also opened a subscription list. Keremeos is only being asked to subscribe $50 per month, or equal to $300 for the six months, and it is expected that this sum will easily be forthcoming. Coalmont is also falling into line and a list is being compiled there, while at Allenby, it is understood, some thirty men have agreed to give time for the cutting of wood which will be of considerable benefit to the Hospital.

A very welcome and generous contribution was made by Mr. J. Nathan, who. in addition to giving a lump sum donation of $6, presented the Hospital Board with a cheque of $50 as a practical demonstration of his realization of the benefit and necessity of the instiution to the community.

The Hospital Board has expressed much appreciation of the untiring efforts of the committe appointed to make the canvas for the donations. This committee consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Connell, Dr. Butler and Mrs. Lyall.

A dance will be held tonight in the Oddfellows' hall the proceeds from which will also be added to the Hospital fund. It is expected that there will be a full measure of enjoyment for all present.

The following is a list of cash donations paid to cover the ensuing six months:—

Tulameen Hotel, $10.00; W. A. Smith, $10.00; J. W. Greer, $2.00; Billy Loy, $2.00; W. S. Scott, $2.00; Long One, 50c.; Henry W., $2.00; L. Young, 50c.; Mose Burns, $1.00; Mike Gaynor, $1.00; Pete Grovack, 25c.; John Lochhead, $1.00; James S. Leslie, $5.00; James Waugh, $2.00; Grant & Adams, $5.00; Mr. Cramer, 50c.; J. J. Malone, $6.00; W. F. Hazzard,( $20.00 per year) $5.00; Dakin & Ferguson, ($20.00 per year) $5.00; Joe Wigmore, $1.00; T. Taylor, $3.00; Geo. G. Lyall, $10.00; Ben Baker, $1.00; C. Carlson, $1.00; George Wardle, $10.00; J. Nathan, $6.00; L. D. Cafe, $5.00; H. M. Graham, $1.00; K. C. Wing, $1.00; Foo Fik, 25c.; Lee Coom, 50c.; We Mon, 50c; Chinaman, 25c.; City Laundry, $2.00; George Heatherton, $2.50; C. Bannervier, $2.00; Rosie St. John, 50c.; W. L. Boult, $6.00; R. S. Skinner, $2.00; Lillian Innes, $2.00; K. Graham, $2.00; A. Vaydo, 25c.; Mrs. Wratin, 50c.; Hotel Princeton, $20.00; C. Rodgett, $1.00; Francis Glover, $5.00; Dr. McCaffrey, $25.00; C. Summers, $10.00; A Friend, $5.00; W. S. Calbet, $1.00; R. Gorsulowsky, $6.00; A. L. White, $25.00; Chas. Hunter, (to cover 3 months) $5.00; Wong Bing, 50c.; Marshall Gellatley, 15c.; Margaret Gellatley, 15c.; Jack Gellatley, 50c.; Lim How, $1.00; Long One, 25c; E. E. Gibson, $5.00; H. Priest, $6.00; Robt. Taylor, $3.00; Long Fong, 50c.; Wong Lem, 50c.; F. J. Guinan, $5.00; W. Gibson, $1.00; Tony Smith $1.00; Geo. Huerdahl, $2.00; Josephine Boult, $2.50; Johnny Huff, $1.00; Sam Too, $1.00; N. McFadden, $2.00; A friend $5.00; F. Green, $6.00; Mr. Nathan, $50.00; A. Currie, $1.00; A. Nelson, $6.00; C. H. Rhodeman, 50c; C. A. Day, $5.00.

The list of monthy subscirptions promised is as follows:—

R. Mansfield, $3.00; H. C. Lucas, $3.00; F. N. Thomas, $1.00; J. R Wilson $1.00; F. Sherman, 50c.; A. J. Waring, $1.00; H. J. Evans, $5.00; Mike Vukelick, $1.00; Davenport Cafe, $2.00; Thomas Bros. $3.00; C. R. Crankshaw, $1.00; Mrs. G. Lyall, $2.00; W. B. & S. Ewart, $1.50; C. Willarson & Co., $4.00; Mike Mirkovitch, $1.00; Gus Vladetich, $1.00; P. M. Tobvakey, $1.00; H. R. Sardich, $1.00; R. Dale, $1.00; Dominion Cafe, $1.00; C. R. Edmonson, $1.00; Fred A. Howse, $1.00; R. W. LaVeck, $1.00; Percy O. Bird, $1.00; R. A. Lambert, $3.00; F. Anderson, $1.00; P. Russell, $3.00; C. V. Prosser, $1.00; F. C. Schisler, $2.50; E. E. Burr, $2.00; A. Connor, $1.00; G. E. Murray, $1.00; Dorothy Haynes, 50c.; J. Forbes, $1.00; G. Farrar, $1.00; T. Day, $1.00; K. Kirkpatrick, $1.00; G. Young, $1.00; Mrs. Thos. Bromfield, $2.00; Eva Campbell, $1.00; L. R. Harrison, $1.00; W. R. Marston, $1.00; T. Naylor, 75c.; Dr. Lee Smith, $5.00; Alf. Sorenson, $2.50; J. S. Storer, $1.00; George Doyle, $1.00; R. B. Lindsay, $1.00; James Gellatley, $1.00; Mr. Cornish $1.00; L. W. Mickel, $2.00; Gus Sterz, $1.00; F. W. Treherne, $1.00; Jas. A. Auld, $1.00; Thelma Nelson, $1 00; Mrs. Moore, $2.00; A. Bell, $1.00; E. B. Hall, $1.00; A. Wilson $1.00; L. Pilkington. $1.00; Wilfred Freeman, $1.50; Rev. Herbison, $1.00; Mrs. H. Sellers, $1.00; H. H. Jones, $1.00; W. T. Beale, $1.00; Eleanor Bentley, $1.00; Esther Carlson, $1.00; Mrs. M. L. Wright, $1.00; Mrs. Nelly Grant, $1.00; W. S. Garrison, $2.00; Dr. Butler, $3.00; Mrs. J. A. Johnson, $1.00; Mrs. W. J. Kirkpatrick, $1.00; Mrs. F. Garrison, $1.00; Mrs. D. Atkinson, $1.00; Thos Hughes, $1.00; Mrs. H. E. Christenson, $1.00; Mrs. H. Larson, $1.00; Wm. Forsythe, $1.00; J. B. Forsythe, $1.00; W. H. Houston, $1.00; W. Govier, $1.00; A. G. Connell, $1.00; Mrs. Hampton, $1.00 Mrs. L. W. Mickel, $1.00; Wah Wing Hie, $1.00; Sun Kee Laundry, $1.00; Lem You, $1.00; Lem King, 00; H. B. Meausette, $1.00; J. A. Carlson, $1.00; Felix Darragh, $1.00; Mrs. J. Maglio, $1.00; E. Berryman, $1.00; A. Carlson, $1.00; A. F. Murray, $1.00; P. E. Rowlands, $1.00; H. McConnell, $1.00; Wing, $1.00; E. Waterman, $2.00; P. Gregory, $2.50; F. Fryer, $2.00; Valley Meat Co., $1.00; C. B. Elliot, $1.00;

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### ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

#### St. Cuthbert's Church had Successful Year—Officers Elected

At the annual Vestry meeting of the St. Cuthbert's parish, held in the Parish Hall a credit balance of $96.55 was reported on hand by the retiring secretary, Mr. B. Barlow.

Mr. G. G. Lyall was unanimously chosen as a delegate to represent the parish at the synod, to be held at the coast, during the coming summer. Mr. R. Taylor was appointed as deputy delegate.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in Mr. B. Barlow being asked to acept the position of vicar's warden and Mr. W. L. Boult that of people's warden. The sidesmen and members of the church committe selected were Dr. J. D. Butler, D.M.D.; Messrs E. Waterman, R. Taylor, E. Barr Hall, F. Glover, A. Wilson, Mrs. Boult, Mrs. Lambert and Mrs. Glover. Mr. F. Trehearne was elected secretary-treasurer and Mr. A. Wilson auditor.

It was decided that the Vicar and wardens should make arrangemnts for an organist for the church.

It was unanimously resolved that the secretary be instructed to convey to Mr. F. P. Wilson, on behalf of the congregation, their hearty appreciation and thanks for the work he did for the church and particularly for the children and the erection of the Parish Hall. The resolution also expressed deep regret at Mr. Wlison's departure from Princeton.

A hearty vote of thanks was unanimously accorded the Womens' Auxiliary of the Parish for the excellent work they had done and support and help given to the church during the past year. The officers of the church for the past year were also thanked for their services.

The regular committee meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on the second and fourth Thursday in each month at 8 p. m.

### K. OF P. DANCE

#### Happy Time Spen by Members and Their Friends

The Knights of Pythias gave an invitation dance and social on Wednesday evening in the Oddfellows' Hall which proved to be one of the most enjoyable events of its kind yet held this season. There were about 100 present. The dancing was full of life and included in the programme were some old-time dances which provided considerable amusement not only for those dancing but also for the onlookers. This supplied a gratifying change from the modern fox-trots, etc. and all those present spent a thoroughly happy time. The music was supplied by the Princeton orchestra in their regular good style.

For those who did not wish to take part in the dancing card tables were provided and some interesting games resulted. Supper was elegantly served by the wives and friends of members of the order.

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### OPENING PARLIAMENT

#### Cabinet Changes Date From Feb. 10 to Feb. 14

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—A change has been made in the adte for the opening of Parliament at Friday's cabinet council. The date chosen was Thursday, February 10, but this was afterwards found to be inconvenient for some members of the cabinet, and a special issue of the Royal Gazette contains an announcement that the date will be Monday, February 14.

There are some advantages in opening on Monday as it enable members to be in the city in readiness over the week-end, and permits of going on with the business of the House on Tuesday without any postponement such as an opening towards the end of the week involves.

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## Annual Meeting United Farmers

### Five Mile District Wants Irrigation System—Saw Mill Is Being Installed

Five Mile, Jan 18.—The annual meeting of the Princeton local, United Farmers of B. C., was held on Saturday, Jan 8th, and was largely attended notwithstanding the inclement weather conditions. Enthusiasm was the watchword of the gathering, and business of considerable importance was transacted. Amongst other matters dealt with was one of much import as affecting the Jura district. A resolution was unanimously adopted requesting the central board to urge upon the government the need of an irrigation system for this district. This resolution will doubtless be dealt with at the forthcoming convention to be followed later by action on the part of the executive of U. F. at Victoria. The work of the organization in this area has been co-ordinated by the forming of a District Association for the Similkameen. Each local is represented by a director and questions affecting the whole of the Similkameen will be dealt with by the association. Mr. P. Madden, of Cawston, is president, Mr. Keene, of Penticton, vice-persident, and Mr. S. R. Gibson secretary.

Mr. S. R. Gibson has purchased and is installing a saw mill at his ranch, which will prove a benefit to the whole community.

Mr. E. N. Freding and Mr. W. W. Triplett are putting logs in Separating Lake under contract with the Nicola Pine and Lumber Co. Logging activities in the district are otherwise defunct, due it is alleged to the action of the Board of Railway Commissioners in sanctioning an increse in freight rates which has had the effect of crippling the lumber industry. The condition is extremely unfortnate as probably there has never been a more favorable season for logging purposes.

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### CONVENTION POSTPONED

Penticton, Jan. 20.—The annual convention of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern B.C., which was scheduled for Penticton on Feb. 1, and 2, has been postponed until Feb. 22 and 23. The first session will be held on the morning of Tuesday, Feb. 22.

## Court Of Revision Held At Princeton

### Judge Brown Hears Applications Against Assesment And Valuation

The Court of Revision and Appeal for the Princeton Assessment district was held on Wednesday in the Court House. Judge J. R. Brown presided. Notice of twelve appeals had been given.

Harry Tweddle appealed in respect of assessment for the Similkameen Development Co. regarding lot 2466, Similkameen Division of Yale District. It was claimed by appellant that the land was wrongly classified. The appeal was allowed and classification changed from wild land to Real property, the Judge being satisfied that there were ample improvements on the land to take it out of wild land classification. There were 99 acres in the lot and the assessment remained unchanged at $4950.

The same appellant also appeared in matter of lot 2238 in the same division of Yale district. This lot was assessed to him and he appealed against its classification as wild land. Improvements were proved in this case and the change in classification to that of Real property allowed.

The appeal of James A. Schubert was in regard to lots 3 to 8 inclusive in Hedley townsite. Perley Russell appeared for appellant. The assessment roll showed that these lots were assessed at $1,200 and a store building on them assessed at $1,800. The appeal was allowed. The assessment on building struck off and the lots reduced from $1,200 to $600. The reason for this decision was that the building was burnt down and appellant was not going to rebuild. This rendered the lots in question of little value considering conditions in Hedley.

The same appellant claimed an exemption of personal property to the amount of $1000 regarding cattle, machinery and vehicles in connection with lot 702, Otter Lake, 80 acres. The appeal was allowed, and exemption of $1000 being granted. The assessment roll showed no exemption or anything allowed for improvements.

Lorne S. Coleman and Edgar F. Corbett, appealed from assessment of lot 2467 in the Similkameen division of the Yale district. The appeal was against both classification and value. The land was classed as wild land and assessed at $1,600. The evidence of Lorne Coleman showed that there were improvements on the east half of the lot to the value of $100. The decision was that the east half of the lot was to be assessed at $550 as Real property. The west half was to remain as wild land and to be assessed at $500. The Judge was satisfied that all of this half except about ten acres was utterly waste land.

Thomas F. Callahan appealed in respect to lots 687, 688, 689 and 887, group 1, Yale district. Perley Russell appealed for appellant. The appeal regarding lot 689, as to classification as Wild land was disallowed as the evidence showed that the fence around it was not completed. The appeal to have the value of all four lots reduced from $5 to $2.50 an acre was allowed. The evidence showed that the land was very poor and adjoining land of the same nature was assessed at $2.50.

Thomas M. Day appealed against the assessment on a building on 25 feet of lot 4, block 2, Princeton townsite. The appeal was disallowed as it appeared that although the building may have been assessed too high the lot was assessed far too low.

The appeal of Thomas S. Huges in respect to lot 19, block 23, Princeton townsite, was withdrawn. The assessment roll showed the house and lot assessed at $400. Appellant had believed he was assesed at $1,200.

Elias N. Fredin, appealed in regard to lot 2423, 160 acres as to classification as Wild land and also as to the value. The classification was changed to Real property and a reduction from $1,600 to $1000 made.

Emma L. Schisler appealed against assessment on lots 18 and 19, block 44, Princeton townsite, as too high. The appeal against the assessment of the lots was dismissed but the assessment on the house was reduced from $1,750 to $1,500. The house was built 15 years ago and required shingling and repainting. The whole property cost appellant's husband $1,500 some years ago, but the lots were 50 by 250 feet and a small stable or barn had been built on them since being purchased by Mr. Schisler.

Christopher Summers appealed against the classification as Wild land of lot 2420, Similkameen division of Yale district. This appeal was allowed, the lot being put in the Real property class. The appellant showed that there was three-quarters of mile of fence in good condition on the land.

Duncan Wood had given notice of appeal in respect to block 4, lots 15, 16 and 17, block 25, lot 1, Hedley, on the ground that the assessment was too high. The appellant did not appear but Hugh Hunter, who knew the property well, supplied information. The building on lot 17, block 4, was reduced from $100 to $80 and the assessment on that lot was reduced from $150 to $100. The assessments on lots 15 and 16, block 4, was reduced from $200 to $100. In respect to lot 1, block 25, the appeal was disallowed.

### NEED FOUR MORE DAYS

#### To Finish Stock Yards—Ice Harvest Now In Progress

Good progress was made by the G.N.R. bridge gang last week with the construction of the new stock yards. About four more days work will be required in order to have them ready for use.

At present the gang has moved up the line to take charge of the ice harvesting. The company expects to cut and haul to the south about 2,500 tons of ice this season. For some weeks past box-cars have been brought north and set into the various sidings north of Keremeos, to be on hand for the haul and the work of cutting and loading will occupy the gang for some time. When the ice harvest is finished the bridge crew will return and complete the stock yards.

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### I.O.O.F. ELECTS OFFICERS

The Prnceton lodge of the I.O.O.F. has installed the following officers for 1921:— Messrs. Thomas Hughes, J.P.G.; Robert Schulli, N. G.; Oscar Carlson, V.G.; Chas. Willarson, R.S.; Perley Russell, F.S.; P. Y. Smith, Treasurer; Chas. Day, Warden; S. Storer, Conductor; J. Huey, I.G.; Felix Darragh, O.G.; Wm. Houston, R.S.N.G.; David Muir, L.S.N.G.; Frank Ichannd, R.S.V.G.; B. Balonis, L.S.V.G.; W. Williams, R.S.S.; C. Bromfield, L.S.S.; John Howarth, Chap. The ceremony of installation was performed by D.D.G.M. William Houston.

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### KISS WAS JUSTIFIED

#### Henry Ford Thinks Premier's Salute To Mrs. Smith Creditable

Vancouver.—"Scandal" is the word used in a heading in Henry Ford's personal organ, the Dearborn Independent of Dearborn, Mich., in reference to a kiss that was exchanged by two people prominent in British Columbia. But the heading goes on to say that the "scandal" was creditable to all parties and the good family man who publicly saluted lady at a political celebration in the Hotel Vancouver is given full credit for a commendable act by the great American captain of industry.

Mr. Ford devotes almost a full page of his experimental publication to an account of the circumstances surrounded the public salute accorded by Premier Oliver to Mrs. Ralph Smith. He describes the latter as probably the most influential woman in Canadian public affairs and declares that on the strength of Mrs. Smith heading the poll in Vancouver the Premier had every justification for his grateful salutation. He rather infers that he would have done as much himself under the circumstances.

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### O.B.U. ORGANIZER TO LEAVE CANADA

WINNIPEG, Jan. 19.—G. B. Curry, a member of the British Socialist party, who for months has been employed throughout the west as organizer for the One Big Union, has been served with deportation notice by the Dominion immigration authorities according to an announcement made at the labor church tonight. His radical utterances have often of late created a stir in labor circles. At one time, a local labor leader threatened to resign a chairmanship unless the audience repudiated the man's doctrine of class hatred and the audience upheld the chairman.

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## Secretary Of O.B.U. Resigns Position

### Change In Local Unit—B.C. Coast Loggers Withdraw—Time Lost by Strikes Less

At a meeting of the local unit of the O.B.U., on Sunday evening, Mr. J. Horrocks tendered his resignation as secretary-treasurer. This was accepted and Mr. H. Bollingham was selected to fill the vacancy.

It is reported that the local branch has now only about 200 members as against approximately 1,200 a year ago. This fact is said to be owing to the completion of the construction work in the district and the closing of Copper Mountain, Allenby and Hedley work.

An action which labor men believe will prove a deathblow to the One Big Union west of Winnipeg was taken by the delegates at the B.C. Coast Loggers convention at Vancouver. The delegates after considerable discussion, decided to withdraw from the O.B.U. and carry on their own industrial organization independently.

This step taken by the loggers is said to be an outcome of the dispute which has existed for some time between the loggers' organization and the general office of the O. B. U., and indicates that the recent refusal of the loggers to vote on the amendments to the O.B.U. constitution which were introduced at the Port Arthur convention, was based on disapproval of the action of the convention in allowing the loggers' delegates to leave the deliberations of the Port Arthur meeting.

The decision of the B.C. Coast Loggers is taken to be an almost certain indication that at the general convention being held this week the entire body of affiliated industrial workers, camp, mill and agricultural, of the Loggers' Union, will sever connections with the O.B.U. and carry on independently.

The withdrawal of the loggers from the One Big Union is said to mean the latter organization will have practically nothing left but a membership of about 6000 with which to carry on. The large proportion of these members is at Winnipeg. There are small units at Edmonton, Vancouver and Calgary and other western towns but they are not strong in numbers. The Vancouver unit remaining loyal has perhaps 800 members now, it is said.

The loggers, with their affiliated bodies, will be about 20,000 strong.

According to figures published in the Labor Gazette the time loss due to industrial disputes was less during December, 1920, than during the previous month of November, or during December, 1919.

There were in existence, during the past month, ten strikes involving about 1554 people, and resulting in a time loss of 14,654 days.

In November, 1920, there were double the number of strikes, involving 1959 people, and resulting in a time loss of 23,541 days, and in December, 1919, twenty-two strikes, involving 6296 work people and 51,853 days. At the end of December, 1920, there were on record four strikes involving about 379 work people.

At the beginning of December, unemployment among trade unions was 10 per cent. of the total membership, as compared with 5.99 per cent at the beginning of November and 3.56 per cent at the beginning of December, 1919. According to returns received from about 5000 firms, there was a continued steady decrease in the general average of employment throughout the month.

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### LOGGING CAMP CLOSED

Nelson, Jan. 19.—The logging camps in connection with the Lingle-Johnson lumber mill were compelled to close down on account of too much snow. The camps closed down on Saturday.

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### Erect New Pulp Plant

Vancouver, Jan. 19.—The Rat Portage Company interests it is stated will commence the erection of a modern pulp plant at Harrison Lake, where they already have a lumber mill, for the manufacture of pulp and possibly newsprint. Additional timber has been acquired by the company and new capital is being put into the enterprise by eastern and United States investors.

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### LUMBER AND LOGGING

There are strong indications that a brighter prospect is now before the lumber and logging industry of the Province than has been the case for some months. It is expected that conditions will warrant the reopening of a considerable number of logging camps in the Province about the middle of April. This would mean that some of the leading mills will resume operations about the first week in April.

This improvement is anticipated owing to the fact that a serious shortage of houses exists in almost every part of the country and there is sure to be considerable building operations commenced early in the spring. A large proportion of the buildings will be of the frame class, is it maintained, and this will tend to use up a large share of the present rather light stocks of lumber carried by the various mills.

The lumbermen of the West recognize that one of the most important questions before them is that of fixing the "spread" of prices between the mill and the consumers. It is stated that for several years this has been more than 50 per cent. Efforts are to be made by the lumbermen to limit this "spread" to 50 per cent.

### RE-BUILDING COST

The reports emenating from Penticton and Grand Forks to the effect that the construction of the suggested Hope Princeton road will probably be started in the spring, are not regarded at all seriously here. As a matter of fact those who are in close touch with the subject regard these reports as a piece of cleverly disguised propaganda put out by some person or persons who at heart favors the Fraser Canyon route for the trans-Provincial highway. This view of the matter is taken on account of the fact that the reports show special favor toward the Dewdney trail route instead of the Cleveland survey along the Roach and Similkameen valleys. The Cleveland survey is the one considered to be most suitable by those who are well acquainted with the country. A great deal of attention was also drawn to the possibility of influencing the C.P.R. to help out in the construction of a primery road to Kamloops, by crossing the river and using the C.N.R. track for a considerable distance. Much has been said by the supporters of the Fraser Canyon route regarding snow on the Hope-Princeton survey, snow conditions in the Coquihalla Pass miles away from the proposed Hope-Princeton route being cited to support their arguments. Apparently the Fraser Canyon route would also be effected by snow. There have been heavy snowfalls in the Fraser Canyon and, as previously mentioned in these columns, when it snows in the Hope Mountains it also snows in the Fraser Canyon. Mr. P. W. Gregory returned from a trip to the coast last Saturday and was among those delayed by the serious washouts on the transcontinental line between Haig and Ruby Creek. The trouble in the Fraser Canyon was caused by heavy snowfalls followed by rapid thawing which caused small gullies to become torrents, washing out grades on both the C.P.R. and C.N.R. Gaps were made in the track, he reports, from 100 to 200 feet wide and about 50 feet deep over which the track hung suspended. This happened in spite of the fact that section men patrol the lines at frequent intervals. If the trans-Provincial highway is built up the Fraser Canyon to what figure will the annual cost of re-building and up-keep amount? Among other statements made by those who favor this route was a charge that the Hope-Princeton road would require a large annual expenditure for re-building and up-keep. All roads, and particularly new roads, suffer to some extent during the changes from cold to warm weather and considering the conditions in the Fraser Canyon, in this respect it was a unhealthy point for the agitators for the northern route to introduce.

London, Eng.—Sir Eric Geddes, in Parliamentary papers, estimated that the coal strike cost the country about $40,000,000 on the railways alone.

# B.C. Once More Is Foremost

## Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, In Statement Shows Province's Mining Industry In Flourishing Condition

Vancouver.—With a production valued at $35,580,625 for 1920, which is $2,284,321, greater than the 1919 figure, British Columbia once more takes a foremost place among the mining provinces of Canada; in fact it is doubtful whether any other mineral producing area of the continent will be in a position to report more than a 7 per cent increase over the output of the previous year.

The foregoing statement is based on statistics furnished by the Preliminary Review and Estimate for 1920 just issued by Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines. Besides the chief point that the industry as a whole shows a 7 per cent monetary improvement over the result of 1919 it is set out that there has been an increase in the the amount of silver produced of 1807 oz.—3,404,926 as against 3,403,119 oz.—although in value, owing to the falling world quotations, there has been a decline of $327,349; that there have been 314,321 lbs. more copper produced than in 1919—42,773,660 as against 42,459,339—although in value again owing to the decline in prices, there is a reduction of $454,506; and that in lead there has been a decline in quantity of 7,930,921 lbs.—21,545,047 as against 29,475,968—but an increase in valuation, because of improved prices of $13,616.

But, in connection with metalliferous mining, the most noteworthy fact is the development of the zinc industry. There was an increase of output in 1920 over 1919 of 20,027,617 lbs., the figures for the two past years being, 1919—56,737,651 lbs.; 1920—76,765,268 lbs. In value, the improvement is estimated at $1,602,843.

The explanation of this is found, beyond a doubt, in the enlargement of operations in connection with the Sullivan mine, East Kootenay, and the activity of the Taril Smelter. Mr. Sloan, in his report, says with reference to this matter that the growth of this branch of the mining industry is due to the greater production of the Sullivan and that "during the last half of the year in other places there has been little or no marekt for zinc ore, and a very small volume of sales of the metal; several of the larger zinc mines and refineries in the United States closed down early in the fall."

In gold production, both placer and lode, the comparison is not as favorable. There is a decline in placer output of 1075 oz.—13,250 as against 14325 oz., and in lode gold it amounts to 34,250 oz., 118,176 as against 152,426 oz. In monetary terms the difference amounts to $21,500 in respect of the placer and to $707,947 in respect of the lode product.

"This might have been expected" the Minister of Mines' report explains, "as the mining of gold, with its fixed value, has in these times of high cost of labor and supplies for some years past offered little encouragement and even less at the beginning of this year, on the eve of what promised to be a period of unstable prices. With what is now an assured promise of lower costs of supplies and living it would seem that gold mining would again become profitable and we may confidently look for an increased gold production in the near future."

With further reference to this matter Mr. Sloan maintained that recent amendments to the Placer Mining Act might be expected to bring considerable areas of the placers of the province, for years inactive, under development. There were many indications that hydraulic and dredging operations would be undertaken in the larger placer fields of the northeastern interior on such a scale that the effect on the annual production would be notable. There was no doubt, too the adverse economic conditions, with respect to gold mining, conditions responsible for the closing down of such a well-known and large producing mine as the Nickel Plate of Hedley, were improving. He looked for a return to a normal rate of production as regards the lode gold mines and for such further development in both placer and lode gold mining during the year, as would materially advance the production of 1921.

Dealing wth the silver production Mr. Sloan said that it was particularly gratifying to find that, in quantity, the output was slightly greater than in the previous year for the reason that the result was unexpected by many because of the closing down of a number of the mines of the Slocan district. A disagreement between the employers and the employees had led to the practical closing down of a number of the mines of this section for a great part of the year. Inasmuch as it is this mineral area that is responsible for a large proportion of the silver production of the province it was thought, naturally, that it would be impossible to overcome the setback thus received. But as is pointed out, those so figuring were not making sufficient allowance for the productivity of the mineral areas of the northern coast section, the properties of which have taken a place as producers comparatively recently. One of the chief of these was the Dolly Varden, of the Alice Arm, the output of which, from September 1 1919 to September 30; 1920 amounted to 1,170,000 ounces. Added to this was the product of the Premier mine, Portland Canal mining division.

In considering the whole question of the results of the year's effort in metalliferous mining Mr. Sloan said:

"It is extremely gratifying that British Columbia's mining industry has been so well maintained, notwithstanding the fluctuating metal market, and despite generally unsettled conditions, that it is possible to report an increase in 1920 over the value of the production of 1919. It is to be remembered, too that other mineral producing sections of America have, of late, been announcing deductions in mineral output, a fact which emphasizes the very satisfactory showing of this province."

There has been in recent months a considerable drop in metal prices as compared with those of war days. As mining costs had not yet declined in the same proportion the producing mines had suffered some embarrassment and recently the output, especially of copper, had been cut down. As had been predicted, however, in respect of gold, it might also be said in regard to the production of the base metals that conditions gradually were on the mend. Mr. Sloan stated that he was not one of those who viewed the future pessimistically. Such a sentiment was in no way justified. Present conditions were but a passing phase of war after math which history taught was to be expected and which shortly would be forgotten with the return of industrial stability. Meanwhile it was re-assuring that in the face of untoward conditions the metalliferous mines of the province as a whole had been able to make an increase over the previous year of $105,157, their estimated production amount-ot $20,142,155.

Mr. Sloan was enthusiastic in reference to the splendid showing made by the collieries of the province. In coal there had been an increase of 444,487 tons in 1920 over 1919—2,712,228 as against 2,267,541 tons. Reduced to monetary terms this meant an improvement of $2,223,435. The output of coke was down somewhat the production being 68,190 tons as compared to 91,138 tons in 1919, a decrease in value of $160,636.

To Mr. Sloan this manifestation of increased productivity on the part of the collieries of British Columbia is one of the most satisfactory features of the 1920 report. He expresses the opinion that coal once more is coming into its own, that it is going to take the place of fuel oil to a greater and greater extent from this time forward, and that the development of the industry during the past year is but the beginning of a period of sustained productivity and prosperity to the coal fields of the province.

That the collieries at present in a position to turn out this fuel should be prepared to take advantage of the enlargement of both the domestic and foreign markets is his opinion. They should make preparations to develop their coal areas to the utmost. It is apparent that the immense coal resources of British Columbia were not going to lie practically dormant for much longer.

It is interesting to note, in this connecton, that returns for December, as far as available, indicate that the rate of production is being well maintained . For the month of November the output totalled 261,608 tons with the productions of the Crow's Nest Pass Collieries for December estimated, that for the past month will reach at least 240,000 tons.

Lode mining has only been in progress for about 20 years in British Columbia, and not 20 per cent of the Province has been prospected; 300,000 square miles of unexplored mineralbearing land are open for prospecting.

## MINES AND MINING

Only one customs mine supplied ore to the big reduction works of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Canada, Limited, at Trail for the week ending Jan. 7th, 1921, the mines of the company supplying 6233 tons of ore of the 6258 tons received.

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The recent contract entered into between the C. P. R. and the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Limited, for 25,000 tons of coal to be used on the railway company's steamers which, through the scarcity and increasing price of fuel oil, have been reconverted into coal burners, has created much interest in coal mining circles.

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Japanese copper has been ordered from the Japan Copper Merchants' Guild who recently received an order from the Chinese Military Arsenal at Wuchang, Chine, for the supply of approximately 600 tons. The copper is to be used for coining purposes and the manufacture of ordinance, and negotiations are based on terms of cash payment upon delivery.

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Philippine gold output is steadily growing greater with the increasing number of companies engaging in gold mining and the better methods being employed. Masbate, Mountain Province and Camarine are the principal gold producing districts. In the first two gold is recovered by cyanidation, aided by amalgamation, while in the last dredging is most common. The Philippine output of gold in 1918 was valued at $1,287,085.

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Owing to the number of Slocan mines out of operation for the greater part of the year on accuont of labor troubles, that district did not export to the United States as great a volume of concentrates and crude ore for treatment as usual. Of the 8,000 tons of concentrates exported, 5,000 are estimated to be lead concentrates, valued at probably $90 a ton, and 3,000 tons would be zinc concentrates worth $50 a ton, all being from the Slocan.

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The Vancouver branch of the B. C. Prospectors' Protective Association is preparing resolutions to be laid before Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines and others. The resolutions to be framed embody a protest against alleged favoritism in the construction of trails. More protection will be asked against loss form persons breaking into cabins, caches and closed mines; an aplication for a government winter school in prospectin; and further to urge on the government that prospectors be allowed blasting powder at cost.

### EUROPEAN WAR FEARED

Montreal.—The Russian Government is planning a spring drive into Rumania and Galicia, according to military experts at Paris.

Recent developments along the western frontier of Russia have convinced critics that the Soviet Army will drive into those territies as soon as the weather permits.

The new European war, with the various nations dragging and toppling one another into the fighting, was seen as a possible consequence.

### 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 1422 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.

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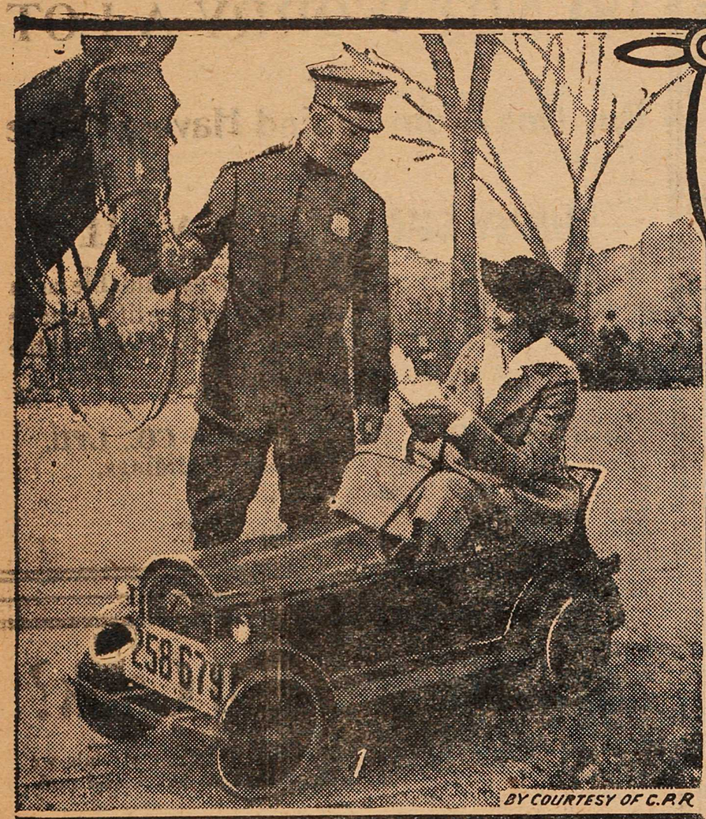
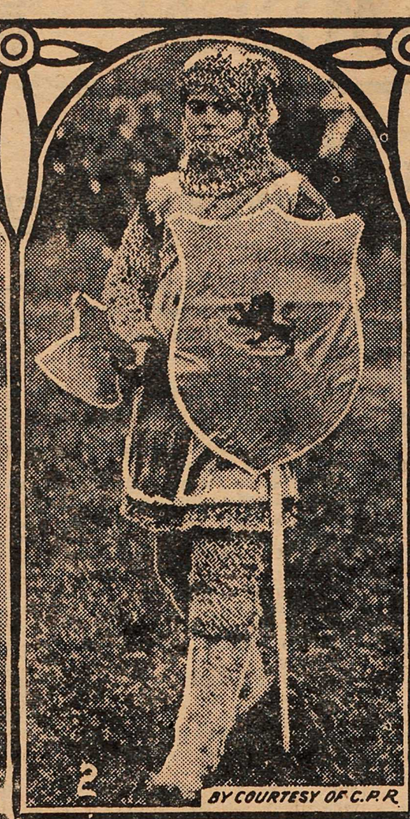
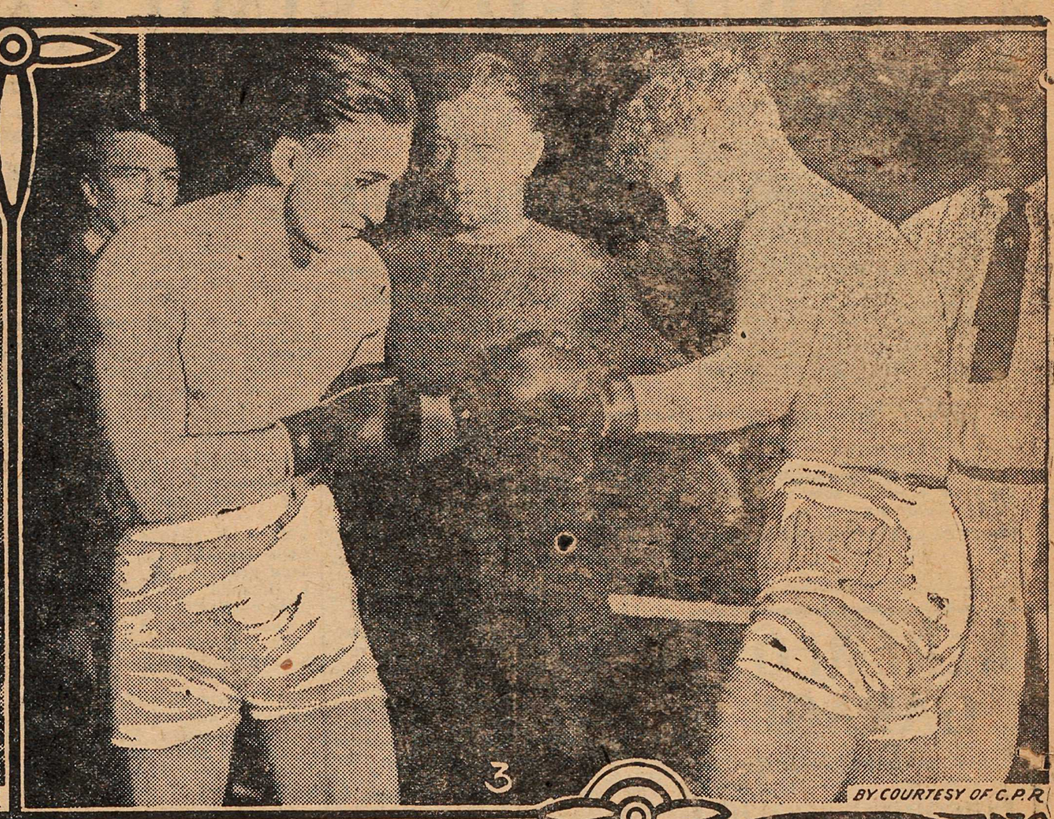


(1) "Cootie Car" speeding in New York.—Actress summoned.

(2) Scottish Independence Celebration.—William the Lion.

(3) Georges Carpentier (on the left) to fight Dempsey for the World's Championship.

(4) Scottish Independence Celebration.—Children's display.

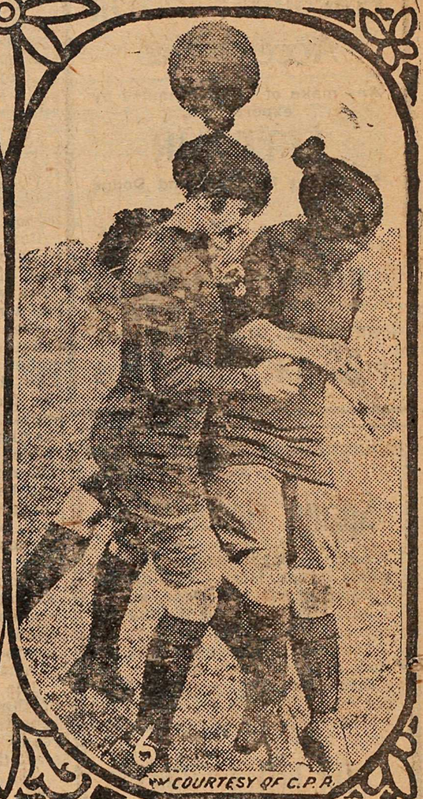
(5) British Women Footballers. —A good kick.

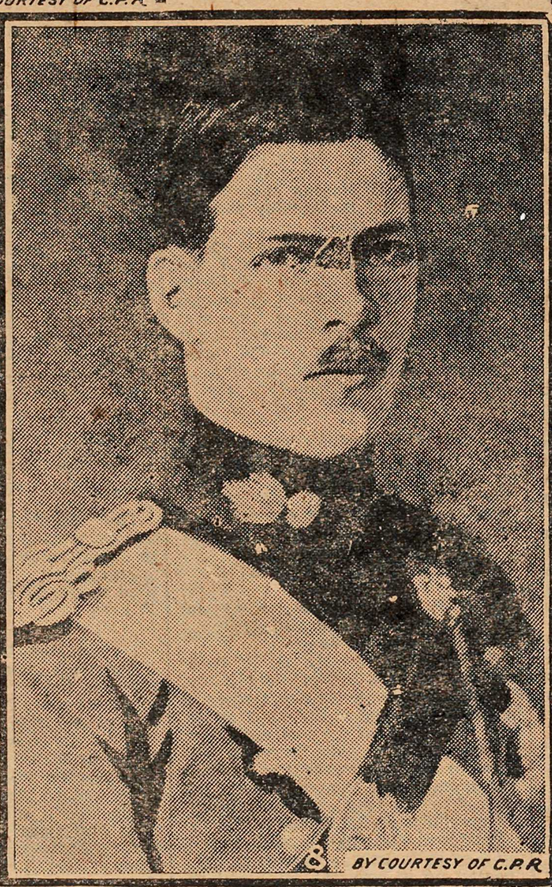
(6) Women footballers' smart head-work.

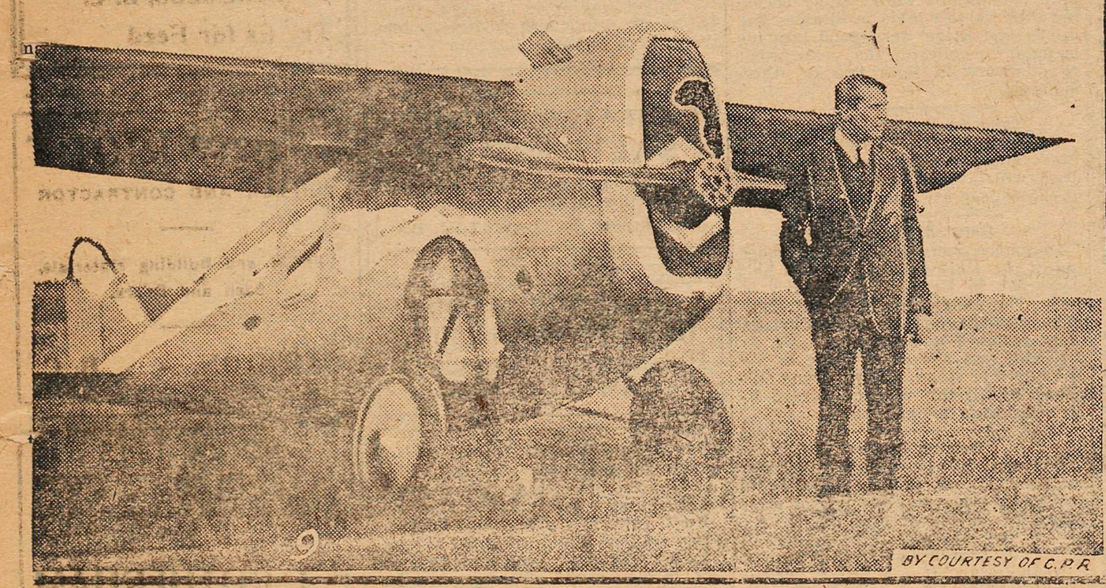
(7) London poor scramble for fuel.

(8) Late King of Greece.—Died from monkey bite.

(9) Pilot Rinehard and his monoplane racer near Paris.






## FINISHING STEERS WITH SUNFLOWERS IN "SUNNY ALBERTA"

"For I feel just as happy as a big sunflower," was the refrain of a popular song years ago. At that time the sunflower's mission was to look pretty, bow its golden head to passers-by and feed the chickens with its seeds. Nowadays the sunflower has the more important mission of finishing steers for the market in Canada's prairie provinces, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, achieving a new incarnation in the form of roast beef and porterhouse steak.

This year from three to thirty acres of sunflowers were planted and did so well in "Sunny Alberta," particularly, that more than 1,000 acres in the Cardston district alone will be devoted to this crop next year. In this section 50 acres of sunflowers yielded from 15 to 30 tons of ensilage per acre.

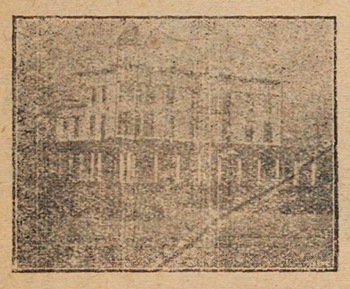
Finishing cattle with sunflower ensilage was such a success last season that hundreds of silos were erected this year, giving great impetus to the growth of the dairy industry. It is anticipated that in a few years every Canadian prairie farm will have its silo, and the livestock industry will be greatly enlarged in area.

Experimenters with sunflowers have found that they are superior to corn in most respects, and in feeding value the crop has outfed the standard crop of corn. The comparison was made between corn, fed green, in the glazing stage, to dairy cows in the same period of lactation, and sunflower silage, and gave an increase of one and one-third pounds per day in favor of the sunflower. With corn each cow lost twenty pounds in flesh during the period of the test, but with sunflowers she only lost twelve pounds. According to G. H. Hutton, B. S. A., in an address delivered before the Western Canada Irrigation Association in September, the sunflower not only adapts itself to irrigation but is a great dry land crop as well.

Sunflower silage is due for a more extensive trial this winter than it has had before. The results in previous years have been very satisfactory but only comparatively few farmers have grown the crop for silage previous to this year. If in its more extensive use the crop proves to be as satisfactory as it has already proved in the few cases where it has been tried, it is safe to say that in a few years the farm without a silo will be an exception in Western Canada.

Since last year's results have become known, considerable interest has been shown in silos and ensilage in Western Canada and several hundred silos have been erected during the past summer. Typical of this movement is the Cardston district in Southern Alberta, where eight silos have been erected this year and where about fifty acres of sunflowers were planted.

# SOUTHERN SIMILKAMEEN

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### Judgment Reserved

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—The judge has reserved decision in the case of the Smith Bros. vs. the Okanagan Fruit Market, Ltd., heard in Vancouver this week. This action was brought by the Okanagan Fruit Market, Ltd., against the Smith Bros. as a result of a potato deal. The latter upon returning from the coast reported that the findings of the court had been so far in their favor but some points of law might yet be argued.

## KEREMEOS PUBLIC HEALTH CENTRE

### Building Fund Opened by Donation of $200—Community Clean-up Considered

Keremeos, Jan. 17.—A meeting of the committee of the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses, was held on Saturday night, considerable progress being made with the various plans on hand.

After considerable discussion relative to a community clean-up day, it was decided to await a report from Dr. M. D. McEwen as to the extent of his power as health officer. It was thought desirable that several low pieces of land on which water lies during the greater part of the summer season, should be filled in with gravel. It was reported that the owners resident in the town were willing to make this improvement for sanitary reasons but difficulty would arise with the absentee land owners. It was thought that Dr. McEwen as health officer could deal efficiently with this matter.

The secretary was requested to write to Dr. Young inquiring regarding speakers being supplied by his department for the quarterly public meetings to be held here.

Nurse Smith was authorized to obtain some small supplies required for the work.

It was reported by the secretary that the Women's Institute anticipated being in a position to supply a set of scales to be used at the baby clinic

Nurse Smith reported that she had every reason to believe that the baby clinic would meet with great success The mothers of all young babies in the district were very enthusiastic. She went on to explain that several helpers would be required at the clinic. When the babies are brought to the clinic they are taken to a helper who takes down on a card the history of the child from birth—its age, illnesses, feeding method, and all other details. It is next weighed and these particulars added on the card after which the doctor makes a thorough examination and gives advice as to the best methods, diet, etc., to follow in each individual case. This course will be followed each month at the clinics and the mothers will soon be able to see the benefit derived. Babies up to two years of age will be examined at the first clinic but at subsequent ones it is probable that all children up to school age will be treated. Tea will be provided for the parents.

The next subject discussed was that of the public health centre. It was reported that a sum of $200 had already been donated by one lady to start the building fund.

The secretary was instructed to write to Dr. Young and ascertain the exact grant made by the government toward public health centres. It was thought that the government would put up dollar for dollar with the district. The cost of building the health centre was estimated at $1,500 for a four roomed building. This being the case the district would only be required to raise a further sum of $550, and the health centre could be erected. It was pointed out that such a place was urgently necessary in the district since there was no place to treat illness but in private homes, and no place for those to go if sick who came in during the fruit season to pack or otherwise help with the harvest.

The committee agreed that an Easter ball should be given for the benefit of the building fund, on Monday, March 28. Further plans regarding this will be made at a future meeting.

### USED NO STAGING

#### Angle Blocks in Bridge Changed—Saving of $1500 Effected

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—The alterations to the traffic bridge across the river have been completed. The angle blocks in the original construction were all put in crossways. Those at the ends have been changed and put in lengthways, making the bridge much stronger. This work was carried out without the use of a stage. Mr. Finlay Fraser the road superintendent states that it is the first time to his knowledge that this change has been made in a bridge without a stage and traffic was delayed only for about ten minutes on a few occasions while the alterations were being made. By doing the work without a stage the estimate was cut about in half, a saving of $1500 being effected.

### Is Sure He Is Alive

Keremeos, Jan. 13.—Mr. J. F. Madore, the Keremeos blacksmith and garage man, has ascertained to his own satisfaction that he is still in his natural physical body and is not a visitor from the unseen, as a result of a hot iron coming in contact with his hand. He is also fully persuaded that his wife and all his family are in the same bodily condition in which he has been accustomed to knowing them. The doubts which may have arisen in his mind in this respect were caused by a report which appeared in an Ottawa paper to the effect that he and his whole family had been killed in an auto accident while out joy-riding. He has received a letter from a relative in Ottawa asking whether he is alive or dead. After the incident with the hot iron he will feel no hesitation in assuring his many Ottawa friends that he still belongs to this terrestrial globe.

### Returns From Vacation

Hedley, Jan. 15.—Mr. H. D. Barnes returned to Hedley yesterday after an enjoyable vacation in Vancouver.

### Sold a Lot

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—Mr. H. Tidy has sold a three acre lot on the Hedley road to Mr. Frank Phillingham.

## IN AND OUT OF TOWN

Keremeos, Jan. 15. — Mrs. O. H. Carle has been very ill during the last few days with an attack of grippe.

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Mrs. J. H. Wooliams, who has been under an operation in the Vancouver General hospital, has sufficiently recovered to be able to leave that institution. She is now staying at the home of her brother, Dr. Wm. Welch, of Vancouver.

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Mr. McMurray has returned from the coast and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tweddle.

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Mr. A. E. East is making rapid progress with the construction of his large green house. The boiler house is finished and a start will now be made cutting the sash for the glass.

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Mr. T. H. Rotherham was a visitor in town on Saturday.

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Mr. Morris Kennedy, of Belfast, Ireland, arrived last Saturday and will assist his brother, Mr. J. C. Kennedy, in his real estate and insurance business.

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Mr. Carl Keeler, who has been confined to his bed for some days with a bad cold, is reported to now be much better.

### EXPLAINS WORK OF BOARD OF TRADE

#### Organized Body Has Different Status Than Individual

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—In the course of an interview today, Mr. H. C. N. Etches, secretary of the board of trade stated he had found that a large number of people in the district did not understand the object of the board of trade or the large amount of work which it does and the benefit derived by the community from the work. Its object was principally to take care of the business interests of the community—the interests of the farmers no less than the interests of merchants When a complaint had to be made regarding the way the district was treated by the authorities or railway company, the board would take up the matter with far more chance of recognition than the individual. During the past year over 150 letters of inquiry had been received from points all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans. These had all been answered.

In addition to this work done by the individual board similar organizations in eastern and western British Columbia have united into Associated Boards of Trade of British Columbia and all questions of mutual interest are brought before the general board and united action taken.

The past year has been one of progress, he said, so far as the Associated Boards of Trade have been concerned. Their efforts have resulted in each and everyone getting its fair share and proportion of financial assistance due to the various parts of the province. Organized bodies of this kind, he concluded, have a status with other governing bodies and their requests receive full consideration.

### INTERESTING TO MINERS

#### Mining and Metallurgy Convention to be Held in Vancouver

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—The annual convention of the British Columbia Division of the Canadian Mining Institute of Mining and Metallurgy will be held in Vancouver, on February 9, 10 and 11.

The subjects to be discussed will be the review of mining in the province during the year 1920; metallurgy in B. C.; fuel supply; geology and mining; the relation of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy to the Federal and Provincial governments.

In view of the importance of the mining industry or rather prospecting questions which effect this part of the country the committee of the Institute hope that the Similkameen district will be well represented.

Those who have the interest of mining and metallurgy at heart and wish to attend this convention should notify the secretary of the board of trade, Mr. H. C. N. Etches, or write direct to Vancouver.

### CAN NOW GET TICKETS

#### Agents to Issue Through One Way or Round Trip, Vancouver to Valley Points

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—The secretary of the board of trade has received information from the general superintendent of the C. P. R., Mr. F. W. Peters, Vancouver, that the irregularities which have occurred in the past with regard to tickets not being on sale from Vancouver to Keremeos and return, have been overcome. Mr. H. W. Brodie, general passenger agent, will personally see that instructions are given immediately to agents at Vancouver so that there will be no further complaint regarding inability of passengers to purchase through one-way or round trip tickets between Vancouver, Keremeos, Hedley, Cawston, Similkameen, etc.

### Enjoyable Social

Cawston, Jan. 15.—A very enjoyable social evening was held in the school house last night. These community socials have become very popular at Cawston and as a result there was a good attendance. An excellent programme of musical items, readings, etc., was given and the ladies served appetizing refreshments.

### Preparing to Build

Cawston, Jan. 15.—A meeting of the Community hall committee was held on Monday night. Regular routine business received attention and preparations were made for getting the building operations started.

## VISITOR IS PLEASED WITH HIS PURCHASE

### Bought Two Town Blocks Without Seeing Them—Surprised at Their Value

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—Because he is "tickled all over," Mr. Gerhard J. Schmidt, of St. Victor, Sask., who is a visitor here, is wearing a countenance wreathed in smiles.

The reason for his happiness is easily explained to those who understand the advantages and prospects in this district. A little while ago, he purchased two blocks of town lots, numbers 70 and 80, without even seeing them. Upon arriving in town last Wednesday he found himself the owner of property far exceeding in value any expectations he had formerly entertained.

These two blocks are located at the west end of the present business street, block 80 being that upon which the ball diamond is situated and 70 being on the opposite side of the road.

Mr. Schmidt stated, on Saturday that, through the agency of Mr. J. J Armstrong, he has already sold lots 14 and 15, in block 80, to be used as a site for a new bank building. Rev. Cameron has purchased lots 29 and 30 in block 70.

Mr. Schmidt went on to say that he had already been out around the district to look things over and had interviewed some of the leading business men. He was delighted with everything he had seen and felt very optimistic over the future prospects of the valley. He thought it was the best piece of country he had seen since he left St. Victor; but, he added with a broad smile, "of course you can't beat St. Victor." No matter how warm a spot St. Victor has in his heart, however, he said he expected to return to Keremeos early in the spring and build some cottages on the lots at the west end of block 80. He will commence with the erection of three cottage residences but may enlarge his plans when he discovers the urgent need of housing accommodation resulting from the continued influx of settlers from the prairie provinces.

He said he also was surprised at the beautiful scenery in British Columbia and particularly admired that bordering on the road from Penticton to Keremeos.

Speaking of genreal conditions he maintained that this country did not appear to be feeling the pinch of hard times to anything like the degree in which they are being felt on the prairies. So far as he could see, living expenses were quite a bit lower here than in the parts from which he came He will return to St. Victor to give his friends an interesting account of what he has seen in the Similkameen valley.

### WHIST AND DANCING

#### Party in Honor of Miss Gibson, Who Is Leaving Keremeos

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—A very enjoyable party was given on Tuesday night at "Rosemont," the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tidy, in honor of Miss Eva Gibson, who is leaving this district shortly to spend the holiday with her parents in Penticton.

The evening's entertainment opened with progressive whist which was played until eleven o'clock. This was followed by an hour spent in dancing At midnight, refreshments were served and dancing was afterwards enjoyed until early morning. The music was pleasingly supplied by Mrs. T Daly, Mrs. J. C. Kennedy, Mrs. H Tidy, Mr. Wm. Daly and Mr. A. S Towel.

Prizes for the whist drive were as follows: Mrs. Blackwood, first prize for ladies; Miss Peggy East, ladies' consolation prize; Mr. Fleming, of Cawston, first prize for gents; Mr. E Ferguson, gents' consolation.

### FEELS VERY OPTIMISTIC

#### Mr. G. P. Jones Visits Hedley and Thinks Mine and Mill Will Open Soon

Hedley, Jan. 15.—Mr. G. P. Jones, manager for the Hedley Gold Mining Co., who has been visiting Hedley on business, returned to the coast on Friday. He will meet the company's head accountant, from New York, in Victoria, and after transacting business with members of the government will proceed to Los Angeles to consult with the president of the company.

Mr. Jones expressed himself as feeling very optimistic as regards an early opening up of both the mine and the mill. Conditions were rapidly becoming such as to enable profitable operations and there were good grounds he said, for believing that work would re-commence in from two to three months.

### Take Agricultural Course

Cawston, Jan. 13.—Messrs. Gray and Bintz left yesterday for the coast. They will take an agricultural course at the college at Matsqui.

### Refilled Vacancies

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—A special meeting of the United Farmers was held yesterday in Mr. J. C. Kennedy's office. The resignation of Mr. H. Tidy, vice-president, and Mr. Geo. Christie, were received and accepted. Mr. H. Tweddle was elected in place of Mr. H. Tidy and Mr. J. J. Armstrong was asked to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Christie's resignation.

### Getting in Fuel

Cawston, Jan. 15.—Most of the local ranchers are at present engaged in getting up their year's supply of wood ready for the saw outfits.

### Scarcity of Coal

Hedley, Jan. 15.—A rather serious scarcity of coal is reported in town. The arrival of another shipment is expected by the next train.


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### THE WEATHER FIGURES

#### Merritt Went Slightly Below Zero Last Week

Merritt.—The exact degree of cold to which the thermometer has descended during the "little winter" that we have been enjoying has been the subject of some conjecture and controversy locally, according to the instrument and observer quoted. The authoritative reading, however, is undoubtedly that of the Dominion branch meteorological office at the provincial government office, this city, in this connection. Observer Boothroyd reports that the lowest temperature yet registered this winter was just zero, which was recorded early Monday morning, January 10, this week. The highest temperature the same day was 17 above zero. On the 9th the thermometer went as low as 2 above and on the 11th 3 above. The temperature for last week will be found in the regular weather report.

The temperature at Vernon during that period fell to six above zero and at Penticton to eleven above. These temperatures were hit one night. Most of the time there is no frost at all here.

### Had Jolly Dance

Keremeos, Jan. 15.—Friday night's dance in the B. C. Growers' hall was voted the most jolly event of its kind so far held this season. The crowd was not so large as had gathered to dance on some occasions this season, but everyone was in good spirits and there was no lengthy intervals in the music which was generally conceded to be first class. The musicians were Mrs. T. Daly, Mr. Wm. Daly, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. J. C. Kennedy and Mrs. H. Tidy, and Mr. Oliver, of Princeton. Mr. Oliver was up to his usual standard on the drums and greatly assisted the success of the dance.


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### DECREASE IN H.C.L.

A Decrease of 5.6 Per cent is Reported in States

NEW YORK.—The cost of living decreased 5.6 per cent from July to November, and the decline was brought about by drops in the average prices of important food and clothing articles so great as to offset concurrent increases in other items, the National Industrial Conference Board reported today.

The report said rent increases continued to appear, but were less sensational, and for the first time in many months decrease were reported. The largest advances noted were in Sacramnto, Cal., and Bellingham, Wash., where the rise was somewhat between 31 and 40 per cent.

The average cost of all sundries rose slightly between July and November. Rate increases were allowed traction companies in important centres, such as Portland, Ore., and smaller places. Practically no decrease in car fares were reported. Occasionally newspapers advance in price. Notable decreases were reported in the cost of furniture, house furnishings and supplies.

The four months' decrease, however, left the cost of living higher than in July, 1914, by the following percentages:

Clothing, 128; fuel and light, 100; food, 93; sundries, 92; shelter, 66.

The board let a ray of hope shine on ts assertions by stating that merchandise dealers seemed to expect a further price drop early in 1921.

### MAYO CAMP SILVER STRIKE ATTRACTS MANY

VANCOUVER, Jan. 15.—A tremendous increase in freight and passenger busines on the Yukon, due to the Mayo camp silver strike is expected this year, according to J. R. Gaudin, superintendent engineer of the White Pass and Yukon route.

Mr. Gaudin states that Mayo was growing more important daily, the values uncovered proving higher and higher. The estimated tonnage bound for that district next season is exceptionally heavy, but no definite figures could be given. Estimates of a week ago are now all shattered by new estimates which show increases of between 300 and 400 per cent. These indicate to some extent the development which can be expected in the camp during 1921.


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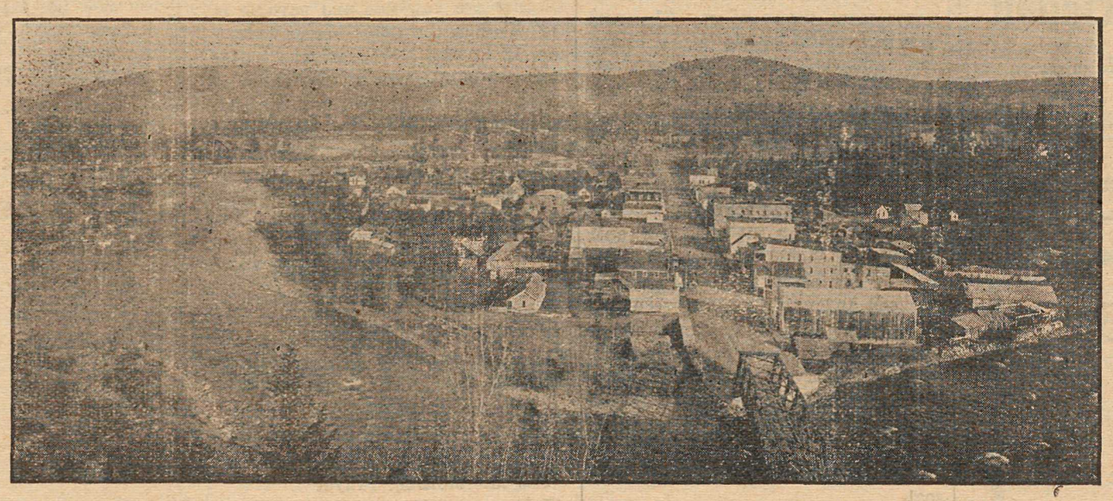
Ottawa.—Life insurance to the extent of $1,000 without a medical examination has come to Canada. The new scheeme, however, is only for single men and widowers and single women and widows betwee the ages of 20 and 45.

Vancouver.—The British Columbia elections were productive of at least one freak bet. Two men made a wager by the terms of which the loser was to sell the city papers on a street corner of Vancouver for one night.


# PRINCETON

## The Hub of the Similkameen



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## FIVE MILE NOTES

(Contributed)

The regular weekly contributions from here have had to be suspended for some considerable time owing to pressure of other work and duties. In the meantime steady progress has been made in the district, and advantage has been taken of the exceptionally favorable weather conditions that prevailed during the late fall, so that preparations for spring seeding are more advanced than in any previous year. Practically the whole of the ploughing was done in the fall, adn we are now fully alive to to the imortance of that aspect of farming. Spring ploughing is now regarded as a folly, to be avoided save for summer-fallowing purposes, and the farmer practising that methed will sooner or later be ragarded as a "has been."

Some evilly disposed individual cast an envious eye on Billie Garrison's oats, which were stored at the Morrison ranch, and got away with a considerable quantity of them. About the only consolation there is in the transaction for Billie is that he will be saved the bother of the haul to town.

The recent trial of men accused of breaking into premises in Princeton, and its results, arouse considerable speculation as to what steps the authorities purpose taking with regard to the Bootleggers. The men who took the booze got "two year's hard." What do the police propose to do now with the fraternity from whose premises it was extracted? Hayseeds aren't supposed to know anything, but they feel police supervision of "booze joints" in Princeton calls for some sort of enquiry. Moreover, it doesn't inspire that deep respect for law and order which ought to be felt by every citizen when "justice" is dispensed in so lop-sided a manner. What says Mr. Attorney General?

The present financial position of the Princeton General Hospital is greatly to be depored. As probably the most urgently necessary institution in the town it is up to each to do his or her share towards tiding it over its difficulty. Again the hayseeds doubt f its management rests upon proper business foundations. Some are with-holding support on the ground that its simple nonesense to enrich the doctors at the expense of bankrupting the Instiution. The position as explained to them is that out of the dollar fifty contributed by the workmen monthly, the doctor is presented with ninetly cents. This applying to camps of under three hundred men. Where there are three hundred or over the doctor pockets a dollar per man (and incidentally gets rich quickly) whilst the Hospital has to be content with fifty cents (and incidentally goes broke). The farmers suggestion is that the Hospital handle the whole business, hire and fire the doctors as necessity arises and pay them for actual work done. Further it is suggested by the Hospital authorities that the cost of treatment amounts to $3.25 per day whereas the charge to the patient is $2,50 leaving a deficit, after allowing for the grant from the government of 65c. of 10c. per day per patient. It would seem to be a clear case for government intervention. The position of hospital boards is fast becoming intolerable. The members are expected to be philanthropists, to give their time and their services free of charge and to submit to all sorts and forms of abuse and calumny. Whether you get the right kind of men on the boards or whether you do not, the methods are antiquated and should be scrapped. The time is coming when doctors will be licensed and paid by the government and the pot-luck, hit or miss policy now prevailing abolished. Meanwhile, we can but admire the strenuous efforts being put forth by the ladies and "touched" us on Saturday last, and hope their success will be commensurate with their tact and zeal.

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## Princeton Paragraphs

Mr. A. Winkler, of Hedley, visited friends here on Wednesday.

To Mr. and Mrs. Baker was born a healthy child last Saturday.

Mr. P. W. Gregory returned home on Saturday after spending a few days at the coast.

Mr. W. H. Hardy, of Keremeos, passed through on his way home from the coast, on Wednesday.

Messrs. H. Tweddle and G. Colwell, of Keremeos, were in town on business on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. R. Raymond, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlin, of Similkameen, was a visitor here on Wednesday. She afterwards left for the east.

Two Chinamen, Chong and Mah Yee were fined $25 and costs, in the local police court, on Wednesday afternoon for smoking opium. Both prisoners pleaded guilty. Justices of the Peace E. Waterman C. Thomas heard the cases.

Mrs. Tucker, who recently underwent an operation in the Princeton General Hospital, was enabled to leave that institution last Tuesday. She is reported to be making good progress toward recovering her strength.

The Princeton Coal and Land Co. is now shipping coal out at the rate of about one car per day, in addition to meeting the local demand. They are greatly handicapped, however, through having to load all cars by hand. The temporary machinery in stalled since the fire is otherwise giving reasonable satisfaction.

"Blind Husbands," a seven reel play will be shown tonight and tomorrow night in the Princess Theatre as a benefit for the hospital. Twenty per cent of the proceeds will be devoted to the fund now being raised in order that the hospital may be kept open to receive the sick and suffering. The reel features Stroheim, the screen's best hated villain and those who know the play claim that it is one of the best of its kind yet produced.

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NOTICE is hereby given that all taxes for the year 1921 for properties situate in the Princeton Assessment District are now due and payable at my office in the Court house, Princeton, B. C. And moreover take notice that the publication of this notice is deemed to be equivalent to a personal demand by the Assessor and Collector of all taxes due and payable by persons liable to pay the same.

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HUGH HUNTER,
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## Synopsis of Land Settlement Regulations

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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