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POWER CO., TRADE BOARD TALK RATES

West Kootenay Officials Discuss Cost of Power in Princeton With Special Board of Trade Group on Saturday Last

A special light and power rate committee of the Princeton Board of Trade met with officials of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company on Saturday morning last in Princeton to discuss the light and power rates problem in Princeton.

Mr. C. R. Smith, assistant secretary-treaturer, Mr. J. D. McDonald and Mr. J. D. McMinn, of the West Kootenay met with Mr. Gilbert Prideaux, chairman of the board of trade committee, Mr. A. Sorenson, Mr. Albert Bloom and Mr. A. E. Tidball, committeemen. A. D. C. Washington acted as secretary for the meeting. Representatives of the Princeton Light and Power Company did not attend the meeting, although invited to do so.

It was stated by the West Kootenay officials that a thorough investigation of the possibilities of reducing the cost of electricity in Princeton would be instigated. The discussion was lengthy, lasting approximately an hour and a half.

According to Mr. Prideaux, chairman of the board committee, the light and power rates would be revised so that Princeton will not be required to pay more than surrounding towns. He expressed confidence that the revision means a reduction in costs.

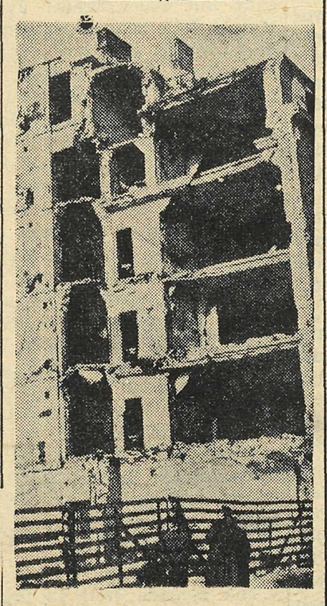
It is understood that figures and reports will be made available by the power company to the special committee of the board of trade very soon.

☆ Corporal and Mrs. Hank Campbell, formerly of Princeton returned here on Tuesday morning. With them was Mrs. J. Irving of Vancouver and young son. The Campbells will remain here for about 12 days, the duration of his leave from the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps. Mrs. Irving is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hewitt.

Odd Fellow, Rebekah Dance Successful

Members of the local I. O. O. F. and Rebekah Lodges held their usually enjoyable annual dance on Friday evening in the Orange Hall in Princeton.

The hall was attractively decorated in lodge colors by members of the Rebekahs and a tasty supper was served by the same organization at midnight. Immediately following the supper intermission, the distribution of novelties served to liven up the dancing to a considerable extent. The Knights of Rhythm orchestra provided the music for the dancers in their usual effective manner. The evening's entertainment was brought to a close at 2:30 in the morning.



NO CLASSES NOW

Mute evidence of the destruction wrought by Russian shells and bombs during the Russo-Finnish war is furnished by this picture of the Technical high school at Helsingfors, as it stands today.

☆ A brother of Lawrence La Valley of Princeton, Dr. John E. La Valley of Portland, Oregon, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Eli La Valley, who were former residents of Princeton, is at present engaged as Democratic candidate for state senator in the State of Washington. Dr. La Valley, who is known in these parts by many old-time residents, last visited Princeton nearly 25 years ago. In private life he is a doctor of chiropractics.

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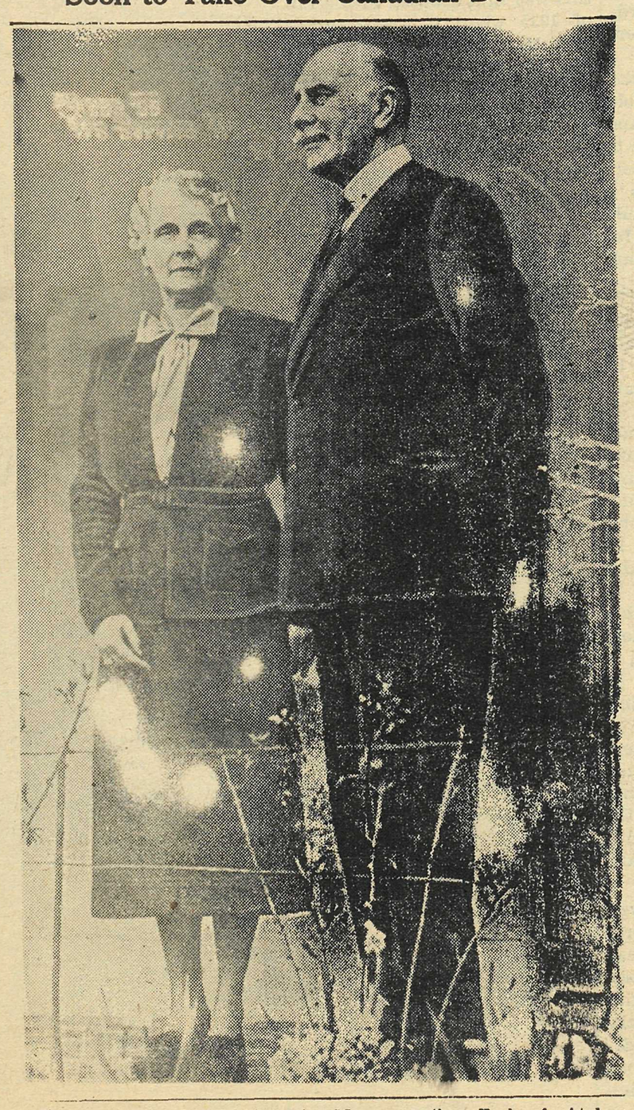

Expected in Canada late in May are the Earl of Athlone and his wife, Princess Alice, a granddaughter of Queen Victoria. The couple are shown at their country home in Sussex. Lord Athlone, an uncle of the King, will succeed the late Lord Tweedsmuir as governor-general.

LOCAL UNIT FOR CANCER LIKELY TO BE FORMED

Meeting Called for Friday Night in Court House P. W. Gregory Gave

In 1937 11,961 Canadians died from cancer, or about 1,000 deaths per month. This is the astounding fact laid before the Canadian public by the Canadian Society for the Control of Cancer. This means, that cancer is second only to heart disease in causing death from disease in Canada. It means that one out of every nine deaths occuring in our dominion is caused from cancer—and cancer can be cured.

In 1921 the death rate in Canada per 100,000 population due to cancer was 750. To-day the death rate due to this insiduous disease stands at slightly more than 1,120 per 100,000. During the same period the tuberculosis death rate per 100,000 in Canada has dropped from 875 per 100,000 population to 590. Why the difference in the tuberculosis death rate? Because the public has been educated about this disease.

In Canada to-day there is an organization that is actively carrying on the battle against cancer. It is the Canadian Society for the Control of Cancer. Throughout the dominion it is leading a crusade to educate the public in the ways of combating the dread results of the disease. Mortality can be reduced by educating the public to apply for, and to accept, from the medical profession adequate treatment at the earliest possible moment; by providing adequate treatment facilities throughout Canada; and organized, co-ordinated national effort on the part of the medical profession and the citizens of Canada.

You or your kin may be among the next victims. Yours is the choice to ignore this challenge or to join the Canadian Society for the Control of Cancer.

A meeting for the purpose of organizing a local unit of the society is to be held on Friday evening in the court house at 8:30 p.m. Plan to attend the meeting to learn what the society is doing and how you can become a member of the Princeton unit.

☆ Paddy Murray of Hedley is in the local hospital.

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☆ Mrs. McGillivray has received word of the death of her mother in Scotland.

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☆ Both Harry Tuck and Bill Vance celebrated birthdays last Wednesday.

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☆ Mrs. W. Harrison of One Mile has been a patient in the hospital here.

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☆ Mrs. McKinder of Victoria, who is a sister of Mrs. Bain of Princeton, was a visitor here during the week-end.

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☆ Mrs. Waugh, now living near the cement plant, was bereaved by the loss of her son, 36 years old, who was killed in Vancouver on Tuesday, April 16th.

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☆ The United Church Women's Missionary Society and the Mission Circle met last Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Madore. Mrs. T. B. Hooper gave a report of the recent W. M. S. convention in Vancouver at which she was present.

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☆ St. George's Day was observed by the L. O. B. A. and Orange men when they met in their hall last Tuesday evening for a united gathering. At the meeting committeees were appointed to plan for the Twelth of July celebration. That date this year will mark the 250th anniversary of the battle of the Boyne.

Many Pass Exams In St. John Work

Examination were held last week for 60 aspirants for St. John Ambulance Society awards in first aid. The results were considered excepionally good, with only thee persons failing to pass the tests.

The classes have been in progress since the early part of March, in the mine rescue station. The majority of the students were taking first year work for the certificate award. A number of second year men were studying for the voucher, several were preparing to pass the third highest honor, the medallion, and one passed in his work for the label. Instructors were George Arthur, Andrew McKendrick, Bill Hnatuk, D. W. Jones and Milner Gould. Mr. A. Gould was lecturer for the classes, and Dr. D. D. McCaffrey was examiner.

As indicated by the percentage of successful results, the class this year was particularly enthusiastic and showed great ability and aptitude throughout the entire course.

HEDLEY

☆ Mr. and Mrs. A. Thomson of Oliver were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Winters last Wednesday.

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☆ Penticton visitors on Tuesday were Cliff Manery and Mrs. R. P. Alcock.

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☆ Miss Pat Beaton of Penticton is visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr and Mrs. J. S. Munroe, for a few days.

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☆ M. E. Winters was a business visitor in Princeton on Monday morning.

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☆ Mrs. E. Baxter is visiting in Penticton for several days.

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☆ Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Saunders were visitors in Princeton last Thursday afternoon.

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☆ J. R. Newsome of Kelowna is a business visitor in town at the present time.

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☆ Roy Currens Deward Bloomfield, Mr. J. J. Malone and Angus Nicholson of Princeton were Monday visitors in Hedley.

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☆ Miss J. McRae was a Saturday visitor in Penticton.

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☆ Mrs. N. Smith and Mrs. J. Wilson were business visitors in Penticton and West Summerland on Monday.

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☆ The Hedley Barber Shop has re-opened under the managership of Mr. C. Skae of Vancouver.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

First named team has the home game

Cosmo vs High School, April 29
Billiards vs Scotts, May 1
High School vs Billiards, May 3
Scotts vs Cosmo, May 6
Cosmo vs Billiards, May 8
High School vs Scotts, May 10
Cosmo vs Scotts, May 13
Billiards vs High School, May 15
Billiards vs Cosmo, May 17
Scotts vs High School, May 20
High School vs Cosmo, May 22
Scotts vs Billiards, May 24
Scotts vs Cosmo, May 27
High School vs Billiards, May 29
Cosmo vs Billiards, May 31
High School vs Scotts, June 3
Billiards vs Scotts, June 5
Comso vs High School, June 7
Billiards vs Cosmo, June 10
Scotts vs High School, June 12
Bililards vs High S., June 14
Cosmo vs Scotts, June 17
High School vs Cosmo, June 19
Scotts vs Billiards, June 21

PRINCESS IS BORN

A daughter was born to Princess Ingrid of Denmark, the wife of Crown Prince Frederick and granddaughter of the Duke of Connaught. It is their first child, and would have been heir to the throne if it had been a boy. Prince Knud, Frederick's younger brother, remains second in line of succession. The royal couple are shown here.

☆ Roy Thorstenson, teacher on the staff of the local schools, who has been attending the University of B. C., studying for his B. A. degree, returned to Princeton on Tuesday morning. He has resumed his post in the local school.

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☆ On Friday evening next, in the court house at 8:30 p.m., a meeting is to be held with a view to forming a unit in this town of the Canadian Society for the Control of Cancer. This is a vital problem, and all persons are urged to be present at the meeting.

Old Car Used by City Youngsters In Job Search

Three hardy young Vancouver men and a mascot Collie dog in an old but still serviceable car travelled through town last week in search of employment.

These young men, Doug. MacFarlance, Cliff Wellburn and Jerry Booth, each 20 years old and full of ambition and the will to work, decided that there was nothing gained by remaining in Vancouver, so they pooled their resources and struck out.

All three boys have been given an insight into the mining business by a government project last year they stated, and they are anxious to put their knowledge into profitable channels. Their heavy, sensible clothing, strong pack boards, well lashed and balanced, and their air of hope and confidence, indicated that they had not wasted the opportunity extended them last year by the government to give them a start in life.

Questioned about their attitude on the war, the lads showed themselves ready to do their bit whenever they might be needed. "I have been connected with the non permanent militia for several years," exclaimed the lad in the back seat "and I've tried several times to join up. It seems there are a lot of fellows ahead of me in the line up."

When the gallant old car was last seen, it was valiantly heading toward Copper Mountain. If its owners did not locate work there, it was to take them to Hedley, and then through the Cariboo country. According to its driver Herr Hitler was not the only party threatened constantly by a gasoline shortage just now.

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ODDFELLOWSHIP

There is no civilized nation on the globe where the name "Odd Fellows" is unknown. Millions have knelt at the altar of Odd Fellowship, and assumed its obligations. As a fraternity, it has befriended the stricken, relieved the distress of the unfortunate, administered help to the needy, and softened the sorrow of the heart-broken.

The origin of the Order is of antique date. It was first established by Roman soldiers during the reign of Nero, the Roman Emperor, in the year of grace 55. From that time until the year 1813 it had many "ups and downs"—that seems to be the best way one could describe it. In that year the Manchester Unity was organized in the British Isles.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows was established on this continent on April 26th, 1819, at Baltimore by Thomas Wildey, who was affiliated with the Order in England before coming to America. On April 26th, 1940, Odd Fellows all over the world celebrate the Order's 121st birthday. There are now Lodges in every State in the Union, and every Province in Canada; a Grand Lodge in each state and province, and a Sovereign Grand Lodge which has jurisdiction over the membership throughout the world.

There are many branches of the Order, including Rebekahs and Theta Rho Girls' Club, sponsored by the Rebekah Lodge Then there is the Junior branch which takes in boys from 14 to 18 years. The Encampment is a social branch of the Order. There is also the Patriarche Militant degree, whose members are mustered in contons, and are uniformed, providing a quasi-military branch of the Order. The Subordinate Lodge is the basis for all Odd Fellowship, so far as all other branches are concerned, except the Rebekah branch, and the men who belong to the Rebekah Lodge must be members of the Subordinate Lodge.

In an Odd Fellow's Lodge you will find men from every walk and calling of life. Some may have everything that is desireable in this life while others seem to have only the bare necessities, yet they meet together with the dignity you will always find in upright, honest men and women. It does not matter how high one may rise in the different branches, the membership in the Subordinate Lodge must be maintained. Therefore the high and the low must all meet on the same level.

In previous years Odd Fellows thought nothing of sitting up all night with a sick brother, and taking care of his family while he was unable to do so himself; and many other deeds of the same nature. In these modern times we find up-to-date hospitals, and Welfare Societies doing this work. But Oddfellowship continues its mission, organizing Children's Welfare work, sick-visiting committeees; and in the larger centres Service Boards which look after sick and transient members.

— J. M.

RED CROSS HERE DOES GOOD WORK

Report of B. C. Red Cross Work at General Meeting Report of Local Branch

Shows Great Activity in Surounding Centres

The report of Mr. P. W. Gregory, president of the Princeton and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, was the feature of the general meeting held in the Elks' Hall on Tuesday night.

Mr. Gregory's resume of the annual meeting of the Provincial Council of the British Columbia Division, Canadian Red Cross Society, held in Vancouver early in March, proved to be of great interest to the members attending.

The report outlined the work of the Red Cross in the province. It showed the peace time progress of the Red Cross, embracing the promotion of health the prevention of disease and the mitigation of suffering. It gave a complete record of the work and progress of the Red Cross since the outbreak of hostilities.

There are 93 Red Cross branches situated throughout the province of B. C., Mr. Gregory explained to the meeting. Yet during the nation-wide drive for funds, so efficient was the organization at headquarters in Vancouver, that only one full time male employee was necessary to handle the vast amount of detail work springing up from the drive. His work was augmented by the assistance of a part time stenographer and volunteer help. The warehousing was done by a full time man and a boy, with 11 men and 2 women as volunteer helpers.

The delegates at the convention in Vancouver were given a full account of the financial activities of the B. C. Division.

The report of the local headquarters of the Red Cross was given, showing that a great deal of good work had been accomplished by all persons connected with the Red Cross in Princeton and district. Since it was organized, the Princeton and District Red Cross Branch has sent to the provincial headquarters at Vancouver 701 articles such as pillow slips, surgical towels, hospital bed gowns etc, 144 pairs of socks and 49 sweaters. All these garments and articles passed a thorough local inspection before being sent to Vancouver, where they passed another even more rigid set of examinations.

The various locals of the Princeton and District Branch of the Red Cross contributed the following articles and clothing: Coalmont, 186 articles, 92 pairs of socks, 16 sweaters; Nickel Plate Mine, 135 articles and 7 sweaters; Rebekah Lodge, 119 articles, 49 pairs of socks and 9 sweaters; Blakeburn (recently joined), 15 articles, and 6 pairs of socks; Princeton Ladies' Ski Club, (recently joined), 24 articles, and 8 pairs of socks; L. O. B. A., (recently joined and begining to produce); Local community, 312 articles, 55 pairs of socks, and 22 sweaters.

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'THE BEST IS NONE TOO GOOD'

From an agricultural standpoint, our district is not considered a very important factor, and yet if one stops to consider the amount of Fruit, Beef Cattle, Dairy produce and Truck crops produced, agriculture in the Similkameen contributes a large share of the total wealth.

A great deal more could be produced, and of a much higher quality, if the average farmer would make use of the benefits that are within his grasp. By the use of better seeds, better cultivation, the use of better Herd-sires, whether it be Stallions, Bulls, Boars or even Roosters, if such can be included in this category.

Whether he realizes it or not, the farmer who persists in using inferior seed, or livestock, has a much lower return on his investment than the man using superior stock. In most instances the increase in yield and quality will pay the difference many times over. In the production of milk and cream, 10 cows giving 4 gallons a day each will show a much greater profit than 20 cows giving only 2gallons each. The same applies in other lines of livestock. The man whose steers command top prices on the market, will quickly pay the difference between the cost of a good and a poor sire.

The forming of Boy's and Girl s Calf Feeding Clubs, Judging competitions, Potato clubs, etc., has done much to improve quality and grades of produce in other parts of the Province. A lively interest in these clubs amongst the juniors soon stimulates interest of senior farmers, especially when their sons and daughters bring home the bacon in the shape of prize money and the occasional Blue Ribbon. To realize what is being accomplished by these Junior Farmers it should be the aim of every farmer to attend at least one of the leading Fairs and Livestock Shows once a year. Also a visit to our Experimental Farms will often result in the use of better seed, or new varieties suitable to the particular district, and to better feeding practice. Apart from the pleasure one derives from contact with men whose duty it is to pass along any information they have. Should it not be easy to attend the various Exhibitions, etc., one can gain a great deal of information from the bulletins issued by the different Departments of Agriculture.

The average consumer is willing, in most cases, to pay a fair price for the article he buys, but he must be assured of the quality and grade. The producer, on the other hand, is entitled to know the minimum price at which he is expected to sell, before investing his labour and capital in creating it.

The heading of this article is a good one to follow, and the farmer doing so will usually find that farming after all is not all drudgery.

We may not set the world on fire,
And yet we do our share!
Without our toil your wonder world
Would hungry go and bare.

—P. P. P.

OTTAWA

Week by Week

By Dean Wilson

IMPORTANT DEFENCE CO-ORDINATION

During the past few weeks there have been numerous rumours about pending changes in the administration structure of Canada's Army, Navy and Air Forces, but the latest authentic information from Parliament Hill discloses that with the possible exception of the creation in the near future of a special and separate Ministry of Supply the Government has decided against the establishment of a separate department for each of the services. The Army, Air and Navy Forces will continue under Hon. Norman Rogers as Minister of National Defence, with three separate Deputies for each branch, namely, Lt. Col. Henri DesRosiers for the Army, Lt.-Col. K. S. MacLaughlan for the Navy, and James Stewart Duncan for the Air post. This follows the trend in Britain where there has been a co-ordination of defence matters under one Minister. Furthermore, a special committee of the Cabinet in Ottawa will continue to meet frequently in order to recide on importaint matters and other problems of Canada's war effort.

NO PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARIES

Again and again it has been reported that with the intensification of the war activities abroad the Government would be obliged to name Parliamentary Under-Secretaries to speak in the House of Commons for the Ministers when they are very busy. However, it is certain that this change will not be made at the coming session session opening on May 16 since the Cabinet is not in favour of this change at the present time, preferring that each one shall speak for himself or that another Minister shall assist his confere when the latter is unable to do so for his department.

AMERICAN-CANADIAN RELATION and the WAR

Although the official press reports from Ottawa announced recently that the King administration, as one of the first moves on the international scene since the elections, intends to seek soon new ways and means not only to preserve the remarkably benevolent neutrality of the United States, countering the powerful propoganda machines of Germany, Italy and Russia in that action, but even to improve the present American-Canadian relations by solving quickly and in a friendly manner pressing problems which have arisen between these two neighbouring countries in recent months on account of one being a neutral and the other a belligerent, yet it has been known for a long time in reliable circles on Parliament Hill that a determined, even anxious, section of opinionated officialdom in Washington has been having in increasingly difficult task to prevent open defiance of the international rules on neutrality by a vast number of Americans because this powerful section of public opinion wants to help the democratic nations to win an early and decisive victory over the dictators, especially showing a growing impatience with any rule or authority which interferes with any direct aid to Canada's war effort. In other words, the United States is now finding it extreemly difficult to make their neutrality even a mere formality and this fact cannot be ignored in Canada, with the result that to deny this history-making role being played by Canada in negotiations of all kinds between the Allies and the United States is simply fogyish and nonsensical action.

Soon after the ballots were counted in the last general elections, the King administration in Ottawa began to take stock of the whole vital matter of American relations to the Allied cause, particularly noting some significant recent occurences which indicated in which way the wind was blowing in the land of the powerful neighbour to the south. Ottawa saw that the illegal or unneutral declaration of the American Minister to Canada, Hon. James Cromwell, was not followed by the cutomary recall but by a flood of over 1200 mesages of congratulation to the Legation in Canada's capital. Ottawa could not ignore the fact that while press editorials favoring the Allies and condemming their enemies were allowed freely, yet similar efforts by the propogandists of their enemies were banned strictly, though this is clearly a violation of the international laws on neutrality. Ottawa noted that the steady surveys of the American Institute of Public Opinion indicated that the American people favoured direct and continuous aid to Canada's war effort, reaching lately a proportion of 97 per cent in favour of such a policy. They observed that American economics were being tuned in perfect harmony with that of the Allies in trade treaties, trade restrictions, shipping, credit, foreign exchange, and virtually breaking their own laws in order to help the Allies, especially Canada's wartime economy. Ottawa attached wide significance in the action of the United States in tolerating the harmful effects on their business of some of Canada's wartime actions, such as Canada's depreciated currency in terms of the American dollar because this has imposed a serious handicap on the American exporters in favour of the Canadian exporters since both have been doing business under a reciprocal agreement wherein there is a clause providing that either nation may give notice of cancellation of the said pact if either feels that exchange conditions were such as to lessen or to destroy the benefits of the said agreement, which would be a disaster for Canada if it happened now. Ottawa has noted that the United States has set many new "precedents" in interpreting laws on neutrality so far as Canada is concerned, with numerous examples of this fact existing, such as when Canadian army aeroplanes fly over land accidently, on so-called "neutral" American territory, they are always allowed to return, or when aeroplanes cannot be flown across the so-called "neutral" American territory, they are allowed to be dragged across runways tilted toward Canadian soil. , or when Americans enlist in any Canadian armed service, they do not encounter much difficulty, and many others.

Consequently, it is the sound and reliable opinion now that it is absolutely vital for the Allied cause that Canada should do all in her power to retain and even improve relations with her powerful and benevolent neighbour, and there are signs that this will be accomplished by progress on the St. Lawrence Seaways Project. By continuence of the reciprocal trade agreement made in 1935; by easing restrictions on Americans resident or doing business in Canada, particularly in regard to foreign exchange and securities held by Americans, since most nations exempt Americans from registration and possible requisition of such assets; by finding a way whereby greater numbers of Americans may be enabled to enlist in Canada's air and military forces without loosing their own citizenship, or without compelling them to swear allegiance to the King, which was recently "hinted" as a means to an end by President Roosevelt at a press conference, and by doing all other things which would not endanger the good-will now growing steadily between the United States and Canada.

Ottawa is determined, even anxious, to cement this North American friendship and it can be easily and readily guessed by the average reader how this effective work is causing official alarm in the so-called nondescript ranks of the dictators, with the allusive suggestion that Canada's exact role will be a post-war sensation.

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BRIGADE TRAILS IN SIMIKAMEEN

The return journey, which led through Similkameen began on the 28th of May, 1846. A halt was made at the mouth of the TlaeKullum (now Silver Creek) below the Hope of to-day. Anderson soon decided that Silver Creek offered no solution of the problem he had in mind, so continued up the Fraser to the mouth of the Coquihalla, which is above Hope. Here a start was made on the journey which revealled a solution to the problem of circumventing the dangerous stretches of the Fraser.

An outline traced on a map showing Anderson's route would suggest the picture of an old-fashioned hand scythe. The handle would be 25 miles. This would take the traveller up the Coquihalla, then across to the Nicolum and up theSumallo to its junction with the Skagit With minor variations this has been the route followed by succeeding expeditions. Here the Royal Engineers followed in the early sixties when constructing the Douglas Road, which was made to link up with the Dewdney trail. The road at present under construction between Princeton and Hope closely parallels Anderson's route of 1846 as far as 25 miles east of Hope. Coming east on the north side of Sumallo one sees across the river magnificent masses of mountain rock, crowned by stupendous heights. There is good fishing in the Sumallo. There are few settlers along this section.

The trail that leads from the 25 mile to Princeton continues east, but at the 25 mile (from Hope) Anderson turned north, following what is known (locally) as the Canyon trail. This led to the high ground between the 25 mile, and Otter Valley. Anderson soon discovered that the Indians who had come with him were not much help. The guides had to depend on Anderson. They came to the Punch Bowl, a lake of rare beauty in a setting of tall trees. The lake was still frozen. None of the party knew the country beyond this point. Henceforth they had to be guided by the water. Before long they came to the headwaters of the Tulameen, and from this point they follewed the big bend of the river, which finally joins the main branch of the Similkameen (the North Fork) at Princeton. They soon came to the snow belt. Before the snow crust was softened by the morning sun travelling was fairly good, but thereafter increasingly difficult. Although the so-called guides could no longer lead, Anderson had no anxiety. He recalled that they were bending round to the east, and following the river. On the 6th of June they were suffering from the hardships of the journey but were heartened by the sight of a beaten road and horse tracks. Later in the day they met "old Black-eye, the Similkameen and his Son-in-law, on their way to visit their deer snares." Anderson learned that there was a beaten track which they would have seen had it not been for the depth of the snow, and that this track would have saved the party a difficult journey around the "big bend." He also learned that Vermillion Forks, where he had arranged to meet men with horses from Kamloops, was still twenty miles to the east. The provisions of the party were nearly exhausted, but old Black-eye took Anderson and his men to the lodge at the second lake beyond Otter, and there the travellers enjoyed even carp. The Similkameen Chief sent his Son-in-lay to the Forks to bring the horses, while the travellers rested. As soon as the horses arrived Anderson set out again, going through another "canyon", leading to Aspen Grove. Here he would join the Nicola trail, which led northwards to Kamloops, which was reached on the 9th of June. Anderson reported that a road between Kamloops and Hope was practicable, following, for the most part, the way he had come.

Anderson made further exlorations the following year. It was beleived that snow on the highlands explored would make the route difficult for the Brigade. But Chief Trader James Murray Yale sent a party from Fort Langley, and they reported favorably. The Anderson explorations of 1847 revealled no better way than that pioneered the year before. In a letter dated Fort Langley, 30th, October, 1848, James Douglas wrote to John Todd that he had determined to open a new road recommended by Mr. Peers after a careful survey. This would follow the Coquihalla, Peers and Sosqua Rivers, cross the height of land to the Similkameen Valley, where it would fall upon Anderson's track of 1846. Operations were to commence in a few days, and Mr. Peers was despatched with ten men to the mouth of the Coquihalla, where it was intended to establish a small post (Hope). It was hoped to complete the road in time for the Brigade of 1849.

The Brigade trail as finally completed had five main stopping places between Hope at the mouth of the Coquihalla and Otter Flat, where the settlement of Tulameen is to-day. These were Manson Camp at the head of Peers Creek, 15 miles from Hope; Encampment du Chevreuill (Deer Camp), 19 miles further on; the head of the Tulameen on the east side of the river, 49 miles from Hope; Lodestone Mountain; and Encampment des Femmes near Otter Lake. Various refernces to these will be made in the following description of Paul Fraser's grave, and of recent journeys to discover what still remains of the Brigade trail in Similkameen.

The lonely grave on the trail between Tulameen and Hope is a story by itself. My interest in this was first aroused in the fall of 1935 when it was reported that Harry Squakin and James Jameson had come across the old grave at the base of Manson Mountain. Harry is a Similkameen Indian, and lives near the village of Chu-chu-e-wa, a few miles east of Hdley. The year following his discovery Harry came to the Manse, and was anxious to learn all he could about the man who had been buried on the trail. He was under the impression (or so he led me to believe) that a large reward had been offered to anyone who could discover this grave. To indicate more closely the location of the grave Harry said that there were eight trails across the mountains between Princeton and Hope. The trail I knew best, having crossed it many times, is generally known as the Hope, or Dewdney trail. The summit of this trail the Indians call Nich-i-ni-chain. But the summit of the trail Harry had in mind was to the north of the Hope trail summit, and not far distant from one source of the Tulameen River. He said that the place was marked by a rock, about one-and-a-half to two feet in height, and standing upright. On the Brigade trail trees had grown up, and are now thicker around than a telgraph pole—to use Harry's description. Besides the reward which Harry believed had been offered for the discovery of this grave, there was another incentive. A tradition had grown up among the Similkameens that not far from this grave was a rich gold mine. To discover this it was first of all necessary to locate he grave. This Harry said he had done, but so far as the mine was concerned he was "no forrarder."

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My interest in the story was purely historical. I wanted to know about Paul Fraser, to locate his grave, and to trace the old trail. The H. B. C. Archives supplied transcripts of the following letters, which throw light on the circumstances of Paul Fraser's death.

Extact from letter from Chief Factor James Douglas to William G. Smith, Secretary of the Hudson's Bay Company in London, dated Victoria, 7th, August, 1855:

This moment, as the "Otter" is starting for San Francisco, letters have arrived from Langley, announcing the death of Chief Trader Fraser, at 'Campment de Chevruil'. A tree fell on him, and he survived the accident only about an hour, and never spoke.

The other particulars connected with that melancholy event, by which the Company has lost a zealous and devoted servant and his colleagues a warm hearted friend will be gathered from Chief Trader (Donald) Manson's letter, which is herewith transmitted.

Letter from Chief Trader Donald Manson to Chief Factor James Douglas, dated "Campment de Chiv" 29th. July, 1885:

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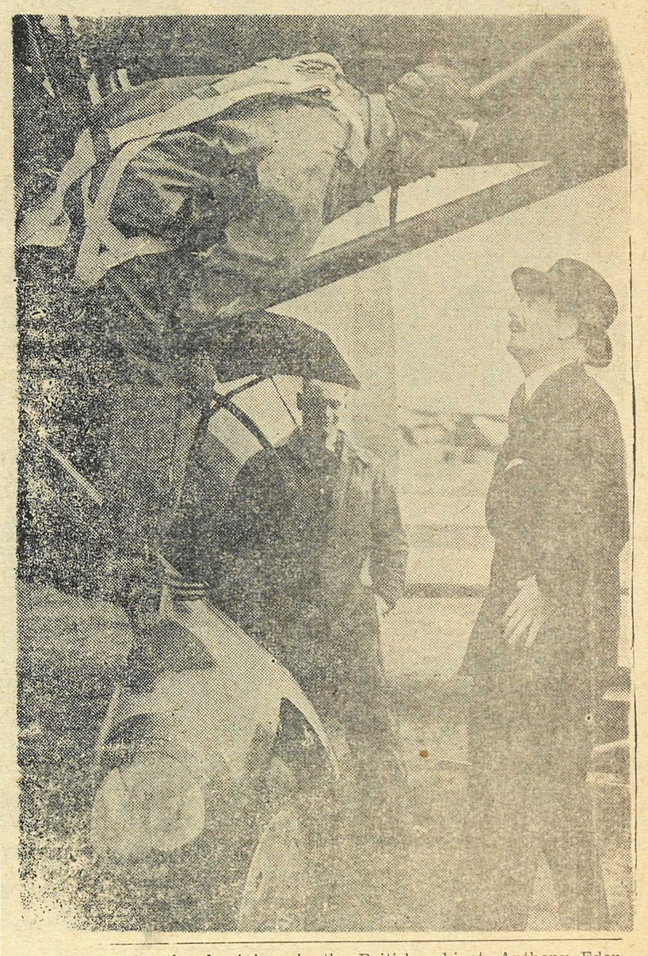
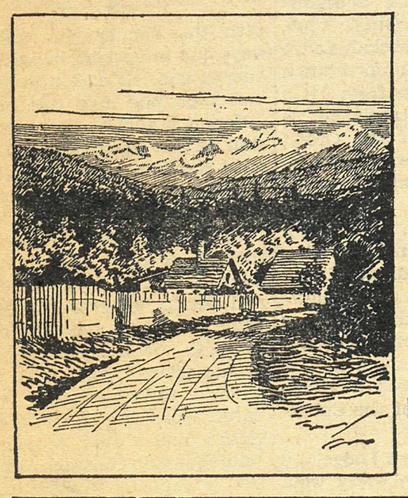
"Best of Luck," Says Mr. Eden



...ry for the dominions in the British cabinet, Anthony Eden, ...s ago, visited the 110th Squadron of the R.C.A.F. at its training ... in England. He is shown here as he tendered some last minute ...d wishes to a Canadian pilot about to take off on a flight.



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PAINT-UP CLEAN-UP WEEK

TREES, SHRUBS TO BEAUTIFY LOCAL SCHOOL

Students and teachers of the local school have been active this past week commencing to beautify the school grounds.

Through the efforts of Dr. J. D. Butler shrubs have been obtained from the governmental farm at Summerland. These have been planted at the corners of the school buildings. Dr. Butler is carrying his efforts further and is endeavoring to obtain trees. If these are obtainable, they will be planted along Vermillion Avenue in the boulevard outside the school fence, where holes have already been dug to receive them.

Flowers and plants donated to the school by Dr. Butler and Mr. George Allen are being planted in gardens outside the classrooms of the grade 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 students, who are doing the gardening themselves.

Several loads of cinders have been dumped on the school grounds and rolled. The cindered areas will comprise the two volley ball courts.

According to reports the work of building a cinder circular race track on the grounds of the old skating rink is progressing well. A small bulldozer has commenced removing the trees and leveling the grounds.

A recent debate at school featured the Hope Road problem. Strange as it may seem, the debating team charged with the task of proving that the now existant roads of the province should be put in first class shape before any effort be made to finish the Hope-Princeton road, was successful in the argument.

Scouts Form First Aid Teams

Two first aid teams were recently formed in the local Boy Scout troop. Milner Gould is acting as instructor for the teams.

Second Ted Rhodes is captain of one of the teams, assisted by Troop Leader Jack Young. His team consists of George Bosnich Albert Bloom and Fred Allen. Second L. Morgan is captain of the other team, with P. L. Chris Butler as his assistant. Jim McInnes, Bill Tidball and Ray Rintoul are the other members of his team. The two teams will enter the St. John Ambulance junior competitions.

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Throughout the province at this time of year, when the frost has left the ground and Old Mother Nature in her Spring awakening is putting to shame the ash piles and general rubbish we humans permit to accumulate over the winter months, there is a general campaign afoot to clean up and paint up. From Vancouver to the smallest village, the young and old are striving to make the communities of their choice a better and more beautiful place in which to live.

Princeton, with its magnificant natural surroundings of rolling hills and sparkling rivers, should not lag behind in this matter of civic pride. This is our town, your town and my town, the place in which we live and spend our days, and no matter whether we are here for a few months or permanently, every one of us should be interested in making it a cleaner and more attractive town. With a little co-operation on everybody's part and the right spirit behind it, this should not be hard to do.

The Princeton Board of Trade is a community organization, and as such is sponsoring this clean up week. But it can only sponsor it, that is, bring it to the attention of the people of the community and urge its members to get behind it, and only in this way can the object be achieved. It is up to everyone to do his or her part in the campaign, so let's each vie with the other in cleaning up vacant lots, back alleys and our own yards, with a little paint here and there where it is needed, until the town sparkles and glistens like the countryside around.

This is no time to cry that until the streets are oiled there will be dust, or that until the town is incorporated it is not worth trying to improve it, or that the town is not suitably laid out. We all know that there is room for improvement in many ways, but in the meantime let's do what we can with what we have at hand. A little paint applied here and there, a little effort expended and we can give Princeton a face lifting of which we can be proud.

Of course, while the actual clean up campaign lasts only a week, that does not mean that we can then rest on our laurels and accumulate more rubbish until next year. It is merely a start in the right direction to keep the town clean and neat, and it is up to the individual to do his share in this, and to spread the gospel to his friends and neighbors, or to those who may be ignorant of the campaign.

The official week commences on Friday, April 26th and extends to Friday, May 3rd, inclusive, thus allowing a week-end and a Thursday afternoon for those whose business keeps them occupied during the day. These dates will probably not suit everybody, but do all that you can.

The local Department of Public Works will co-operate in the campaign, and will have a truck in service to remove any garbage or rubbish which has been gathered together. The date for this collection is Friday, May 3rd.

As you probably all know, June is a most important month for Princeton, for the Vancouver Board of Trade is making a visit to our town. Plans are being made for their reception and a determined effort will be made to impress them with the necessity for the completion of the Hope-Princeton Highway. This is their last stop before returning to Vancouver from a tour through the Province, so the impression they get of Princeton will be fresh in their minds when they return home, and their attitude to the Hope-Princeton Highway will largely depend upon the impressions gained here.

So let's all get behind this effort to "Paint Up and Clean Up", and help make Princeton a clean and attractive place, so that when we say "I live in Princeton," we can do so with a certain amount of pride.

DO YOUR PART.

Mr. Citizen:

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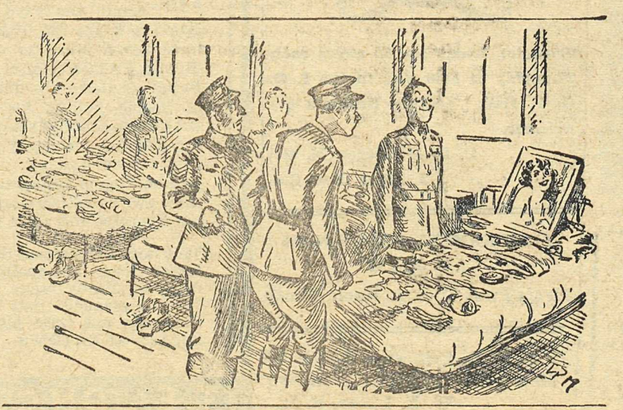

"Just a little bit of something the others haven't got."
—Humorist

Sunday Marks "Blitzkrieg" on Crows, Magpies

Thirty one crows and a magpie fell victim to the local fish and game association's "Blitzkrieg" on Sunday last, with ten nimrods forming the two squaddonrs which threw terror into the hearts of the black birds.

President Wes Young led his squadron into action with great skill, providing openings for his two aces, Terry Thomson and Jim Boucock to bag seven of the enemy each. Dr. J. D. Butler baged a lone enemy craft and "Curley" Pease drove down two others in the melee, to make a total of 17 victims for the day. The vice-president's flight was under command of Bob Hunter, who covered himself with glory by getting 7 of the patrol's 15 victories. Jim Mitchell manoeuvered to drop 4 of the enemy's fast "Crow 109's" and 1 "Magpie 111." Chris Butler succeeded in downing one of the enemy in flames and C. V. Prosser added to his record of triumphs by claiming another three vanquished antagonists. Mrs. C. A. Pease returned from patrol without encountering the enemy. All of our forces returned safely to their bases.

The less successful of the two teams, the vice president's then bought supper for themselves and the winners, as is the usual crow shoot custom. There was no trap shooting last Sunday, the crow shooting replacing the sport for the day.

Today's Fashion

For town or country.

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By VERA WINSTON

A SIMPLE suit that can be dressed up or down with the right accessories is a good buy these days. This model is as right for country as for town. Fine men's-wear flannel is the fabric. The collarless bolero jacket has two large patch pockets as has the white pique blouse which ties in a crisp bow at the neck and buttons in pearl. The skirt is made on a wide waist band which zips up the back and a centre seam which develops into a kick pleat. Pockets are repeated at the hips.

☆ Percy Rowland and Billy Green have moved to the house near the mill formerly occupied by Graham Gibson.

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☆ Information has been received of the death on Saturday in Penticton of Mrs. E. E. Gibson, a former resident of Allenby. Mr. Gibson, who survives her, was an employee of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson resided at Allenby for some time before moving to Penticton about 10 years ago.

Granby Reports Favorable Quarter

A net income of $204,848 for the quarter ending March 31st last is reported by the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Company Ltd., operators of the big copper mine at Copper Mountain, B. C.

Operating profit for the quarter amounted to $263,385, after deducting interest and taxes, but without deducting reserve for depletion and depreciation.

At a meeting of the directors held in New York today, it was decided a dividend of 25 cents a share, United States currency, would be declared payable June 1st to stockholders of record of May 17th.

This dividend is subject to the approval of the Foreign Exchange Control Board.

☆ **Fred Wampole's brother died recently in Minnesota.**

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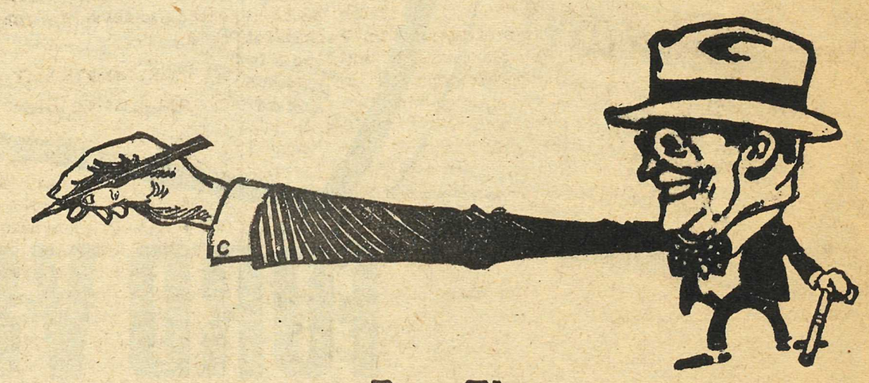

For The

BOARD of TRADE

CLEAN-UP PAINT-UP WEEK

APRIL 26th, to MAY 3rd.

☆ Private George Schulli of the 16th Canadian Scottish, spent the past two weeks on leave at the home of his parents in Princeton. He returned to his post on the Tuesday morning train.

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- LOCALS

☆ Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Gregory were motor visitors to Penticton on Saturday of last week.

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☆ Mr. E. J. Rotherham, postmaster, returned to Princeton on Tuesday morning after a business week-end at the coast.

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☆ Don't you think that that pile of rubbish in the corner of the back yard would be better cleaned up. Do it during Clean-up, Paint-up Week.

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☆ Mrs. E. J. Rotherham, Miss Joan Cooper and Mr. Lloyd Cooper spent Friday visiting in Penticton.

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☆ Mr. Bert Rose and Mr. Jack Martin returned from a motor trip to Vancouver on Friday evening.

☆ Mr. Ike Plecash left last week-end for Vancouver where he is taking treatments for his eys.

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☆ Mrs. B. Lindsay of Osoyoos arrived on Friday morning to visit her daughters Mrs. Don Spearman and Miss Kay Lindsay. Mrs. Lidsay is returning home after a visit to Vancouver where she was present at the wedding of her daughter, Miss Bertha Lindsay, to Mr. Bruce Firth of Allenby.

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☆ Lloyd Cooper, son of Mrs. E. J. Rotherham of Princeton, travelled to Victoria on Wednesday morning in company with George Schulli, who is returning to his regiment, the 16th Canadian Scottish. Lloyd has applied for enlistment in this regiment, and will join up if he is successful in passing the necessary physical examinations.

☆ Mrs. F. W. Galloway of Duncan, mother of Mrs. P. R. Ellis, left here on Sunday morning last after spending two weeks as guest of her daughter.

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☆ Mr. and Mrs. E. Barr Hall were absent from Princeton this week-end. They visited their summer camp on Trout Creek, near Summerland.

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☆ Mr. W. E. Cameron, repeater attendant at the local depot, was a passenger on the Saturday night train to Vancouver.

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☆ The Princeton Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges will turn out in a church parade to St. Paul's United church this next Sunday evening. The parade is an annual part of the Lodge's ceremonies, and is this year held in honor of the 121st anniversary of the founding of the Order in America.

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☆ Lights burned for the last time at Coalmont and Blakeburn on Saturday evening, for the power was shut off and the plant closed down at midnight. People remaining in the district will be forced to resort to gas and kerosene lantern for their illumination in future.

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☆ Wally McBride of Princeton was a week-end traveller to Vancouver last week. His absence on Sunday from the pitching mound of Scott't softballers was a factor in the game which cost the team heavily.

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☆ Mr. A. E. Dee of Monte Lake has purchased the Coalmont store of the Matheson brothers. He took over the business on Friday last. Mrs. Dee and their three children are now resident at Coalmont. They have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Gibson of Winnipeg.

☆ Joe Hilton and Jock Watson, both of Princeton, returned on Sunday evening after staying about three weeks in the hills near Lightning Lakes on a trapping trip.

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☆ Mr. and Mrs. Phil Davis and children of Summerland, B. C., were guests of I. C. Williams of Princeton during the latter part of last week. The Davis family were residents of Princeton for some years, having moved to their Summerland home in 1931. Mr. Davis made the trip to transact some business.

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☆ Eric Lind, former Copper Mountain miner, and well known and popular musician in Princeton, has moved to Harrison, in the Fraser Valley. He left on Saturday night by train. He has obtained employment driving truck in that area.

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☆ Mr. Bill Johnson of Summer's Creek has been released from hospital and is staying with Ole Berger for a short while.

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☆ Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thomson were hosts to a group of Mr. Thomson's relatives from prairie points from Monday to Thursday last. The party of guests motored to Princeton from Winnipeg. The are Mrs. William Thomson, Mr. Thomson's mother, his brother, Mr. P. A. Thomson of Yellow Knife, N. W. T., Mrs. Leslie Thomson, his sister-in-law, and his aunt Mrs. J. H. Caldwell of Wellwood, Manitoba. The travellers intend to go on to Vancouver and then return east to the praries by car.

☆ Mr. John Ewart was a passenger on the Wednesday morning train to Vancouver. He plans to return to Princeton on Friday by motor.

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☆ A last minute report states that Stan Baldwin, of Jura, who had intended to travell to Victoria in about two weeks time to join the 16th Canadian Scottish, left Tuesday night in company with Lloyd Cooper to join up immediately.

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☆ The past president of the Provincial Command of the W. A. to the Canadian Legion, Mrs. MacDonald of Revelstoke, visited the Princeton W. A. a week ago Tuesday. She attended the regular meeting of the group and then spoke at a special session later. Topic of her address was the duties of women in war time. Mrs. MacDonald was over seas as a war nurse during the first great war. She is to go to Montreal this August to attend as B. C. representative, the Canadian Legion convention.

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☆ The Ladies' Aid of the United Church held a social evening at the home of Mrs. W. S. Garrison on Thursday evening last. About twenty-five members were present at the gathering which was the first to be held for some time. The Ladies' Aid is now making an autograph quilt. The completed article has been purchased by Miss Joan Cooper.

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☆ Rev. P. R. Ellis of Princeton and Mr. Jack Moore of Hedley came back to their respective towns in the Similkameen on Friday after attending the Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster during the early part of last week. They left here the previous Monday.

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☆ The Princeton Players' Club production, "The Dictator Visits His Mother," will be presented at the South Okanagan Drama Festival on Thursday. On Saturday the other entry of the club, "Miss Marlow at Play," is to enacted at the festival, which is to be a four day affair this year.

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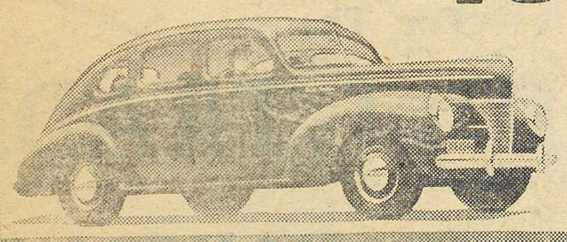

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