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Sumas Council

The Sumas council began their attack on the road problem of the dyked area by gazetting several roads out to whose owners are putting in crops. Extensions were made to the Cole road and the Eldridge road. A road was gazetted on the west boundary of lot 225 south to the Wells line road and the Nelles road was gazetted through to the Lamson road.

To obtain an outlet from the Prairie to Kilgard, the department of Indian Affairs is asked to permit the building of a road through the reservation paralleling the Great Northern track.

The petition of landowners for the spending of \$760 on the Angus Campbell road was laid over until inspection has been made by the board of works.

The claims of the Matsqui-Sumas-Abbotsford hospital were laid before the council by Mrs. H. Ely and Mr. J. MacGowan, who were promised a grant of \$300.

By request of the council, Mr. T. H. Ingram, chartered accountant, reported on his audit of the municipal books, which he found in excellent shape. He suggested one or two alterations of method, chiefly the valuation of all municipal roads and entering them as assets on the books. This would be found useful if the municipality ever wanted to put debentures on the market. Mr. Ingram was appointed auditor for 1924.

The appointment of Milton Nelles as municipal constable by the police commissioners was accepted by the council, and the more rigid enforcement of the municipal bylaws was discussed.

A loan bylaw allowing for the borrowing of \$10,000 against current revenue was passed.

The school estimates, which showed a reduction from last year's figures, were accepted without comment.

Plans for renovating the council chamber and making it a little more exclusive were discussed and laid over. Surveyor A. E. Humphreys was requested to define the boundaries of the old municipal hall site to satisfy adjoining landowner's requests. He will also prepare blue prints of the Stratton road crossing on the B. C. E. R. to accompany the council's request that the grade be made easier.

The B. C. E. R. met favorably the request of the council, made at the instance of the ratepayers of ward one, that power and light service be granted them. It was stated that the officials had reported favorably on the possibility of running a service under the high tension lines on the McKenna road.

The court of revision of the assessment roll will be held on February 8. Eight appeals will come up for judgment.

Loyal True Blues Arrange for May 24

General business and initiation work was carried on at a well-attended meeting of the Loyal True Blue Lodge held on Monday evening in the Orange Hall.

Arrangements are being made to hold a military whist drive in the Orange Hall on Friday evening, the 22nd, and an old time dance will be enjoyed after the card games. The Lodge is again making arrangements for the holding of the annual May Day celebration, and the theatre hall has been engaged for the evening of May 23rd. Committees have not yet been named, but the work will be taken up at an early date.

Miss Hanson of Sumas is the present guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Trethewey.

TWO WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS CHANGE OWNERSHIP

An Revolt

In relinquishing the control of the two papers, the Fraser Valley Record and the Abbotsford Post, look back over fifteen years of progress in the central Fraser Valley and see many changes, which have been recorded, mostly in the columns of the two papers. The Fraser Valley Record appeared first on June 15th, 1908, and the Abbotsford Post on May 7th, 1910. In Abbotsford the Post is the oldest established business in town, under the same continuous management, while in Mission City the Fraser Valley Record is the oldest business which has been under the same management during that time and has not had a change in name. Thus we have seen many come and go, and have seen many return to their old business, but during that time both little centres have made great progress, and will with a spirit of unity keep pace with the growth of the surrounding districts, thus being of invaluable service to the man who devotes his energies to the cultivation of the soil.

The next fifteen years will see many changes for the better. Right here we would again remind the townspeople that every effort should be devoted to assist the man on the soil. His troubles are yours. Devote a little time to the best method of helping him solve his difficulties. Have him come to your board of trade and tell you what he has to contend with to make a success of his farming and fruit growing, and without his asking offer to render him any assistance he may desire or require. Stop at nothing in your endeavor to help him make his cultivation of the soil remunerative to him.

And to the farmer and the fruit grower, might we suggest, that the village businessman is really one of your best friends, and he should have your patronage, not only in a time of prosperity, but in the time of low prices and poor markets. He is always more willing to give you favours than any other business establishment anywhere. Take it from the editor of this paper, too, that when the merchant makes money, he is very much like the man on the soil, he uses his surplus money to improve his business with a view to giving his customers better service. Spend your dollars in the old home town and see it grow. Its growth and prosperity will add value to your

own property, and make it more saleable, if at any time you wish to dispose of it. It has been aptly said, that if the business street of your little town were wiped out by fire or disaster that the whole surrounding community would be almost as large a sufferer as the business men. So our advice is to buy at home and get back a certain percentage of the money spent.

In severing our business connection with both papers, we feel that while there are those who do not always agree with us, we are leaving many friends, and trust that every assistance will be given the new owner in making his papers bigger and better boosters for the districts which they serve.

The New Manager

With this issue of the Abbotsford Post the editorial columns will be under the guidance of the new owner, Mr. R. D. Cumming, formerly of Ashcroft, where he still carries on the Journal, one of the oldest established papers in the province. A number of years acquaintance and business connection with the new proprietor is our guarantee for saying that the policy of the Abbotsford Post from now on will be one of fairness, optimism and progressiveness, in all matters that pertain to the welfare of the different parts of the district where the paper circulates. He is a firm believer in the future of the Fraser Valley, and an admirer of the climate and sociability of the people, as he knows it and them. A further acquaintance will, we believe, make him one of the best boosters Abbotsford and district has ever had, and that will be going some.

Only last summer Mr. Cumming had occasion to visit Mission City and district, spending a day here, and seeing part of the district. He must have gone away filled with admiration for our berry growing patches, for shortly after that negotiations were started for the purchase of this paper.

The readers will have to overlook any shortcomings of the paper until Mr. Cumming gets thoroughly acquainted with the requirements of this district, and just what he is required to pull for, when it is expected that a policy built on a foundation of truth and service to the community will be carried out.

In handing over the control to the new editor and proprietor we feel sure you will like him and his paper.

J. A. BATES.

BOYS AND GIRLS PLAY BASKETBALL

Three games of basketball were played in the theatre hall on Tuesday evening, with an enthusiastic crowd of spectators. The first game was that of the junior girls and boys of Abbotsford, which resulted in a small win for the boys of 4-2. In the intermediate game between the Sumas and Abbotsford players, the home team was left somewhat in the rear, ending with a score of 3-16. The senior game was a comeback for Abbotsford, and showed some clean combination work, on both teams, the game ending with a score of 31-27. The Intermediates had not their usual lineup of players, and did not play as good a game as they generally do.

When the new lineup has had some practise, and become familiar with the combination of the team, better results are sure to follow.

W. C. T. U. CELEBRATES FRANCIS WILLARD DAY

"Francis Willard" day was very fittingly commemorated by the local W.C.T.U. society, by the holding of a meeting in the Sunday School room of the Presbyterian Church on Monday afternoon. A short programme was enjoyed, including vocal solos given by Mr. Thornthwaite and Mr. Downie, with Mrs. E. A. Barrett as accompanist.

At the next regular meeting which will be held the first Monday in March, a paper on "Narcotics" will be given by Mrs. Dunham.

The regular meeting of the Clearbrooke Women's Institute was held in the Poplar community hall on Thursday afternoon. A fine demonstration of the making of Scotch scones was given by Mrs. Aitkin. Mrs. Green and Mrs. Norris were hostesses of the day and served very appetizing refreshments.

Board Takes Interest In Beet Industry

The regular monthly meeting of the Abbotsford and District Board of Trade was held in the Bank of Montreal chambers on Tuesday evening, with a fair attendance, the president Mr. A. McCallum in the chair. At the last meeting of the Board a motion was made to change the regular meeting night from the first Monday of the month to the first Tuesday. This was found to be contrary to the bylaws, a notice of motion having to be given for thirty days. It was therefore decided that the meeting night will be the first Monday of the month, as before. Mr. Pettigill, field man for the Utah Beet Root Association, addressed the gathering, and in the form of answers to important questions, gave some very valuable information in regard to the beet growing industry. Mr. Angus Campbell, convener of the committee who are canvassing the Sumas and Matsqui prairies for acreage for the carrying on of the project, reported that quite a large amount of acreage had been signed up, and that more would be in the very near future. Mr. Furnival, of the B. C. Automobile Association, spoke of the aims and objects of the association, and what it had been trying to accomplish for the members during the past year. Mr. Moore of Vancouver also accompanied Mr. Furnival, and delighted those present with songs to the accompaniment of a piano. A suggestion as to starting a cannery in Abbotsford was made, and the secretary, R. H. Ely, was instructed to take the matter up with the Broder cannery company of New Westminster.

Under the auspices of the local Board of Trade a meeting of the Milk Producers' Association is to be held in Matsqui at an early date, when it is convenient for the president and others to attend, when Mr. Pettigill will go further into the value of the beet growing industry.

Matsqui School Board Holds First Meeting

Mr. Richard Owen was re-appointed Chairman and Capt. A. Berners of Grifford, secretary, at the first meeting of the Matsqui School Board on Wednesday.

The trustees made a complete survey of all the school buildings and found plenty of work for the coming year.

The Clayburn school is to be raised and supplied with a concrete basement with modern sanitary arrangements. All the schools are to be calcimined. An effort will be made to grade and drain the grounds of the Dennison high school this year.

Miss Edith King is the new principle at Rldgedale school and Miss Elaine Stratton was appointed Junior teacher at Aberdeen.

Having a substantial surplus over from last year, the school board estimates will not advance beyond last year's figures.

Secretary of W. A. Given Presentation

The W. A. of the G. W. V. A. held their regular meeting in the Parish Hall on Tuesday afternoon. The gathering took the form of a social, and afternoon tea was served, new members added and a very pleasant time enjoyed. During the afternoon, Mrs. Thornthwaite, who has very capably filled the office of secretary of the auxiliary during the past three years, was made the recipient of a handsome club bag, as an appreciation of her valuable services.

Mrs. W. Harkness is visiting with friends in Vancouver.

Old Local Resident Died on Wednesday

The news of the death on Wednesday morning, of Mrs. Margaret Rowells, wife of Thomas Rowells, came as a shock to the residents of Abbotsford where the deceased has resided for many years and where she was most highly respected by a very large circle of friends. Mrs. Rowells had not been in good health for some months, and on Sunday last suffered a paralytic stroke. She was conveyed to the M. S. A. Hospital, and although everything possible was done to improve her condition, she passed away early Wednesday morning.

The deceased was thirty-nine years of age and is survived by her husband, three daughters and two sons, children of school age, a brother, Mr. H. D. McNeill, resident here and two brothers and father residing in Okotoks, Alberta, and who are expected to arrive in Abbotsford on Monday. The funeral will be held on Tuesday morning from the Presbyterian Church to the Hazelwood cemetery. Rev. W. Robertson officiating.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the sorrowing relatives in their sad bereavement.

MRS. E. KENDALL DEAD IN VANCOUVER

The death occurred in Vancouver on Tuesday afternoon of Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall, mother of Mrs. H. Peck of Abbotsford. The late Mrs. Kendall was ninety-one years of age and is survived by a family of nine.

The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon in Vancouver. The sympathy of the citizens of Abbotsford and district is extended to Mrs. Peck and family in their bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Virtue of Clayburn entertained at a very enjoyable house party and dance at their home on Wednesday evening. Several guests from Abbotsford were among those invited.

MACCABEES INSTALL OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Officers for the ensuing term were installed at the regular meeting of Abbotsford Review, W.B.A. of the Maccabees held on Thursday evening. Mrs. Nellie Pettipiece, Provincial Deputy of Vancouver, fulfilled the duties of installing officer, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Gaisford, who acted as Lady of Ceremony. An appreciation of the kindly interest and co-operation Mrs. Pettipiece has shown the Abbotsford Lodge, the officers and members presented her with a handsome linen Madeira set, beautifully embroidered.

At the close of the meeting a banquet supper was served, plates being laid for twenty. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. Roberts as convener of the refreshments for the occasion.

MR. BOWSER TO ADDRESS MEETING

On Monday evening, February 11, at 8:30 in the Harrop hall, Mr. W. J. Bowser, leader of the Opposition, will address a meeting at Abbotsford. Mr. S. F. Tolmie will also speak.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT

The annual Valentine dance of the Abbotsford Review of the Maccabees is to be held in the theatre hall next Friday evening. The ladies are making special arrangements for this event, and Heun's five-piece orchestra will supply the music. Mr. Heun is pianist.

Mrs. James McIntyre was hostess on Tuesday evening at a whist drive at her home in aid of the Women's Institute of Clearbrook Road. A very nice evening was spent, first prizes going to Mrs. Jacobson and Mr. Roach. Consolation prizes were won by Mrs. Little and Mrs. Jacobson.

A dancing class has been started in Abbotsford, lessons to be given in the Masonic Hall at various dates. A short dance will follow each class.

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A New Broom

In taking over the management of the Fraser Valley Record and Abbotsford Post, the new manager, although being a new broom in the establishment, does not intend making any radical change in the affairs of the paper which he controls. Long established businesses like long established governments are usually boiled down until nothing but essentials are left. The course which it must follow is mapped out on a sort of survival of the fittest principle until it is impossible to lean much either one way or the other. Although the management and ownership may change, the interests of the community which the paper serves remains the same, and one of the main excuses which a paper has for its existence is the advancing and furthering the interests of the district which it covers. Those interests may vary, but they do not change, and the policy of a local publication must follow identical lines no matter who occupies the editorial chair.

The new manager, although perhaps fairly well versed on things general in British Columbia, has yet to get in touch with the past, present and future of the good people of Abbotsford and district. He has to learn the interests, problems and destinies of the various communities which he is to serve; and, if he blunders or errs at times, it must be understood that it is not intentional but solely through lack of knowledge touching questions which may arise from time to time.

The policy of the Post will be independent politically, religiously, and socially. An experience of twelve years in the local newspaper business in Ashcroft has led us to believe the above to be the best and only policy where only one paper is published in the town or district. In politics we are merely following the precedent of many others in the province, for the day of the political paper has gone, and the newspaper is regarded today more as a business proposition than a prop for this or that politician or party. Under the new management the Record will be first, last and always for the people in general and for the interests of the district in which it circulates.

Mr. J. A. Bates, the retiring proprietor, who we fancy, is a man who has earned the trust and friendship of the entire Fraser Valley by good service and congeniality, and we see him leave this office with those regrets on the part of his friends which must attend such a departure. We trust to be able to fill his shoes to the satisfaction of the entire district, for we aim to give as good service as has been rendered in the past, to cover the Fraser Valley thoroughly; we aim to earn the friendship enjoyed by our predecessor; and, on those grounds we solicit the support and patronage which the Record has had in the past, and ask the suffrage of the Valley until such time as we get our shoulder thoroughly fitted to the collar.

BETTER TRAIN SERVICE FOR FRASER VALLEY

Four Canadian Pacific trains run through the Fraser Valley to Vancouver every summer morning at seven, eight, nine and ten-thirty o'clock. Because none but the last one is allowed to stop at stations between Mission and Vancouver, a real hardship is worked on Fraser Valley farmers and the railroad is losing much valuable business.

Passengers and produce from Silverdale, Ruskin, Whonnoek, Albion,

Hammond, Pitt Meadows and Pitt Moody cannot reach the city under these circumstances much before noon, which means that the farmer probably has to take an extra day to market his produce.

The farmer, as a species, is an early rising animal. Ten-thirty o'clock in the morning may sound an ungodly hour to midnight sons of the frivolous city or to gentle devotees of mah jongs, but to the farmer it is almost afternoon. When he has to kick his heels around the barn until ten-thirty waiting for his train, the best part of his day is wasted.

This short haul passenger and express business is the cream of railway profits. But in the bigotted tradition of the transcontinental haul which seems to make railway officials sneeze at anything under 500 miles, this business is being deliberately and wantonly thrown away.

If only one of these earlier trains were scheduled to make stops between Mission and Vancouver, even if only when flagged, Fraser Valley farmers would find a new solution to their marketing and shopping problems and the railway company would open up a new field of profitable business without fear of serious competition from the motor lines that will inevitably crop up in greater numbers if relief is not soon afforded.—Vancouver Sun.

NEWSPAPERS IN SMALL CITIES

Ontario has twenty-four cities, four of which have a population of more than 50,000.

Of the other twenty, twelve were in 1915 supporting two daily newspapers.

Of these places only two have more than one daily newspaper today. Guelph is the latest city to report demise of a daily. The Herald, which had its origin seventy-seven years ago, has been merged in the Mercury. This leaves Kingston and Belleville as the only Ontario cities of less than 50,000 population with two daily newspapers.

In the all-Canada field, at least forty dailies have disappeared in the past ten years. Some of these "casualties" have been in the larger places—Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and Hamilton. Toronto has four dailies where a few years ago there were six. Ottawa has two, instead of three, each of the two, however, having both morning and evening editions. Hamilton has two evening papers instead of three, all attempts to establish a morning paper in that city having failed.

Eighteen of the twenty smaller cities of Ontario have but one daily. The high cost of publishing, has meant the disappearance of the others.—Printer and Publisher.

WOULD BRING MOOSE CONVENTION TO VANCOUVER

Plans for holding the 1925 convention of the Northwest Moose Association in Vancouver are being made, and it is proposed to send a particularly strong delegation to Portland, Ore., where the convention meet this year to back up the movement. Victoria secured the 1923 annual gathering of Moose.

Several hundred members of the Moose Lodge with their wives are expected to attend a banquet, Feb. 21, which will mark the fourteenth anniversary of the lodge in this city.

Still Hating — Reports say the Germans are still "hating". Among other things, they hate to remember that they lost the war.

SECRETARY'S REPORT OF PROVINCIAL FAIR

The following is the secretary's report on the provincial exhibition at New Westminster each year.

The value derived directly and indirectly through the medium of the Provincial Exhibition was touched upon by Manager D. E. MacKenzie in submitting his report on the 54th annual exhibition of British Columbia. Individual features had been left for the president to mention, Mr. MacKenzie devoting most of his report to a general resume of the benefits which the city and Fraser Valley, and the province as a whole or that matter, derive through the efforts of the R. A. & I. Society in staging the annual event at Queens Park.

"There is no question," the report stated, "but that education has become the keynote of a well-organized and properly conducted agricultural exhibition, and it is one feature for which our annual event has become particularly famous and of which we are proud."

The continual growth and improvement of our exhibition is only another testimony to the development of agriculture in the province of British Columbia in general and the lower mainland in particular and the wonderful array of agricultural products was undisputed evidence British Columbia ranks foremost for agricultural productiveness in both abundance and perfection, and through this method of demonstrating the agricultural worth of this country it is generally conceded that the population of British Columbia is being increased from year to year.

The Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society of British Columbia, through their provincial exhibition, have an annual event of considerably greater magnitude and significance than is at first realized by a great many of our citizens but which is more fully appreciated by those who have an opportunity of viewing its beneficial arrangements from a longer range and it is most gratifying indeed to find that regardless of how far you get away from home you will hear expressions of the most complimentary nature from a great many people who are interested in the general development of our province.

In the Public Eye

"Our Provincial Exhibition like other outstanding features is naturally at times very conspicuous in the public eye as well as in the public mind and consequently very often an open topic for discussion among the critical. However, any public or semi-public organization which does not excite just criticism in my opinion, is lacking in something and is neither healthy nor can it be successful or progressive. Nothing is more invigorating to a public institution and nothing more encouraging to its management than honest criticism when it is directed either for the purpose of progression or against the forces of evil. As a matter of fact the most effective method of obtaining the best results from a public-spirited organization such as the R. A. & I. Society of B. C. is through an exchange of ideas and by critical discussions on the part of those interested in its development and advancement if the critics will only keep themselves identified with the construction crew rather than the wrecking gang."

Far Reaching Results

The publicity value of an exhibition such as yours, while it cannot be definitely estimated because of its far-reaching results is yet worthy of at least a casual note and in this connection while the entire clerical staff of the organization is confined to the manager and his secretary, yet a distribution of publicity matter was made during the year to the following extent: First of all over 1000 booklets with financial report and other statistical information were distributed after the annual meeting; over 5000 circulars were mailed in after

connection with the work of the fair; 10,000 prize lists were distributed, over half of them going through the mail and the balance through the kindness of the merchants and during the exhibition; 10,000 illustrated booklets were also distributed; a goodly proportion by mail and the balance particularly during the course of the Vancouver exhibition; These booklets were 24 pages and were published in several editions, each edition being revised and brought up to date. Several pages were devoted directly to the city and they also contained the president's and manager's reports in accordance with the resolution passed at the annual meeting last year, as well also as information with regard to the reasons why settlers should locate in the Fraser Valley or live in the city of New Westminster. Some 5000 windshield stickers were put in circulation, 3000 exhibition hangers, window and other advertising cards, 5970 individual and personal letters were written and mailed from the office as well as a number of postal cards and other mail advertising features. Your exhibition board room was placed at the disposal, free of charge, of all public service organizations. This was taken advantage of to the extent of 107 meetings which included rural organizations as well as city, such as the B. C. Honey Producers meeting, Poultry Association, Stock Breeders meeting, Equine Association, meetings, Farmers Institute meetings, Women's Institute meetings, athletic and automobile associations and other organizations, all of which has had a most beneficial effect in bringing to the notice of the public generally not only our exhibition but our city as well.

Mr. MacKenzie also referred to the value of the photographic exhibit which was initiated in 1923 and which resulted in entries being received from three of the five continents. In his expression of thanks to the press for the publicity given the society twelve months in the year, Mr. MacKenzie regretted to report the loss of a well known director in the late J. W. Cunningham, who was chairman of the advertising and publicity committee for several years.

New Liquor Law Of Alberta

The liquor bill, which is to be known officially as the "Government Liquor Control Act of Alberta," provides for the sale by hotel-keepers in licensed or approved premises of beer at certain hours and certain conditions to be determined by the Liquor Commission Board.

The government gave out the bill last Saturday, and the summary which appeared in a Calgary newspaper omitted entirely reference to the sale of beer in hotels.

The omission caused an amount of consternation and excitement among hotel-keepers, who have hopes of selling liquor. It was an omission, however, as the bill provides for sale of beer by licensed persons which will be in hotels.

The beer thus sold must be in a room apart from the hotel. There must be no entrance from the hotel to the room in which the beer is sold. The beer must not be sold over a bar or a counter of any kind.

Here is a list of the "Don'ts," the "verboten" in the act: No tavern "signs." No liquor advertising. No canvassing for booze. No drinking in hotels except in private "guest rooms."

No guest room privileges unless a bona fide guest at the hotel with "luggage." No liquor on the hip or elsewhere unless the possessor is fortified with a government permit. No sales or deliveries of liquor over eight hours in twenty-four nor over 5000 circulars were mailed in after 8 p. m. on holidays or election

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Twenty-five percent of the electors within a municipality may petition for a plebiscite as to whether or not a local option area shall be set up, and if the result is adverse to the sale of liquor in the municipality no vendors stores will be established or beer licenses granted.

The net profits from the operation of the new act are to be divided between the province and the municipalities, a reserve fund to be created to meet possible losses.

No date is set in the bill for the coming into effect of the new act, this to be done by proclamation of the government. It is expected that the act will be in operation by March 1, and certainly not later than April 1.

CUSTOMS RULE IS OBJECTED TO

Strong fears of retaliation on the part of the United States government have led officials of the Automobile Club of British Columbia, of which New Westminster is a unit, to seek amendments to the customs regulations relating to the disposition of cars seized on this side of the international boundary and which are later discovered to have been stolen in the United States.

The complaint in this regard comes from the Pacific Coast Automobile Underwriter's Conference with headquarters in Seattle, and cites the case of E. J. Hawkins, arrested at the Pacific Highway customs office on September 22 on a charge of entering Canada with a car bearing British Columbia license plates but which had been stolen in Seattle. Hawkins was taken to Vancouver and the car held in New Westminster. The accused waived extradition and on arrival in Seattle pleaded guilty to theft.

The real rub came in, claim these insurance underwriters, when the customs officials refused to allow the return of the car to the rightful

owner until \$144.31 duty had been deposited with the collector of customs here. It is pointed out that when Hawkins pleaded guilty of the theft, there was little or no obstacle in proving the machine to have been stolen but had he done otherwise, certain technicalities would have arisen which would have made it difficult for the Seattle resident to prove his property.

In the communication to President J. R. Agar of the New Westminster Automobile Club, the writer looks upon this procedure as being extremely narrow and uncalled for. "Boiled down, these rulings mean that if your car is stolen anywhere in the state of Washington and is smuggled into British Columbia by the thief, the car is seized and held until you post 50 per cent. of the total valuation that the Canadian customs may place on the car, even in the event of securing a full release from the thief." The letter goes on to state that there is no red tape with the American customs in the event of a car being stolen from this province.

What may likely happen, in the event of the regulations remaining unaltered, is that American customs officers may demand receipt of ownership from British Columbia car owners, many of whom cannot produce such an account of time payments. In that event, such tourists would be unable to enter Washington state from this province.

The local organizations are taking the matter up with other bodies and plan joint action with other provinces to have the regulations more elastic.

Unaccustomed — Newspaper heading: "Bricklayer Drops Dead while Shovelling Snow." And it was a light snowfall too.

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**Boys Take Part
 In Boxing Card**
 (From the Fraser Valley Record)
 The local members of the Tuxis Club made a trip to Abbotsford on Friday night last to meet some of the Abbotsford and Huntingdon boys in an exhibition card. The evening proved a very interesting one, nine bouts being staged. Mission got two draws but lost the other bouts. However, it is likely that a return card will be put on in Mission soon and our boys expect to do better the next time.



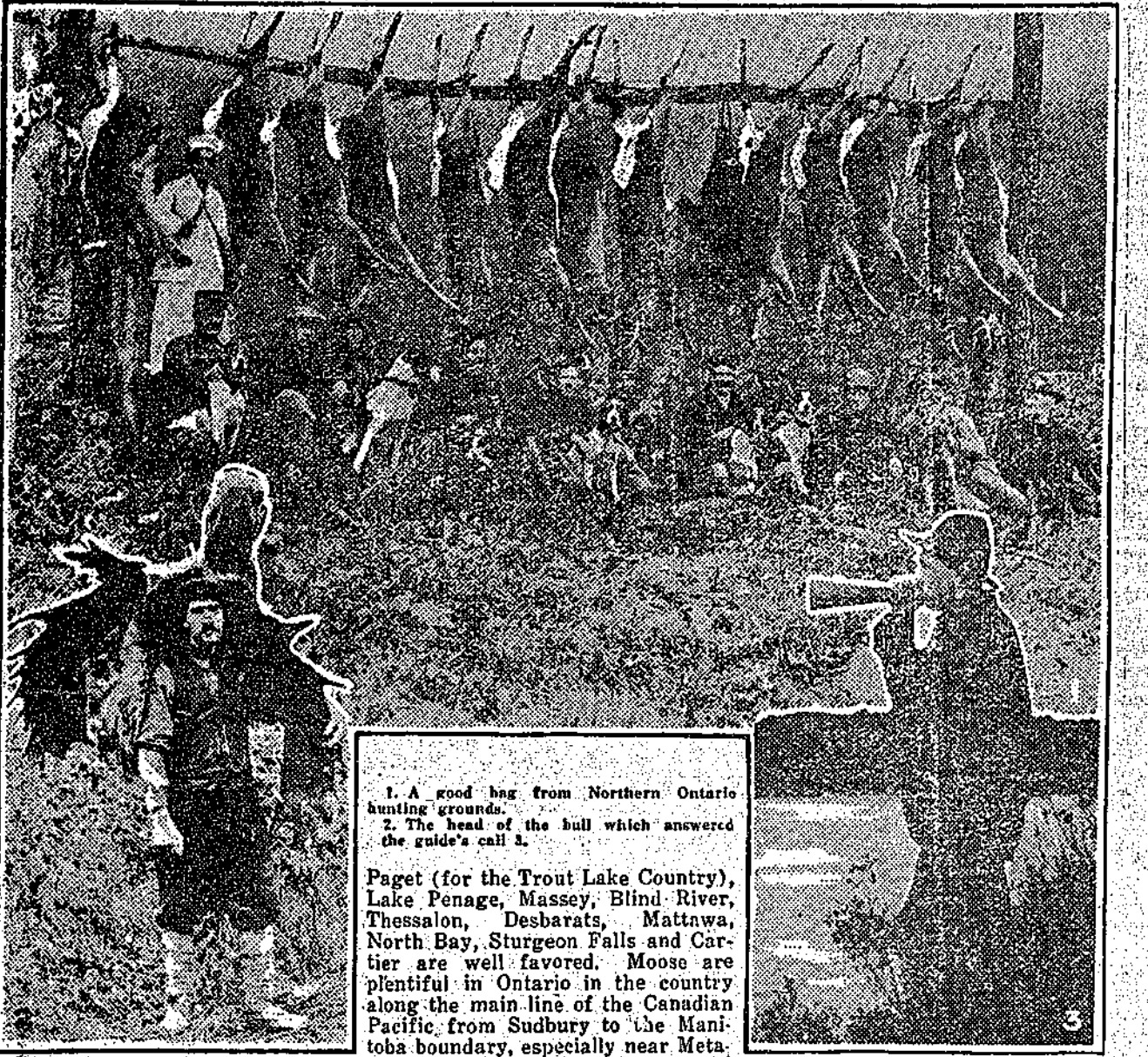
Some of the distinguished Canadians who attended the funeral of Lord Shaughnessy are here seen at the grave of the late Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Railway. From left to right: W. F. Shaughnessy, who succeeds to his father's title, H. W. Beauchamp, T. Shaughnessy and H. C. Grant. In the rear, left to right: Sir Lomer Gouin (with hand raised), Premier W. L. Mackenzie King, Senator Dandurand, E. W. Beatty, Sir Herbert Holt, W. N. Tilley, K. C., A. D. MacTier, and Senator Beique.

Mt. Lehman

Mr. and Mrs. D. MacLean and little daughter, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rayner for some weeks, have returned to their home in Wartimo, Sask.
 Miss Grierson of Danit is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McCallum.
 Mrs. Wm. Satchell is convalescent after a severe attack of influenza.
 Mrs. Israel is visiting in Silverdale where she is the guest of her son, Mr. I. Israel.
 An enjoyable evening was spent by those who attended the Scottish entertainment given in the Presbyterian church on Jan. 25. The address on "The Scott at Home and Abroad" was given by Rev. Thomas Oswald. The musical numbers were duets by Mesdames Forrester and Oswald and the Misses Gillis; a trio by Messrs. Mogie, T. Oswald and D. Oswald and a song by Mr. Oswald. At the close refreshments were served by the ladies.
 At the special meeting of the Women's Institute it was decided to

have the annual Valentine entertainment take the form of a "Jiggs supper" and dance. This will be given in the Orange hall on Feb. 15 and the institute members have plans well arranged for carrying out this novel idea.
 February promises to be a busy month. In addition to all regular Society meetings the "Princess" orchestra are giving a dance on Feb. 8, while the local Orange lodge will entertain with a dance on Feb. 22.
 Mr. F. Carmichael is in very poor health. At present he is staying with his daughter in Abbotsford.
 Mr. Gordon Ferguson has left for the west coast where he expects to engage in logging.
 A Long, Long Fret—The nearest approach to perpetual motion is the older generation fretting over the moral welfare of the younger.
 Well, That Sounds Reasonable—No man can serve two masters—so why be a bigamist?
 You can't kiss a girl unexpectedly. The best way is to kiss her sooner than you thought you would.

Exceptional Kills in Quebec and Ontario



1. A good bag from Northern Ontario hunting grounds.
 2. The head of the bull which answered the guide's call.

Paget (for the Trout Lake Country), Lake Penage, Massey, Blind River, Thessalon, Desbarats, Mattawa, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Cartier are well favored. Moose are plentiful in Ontario in the country along the main line of the Canadian Pacific from Sudbury to the Manitoba boundary, especially near Metagama, Biscotasing, Chapleau, Misamis, Franz, Jack Fish, Schreiber, Rossport, Nipigon, Savanne, Ignace, Dinorwic, Wabigoon, and Kenora, and in Quebec, in the St. Maurice, Lake Edward, Lake Megantic, Maniwaki, Timiskaming and Kipawa districts.
 Caribou, in Quebec, may now be found only in the remote northern sections, and in Ontario, on the islands of Lake Superior and round Rossport, Schreiber and Nipigon, on the mainland.
 From all these districts come stories of wonderful luck which will thrill the pulses of every hunter. Take the good fortune of Dr. C. H. McCreary, of Montreal, and Mr. A. J. O'Keefe, of New Rochelle, New York, regular patrons of the St. Jovite district of the Laurentians, Quebec. Penetrating some days ago from Grey Rocks Inn, Byng Inlet, Pakesley, French River, sometimes referred to as Lac le Croix, they met several cow moose and an immense bull. But the climax came when another splendid bull obligingly took up a position within 50 yards of their tent. The first shot from the doctor's trusty rifle brought him down and Mr. O'Keefe finished him off.
 Again, from F. W. Arnott's Ten-Kip Camp, 30 miles up Lake Timiskaming from Timiskaming Station, at the mouth of Kipawa River, word comes of how Mr. J. A. Cavanagh, of New York, got his moose within an hour and a half of leaving camp, and was back within two hours and a half. Next morning, while the animal was being skinned, another big moose calmly watched the operation for five minutes from a point close by.
 After that, you can still keep your hand off your rifle?

Big Programme of Organized Winter Sport in Canada



SWING DARTY ON HILLS OF QUEBEC

MONTREAL GIRLS ARE EXPERTS ON SNOWSHOES

Royal, in the former, provides an unexcelled playground where skiing, snowshoeing, bob-sledding and tobogganing may be enjoyed at their best. Skating contests, torchlight festivities on the Mountain and the presence of professional entertainers, provide amusement for Montrealers and visitors.
 Quebec is really the Capital of Winter Sports in Canada, its Dufferin Terrace and Chateau Frontenac are names to conjure with among winter sport devotees all over Canada and the United States.
 The three-track toboggan slide on the Terrace is generally the centre of attraction and crowds line its sides to watch the swift flying toboggans. A fine ski-jump, a skating rink, indoor and outdoor curling, contests and parades by the many ski and snowshoe clubs fill every waking hour. A team of husky dogs with sleigh and driver is maintained by the Chateau management for the use of the public.
 Quebec's carnival will end in a riot of excitement when the third Eastern International Dog Team Derby is run there on Feb. 21, 22 and 23. Both Canadian and American teams to the number of about eighteen, will strive to win the Gold Cup, Silver Cup and \$2,000 in prize money.
 Montreal, offers aeroplane-ski-joring in addition to many other winter sports. Winnipeg will set aside the week of February 4-11, for carnival festivities which are projected on a vast scale, in addition the great annual bonspiel, lasting several weeks, will be staged as usual. Banff in the Canadian Rockies, which is fast becoming as popular in winter as it has long been in summer, is planning to outdo former efforts. Winter sports are enjoyed there all through the white season and will culminate in a gay carnival lasting from Feb. 9 to 16, the last two days being devoted to a bonspiel. Dog races are a feature of Banff's winter season and famous teams from Le Pas will run at Banff. Le Pas will celebrate in carnival style from March 8 to 15, during which period the famous 200-mile non-stop dog-team race will be run. Revelstoke, a stronghold of ski-jumping, will stage contests Feb. 5th and 6th.
 Both Montreal and Quebec are making extraordinary preparations for this season's programs. Mount

PRINTING A KISS

A human kiss is defined as an instinctive gesture. Printing is a gesture which may be well defined as between type and paper, leaving its imprint—the ink.
 As the human kiss registers the soul of man, so, the kiss of printing registers the soul of the art. We have been neglectful in not rendering to Printing its highest consideration. We have been inclined to emphasize its mechanical features, and underline its classification as a comparative industry.
 A human kiss with its various shadings from that of the callow youth to the finished osculation of the past master, interspersed with the slobbering of that of the uncouth; the performance of the amateur, has the various counterparts in printing.
 The human kiss has but vapors—Invisible, volatile; transporting the recipients to a state of ecstasy, frenzy; perhaps only momentarily, leaving memories only, to be recalled in proportion to the recipient's

passion. Even among those most highly-endowed to memory, the exactness or the reaction of the gesture can never be accurately recalled, and, so, the irrepresible desire to "go to press" again and print another edition, or many more.
 Thus, nature, in her wisdom provides an attraction, a power, a force; is ever and always at work; it totally renewing itself—of the species—generation after generation.
 No apology is made for animating Printing through the analogy of a human kiss.
 If an art, a trade, a vocation has no soul, it is then a monotonous habit, a slavery—to be borne to the end by only faith and hope.
 But, Printing—a living, vital force—is ever functioning with its mechanical, material and chemical allies—ever guided by its soulful tune. Each impression a kiss, each kiss an inspiration for another: Irrepresible — irresistible — indeluctible. — Inland Printer.
 Burdens and Burden Bearers—Wives were made to suffer and husbands to be suffered.

AGASSIZ HOOP TEAM WINS OVER MISSION

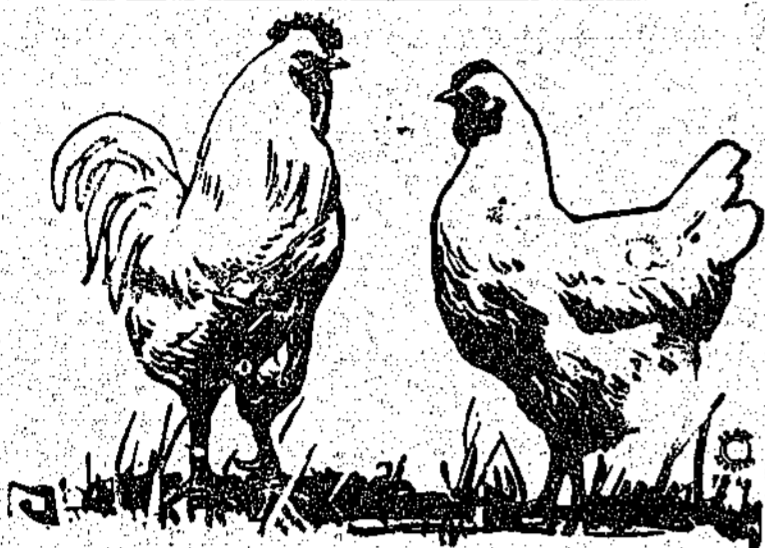
AGASSIZ, Feb. 5.—The basketball devotees here witnessed an interesting game Saturday night, when the Senior B team of Mission City met the local men's team of Agassiz.
 The game was keenly contested throughout, the score at half time standing 6-4 and ending 22-14 in favor of the local boys.
 Lyle Whelpton was the outstanding performer for the local team netting a total of 18 points while Angus McLean scored for the visitors.
 The lineups were as follows:
 Mission: J. Galliford, S. Jones (captain), G. Algee, A. McLean, J. Donaldson.
 Agassiz: J. Gillis, H. Brown (captain), L. Whelpton, K. Eckert, A. Pollock.
 Previous to the men's game the public and high school girls met. The outcome was in doubt up to the last minute, the final score being 16-8 in favor of the public school.
 "The bridegroom, who was also present, was neatly attired in black."
 —Winnipeg Tribune.

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PERSONALS

George J. Marr, who was charged with forging cheques in Abbotsford, was sentenced to eighteen months in Okalla, when he came up for trial before Judge Howay of New Westminster on Monday last. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge.

Mr. Frank Eby of Winnipeg Beach, who is spending the winter at the coast, was the guest this week of Mr. R. H. Eby.

Mrs. J. Parton attended the Women's Missionary Convention in Vancouver this week, as a delegate from the Abbotsford branch. Mrs. W. J. Gray also attended as a representative from the Mission Band circle.

Mr. Charles Trethewey of Harrison Mills is spending the week-end in Abbotsford, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Trethewey.

Mrs. Alex Vannetta of Aldergrove was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Vannetta during the week.

Mrs. Brydges and Miss Barbara and Master Maurice visited in New Westminster at the week-end, and attended the birthday party on Saturday of Mrs. Brydges' mother, who was eighty-four years of age.

The Ladies' Aid spent a very pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. K. McMenemy on Wednesday. It was decided that the ladies will give a play on or about the 17th of March, particulars of which will be given later. During the afternoon Mrs. J. Downie gave an interesting account of the life and work of a Home Missionary worker. Refreshments were served by the hostess and a social hour enjoyed.

At the first meeting of the Matsqui School Board for this year, Miss Edith King was appointed as principal of the Ridgedale School and Miss Elaine Stratton as junior teacher at the Aberdeen school. The board decided to kalsomine all the schools, and to make arrangements to grade and drain the grounds of the Dennison High school this year. Mr. R. Owen was re-appointed as chairman, and Capt. Bowers as secretary of the board.

Mr. Clark Trethewey of Vancouver is spending the week-end in Abbotsford.

Miss Draper of Hatzie was the guest over the week-end of Miss Weatherby.

Mrs. G. N. Ziegler is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. P. H. Edwards of Vancouver.

Miss Grace Milstead and family of five little sons moved to South Vancouver on Friday. Their many friends in Abbotsford wish success and happiness in their new home.

Mrs. P. Insley was a visitor in Van-

cover on Tuesday.

Mrs. Weatherby is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fowler of Vancouver.

A most enjoyable time was spent at the Men's Club on Monday evening. General business was dealt with, and the members decided to hold a whist drive in the near future. The Club will also undertake to assist to pay off the balance due on the Parish hall equipment. At the close of the business session, games and singing were indulged in.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Alanson and family of Mission City visited in Abbotsford during the week.

Mrs. A. Morrow had, as her guest her sister, Mrs. T. Perks of Vancouver.

Mrs. McClenahan has returned home from a holiday spent with her sons in Seattle.

Mr. Morrow and Mr. McKay of Vancouver were the week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. McCallum of Mission City visited relatives and friends in Abbotsford during the week.

HOSPITAL DONATIONS

The matron of the hospital gratefully acknowledges the following articles for January: 5 gramophone records, Mr. A. Duncan, Vancouver; magazines, Mrs. W. Hillier, Bellingham; magazines, Dr. Swift; magazines, Mrs. Millard, Mrs. A. Lee and Mr. McCulloch; 1 baby dress, 2 baby binders, 3 baby diapers, 2 blankets, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Clayburn; for gramophone record \$1.50; a friend.

The Banff Winter Carnival is to be held from February 2nd to 9th, 1924, both dates inclusive, and will run concurrently with the Banff Bonspiel, which will be held from February 4th to 9th, inclusive. A widely varied and attractive programme has been arranged, culminating in a Grand Carnival dance, when the Carnival Queen for 1924 will be announced and crowned.

Among the New Year's honors for 1924 one of the most popular is the award of the C.B.E. by His Majesty the King to Captain S. Robinson, R.N.R., who, it will be recalled, so distinguished himself in command of the Canadian Pacific S.S. "Empress of Australia" during the Japanese disaster and is now commanding the Canadian Pacific S.S. "Empress of Canada" for that vessel's forthcoming world cruise.

The beauties of the Laurentian Mountains, which have already attracted the attention of moving picture producers, are continuing to draw such companies. The latest to make use of this location is the Distinctive Pictures Corporation, starring Alma Rubens and Conrad Nagel, which has been shooting at Gray Rocks Inn, Ste. Jovite, over the New Year holiday period. A feature of their work has been the co-operation of the Chateau Frontenac dog team, led by Mountie, a veteran of five years service in the North.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Post invites correspondence on matters of interest to the district, but does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed in such correspondence.

OUR BOARD OF TRADE

Although the Post passes into the hands of a new ownership, the policy of fairness will no doubt mark all its comments on the public life of our little town. At no time in the past—since the paper was established in May 1910 has the columns of this paper been used to send a slam home to any of our citizens. Letters which we thought reflected on citizens have in the past been refused publication and the same policy will I feel be pursued by the new management. We want a policy of fairness to all if our town is to prosper and go ahead. There have been times when a virile pen could have been used, but the Post policy considered this unfair, or as one man would say, hitting below the belt. Even in brute strength this hitting below the belt is considered unfair. We may differ and differ very much, but if our little town is to come into its own we must live and let live, and work together.

The Post has endeavored at all times to hit fair, even in matters of incorporation, although some people did not give the Post credit for what it has done. Our position was that no information in connection with incorporation matters should go unchallenged if it did not have at least 50 or 75 per cent. truth to it. Some facts were distributed that did not have one grain of truth to them. As a true British Columbian can we be blamed for letting this go without criticism? Many of our friends said, "No, and we will back you up." We did and today there is not much chance that Abbotsford will be incorporated, until all parties, particularly the property-holders, get together and discuss the matter in any other way than except in the spirit of get-together—all for one and one for all interest. Are we not right?

So it is that the Post took exception to some of the criticisms recently appearing in the columns of its contemporary regarding the work accomplished by last year's board of trade. We believe that last year much more was really accomplished than most people are aware of. Let us be fair at all times and give credit where credit is due even if our personal opinions and our political opinions are not in accordance with the leading spirits of that organization—but we should be one at all times for that which benefits the town and facilitates business. Should we not?

Well then, last year's board of trade is certainly responsible for some tangible results. For the first time in the history of Abbotsford our streets were oiled. The Post remembers when a former proprietor of our pioneer hardware store, at his own expense, oiled a little right in front of his store as an experiment. The oil settled the dust and that was what we all wanted. Why should any citizen kick at that?

And last week the former owner of the News took advantage of the established small debts court given to Abbotsford in 1923, under the guidance of a stipendiary magistrate—a court that has been desired by many.

Recently the provincial government called for tenders for the new jail, and a building will be built that will not reflect discredit on Abbotsford.

Other matters, such as the endeavor to secure pickers for local growers, have been accomplished by last year's board of trade. So why should we kick and intimate that "lack of support" nullified the board's activities? We have to take our hat off to go-getters and wish that every member and business man and resident would display public-spiritedness. No reflection on the board of trade members either this year or last year, or any year, should be permitted to go unchallenged. The board of trade in the past has devoted its energies in securing for the town most of those privileges which mark it as a progressive community.

J. A. BATES.

A meeting of the Ratepayers' Association of Ward 1, Sumas municipality, has been called for Tuesday evening, February 12th, in the Bank of Montreal chambers, Abbotsford, at 8 p. m. A similar meeting to be held in Huntingdon on the next evening, February 13th, at the same hour.

Here and There

That the average weight of Alberta's 1923 wheat was 64 pounds to the bushel, or four pounds more than the standard, is the statement of George Hill, Dominion Grain Inspector at Calgary.

The season of navigation for the year 1923 is the longest since the year 1814, or 109 years ago, according to a statement made at Quebec by Captain J. E. Bernier, Arctic explorer.

Two-thirds of Canada's exhibits for the British Empire Exhibition are now in England, most of these being already at Wembley. Among them is a monster silver nugget, weighing nearly three tons, the biggest ever unearthed, which was dug up in Canada.

Twenty-nine million pounds of halibut were landed at Prince Rupert, B.C., during the past year, with figures for the month of December incomplete. This total is considerably in excess of the previous year. Several large shipments were made to Chicago and other middle Western States' points.

E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has accepted the honorary presidency of the Province of Quebec Safety League, succeeding the late Lord Shaughnessy, who was its first honorary president. The object of the League is to institute safeguards for the protection of life, especially children, providing protected playgrounds and streets.

It is estimated by the provincial tourist bureau of the Province of Quebec that 125,000 American automobiles visited the province in 1923. Of this number 40,000 travelled over the King Edward Highway, the principal route of automobilists from across the border motoring to Montreal and a record in the annals of that thoroughfare as regards American cars.

The Canadian Independent Oil Company, of St. John, New Brunswick, has closed a contract to supply lubricating oils of all kinds to all Canadian Pacific steamships plying to Atlantic ports. This is said to be the biggest contract for lubricating oils ever closed in Canada. This company means a new industry for St. John, for its compounding plant will be located in East St. John.

The Klondyke is in the throes of another gold and silver rush. At the head of the Beaver River, 50 miles west of Keno Hill, a silver and gold discovery of unusual proportions has started a stampede from Mayo, the major mining settlement of the Yukon, to the new country, where it is said assays reveal pay dirt running 1,100 ounces of silver to the ton.

Rapid progress is being made in preparing the Canadian section of the British Empire Exhibition. The giant pavilion was roofed in and ready for exhibits in sixty days from its commencement and will be ready for opening on March 1st. Two million feet of Canadian lumber, 7 sides of roofing and 200 tons of nails, nuts and bolts have already been used in the building.

It is reported that the Rothermere interests of England, which recently acquired a large block of timber land in the Manicouagan River Basin, have headed a syndicate which will spend \$16,000,000 in erecting pulp and newsprint manufacturing plants near Quebec city. With this news comes the announcement that the St. Regis Paper Company will build a \$4,000,000 plant near the parish of St. Augustin, a suburb of Quebec.

Records compiled by the Bureau of Railway Statistics in Chicago show how greatly the cost of railroad equipment in North America has increased in the past sixteen years. Since 1907, these figures show, the cost of heavy freight locomotives has risen from \$16,243 to \$33,550 each; passenger locomotives from \$16,057 to \$66,200 each; passenger coaches from \$7,330 to \$28,900 each; freight cars from \$700 to \$2,301 each; and steel rails from \$28 to \$43 per ton.

The Indians of the three prairie provinces in the 1923 season harvested the greatest crop in their history, according to the annual report of the Department of Indian Affairs. In the three provinces, the Indians harvested 638,561 bushels of wheat, 674,282 bushels of oats and 62,304 bushels of barley. The report shows they raised 58,264 bushels of potatoes and 10,000 bushels of other vegetables. They summer-fallowed 20,000 acres of land, broke 6,803 acres, put up 67,000 tons of hay and 9,516 of green feed.

A treat is in store for music lovers on Monday evening, when the pupils of the Misses Steede will give a Toy Symphony in the Masonic Hall. Vocal selections will be given by well-known artists. The proceeds will be used in aid of the Canadian Home for blind children.

Rev. A. H. Priest attended the meeting of the Rural Deaconry of Yale held in Chilliwack on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

After Stock Taking SNAPS

Plum Jam, 4 lb. tin, a tin	75¢
Royal Crown Naptha Soap, a cake	5¢
Pineapple, large tin	20¢
Crabapples, large tins, 2 1-2 lbs., a tin	20¢
Molasses, small tin	15¢
Macaroni, Ready Cut, per lb.	12½¢

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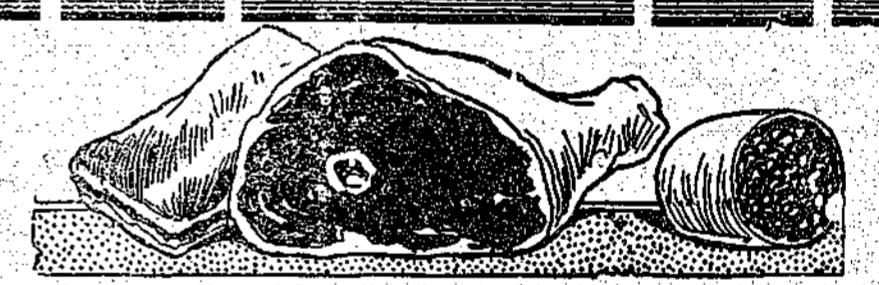
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Dewdney Liberals in Annual Convention

(From Fraser Valley Record)
A large and enthusiastic attendance featured the annual convention of the Dewdney District Liberal Association held here Saturday, the 2nd inst. Strong votes of confidence were passed in the governments of the Right Honourable W. L. McKenzie King and the Hon. John Oliver. The meeting voiced its regret at the illness of our Federal member, Mr. Elgin A. Munro, which has for some time been quite serious. The convention was addressed by R. A. Walker, Esq., ex member of the Alberta Legislature, who is at present at the coast in connection with grain matters, and Mr. J. C. Turgeon, provincial organizer.

The following officers were elected for the year 1924:
Hon. Pres., The Right Hon. W. L. McKenzie King; Hon. Vice-Pres., The Honourable John Oliver, Elgin A. Munro, Esq., M.P.; President, Maxwell Smith, Deroche; Vice-Pres., James Riddle, Hammond; Secretary, J. B. Martyn, Haney; Auditor, A. S. Duncan.

Mrs Spaulding and son visited in Vancouver this week.

EASIER RIDING ON ROUGH ROAD

Do you want a cool restful ride in your machine? Then don't pick out one of the smoothest boulevards in the city and motor around for several hours. For, according to V. A. Cole, sales manager for Zbinden-Wood Motor Company, the most restful ride is obtained from the gravel or dirt roads where there is a slight movement of the car on its springs. "It's just like sitting in a chair," said Cole. "Who ever heard of a person becoming thoroughly rested by sitting in a straight backed chair. Give the same person a rocking chair which bumps over the cracks in the floor and causes the muscles to move during the motion in order to retain the balance, and he will be satisfied to remain there. "It is necessary to make the muscles in the body move just slightly before perfect rest can be obtained. Some of the macadam highways do not cause a car to jostle on its springs or miles. Then the position of riding becomes strained and there is not the rest in the trip that the less even road gives." This is Cole's version of the "best ride" problem. Try it out for yourself.