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Putting Abbotsfird Permanently on Map By Banquet Way

The banquet given by the Abbotsford District Board of Trade on Friday evening last at the Abbotsford Hotel was, in the words of Hon. E. D. Barrow, a gathering unique in its experience. The sixty guests who assembled for dinner represented each section of the district and all its varied industries. At the head table President N. Hill was flanked by the provincial minister of agriculture and the federal member for the riding. Mr. Fowler represented the Vancouver Board of Trade, and ex-Mayor Gray that of New Westminster.

When the ninth course disappeared satisfactorily from the tables, Mr. Hill proposed the toast of loyalty and introduced the speakers of the evening.

Mr. MacGowan punctured some highly interesting remarks with astonishing figures of the industrial development of the district. The Abbotsford Lumber Mill, with 260 employees, the Clayburn Brick Co., with a payroll of 150, and the Smith-Hutchinson mill, with seventy, were the largest concerns. Smaller mills with the Pacific Milk Company's condensery, contributed much to the industrial welfare of this town. He also discussed the splendid railway facilities, the necessity of a government Post Office and Customs Building and the Sumas reclamation project.

Dr. Swift in urging the immediate need for a general hospital, spoke of the great work done in one year under the able management of Mrs. McGuire. The nursing home has been a great benifit not only to the townsite but to adjacent municipalities as well. During the past year about 170 patients patients had passed through the home.

Captain Cope, in enlarging upon the agricultural possibilities of the country about Abbotsford, offering every variety of agricultral production, and declared that of the 166 returned men on the land in the district all but 8 had made good. He made an eloquent appeal for sympathetic interest from older settlers,particularly towards the imperial comrades and their wives, who were facing conditions strange to them.

Mr. F. B. Stacey M. P., expressed warm appreciation of the speeches that had given a remarkable summary of the development of the district, evincing particular interest in the report on the returned men. In a speech of great earnestness and candor, the member asked for a sane sober, cautious judgment on the economic conditions of the Dominion. Retrenchment in public works development had been vitally necessary during the war, they were not yet clear of war conditions, and Canada was preparing to face a new alignment of relationships with the rest of the Empire.

He warned his audiences that an American senator had stated the probable increase of the tariff under the New Republican regime. If this threat is carried out, it means an unsurmountable barrier against Canadian exports and a closer union in the British Commonwealth.

The Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of agriculture, stated that five or six dredges would be put on the Sumas reclamation project and that the work would be completed in June, 1922, therefore the settlers of this vast district need fear no more floods after this year. Mr. Barrow also intimated that if arrangements can be made to increase the 160 acre area of Abbotsford town-site by including a portion of Matsqui and Sumas municipalities, steps will be taken to incorporate Abbotsford as a town instead of, as at present, having it designed as an unorganized district.

In connection with the hospital matter, the Minister advised the citizens to decide upon the style and size of the hospital, the probable income, and the contributions locally towards such an institution, after which the government would probably consider the matter favorably. In reference to the urgent need of goods roads in the district, the Minister stated that Public Works Department was one of the few where expenditures could be materially reduced and for that reason he did not anticipate that any large expenditures would be made on other than main thoroughfares.

Abbotsford was becoming a small fruit centre and he would earnestly advise the growers to unite in seeking a staple market at a favorable price, as four times the quantity of small fruits raised two years ago would be produced this year. Jam factories were stocked up with high-priced produce. Unless other markets were secured the outlook might be serious, but already associated growers were making the way for the disposal of the fruit in the Northwest at good prices. This co-operative effort should be increased.

Mr. Barrow complimented the citizens of Abbotsford for their great community spirit and designated the district as the finest in that respect in the Fraser Valley. Touching on the soldier settlers he declared that he was glad to see the splendid spirit of co-operation between the veterans and the citizens.

Mr. Fowler brought greetings from Vancouver, which he humorously remarked, seemed to him now to be too far from Abbotsford ever to amount to much. He gave an interesting talk on "Responsibility of Citizenship", and handled the subject in an entertaining and interesting manner. He urged the Board of Trade to take active part in the Associated Boards of Trade.

Ex-Mayor Gray, in a witty speech advised a generous community-spirit and a more popular attitude towards taxes, as without taxation no kind of government could function. He pointed out to the members of the Board that in time some sort of sewerage must be provided but warned them about too high a tax rate. He offered the hearty co-operation of the New Westminster Board wherever possible.

In the course of the evening Mr. Downie rendered one of his popular songs and as the gathering dispersed it was felt that a new impetus had been given to the development of the district.

The Abbotsford Hotel which is now in the hands of the painters, and when completed will be one of the largest and best hostelries in the Fraser Valley.

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Retail Merchants Form Organization

On Thursday evening the merchants of the town held a meeting at which it was decided to form a Retail Merchants' Association, and the following officers were elected:

President—R. DesMazes.
1st Vice-Pres.—S. F. White.
2nd Vice-Pres.—H. Harlow.
Secretary—J. F. Weir.
Treasurer—George Wright.

An organization such as the above should be of great value to the town and emphasizes the fact that Abbotsford is growing.

MASS MEETING FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY EVENING

The people of Matsqui, Sumas and Abbotsford are asked not to forget the mass meeting on Wednesday evening next, January 26th, in the Alexandria Hall, for the purpose of organizing for the new hospital to be established this year.

The committees which were appointed to go into the matter have now collected all the necessary data for which they were appointed, and are anxious that a very large number of people be present to hear the result of their work along this line. It is rumored that they have been highly successful as committeemen. All interested should be present, and every person in the several districts should be interested, as a hospital is for their own welfare and the advancement of the community in general. A hospital is required, and now is the proper time to set about getting one, in the opinion of a great many people.

Remember all are welcome, especially the ladies of the district, who have in the past shown that anything in the way of public welfare upon which they have set their mark of approval is sure to be a success.

ORCHESTRA FOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The At Home social given on Thursday evening by Mrs. McInnes to the members of the newly organized orchestra of the Presbyterian church, was a grand success socially as well as for a pleasing time, and was very highly appreciated by those present which were the members of the new orchestra and their friends.

A good contribution has been received from the people of Abbotsford and will enable the purchasing of musical instruments at an early date and after some good hard practice it is intended to give a musical concert.

GARAGE FORMS A NEW COMPANY

The Abbotsford Garage and Machine Shop has been incorporated with a capital of $20,000. The object of incorporation is the extension and enlargement of the business, installing new and more up-to-date equipment and to generally make the business one that the town will be proud of, and incidentally, of course having for the owners an equipment that will be able to handle all kinds of garage work.

It is intended that the present building will be very considerably enlarged at an early date, the owners being firmly convinced that Abbotsford is one of the best centres in the Fraser Valley for a garage that is equipped to take charge of all kinds of work that requires expert skill and up-to-the-minute machinery.

The annual meeting of St. Matthews Church was held in the Church on Sunday evening, January 16th, the Vicar presiding. The following officers were appointed for the year 1921.— Peoples' Warden, G. F.Pratt Envelope Clerk, J. W. Winsome; Secretary-Treasurer, W. A. Ackland; Delegates to Synod, N. Hill and J. W. Winson; Alternates, E. Webster and E. A. Barrett. Satisfactory progress was reported. A chancel Guild was formed to take care of the Church and a class for Bible Study to be held on Wednesday evenings was decided upon.

Do you know what makes Andrews smile so these days—ask him.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Warren, Snr. of Vancouver is visiting Mrs. A. Ryall.

Mrs. R. Thomas of Mission spent Thursday here with friends.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Perry Starr, adaughter.

Mrs. Barrett entertained the ladies of the Embroidery Club at her home on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Ellis McMillan and Francis Fossett have returned home from Spences Bridge.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church are giving a play on Tuesday evening, January 25th, in the Alexandria Hall, entitled "An Old-Time Ladies Aid Meeting at Mohawk Cross Roads."

A public mass meeting will be held in the Alexandria Hall on January 26 representatives to be present from all surrounding districts. The figure complete for building the hospital is $19,500. Equipment and furnishings, etc, $3000. It is expected that the hospital will be on a paying bases in three months' time.

Plans are being prepared for a picture show with a 50 foot frontage on Essendene Ave., corner of Cyril street to seat 350 people.

Mr. Frank McCallum who has finished his course in Vancouver has returned home.

On Tuesday, the home of Mr. Robt. Bousfield was destroyed by fire. The house was partly covered by insurance.

Miss Grace Kennedy has been on her vacation, visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hill of Armstrong formerly of Abbotsford but has now resumed her duties in Vancouver.

Mrs. W. Kennedy has returned to her home now to spent the winter.

Rev. W. Robertson conducted the services in the Kitsilano Presbyterian Church on Sunday, and Mr. Brookes of Clayburn supplied the pulpit here and in Huntingdon in his absence.

It is proposed to hold a Flower Show in August and regular Fair around September 15th, 1921. All entries close at 5 P. M. the first day and everything must be in the Hall at noon of the same day, and stock must be in at 10.30 the second day. Nothing must be removed until 4.30 P. M. It is desired to amalgamate Abbotsford, Sumas, Matsqui and Aldergrove and Mr. J. Brydges, Mr Angus Campbell, Mr. J. L. Preston, Mr. J. Downie and Mr. F. E. White have been chosen as a committee to confer with others when called upon.

A tea will be served at the residence of Mrs. N. Hill on the afternoon of Wednesday January 26th, in aid of St. Matthew's Chaucel Guild.

Annual Meeting Held On Monday

A meeting of the Agricultural Association was held on Monday night, January 17th, in the G. W. V. A. Club rooms. The election of officers was as folows:— President, A. Hulton Harrop; 1st Vice, Reeve J. Cook; 2nd Vice, A. McCallum; 3rd Vice, J. L. Preston; Sec.-Treasurer, M. M. Shore; Ass't. Treasurer, R. Leary; Directors; W. H. Hadden, J. A. Mac Gowan, C. Wallace, S. D. Trethewey, C. O. D. Bell, J. Brydges, F. E. White, A. George, L. Ambrose, A. Thornwaite, N. Hill, A. M. King, W. W. Groat, R. H. Eby, E. A. Barrett, A. Brokoski. G. Gough, Capt. Cope, W. Porter, G. R. Wright, G. H. Kerr, D. Rucker, Jas. Frith, W. Wells, A. Campbell, H. R. Brown.

Convenor Ladies Committee:— Mrs. R. H. Eby; Membership, A. Harrop, Finance, J. Brydges; Sports, J. A. MacGowan, Advertising, A. George; Prize List, president and conveners of various committees; Honey, F. White Poultry, G. L. Preston; Field Products, W. W. Groat; Garden, H. R. Brown; Live Stock, A. Campbell; Grounds, W. Wells; Hall, R. H. Eby; Entertainment, A. M. King and E. A. Barrell; Fruit, C. Wallace; Dairy, J. Frith. Honorary Members:— Senator J. D. Taylor, T. B. Stacey M. P. and E. D. Barrow, Minister of agriculture.

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Down in Delta they are going to have the fun of another election. Premier John Oliver, who was driven out of Dewdney recently took refuge in Delta where he was elected no doubt under the impression that no matter what happened he would during the coming five years represent that grand district of the Fraser Valley, but the lure of the Society Life of the great capital was too much for the country gentleman and he has succumbed to the enticements of city versus country representation—and will rperesent Victoria. Wonder what he will do at next election, with the doors of both Dewdney and Delta electoral districts closed against him?

The gentle art of playing both ends against the middle depends for its ultimate success upon the ability of the operator to keep the middle ignorant of his activities at the ends

This political axiom is commended to Messrs Oliver and Farris, who are attempting the trick without sufficient dexterity to conceal it.

A few days ago the Attorney-General summoned a reporter from a hospitable newspaper and forecasted some startling provisions he proposed incorporating in the forthcoming liquor law. There is good reason to believe that his action was hurried by the liquor trade to whom he had given definite assurances during the recent campaign, as a result of which they saved him from defeat in Vancouver. They were doubtless anxious that there be no delay in formally committing the government to Mr. Farris' undertakings.

The situation is embarrassing to the leader of the government. He cannot deny the offending forecast. He dare not repudiate his colleague So he takes refuge in assumed ignorance and in bland dismay over a "leak". The good yeomen of Delta will find their old neighbor has long ago ceased to be candid. Although painfully endeavoring to do so, he has not yet learned to be cute.—Vancouver World.

Proportional Representation

As indicated in an article on the working out of Proportional Representation, as exemplified in the recent aldermanic elections by the adventures of a John Doe ballot, published in The World on Saturday, there is a point in the counting where science ends and an element of chance is allowed to enter. That point has nothing to do with the quota, which is as scientific as possible, as anyone may demonstrate for himself. To take a simple instance, let it be supposed that two candidates are to be elected and 100 votes are polled. It is evident that if, following the rule, we divide the number of votes by one more than the number of candidates, that is, by three, we obtain a quotient of 33, neglecting fractions. If, again following the rule we add one to the quotient, we obtain 34. Now, when two candidates have each obtained 34 votes, no other candidate can obtain that many. Therefore, 34 is the lowest number that will elect only the required number of candidates or the quota. Similarly, in the aldermanic election, where eight were to be elected, division of the total number of votes (6138) by one more (nine) gave a quotient of 682 and, adding one, the quota of 683 was obtained. When eight candidates had each received 683 votes there could not be enough left to elect another.

Nor is the distribution of surplus vots unscientific. To take the hypothetical case adduced, let it be supposed that one of these candidates obtained 51 votes. As it needed only 34 to elect him, he would have a surplus of 17 votes to go to the other candidates. but it would not be fair to take any 17 votes and distribute them; so, in the first instance, all the leading candidates' votes are given out to the other candidates according to the second choices expressed. Clearly, however, these cannot be counted at their full value as that would put them on a par with other first choice voters and result in the voters who made the leading candidate their first choice having still as much influence in the election of other candidates as if they had not already expressed a preference. Each individual vote must, therefore, be regarded as used up to some extent and the extent is accurately indicated by the proportion of surplus votes to the vote polled for the candidate, that is 17 to 51, or one-third. Therefore a candidate who received say, 18 of these second choice votes, would be credited with only six. That was what happened with Mr. Tisdall's surplus of 448 votes. Each other candidate got 448-1124th of the second choice votes coming to him.

And here we meet with a feature which requires a little explanation. Even in "P. R." elections people will plump. In the hypothetical case we have taken, we have not allowed for this. Let us suppose, however, that of the 51 votes eight were plumpers. That would make no difference as to the number of transferrable votes, 17, but it would mean a great deal of difference as to their value. For instead of distributing the surplus in the proportion of 17 to 51 it would now be distributed in the proportion of 17 to 43, and the other candidates would benefit accordingly. If as many as 17 had plumped, that is, indicated only one choice, their first, each second choice would be worth half-value. If 34 had plumped, the fraction would become 17-17ths, that is each transferred second choice vote would be equal to a first choice. This on a superficial glance, seems hardly fair. It must be remembered, however, that the system aims to give the results that would occur did the voters know beforehand how they could best make their votes effective. Clearly, if the voters who cast the 17 transferable ballots had known in advance that their favorite candidate would have enough plumpers to elect him they would have given their first choices to the candidates be asked what would happen if the number of plumpers was so great that the number of transferable votes was less than the surplus. That they preferred next after him. It may possibility has not been overlooked Only transferable votes can be transferred, so if in the case under consideration there had been only 40 plumpers, only 11 full value votes would have been distributed, and there would have been a loss of power, owing to plumping, of six votes that ought to have been available to decide which candidate was to be elected to the second place. In Mr. Tisdall's case there were seven plumpers, or non-transferable votes. That is why, instead of the fractional value transferred being 448-1131 ths it was 448-1124ths.

So far, it will be observed, the will of the electors has been ascertained and expressed with the utmost accuracy. We now come to the arbitrary feature. It will be seen at once that it would be extremely cumbersome to carry forward to each remaining candidate such awkward fractional numbers as would result from multiplying 448-1124 by the number of second choice votes he had received. Take the case of Mr. Birch who had only 39 first choice votes. Mr. Birch received three of Mr. Tisdall's votes, and when he was dropped as the lowest man and the Tisdall-Birch votes distributed, according to their third choices, each of the three candidates to benefit (granting that the third choices were all different) would receive but 448-1124ths of a vote. If those candidates, later on, received other fractional votes in the same way it may be imagined what tremendously minute and tiresome calculations would be needed to establish the exact number of votes added in each case. So, in practice, Mr. Birch is given one vote, his fractional allowance only slightly exceeding one; and one ballot paper, selected at haphard, is reserved for future counts and the other two put away with the rest of the 1131 allocated to Mr Tisdall, those being considered as having exhausted themselves in the election of that gentlemen It will occur to the reader that at a later stage the fact that one ballot paper rather than another had been chosen may make all the difference in a close contest. They thought so in Tasmania and for years insisted on working out fractions and fractional multiples of fractions to the last possible degree of accuracy. Elsewhere the arbitrary selection of ballots had meanwhile been adopted and as a result of agitation in Tasmania in favor of the more expeditious method the ballot papers in several elections, after the contests had been decided on the absolutely scientific system, were handed over to a corps of experts to be recounted by the other method. A surprising discovery was made. There was virtually no difference in the final results. The law of chance was demonstrated to work with such impartiality that the error was not more than one in a million. The allocation on the third count of ballots already once transferred by picking off the number required just as they happened to come made less difference to the candidates than the loss of the vote of an elector, who arrived a minute after the polls closed. Tasmania quickly changed to the less complicated system.—World

Some wag has suggested that it put the finishing touches to a high school pupils' education if he or she were to figure out the fractions of proportional representation at election time.

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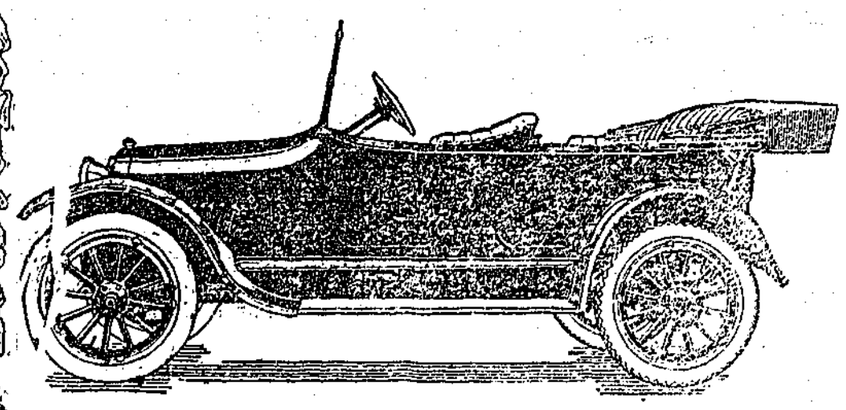

A. McCALLUM, OF ABBOTSFORD ELECTED REEVE OF MATSSQUI MUNICIPALITY

JAPANESE MAKE LIGHT OF AND LAUGH AT RELIGION

The Japanese are a people who try to get as much fun out of the inevitable as they can. As religion is a shi-kataga-nai kota, a thing that can not be helped, they all unite in making the best of it and having as much amusement as possible. They not only joke with each other about the demands and doings of the gods, but joke with the gods themselves, and there is a versicle in one of their litutgies where, instead of saying, "Let us pray," the priest turns to the people and solemly says. "Let us all laugh!"

Recently a remarkable festival has been going on, which may be called the feast of the king of hell, Emma-O, as he is shown in the Japanese patheon. In occidental lands we frequently hear the remark: "Give the devil his due"; but few people do it at least not in the Japanese sense, for here the king of hell commands considerable respect, specially on or about the time of the Bon Matsuri: when all the departed spirits come back to their former habitations to be welcomed by their loved ones; but how can they come, at least that portion of them less fortunate than those who got to Heaven, if the master of the underworld does not let them out for a visit home? So the folk of Japan devote particular attention to the gate keeper of the nether regions at the period of the Bon.

And by what means do the religious people of Japan seek to please the king of hell so that he may favor their long lost ones in allowing them to pay their anual visit to the old homestead? They decorate the temple walls with great pictures of Emma-O, some of them priceless kakemono, hundreds of years old, and from the brush of ancient masters. Some of these paintings depict the dire experiences of spirits in the underworld; for not only is Emma-O the king of hell, but the judge thereof too, and one never knows when one may have to reckon with him, so it is well to keep on the right side of him at any rate. Having done their best to play up to the vanity of the ruler of the abnormally vain, the folk of Japan take down their Emma-O pictures and put them away carefully in fireproof vaults for another year.

Japan has a cansiderable degree of what one Japanese aptly called religion. When the rice is coming out in head the Japanese farmer sets up here and there in the field a bamboo pole with cross piece on which he places a ragged kimona surmounted by a cast-off stray hat to scare off the birds. This is the part which the evil gods and devils play in the nation's theology; and most of the people are about as much influenced by this demonology as the birds are by the scarecrows in the rice plots.

Yet they keep up the joke just as they have done for centuries. It does show, however, that in the Japanese mind, as in the unconsciousness of the human mind everywhere, there is a sense of sin, of some violation of right that one should be afraid of; and as all moral responsibility must associate itself with personality, a judge there should be to deal with it. And just as the sinner in Japan is not dealt with by the emperor, but by officials much lower down, the unseen world must be provided with a similar system. Japanese gods and Japanese religion are simply a transfiguration of the people themselves —anthroporphism with a vengeance. And yet, as has been suggested, it does stand for a degree of moral truth. It means at least that the folk of this country,no less than those of Britain and America, somehow agree that man mus not do what he likes, but what he ought. The categorical imperative is universal.

Removal of Luxury Tax

The removal of the luxury tax, by faciliting the liquidation of merchandise for which the demand had fallen off, has tended to produce a measure of confidence in the business situation. At present there is the usual seasonal unemployment, due partly to the cessation of railway construction work and other outdoor activities, and partly to the temporary shutting down of factories pending stock-taking, repairs and adjustment of plans to meet new conditions. In the coal-mining industry there is general activity. The coal production of Alberta for 1920 is 30 per cent. in excess of that of 1919. The government estimate is that the output runs to well over 6,500,000 tons, as compared with 5,022,412 the previous year. In other coal-mining districts there is similar activity.

The continued decline in prices of agricultural products is the chief factor of a depressing character,and is deterring the liquidation of debts in those areas which depend upon that industry, since plans and commitments were based upon the hope that better prices would be obtained. Falling prices for some of the chief domestic products have tended to restrain sales. At the same time, the proceeds of the agricultral and live stock industries are as large as in any previous year. Actual collections so far, while not as satisfactory as anticipated, are nevertheless indicative of a fair volume of liquidation. Immigration is again being resumed and will add steadily to the products of agriculture. —B. C. Commercial Letter.

"I should hate to marry a naval officer, as you did," said Maud. "They say a sailor has a wife in every port."

"Ah, my dear," purred Kitty, "you have no idea what balm that reflection often brings to one's conscience."

Liberals Select Paterson Of Delta

(From Fraser Valley Record)

A Conservative nominating convention to choose a candidate to contest Delta riding at the forthcoming by-election in the interests of those opposed to the present government at Victoria, will be held at Cloverdale, on Thursday next, 20th, when Hon. W. J. Bowser, K. C., will be present, and also Senator J. D. Taylor to address the electors.

The convention is called by W. A. Kirkland, president of the Delta Conservative Association, and E. T. Wade, secretary.

It is anticipated that the choice of the convention will be Mr. F. J. MacKenzie, the former member, who was defeated by Hon. John Oliver, only 218 votes separating him from the Premier in a three cornered fight. When interviewed today as to whether his name would come before the convention, Mr. MacKenzie said that, while urging from all quarters to immediately take the field, he had refused until a nominating convention had been held. He added: "As to my being a candidate, that depends entirely on the wishes of the convention."

The convention is certain to be a large and representative one. There is strong resentment in Delta, especially among those who supported Mr. Oliver on account of his position or from old friendship's sake, owing to the fact that he has broken his pledge given before election, when he said he would stand by Delta, his home constituency, if elected. Since Honest John has thrown Delta down for a city, there will be many of those who supported the Liberal nominee last October, again found supporting the nominee of the Conservative convention.

The Liberals are holding a convention in the Cloverdale Opera house on Wednesday at 1.30 o'clock, when Hon. John Oliver and Hon. J. D. McLean will be present.

Motion Pictures of Criminals Barred

Motion pictures portraying criminal activities have been barred in Chicago. Chief of Police FitzMorris announced yesterday that he had issued orders to censors not to issue permits for any photoplay that showed acrime committed, even though the end of the picture might show the criminal in a prison cell.

"It will make no difference whether the criminal shown is a hero or a villain," said the chief of police. "Even the showing of a policeman disguised as a burglar is taboo".

The order became public when three youthfull robbers, who were sentenced to the state reformatory said their crimes had been inspired by a "crook" moving pitcure.

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SPARK PLUG CARE IS MOST IMPORTANT

The purpose of the spark plug is to carry the spark to the inside of the cylinder and the construction of the plug in one or more pieces does not make any material difference so long as this is properly done. However, the plug which is so made that the porcelain may be removed has the advantage of being easier to clean, as the core may be readily taken out and wiped with a piece of waste. In doing this, however, it is important not to lose the little gaskets, because without them the plug will leak when replaced. It is also important to see that the points are properly spaced— a trifle less than the thirty-second of an inch. The porcelain should not be permitted to come in contact with emery cloth or sandpaper, or the glaze will be taken off and the life of the plug will be shortened.

ALL NEED NOT MAKE RETURNS

According to information recieved by Mr. D. J. McQuarrie, the postmaster, from the inspector of taxation, it is not necessary for all and sundry to make returns of incomes. Mr. Glendinning advises that unmarried persons in reciept of incomes of less than $1000 and married men whose incomes are less than $2000, and who are working for wages or salaries, need not make returns, unless specifically asked for them.

The post office has been deluged with applications for forms by people who hitherto understood they were not required to make returns, and who now understand that they are so required.

Mr. H. Norman Lidster, who is conducting prosecutions as agent for the Dominion government in this matter, insists however that all are exspected to make returns, and as there seems to be a difference of opinion as to the interpretation of the act, the only safe thing to do is to make the returns.—Columbian.

HAPPILY WEDDED

(From Fraser Valley Record)

MacDonald—Rankin

On Saturday morning, January 8th at 11 o'clock, Nellie Gertrude, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Rankin of Dewdney was married to Mr. Francis MacDonald, the Rev. G. Tanner officiating. The happy young couple left in the afternoon for Telka, B. C. where they will reside in future.

BROWN—LAXTON

A happy event took place on Saturday when Miss Susie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laxton of Ferndale, was united in marriage to Mr. Jas. Brown, of Haney. The ceremony was held in Christ's Church, Vancouver at 1:30. Mr. Laxton, father of the bride, gave her into the safekeeping of the happy groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown left at 3:00 p. m. for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will spend their honeymoon, returning later to reside at Haney.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

The annal meeting of the Presbyterian church was held in the church on Monday evening of last week. There was a fair attendance of members and adherents. Rev. Mr. Robertson conducted devotional exercises, when he was appointed as chairman of the meeting, and Mr. C. Wallace was re-appointed secretary.

The minutes of last annual meeting were read and adopted.

The chairman then read the report of the session which stated that the past year had had many depressing features, viz:- the influenza, measles prairie floods, mosquitoes, almost continuous rains during Septeminer and October which caused a great deal of damage and a large number of removals, thus decreasing attendance at church and Sunday School services, with a similar effect on nearly all departments of the church work. However, the reports of the board of management read by Mrs. J. K. McMenemy, treasurer of the congregation; by Mr. J. A. McGowan, auditor; by Mrs. McMenemy and Mrs. C. A. Ryall, secretary and treasurer of the Ladies' Aid; by Mrs. E. N. Ryall, treasurer of the Women's Misisonary Society, were all of an encouraging nature, notwithstanding the difficulties which had been met during the past year. The current expenses have been met without any deficit at the close of the year. The uncompleted reports of the missionary budget, the Sunday School and the forward movement will be given to the congregation in the near future when prepared. The officers elected were, for managers, Messrs Alex. McCallum, J. K. McMenemy, and J. Hutchison, re-elected; with Mr. Lorne H. Farrow and Mrs. Alex. McKay to fill vacancies on the board. Mr. J. A. McGowan was re-elected auditor. Mr. James Hutchison and Mr. Robert Steiss were re-elected ushers. Votes of thanks were passed to the Ladies' Aid, to Mr McGowan, the auditor, to Mr. Hutchison and Mr. Steiss the ushers, with special thanks to Mr. Steiss for keeping the church comfortable, to Mr. John Walker for his good work with his large boys' class, and to the Misses Rodgers and Mrs. Wm. Stewart for supplying the church with flowers and to Mr. Alex. McCallum for his successful leadership of the choir. The meeting was very harmonious and happy with prospects brightening for the future. After the business, the ladies served refreshments and a pleasant social time was enjoyed.

Johnny liked ice cream, but he drew the line at turning the freezer One day when his mother returned home she was greatly surprised to find him working away at the crank as though his life depended on it.

"I don't see why you get him to turn the freezer," she said to her husband, "I offered him a dime to do it."

"You didn't go at it the right way my dear," replied the husband "I bet him a nickel he couldn't turn it for half an hour."

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MEIGHEN SAYS IT IS DIFERENT

THANKS TO THE ELECTORS

I wish to thank the Electors of Matsqui for their votes and support in the recent Municipal Election in again placing me at the head of the municipal affairs.

The same policy of fairness and economy and the bettermen of our roads will be carried out by me.

At the end of the present year I hope to point with pride to the work done by the council of 1921.

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bating Society held another interest-

The Mt. Lehman Literary and Deing meeting on Saturday evening, Jan. 8th. The subject was, "Resolved that the Efficiency of the Human Race is Declining". For the affirmative, Mrs. Gamsby, leader discussed the subject along the lines of machinery; Miss Ruth Owen discussed the subject from a mental standpoint, and Mr. Clarence Marsh from the physical. The negative side was taken by Mrs. (Rev.) Oswald, leader, whose subject was education, law and government. Mrs. Forrester's subject was invention, and Arthur Boyle's was medical surgery and chemistry. The judges, Messrs. Leslie Marsh, Dan Nicholson Jr., and Donald McAskill, after a prolonged discussion, decided that the negative side had won the case. These meetings are proving very interesting and helpful to the citizens of the community and are very well attended. The next meeting will take the form of a social evening and "Nicht Wi' Burns."

DONATE LIBERALLY TO EUROPEAN RELIEF FUND

The monthly meeting of the Parent Teachers Association was held in the schoolroom on Monday afternoon. There was a large attendance and a most excellent meeting was held. The president, Mrs. Parton, presided, and Mrs. Thornthwaite acted as secretary.

Principal Davis reported that he had received a cheque from the Abbotsford Lumber, Mining and Development Company, Limited, for $25 for the distressed areas fund of Central and Eastern Europe. The complete returns for that purpose contributed by the school were $59.78, by the mill employees $17, secured by canvass $53.94, obtained by entertainment and sale of baskets $52.50, making in all the maount of $208.22. This, with the $17 from the recital of the pupils of the Misses Steede, makes the contribution from Abbotsford and district for relief the sum of $225.22.

A copy of the published constitution of the Parent-Teachers' Association was presented and the president read a considerable part of it. On motion it was adopted, but the matter of federation with other associations was not at present favorable. The principal, Mr. Davis, was appointed honorary president of the association.

The president and secretary were authorized to interview the school board and invite them to attend or send a representative to the next meeting of the association. It was decided unanimously to call a public meeting to be held in the school room on Monday evening, 17th inst., toconsider ways and means of providing sufficient accommodation for the increased number of children attending the school as more accommodation is absolutely required. The financial secretary reported the sum of $30.40 in the treasury. The secretary Mrs. Thornthwaite, finding it necessary to resign on account of other duties, her resignation was regretfully accepted, and a vote of thanks was tendered for her excellent services. She will continue to be a member of the society. On ballots being cast for secretary, Miss McQueen was declared elected. A ballot also being cast for a treasurer Miss Manning was declared elected.

The president then introduced Mrs MacLachlan, of Victoria ,secretary of Women's Institutes in the Department of Agriculture for the province who was present on invitation. She spoke on the subject of "Health of School Children," which meant the future health of the nation; also on "Sanitation," which meant community work, and on "The Crusade for Health Among the Children Attending Schools" by means of charts, which pupils might use on their honor, through which a continuous report might be recorded and a suggestive method of instruction along health lines would always be kept. She drew many interesting illustrations from her own experience as a teacher for ten years, and from years of experience as secretary in her present official position. Her address was interesting and instructive. Her suggestions may be acted upon in the future, when better accommodation and equipment are provided. The speaker was heartily thanked for her good address.

FRASER VALLEY ELECTIONS

Matsqui—

Alex McCallum, reeve; council, M. Morrison, C. O. D. Bell, R. M. Benson, A. E. Gledhill; school trustees, P. Jackman, R. Owens

Sumas—

Reeve, James Cook; council, J. Frith, D. E. Austin, J. L. Atkinson, C. Lamson; trustees, E. B. McPhail, G. Bolster.

Mission

R. E. Knight was elected reeve for 1921.

Messrs R. H. Clark, John Doyle, D. Gibard and Harvey Wren were elected Councillors for 1921.

The Trustees elected were Mr. W. J. Clark, Mrs. J. Keeves, Mr. J. A. Lampard, Mr. J. B. Millar and Mr. A. S Taulbut

There are rumors of extensive extensive building this summer in Abbotsford.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH HAS GRATIFYING REPORT

The annual congregational meeting of St. Paul's Church was held in the Huntingdon church on Wednesday evening, January 5. After devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. W. Robertson, Mr. F. J. Tapp was appointed chairman and Mr. W. Owen was made secretary.

The report of the secretary-treasurer of the board of management, Mr. Sidney Skinner was very gratifying. The congregation had increased their stipend contributions $25 for the past year, with a small balance on the credit side. He reported a successful year with the Sunday School, which also had a small balance on the right side, the Sunday School recent offering to the China Mission Fund being $12. The congregational guild also had a successful year, contributing $70 to the church and manse board in Toronto in the indebtedness on the church building.

The following were elected officers for the coming year: Board of management, Messrs Wm. Owens, chairman; Sidney Skinner, secretary-treasurer; F. J. Tapp, Mrs. M. McGillivray and Mrs. Tapp, Mrs. M. McGillivray and Mrs. Waterston, with the Rev. W. Robertson, honorary chairman. The officers of the congregational guild are president: Rev. W. Robertson; secretary, Mrs. Tapp; treasurer, Mr. Sidney Skinner, with various committees.

Much appreciation of the excellent services of Miss G. Tapp as organist was spoken and the pastor and Mr. M. McGillivray were appointed a committee to write her a letter expressing the congregation's great appreciation of her services as organist for the church and Sunday School for several years. They were directed to send her also a donation as a slight acknowledgement of the wishes of her special friends for her gratuitous services.

Harmony and progress were the prevailing notes of the past year in connection with this small congregation.

Mr. A. McCallum, reeve of Matsqui was in Mission City this week on business.

Most of our merchants are busy taking stock these days, but report that for January business has been real good—in fact much better than last January.

ENLARGING THE STORE FLOOR SPACE

Mr. Albert Lee has enlarged his store, having torn out the partitions between the living rooms and the store, making one fine large room, thus giving him excellent store space. When the work is completed he will have an excellent looking store, indicating that the business is growing.

Mr. F. J. R. Whitchelo, who has been on the sick list for a few days, is again down to business, full of the usual 'pep'.

Mr. A. Lee has moved into his new home, which he recently built.