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SUMAS COUNCIL

William Porter waited on the Sumas Council at its last meeting on Saturday last and advised that body that it would be necessary to raise the price of lots in the cemetery, in order to make that institution self-sustaining. Reeve Fooks expressed fear that such a course would make dying still more unpopular. The reeve was of the opinion that the high cost of living worried the people enough, without increasing the cost of dying. The price of lots in the cemetery was set at twenty dollars, or five dollars for a single grave, which is an increase of one hundred per cent.

Discussing depredations committed by bad boys in the municipality took up some of the council's time. It was stated that the worst set of boys out of captivity, were to be found here. Instances of stoning driving horses on the higwhay, of driving cows away from home; of the ruination of fruit trees; robbing trunks in a private residence; and, when caught in the act of tearing up a garden in revenge for some of the pranks with which the rising generation of Sumas was charged. The parents of the boys complained of will be notified that no further leniency will be extended to those boys, whose acts of mischief and vandalism have become unbearable.

W. F. Fadden addressed the council and drew attention to the mosquito breeding waterholes alongside the B. C. E. R. adjoining his property Mr. Fadden statedt hat he would undertake to put the oil out to kill off the pest if the company would provide the oil. The company will be advised of Mr. Fadden's offer.

John Murphy waited on the council and asked that body to settle a little difference of opinion bteween himself and a neighbor named G. Cox regarding a roadway which runs between their respective properties. This road has been gazetted but never declared open and Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. Cox was at the present time cropping the roadway and asked permission to run a fence along the centre of the roadway and to be allowed to make use of his half of the road until such time as the council decided tod eclare the road open. The council explained that they did not have the power to issue such a permit. All they could do was to declare the road open, and this would prevent either party from cropping the roadway. Mr. Cox, who was not present, was called on the phone and said he was unable to attend the meeting. He was advised thatt he council was about to declare the road open and replied that he had no objection to offer. Mr. Murphy however objected as he claimed that this would compel him to fence his property while Mr. Cox whose ground is uncultivated would escape this expense. The council instructed the clerk to notify both parties that the road would be declared open in sixty days. The total amount of land involved is one-sixte entht of an acre.

DEATH CALLS ANOTHER PIONEER OF THE DISTRICT

The funeral of the late Thomas Bradner took place from All Saints church, Mission City, to the Hatzic cemetery. The service at the church and the graveside was conducted by Rev. Mr. J. W. Weatherdon, the vicar.

For some time the deceased had not been in the best of health, especially the last month, and passed away quietly on Saturday last at his home on Matsqui prairie, surrounded by his family. Mrs. Bradner was buried about two months ago. He leaves to mourn the death of a kind father, one daughter Mrs. Mouldey of Port Coquitlam; four boys, Tom, Charlie, Frank and George, all of whom reside on the farm at Matsqui except Tom who is in Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bradner came to Mission City some twenty-nine years ago and after residing here for some time settled on a ranch of which the present station of Bradner on the B. C. E. R. was the centre Here the couple hewed out a bush farm and home, but soon came the tram line, and to show how farseeing Mr. Bradner was he made the company a most liberal proposition for right of way and station. Later the place was sold and Mr. and Mrs. Bradner came to Mission and lived on the Morton property, now occupied by Mr. Charles Robertson. A couple of years ago Matsqui, the present farm at Matsqui was made the home of the family.

The deceased was born at Enniskerry, count yof Wicklow, Ireland, January 5, 1854, and after his marriage came to Port Arthur where he resided for several years before coming to British Columbia.

The sons and daughters of the late Mr. Bradner have the sympathy of a very large circle of friends who in their hours of sorrow sympathize sincerely with them. They have this consolation to comfort them, that the name of Tom Bradner was universally respected by all who knew him personally and by others who knew him only by name, and that during a residence of about thirty years he carried out his part as a citizen so that all will cherish his good name.

Many tokens of regard and respect were sent by friend and acquaintance and among these were from: Mr. and Mrs. C. Portsmouth, Mrs. Geo. Cade, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bradner, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bradner, Vancouver Mrs. G. Mouldey, Port Coquitlam Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Yeomans, Mr. and Mrs. T. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. M. Read, and a number of others without cards.

The pallbearers were brother Orangemen: Messrs J. A. Catherwood, S. J. Yeomans, E. M. Bradner, J. Bradner, J. Matthews and J. Ryder.

MONSTER PEACE CELEBRATION

Saturday July 19th has been set apart as a day of grand celebration as peace day after the greatest war that has been known in modern history; and Abbotsford and district will celebrate that day as enthusiastically with the same spirit of victory as called our boys to arms; with the same victorious spirit as enabled the mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers and children to say farewell as the boys marched off to the field of battle; with the same victorious spirit as enabled the dear ones left at home to wait and hope for the best; with the same victorious spirit that enabled the bereaved ones to put on a smiling brave face when the worst word came that could come about the soldier father, brother or husband; with the same victorious spirit that enabled the women to carry on such a large amount of war work during those long years, and the men and women to so willingly give the necessary funds for the different branches of the work; and last but not least Abbotsford will celebrate imbued with that soldierly spirit which has been exhibited by the soldiers themselves, both upon the battle field and during the days when a "blighty" gave them relief for a short time from the dangers of the battlefield, and with that victorious smile that has shone forth from the war worn soldier face on his return. Yes, Abbotsford and district will celebrate, we have the home spirit and the soldier spirit together and this is the combination that helped to win the war.

Let us hope it will be a fine day so that all will be able to enjoy the greatest opportunity we shall probably ever have of celebrating victory. It will be a day for the old folks and the young folks. An excellent programme has been prepared and Abbotsford and district will send up, with the rest of Canada, the grand loud cheer of victory and peace.

Let everyone get ready for a bumper day's outing.

The following committees have been appointed:

Programme and Music. Rev. W. Robertson and Mrs. A. Fraser.

Parade: Reeve A. McCallum.

Sports: J. A. McGowan and W. L Longfellow.

Concessions: Geo. H. Kerr.

Publicity: F. J. R. Whitchelo, E. A. Barrett, A. Lee.

Cloak Room: J. Watt.

Reception: Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Ferris.

Grounds: A. Hulton Harrop, J. Vanetta.

Finance: N. Hill.

Dance. L. McPhee and C. Fraser.

The events of the day will include an auto parade to Clayburn and to Huntingdon; Speeches and patriotic songs on the school grounds; sports for children nad grown-ups, novelty races, including the greasy pig, the hot and greasy pole; tug-of-war and dancing. The committee advertise not an idle moment during the day that one cannot amuse one's self with something exciting.

A prize will be given for the best decorated car in the parade. All the autos will have an opportunity of winning a prize; give the number of your car to the committee and see who the lucky cr is.

Refreshments will be served on the grounds.

Cloak room in the school house.

The G. W. V. A. have engaged the Red Cross Rooms for themselves and friends.

It is expected that a large number from the outside will attend.

The chairman of the peace celebration is G. H. Kerr and the secretary is J. A. McGowan.

A social evening will be spent at the home of Mr. Hart at Huntingdon on Wednesday evening July 16th. A royal welcome is extended to all who can make it convenient to be present.

Peace thanksgiving services will be held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening next. All returned soldiers of the district and all strangers are invited to attend.

The W. C. T. U. held a social on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt. Ice cream was served and a splendid program was rendered.

Miss Ida Boulter from Everett is the guest of Miss Given Sumner.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Parton and daughter, Miss Florence Parton are holidaying in Seattle.

Mrs. McLean and children from Vancouver have been the guest of Mrs. Mitter and returned last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shore are holidaying at Spence's Bridge, Kamloops and Merritt.

Mr. Glen Thomas is spending a few days at his home in Abbotsford

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Edwards from Belcara spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Zeigler.

Mr. Dennison, Mr. and Mrs Groat and children motored to White Rock on Thursday afternoon with Mr. McMenemy.

Rev. Campbell from Collingwood East assisted in the funeral services of the late Clarence Gazley on Saturday last. There was a very large attendance at the funeral and the services were conducted in the hall.

Mr. McMenemy had an auto accident when returning from the funeral on Saturday. The auto took a couple of somesaults and finally it landed in between two logs about ten feet down the bank. The windshield was broken but Mr. McMenemy, who was alone in the car at the time, escaped without injuries.

Mr. McKinnon has purchased a home from Mr. Wm. Roberts—the place occupied by Mrs. McClennaghan.

The W. A. held another whist drive last week. An enjoyalbe evening was spert.

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The question of planking the C. P. R. bridge at Mission City came up again at the last meeting of the Matsqui council, and this paper does admire the council for the determined stand this council is taking in the matter, and it is hoped for the sake of both Matsqui and Mission and the general public that the council has started something that will in tre end—at no very distant date,—see the accomplishment of soemthing which has been the talk of the community for a quarter of a century.

Should the matter reach the Board of Railway Commissioners we have no doubt but they would recommend that the bridge be planked, but we do not think that it would be necessary to go that far. Were data properly prepared and put in a presentable shape before the proper officials of the C. P. R. we believe that company would willingly take the proposition up, from a business point of view.

There is no need to go into the pros and cons in favor of the scheme as there is but little doubt it would be of great benefit to the district in the way of building up business.

It is not many years since the present ferry was put on the run between Mission and Matsqui and the traffic has increased year by year until now there is need for a larger ferry, which the government realizes and at an early date we may expect to see the larger ferry on the run

The fact of being able to go over the bridge at any hour of the day or any minute of the day, except when a train is crossing would be a still greater impetus to increasing traffic consequently business.

The present ferry is most excellent the crew is accommodating, the ferry is run on time and the only thing that can be found fault with the service is that a forty minute service from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. does not meet the demands of the district The ferry has been a business builder for the district along the Fraser and vehicular traffic across the Fraser would meet the growing demands of the central Fraser Valley.

But while on the subject we do not agree with Coun. Aish that the reason the 'provincial government threw cold water on the suggestion is because it came from the outside and putting it into effect would not bring any political credit to Oliver's fossiliers." Coun. Aish should know that Oliver has no 'fossiliers' in and arounds Mission City now. Once it was a hot-bed for Oliver boosting the the present premie rbut now the Oliver men in Mission City are as scarce as hen's teath. They all say Oliver has attained the objective for which he set out—premier of the province—but that he is not making good and like wise men have written failure opposite Honest John's name and have further decided that so far as Dewdney is concerned Oliver can do as this paper suggested in 1916, go back to the Delta and dig potatoes We just wish to put Coun. Aish right on this little matter. The reason the provincial government threw 'cold water' on the suggestion was simply, for the same reason that we have seen our roads in the Fraser Valley become less passable during the past three years, for the same reason that the returned soldier is against the government; for the same reason that the present government made a bungle of the affairs of this province—lack of a policy, of development for the province.

Automobilists will take warning that hereafter while in the vicinity of the townships of Haney and of Hammond, wherever that may be, that the rate of speed is ten miles an hour. This will enable the tourists and business men to take in all the sights while passing through the two towns. Otherwise the speed is too slow for the comfort and convenience of the autoist. Had they put it at fifteen miles an hour it would have enabled the same sightseeing and to have enjoyed the trip also.

Down in Sumas municipality the council spent some time last meeting discussing the bad boy of the community. We do not think there is such a creature living as a bad boy. At least not on a very large scale We really think nearly all trouble lies with the parents. There might be bad young men but not boys.

Sometime ago we published an item from the Chilliwack Progress purporting to come from the local fruit inspector of that place. Since that time we have taken more particular notice of the crop in this district and have talked with many of the growers and we have yet to find a grower who will acknowledge that his crop of small fruits will be any 'ten to twenty per cent lighter' this year than former years. We know the strawberry crop has been a banner crop, and at present prices has brought anything from $800 to $1200 per acre. We know several men who have taken—so they claim—$300 clear per acre from their strawberry patches this year. Certainly a visit to the cannery or to the C. P. R. station would indicate that there were strawberries in abundance in the district this year. Any statement that the strawberry crop was less this year than last year would be considered incorrect, so far as we have been able to judge.

Now when it comes to the present outlook for the raspberries it is the general concensus of opinion that the crop this year will be equal to that of last year, even a little better The season is just beginning, but it looks better than last year.

We can't understand why Mr. Munson should try to cry down the Mission and Hatzic district as we are sure that it will not gain him anything with the good people of Chilliwack as most of them must know he is talking hot air.

There is no comparison between this district and Chilliwack when it comes to small fruit, as that is an agricultural district and this is a fruit district. We don't doubt the ability of Chilliwack to raise enough cream for the strawberries of Mission and Hatizc district, and when they are doing that they are having bumper crop of cream.

In a recent issue the same gentleman says: "Chilliwack will be the largest small fruit district in the province" You will notice he says "will be". When Mr. Munson can say that the Chilliwack small fruit is more than a million dollars, he can begin talking.

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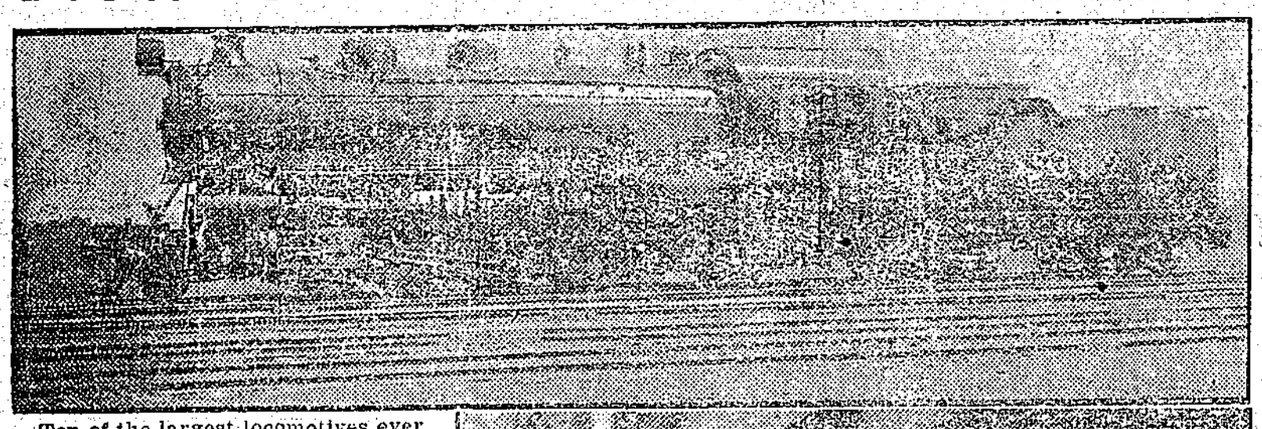

Ten of the largest locomotives ever built for use on Canadian railways have been under construction for some time at the C.P.R. Angus Shops in Montreal, and one of these, No. 5302, was inspected the other day by President E. W. Beatty, and Vice-president Grant Hall. These locomotives are of the heavy Mikado type and are intended for freight service, being designed and built under the direct supervision of Mr. W. H. Winterrowd, the Chief Mechanical Engineer.

The weight of the engine and tender in working condition is 500,000 lbs., the engine alone weighing 323,000 lbs. The diameter of the driving wheels is 63 inches. The cylinders are 25½ inches in diameter by 32-inch stroke, which with 200-lbs. boiler pressure makes these locomotives capable of exerting a maximum tractive effort of 36,000 lbs. The diameter of the boiler is 80 inches at the front end and 90 inches at the back end. The fire box is 84 inches wide and 120 inches long, and the grates are moved by steam grate shakers.

The cab is of the vestibule type, which is the C.P.R. standard, and every effort has been made to make the accommodations for the enginemen as comfortable as possible. One side of the cab is fitted with a clothes locker 14 inches by 20 inches wide, in which clothes can be hung and lunch pails carried.

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It is with regret that the death of Bert Clark is recorded as having died in Seattle, Wash, last month from influenza. The funeral took place in Toronto where the parents are living. Mr. Clark for sometime owned the harness shop here Mrs. Clark and children have the sympathy of friends in Abbotsford.

MATSQUI COUNCIL

A number of delegations from different parts of the municipality waited on the council at the regular meeting of that body which was held here on Monday and asked that road work be undertaken. In some cases repairs to existing roads were asked for while in other cases the request was for the opening of new roads. A well signed petition asking that repairs be made to the Aberdeen road wa salso presented. The respective ward councillors will visit each of these roads and the council will do its utmost, with the money available, to satisfy the applicants.

It is admitted that the taxes of the municipality will have to be raised considerably in order to meet the demands for roads. It is estimated that the value received from the money spent on roads has shrunk fully 75 per cent in five years, that $100 now spent on roads does not stand up more than half as long. so that it requires $100 to now accomplish what $25 did formerly.

Wm Merrifield waited on the council and asked compensation for damage to property, caused through taking out gravel. He stated that a hole had been made in the face of the property which made it impossible to run a straight fence along it and that this will get worse as the earth falls in from time to time He asked $50 damages and Coun. Aish will meet Mr. W. Merrifield on Thursday night and try to arrnage a settlement.

Coun. Aish reported that the people of Mission City and district were a unit in endorsing the proposal to plank the C. P. R. bridge at that flc. A number of competent men have examined the bridge and approaches and measured the clear inside width of bridge and these men claim that instead of the proposition not being feasible, as claimed by teh provincial government it is extremely simple. It is felt that the C. P. R. would not raise serious objection as that company would not only be getting a rental for use of bridge, but that this convenience would increase settlement and production along the company's line The concensus of opinion in the district seems to be that the reason the provincial government threw cold water on the suggestion is because it came from the outside and putting it into effect would not bring any political credit to Oliver's fossiliers. The clerk was instructed to ask the municpal solicitor what steps it is necessary to take to have this case laid before the Dominion Railway Commission.

Maple Ridge

However ardently the property owners of Haney may desire new sidewalks, it is manifest their ardor draws the line at paying for them under the local improvement process On Friday only one ratepayer polled in favor of the Haney Sidewalks Bylaw under the local improvement procedure, thirteen againts it and there was one spoilt ballot. A total of fifteen exercised their franchise out of a total directly interested of seventy-six. The result was undoubtedly surprising as allowing for the busy fruit harvesting, indifference and misplaced optimism that it would go through anyhow, a considerable proportion of the ratepayers within the Haney area had announced their intention of supporting the measure. The council received the report of the returning officer, Mr. T Peterson on Saturday at their monthly meeting with equanimity. Councillor Adair observed with a touch of chagrin that the bylaw went out like Jess Willard.

The council appointed Mr. W. T. Roberts assessor for the property roll of 1920 at a fee of $500. There were three applicants and a paramount qualification, over another candidate, was that Mr. Roberts is a returned soldier, besides possessing the necessary commendations and agreeing to visit every parcel of land in the municipality for assessment purposes.

There were no tenders received for the construction of the Whonnock Creek bridge which was promised by the preceding council and endorsed by the present one. This apathy in the minds of potential bridge builders of Whonnock tempted Councillor Best to advance the suggestion that perhaps his constituents there might prefer to have the allotted money expended on roads.

Councillor Lilley said he had received a letter from ex-Councillor Sproule urging expedition in the matter. He had driven a gentleman over to the site last week to look at the proposition, but he had not said whether he would tender or not. The man was a competent bridge builder but suffered at present from physical injuries.

It was ultimately agreed that the time for receiving tenders should be extended another month and that in the meantime Councillor Best would invite a definite expression of opinion from the residents of the interested district upon his alternative suggestion.

After reading the monthly reports of the police magistrate and Constable Pope, the latter observed that the concurrence of the attorney-general had been invoked for the prosecution of Sunday fruit gatherers. He informed the council however, that the Dominion fruit inspector was frankly adverse to prosecution for picking or conveying to market.

There was a feeling of relief that the responsibility was on the shoulders of the attorney-general now.

In consequence of a written complaint from Mr. W. M. Webster that the work on St. Anne's street had cost double what it should, the council visited and personally inspected it. Councillor Adair excepted.

On their return it was evident there was justification in the protest for much dissatisfaction was expressed at the time spent in the work or its equivalent in dollars. Councillor Lilley was also dissatisfied with the work in his beat. Councillors specifically responsible for the beats where the dissatisfaction exists will endeavor to rectify matters as far as the road work is concerned.

A correspondence with the public works department, Victoria, and Messrs Parrott & Gustafson, Hammond farmers, revealed the fact the farmers had been in negotiation with the wrong department. They should have communicated with the dyking commissioners. Water accumulated and damaged their land and prevented their using Melville street. The council agreed to transmit the correspondence to the drainage and dyking commissioners and undertook to make the road conditionally upon the commissioners attending to the ditch involved and draining the road of water It was pointed out that the farmers represented had paid road and dying taxes for years without benefit.

Mr. McFadden, who recently purchased the Lockwood property or 160 acres, about a mile westerly from Webster's Corners elicited the sympathy of the council in his isolation through lack of a road. Mr. McFadden was paying $450 taxes this year and was under contract to pay $770, Councillor Lilley's appropriations had been allocated and the work would cost $500 to do effectively. The reeve urged a temporary relief to Mr .cFadden and a special appropriation of $100 found favor, although no definite resolution was passed.

A communication from the secretary of the B. C. Union of Municipalities re possible disaster to municipal finances by possible legislation relieving returned soldiers and their widows and orphans from corporation taxes during 1914-1918 was read. As the detailed and minute information asked for involved an appalling amount of work without satisfaction in the matter of accuracy, itw as filed.

The reeve reported that he had interviewed Mr. Gauhler in reference to Mr. Buchanan's road, and as he had told him it was a matter for arrangement between the two gentlemen themselves. He had so informed Mr. Buchanan.

The council agreed to contribute $200 towards the further improvement of Maple Ridge Cemetery and the commissioners were complimented upon its gradual embellishment.

The excessive speed of auto drivers in Hammond and Haney has become a danger as well as a nuisance and henceforth the speed within these township areas will be restricted to ten miles an hour under penalties.

A number of municipal bylaws were reconsidered and finally passed which have already been given publicity.

Constable Pope conducted a party representing an imperial soliders' settlement board over the municipality on Thursday, a British imperial officer, a Canadian army officer, a botanist and other experts were in the party. A visit was made to the different sections of land ranging from the primeval forest to the highly cultivated fruit ranches poultry and dairy farms. The visitors expressed themselves highly gratified with what they saw.

Mr. F. J. Roche, of New Westminster, who is to have charge of the Mission City branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada, arrived in Mission City yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Roche.

MISSION FALL FAIR

The date for the Mission Fall Fair is September 17th and 18th.

The days of the week are Wednesday and Thursday. Wednesday will be for the exhibitors and the judges and Thursday will be for the visitors

What are you intending to show this year? Are you a booster for the fall fair? Have you yet decided what you will exhibit? Is it getting the attention you thought you would like it to get? It is a busy season but do not neglect it A few minutes might help out.

The committee are working on the prize list now and hope to soon have it ready.

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