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WEATHER REPORT FOR OCTOBER.
Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
Temperature: Maximum, 51. Minimum, 37.
Highest Max. (1st) 65. Lowest Min. (10th) 26
Rainfall, 12.40 inches.

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Russians Successful in a Bayonet Fight

Petrograd, Dec. 1—The following official communication was issued today: "In the Rigst region yesterday there were succesful actions by our artillery on several parts of the region, southwest of Pinsk on Sunday evening the enemy attacked the village of Drotora, the attempt was repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy and the attack ceased at midday, Monday, and was not renewed. On Friday evening on the left bank of the Styr river one of our units attacked a detachment of the enemy west of the village of Kozelinchi, after a bayonet fight the greater part of the Austrians were killed, of the remainder three officers and 83 soldiers were taken prisoners. Our losses were four men killed and ten wounded."

Austrian Monitors Patrol the Danube

London, Dec., 1.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Bucharest dated Tuesday says:

"Feverish preparations are being made at Rustchuk on the Danube west of the Rumanian border, to accommodate 50,000 Austrian-German troops who are due to arrive there shortly. Many officers with war materials already have arrived. Four Austrian monitors are patrolling the Danube along the whole length of the Bulgarian shore to where the Bulgarian frontier joins that of Rumania."

Ireland is Loyal

London, Dec. 1.—Addressing a recruiting meeting Mr. John Redmond said he had visited the Belgian lines and seen King Albert. "I told him," said the Irish leader, "that Ireland was determined to stand by the independence of Belgium at any cost. Come weal or woe, Ireland would have no peace that does not bring about the rehabilitation of Belgium."

Mr. Redmond concluded with a message from the Irish troops at the front to their countrymen.

"They ask me to say they feel that every man of them in this war is fighting not merely for liberty and right, but for the prosperity of their beloved Ireland as well. They ask Ireland to stand by them."

Possibility of an Election

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—The Evening Journal published a story to the effect that no decision to summon parliament to meet in January has been arrived at, and that there is still a possibility of a general election being held before the House meets. No confirmation of the report is obtainable.

Aeroplane Sinks German Submarine

London, Dec. 1—The admiralty issued the following statement last night: "On November 28th flight sub-Lieut. Viney accompanied by an officer, Lieut. de Sincay, while patrolling off the Belgian coast dropped a bomb on a German submarine. The submarine was observed to have had its back broken and sank in a few minutes with all on board. During the same day flight-Lieut. Ferrand with air mechanic Oldfield in a seaplane shot down a German Albatross seaplane off Ostend. The Albatross heaved head first into the sea and sunk.

Two Defenders Only

Petrograd, Dec. 1.—Russian military observers are finding frequent indications that the German lines on this front are diminishing. These are furnished by reports from the fighting lines, notably from the sector northeast of Riga. As an instance, it is stated that in capturing the passage between two marshes, the sole defenders of the position were two Germans with machine guns.

Tommy, an Indian from Kimsquit, who has been on a visit to the Indian village, died suddenly on Thursday evening last week. There was apparently nothing amiss with him until he was discovered in the village street suffering from severe hemorrhage of the lungs. He died shortly after being brought to a house.

The Bella Coola Temperance Society held its monthly meeting at the Lower Bella Coola schoolhouse last Sunday afternoon. Quite a number of people gathered to listen to the program. The meeting was presided over by Mr. O. C. Olsen, president of the society.

A committee consisting of C. Carlson, G. B. Olsen and John Widsten were elected to arrange for co-operation with the People's Prohibition Movement. The program was carried out to the satisfaction of all concerned and consisted of songs by the audience, music by the string band and speeches by C. Carlson, G. B. Olsen and M. B. Christensen.

In the evening a still larger crowd assembled at the same place to attend the monthly meeting of the Young People's Missionary Society of the Lutheran Church. Rev. H. Sageng led the meeting. The program proved both varied and interesting.

It opened with the singing of a hymn by the audience, followed by the responsive reading of the parable of the good Samaritan.

Rev. H. Sageng and Mr. Paul Fredland each made a speech. Little John Fredland gave a fine reading in Norwegian, showing evidence of high training in a foreign language. Victor Carlson gave another reading in English. A string band of twelve members gave two selections which were highly appreciated.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Camosun on her northbound trip arrived here on Friday evening at eight o'clock about 24 hours late. She reports very rough weather in crossing Queen Charlotte Sound. The heavy seas smashed two of her lifeboats. After she had fought her way to Takush Harbor she laid there for five hours until the storm moderated. The captain expressed the opinion that he should be able to make up the lost time on this trip and arrive here on schedule time, Friday this week. Whether his expectations were realized we are unable to tell at the time of writing this.

There were quite a number of passengers for this place and the usual amount of freight. The arrivals were: John B. Sylvester, F. A. Johnson, H. D. Brown, C. C. Mills, F. H. Strain, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gross, Miss Klingenberg and Mrs. P. G. Noot and her two children.

John B. Sylvester, who has spent the summer same as he has been doing for a number of years, as manager of the Beaver Cannery at Rivers Inlet, returns to his home in Saloomt to spend the winter. Since the winding up of the season's fishing activities he has taken a recreation trip to the cities and settlements of the south. Among other places visited he also spent some time in viewing the wonders of the Panama Exposition at San Francisco.

Mrs. P. G. Noot of Victoria, came up to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Capt. Thorsen. She spent her childhood years among these mountains and with the people here and no doubt wishes to remain over Christmas to take part in the old country style of celebrating the great festival.

Mr. and Mrs. Gross have been away on a short visit among friends; and returns more determined than ever to stick to Bella Coola as the best place to stay, especially during war times.

Miss Klingenberg came from far distant Norway to take up her residence in this valley. The fame of our mountain home on the Pacific has reached the rock-ribbed shores of northern Norway, and she determined that it is safer on this side of the Atlantic at the present time than on the other.

Mr. F. A. Johnson, of Firvale, has been away purchasing a semi-portable sawmill which he is arranging to put up on ground adjoining the townsite. It is said he has secured from the government a contract to furnish the planks necessary to renew the covering for the government wharf and approach.

That this enterprise will prove quite an acquisition for the place it is quite reasonable to assume.

Mr. F. H. Strain is a stranger in the place, but we venture to say he will not remain such very long. He comes here to fill the place of millwright at the new sawmill and will no doubt find conditions so congenial that he will remain permanently.

Mr. Mills' interest in the place is such that he cannot stay away very long at a time. He comes here regularly several times a year as representative of the famous wholesale grocery house, Kelly, Douglas & Co., Vancouver. He feels it his duty to see that the people of this place have sufficient food to last them over Christmas and longer, and any shortage in this respect he is both anxious and willing to relieve.

H. D. Brown is another man who finds Bella Coola the best and safest place known where to scratch for a living.

Our readers in Bella Coola are again reminded of the bazaar to be conducted by the ladies of the townsite at the Hotel Hall this afternoon and evening.

All their friends and those who want to encourage religious work in the place are asked to come and make the bazaar a success. A whole year's work of the members of the Ladies Aid Society is focussed on this occasion, and these efforts on their part should receive our hearty recognition.

Our former fellow-resident, Mr. E. C. Ablewhite, has severed his connections with this place and taken up his residence at Namu. He has taken up a piece of land near the lake a short distance back of the village, and will engage in the raising of hogs and chickens, the product of which will find a ready market at the canneries. We believe he will find ample scope for his energies and feel confident he will score a success.

CALL FOR TENDERS

TENDERS for the falling of timber and delivering the same at my mill adjoining the townsite, by the thousand feet, is hereby called for.

Tenders may be made for either work, separately or jointly. Further particulars may be obtained from the undersigned. Tenders will be received at the COURIER office until noon December 9th.

F. A. JOHNSON.

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Bella Coola Farmers' Institute will be held in the Colony Hall, Hagensborg, at 2 p.m. on Monday the 20th day of December, 1915.

Election of officers for the ensuing year and one delegate to represent Bella Coola at the Central Farmers' Institute, and any other business.

Everybody welcome.

A. HAMMER, Sec.-Treas.

Church Notice

Sunday School - 10:45 a. m.
Church Service - 7:30 p. m.

Mr. C. Carlson will conduct the service.

Rev. T. C. Colwell, B. A., Pastor

Below we publish a letter from Fred Grant which will prove interesting to his many friends. He is gradually being made accustomed to warfare and seems in good spirits:

A Fight in the Air.

"The day before yesterday while we were putting up wire entanglements we witnessed a very exciting aerial fight between a British and German Biplane. At first we couldn't distinguish which was which, but when they came lower and more directly over us we soon noticed the British one with its large red and bull's eyes painted underneath the planes. They had a great scrap with their machine guns, and the German plane got the worst of it, for it slackened its pace; at the same time our plane made a dive downwards and we thought it too was crippled, but that was not the case. I think it did it to gather speed and get away from the German plane in order to give our air craft guns a chance to pump a few shots in; this they did about a hundred of them. Goodness! it was exciting; we could see just where they were exploding, for a little cloud of smoke is left after they go off. Some of the shells must have been effective for the German machine came lower and lower and tried hard to reach its own lines, but was not successful. It fell between our first and second line of trenches; as it was coming down our fellows within range had a few rounds at it.

"The Germans in their lines got excited also and popped their heads over the parapet to see where their aeroplane fell, consequently our machine guns openened fire on them and from all accounts got a few. Two German officers manned the plane, one being shot through the stomach and still alive and the other killed. The Biplane was one of the latest types. We heard that two more were brought down later in the day. That day we were working on a hill and saw some of our shells from a twelve-inch gun exploding in a village that the Germans hold. I think the shells were what they call coal boxes for there was such a lot of black smoke from them. They certainly played havoc where they landed.

"Yesterday we were (or at least the whole Division) inspected by the King, the King of Belgium, General French, General Joffre, and a number of staff-officers who accompanied them. From all along the line the war news is very satisfactory except, of course, things look a little serious in the Balkans. We all feel certain that Russia, who can land troops so easily there, will be able to hold the enemy in check."

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SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1915.

We beg to remind our readers that the Courier having completed its third year the subscriptions of all our early subscribers are now due for renewal.

The management wishes to thank our numerous readers for their support during the past and trusts to a continuance of the same in the future.

The subscription rate remains at $1 per year, payable strictly in advance.

The Shell Committee Was Re-Organized.

It seems in one instance at least that the government of Great Britain has no more faith in the business methods of the Conservative government at Ottawa than the Liberal party of Canada.

Great Britain, as everybody knows, has found it necessary to place large orders for shells and other munitions of war in America. It was natural that Canada, bearing a share of the burden of war, should be given an opportunity to fill as many of these orders as she could handle with dispatch. In recognition of this Great Britain, acting through the Canadian government, placed big orders for shells in this country. Our government appointed the Minister of Militia to take charge of this work.

He appointed a committee called the Shell Committee to see the orders were executed in a manner acceptable to the British government.

This committee, true to the spirit of other government committees and commissions, regarded its position in the main as an opportunity of securing large profits for its members and their friends.

The Canada Car and Foundry Co. received business from the committee to the tune of $150,000,000. Before the war, with its unexampled prosperity for politicians and their friends came along, this company had only a turnover of $27,000,000.

It was discovered that under the political system of manufacture as conducted by the Shell Committee, certain processes in the making of the shells cost about five times more than they ought to, and that the profits on the finished product ran, generally speaking, from one hundred to two hundred per cent.

But the Shell Committee, which had struck oil so to speak, and was doing a land office business, awakened one morning to discover that it was doing business for the government of Great Britain, and that this is somewhat more strict in its business methods than the complacent government of Canada.

Mr. Lloyd George was looking after the manufacture of munitions and when he found that Canadian grafters were working their shell game in his department he sent a trusted representative, Mr. D. A. Thomas, over here to regulate the Shell Committee and some other matters besides.

It is rather humiliating that Canada proved herself unworthy to take care of a comparatively simple business transaction like the manufacture of shells for Great Britain. Mr. Thomas introduced business methods into the committee by having it reconstructed on lines to suit himself, and on the top of that he placed an English expert in a position to keep a close watch on its activities.

No doubt the manufacturers of shells will still reap handsome profits, but there will not be that wholesale robbery which is so apt to take place in governmental undertakings, and which, when brought to light, the supporters of the party in power are so ready to minimize, defend or ignore.

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How Will Western Business Fare After the War?

We believe it will interest our readers to learn the opinion of the leading American magazine on the Pacific coast, the "Sunset" of San Francisco, on how the business of the Coast will be affected by the ending of the war. The part of the article which we quote is applicable to British Columbia and the arguments presented seem to be well worth considering as eminently sound:

"In the first place, peace will place the West's greatest single industry, the lumber business, upon a paying basis, not only through the stimulation of the demand for lumber by the European rebuilding process, but likewise by the precipitate lowering

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of maritime freight rates. At present the export lumber trade is almost dead, strangled by the high cost of charters, and the same cause has greatly reduced the volume of lumber shipments through the Panama Canal to the Atlantic Coast. Furthermore, the generally unsettled condition has induced retail yards in the Middle and Far West to curtail purchases so extensively that their stocks barely cover daily requirements. Peace will mean at least two years of high-tide lumber prosperity. No other conclusion is possible.

"Nor is a slump in mining to be apprehended. On the contrary, all experts agree that the demand for additional gold must inevitably stimulate the industry, old properties will be worked to capacity and new prospects opened. For practically two years the United States' best copper customer, Germany, has been relying on small quantities surreptitiously smuggled into the country. Copper utensils have been melted to supply the deficiences. It will require billions of pounds to make good the wastage and enable Germany's electrical industry to resume operations. Lead will fall in price and the course of silver is uncertain, but gold and copper will continue to keep the wheels of the Western mining industry turning at high speed.

"Two of the West's three basic industries, therefore, will be running full blast upon the conclusion of the war. How about agriculture?

"The price of grain, of course, depends upon crop conditions in the ensuing year. But the price of livestock and livestock products does not. All the warring countries and their neighbors have swept their larders bare in an effort to provide ten million men with more and better food than they have ever been accustomed to have. They have clothed and shod these ten million men better, more amply than in normal times. And they have used up draft stock at an unprecedented rate. As a result the world's supply of breeding animals has been diminished, stocks of wool and leather have been depleted and in addition drought has killed enormous numbers of sheep in Australia. Irrespective of grain prices, the world's efforts to restock its empty barns and larders should make livestock very profitable for years to come.

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Prince Rupert.

The Prince Rupert Board of Trade is circulating petitions to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and Steamship Companies, asking that they remove their headquarters from Vancouver to Prince Rupert. It is to the interest of the ambitious city of Northern British Columbia to attract as much business as possible. Prince Rupert is the western terminus of a great transcontinental railway system and its business men were attracted to the yet unborn city, with the expectation that its position and prospects warranted them in staking their prosperity on its future greatness.

The government of British Columbia derived considerable income from the sale of high priced lots in that city and therefore should feel under some obligation to see that its future may become such as would naturally be inferred from its attitude at that time. But the government acted treacherously to Prince Rupert and for no satisfactory reason whatever. Almost anyone would know that a great railway like the Grand Trunk would sooner or later seek connection with the metropolis of the province, Vancouver; neither would it require much sagacity to know that it would get that in opposition to the government, even if such could be imagined. But our benevolently disposed government were afraid that Prince Rupert would get too much business and, therefore, induced another company to build a line to tap the Grand Trunk Pacific of its traffic going to Prince Rupert and divert it to Vancouver. The inducement offered was the guaranteeing of its bonds.

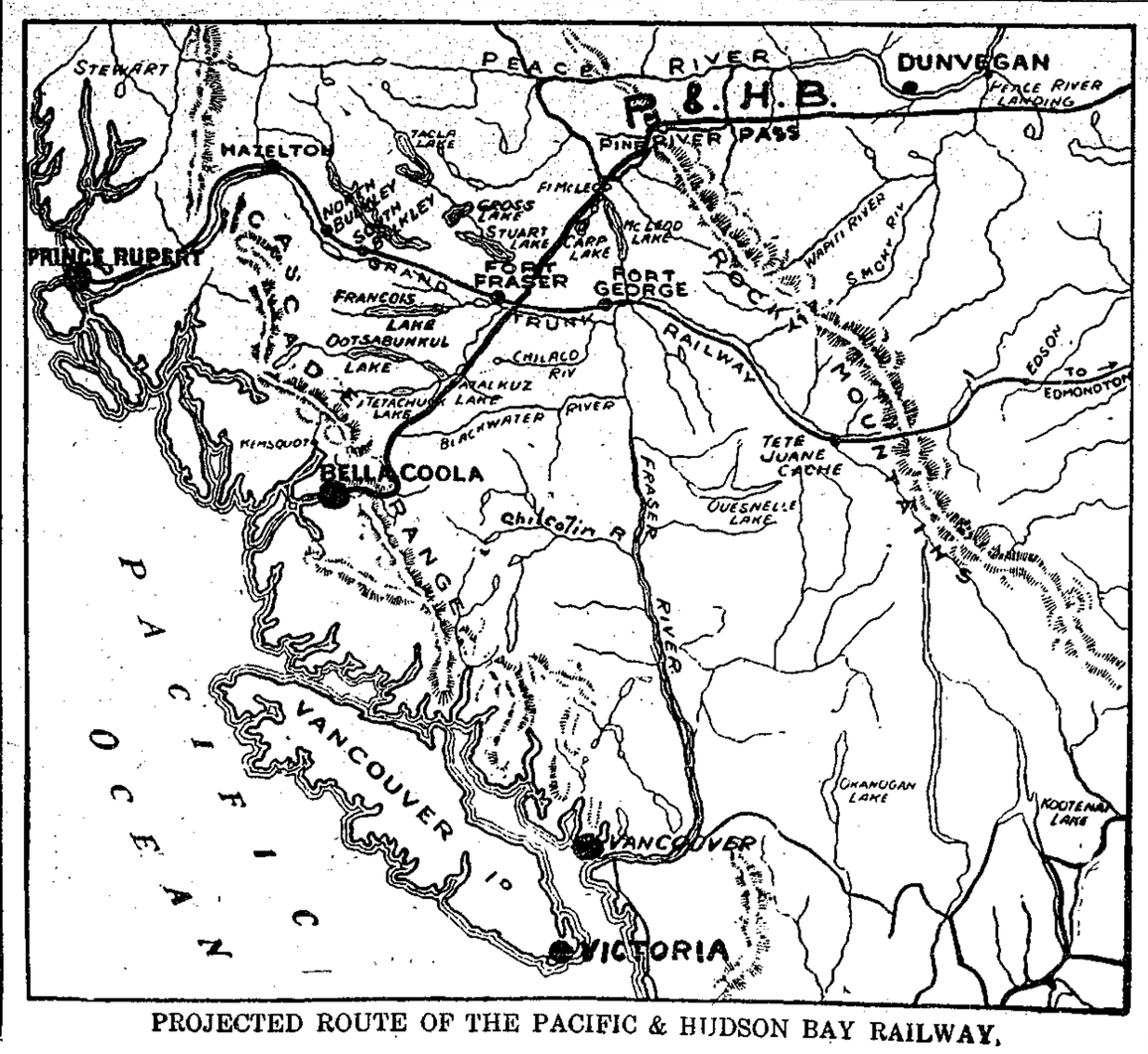
We notice that the citizens of Prince Rupert approved of this action on the part of the government by supporting it in the last election. We like to help people who try to help themselves, but in this instance we shall also try to help people who, in this instance at least, did not show sense enough to look after their own interests.

It is to the interest of all the residents of Northern British Columbia that Prince Rupert attain proportions as large as possible. Prince Rupert is the natural and nearest market for all the produce Bella Coola has to sell. Better prices can be obtained their because the additional freight from the producer to the south is in our favor. Our transportation facilities to Prince Rupert are now equal to those we have with Vancouver and Victoria.

Therefore, it is to the mutual interest of both Prince Rupert and us that we become better acquainted through business transactions.

We know we run the risk of being thought conceited if we have the temerity to offer the astute business men of Prince Rupert advice; but in spite of that, we will say it would be to their interest to go after the business of our community. With their first class transportation facilities the merchants should be able to become successful competitors to the wholesale dealers of the south. Their professional men would also derive business through the mercantile intercourse; and for these reasons and others we take the occasion to propose that they through the columns of our widely circulated paper and others let the the districts tributary to it know what they can do to attract their trade.

It is said that business follows the flag, but in this case the orders from Bella Coola should follow its produce. If Prince Rupert buys our produce we should also order our goods there. Let Prince Rupert make the first move.



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Exactions on Belgium.

Everyone knows that Belgium has been swept and ravaged and that the Belgian people have been largely maintained by foreign charity. It is not so well known that while the Belgians have been supported by charity they have been supporting the Germans out of their former savings. Germany made a levy of $96,000,000 on the Belgian provinces. This was part of the punishment of Belgium because she committed the offence of trying to be neutral, according to her sworn agreement. Germany not only broke her plighted word but she imposes this indemnity upon Belgium in addition to all the other penalties, as a punishment for her refusal to break faith. The oppressed and poverty stricken kingdom has already paid $72,000,000 of this $96,000,000 in monthly instalments. Meanwhile the German government has requisitioned the private properties found in the warehouses of Antwerp and other cities to the amount of some $20,000,000. It agreed to pay for these goods, but most of these claims are unpaid and some have been paid in bills maturing three months after the conclusion of peace.—News-Advertiser.

Needs Explaining.

During these pre-election times when so many just criticisms are aimed against the provincial government for extravagance and mismanagement, it is really deplorable that to these should be added one of a more serious nature.

We think it is within the province of a journal striving to convince the people of the necessity for an early change in the administration of the affairs of the province to call attention to the fact that at a recent trial at Victoria some testimony showed that Hon. H. E. Young, provincial secretary, had, without rendering apparent legitimate compensation, received $105,000 worth of shares in a company seeking favorable legislation from the government.

Hon. Jos. Martin in a letter to the News-Advertiser says in part as follows on that subject:

"Sir—In connection with the evidence which has come out in the Pacific Coast Mines case at Victoria, indicating that stock, amounting to $105,000, is and has been held in trust for Dr. Young, Minister of Education, and that during the time that this stock was owned by Dr. Young a private act was obtained from the House at Victoria, giving them very unusual powers. I notice that Mr. Bodwell suggests that there could be no imputation against the government in connection with the passing of a private bill.

"I wish to protest against this most dangerous doctrine.

"In my opinion the government are more peculiarly responsible for private bill legislation than for public bills.

"Generally speaking private bills are not discussed in the House at all, but are decided by the private bills committee."

A Plan to Clear the Land.

It is now twenty-one years since the first colonists landed in Bella Coola. They were nearly all men who had been farming in other parts and came here for the purpose of clearing the land and make a living from the cultivation of the soil.

The isolation of the valley, the distant markets, the infrequent and insufficient means of transportation, limited means of the settlers, and the ease of earning ready money from other sources had the effect of retarding the development of agriculture, with the result that Bella Coola, in the face of general prosperity in her midst, has very little to show as evidence of a settlement of more than twenty years.

The forces which were adverse to farming have now to a great extent faded away. With the opening of the North and its better markets, with better transportation and greater financial ability, there is re-action on foot in favor of going at that which should be our main calling in a more earnest manner. And such a movement is for this place the part of highest wisdom.

Farming as a calling is on a higher level than ever before, and besides it is the most independent, the most reliable, the healthiest pursuit in which ordinary men can engage.

And Bella Coola has advantages of which it is hard to find the equal anywhere. We refer to her fertile soil, her favorable climate, and high priced markets.

The greatest drawback at the present time is adequate facilities to clear the land in an economic way.

We are glad to learn that some of our residents are now at work formulating a plan by which means can be raised for the purpose of obtaining a donkey engine with necessary gear for the clearing of land. It is proposed to raise a capital of $3000 for this purpose. It is estimated that with an outfit as contemplated by the promoters, it will be possible to clear slashed areas at the rate of four or five acres a week at a cost of about $200, or about $50 per acre. This will include labor, powder and operating expenses.

We can think of nothing more necessary for the development of the district or of anything that under present conditions will promote prosperity more than an enterprise of this kind; and we therefore emphasize our appeal to the men of the place who have the means to show their faith, their loyalty to our valley by helping to make this proposition a reality.

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
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Although the government of the United States is scrupulously careful that no official hint shall be made that the fire which destroyed the Bethlehem Steel Works in Pensylvania, was the work of German plotters; yet it is almost impossible not to notice that circumstances point strongly in that direcition.

At about the time of the fire three other fires were discovered in other parts of the works, but were put out. The building was considered fireproof and the fire started at the base of an elevator shaft. The loss is about $1,000,000.

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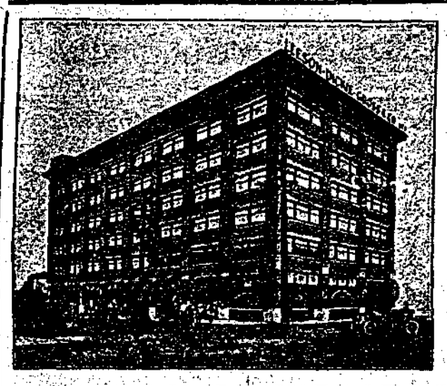

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