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AROUND HOME

A. J. Morrison is on a business trip to Trail.

The robins returned to Greenwood on Sunday.

Mrs. E. Hallett has returned from a visit to Spokane.

A number of Bridesville residents attended court in Greenwood on Wednesday.

Miss McIntyre, of Beaverdell, was the guest of Mrs. Alex Greig during the week-end.

A 2-ton caterpillar tractor arrived in town on Tuesday, for use on the roads in the district.

Mrs. I. Fillmore and daughter, of Rhone, were the guests of Mrs. Geo. S. Walters during the week-end.

The United Farmers will hold their monthly meeting in Midway on Saturday, March 6th. A large attendance is requested.

The Pythian Sisters Lodge has given up the evening of March 17th to the hockey boys and instead will hold a Tea and Dance on April 1st.

Lewis Keir has been promoted to head feeder on the United States Silver Fox Farm near Spokane. Lewis has been with this farm five months.

H. Salchert, of Lewiston, Idaho, B. J. Wagner and J. D. Graham motored in from Spokane on last week and inspected the D. A. at Deadwood.

John Mowat, of Victoria, accompanied by Harry Miller, a mining man of Vancouver, are spending a few days in town. Mr. Miller is examining a number of well known mines.

D. McPherson, of the McPherson Garage, Grand Forks, was in town on Tuesday and delivered a Ford touring car to A. N. Mowat. The new model is very attractive.

Dave Rose, of Westbridge, appeared before P. H. McCurrach, S. M., on Friday, charged with having deer meat in his possession. He plead guilty and was fined $10 and costs or one month in jail. He paid the fine.

The news of the death of Theodore Biner in Los Angeles on Feb. 15th, was received with deep regret by a large number of friends in Greenwood. Mr. Biner was a former resident of Phoenix and for many years operated the Phoenix brewery.

In the Presbytery of Kootenay the Greenwood charge, one of the most widely scattered Mission fields in British Columbia has exceeded its quota by 33 per cent. The Home Missions are measuring up with fine courage and vision.—The New Outlook (re Maintenance and Extension Fund.)

A Masquerade Carnival will be held in the local Rink on Friday, March 5th at 8 p.m. Five prizes will be awarded. A feature will be a Broomball game between ladies and men. There will also be children's races. Admission, masquers, adults 50c., children 25c., spectators 25c. Attend and help the hockey boys raise necessary funds.

The Hockey Club are making arrangements to hold a great big Dance in the Masonic Hall on Wednesday, March 17th. This will be a great time. The hockey boys request the ladies to bring baskets which will be auctioned. The boys have done noble work this winter and it is up to everyone to come and help make this affair a financial success.

To Encourage Coyote Killing During Summer

The British Columbia Wool Growers' association are offering $100 as first prize, and the Lieutenant-Governor, Walter C. Nichol trophy, to the hunter killing the most coyotes during the months of May, June, July, August and September, when the pelts are of no value. This is in addition to the government bounty.

The British Columbia Stock Breeders association was putting up additional prizes, of $50, $25, $15 and $10, for the four next best scores.

Commission Claim Disallowed

Mrs. Cudworth, of Bridesville, failed in her action against Alan Eddy, custom's officer of Bridesville, for a commission for effecting a sale of his ranch. The case was tried on Wednesday before His Honour J. R. Brown and a jury.

She proved that she had made the sale and that Mr. Eddy had promised her a commission of $500 00. Judge Brown, however, granted Mr. Pincott's motion for a non-suit before the case reached the jury on the ground that she had not bought her real estate agent's license in time. Mr. Moore contended that the deal was not closed for at least four days after she had got her license and that therefore she was entitled to succeed. It is understood that Mr. Moore is appealing the case to the Court of Appeal.

Highly Mineralized Surface Showings

Recording of 20 mining claims and display of some samples of ore taken therefrom, caused quite a stir in Vernon last week says The Vernon News. The value of the find cannot even be estimated until samples sent to the Denver School of Mines at Denver, Col., have been assayed. E. J. West, who recorded claims for a group of Vernon men, states there is a wonderful surface showing and the ore body contains gold, silver, lead and copper.

The find was made on the Kettle River side of Monashee Mountain, only a short distance off the Edgewood road. There is water and timber to be had easily, and if the assays shows as rich as is hoped for, an attempt will be made to interest capital in development.

The owners of the twenty claims have agreed, so it is understood, to act in concert, thus there is a sufficient ore body to interest capitalists who desires volume.

The twenty claims were recorded in Greenwood on Monday as they are located on Brewer Creek near the head waters of the Kettle River in the Greenwood Mining Division.

It is stated that ore was shipped from that section in the early days to Swansea, Wales, when transportation was very difficult. Now, with the Edgewood-Vernon highway within a short distance, ore from the recent strike can be easily shipped to the smelter.

Farmers Institute Meeting

The Rock Creek Farmers Institute held their first monthly meeting at Riverside Hall on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Members of both the Institute and the United Farmers attended and the election of officers for the year was held which had been postponed from the general meeting to await the decision of the U. F. Local, as to whether they would join up or not. Slight differences of opinion have been amicably settled and there is now one society for the farmers of the district.

The following officers were elected: President, Major Gray; Vice Pres., S. Bubar; Sec.-Treas., R. Norris; Directors, A. E. Bonnett, W. Johnson, W. Hatton, E. Richter and M. Jewell; Auditors, T. N. Walker and H. Douglas Hamilton.

A large quantity of cyoragas, which proved so successful last year, was ordered by members and if there are any farmers in the district who wish a supply of this gopher exterminator and have not already ordered it, please let the secretary know as soon as possible.

Application has been made to the Agricultural Dept. to send in the entomologist to look over the district and advise members how to combat the grasshopper pest.

The meeting went on record to help out the Pig Club, which was such a success last year, in every way possible.

It is hoped that all the farmers of the district will come forward now and join the Institute. The government give a grant dollar for dollar of the membership and last year the Institute paid out over $80 for gopher tails to the children of the neighborhood.

A hearty vote of thanks to the retiring President, Major F. E. Glossop, who for many years has worked hard for the Institute, both as president and secretary, closed the meeting.

Deal on Last Chance Mine

A deal is pending on the Last Chance, one of the oldest mines in the district, situated about one mile east of Greenwood on the Phoenix road. Referring to the proposed bond the Grand Forks Gazette says:

"Negotiations looking to the bonding of the Last Chance mine at $40,000 are under way between Spokane men and the owners. Those interested in the acquisition of the bond are Thomas Murray, Eric E. Jackson and T. R. Roberts of Spokane, while the owners are James Poggi of Grand Forks, and H. M. Stramberg and L. E. Brawders, now located at the coast.

Messrs. Murray and Jackson are two former Phoenix mining men, well acquainted with the property, and with Mr. Roberts motored up from Spokane this week and looked the property over and started negotiations with Mr. Poggi, who holds a half interest. They went into results of former shipments and it is expected the deal will be consummated when the owners of the other half interest have consented.

The Last Chance shipped considerable ore two decades ago and Mr. Poggi made further shipments about five years ago. The ore is said to run between 45 and 50 ounces of silver, an ounce of gold and substantial qualities of zinc and lead to the ton. It is located between Greenwood and Phoenix adjacent to Skylark camp."

Greenwood & District Hospital Annual Report

The Board of Directors of the Greenwood and District Hospital present herewith their Annual Report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31st, 1925, and wish to state that any member of the Hospital Association wishing to examine the report in detail, may do so by calling at the office of the Sec.-Treas.

The directors wish to thank the public for their generous support of the Hospital, and trust that now the new Hospital building is nearing completion, that they will endeavor to respond with subscriptions to help defray the necessary expenses incurred by this departure. Anyone so generously inclined will receive prompt acknowledgement from the Sec.-Treas.

Total number of patients treated	205
Surgical (major)	36
Surgical (minor)	61
Cured	118
Improved	16
Unimproved	1
Births	8
X-Ray Examinations	10
Consultations	22
General anaesthetics	94

Revenue

Per capita grant	$1559.06
Revenue from Liquor profits	274.25
Patients fees	4005.84
Workmen's Compen'ion	62.50
Donations	652.65
Refunds	17.15
Grant	500.00
Total	$7071.45

Expenses

Administration	$ 425.11
Professional care of patients, equipment	3527.95
Stores, kitchen and housekeeping	1788.63
Heating and Lighting	408.70
Building and grounds	146.60
Laundry	188.80
Miscellaneous	414.25
Total	$6900.04
Cash on hand first of year	$ 116.58
Total receipts	7071.45
Total	$7188.03
Total disbursements	$6900.04
Cash on hand	287.99
Total	$7188.03

CHARLES KING, Sec.-Treas.

Greenwood Entertained

At the conclusion of the Greenwood-Kimberley hockey game on Monday evening in Cranbrook, the Greenwood team was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ward there, where a very pleasant time was spent, music and dancing having their place on the impromptu program, as well as the refreshments which were served. It was the intention of the Kimberley boys to have entertained the visitors from the boundary, but in this commendable intention they were forestalled by others. The visitors expressed themselves in the highest terms of the hospitality shown them, and it is good to know that they left with pleasant recollections of their week-end in the district even if they were not able to take away the right to play in the finals which they rightly coveted.—Kimberley Press.

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Tentative plans for extension of the flight of the Spanish trans-Atlantic aviators headed by Commander Ramon Franco, have been abandoned.

Premier Bruce, of Australia, has announced that his government was considering a plan to reduce ocean fares for immigrants.

Buried beneath an avalanche of sawdust which he was clearing away, Robert Maitland met death by suffocation at a lumber mill in Vancouver.

Edward Noble, prominent British Columbia Orangeman, who walked in a parade there last July when he was 98 years old, died on Feb. 21 at Cedar Cottage, a suburb.

A resolution calling for the abolition of the stamp tax was unanimously carried during the third and final convention of the Retail Lumber Dealers' Association of the province of Quebec, attended by some 125 members.

France intends to give the Syrian people a form of government resembling that given to Irak by the British, Count Robert De Caix told the mandates commission of the League of Nations.

Hon. H. W. Newlands, K.C., has been reappointed Lieut.-Governor of Saskatchewan. Mr. Newlands has been Lieut.-Governor of the province since February, 1921, when he succeeded Sir Richard Lake.

The present serious industrial crisis in Germany is forcing many firms to restrict their operations considerably, and the number of unemployed in the Ruhr district, especially, is increasing daily.

A British Government air service for passengers, mail and small freight, between Cairo, Egypt, Burma and possibly Australia, is in the making, according to Maj.-General Sifton W. Brancker, director of civil aviation in the British air ministry.

Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, has been officially declared elected as a member of the House of Commons for the federal constituency of Prince Albert.

Brilliantly uniformed diplomats and officials paid their respects to the King at the first levee of the season, held in St. James' Palace recently.

Political Trickery Menace To Democracy

Sir Arthur Currie Says Present-Day Politicians Suffer in Comparison to Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln was a man whom Canadian politicians would do well to emulate, said Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., principal of McGill University and former commander of the Canadian corps, in an address at Montreal. While Sir John A. Macdonald bowed to the Conservatives, and Sir Wilfred Laurier to the Liberals, the great United States commoner bent the knee to no party, political, moral or social.

Sir Arthur contrasted Lincoln with men of lesser qualities. "The political agitator," he said, "too often appeals to the passions of the crowd in order to get votes. He often sets east against west, creed against creed, and class against class. This political trickery, for it cannot be called strategy, is the danger of democracy."

Canada and the Locarno Treaty

No Action Necessary to Remain Outside Terms of Pact

Rumored government action to disassociate Canada from the Locarno Treaty is officially denied. No action is necessary on the part of the Dominion to remain outside the terms of the treaty, as it expressly provides that the treaty shall not apply to the British Dominions unless they definitely accept it.

It is probable the government will make some announcement in the house respecting Canada's position.

Early in the present session, Hon. Ernest Lapointe, government leader in the house, said in reply to Mr. Meighen, that "no step will be taken by the government before parliament had been consulted in the matter." He added that "our intention is certainly to have the matter discussed in parliament."

Honor Belongs To Canada

The first steamboat to cross the Atlantic Ocean was the Royal William, built in Canada in 1831. The honor of this achievement belongs, therefore, to the Dominion. It was also the first trans-Atlantic boat built of iron. A tablet commemorating the historic event is in the Parliament Buildings at Ottawa.

Sunday School Teacher.—"Some little boys are good and some are bad. What kind go to heaven?"

Small Arthur.—"Dead ones."

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C.N.R. To Build Branch Lines

Heavy Expenditure To Be Made This Year On Branch Lines In the West

The Canadian National Railway contemplates an expenditure of $5,896,000 in 1926 on branch lines. This is the estimate brought down by the government and tabled in the House of Commons. Between 15 and 20 branches throughout the Dominion remain incomplete. On seven of these track will be laid during 1926.

The biggest expenditure will be on the Turtleford, Sask., branch, on which about 44 miles of track will be laid and $1,571,000 expended. A million dollars will be spent on the Dunblane-Central Butte, Sask., branch, and $915,000 will be spent on the Rosedale, Sask., branch, which will be practically completed this year. At least two other branches will be practically completed this year, the St. Paul S.E., Alta., and the Acadia Valley branches, on each of which about half a million dollars will be spent. A total of 168.3 miles of track will be laid on branch lines this year, under present plans. The only two branches on which no work at all will be done are Kingsclear-Vanceboro, N.B., and the Grande Fresnier, Que.

Last year $9,532,050 was spent on branch lines, says the statement from the railway department. These figures are, however, incomplete, and a final statement on last year's branch line construction is still to come. The three chief expenditures last year were: $2,086,000 on the Kamloops-Kelowna, B.C., line; $1,232,000 on the Dunblane-Central Butte, Sask., line, and $1,095,000 on the Hann-Warden, Alta., line.

For Cheaper Money

Western Members Launch Drive For Six Per Cent. Long Turn Loans

Western members, Liberals and Progressives, are launching a drive for 6 per cent. long term loans under the Rural Credits Act to be brought in by the government.

Negotiations hitherto have disclosed that the opinion of most of the experts consulted has been that the farmers will have to pay 7 per cent.

It is the general view that, unless absolutely essential, the government should not guarantee the bonds of the rural credits organization; and that, contrary to the practice in the United States, these bonds should not be tax-free.

Without a government guarantee and without exemption from taxation the rural credits bonds, according to experts consulted, would have to bear interest at 5½ per cent. in order to sell. At this price it would be essential to charge the farmer 7 per cent., as at least one per cent. will be required for administration.

With a government guarantee, the bonds could be marketed at less than 5 per cent. interest, which, after providing for administration, would give the farmer money at 6 per cent.

Most of the westerners claim that 6 per cent. money is essential, and Progressives who dislike the government guarantee feature, would rather have it than pay more than 6 per cent. for the money.

Says Brain Never Tires

Cannot Be Overtaxed By Work Or Study, Opinion of Scientists

"The brain of the ordinary citizen, provided he takes to language study, is capable of holding any number of different vocabularies," Sir Denison Ross, famous surgeon-scientist, told the School of Oriental Studies, thus joining the select band of scientists who decline to admit that the brain can be overtaxed by work, reading or study.

Just previously, Sir Arthur Keith, Britain's leading anthropologist, had derided the idea that brain fever was ever caused by overwork or study, and Keith even contended that brain work never kills; it is physical defects or diseases, perhaps due to unsystematic feeding and neglect of the body while concentrating on study, that results in the fatal collapses which are commonly put under "brain fever" or "overwork."

Developing the same theory, though on somewhat different lines, Sir Denison Ross urged his hearers not to be scared by the fear of overloading the brain in their studies. There is practically no limit to the amount of knowledge or learning that the human brain can store up, he said.

Aeroplane Oil From Crickets

One of the United States consular agents in Algiers reports the discovery there of an oil extracted from crickets that is very suitable for aeroplanes, since it does not congeal even at high altitudes. Recently 18 tons of crickets were shipped from Algiers to Holland to be used in extracting this oil. Crickets also are collected in great numbers there to be used as chicken feed in other parts of the world.

Britain Discards Helicopter

Will Concentrate On Autogiro Type Which Is Much Simpler

The Brennan helicopter experiments, on which $250,000 has been expended to date, will be discarded by the air ministry in favor of concentration on the Lacierva autogiro, it is understood. The ministry is credited with the intention of constructing four or five machines embodying the principles of the Spanish "Windmill" plane, which was hailed by Sir William Brancker, Aice Vice-Marshal when it was tried out at Farnborough as "the greatest aeronautical invention since the Wrights flew."

Experiments with the helicopter have been carried out in the closest secrecy for the last five years, but air experts are now said to have come to the conclusion that the autogiro type achieves all that the perfected helicopter would have been able to do, while its principles are much simpler.

Russia Competing For U. S. Trade

Preparing to Export Many Commodities During Next Six Months

Officials of the commissariat of agriculture announce that Russia is preparing to export to the United States during the next six months, six billion eggs, 80,000,000 pounds of butter, and 40,000,000 chickens, ducks turkeys and wild fowl.

The United States, officials say, will also be able to absorb about seven million dollars worth of sausage casings, $10,000,000 worth of wool for carpets, horse hair, and animal bones for sugar-refining purposes.

Declaring that these commodities are now being purchased by the United States in England and Germany, they urge Russian producers to compete for this trade.

Boudoir Or Breakfast Coat

Nothing more fascinating among the fashions has emanated from Paris this season, than this tailored breakfast coat for restful leisure hours. It possesses all the loveliness and chic with which the smart woman of today loves to surround herself at all times. Heavy crepe de chine develops this model with puffed trimming around the edges, and having a side fastening. Wide wale corduroy or quilted satin are also suitable and practical materials. The diagram pictures the simple design of No. 1225, which is in four sizes only, 36, 40, 44 and 48 inches bust. Size 36 is suitable for 34 or 36 bust; size 40 for 38 or 40 bust; size 44 for 42 or 44 bust; and size 48 for 46 or 48 bust. Size 40 bust requires 4½ yards 36 or 40 inches material. Price 20 cents.

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ON THE AIR

What Is Doing In the World of Radio

G. B. Shaw says radio is doing service to theatres by training artists to perform without applause.

Reception of a radio programme from Johannesburg, South Africa, on a three-tube set at London, Ohio, recently has been verified.

The aurora borealis is being blamed by experts for unsatisfactory radio reception. There are now more reasons why the radio set will not work than why it should.—Hamilton Spectator.

An ordinary street light in an English town has the peculiar property of acting as a radio and every day it broadcasts radio programmes. The postman stops on his rounds to listen to a programme.

A college which will broadcast all of its lectures and instructions has been inaugurated at Vienna, Austria. The daily courses will start at 10 p.m. and will last approximately two hours.

Rough usage harms many radio tubes and causes the owner to purchase a new set before he should need them. Handling tubes, taking them out of the sockets and such often causes damage to them.

Five thousand dollars' damage was done at the Montreal radio station CKAC when a mouse collided with a fuse and caused a short circuit, blowing out 14 fuses. The night's programme was abruptly terminated. The mouse was charred black.

Direct wireless telephonic communication with Australia, a distance of 12,000 miles, has bene established by Frank Neill, an amateur of Whitehead, near Belfast, Ireland. The test lasted 15 minutes and the voice of a Melbourne citizen named Howden could be distinctly heard. The wave length used was 35 metres.

Eskimos Fight To Save Coal

Dragged Heavy Bags to Safety When Storm Broke

A desperate fight by Eskimos to save a winter's supply of coal from the elements has been reported by Dr. W. A. Newhall, pastor of three missions in the vicinity of Point Barrow, northernmost tip of Alaska.

The fuel had been landed on the beach from a supply ship when a storm, described as the worst in years, broke. Rain, accompanied by snow and hail, fell, and wind drove sand and fine pebbles before it. The rising sea soon was lapping against the mammoth pile of sacked coal.

Without waiting for suggestions or orders, the natives, men, women and children, fell to work moving the heavy bags to safety. For hours, until well past midnight, the labor continued. The men carried the sacks on their backs, while the women and children tugged and dragged them through the shifting sand until more than a hundred tons of coal had been placed out of reach of the waves.

Disease Decimates Indians

Trappers In Far North Are Victims of Epidemic

A total death list of 12 Indian hunters at Fort Good Hope, on the lower McKenzie River, from an epidemic, the exact nature of which remains unknown, is contained in news received by L. Romanet, manager of the Athabasca and McKenzie districts of the Hudson's Bay Company, by the recent mail from the far north.

Indications of this sickness were noticed in the fall, and its continuance with the above comparatively large number of fatalities has resulted in a demoralization of the fur trade at that point during the earlier part of the winter.

French Women Patriotic

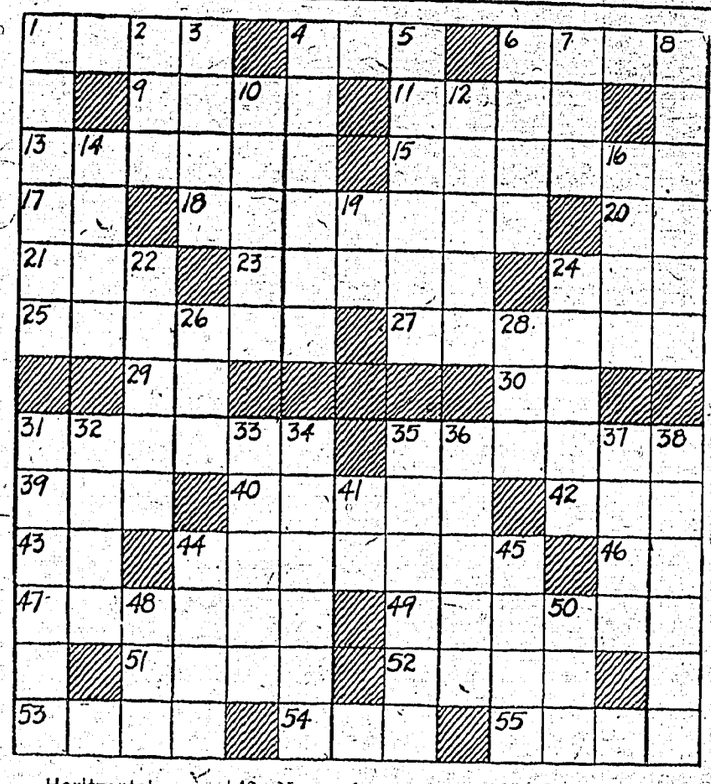
Offer Wedding Rings To Be Made Into Gold Francs

Thirty-seven women in a St. Denis factory have offered to help solve France's financial troubles. "If a lot of gold francs could be struck no doubt French money would improve," they wrote the editor of Intransigeant's women's page. "But there is no gold, except in jewelers' shops. "Well, then, we are all ready to give the Bank of France the only gold objects we possess, our wedding rings, to be made into gold coins. Madame, we ask you to communicate our offer to the gentlemen of the government. We are sure millions of women will follow our example."

First Recorded Eclipse

Eclipses were predicted by an Athenian, named Calippus, in the year 336 B.C. The first eclipse recorded in history happened on March 19, 721 B.C., according to Ptolemy. It was an eclipse of the moon, and was observed with accuracy at Babylon in Mesopotamia.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Horizontal

1—Small casks.
4—Hypothetical forces.
6—Endure.
9—Deserve.
11—Heroic poem.
13—Cylindrical pulley in machinery.
15—Amorous.
17—After-thought (abbr.)
18—Milky extract of almonds.
20—Correct.
21—Sick.
23—Pertaining to the goddess Isis.
24—Beverage.
25—Scarcity.
27—One who works at a loom.
29—Engineering degree.
30—A continent (abbr.).
31—One who sows.
35—Annexing.
39—Cushion.
40—Color.
42—Name of many popes.
43—Conjunction.
44—One who places things on board ship.
46—Like.
47—Springs forth.
49—Mohammedan princes.
51—Mass or heap.
52—Serpents.
53—Chair.
54—Title.
55—Ooze.

Vertical

1—Numb.
2—Beseech.
3—Wise man.
4—A rushing onward.
5—Teeter.
6—King of beasts.
7—Perform.
8—Part of a stockbroker's equipment.
10—Send back.
12—Cost.
14—Small body of land.
16—Daughter of Eurytus, King of Oechalia (myth.).
19—Chinese measure of distance.
22—Fastened with a kind of cord.
24—Turn to advantage.
26—Color.
28—Also.
31—Ruins.
32—Auricles.
33—Girl's name.
34—Elevates.
35—Come into sight.
36—Adjudges.
37—Approach.
38—Idle talk.
41—Above.
44—Article of apparel.
45—Diagonally striped fabrics.
48—Mineral spring.
50—Point of compass.

War Veteran Would Help Others

Deaf and Almost Blind Offers Body For Research

Leonard George Charman, aged 30, a former member of the 18th and 142nd Canadian Battalions, despairing of ever recovering from the silence of complete and permanent deafness and approaching blindness, is still anxious to serve. He has offered to submit his body to any scientific society or laboratory and to endure experiments in connection with the ailments which have brought about his present condition, for possible benefit to others. Charman has made his offer in a written document, full of pathos.

"People may think, I am crazy," reads the document, "but I can assure them that I am in my right mind. The trouble is I am deaf and my health and my eyesight is failing, and I am worried and tired. I am ready to submit myself to any scientific research laboratories or hospital or doctors for any purpose they want. I am doing this because life holds nothing for me now. Someone who is more fortunate than I may profit by what I am doing and in the research it may prevent deafness and sickness which is dreadful in itself, when I am shut up in a world of my own."

The only one remaining bright spot in the life of this Canadian soldier, whose offer stands until accepted, is his love of flowers. If his offer to research societies is not accepted before next spring, Charman cherishes the hope of buying a small plot whereing to plant his assortment of flowers, the scent of which brings him one of the few remaining joys of life.

Prince Responded To Request

French Newspaper Asked Him to Make Umbrella Popular

Frenchmen are pleased at what they consider the Prince of Wales' prompt response to a request made by a Paris newspaper in the form of an open letter, that he take the lead in making the umbrella fashionable. It was said that umbrellas were becoming more and more unpopular among the youth of France, causing much spoiled clothing and endangering health. A day or so after publication of the letter, the Prince happened to appear at the Bath Club, carrying a crook handled umbrella, folded in an impeccable way, which the gilded youth of Bond Street are now trying to imitate.

Super Flying Boats

Huge Seaplanes Being Constructed For Great Britain

Huge seaplanes are in course of construction for the British authorities, and when complete will be the largest aircraft in the world. One giant is having two 1,000 horsepower engines installed and when fully loaded will weigh more than 15 tons. Another super flying boat will be driven by three engines, capable of developing 2,100 horsepower. It will have accommodation for thirty passengers in a luxurious saloon.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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Figures Explain Slow Recovery Of France

One-Seventh of Agricultural Population Killed in War

France lost 1,363,000 men in the World War, according to the official record, and, with a view to showing how that loss has affected the economic life of the country, Gaston Cadoux, former president of the Paris Statistical Society, has drawn up tables disclosing how these dead men were employed before the war.

The biggest loss was to the land, 669,000 of the war dead having been farmers and land workers out of a total agricultural male population of 5,500,000. Industry gave the next largest figure with 235,000 out of 2,000,000.

In commercial pursuits, 159,000 men fell out of 1,327,000. The civil service gave 21,000 out of a total of 500,000 and the liberal professions 40,000 out of a total of less than 250,000.

One man in every twenty-eight in France was killed, one in thirty-five in Germany and one in sixty-six in England.

Even with the return of Alsace and Lorraine, the population of France is still less than it was in 1914. With a seventh of her agricultural male population killed, the slowness of France's recovery becomes somewhat more understandable.

Advance In Radio

Transmit At Same Time On Same Wave Length

Possibility of the simultaneous use by two or more radio transmitters of identical wave lengths is seen by engineers, with the announcement of an invention of L. William Skala, youthful graduate of the Engineering Schools of the University of Prague. Based upon what was said to be heretofore unknown wave length fundamentals, the device performed without a hitch in Skala's laboratory at Berwyn, a suburb.

In addition it was declared that it would make possible wireless telephony for all purposes where wire service now is used.

Wished Him Well

Daughter: I've been engaged to him nearly two years. Don't you think it's time I married him?

Father: Oh, I don't know; if you really care for the fellow, let him remain happy as long as you can.

GARDINER TO BE SASKATCHEWAN'S NEW PREMIER

Regina.—Hon. J. G. Gardiner, minister of highways and minister in charge of the bureau of labor and industries, was the unanimous choice as successor to Hon. C. A. Dunning at a meeting here of 1,200 Liberals in the City Hall.

The meeting was made up of sixty members of the legislature or candidates at the June elections, as well as the presidents, vice-presidents and secretaries of the constituency Liberal Associations.

Mr. Gardiner's name was placed in nomination by Hon. C. M. Hamilton, minister of agriculture, who revealed that four ministers had been nominated at the afternoon conference of members of the legislature and candidates at the June elections: Hon. A. P. McNab, minister of public works and "father" of the government; Hon. S. J. Latta, minister of education; Hon. J. C. Gardiner, minister of highways, and his own. It had been decided unanimously to place only one name before the convention.

Other nominations were called for and Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Latta, Mr. McNab and others addressed the convention before nominations were closed and Mr. Gardiner was appointed leader of the government amid the greatest enthusiasm.

The chairman explained the purpose of the convention was to select a successor to Premier Dunning. While all regretted that he was leaving Saskatchewan they would rejoice that he had been honored by being selected as the new minister of railways. He was sure Mr. Dunning would not forget Saskatchewan and that in him the province would have a champion at Ottawa.

When Premier Dunning was called upon, the huge audience rose en masse, welcoming him with round after round of deafening applause.

Four years ago, said Mr. Dunning, the Liberals of Saskatchewan gave him a trust and he was glad to be able to say that no man ever had any more loyal support than he had enjoyed. One of his most precious memories would be that he had been so honored that his name would be associated with the names of Hon. Walter Scott and Hon. William Melville Martin in the history of the province.

Shut Out Canadian Butter

United States to Raise Tariff is the Prediction

Washington.—A prediction that President Coolidge is soon to issue a proclamation under the flexible tariff law increasing the tariff on butter fifty per cent., was made by Minnesota members of the house. Canadian butter imports would be seriously hampered by the increase should it materialize.

The forecast of the Minnesota members came on the heels of the announcement that the tariff commission has completed its butter investigation and delivered its report to the White House. The contents of the report could not be learned.

Trans-Canada Starts May 16

Moose Jaw.—The Trans-Canada Limited, the fastest transcontinental train on the American continent, which is operated every year by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company from Montreal to Vancouver, will be inaugurated on Sunday, May 16, starting from Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal. The trains this year will be operated on practically the same schedule as in the past year.

Letters By Sleigh

Cappercleuch, Scotland.—Owing to the roads being blocked by snow the mails to this town are being conveyed by a horse-drawn sleigh over the field, and in other quarters goods are being conveyed by men on horseback. Several areas on the Scottish borders have been cut off by snow, and sheep farmers have suffered serious losses.

Manitoba Debate Brought to Close

Winnipeg.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne came to an unexpected end in the Manitoba Legislature after 23 days of debate. Quietly and without ceremony the house passed the customary motion that the speech be engrossed and presented to the lieutenant-governor.

Hope To Resume Debt Parleys

London.—Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, stated in the House of Commons that M. Doumer, French minister of finance, expressed hope that he would be able to come to London soon for the resumption of debt negotiations.

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Premier of Saskatchewan

HON. J. G. GARDINER

Progress Is Made On Alberta Highways

Government Ready to Proceed With Farm Loan Measure

Edmonton.—The debate on the address from the throne has given several of the ministers an opportunity to explain the work of their departments.

Hon. Alex. Ross, minister of public works, explained the progress that has been made in the construction of main highways throughout the province. 600 miles of main highways have been rebuilt according to the specification necessary to earn the Dominion Government grant of forty per cent. of the cost and 240 miles have been gravelled. The department expects this year to do more work than ever. By the end of the summer they expect that a main highway from Athabasca on the north to the international boundary on the south will have been completed, and also a highway from Edmonton to Peace River. A motor road will also be completed from Edmonton to Jasper National Park. At present the road is twenty-five miles from Jasper, and should reach Jasper this summer. The progress made in road construction had attracted many tourists this summer, 22,000 having registered at the east gate of Banff National Park during 1925.

Hon. R. C. Reid, provincial treasurer, informed the house that the municipal districts throughout the province were in very good financial shape. During the year only forty had borrowed from the banks, and at the end of the year only 29 were owing the banks anything.

A Liberal member had charged that the hotels of the province were cluttered up with government inspectors, but if that was the cause, said Mr. Reid, during the Liberal regime they must have been parked outside, for at the present time there were only 105, as compared with 138 in 1921. Salaries were down $59,300, and travelling expenses $138,000.

The government were ready to go ahead with their farm loan measure as soon as a bill was introduced in the Dominion house. They took the position that the loaning of money for farm loans was the business of the Dominion Government, but the province was co-operating, and had appointed a strong commission, which had collected a mass of evidence during the past few months, which would be of great value.

The criticism of the Liberal members has been largely on the change of premiership from Greenfield to Brownlee, and on the charge that the present government is a class one, being dominated by the U.F.A.

On the government side, members have stressed strongly the desire for co-operation between cities and rural areas.

Suspend Proposed Increase In Rates

Plan to Raise Rates on Stockers and Feeders by Fifty Per Cent.

Ottawa.—Suspension of the proposed fifty per cent. increase rate on stockers and feeders in the western provinces, was ordered by the board of railway commissioners.

The increase, which it was proposed by the railway to put into effect on March 1, would apply to rates on stockers and feeders from primary markets such as Winnipeg, Moose Jaw, Calgary and Edmonton to stations in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

It is probable that the matter will be considered at the time of the hearing in Regina on the general rates inquiry. No date for this sitting has been decided upon, but it will probably take place within the next two months.

The application for suspension was made by W. H. McEwen, counsel for the province of Saskatchewan.

Rome.—Indications that the Vatican will take a stand against crime news in the daily papers, in the same way that it has opposed immodesty in dress, are contained in the Assevatore Romano, official organ of the Vatican.

Aviator Killed In Paris

Plane Caught in Wireless Apparatus In Arch of Eiffel Tower

Paris.—An attempt to fly through the opening of the Eiffel Tower proved fatal.

The aeroplane, caught in wireless apparatus, crashed in flames and the aviator burned to death.

The flier, Lieut. Leon Callot, had passed through the arch when he struck the radio wires. He made a despairing attempt to bring the machine under control, but it fell and burst into flames.

Firemen were quickly on the scene, but were unable to save the aviator.

Lieut. Callot's brother witnessed the accident. He said the lieutenant attempted the feat after a wager with a friend.

Will Discuss Peace On Pacific

Canada and United States Invited to Meeting in Honolulu

Honolulu.—The Australian Labor party has issued a call for a meeting in Honolulu in November for all Pacific nations, including Canada and the United States, with a view of arriving at a better understanding in respect to the future peace in the Pacific.

This information was contained in a message from D. L. McNamara, secretary of the Labor party, to A. H. Ford, director of the Pan-Pacific Union, here.

More than 100 delegates, including representatives of the Soviet, are expected, McNamara said.

He added it was intended to bring together representatives of Labor and other organizations from countries bordering on the Pacific.

SOME MANITOBA CABINET CHANGES ARE IN PROSPECT

Winnipeg.—Many changes in the cabinet of Hon. John Bracken, premier of Manitoba, are pending, according to reports in legislative circles.

It is stated that a complete reorganization of the cabinet will be undertaken at the close of the present session, including a general shifting of the positions of several of the ministers. Since the resignation of Hon. F. M. Black as provincial treasurer, Premier Bracken has held the portfolio, in addition to his office as premier and president of the executive council. It is now reported that Hon. W. R. Clubb, minister of public works, will assume control of the treasury department.

Other cabinet ministers would be shifted to new departments, and one new minister appointed. J. B. Griffiths, member for Russell, is mentioned as a possible appointee.

Hon. R. W. Craig, attorney-general, it also is reported, has definitely decided not to be a candidate at the provincial election, and should the government be successful at the polls, R. M. Matheson, K.C., Brandon, is mentioned as Mr. Craig's successor. Mr. Bracken will make an appeal to the electors either during the present summer or in 1927.

Oil Monopoly In Turkey

London.—The Standard Oil Company has obtained an oil monopoly in Turkey, according to Constantinople newspapers.

The Turkish Government is said to have agreed to purchase all its oil supplies from Standard depots at Constantinople, Smyrna and Samsoun.

THE CROW'S NEST RATE PROBLEMS AGAIN TO FORE

Ottawa.—The Crow's Nest Pass rate problem is again in the hands of the board of railway commissioners. The order issued last September extending these rates to westbound grain and flour resulted in three separate appeals to the board for further interpretation. The first of these was settled last month, when by an equal division among the commissioners the September order was continued in force. The board closed a week's sitting on the other two appeals, in both of which judgment has been reserved.

These two last cases were parts of an effort by the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan to get a further reduction in the rates as put in force by the railways under the September order. These provinces claimed, first, that the eastbound rates on grain and flour are above the Crow's Nest basis as interpreted by the act passed last June. They asked that these eastbound rates be reduced in accordance with this claim, and then used as a basis for making westbound rates. On this matter, the board reserved judgment.

The second effort of the three provinces to get the westbound rates reduced was an application for a direction to the Canadian Pacific Railway to discontinue the differential of 124 miles, used in making its rates east of Calgary. The rates, in effect, were made by the railways on the basis of the Canadian National mileage from Edmonton to Vancouver, which is 124 miles greater than that from Calgary to Vancouver. The three westernmost provinces claimed that the railways had no right to use this differential or constructive mileage; and asked that it be discontinued. On this issue the board reserved judgment.

Asking Explanation Of Alleged Bombardment

British Ambassador Must Get Report From U. S. Government

London.—Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador at Washington, will be asked to make inquiries of the United States Government and send a report regarding the alleged bombardment of the Canadian schooner Eastwood by the United States coastguard cutter Seneca off the New Jersey coast recently.

This was stated in the House of Commons by Sir Austen Chamberlain, foreign secretary, who had been asked about the circumstances of the case and whether he intended to take action to ensure respect for British merchant shipping.

Sir Austen said he had no information except what had appeared in the press.

He added that he was unable to say what trade the schooner was engaged in, but the press accounts said she was engaged in an attempt at rum-running.

High Cost of Education

Winnipeg.—By an overwhelming majority delegates attending the annual convention of the Manitoba Teachers' Federation, declared against increasing consolidated school areas in the province. Referring to charges of high cost of education, Dr. Shortreed maintained that more money was spent on liquor, tobacco and other unnecessary luxuries than on education, without arousing a murmur of protest.

Honored by Indian Tribe

Here is a photograph of Robert Randolph Bruce, new Lieutenant-Governor of the province of British Columbia, being appointed as a chief of the Stoney Indians. The governor was given a puff at the Pipe of Peace and seemed to enjoy it.

Scales Mountain In Blinding Snowstorm

Highest Peak in South Africa Conquered By Cape Town Climber

Cape Town.—Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa, has been conquered in a blinding snowstorm, after the second attempt within a month, by G. Londt, the noted Cape Town climber.

Mr. Londt said that he set out with two natives at the beginning of November. He climbed nearly 20,000 feet in four days. He slept one night in a crater of the Kilimanjaro wilderness by a jagged rock of twisted lava.

He pointed out a mistake which had been made by previous climbers. They imagined that the crater was the top of the mountain, but that is not so. The real test lies in the 600 feet above. He discovered the record of two Germans who, in 1914, reached the highest point.

It is an American cloth-covered exercise book containing two verses of poetry. There followed the names of the two climbers, Carl Von Salis and Walter Von Ruchteschell, dated February 13, 1914.

Prince Has Narrow Escape

Had to Duck to Avoid Plunging Horses At Islington Show

London.—The Prince of Wales had a dangerous experience at a Shire horse show at Islington when a mare in the ring near him began to kick and set several horses rearing and plunging. There was general commotion about the Prince, but no one was injured.

Just before this he had been compelled to duck and jump aside to avoid a horse which had suddenly swerved in his direction.

Not having had enough of horses for the day, the Prince went hunting in the afternoon, this being the second time he has followed the hounds since the recent accident in which he suffered a broken collar bone.

FEDERAL RURAL CREDIT PLAN IS AN URGENT NEED

Regina.—The operation of a federal long-term rural credit plan with provisions for the establishment ultimately of co-operative credit societies such as exist in Ireland, Germany, Italy and other European countries, was approved by the Canadian Council of Agriculture at its annual meeting here.

The council referred back to the various organizations the question of making Armistice Day a separate holiday to Thanksgiving Day and left to the association to deal with themselves the question of liens prior to first mortgages. Resolutions asking for the re-organization of the board of pension commissioners, for more timely distribution of reports of experimental farms, for the elimination of exchange and the cashing of all cheques at par and favoring the conscription of wealth during war time were among the more important measures adopted.

Chief interest, however, centred around the topic of rural credits, more especially in view of the fact of the announcement of the Dominion Government in the speech from the throne of its intention to provide during the present session of parliament to establish a system of long-term loans to farmers.

The preamble of the resolution ultimately adopted set forth the belief of the council that "the ultimate solution of the problem of rural credit will be found in the development of co-operative credit societies controlled and operated by the farmers themselves, but also recognizes that conditions in many parts of Canada are not yet favorable for the development of such societies on a large scale."

Display Of Wealth

Splendor Marks Great Coronation Fete Of Indian Ruler

Jammu, Kashmir.—Rarely has India, with all the riches of its princes, witnessed such splendor as was displayed when the new Maharajah of Jammu and Kashmir, Sir Hari Singh, entertained 150 guests at a state banquet in honor of the ruling princess and chiefs of the native Indian states who are here from all parts of the country for his coronation.

The princes were served on gold plates and the members of their staffs on solid silver. The native rulers were attired in their priceless state robes, and the great ornate banquet hall of the royal residence blazed with light cast from jewels whose value was estimated at a total of several million pounds.

CUSTOMS PROBE HEARS OF CASES OF SMUGGLING

Ottawa.—Ministers who have been at the head of the customs department during the last few years have not always taken "the action most in the public interest," though they have not done anything they had not a legal right to do, in the opinion of R. P. Sparks, of the Commercial Protective Association, witness at the customs probe.

The ministers referred to were Senator Jacques Bureau and Hon. P. J. A. Cardin. Mr. Sparks was being questioned by Hon. G. H. Boivin, present minister of customs, as to his opinion of the integrity of the administration of the department. Some of the officials "might be more efficient," added Mr. Sparks, but he knew of no cases of personal malice or dishonesty.

Discussing the port of Rock Island, Quebec, Mr. Sparks said that officers there knew that smuggling was going on and that some of them had winked at it in the past. Mr. Boivin said that the department could make better distribution of officers if it had not to get the permission of the civil service commission to move a man from one locality, "where he had got to know everybody," to another.

Mr. Sparks spoke of "intimidation by politicians" of customs officers, who were often afraid to reveal facts that had come to their knowledge lest the member for their constituency use his influence at Ottawa against them. "That is irrespective of what government is in power," remarked Mr. Sparks' counsel.

Financial Plight Of Soviets Is Revealed

Situation In Russia Not So Rosy As Depicted

Riga, Latvia.—While more than 100 foreign delegates are taking part in the session of the executive committee of the communist internationale at Moscow, the same Soviet papers that are printing their optimistic predictions of the downfall of capitalistic countries reveal examples of high finance which it is impossible to duplicate in the history of international trade.

While the delegates are unable to read the official Soviet newspapers, they are realizing the situation in Russia is not so rosy as is depicted by the Soviet orators, because the finance commission has already slashed their requests for propaganda funds fifty per cent. with an additional cut promised before the end of the conference.

The shortage of manufactured goods throughout Russia is felt more by the population than in the early days of the revolution, when the people had plenty of old clothes and Russia's former rich were selling their possessions to buy bread.

To Meet Competition

Americans Cut Prices As Alberta Coal Goes On Sale In Ontario

Toronto.—Reductions in price of American anthracite and domestic coke were made in Toronto, coincident with the commencement of sale by the city authorities of the first part of its thousand-ton shipment of Alberta coal.

Coke was reduced two dollars a ton and semi-anthracite one dollar a ton. Property Commissioner Chisholm said that it was obvious the city's Alberta coal competition had forced down prices on coke and other fuels here.

Will Test New Helicopter

London.—Four European countries are hastening to test the Cierva helicopter, which its inventor claims will revolutionize aeroplane construction.

Five Cierva helicopters are under construction in England with the inventor supervising the work; the Spanish Government is building two of 300 horsepower each; and France and Italy each are negotiating for the construction of five.

Manitoba To Return Money

Winnipeg.—Provision for returning the money collected under the Manitoba Grain Futures Act, will be made in a bill to be introduced during the present session of the Provincial Legislature, by Premier John Bracken. The act was recently declared ultra vires of the province by a decision of the judicial committee of the privy council, following joint action by Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Heavy Catch Sinks Vessel

Copenhagen.—A Norwegian fishing vessel, which left Vaagsoy one morning, and last seen at four the same day, is believed to have sunk with all five hands, under the weight of an exceptionaly heavy catch.

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With the Curlers

The cold nights of the past few days has kept the ice in very good condition at the curling rink and the knights of the broom are having a grand time. The Ross cup competition (reversed rinks) is well under way, with Clothier's rink leading with 32 points and Peterson second with 31. The games played to date are as follows:

Wright 11, Peterson 10.
Clothier 10, Moore 4.
Wright 8, Smith 7.
Newmarch 8, Wright 6
Newmarch 9, Smith 8.
Clothier 18, Puddy 9.
Puddy 11, Newmarch 8.
Moore 11, Peterson 8.
Moore 9, Smith 8.
Peterson 13, Clothier 4.

The McLennan & McFeely competition will be decided on Saturday night when Gregory will play Walmsley for the cup

Midway School Report for February

DIVISION I

Teacher, Jose MacDonald

Total actual attendance -	282
Average daily attendance	14.1

Perfect Attendance

Ange Marie Bohemier, Christiane Bohemier, James Brown, Yves Bohemier, Mayneen Bush, Verna Evans.

Proficiency List.

Grade VIII: Kathleen Salmon and Yves Bohemier (equal), Rosalie Brown. Absent—Roy Sharp

Grade VII: Mayneen Bush, Verna Evans, John McMynn. Absent—Mae Sharp, Raymond Tippie, William Tippie.

Grade V: Marc Bohemier, James Brown. Absent—Gladwin Sharp, Gisele Bohemier.

Grade IV: Christiane Bohemier, Ange Marie Bohemier, Bernadine Brown, Fred Tippie.

DIVISION II

Teacher, Nellie F. Keir

Total actual attendance -	291
Average daily attendance -	14 55

Proficiency List

Grade III: Jack Brown, Bertille Bohemier, Ethel Bender. Absent—Lucile Evans, Gordon Roberts.

Grade II: Philip Pannell, John Champa, Just Bohemier, Fred Erickson. Absent—Pauline Roberts, Ernest Hawkes.

Grade I a: Louis Delisle. Absent—Robert Evans.

Grade I b: Floyd Warnick, Jack Champa, Dale Brown and Eloi Bohemier (equal), Edward Bryan, Leslie Bryan. Absent—Evelyn Hawkes.

Perfect Attendance

Ethel Bender, Bertille Bohemier, Just Bohemier, Dale Brown.

Greenwood hopes the neighboring district will turn out en masse to the big Hockey Dance on March 17th.

Job Printing at The Ledge

Rock Creek Items

Wm. Bruce, of Ingram Mt., was a Saturday visitor to Riverside.

Miss Dolly Pittendrigh, of Rhone, spent the week-end with her parents here.

The blue birds and robins have arrived here and are busy inspecting their summer residences.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hatton, Bridesville Road, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pitman and Mrs. Smyrl, of Myncaster, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lindsay and daughter, were among the visitors to town on Saturday.

Mr. Ryan, a director of the Canadian Farm Implement Co., of Medicine Hat, interviewed a number of shareholders here on Tuesday of last week. He left the following day for Grand Forks.

The officers elected for the Woman's Institute at the meeting on Saturday in Riverside Hall were: President, Mrs. J. Lindsay; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. Clark; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Ed. Richter; Directors, Mrs. Blain and Mrs. Olson; Programme Committee, Mrs. Kayes, Mrs. Pittendrigh, Mrs. Blain, and Mrs. Douglas Homilton; Librarians, Mrs. W. Clark and Mrs. Pittendrigh. There was only one item of business brought up, re Solarium, which will be discussed at the next meeting. A delightful tea was served by Mrs. Glossop, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Clark, to about 50 people. A big Dance will be given by the Woman's Institute on Victoria Day, Monday, May 24th, at Riverside Hall, Rock Creek. Posters will be issued later.

The Hockey Club Dance on March 17th promises to be a most enjoyable affair.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Forest Branch, Department of Lands

EXAMINATION FOR THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT FOREST RANGER

OBJECT

These examinations are for the purpose of filling present vacancies and to enable candidates to qualify for future vacancies and increases in staff.

ASSISTANT FOREST RANGERS

Assistant Forest Rangers are employed during the fire season of each year and this period is extended where possible by work on improvements such as trails, etc. Re-appointment is made each year as long as satisfactory service is given. Promotion to the permanent staff is made by merit and examination as occasion offers. The salary is $100 per month the first year and $110 per month the second year, and $120 the third year. Travelling expenses are also paid.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDATES

Candidates must be British Subjects residents in British Columbia for at least one year, of good character, good physical condition and with woods experience.

They should have experience in fire fighting; possess the ability to organize work and handle men; and have knowledge of the Forest Act.

The examinations are partly written, partly oral and are designed to test the candidates' ability along the above lines. All statements made by applicants as to experience, education and fitness are subject to verification by the examining board.

Preference is given to returned soldiers with the necessary qualifications.

THE EXAMINATION

The examinations will be held at the places and on the dates named below. Each intending candidate should apply to the District Forester of his district for application forms and for information regarding the hour of the examination and the building in which it will be held. Application forms should, in each case, be filled out and mailed to the District Forester in time to reach him at least six days before the examination.

Place	Date	Apply to District Forester at
Merritt	March 2nd	Nelson
Penticton	March 4th	Nelson
Rock Creek	March 6th	Nelson
Cranbrook	March 8th	Nelson
Invermere	March 9th	Nelson
Nelson	March 12th	Nelson
Kamloops	March 18th	Kamloops

G. R. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands

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Kettle River Assessment District

NOTICE, is hereby given that a Court of Revision and Appeal, under the provisions of the "Taxation Act" and "Public Schools Act" for the Kettle River Assessment District, respecting the Assessment Roll for the year 1926, will be held at the places, and on the dates hereinafter mentioned:

ROCK CREEK

Tuesday, March 16th, 1926, at 10 o'clock A. M., at Riverside Hotel.

GREENWOOD

Wednesday, March 17th, 1926, at 10 o'clock A. M., at Provincial Court House.

GRAND FORKS

Thursday, March 18th, 1926, at 10 o'clock A.M., at Provincial Court House.

KEREMEOS

Monday, March, 22nd, 1926, at 11 o'clock A.M., at Provincial Police Office.

PENTICTON

Wednesday, March 24th, 1926, at 10 o'clock, A.M., at Provincial Police Office.

Dated at Penticton, B. C., March 1st, 1926.

R. G. KEYS,
Judge of Court of Revision & Appeal.

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SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 8,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 5,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price for first-class (arable) land is $5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land $2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stumpage.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partly free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

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Lady Byng Inspired by Rockies

Lord Byng golfing on the famous Banff course

His Excellency sets out for his morning ride from Banff station

Her Excellency, Lady Byng

No one has any right to speak with authority of Canada who has seen only the East or the West."

It was Her Excellency the Lady Byng of Vimy who made this statement recently at a luncheon of the Ottawa Women's Canadian Club shortly after her return from a trip across and through Canada over a matter of some eighty thousand miles. Accompanying His Excellency the Governor General, Lady Byng had visited practically all parts of Canada meeting at every stopping place the warm welcome Canadians everywhere reserve for "Byng of Vimy" and his charming Lady and, not less important, becoming acquainted with Canada's unrivalled and never-ending succession of scenic glories.

"I feel I have some plea to come to speak to you on Canada", said Her Excellency. "I come as a sort of advertising agent to beg of you that you go west and visit there. I know the terrible question of expense but let me tell you, it is well worth it. I do so regret that people will go to the South of France or some seaside resort, rather than view the beauties of their own Canadian Rockies and of Vancouver Island."

Lady Byng described her first view of the Rockies. "It was so great an inspiration. I cannot convey the beauty and wonder of that undulating line rising out of the mist; that endless, unending chain of marvellous mountains and the valleys below in colours of acquamarine and emeralds."

The opinion of Her Excellency regarding Western Canada is not that of a mere passerby. With the Governor-General she has been all over the country, going by motor where the rail and river do not penetrate.

"There are those," said Lady Byng, "who visit Canada landing at Quebec, coming on to Montreal, proceeding to Ottawa, and Toronto, who have gone away giving their view on Canada. Such views are always defective even if sometimes they are not wholly unfair and unjust. Canada's bigness is evident on the map, but its actual size is only realized through direct contact and acquaintanceship."

The idea of interchanging visits east and west is developing the attitude so admirably taken by the wife of the Governor-General should speed the movement and give it wider impetus.

In our Dominion different localities have different interests and problems, and nothing but a close and sympathetic study of cause and effect will solve the difficulties which confront the country as a whole. Books and newspapers assist somewhat in bringing into closer touch the eastern, central and western regions of the Dominion. But not until the people living east visit the west and the people in the west visit the older provinces — visit them with the intention of becoming acquainted with the life and ideals of the native born, will any degree of intimacy or understanding be reached.

The lesson of Lady Byng's speech, then, is for Canadians, when they go travelling on holiday, to extend their knowledge of the structure and economic life of the people in other parts of the country than their own and to see for themselves the beauty of Canadian scenery which travellers from other lands say is unexcelled the world over and of which every province has its full share — see Canada first, and see it from Halifax to Victoria.

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