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Around Home

C. Graser has a fine new car.
Even the snow is leaving Phoenix.

There is a brisk demand for
Phoenix beer.

James Porter is acting city
clerk in Phoenix.

The O. K. Cigar Store has the
Kootenay Standard.

Road work has begun in this
section of the country.

Two government bulls arrived
in Greenwood on Sunday.

Bill Beach is starting a short
order restaurant at Christina
Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Adams
motored from Princeton last
week.

Mrs. A. B. Harris, of Ana-
conda, will be "At Home," Mon-
day, May 28.

Through advertising The Ledge
has recently sold many copies of
Float in France.

Jack White, formerly of the
Jewel mine, lost part of his left
hand at Vimy Ridge.

An auto recently made the trip,
from Spokane to Grand Forks, in
six hours and 15 minutes.

Miss L. Deane and Miss Dot
Fraser were in the city from
Phoenix on Saturday last.

Angus McDonald died in Van-
couver this spring. He kept the
Greenwood hotel some years ago.

Times are a wee bit dull in
Phoenix, but some of the boys
still have money for horse poker.

Greenwood should celebrate
Dominion Day, as it is not likely
that there will be any fair this
fall.

The water in Boundary creek
is high and muddy, rendering the
catching of fish a poor occupa-
tion.

J. B. Desrosiers was in Trail
last week, discussing Midway
irrigation prospects with J. J.
Warron.

Frank Roberts is making cinder
paths in Germany. It took a
parcel five months to reach him
from Canada.

Tom Moore and Jim Murdoch
are assassinating trees near Pho-
enix. The price of coal does not
worry Jim and Tom.

Virgil O. Strickler, of New
York, delivered an able and in-
structive lecture upon Christian
Science in Greenwood last week.

Frank Lathe, of Grand Forks,
is going to Chili, South America,
where he has secured a position
as assayer for a mining company.

The Mother Lode Stage Co.
has bought a Chevrolet car, to
take care of the passenger traffic
between the mine and Green-
wood.

The Great Northern hotel at
Grand Forks was burned down
early Monday morning. Both
proprietors were out of town at
the time.

Corporal Bob Pritchard has
been wounded in France. He
was formerly a provincial police-
man in Princeton, before he en-
listed for the war.

The Red Cross Work Party
acknowledge, with many thanks
the following donations for
April: J. Bush, \$10; A. J. Gren-
ier, \$3; The Ledge, \$1.50.

Without Danny Deane Phoenix
looks like one of the ghost cities
of the mineral west. Danny is at
the coast, and may yet become
an evangelist, like Bob Fitz-
simmons.

Extra good programme at the
Star Theatre, Saturday, May 19.
"The Inner Struggle," a Mutual
Master Picture in 5 reels, featur-
ing Winnifred Greenwood and
Franklin Ritchie.

O. Matthews is now a lieutenant
in the Canadian army in
France. His wife is in England,
and her baby is now 11 months
old, and is one of the prettiest
children in Great Britain.

Jimmy Oliver lost his life at
Vimy Ridge. He is the third
member of the Oliver family to
make the supreme sacrifice in the
war. His father and brother
were killed two years ago.

Up in lofty Phoenix, Big Andy
Johnson is still doing business at
the old stand. Along with Al-
bert Nelson he recently made a
trip in his car, to Princeton, and
other towns in the copper west.

Geo. Mario returned to Green-
wood last week. He left here
with the 54th, but was drafted
into the 7th Battalion. He was
ten months in the trenches and
wounded several times. Last
September he was buried in a
trench by the explosion of a
shell, and since then has suffered
from shock to his brain and
nervous system, making it difficult
for him at times to obtain sleep.

VIMY RIDGE

Writing from a war hospital in
England to The Ledge, A. N.
Mowat says under date of April 17:

DEAR COLONEL,

Here I am once more in
England lying in the hospital with
three wounds. Wasn't Easter
Monday a glorious day for the
Canadians, when we drove old
Fritz from his strongly fortified
trenches on Vimy Ridge. That
old fake Hindenburg thought we
couldn't do it and had massed his
best troops against us, but in spite
of that we were successful a front-
age of 11½ miles. Gladly, would I
take ten times the punishment just
to be in such another glorious at-
tack. I have been in many at-
tacks. I was at Ypres, St. Eloi,
Armentieres and the Somme, but
all put together cannot be com-
pared with that Vimy Ridge at-
tack. Fritz put up a stubborn
resistance in places, but we soon
overpowered him and then rush on
to his next line. We had orders
to take no prisoners that day, but
it is pretty hard to kill a man
when he is on his knees pleading,
"Mercy kamaerd! I was so dis-
gusted with some of them that I
just shoved them aside and rushed
on, leaving the poor brutes for the
moppers up, to capture. It was
the greatest battle of the war and
the biggest battle in the history of
the world. The first time I was
hit, was received just as I reached
the Huns first lines, when a sniper
shot me through the fleshy part of
the leg, but, I up and at them
again. The second wound was re-
ceived between the German third
and fourth lines, when a piece of
shrapnel landed in my right
shoulder. This nearly knocked
me out, but, as our officer was hit
early in the game, I was the only
one left to lead the platoon on.
So, on we went—until we reached
our objective, where we had a
strong point to establish. I was
waving frantically for the machine
gun crew to come forward, (no use
shouting for the voice could not be
heard a yard away) when bingo
something hit me on the left
shoulder. That put me out of
action. However, I told the mach-
ine gunners where to place their
gun and saw the rest of the platoon
start the work of consolidation and
then started for the nearest dress-
ing station five miles away. When
I got about a mile, I was so weak
that I thought I could go no fur-
ther, when lo, and behold I noticed
three Germans hiding in a shell
hole. When they noticed me
down went their rifles and up went
their hands. So, I approached
them pretending I was as fierce as
a tiger. I made them take off their
equipment and searched them for
concealed weapons, then made
them carry me to the dressing
station while I showed them the
way. This just goes to show how
easy it is to take prisoners and how
there is no fight left in the Huns.
So here I am resting well, with no
pain and being well looked after.
I tell you a man might well feel
proud to be in that glorious drive
and the Canadians are wonderful.
They go into a charge with a cheer,
repulse an attack with determina-
tion and endure their many hard-
ships without a murmur. Many
and many a man have I seen lying
on the battlefield, bleeding, batted,
but, never a single word of
complaint, no single word of re-
gret for having come to the war,
and the gratitude of these men.
An easing of the arm or leg, a few
empty sand bags for a pillow, a
mouthful of water and they would
look up at you with such wistful
eyes and although the shells would
be bursting all around them and
some of them suffering intense
pain they would say, "Stay with
it lad!" "Stick to it!" That is the
spirit of the Canadian army; that
is the spirit that makes the Can-
adians fight so gallantly for Coun-
try, for Empire and for the sacred
cause of Justice.

This is a very large hospital,
over several miles of corridors. It
will be several months before I am
fit again, but, by that time I hope
the war will be over.

YOURS SINCERELY,
DREW MOWAT.

Western Float

Make your backyard a producer
this summer.

Dr. Mearns died in Woodstock,
Ontario, last month.

The big sawmill at Chase has
resumed operations.

In ten days four carloads of
autos arrived in Kamloops.

P. Dunne of Vancouver has
opened a tailor shop in Merritt.

Last winter the writer saw sev-
eral U boats on the Pacific ocean.

Ten per cent of the population
of B. C. is in the Canadian army.

In April the building permits
issued in Kamloops amounted to
\$8,200.

The people of Lytton, get all the
irrigation water they want for \$1 a
month.

Since prohibition became opera-
tive crime has been reduced 61 per
cent in Alberta.

Tom Whelan, formerly of Fernie,
is now in the mining business at
Wallace Idaho.

Max Green was fined \$150 in
New Westminster for driving an
auto while drunk.

Several carloads of potatoes were
shipped last month, from Hazelton
to Prince Rupert.

The dry benches of land near
Ashcroft, should be made produc-
tive by irrigation.

Owing to the heavy snowfall in
the north, the past winter was not
a good one for trappers.

In Kamloops recently, an Aus-
trian was fined \$100 and costs, for
not reporting as an alien.

A sheep company has recently
been organized in Vancouver. It
will not deal in real estate.

Archie McDonald, and Mrs.
Lucy Tabane, were recently mar-
ried on a train near Hazelton.

At Savona this month, Wade &
Jackson of Calgary bought \$62,000
worth of cattle from Fehr and
Ferguson.

The Alberta government should
buy, or borrow a steam shovel,
and build a road through the
Frank slide.

Dr. Welsh has returned to Ash-
croft from California, and will
make a trip to Cariboo in search of
customers requiring dental atten-
tion.

At Whitehorse, this time of the
year when Erny Burwash drives
his Dawson stage out of that town
on wheels, it is a sure sign of
spring.

The beavers near Fincher Creek
are being exterminated by orders
of the Alberta government. The
dams built by them flooded too
much farming land.

It will pay you to read the ads
in this paper of the enterprising
business men of Greenwood. It
shows that they are alive, and do-
ing their utmost to attract trade to
their city.

Recently 500 gallons of beer
were poured into the Old Man
river near Blairmore. The fish
have been drunk ever since, and
refuse to bite at anything except
cigar butts and Limburger cheese.

Pte. Fred Halliday, one of the
guards at the Morrissey internment
camp, committed suicide this
month by shooting himself while
suffering from temporary insanity.

The Fernie jury found fault with
the military authorities for the
manner in which this soldier was
buried, and added a rider to that
effect to their verdict.

Captain Troup, of the C. P. E.
steamships, has been loaned to the
Imperial Commissions Board to
assist Butchart in the organizing
work of building a big fleet of
wooden vessels in British Colum-
bia. Captain Troup is one of the
best known fresh and salt water
officials in British Columbia and
has been with the C. P. E. for
many years.

Cowichan Leader: "The big-
gest cougar which has fallen to
Mr. I. W. Sherman and his dog,
"Old Boy," fell literally and truly
to the ground last Friday, not far
from the King Solomon mines,
Koksilah mountain. Henry Wil-
liams was with Mr. Sherman and
the dog tread the panther in a tall
cedar. Mr. Sherman shot the
beast while it was in the lower
branches. The cougar, then, with
growls which made the woods ring,
climbed right to the top of the
tree, about 100 feet, and there
died, stretching itself across the
topmost branches. It remained
there and so the hunters had to go
a mile away to get an axe. Then
they chopped the tree down. The
cougar was a female, very fat and
had evidently been feasting on
venison. She weighed 150 pounds
and was over eight and a half
feet measurement, six inches more
than the fine animal killed recent-
ly near Sahliam.

B. C. Mines

Miners in some places are in
favor of a weekly payday.

Copper mining is now the most
important form of mining in B. C.

The Knob Hill at Republic has
declared a one per cent dividend.

Last year the Standard mine at
Silverton made a profit of \$410,-
076.

W. H. Burgess has begun work
upon the Payne, the oldest mine
in the Slocan.

The diamond drill will be used
on the Lucky Mike group, in the
Merritt district.

The Van Roi at Silverton is now
being worked by C. Cunningham,
who is also interested in other
Slocan mines.

Many zinc mines in Missouri
have had to shut down owing to
the low price of zinc, and the high
cost of its production.

The Canadian Collieries are
building 150 coke ovens at Union
Bay. In time the Boundaries melt-
ers may be able to get some coke
from the coast.

The Silver Gable Co. has paid
\$1500 on its bond of \$39000 to
Jean Brochier and P. A. Paulson.
This mine is on the upper Duncan
river, and will begin shipping ore
this month.

You cannot make a mineral
country progressive, when specu-
lators hold so many idle crown-
granted mineral claims. When
not worked for a certain length of
time such properties should revert
to the crown.

Bob Perry, the well-known min-
ing man of Beaverdell, has become
interested with five others at the
coast in a placer mining enterprise.
They will work the bars on the
Fraser river with a machine now
on the way from Australia. Mr.
Perry says that this machine will
save millions of dollars of gold
that is concealed in bars of the
Fraser and other B. C. rivers.

Largely brothers of California,
and E. L. T. Galbraith of Fort
Steele have won their suit in con-
nection with the coal mine at Cor-
bin. They received stock last
week having a par value of \$312,-
000. The case had been in the
courts for many years.

In Spokane, Mrs. G. Weaver
Loper has entered a suit against
the Lucky Jim company for \$223,-
644.29. This is the old Slocan
mine that Dr. Kilbourne, Tom
Rowley and others worked over
20 years ago. Its history is roman-
tic and the court will now be kept
busy unwinding the tangle.

A. L. Bass is examining the
United Empire coal mine near
Princeton, with a view to it being
re-opened by J. B. Tilsley and his
partners. The property has a
large area and is traversed by two
seams of lignite coal that are nine
and 12 feet wide. One body is
opened by the tunnel, by which
the coal was followed from the sur-
face, and the other body is reached
by a crosscut from the tunnel.
The yield of the mine, which has
not been large, was consumed in
Spokane chiefly. The coal is re-
garded as of a good domestic qual-
ity. It is traversed by but one rib
of slate, which is soft and is read-
ily and economically eliminated by
screening. Part of the tunnel col-
lapsed in a period of idleness.
Restoration is encouraged by the
increased demand for coal, part of
which may come from Princeton
and vicinity, where the British
Columbia Copper company expects
to employ 600 men ultimately in
the operation of its copper mine
and a concentrating plant pro-
jected.

Amateur Theatricals

"Don't you get awfully tired of
taking part in all these theatrical
performances?" the friend of the
amateur actor once asked.

"Yes, painfully tired," he replied,
"for I don't like to act a bit. But
I know if I'm not on the stage I'll
have to sit in the audience."—
Brooklyn Citizen.

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TO PRINTERS.—A few cases,
rack and fonts of type for sale.
Ledge office.

Get a Kootenay Standard at
the O. K. Cigar Store.

F. J. Lake, the photographer,
is on a western tour in his own
car, and is prepared to take views
of ranches, cattle, trees, people,
etc. He will be at Rock Creek,
Bridgesville, Keremeos, Hedley,
Princeton, Granite Creek and
other points, during the next few
weeks.

On Sunday a collision took
place near Denoro, between a car
driven by Dr. Acres, and M. W.
Ludlow's new Chevrolet. No
one was injured, although the cars
showed marked evidence of the
impact.

Not long ago safe blowers
cracked the safe in the postoffice
at Phoenix, and stole \$600. The
government stood for the loss of
the money, but up to date the
postmaster has not been rein-
bursed for the damage inflicted
upon his innocent and faithful
safe.

During one of the Somme bat-
tles, A. N. Mowat, formerly of
The Ledge staff, was made a
King's Sergeant, and is mention-
ed for decoration for his work at
Vimy Ridge. He is now in a
hospital at Epsom, England, and
a graphic letter from him ap-
pears in another column. Drew
evidently finds that war is as
dangerous as hockey.

Good Authority

A schoolmistress asked her class
to explain the word "bachelor,"
and was very much amused when
a little girl answered: "A bachelor
is a very happy man."
"Where did you learn that?"
asked the mistress.
"Father told me," the little girl
replied.

