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Quiet Wedding at Vancouver

Local Couple United in Matrimony.—Will Reside at Rossland

WILLIAMS—SEATON

A wedding of interest to a large circle of friends here and elsewhere took place on Friday evening November 19th, at the home of Mrs. F. P. Paterson. 2300 Second avenue west Vancouver when Miss Isabel Seaton, daughter of Mrs. G. A. Kerr of Merritt was united in marriage to Dr. Cyril Stanley Williams, for years a resident of the Nicola Valley, but now of Rossland.

Rev. R. J. Douglas performed the ceremony. The wedding was very quiet and only a small circle of intimate friends present.

Palms and flowers formed a charming setting and the small number present tended to lend a note of sincerity to the scene. The Misses Marjorie and Dorothy Patterson attended the guests upon their arrival. The bride who was attended by her sister, Miss Marjorie Seaton, was given away by Dr. T. W. Nicholson, while Dr. A. W. Hunter was the best man. The bride was gowned in blue chiffon velvet. The rooms were artistically decorated, the living-room being arranged with yellow chrysanthemums and palms and the dining-room with pink carnations and similax.

Following the ceremony a wedding supper was served and later the bridal couple departed on the Seattle boat. The bride went away in a travelling suit of brown trimmed with white fox fur. After spending a few days in the Sound cities they left for Dr. Williams home in Rossland. Following the wedding ceremony, Rev. R. J. Douglas officiated at another interesting ceremony, when the infant son of Mrs. F. P. Patterson was baptised. He was named Frank Porter after his father, Capt. Dr. F. P. Patterson, who is now serving at the front.

Birth.—To Mr. and Mrs. Bert Newcomb, of Voght Reserve, on Saturday, November 20, a daughter.

Birth,—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stewart, of Coutlee, November 22nd, a son.

Birth—On Wednesday, Nov. 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson, of Colletville, a son.

Car on Track Hit by Train

Peculiar Accident at Local Railroad Crossing Last Saturday

Mr. Alex Coutlie, the well known livery man and rancher of this City was the unfortunate victim of a peculiar automobile accident on Saturday night. His car was badly damaged but Mr. Coutlie happily sustained no physical injury. Driving to Spences Bridge to meet a party of mining men who were coming to Merritt Mr. Coutlie had reached a point where the road crosses the K. V. R. track some fifteen miles from his destination, Having crossed the intersection he was climbing a hill when he "killed" his engine. Allowing his car to run slowly down the grade with the intention of restarting it on the level the car stopped right on the track.

For some time Mr. Coutlie was vainly trying to crank his machine and continued doing so until the westbound train was within six feet of him. The engineer apparently expected Mr Coutlie to drive his car off the tracks at any moment and slowed down. The body of the car was badly smashed and an axle bent. On hearing of the accident, Mr. D. L. Munro immediately information was at hand motored off and brought Mr. Coutlie to Merritt.

Trooper R. Hebron, E. Staton, J. Battersby, T. McKeating and A. Jacques of the Home Defence at Vernon and Sycamous arrived in the City the morning.

Mr. McIntyre Snr. father of Murdock McIntyre, mine host of the Coldwater Hotel, is improving in health nicely and his sunny countenance is once again seen in the lounge of the hotel.

Nine of the fifteen snowsheds planned, have been completed by the contractors on the Hope section of the K.V.R. work on which has now practically closed down for the winter. Work on the remaining snowsheds will be resumed next spring, as soon as climatic conditions will allow.

Happiness!
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'Crisis' Pamphlet Is Punctured

Lucas Easily Wins his Libel Suit —$200 and Costs Judgment Awarded

"I give verdict for the plaintiff with a judgment of $200 with costs."—Mr. Justice Morrison in the Supreme Court on Thursday.

The long looked for libel suit in which Alex Lucas M.L.A. for Yale is plaintiff and the Ministerial Union of the Lower mainland, who published the well known pamphlet "The Crisis in B. C" are defendants opened in Vancouver Supreme Court on Tuesday before a large attendance of the public, a large array of counsel, and many noted politicians.

"The Conservative member for Yale with an eminent Liberal counsel, sat at the solicitors' table along side Rev. A. E. Cooke and Mr. Moses Cotsworth, stated the Province, while their counsel a former president of the Vancouver Conservative Association, argued their defence before the jury. Seated together like a pair of old friends in the well of the court and frequently whispering their comments on the case to each other, were Sir Richard McBride and Mr, M. A. MacDonald one of the Liberal candidates for the city of Vancouver."

The statement which Mr. Lucas took exception to is one which alleged that Mr. Lucas had been compelled to resign from the position as assessor for the Nelson district by the Civil Service Commission on account of neglect of duties and a timber deal whereby he pocketed a profit of ten thousand dollars. Mr. Cotsworth, compiler of the pamphlet and former chairman of the Civic Service Commission, was added as a defendant to the suit.

Premier Sir Richard McBride was among the witnesses present. Judge Morrison presided over the court; E.P. Davis K. C. is counsel for Mr. Lucas.

At the outset counsel for both sides exhorted the jurors to dismiss political bias from their minds while before the lunch recess Mr. Davis K.C. announced that he withdrew all accusations of malice set up in the pleadings, did not ask for a penny of damages, but was fighting the case solely to clear his client from suggestions of impropriety. The trial had nothing to do with anything else in the phamphlet. The defendants having set up a plea of fair comment as their defence, must prove four points namely:—

That Mr. Lucas had been compelled to resign; that he had neglected his duties in such a manner as to force his resignation; that he had taken part in a profitable timber deal which it was improper for him to engage in; and that he had left his office to put the deal through in face of repeated refusals of leave.

Mr. Davis read some twenty questions and answers taken from Mr. Cotsworth's examination for discovery. These were to the effect that Mr. Cotsworth was not the author of the Crisis in B. C., that he had supplied the informatian in regard to Mr. Lucas to the Rev. A. E. Cooke, and that the pamphlet had been published by the committee of the Ministerial Union. His answers stated that he had got the information in regard to Mr. Lucas from his diary when chairman of the Civil Service Commission in which is an entry in regard to Mr. Lucas's evidence before the commission.

At the end of the session Mr. Woodworth in his address to the jury pleaded fair comment and substantial correctness in the statements complained of and called Mr. Cotsworth who gave evidence standing amid a sheaf of papers and documents.

On the resumption on Wednesday emphatic denials of the statement made in the pamphlet were made by Mr. Lucas, who took the witness stand. He denied that he had been absent from his position as timber recorder at Kaslo during 1908 and 1909, without leave, that he had put through a "timber deal" or obtained any commission therefrom, or that he had taken any part in politics during his whole term of service with the government covering nine years.

The Rev. Cooke and others, as well as Mr. Lucas took the stand the minister saying the pamphlet was his language written largely on data supplied

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Merritt Invests In War Loan

$5000 from Sinking Fund to be Invested. Substantial Benefits

Today, at noon, Merritt City Council in special session unanimously decided to invest $5.000 civic sinking fund assets in the War Loan.

This money, now lying in the bank, draws but 3 per cent, interest. The war loan being offered at 97 1-2, at 5 per cent, the interest to be received will be actually $5. 12 1-2 per cent.

An increased interest earning of $2. 12 1-2 per cent will thus be received during the term of the war loan—ten years--and at simple interest computation alone the City will benefit to the extent of $1.062.50.

Alderman A. McGoran, chairman of the finance committee presided over the Board, in the absence of Mayor Walters who is at Vancouver.

Farewell Party to Lieut. Croly

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Durland entertained the staff of theM erritt Mercantile Co., and Merritt Cash Stare, at their home on Wednesday Evening The party being comprised exclusively of the staff and their wives, took the form of a Military Whist Party in honor of Lieut. R. C. Croly who will, in a few days, sever his connection with the Mercantile Company and leave with his wife and family for the East where he will be attached to an Engineers' Corps at Ottawa prior to his departure for the front.

The spirit of good-will existing amongst members of the staff was aptly demonstrated in this social gathering and showed as well the high esteem with whicn Lieut. Croly is held amongst the "bunch."

After a pleasant evening spent at cards and light refreshments having been enjoyed, Mr. Aitken, on behalf of the staff presented Lieut. Croly with a handsome wrist watch—a necessary part of an officer's equipment, and with it the best tokens of friendship possible for any one gathering to convey. Together with numerous other duties entailed upon him by the "boys" he was asked to personally convey to those of the staff whom he might meet at the front, the best wishes of those present. Lieut. Croly is the fourth of the staff to enlist for active service.

A. N. B. Rogers was unanimously elected president of the Curling Club at the annual meeting held last night. Other officers are, Hon. President Joseph Graham; Vice president G. F. Ransom; sec-treasurer J. P. Boyd; executive F. A. Reid, P. McLean, A. W. Strickland, J. W. Ellis, and D. A. Costigan.

The membership fee has been reduced to $5.00. Messrs Bond and Costigan are a committee to secure members. It was resolved to offer the lessee of the rink all membership fees, or not less than $100.00 for the use of the two sheets of ice, accomodation etc.

Ten out of twenty seven last year members have left the district.

Trooper Arthur Hatton, of Nicola, arrived in Merritt today from Vernon having recently returned from the front. He was warmly and fittingly received by several citizens who assembled on the depot and immediately after vigorous handshaking exercises drove in Mr. A.E. Howse' automobile to Nicola. He is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harbord.

Discussed City School Finances

Conference Between the School Trustees, Teachers and Inspectors

School Inspector Martin, the local school trustees and the teachers of the public schools held a coeference on Wednesday evening when various matrers affecting the finances of the schools were discussed.

It appears that the teachers recently have made further representations to the Department of Education at Victoria with a view to getting an improvement in the financi l situation at the schools and the payment of arrears in s laries to the teachers and staff and Inspector Martin's visit was made by request of Supt. Alexander Robinson.

At present there is some $1000 outstanding taxes due from property outside the city limits but within the area of the School Board. Respecting the cnrrent year's school revenue, the estimates of school expenditures requested by the Board, and accepted by the Council early in the year, was some $7.000, but as only some $1500 taxes had been received against that amount the financing of the schools has become a serious problem. Its solution is too made more difficult because by a proviso under section 134 of the Municipal Act which governs the borrowing powers of municipalities the City Council, as treasurers of the school board, are unable to borrow on the security of the outstanding taxes for this year—$5.500

The situation will it is expected be temporarily relieved by the Government Supt. Alexander Robinson having requested the Finance Minister to advance $1000 on the security of the 1914 outside taxes receivable by the City.

Several aspects of the situation were freely discussed by those present at the informal meeting with the inspector, the teachers evidently being tired of waiting for their arrears in salaries. The concensus of opinion apparently among them is that the City Fathers had not done all they might have done in the collection of city taxes. The postponement of the tax sale, the teachers allege in example, was an instance where the city afficials might have eased the local financial situation in civic affairs, including the schools.

Ald. McGoran, chairman of the City finance committee, attended and lucidly explained t e position of the City Council in the matter,

Local Liberals Elect Officers For the Year

Merritt and District Liberals met in annual session on Friday evening when some thirty five persons attended.

Resolutions of confidence in Mr. H. C. Brewster, the Provincial Liberal Leader, were passed, and addresses were given by Messrs. B. G. Stewart, (Nicola), M. L. Grimmett, and Joseph Walters, Liberal Candidate for Yale.

Officials for honorary offices are—H. C. Brewster, hon. President; J. H. Collett and J. Walters, hon. vice-Presidents; President, I. Eastwood; vice-President, J. A. Maughan; sec.-treas., G. M. Gemmill. The executive for the ensuing year is—Messrs. A. McGoran, Geo. Maxwell, Wm. Aitken, D. Fyall, R. Jackson, D. Crawford, A. F. Rankine. A. R. Carrington, M. L. Grimmett, A. Ewart, Harvey Hall, J. W. Ellis, Mr. Robson, Canford; L. Quinville, Mamette Lake; J. Bates, Aspen Grove; R. Whittaker, Lower Nicola; M. Olson, Coldwater; H. Leitch.

Another Nicola Soldier Arrives

Lance Corporal W. C. Aynsley, of Nicola, who left the Valley in the early stages of the war and has served in the trenches as one of the Strathcona Horse arrived in Vancouver on Tuesday. He was one of the draft of about 800 wounded who left Shorncliffe on November 4th, and sailed from Liverpool on the Metegama on November 5th. Nearly all of them were wounded at the front and most of them spent several months in hospital in England.

Want Soldiers Quartered Here

Business Men Discuss Military Camp Scheme for Merritt

Whereas the citizens of Merritt and district are desirious of having a billeting camp established in their midst, and whereas it is the opinion of this meeting that such is not feasible unless the recruits are granted the usual full pay from the date of their enlistment. Therefore be it resolved that application be made for such a camp and that all men recruited receive pay and subsistence from the date of enlistment until the required number has been obtained under the billeting system for such camp to be established, and that Dr. Tutill communicate with the proper authorities.

The foregoing is a resolution moved by W. R. Langstaff and N. J. Barwick and unanimously passed at a meeting of Merritt business men, called by Dr. Tutill, and held in the City Hall on Wednesday afternoon. Some sixteen persons were present.

Dr. Tutill said that Capt Tyner, of Kamloops, had intimated that if fifteen or twenty five men were recruited in Merritt they could e quartered, billeted and trained in the City. Other communications were put in by the doctor to the effect that under the regulations governing the billeting scheme subsistence pay was not payable to recruits until the number stipulated had been signed on. As Sergt Leitch had just enlisted a recruit, who would in the ordinary course be sent to Kamloops camp, the question to be decided was whether the business men who would benefit by the establishment of a camp in the city would make themselves responsible for the subsistence of the recruits until say 25 were obtained and the usual subsistence pay qualified for. Several present supported the idea but felt that fully authorised and official orders should be received and arrangements made.

After a full discussion the resolution reported above was possed. Nothing was done to hold the recruit, regarding whose disposition the meeting was called.

At Kelowna the billeting scheme is in successful operation and and is proving helpful to the city as a whole.

Contracts Given For Supplies For Hospital

Contracts for supplies for Nicola Valley General Hospital for delivery during the period December 1, 1915 to February 29, 1916, were awarded at a special meeting of directors held in the institution on Wednesday evening.

G. B. Armstrong was awarded the contract for groceries. No other tender was submitted.

Nicola Valley Meat Market were given the contract for meat etc. Wm. Fairly and W. J. Riley were awarded the contract for the supply of bread, their tenders being equal.

O. Schmidt and R. Marr were given the contract for supplying milk, their prices being the same.

The next regular meeting of the board will be held on Monday December 13, at 8 p.m.

Farmers Should Apply for Seeds

The Members of the Nicola Parmers' Institute are advised to peruse the advertisement appearing in another column res ecting the 1916 Seed sale and distribution under the auspices of the Provincial Department of Agriculture.

In order that the Department can arrange to secure a sufficiency of high-grade seed before tne available supply is exhausted, members are advised to notify Secretary Robt. Dodding, of Lower Nicola, of the seed they would desire, before December 7th.

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THE ARMORY

The war is now fifteen months old and still the substantial and new brick Armory here is looking for a job. Except for being the venue of occasional patriotic concerts and for a few weeks the quarters of the now defunct Home Guard the Armory stands there lonely, barred and locked, as isolated as a sphinx. A victim of Governmental red tape before the war and since, the hall would not be missed if it suddenly vanished like the wind, or ascended on an Elijaan chariot.

But, that same armory could be made the centre of activity. Men in kharki could have every facility for being trained. The hall could be used, as it was intended to be used, for practical military purposes, not merely patriotic concerts and dances. The Armory was erected in times of peace primarily as a training depot for soldiers who would be prepared in case of war. If the Armory is not to be used now when the Empire is engaged in a life or death struggle why was it ever built.

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BILLETING AT KELOWNA

Recruiting in Kelowna is still going on apace, and the number sworn in who have passed the medical inspection has increased from 18 last Thursday to 29 today. . . . . There now appears to be little doubt but that Kelowna will be made a drill centre for a large district, as Col. Sergt. Finch has received word from Major Wolfenden that assistance is to be sent to him in the form of a drill sergeant instructor and that later on an officer will also be sent here to take charge. The men are receiving five hours manual and physical drill every day, and in addition they can also drill with the Volunteer Reserve. In addition to this there are signalling and other military classes so both men and instructor are kept busy.---Kelowna Courier.

Concert in Aid of Red Cross Funds

What promises to be one of the most entertaining concerts ever given in Merritt will be held at the Rex Theatre on the evening of Friday, December 10th.

Arranged under Red Cross Society auspices, the nature of the program will appeal to both young and old alike.

Some sixty children of the junior grade of the City Schools are now busy rehearsing action songs, and concerted choruses, while four young people will enact a scene from "Alice in Wonderland."

For the enjoyment of adults the second portion of the program will be devoted to a one-act play entitled: "Between Two Fires." The plot is crammed full of humour and interesting situations and from start to finish should be "one long laugh."

Miss V. Lawson is in charge of the rehearsals and arrangements for the concert which is expected to be one of the most enjoyable functions of the Christmas season.

Wm. Schmock has Leased the Rink

At a meeting of directors of the Rink held in the Commercial Club on Tuesday afternoon two applications were considered from prospective lessees of the building for the winter season, It was decided to grant a lease to Wm. Schmock on percentage terms of 55 cents to the lessee and 45 cents to the company.

Preliminary arrangements will be made by Mr. Schmock with a view to having the rink ready for flooding as soon as the climatic conditions permit.

No less than six mining men registered at the Coldwater hotel from Saturday to Monday last week end, all being from outside points, this being considered indicative of the increased interest being taken by outside mining men in the mineral lands of this section.

Three thousand chauffeurs from Canada are wanted by the British War Office for service at the front.

Many Attend Limelight Lecture

"The Beauty Spots of Ireland" was the subject of a very interesting limelight lecture given by the Rev. J. Hyde in the Presbyterian Church on Friday evening. Arranged under the auspices of Girls and Boys Club, there was a good attendance, largely young people, and $13.00 was netted to augment the club funds. Mr. P. McLean officiated at the lantern. The pictures thrown on the screen were much enjoyed and the lecturer told entertainingly much of interest concerning the lovely scenic spots of Erin's Isle.

During the evening musical and recitative items were contributed by Mrs. Tutill and Mrs. Paton (vocalists) and Mrs. H. John and Miss Mabel Smith (elocutionists), while refreshments were also served.

Premier has Promised Puddings for Prisoners

Sir Richard McBride cabled Hon. J. H. Turner, agent General in London, instructing him to make arrangements to see that suitable gifts shall be forwarded from London to those British Columbia soldiers who are imprisoned in Germany. Plum puddings and other seasonable dainties will be forwarded by the Agent-General, who has been also told to augument the food supply of the men by an ample quantity of good British Columbia canned salmon.

Returning to Merritt last week end after spending a successful two weeks prospecting and hunting trip in the regions lying between Coquahalla and Hope, Henry Costillou brought back with him many samples of good looking copper, molybdenum, gold bearing iron ores, and porphory with free milling gold.

The Toronto Star advises us to first capture the Crown Prince and then Bagdad.

There will be no service in the morning of Sunday at the Anglicpn Church, but there will be evening service at 7.30 p.m., when the Rev. A. H. Plummer will officiate at the request of the Bishop.

How to Pack Soldiers Parcels

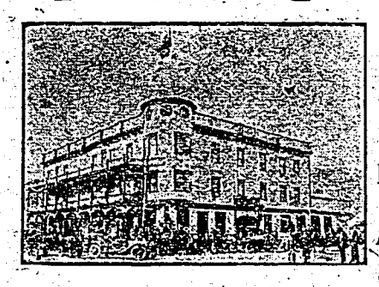
Thin cardboard boxes, such as shoe boxes, and thin wooden boxes, should not be used for sending Christmas presents to the troops, nor does a single sheet of ordinary brown paper afford sufficient protection. The following forms of packing are recommended.--Strong double cardboard boxes, preferably those made of corrugated cardboard, and having lids which completely enclose the sides of the boxes ; or strong wooden boxes ; several folds of stout packing paper, additional security is afforded by an outer covering of linen, calico or canvas, which should be securely sewn up.

The address of the parcel should be written in ink on the cover preferably in two places. The address of the sender of the parcel should also be stated in order that it may be returned if undeliverable. The contents of the parcel should be stated in writing on the cover.

The common Onion is holding great sway in the Okanagan.

Scrambled Eggs and Tinned Goods

There was an impromtu spread of scrambled eggs and canned goods in the vicinity of the Nicola Valley Meat Market on Wednesday morning. A team and rig laden with 1500 lbs of groceries from the Mercantile store and about to leave for Canford was loaded at the rear of the store, Roy Thomas temporarily leaving them unattended. Believing the time for leaving under the delivery schedule had arrived the horses made off down the passage gave a meat rig a jab in the ribs, and reaching a telephone pole nearby the conscientious steeds apparently were uncertain as to whether their barn or a Canford trip was preferable. Anyway they eventually skirted the pole which unfortunately had no direction sign board on it to guide them and during the circling on the outer edge much of the produce toppled to mother earth, eggs scrambling among themselves in the milky way. A wag states that with eggs at 56 cents that's about the only way to get a "drop in them."



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The public are recommended to mail their Xmas parcels and letters without further delay. To ensure any degree of certainty of delivery on time, it is absolutely necessary to send parcels during the coming week at the latest for destination in Great Britain and France. To facilitate the handling of the increased mail in the local post office, the public are urged to mail their letters and parcels as much before the time for closing the mail as possible, as pressure at the last moment is liable to cause disappointment.

Business people are specially requested to mail the bulk of their mail as it is ready, and only leave to the last what is absolutely necessary.

The parcel post weight limit for parcels to Great Britain and France is 11 lbs; to Mediteranean points 7 lbs.

A report of the Hon. the Minister of Lands, just published, states in part,—

The Nicola Valley Pine Lumber Company intends to log between two and three million feet from the Coldwater, operations to begin as soon as the snow offers facilities for hauling, while the Betterton mill will log in preparation for cutting in the spring.

The contracts for six million feet of snowshed timber for use on the Coquahalla Branch of the K.V.R. have been recently let.

"In the Spring many prospectors and mining men will flock to the new copper-cold camp near Merritt, B.C." states a recent issue of the California Mining Review. As the "News" always claimed and still claims with increased certainty that Merritt would some day be a great mining and smelting centre it looks as if the finger of realization is already pointing this way. The proven goods are here.

$9,000 has been subscribed and acknowledged to date in connection with the B.C. effort on behalf of the Red Cross Society on October 21. Among the donations are: Victoria $5,102, Grand Forks Red Cross Society $350, Lillooet $179.05, Clinton $194.80, Cranbrook $160.11, Quesnel $38.80 Salmon Arm $158, NICOLA $152.25, New Westminster $273.55.

Jean Duluth Pear on a Minniesota farm has established a new world's reeord for Red Pole cattle in the 1915 club contest by scoring more than 700 pounds of butter fat in one season. Pear, mother of Jean Duluth Pear, formerly held the world's record for the breed with scores of 603 and 619.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. B. Rogers were week-end visitors to the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Langley, Willow Grange Ranch, Canford.

"Joy" is the subject at next week's meeting of the Epworth League.

WATER NOTICE

Diversion and Use

TAKE NOTICE that WILLIAM W. H. COOPER, whose address is Canford, B. C., will apply for a licence to take and use sufficient water to irrigate 50 acres out of overflow water, also known as Drainage of Sunshine Valley, which flows westward and drains into Speous Creek in a westerly direction from Indian Reservation No 8. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 200 yards west from Captain Tyner's dwelling house situated in Sunshine Valley, and will be used for irrigation purpose upon the land described as L.S. 3-4-5 and 6 of Sec. 1-14-23-6 and L.S. 13 and 14 of Sec. 36-13-23.6.

Commencing with Headgate situated about 200 yards west from Captain Tyner's dwelling house, then by flume and ditch through Tyner's land to boundary of J. Cummings land, thence through Cumming's land by flume and ditch to above described property.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 22nd day of October, 1915. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Nicola, B.C.

Objections to the application may be filed with he said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper.

The date of the first publication of this notice is October 29, 1915.

WM. W. H. COOPER, Applicant.

"First Aiders" As Instructors

Any members of the St. John Ambulance Association who can qualify and are wishful of joining the militia as first aid instructors for duty (not overseas) with the units of the C. E. F. now in training are invited to communicate with President Welfare or Secretary Maxwell of the local centre.

Applicants, who must be graduate "first aiders," will be attached to military districts where troops are training, and will be given the rank, pay and subsistence of sergeants in the militia. Under the scheme a man will be sent to every place where a unit is being trained. The appointments will be made by the Provincial councils of the associations and as the instructors will be selected as soon as recommendations have been received from local centres all interested are urged to see President Welfare or Secretary Maxwell without delay.

Merritt and Nicola Valley people who wish to take advantage of the opportunity of subscribing to the War Loan are advised that subscriptions are now being taken locally. The Bank of Toronto we understand, has been authorized to receive applications for the 5 per cent bonds which are offered at $97 1-2 i. e., $100.00 bonds for $97.50 cash. Particulars as to the instalments and dates payable are to be obtained from the local manager of the Bank of Toronto.

R. A. Lambert, of the Golden Gate Mining Company, on Granite Creek, was in the city on Saturday, en route to Vancouver. The result of this season's clean-up was most encouraging. If any one deserves the best that the gravels of the Creek can give up it is Mr. Lambert, who has worked hard and spent hundreds of dollars every season for the past fifteen years.

T. J. Corwin and three other mining men connected with the Tacoma smelter interests arrived in town at the week end and on Sunday went up to the Mamette Lake copper claims belonging to Martin Bresnik and on which the Tacoma company has an option. After an inspection of the claims the party returned the same day to the Coast.

The hills and dales around Merritt are now thinly carpeted with snow, which reminds the "News" chained poet that—

The snow, the snow the beautiful snow,
It fills your boots where'er you go;
It catches on skirts of venturesome girls,
And through the atmosphere blows and whirls.
Well, let'er go—
Beautiful, beautiful snow.

The steel on the Summitt-Hope section of the K. V. R. is almost complete. Finishing work has to be done to two of the remaining bridges, when this is completed the new cut-off will be ready for the Spring opening of the line.

NOTICE.

COUNTY COURT OF YALE

Notice is hereby given that a sitting of the County Court of Yale will be held at MERRITT, on

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 1915

at 10.00 in the forenoon.

By Order,
J. S. MORGAN.
Deputy Registrar of the County Court of Yale holden at Merritt.

Dated this 12th day of Nov. 1915.

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COURT OF REVISION
VOTERS' LIST, 1916

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Sec. 15, sub-Sec. B of the Municipal Elections Act and Amending Acts a Court of Revision will be held at the

City Hall, Merritt, B. C. on Friday, the Tenth day of December, 1915, at ten o'clock a.m.,

for the purpose of correcting and revising the List of Voters for the year, 1916.

At the time and place above mentioned the Court will hear and determine upon any and all applications made thereat to alter the said list.

Dated the 17th day of Nov. 1915.

(Signed)—HARRY PRIEST, City Clerk.

"Can I go to the front?" was the question plaintively addressed to Recruiting Sergeant J. Leitch by a youth fifteen years of age, this week. "I want to go and fight those German," he said.

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CRISIS PAMPHLET PUNCTURED

(Continued from Page One.)

by Mr. Cotsworth.

In the course of his evidence Premier McBride said he found the services of Mr. Lucas as assessor 'eminently satisfactory' and was "thoroughly competent in his work."

Mr. Lucas denied ever having wilfully absented himself from his post of duty in face of a refusal to grant him leave of absence and indignantly denied in toto that he was acting as a timber broker while Government assessor. He had never had one private dealing with any person regarding a timber deal.

While Mr. Cotsworth was on the stand, Mr. Davis, for Mr. Lucas, asked "Do you feel confident enough of your facts to say to the court that Mr. Lucas came to Vancouver to put through a timber deal while Assessor for the Government?" Mr. Cotsworth replied "I believe so." Pressed for a definite answer the witness refused to supplement his previous reply.

Miss Nellie Hunter, of Nicola, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Heslop this week.

New Rex Serials

Two serial pictures which will comprise 30 reels and occupy 15 weeks will be shown, for the first time, at the Rex Theatre next week.

On Monday, "The Broken Coin," a gripping story of romance, adventure and love will be screened. In this GraceCunard and Francis Ford will play leading parts.

On Thursday, "The Diamond from the Sky," a picturized romantic novel that has met with success far in excess of the highest expectations of the producers will be commenced, and will be shown also on Friday nights.

As both these serials are expensive productions it is hoped by the management of the Rex that the people of the district will give their patronage in full measure to the Theatre.

The Forward Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church meets every Sunday afternoon at 2.30. The service is made brief, bright and breezy. Mr. F. Thompson is the leader and extends a hearty invitation to any adults to attend. Next Sunday afternoon a paper, subject: "Power." The discussion will be opened by Bro. Bond.

The local Patriotic Guild met as usual in session this week. Wool for use in making sox, mitts and other comforts for the soldiers can now be obtained by the members from the City Hall—the Guild's head-quarters.

We are busy booking orders for private Christmas Cards printed in your home town with your own greetings for $1.50 a dozen. All samples the same price. See the samples.

The W. A. of the Anglican Church met at the home of Mrs. Tutill on Wednesday afternoon.

To the Members of the Nicola Farmers' Institute

SEED FOR SALE

Distribution of Registered Seed to Institute Members by the Department of Agriculture

Registered Marquis or Red Fife Wheat
not more than four bushels to one member at per lb. .03

Banner Oats
not more than six bushels to one member at per lb. .02 1-2

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Northern grown. Not more five pounds to one member at per lb. .20

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Robt. Dodding,
Secretary

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The slides which recently delayed bridge work on the K.V.R. have now been cleared and the finishing stages of the work are proceeding. Several of the Dominion Bridge construction gang left last Saturday on the westbound train. Several journeyed to Edmonton district to start on new bridge work.

"Believe me you will see the biggest smelter in B. C. in Merritt. Why should'nt we have it. We have the coal that cokes and the mineral nearby that will require treating" states one who has passed through some of the most fascinating and profitable mining excitements of the years gone by.

A J. Woodburn, the electric wizard, of the Government Telephone Service, was in the city this week on an inspection trip.

Norman Shore, the "star" Hockey player, brother of Station Agent Shore, was in Merritt this week leaving this morning for Rossland where he will be given a place in the hockey team of that city. Last winter Mr. Shore played with a Portland professional team.

Hugh McGuire, who is proprietor of Lytton's up to date hotel was a visitor the early part of the week. An old-timer of the Boundary and Yale, Mr. McGuire at one time owned considerable mining and realty interests in the Aspen Grove.

Circular letters have been forwarded from Ottawa to all commanding officers throughout the Dominion instructing them to give preference to all returned soldiers for home guard or any light military duties.

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"Merco" Tea, undoubtedly extra good	per lb. .40
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Scotch Marmalade, in jars,	per jar .23
Fry's Cocoa,	per tin .25
Empress Cocoa, in 1-2-lb. tins, reg. .25,	per tin .20
Pine Apple,	2 tins for .25
Manilla Drips, choice table syrup, 1-2 gal. tins,	each .42
Oatmeal Soap,	8 cakes for .25
Palm Olive Soap,	2 cakes for .25
Fancy Tea Buiscuits, excellent quality	per pkt. .10
Campbell's Soups	3 tins for .40
Herring in Tomato Sauce	per tin .20
Sunlight Soap,	5 cakes for .25
Bran,	per 100-lbs. $1.50
Shorts,	per 100-lbs. $1.60
Wheat,	per 100-lbs. $2.00

DRY GOODS

Stanfield's Wool Underwear	per suit 3.00
Heavy Wool Undershirts	each 1.25
Men's Heavy Grey Socks	3 pairs 1.00
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THE MERRITT

CASH STORE

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Estey, of Grand Falls, North Dakota, were guests at the Coldwater Hotel on Monday.

No less than twenty four triansient guests registered at the Coldwater Hotel on Tuesday night, which goes to show that the Coldwater is as popular and well known as ever.

W. L. Nicol, who came over from Vancouver last week on a brief business visit here, returned to the coast on the K.V. R. train last Saturday morning.

Mrs. A. D. Adamson, Aspen Grove, was in town this week visiting her husband who is a patient at the Hospital but who is happily improving in health.

A Grand Concert

Will be given

In aid of the Red Cross Society,

At the Rex Theatre

On Friday, December 10th, 1915

By Pupils of the School, assisted by Friends.

Songs, Action Songs, Singing Games, etc., followed by

ONE ACT PLAY: "BETWEEN TWO FIRES"

Doors open at 7.30, Commence at 8 sharp

Admission by Program: 25c. and 50c.

The Newsy Pars

Geo. Lodwick of Nicola was in the city on Tuesday on business.

December 13th, is the date fixed for the annual meeting of the Nicola Farmers' Institute.

G. H. Croly, of Princeton, was in the City this week visiting his brother Lieut. C. Croly.

A new recruit for overseas in Donald McRae was signed up by Recruiting Sergeant Leitch this week.

Merchants who have Christmas stock for sale would do well to advertise in THE NEWS. The paper that covers the Valley.

Christmas cards. $1.50 per doz printed with your own name and greetings, suitable for home or overseas, at the NEWS office.

Trooper Dave Campbell, who has been in the city for several days on leave on absence returned to camp at Kamloops on Tuesday.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church will give a tea at the home of Mrs. G. Phillips on Granite Ave. Friday December 3rd from 3.30 to 6 p.m.

Lieut. C. Croly and Mrs. Croly and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Boothroyd were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson, at the "S. X" Ranch for Thanksgiving Dinner yesterday.

Pte. Greaves and Pte. Mulholland left Tuesday night for Victoria after spending a few days vacation here with their friends to rejoin their regiment the Western Scots.

The annual meeting of Nicola Valley Horticultural and Agricultural Association will be held in the City Hall on Monday, Dec. 13th, at 2 p.m. Will members kindly note this preliminary announcement. The Nicola Farmers Institute will meet also at the City Hall the same afternoon.

With ticket number 54, J. McKinnon of the K.V.R. snowsheds construction camp has won the six-months old cub bear raffled by Murdock McIntyre. The new owner will ship it to an officer friend in Vancouver and if allowable the bear will go to the front as a mascot for an overseas battalion.

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VOTERS' LIST, 1916

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the amendments to the Municipal Elections Act when the assessed owner is the holder of the last Agreement of Sale to purchase land or real property such assessed owner before having his name entered on the Voters' list shall have filed with the Clerk or Assessor of the City before the closing of the Voters' list on November 30th, 1915, a statutory declaration proving that he, she or it (in the case of a Company) is the holder of the last agreement to purchase said land or is the last assignee thereof by the terms of which such holder is liable to pay the taxes and has paid the current year's taxes.

Dated the Seventeenth day of November, 1915.

HARRY PRIEST,
City Clerk.

Notice of Cancellation of Reserve

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Reserve existing on certain lands in the vicinity of Canford, B.C., and formerly covered by Timber Licence No. 37581, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 27th of December, 1907, is cancelled. The said lands will be opened to entry by pre-emption at 9 a.m., on Monday the 6th day of December, 1915, at the office of the Government Agent, at Nicola.

R. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands

Department of Lands,
Victoria, B. C.,
Sept. 24, 1915

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

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,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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