Francois Lake News

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FRANCOIS LAKE — Frances, Terry and 10-month-old Valerie Cormier drove down from Burns Lake on Monday to have a visit with us. The Cormiers have stayed here several times when holidaying and we thought it pretty nice of Terry and Frances to drive 15 miles out of their way to see us again. Their home is in Castlegar and they are on their way home after spend a week with their parents in Prince Rupert.

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I mentioned in my news column in the Burns Lake Review last week how badly we needed rain. Well, we got it, two nights and a day of steady rain which has soaked into the soil and saved the crops and helped the hay and gardens. We felt sorry for Mrs. Strodl and her son Billy of 10 years and Tony Hebb of nine who were the only folks holidaying here this week as they'd come from Rupert for our famous sunshine. However, the last part of the week turned hot with brilliant sunshine which dried the roads in a few hours. Mrs. Strodl's son Rod drove from Prince Rupert on Saturday and stayed the night and took Mrs. Strodl and the boys home again on Sunday morning. The boys hated to leave for they had become quite at home at the Landing and were getting a tan.

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Twenty years ago, just after we moved here, our old friends Len and Phil Abbott spent several months here in the Log Cottage. They then moved to Chilliwack. When they came along on Thursday evening to stay for two days we could hardly believe our eyes, and what a lot we had to talk about and catch up with. Len was our police constable in Macklin when Hal and I were married in 1921 and I had arrived from England the day before. We drove nine miles to Macklin in the buggy in a pouring rain and then Hal hunted up Len to be best man. We often laugh about it for he was just in from a hunting trip for ducks and was all muddy but he came all the same to help us out. Phil had also just come out from England and her Bob was born just before our Hugh so she helped me with my baby, and I stayed with her after leaving the hospital. It would have taken a week's steady talking I think to go over the tragedies and amusing things that happened to us all and one incident would start us off on another. We two grey haired grandmothers were young again for a few hours living again with our memories but we are quite happy as we are now and wouldn't want to live over again.

ATTENDING THE SUMMER SCHOOL of music for the past three weeks at the University of British Columbia were these Prince Rupert students. In the front row, left to right, are Arnold Rivett, Jean Alexander, David Player. Back row, Lothar Kiner, Kalle Kriitmaa and Rickey Lindseth. The school was a music workshop for high school bands and orchestras and included sports, dances, organized tours and concerts. The course concludes today, but several of the local students are staying in the south on holiday before returning home. There were 120 teenage boys and girls at the workshops.

PERSONALS

A Daily Vacation Bible School for young people from the ages of nine years to 20 is being held at the First Baptist Church every evening starting at 7:30 p.m. Bible lessons, songs and handcraft are part of the program and anyone is invited to attend. For those in the east end of town, a DVBS is being held at Facey Hall for children from four to 14 at 9:30 every morning. These schools will both conclude on August 3.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKeown and family of 1826 Second Avenue West, arrived home by car yesterday from a month's motor trip to Victoria, Lake Louise, Jasper, Edmonton and the Peace River.

An overnight trail ride for the members and friends of the Northern Saddle Club at Smithers has been planned for this weekend.

The club has been very active this season with several race meetings being held. Since its organization in 1906, the club has drawn a lot of interest and the number of members and saddled horses have grown quickly.

Mrs. Obie Helps and Mrs. Clifford DeGrasse of Smithers are in charge of the contemplated weekend trail ride.

Convention at Terrace

Arrangements for the Terrace Associated Chambers of Commerce of North-Central British Columbia and Alaska Affiliates on August 23, 24 and 25, are being made by the Terrace and District Chamber of Commerce.

Convention chairman is Robert Elkins, who formerly lived here.

Special speakers at the affair are Hon. William A. Egan, governor of Alaska, Hon. Earl Westwood, minister of recreation and conservation, and Walter A. Dinsdale, federal minister of northern affairs and national resources.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Aldo Forniz, who were married in Roncadelle di Piave, Italy, on July 7, arrived in the city by plane Sunday from Rome. They are staying with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hutt of 144 Ninth Avenue East for a few days before going on to Stewart where they will live.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Elliott and four children left by car Friday for Cloverdale where Mr. Elliott has been transferred as driver examiner for the British Columbia government. An examiner will be arriving from Vancouver August 13 to replace him.

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