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PRINCE GEORGE NOT IN FAVOR PROVINCE CUT

Generally Felt that the North is Neglected but Few See Remedy In Secession.

TWO HUNDRED ATTEND MEETING LAST WEEK

There will be no secession movement in British Columbia along the line of Colonel Peck's resolution in the House of Commons, if the public meeting held in the Rex Theatre on Wednesday evening is any index of public feeling, says The Prince George Citizen. There were upwards of two hundred persons in attendance, including a number of ladies, but there were no fireworks. All of the speakers were in accord that the district had never received justice at the hands of the various governments at Victoria, but there was but one of three who was prepared to take the hazard of the die, and win or lose it all. This was the line of Clement P. Deykin. He was for cutting loose from the south and taking a chance. He argued the north would get nothing the way it was situated, and it could scarcely get less under any other arrangement.

John McInnis and Hiram A. Carney divided the rest of the talking between them. They were in agreement in the view that the electors in Fort George riding were shabbily treated, and while a change might be desirable, neither of them was prepared to subscribe to the separation idea of the Colonel Peck resolution. There would be difficulties in the way, and the independence to be secured might cost more than it would ultimately be found to be worth; and taken all in all they would sooner hang on and continue to receive a scanty hand-out for the district than take the chance of striking out for themselves.

Among those on the platform when J. H. Johnson, president of the Board of Trade, took the chair, were: Acting Mayor Barney Keegan, H. A. Carney, Geo. Fenwick, A. McB. Young and Frank Whitmore.

Pattullo's Success.

Clement P. Deykin was the first to speak to the resolution. He said he had lived in the district for the past eight years, and there had been boards of trade, chambers of commerce, Liberal and Conservative, and workingmen's organizations. They had all passed resolutions or sent delegates to the coast, but when they reached Victoria their various expressions of opinion had fallen on deaf ears and thick skins. Only recently the people of this community had elected Mr. Perry to represent them in Victoria. He was sure he was working hard for them. He had been trying hard to get the assessor's office moved to Prince George, but he had been refused. He had also tried to get a court house which would be in keeping with the dignity of the city, but he had been again refused. On the other hand they all knew that Mr. Pattullo was able to go back to Prince Rupert with a cool $200,000 for a court house in his city, and this in spite of the fact that the people of his constituency had previously received very substantial grants for various public undertakings. Prince George could count upon receiving its usual grant of nothing. It was plain to him that the north country was looked upon simply as an appendage, a convenient place in which to collect taxes and nothing more.

Would be Expensive

John McInnis, while agreeing that the north was not getting all it should, said the cost of administering so large a territory with so small a population would be very great. It had potential wealth but that was all. It was not developed. To build a railway into the Peace River country would require all the resources of the country back of it. If a new province was created it could safely be assumed the taxation would be higher than it is today. If they decided on a change they must assure themselves first that they would better their condition by making it. He was not apologizing for Premier Oliver and was not an adherent of his but he thought they should take facts as they found them.

More Members.

Hiram A. Carney, who had seconded the motion for the sake of getting it before the meeting was not in favor of it. If all the dissatisfied parts were to break away there might be five provinces instead of one. Under the next redistribution the north would get more members and they would then control the Legislature. The creation of a new province could be passed on only after all the statistics were available. He was not sure those who favored separation were willing to assume the financial responsibility that went with it.

The Board of Trade is to be asked to investigate and report to a future meeting.

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MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.
NOTICE.

"Brittania," "Brittania No. 1," "Brittania No. 3," "La Rose No. 2" and "St. Elops" Mineral Claims, situate in the Naas River Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located:—On Pauleada Creek, Kitzault River.

TAKE NOTICE that Lewis W. Patmore, Free Miner's Certificate No. 39641-C, agent for the Alice Arm La Rose Mining Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. 42126-C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of each of the above claims.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

DATED this 25th day of March, A. D. 1921.

LEWIS W. PATMORE.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to apply to Lease Land.

In Range 5, Coast Land District, Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate Middle Passage, 1½ miles southwest of Oceanic Cannery, Smith Island, and 1½ miles east north east of Genn Island Light.

Take notice that I, Alfred E. Wright, of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation land surveyor, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on the northwest end of a sand bar 1½ miles S.W. of the southwest corner of Lot 19, Range 5, Coast District; thence around the entire Sand Bar, taking in all that part above Low Water Mark, and containing 40 acres, more or less.

ALFRED E. WRIGHT.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to apply to Lease Land.

In Range 5, Coast Land District, Recording district of Prince Rupert, and situate in Middle Passage off the North West shore of Kennedy Island

Take notice that I, Alfred E. Wright, of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation land surveyor, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on the east end of the Sand Bar known as "Base Sand," 40 chains west of the North East corner of Lot 578, Range 5, Coast District; thence around the entire Sand Bar, taking in all that part above Low Water Mark, and containing 200 acres, more or less.

ALFRED E. WRIGHT.

MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.
NOTICE.

Mammoth, Tiger, Homestake Mineral Claims, situate in the Omineca Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located: on Rocher de Boule mountain.

TAKE NOTICE that The Cats Mining Company, Limited, (Non-Personal Liability) of Vancouver, B. C., Free Miner's Certificate No. 46481-C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 21st day of March, A. D. 1921.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, H. Gunderson, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about two miles north of Beaver River and about four miles west of Cedar River; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as H. Gunderson's No. 5 claim.

Located March 22, 1921.

H. GUNDERSON, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

CITY ORDERS FIR LUMBER FROM FIRM IN VANCOUVER CITY

The city is to accept a tender from the Vancouver Lumber Co. for the supply of 25,000 feet of fir lumber for street work at $28 per thousand. The decision to accept the tender was made by the council last night, Ald. Silversides being the only one voting against it, he feeling that a local tender might be accepted.

Ald. Dybhavn stated that he would always favor giving a local tenderer the benefit of the doubt but the difference in prices here was too great to warrant it. There were tenders on spruce, hemlock and fir but the latter was considered the best buy on account of its greater durability and the little difference there was between its price and the lowest tender on spruce submitted.

Following were the tenders received, all f.o.b. Prince Rupert:

George Little (Terrace) spruce and hemlock, $27 per M.

G. W. Nickerson Co., Ltd., spruce $30 per M., rambling lengths and widths, $25.

E. H. Shockley, fir, $36 per M.

Albert & McCaffery, fir, $33 per M.

Big Bay Lumber Co., spruce, $34 per M.

J. Hanbury & Co. (Vancouver), fir, $30 per M.

Vancouver Lumber Co. (Vancouver), fir, $28 per M.

AGREEMENT WITH ELECTRICAL MEN

No Raises of Pay Being Considered This Year by Committee.

An agreement between the city council and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 354, was adopted by the city last night. It provides for 8 consecutive hours out of 24 to make a day except in the case of change of shift.

Ald. Perry, chairman of the utilities committee, informed the council that the workers at Shawatlans had asked for a raise in pay but had withdrawn the request when told that no raises were being entertained at the present time.

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Take notice that I, Walter H. Washburn, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about two miles north of the Beaver River and about four miles west of Cedar River; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to the point of commencement, containing 640 acres; to be known as Walter H. Washburn's No. 6 claim.

Located March 22, 1921.

WALTER H. WASHBURN, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, H. Boychuk, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile and one half north of Beaver River and about three miles west of Cedar River; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as H. Boychuk's No. 3, Claim.

Located March 22, 1921.

H. BOYCHUK, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, George Holloway, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile and a half north of Beaver River and about three miles west of Cedar River; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as George Holloway's No. 1 claim.

Located March 22, 1921.

GEORGE HOLLOWAY, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, Chas. F. Schaub, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one and one half miles north of the Beaver River and about two miles west of Cedar River; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, containing 640 acres, to be known as C. F. Schaub's No. 1 claim.

Located March 22nd, 1921.

CHAS. F. SCHAUB, Applicant.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, E. M. Smith, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile and one half north of Beaver River and about two miles west of Cedar River; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as E. M. Smith's No. 2 claim.

Located March 22nd, 1921.

E. M. SMITH, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, John Arkle, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile and one half north of Beaver River and about four and one half miles west of Cedar River; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to the point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as John Arkle's No. 7 claim.

Located March 23rd, 1921.

JOHN ARKLE, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.

NATURAL GAS AND PETROLEUM NOTICE. PRINCE RUPERT LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 5.

Take notice that I, Simon Wahlstrom, intend to apply for a license to prospect for petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile and one half north of Beaver River and about four and one half miles west of Cedar River; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to the point of commencement, containing 640 acres, to be known as Simon Wahlstrom's No. 8 claim.

Located March 23rd, 1921.

SIMON WAHLSTROM, Applicant.
Chas. F. Schaub, Agent.