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"Vancouver And Prince Rupert."

The Vancouver World in an editorial headed, "Vancouver, Victoria and Prince Rupert" again brings up the subject of towing the Prince Rupert dry dock to Vancouver. The editorial also condemns the building of a dry dock at Victoria which it describes as "a political dry dock." It states that the Prince Rupert and Victoria dry docks are unnecessary at the present time and that "Vancouver's growing commerce is being held back for lack of adequate facilities," giving "an illustration of how this unsatisfactory and unfair condition works out to the handicap of steamship lines, to the detriment of the port and the actual loss of money to the people of all Canada."

Twenty Years Ahead Of Time.

"At Prince Rupert is a large floating dry dock owned by the Dominion Government which has done little else but float since it was built," says the editorial. "Prince Rupert has also a large ocean dock and a large repair plant. Undoubtedly Prince Rupert as an outlet for the northern interior, a port connected with the National Railway System, and possessing a short route to the Orient, is justified in expecting a great commercial future. The time will come when she will need her 20,000-ton dry dock, her ocean dock and her repair plant. But she has been equipped with these twenty years ahead of her time."

"If the Canadian Government ships and the Canadian Government dry dock at Prince Rupert were owned by Capt. Robert Dollar or any other capable shipowner, what would be done? Would he continue every time to send his ship on a week's unnecessary cruise through hazardous waters, paying unnecessary pilage and insurance fees? Not for one moment. He would send a couple of powerful tugs and tow that dry dock down to Vancouver."

"The bestowal of patronage by one government and the other on Victoria and Prince Rupert is one thing; the wilful retarding of the immense growing trade of Vancouver is another. It is not a local matter, for the prosperity of the whole Dominion is based on the development of our foreign trade. Governments both at Victoria and Ottawa, will be well advised to take the fullest steps to see that Vancouver in its competition with Seattle for the commercial carrying trade to the Orient is no longer to remain under these serious and removable handicaps."

Vancouver's Need The First Consideration?

Moving the Prince Rupert dry dock to Vancouver is an old bogey but little heed may be paid to it. The Vancouver World may say that it is 25 years ahead of its time here but Vancouver has a great habit of seeing Prince Rupert in that light. Vancouver believes that the Canadian National Railway is a superfluity and that there should be no such place at Prince Rupert, Northern B.C., in Vancouver's opinion, should have no transportation service other than coasting steamers from Vancouver in order to bring all its tremendous wealth tributary to Vancouver with no danger of competition. However Vancouver may feel, Prince Rupert is here and Prince Rupert is going to be the centre of Northern B.C., no matter how covetous our southern sister may be. Prince Rupert is indeed justified in expecting a great commercial future but it will likely be enjoying that future sooner than "twenty-five years from now." In the meantime, Prince Rupert will keep her dry dock and it will not be moved to Vancouver or anywhere else. Vancouver needs a dry dock. That may be apparent but Prince Rupert and Northern B.C. needs one too, so Vancouver had better look elsewhere.

AVIATOR PREST COMING AGAIN

Undaunted by Loss of Two Planes in North Flyer Will Try For Siberia Next Year

Among recent visitors to Seattle was C. O. Prest, aviator, who had the misfortune to lose his plane when almost within sight of his goal, says the Alaska Dispatch. Mr. Prest expects to build another plane during the coming winter and will make another flight next year, with Siberia as the objective point.

Although quite a young man, Mr. Prest has had twelve years flying experience. He had intended making a flight from New York to some point on the Siberian coast, and back.

The flight was commenced in bad weather and Mr. Prest says that during his long journey he did not have a single day of anything like fair weather. Rain alternating with snow daily until he was forced to land near Eagle, where his plane became a total wreck.

Left Eagle

On Sunday, July 16, he hopped off from Eagle, headed for Fairbanks in the early morning. It was raining at the time but not very heavily. When he had flown about half an hour spark plug trouble developed, one cylinder went out entirely and another was missing badly. His altitude at this time was about 3,500 feet and, although he could have held his altitude with six cylinders, he could not climb and as he knew there were some mountains ahead of him, coupled with the fact that the plane could not long stand the vibration resulting from partial use of the engine, he made preparations to land, intending to resume the flight after he had put the engine in order. He picked out a sloping plain at the top of a hill in the neighborhood of the Seventymile river. He knew it was a niggerhead swamp but it was the best he could find, and he made the landing safely, coming down among scattered bands of caribou not in the least disturbed by his sudden appearance. In a very short time he had corrected the engine trouble and then spent a couple of hours clearing a runway through the swamp by tearing out the niggerheads with his hands. When his work was completed he climbed in and taxied for the take-off. The plane was gathering speed and almost ready to leave the ground when a soft spot was encountered. The wheels buried themselves in this, bringing the plane sharply on its nose and breaking the propeller. Luckily for Prest he was strapped in his seat and escaped being hurled from the machine.

Forced to Leave Machine

It was impossible for him to right the machine alone, so he gathered up more important instruments and started in search of a trail. The weight of his pack being too much for him it was cached about three miles from the scene of the wreck and the aviator returned to the machine, intending to take shelter under its tail from the rain. Before leaving the plane a second time, he set up his moving picture camera, hoping to film the caribou among which he had landed. But they were too far away. Leaving the machine in position, he climbed a nearby hill to see if he could locate a trail and, upon looking back, he saw his plane and camera surrounded by a band of 700 or more caribou. He shot one of these animals and lived on juicy steaks until discovered by a searching party on the following Wednesday. In the meantime, the plane had been completely wrecked by a gale of wind.

A Lot of Fun

After having killed the caribou, Prest took a quantity of the meat and made another start to find the trail. The meat was cooked in primitive manner, over a camp fire, and eaten without salt or other food. He left the plane on Monday and on Wednesday morning he found the trail and shortly afterward met the searching party headed by Deputy Marshal Durney. "I had a lot of fun," was the aviator's parting word. Prest flew from Los Angeles to Prince Rupert last year, his plane being wrecked at the latter place after he had made a round trip flight to Ketchikan.

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

November 24, 1912
The largest funeral ever held in Prince Rupert took place today when the remains of Alfred Thompson, killed in the auto accident last week, were borne to their last resting place in Fairview cemetery.

J. W. Chappille and Robert Cameron of this city with two associates of Stewart have bonded the Silver Tip group on claims on the Salmon-river to E. F. Cassells of New York for a sum in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, M.P. for Yukon and A. N. C. Tremblay, a prominent mining man of the North, were passengers for the south last night to spend the winter. The latter was former commissioner of the Yukon and one of the most remarkable men who ever went north.

The Man in the Moon SAYS--

DID you ever see the last rose of summer.

THE Kaiser will at least be useful to Herminie if he carries the wood in after sawing it.

OF course you've heard the story about the Atlantic cable. It's a long one.

An old country doctor is advocating the medical examination of young couples before marriage to ascertain if lunacy runs in either family. If this idea goes through who are we going to unite in future?

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AN optimist is a man who loves his mother-in-law.

IF the sweet young things must wear those thick ribbed stockings, long skirts may yet be a boon.

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HOSPITAL INSURANCE WILL BE EQUALIZED

Board Decides to Place \$10,000 More on Building and Equipment, Making Total of \$40,000

Insurance on the hospital was given discussion at last night's meeting of the board and it was decided to raise the insurance on the building from the present \$30,000 to \$40,000. Of the \$10,000 additional insurance being taken out \$7,000 will be on the building and \$3,000 on furniture and equipment. The \$30,000 now held is divided into \$23,000 on the building, \$6,000 on furniture and equipment and \$1,000 on stock. The additional \$10,000 will be divided as equitably as possible among the various insurance firms in the city, the details being left in the hands of the finance committee.

A committee comprising M. J. McNeill and Co., S. P. McMorris reported a valuation of \$10,000 on the building exclusive of furniture.

The finance committee reported the renewing already of expired policies for \$1,000 and \$5,000 respectively with J. Lorne MacLaren and D. McD. Hunter.

The board decided to have a complete revision of the hospital insurance in order to divide it up equally with the various agents in the city. The matter of insuring the new ambulance was left in the hands of the finance committee with instructions to see that it is placed at the same time as the insurance on the building. George Leek presented a tender for the insurance of the ambulance.

Ald. R. A. McLeod suggested at last night's hospital board meeting that a handyman be employed at the hospital to eliminate heavy expenditures for repair work and odd jobs. The matter was left over until next meeting, the secretary being instructed to report in the meantime.



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