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Proposal To Spend Money For South.

Arthur Lineham, former alderman of the city of Victoria, real estate broker, capitalist, and enthusiast has been advocating in the south that British Columbia shall spend half a million dollars on advertising the province as a mecca for tourists and summer residents. It is claimed that it would be a paying proposition and the proposal is being taken quite seriously by many people and by some of the newspapers.

Naturally Prince Rupert will resent such an expenditure. When we are told that although we pay taxes on all our automobiles in this city the provincial government cannot build us even a quarter of a mile of road leading out of the city on which we can drive, we shall oppose most vigorously any expenditures which will benefit the south at our expense. We pay a big share of the taxes and we expect to get some of the returns. The fact that we got a big courthouse does not mean anything. We should have had that years ago but it was delayed. Now we cannot allow that to interfere with the road expenditures which should be ours.

We object most strenuously to funds being diverted to advertising a section of the province while we have no facilities for taking care of our share of those tourists here. We notice that it is planned to have Nelson taken in as a partner in the scheme along with Vancouver and Victoria. That district has been given roads and facilities for handling tourists. Give us the same and we will then be ready to join in any comprehensive scheme provided it be carefully planned and well thought out.

Not Likely Government Will Be Influenced.

It does not seem likely that the provincial government will be influenced by such a cry. When we ask for money here we are told that everyone must retrench and that there is no money for us. So must Arthur Lineham and his band of enthusiasts be told, if the government is to be consistent. It is easy enough to get up a cry to spend money belonging to someone else. That money is ours and we shall, through our representatives, have a say in spending it. We strongly urge that until Prince Rupert's legitimate demands are supplied as well as the legitimate demands of the northern districts generally, including that for a bridge at Terrace across the Skeena River, that the attempt to wrest money from the public treasury for the benefit of Victoria and Vancouver alone be resisted to the full.

Modern Democracy On Exhibition.

Yesterday the wires brought word of the premier of France calling a deputy an "abominable scoundrel" in the chamber and causing a scene. We also got word of the farmer government of Manitoba trying to cut off debate by the use of the closure and bringing on an all night session and the members remaining in their places until ten o'clock the following morning, fighting it out. Then at Ottawa there is a government finding it difficult to pass through some immigration legislaion which does not seem to be popular with the members. Democratic government would be all right if it were not for the perversity of human nature. So would socialism be all right if it were not for the same thing.

Experimental Shipment Of Western Hemlock.

The experimental shipment of western hemlock, mention of which was made yesterday, will be watched with a great deal of interest. It it is shown that the lumber can be sent to the Eastern market profitably, then there should be a steady business from this port and with the local mill operating as it is sure to do soon, and possibly another mill on the islands, there should be a great improvement in business here. There was a time when business was wonderfully stimulated by the shipments of aeroplane spruce through this port. Now it seems as if we are going to see an export lumber business develop.

TELLS OF JAPAN AND HER PEOPLE

Miss Cox, 23 Years a Missionary There, Addresses Local Audience on Flowery Kingdom

A very interesting and highly instructive lecture on Japan was given last night under the auspices of the Ladies' Reading Club in the Presbyterian Church Hall by Miss Cox, who for the past 23 years has been engaged in missionary work in that country.

The lecturer dealt with the growth and progress of Japan since the Russo-Japanese war in 1904 and the effect of the victory on the minds of the Japanese. They believed, after that war, that Japan was one of the great nations of the world and also developed the belief that might was right and nothing else counted.

Status of Women

The Russo-Japanese war produced a wonderful change for the better in the status of the Japanese woman. Before the war she had been practically a nonentity but afterwards she received privileges and rights hitherto unknown to her sphere. Education was one of the greatest of these advantages and the result was that now there were many women doctors, lawyers and public speakers in the nation.

High schools, practically unknown in Japan before the Russo-Japanese war had sprung up in all directions and every sacrifice was now made by the individuals to receive education in order to make themselves the equals of the citizens of the Western nations.

Attitude of Germany

Miss Cox went into the subject of Shintoism and its effect upon the minds of the people and also dealt with the Great War as it affected the Japanese. When the war broke out the Japs were pro-German. The army had been German trained, many of the professional men had received their education in German institutions and the country's trade was to a large extent with Germany. From German propaganda they had developed sympathy with Germany and the principle that might was right had been further inculcated in their minds. The Japanese, however, were not a cruel race by instinct and, when reports of the atrocities inflicted by the Germans in warfare reached the country, their attitude was changed immediately and public opinion went completely in the other direction with the result that they cast their lot in with the Allies.

Industrial Conditions

Miss Cox drew a vivid picture of industrial conditions prevailing in Japan in such trade centres as Nagasaki, Kobe and Tokyo. Working conditions in the big factories were appalling. As in other countries, the Great War produced millionaires and also brought about extreme degradation and poverty. Labor had received practically no wages and the owners of industries had waxed wealthy. At present there were no trades unions for bringing labor together to improve the conditions of the workers.

Principal J. C. Brady, of the King Edward School, presided. The High School orchestra rendered two selections and Mrs. H. S. Campbell sang a solo. The attendance was good.

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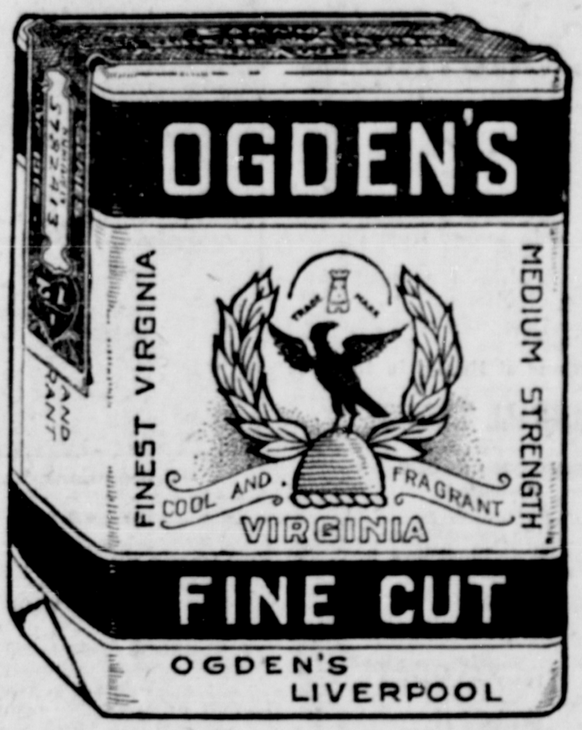

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PLANS FOR NEW HOME

Active Campaign For Building Fund to Commence the Middle of May Next

The question of the possibility of cutting down expenses at the hospital came up for discussion at the meeting of the hospital board last night. S. K. Campbell on behalf of the House committee said they had investigated and had discussed the matter with Miss Black, the matron. It had been found that while undergraduate nurses were paid more here than at the larger institutions, yet the advantages were fewer and the extra pay made up to some extent for the lack of advantages. As it was, the pupil nurses were paid $20, $25 and $30 a month respectively for first, second and third years, while training. This was higher than was paid at Vancouver or Victoria. However, it was difficult to get pupil nurses even at that figure and he recommended that no change should be made.

They had at present eight graduate nurses, which was rather a large number but if these were allowed to go, undergraduate nurses would have to be secured to take their places, and these were difficult to get. So many girls did not like to look forward to three years of training with very little pay. When they did take up the work they usually preferred to go to a hospital where they got wider experience and more recreation. It was regrettable that such facilities were not obtainable here. The erection of the new nurses' home would to some extent remedy this and would be an inducement for girls to take up the work.

New Floors Needed

The House committee also recommended the laying of new floors in several rooms. The committee was asked to get prices on this work and report to the next meeting, recommending to the board exactly what should be done, hemlock flooring having been mentioned by T. Ross Mackay as a good substitute for edge grain fir and much cheaper.

Some discussion took place in regard to the amount at the disposal of the board in the estimates for this year. It was pointed out that the liquor money held by the city for the board was really in trust for the building of the Nurses' Home.

S. K. Campbell told of the plans for the new home, the campaign for which would actively commence the middle of May. The committee was already preparing a publicity campaign to precede the big drive for funds.

Outstanding accounts were ordered paid.

The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

BUSINESS is like clockwork. It is just wound up.

TALKING about prices, umbrellas always go up when it rains.

It's what we think and what we do,
That makes us what we are;
With what we eat and what we drink,
Our lives we often mar.

THERE are a lot of people in town who were thinking of buying a necktie but instead they have decided to get hold of one of those seven dollar lots.

HUSBANDS to burn, as the woman remarked when she was cremating her third.

FOR real straight out bald-headed assurance give me the coal dealer. He will try to make you believe that chunks of rock and wet slack are an excellent combination for keeping the house warm.

THERE is some excuse for a coal dealer getting all het up.

THANK heaven winter is almost over and when it gets too cold we can turn on the electric light globe to heat the house.

John Tait, Port Simpson native, charged with a statutory offence, was dismissed by Judge Young in the County Court yesterday afternoon.

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