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ARE ENTHUSIASTIC ROTARY MEMBERS

Two Californians Making 100 per Cent Attendance Although Away from Home

One of the important things about Rotary is that members shall attend every possible meeting either of their own club or of some other Rotary Club. Yesterday two Californians, J. Will Blackman of Los Angeles and George E. England of Inglewood, lunched with the Prince Rupert club and reported that although they had been away from home a month they had not yet missed a weekly meeting and expected to make a one hundred per cent attendance all the time until their return. They cut short their visit to Jasper Park in order that they might be at the luncheon here and in going south they also intend to fit their itinerary to the various club meetings. Incidentally they are great boosters for California although they say they will report when they return home that they will have to move fast if they are to keep ahead of British Columbia.

BISHOP BUNOZ TELLS OF COUNTRY OF SEKANAIS

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as nature made it. The chief timber was spruce, hemlock, balsam and cottonwood.

The bars of the Parsnip River were prospected as early as the first Cariboo rush and still are being worked. One man said he made good wages there and he showed the fine flake gold that he was getting as a reward for his labor.

Indians Jealous

The Indians of that country do not care to fish. They live by hunting and trapping and moose and caribou meat provides their chief food. They are peaceable but are very jealous for their hunting grounds. An Indian does not invade the trapping ground of his neighbor and he does not like a white man to invade his. In other respects he is very friendly and welcomes anyone who wishes to farm or mine.

At Fort Graham the cost of living is high because it costs 14 cents a pound to take supplies in there and this cost has to be added to the price paid for all food and supplies. Sometimes the food is not of the very best quality. The bishop told of some beans they bought that were so hard it was almost impossible to cook them.

The country in there is in the same state that it was when Sir Alexander Mackenzie and Simon Fraser first arrived. Fraser established Fort McLeod in 1805 and it had been open continuously since that time. St. James was established the following year. It was the capital of British Columbia for several years when the country was known as New Caledonia. It had the largest group of whites in the country.

The bishop told of the gardens he had seen at the small settlements where potatoes, cabbages and other produce grew well and grains ripened. While the season was short the days were long and growth was very rapid.

Names of Tribes

The reason why the Carriers were so named was given by the speaker. The widows carried the bones of their dead husbands on their backs after the process of incineration which was practised. They were kept until a sufficient supply of furs and other goods could be gathered for a potlatch.

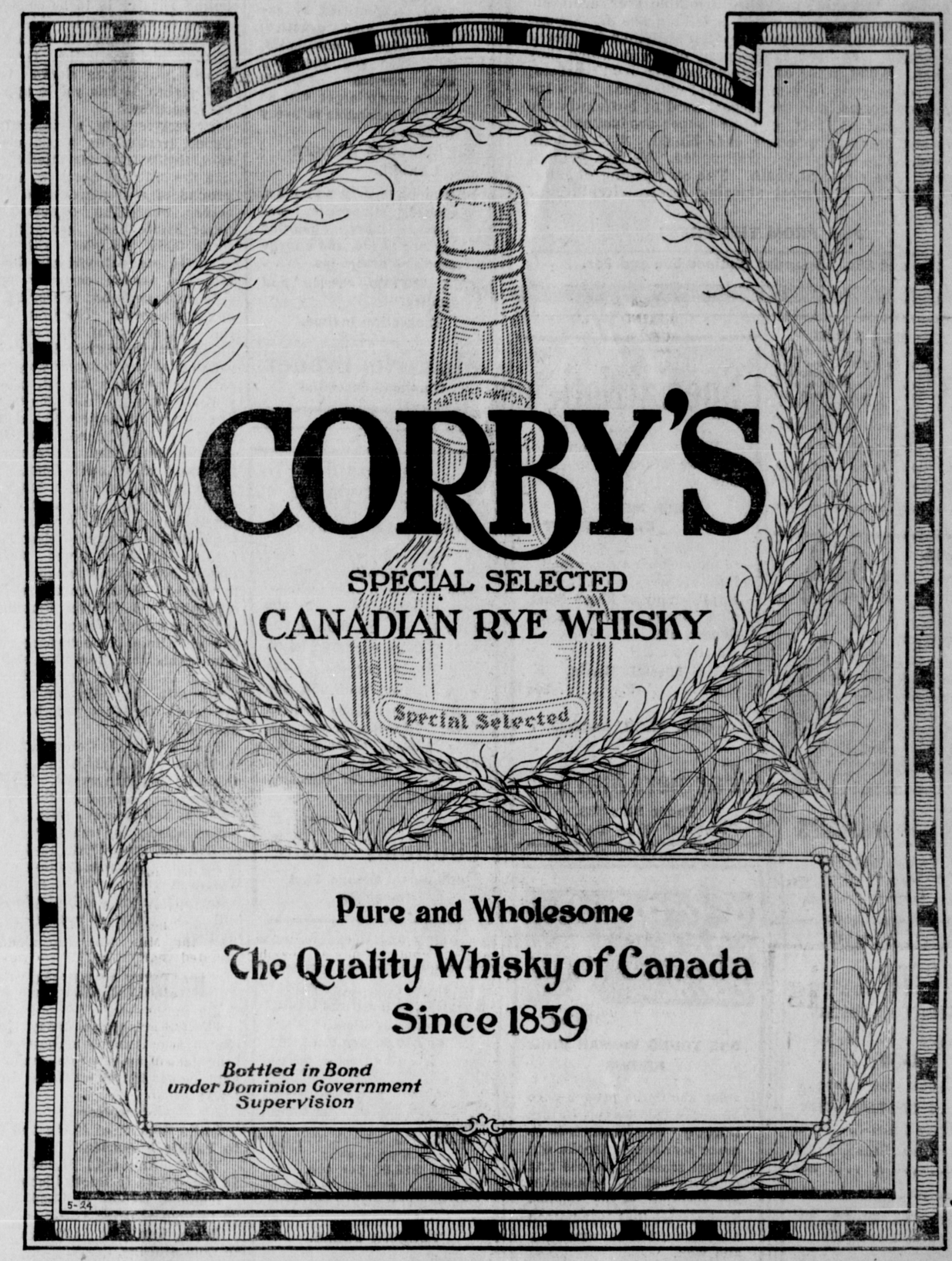
The Babines were named by the coureurs de bois, the name being given them because of the practise of the young girls on reaching womanhood of carrying a bone or piece of hardwood between the teeth and lower lip. Babine was slang word for "big lip" in French.

Each of the four nations is anxious to dominate in numbers, and influence and for that reason they object to girls of the tribe leaving and intermarrying with others.

Influence of Shaman

The most difficult matter with which the missionaries had to contend was the influence of the shaman or medicine man. The Indians believed in supernatural powers, a future life and good and evil spirits. The shaman claimed the power to propitiate the evil spirits and to control the good ones, hence he had much influence in the tribe, especially during a time of sickness. It took long hard work to rid the tribes of the influence of these men who were mostly fakirs. One medicine man, when converted, told of a time when he showed the people that he could eat fire and had badly burned his tongue so that it still showed the scars.

"British Columbia is an empire in itself," declared the bishop and this is realized best when people travel into remote parts by canoe or horseback as he had done.



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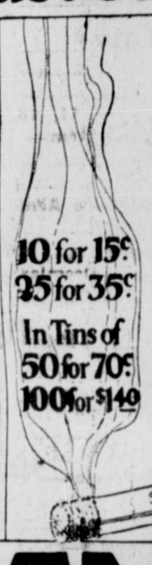

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URGE FLOGGING FOR ROBBERS

Shanghai Suffers from Epidemic of Crime: Fear Flogging More Than Death

SHANGHAI, Aug. 29. — As an outgrowth of an epidemic of lawlessness that in recent weeks took the form of almost daily armed robberies in dwellings and on the streets, the police of Shanghai's International Settlement again are vigorously advocating flogging as a punishment for offenders.

As a rule armed robbers, convicted in Shanghai's Mixed Court, are sentenced to death and are shot after being turned over to the Chinese authorities. The foreign police contend that Chinese criminals fear this punishment less than they do corporal punishment, which they assert will deter many criminally inclined from getting caught with weapons in their possession.

The Chinese press in Shanghai generally voices opposition to any return to the use of the bamboo.

WISHES TO REDUCE TELEPHONE CHARGES

SEATTLE, Aug. 29. — Mayor Brown, proponent of the 5-cent street car fare on the Seattle municipal lines, abolished after the deficif had reached $5,000 a day, presented to the city council plans for a municipal telephone system which would cost subscribers $1.00 monthly instead of the current minimum of $2.75.

Brown introduced to the council as his advisor Major Garrison Babcock, who fostered the telechronometer, use of which the state department of public works ended at Everett. Brown asked that the plans for the proposed new system be given serious consideration.

"She uses words I don't understand,"

"Polysyllabic?"

"Yes, and some longer than that!"—Humorist.

LAND ACT.

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DAVE RUTTEN, Agent.
Date, June 6, 1924.

ABHORS CATS

Miss Pinster: "Cats! My dear, I hate the sight of them. I had a sweet little canary—some cat got that. I had a perfect parrot—some cat got him. I had an adorable fiance, and some—oh! Don't mention cats to me!"—Humorist.

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