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Do We All Lose Appreciation Of Time?

"After people have been in Prince Rupert a few years they lose all appreciation of the value of time." That was an expression heard today and there seems to be some truth in it. Perhaps that is one reason why so many of the people who were here in the early days are leaving and giving place to others. Owing to conditions we are apt to become a little careless and this is a serious handicap. It is rather sad to see the old timers leaving and others coming here and taking their places and making good where they failed.

Punctuality is one of the virtues. In business it is essential. Men who have been a success in life have been punctual. To be on time in the morning is much more important than to stay late at night. No overnight activities are a good excuse for being late in the morning. To stay in late when work is going on is to admit failure. An employee who is habitually late is a candidate for the road, or in modern slang "he should be given the air."

Selfishness Of Those Who Come Late.

People who habitually come late do not realize how selfish they are. To pamper their own lazy selves they hold up the business of an institution, a meeting or an industry and not only cause much annoyance but also lose money or the prospect of advancement through their dilatory habits.

We realize that it is useless to scold people, but if employees who make a habit of lateness were summarily dismissed, there would be fewer offenses of this class and the business of the community could be carried on much better. Prince Rupert can never make progress as long as her inhabitants are dilatory and careless in regard to business matters. Being late is one of the first steps toward business degeneration.

Outside Firms Look Towards This City.

Outside firms are looking toward this city as a possible business centre. Two new firms have come here to open stores and there is whisper of others following. People who live here must keep alive to the situation or they will lose out in competition with late comers. A number of local firms keep quite up to date and are bound to meet with success but others are not as keen for business and are trusting to luck instead of keeping in line with the march of events. Let us all watch our steps and make sure that we do not slip.

If You Have A Message Send It To The Editor.

Many people have useful ideas that remain buried and never have any value. In every community there are thinkers among newspaper readers. If there is anyone in Northern British Columbia who thinks he has a message that would benefit the community, the Daily News is glad to print it. The difficulty is that most people who would like to write letters are knockers and we are not looking for knocks. One boost is worth a dozen knocks.

We already know that our transportation services seem inadequate and that there are a number of other things that do not come up to expectations. We know that what other people do is never quite as well done as if we were doing it ourselves. A lot of people think they could make twice as good a newspaper as this one at a much less price, but we think they are fooling themselves. Forget the knocks unless there is a constructive message with it. Anything else of interest to the general public is always welcomed by the editor. Now and then we get a good letter and people enjoy reading it. Pass on your ideas, if you have any.



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EIGHT HOUR DAY IS DISCUSSED

Cold Storage Plant and Byproducts Company Ask Exemption Under Act

LOGGING DISCUSSED

At the meeting of the Board of Adjustment in connection with the Eight Hour Day Act two applications for exemption from the operations of the law were asked, one by the Prince Rupert Byproduct Co. at Tuck's Inlet and the other by the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., each claiming that their businesses were seasonal and subject to great fluctuations as a result of weather, tides, and the run of fish. The board consisted of J. D. McNiven, deputy minister of labor, J. D. Patterson and F. V. Foster.

In opening the session, which took place at the Court House commencing at 7.30, Mr. McNiven explained the purpose of the sitting. An eight hour day law had been passed, but there were some callings such as agriculture which did not come under the law. Also it was thought that others might be adversely affected and in which it might be impossible to carry out the law in its entirety without working a hardship. The board was empowered to grant certain exemptions subject to confirmation by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. It was to consider such possible exemptions that they were met. Mr. McNiven read such portions of the Act as were important in connection with the hearing.

George Bushby

George Bushby, asked for full exemption for his company and also for the whole fishing industry. It was strictly seasonal, just as much as agriculture or fruit growing. It was subservient to weather and other conditions and could not be carried on regularly. They never could tell how much material was coming and when it did arrive they had to work until everything was taken care of. His company of present just broke even and to handicap it further would make it impossible to operate. In the busy season they had a normal staff of 30 to 40 and in the off season this dropped to ten or twelve. During the busy time when the run of salmon was at its height they worked two shifts. The men were mostly employed by the month.

Cold Storage

W. E. Fisher, solicitor and director of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Company explained why the operations of the cold storage plant should be exempted. Theirs was a purely seasonal undertaking. They dealt in fish and when the boats arrived the fish had to be taken care of. Eight hours was their normal day's work and when longer hours were worked they paid overtime. The arguments which applied to Mr. Bushby's industry applied also to theirs.

T. H. Johnson, manager of the plant, said it would be practically impossible to enforce an eight hour law owing to the perishable nature of the product they handled. Whatever arrived had to be handled that day. The quantities fluctuated. Sometimes no fish arrived and another day there was half a million pounds. The men entered well into the spirit of the work and helped to the best of their ability. During nine months of the year fresh fish was arriving and they worked to some extent during the other three, packing frozen fish. They were keeping on as many men as possible during the closed season in order to hold them. There were a number of phases of their industry that had to be considered. In the engine room they had three shifts but in other departments things were different.

Evidence of Employees

After the Cold Storage officials had left, a former employee named Squerchuk, a former president of the O.B.U., said he had worked in the cold storage plant. For three months in the summer they worked long hours. They worked from eight to five with half an hour for lunch and then continued, sometimes until ten o'clock. Their rate of pay was 57½ cents an hour with 63c for overtime and 68½ cents on Sundays. They worked all the time, Sundays and all, and had not even time for a union meeting. When fish came in they had to stay with it until it was in the freezers. He thought they worked an average of fourteen hours a day. If they refused to work they would be laid off. He knew of one man to whom this had happened. He was a returned man and he thought had been shell shocked and could not stand the work. He has been here a year and was now working for the city. He liked conditions here and intended to stay.

Mr. McNiven said he would have liked to have had the evidence given while the officials of the cold storage plant were present.

Dave Thomson, on behalf of Akerberg Thomson Co. explained that they sometimes had rush jobs come in and must stay on the job until they were finished. It was pointed out that this was provided for in the Act.

Logging Industry

O. Larsen spoke chiefly on behalf of the men who worked in the logging camps claiming that the laws were not enforced there. He thought an eight hour day could be enforced in the fishing industry as well as elsewhere. In the mining industry the law had not been carried out, he said, but did not give specific instances. He wanted to know to whom they could appeal if the law was not being enforced and was told that the board would act at once on any reliable information.

Mr. Larsen expressed the opinion that the employee as well as the employer should be punished in cases of infraction of the law. In the states to the south the mills worked eight hours and under better conditions than here. Some of the camps were not in a proper sanitary condition. The Hanson Company was the only one living up to the law. He said he had worked in the States and he claimed that loggers were crossing the line to the south because of conditions here. The climatic conditions in the inas in the south.

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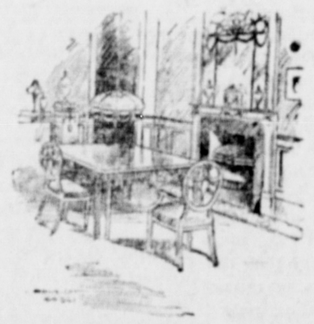
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Deputy Minister of Lands.

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