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Effort To Settle Lands Along P.G.E.

The action of the Provincial Government in opening a campaign for the settlement of the lands along the P.G.E. is one that is to be highly commended, if it is carried out in a business-like way and every effort made to help the incoming settlers with information, advice and instruction. It is understood that the railway department under Hon. J. D. McLean has been laying plans for this campaign for a long time and has considered well every eventuality.

The province has to pay interest on the P.G.E. bonds and also has to meet an annual deficit on the railway. If by settling the lands the government can make the railway self-sustaining and thus remove the burden from the taxpayers it will deserve our eternal gratitude.

Must Not Neglect Lands To Northward.

While it is to be hoped that the lands along the P.G.E. will be speedily settled and while every person in the province would be willing to aid in such a worthy effort as creating a new and prosperous community along the valleys served by the provincial railway, it must not be forgotten that in the valleys of the Skeena, the Kispiox, the Bulkley, and the Nechaco there are also unsettled provincial lands, just as good, if not better than anything along the P.G.E. and subsidiary to a transcontinental railway which has a terminus at each end. While the railway department of the Provincial Government may bend all its energies to settling the P.G.E. country, the other government departments, including the departments of lands and agriculture must give equal attention to the other sections of the province including the lands along the line of the Canadian National Railway.

The Canadian National Railway has an immigration policy and results are looked for, but the province has an equal right to try to settle its own lands along the railway belt. If all the efforts of the province are devoted to settling the P.G.E. the other sections will suffer. There must also be a policy which will include the central B.C. lands.

Marketing Is Very Important Matter.

Marketing is a matter that must be considered in connection with any land settlement scheme. The P.G.E. trains at present start from nowhere and go nowhere. They do not lead to a market. On the other hand the national transcontinental railway that passes through the central B.C. valleys leads to certain definite markets at Edmonton, Winnipeg, Prince Rupert and the towns bordering on the Pacific. If it is difficult to market product from the Bulkley Valley, how much more difficult will it be to market over the P.G.E. by way of Squamish and Quesnel.

Definite Settlement Work This Year.

The people of the north are confidently expecting that the governments will take definite action toward increasing the settlement of the lands along the Canadian National Railway this year. As before mentioned, the lands belong to the province, except those which are alienated, and where lands have been alienated the province got payment for the lands. The fact that the money was squandered by a previous government does not rid the present government of responsibility to provide for the needs of the country. They have done this better than has ever been done before, but there must be active immigration to the vacant lands. The Land Settlement Board has done good work, even if it has been expensive. Possibly this board should have been under the department of lands instead of that of agriculture but we are finding no fault with that just now. What we now expect from Hon. E. D. Barrow, who sways the destiny of the board, is that he get busy and bring about such a state of immigration activity that the railway belt may become a hive of agricultural industry. The policy of drift in this department must be abandoned and active work take the place of laissez faire.

WHY MANY STILL DESIRE MHISKEY

Poisoned by Clogged Filter, They Seek Something to Brace Up System and Make Them Feel Better.

The majority of people desire whiskey because they don't feel well. Some may look healthy, but one vital organ of their bodies is out of order.

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The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

ONE advantage of having a long beard would be that it would hide some of the ties we got for Christmas presents.

IT is said that opportunity comes once to every man. It was Capt. Swanson's turn last week when he picked up that barge on which he is claiming $20,000 salvage.

ONE advantage of living in a sparsely populated part of the country is that strikes seldom bother one there.

WE have all heard of the advantages of living in London, but who would wish to be there now?

IT is a wonder the politicians do not study Archbishop Du Vernet's thought transference. All they would have to do would be to get all the other minds in the constituency in tune with theirs and then pump them full of the idea who to vote for.

THAT is what is done at every election to a limited extent.

ANOTHER commission is coming to investigate us on Monday. If we could get a commission to come here to develop industries or increase population, we might welcome them more heartily than those who have been here so far.

STEWART is the place. There is plenty of gold there. All you have to do is dig for it.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

February 19, 1914.

The conserving of water rights by the state is the subject of an editorial controversy between the Daily News and the Morning Journal.

Martin O'Reilly and N. Scheinmann, local business men, interviewed today by the Daily News, say that business is extra good and the prospects for the future are better here than anywhere else in America.

As a punishment on "his children" who he says have been rebellious, Father Duncan has shut off the water supply of the Indians at New Metlakatla, Alaska, and is trying to drive government teachers away from the colony.

Mrs. David Thomson is sailing this afternoon on the Cardena for Vancouver.

MANSON TALKS TO WOMEN ON MORAL TOPICS

Does Not Like Administering Liquor Act; Cocaine Parties Amoung Young

VICTORIA, Feb. 19. — "If one thing more than another is calculated to drive a man insane it is the administration of the liquor control department."

"It might surprise you to know how many young people are drug addicts."

"In Vancouver last year a notorious trafficker was convicted who had been arranging cocaine parties for boys and girls, with the assistance of Vancouver men. Addicts are more to be pitied than punished. But as for those who traffic in the drug, I would add the lash to the sentence of conviction."

"I understand from press reports that the recent narcotic inquiry has given certain officers who were charged a clean bill of health. I should be loath to call into question any tribunal giving a man a clean bill of health, but I still feel that there were weeds in the garden which should be weeded out."

These were some of the interesting statements made by the attorney general in the course of an address before the Local Council of Women. The minister dwelt at length upon the multifarious duties falling to the lot of his department. Speaking more particularly concerning the liquor and narcotic problems and the administration of the Mothers' Pension Act.

People's Wish

Reminding his hearers that this is a democratic country, the attorney general stated that the government had gone into the liquor business not because it wished to but, in acquiescence to the wish of the people as shown by the majority of 33,000 who voted for government control. "I quarrel openly and frankly with those prohibitionists who say 'we are against any government in the liquor business.' Any government would be bound to follow the mandate of the people, whatever its party."

Liquor administration was the most difficult matter coming under his administration. While there were honest men in the liquor business there were more who were unmoral and immoral, stopping at nothing in their efforts to circumvent the laws. With the exception of the drug addict there was no worse offender against the law.

"I speak bitterly because I have had two years of the most gruelling task any man could have," said Mr. Manson. "If one thing more than another is calculated to drive a man insane it is the administration of the liquor department."

Narcotic Traffic

The narcotic traffic was insidious, wealthy and crafty, the possible profit of from 2,500 to 5,000 per cent proving a strong attraction to men of greed and no moral stamina. He warned the mothers present against the insidious campaign of the drug vendor who found many victims among the boys and girls who indulge in too much dancing unchaperoned. "It might surprise you to know how many girls and boys are addicts."

Touching upon the narcotic inquiry of recent date, the minister observed that according to press reports, the officers charged had been given a clean bill of health. While he was loath to call into question any tribunal giving a man a clean bill of health, he still felt that there were weeds in the garden which should still be weeded out. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police was not the old Royal Northwest Mounted Police Force. It was put together more loosely, with more raw recruits.

While there were many fine men in the present force he questioned whether its general standard was equal to that of the old R.N.W.M.P. But that was not the issue raised. The charge was made that certain officers had succumbed to temptation, and he was still not satisfied with the report. The minister begged, however, to be allowed to pursue his own course in the matter.

Traffic Increasing

In conclusion he cited the increase in convictions for drug trafficking in Vancouver from 293 in 1918 to 858 in 1921. He urged the women to help fight the insidious traffic by getting in touch with reformed addicts who could be of great assistance in tracing the traffic to its roots.

On the subject of the Mothers' Pensions Act, the attorney general passed the comment that the British Columbia administration was the best in Canada or the United States. And in this connection he pleaded "Please do not make a fetich of a woman on the board. Administration may be equally good from a man or a woman. When you have a good thing it is not always well to disturb it for the sake of giving effect to a principle."

At present nearly 900 families were being assisted under the act representing an annual sum of $450,000. This was costing the people of British Columbia $935 per thousand of the population annually. These figures showed the impracticability of the suggestion that the act should be broadened in its activities.

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Located January 16th, 1924.

ARTHUR ROBERTSON.

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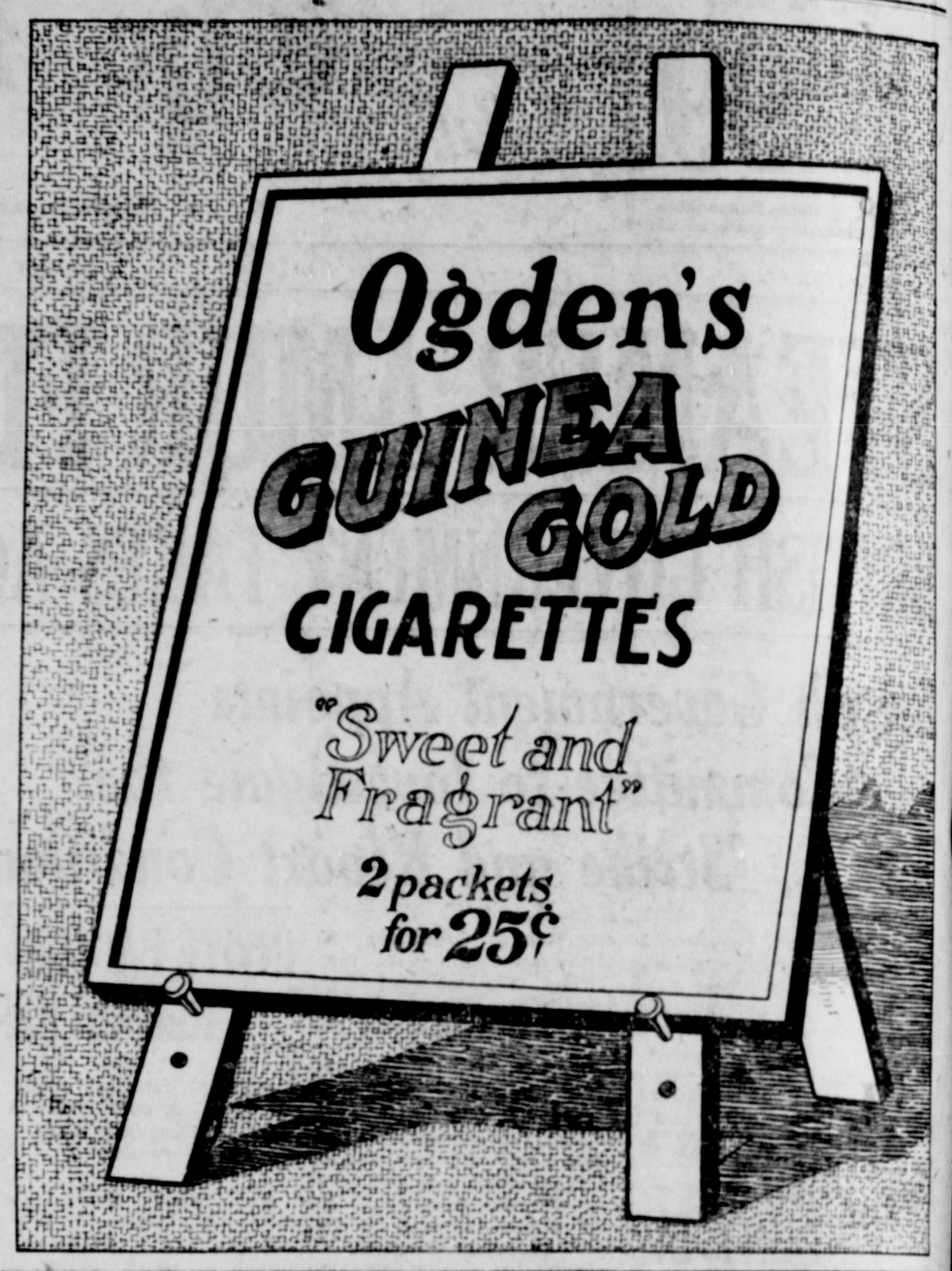
This notice, in terms of law, is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.

Dated at Prince Rupert, B.C., this 15th day of February, 1924.

W. S. FISHER,
Collector for the Prince Rupert Assessment District.



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