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PUBLIC'S EQUITY DOES NOT FOLLOW THE LOG TO MARKET

Present Royalty Act Based on Uneconomic Principles

There are two points to be remembered in connection with the public's equity in the forest resources of British Columbia.

Firstly—That the equity only exists while the timber is standing.

Secondly—That the value of the tree lies in the merchantability of its product.

It is utterly self evident that the public's vested interest in the timber in this Province ceases when the tree is felled. This is recognized by the fact that the royalty is payable at that time.

It should be equally self evident that unless the timber can be profitabley converted into some manufactured product, no one will cut it down and the public will get no royalty at all.

The Timber Royalty Act of 1914 ignores the first of these propositions and threatens to produce a deadlock not contemplated by the other.

This measure computes the royalty rate on the average wholesale selling price of lumber during five-year periods, thus controverting the very principle of the royalty system which is essentially an impost payable on raw material.

The next five-yearly-period starts on January 1, 1925, and on that date, under this peculiar method of reckoning royalties, the original impost of ten years ago will be automatically increased 700 per cent., and the industry will be asked to pay a levy that will absolutely make a dead loss of every lumber investment in the Province.

This remarkable piece of legislation will, therefore, defeat its own object. For there can be no timber royalty to collect if the timber is not cut.

This series of articles communicated by the Timber Industries Council of British Columbia.

JENS LARSEN WINS DRAWING

Lucky Ticket in Connection With Carnival Queen Contest Was Pulled by Mayor Newton

Jens Larsen, P.O. Box 1675 Prince Rupert, with combination ticket 126, is the winner of the radio set or phonograph in connection with the Fair Board's Carnival Queen contest drawing.

The drawing took place last night, Mayor Newton pulling the lucky ticket in the presence of a representative committee.

In case the prize is not claimed within a stated period by the first choice, the following five additional drawings in order of rotaton were made: Ole Oleson, ticket 262; Mooseheart Legion, ticket 1303; John M. Wick, ticket 251; Mooseheart Legion, 1309; Owen Fisher, 148.

The winning ticket was sold by Miss Grace Crate, the queen of the carnival.

S. K. Campbell, chairman of the finance committee, reported at last night's hospital board meeting that finances of the institution were in a fairly saisfactory condition. The per capita cost of the hospital treatment in August had been $2.68 as compared with $2.64 the month previous. Now that winter is approaching it is expected that the cost will be higher.

BOARD STRIKES OUT RESOLUTION

Training School in Local Hospital Discussed Last Night With Miss Helen Randal, R.N.

Resolutions passed last month by the hospital board that acceptance or rejection of applications for prospective students in the training school be approved by the executive committee and that training school rules be submitted to the board for approval were rescinded at the meeting of the board last night. In their place was substituted a resolution requesting the lady superintendent to make monthly reports to the House committee on internal matters affecting the training schools and to the board on general matters. This means that the conduct of the Prince Rupert General Hospital will come solely under the jurisdiction of the lady superintendent as is the custom in other hospitals of the province. She is responsible directly to the council of the Registered Nurses' Association in which is vested by the Provincial government the administration of training schools for nurses.

Keep up Standing

The decision of the board followed a lengthy discussion with Miss Helen Randal, R.N., administrator of the Registered Nurses' Act. Miss Randal stated her opposition to any interference by the Board in the administration of the training school. If lady superintendents were to be kept and the morale of the training school maintained it was necessary that the board should stand behind the official in charge who was specially trained for her work possessing knowledge of the essentials that no layman could be expected to have. The Prince Rupert General Hospital had been fortunate in the lady superintendents it had had in Miss McCaul, Miss Black and Miss Atkinson. The school had a high standing and it was her hope that the board would take no step that would tend to lower that sanding.

President D. C. McRae and E. H. Mortimer in their remarks took the stand that the board should exercise some control over the conduct of the training school. S. K. Campbell was of the opinion that the board's duty was to guide in general policies but not to supervise disciplinary measures or select the material for the training school. The board, in its desire to co-operate with the lady superintendent, had passed rules that he at least considered could not be accepted by the lady superintendent. He was in favor of withdrawing them. Ald. Macdonald felt the board would be wise in leaving such matters entirely in the control of the lady superintendent. He was not in favor of control by one person but he had learned with pleasure that there was a properly constituted tribunal for such matters as those under discussion.

Resolution Passed

It was moved by T. Ross MacKay and seconded by S. K. Campbell that the two resolutions in question be rescinded and that the lady superintendent be requested to submit monthly reports to the House committee and board. The resolution was carried.

Miss Randal also suggested that better co-operation could be obtained and time could be saved if the lady superintendent was invited to attend board meetings.

In the course of her general remarks, Miss Randal expressed high pleasure with the new nurses' home here. "It is one of the prettiest, most commodious and well equipped homes that I know of in the province. It is not extravagant but complete and home like. It should prove an asset in drawing students to your training school."

Miss Randal also spoke highly of the work in the hospital and training school being carried out under Miss McCaul. The work of the hospital was being carried out in a splendid manner and everybody seemed happy.

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CONVENTION HERE YEAR AFTER NEXT

B.C. Hospitals Association Ready to Come to Prince Rupert in 1926, Delegate Reports

The 1925 convention of the B.C. Hospitals Association will be held in Nanaimo but, if another invitation is extended by this city, the meeting for 1926 will undoubtedly come to Prince Rupert, stated Harry Birch, secretary of the Prince Rupert General Hospital Association, in reporting at last night's board meeting on the 1924 convention in Victoria which he attended. Mr. Birch explained that the invitation of Nanaimo for 1925 was accepted in view of the fact that an attempt is being made to get a new hospital there and the holding of the convention will, it is expected, assist the effort.

Mr. Birch reported in detail on the business of the recent convention. Such matters as the administration of the Workmen's Act, government financial aid, maintenance of isolation hospitals, and qualifications for students in training schools had been discussed. It was admitted by all that the Workmen's Compensation Act as it now stood and government financial assistance were not satisfactory. A suggestion had been made that a direct tax, collectable through employers, be levied for hospital purposes. Better co-opeation had been obtained this year between the B.C. Hospitals Association and the Union of B.C. Municipalities and it was expected that this would work to the benefit of the hospitals.

On behalf of the board, President D. C. McRae extended thanks to Mr. Birch for attending the convention and reporting. Prince Rupert had been ably represented.

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REPAIR JOB ON JOHN COMPLETED

C.N.R. Vessel Will Resume Schedule to Queen Charlotte Islands With Sailing Monday Night

Repairs in the local dry dock to C.N.R. steamer Prince John were completed last night and the vessel will be taken off the pontoons this afternoon. She was inspected this morning by Albert Farrow, steamboat inspector, and was found satisfactory. The John's schedule to the Queen Charlotte Islands will be resumed with the sailing on Monday night. There will be a special sailing tonight at 4 o'clock for Lagoon Bay where salmon will be loaded.

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