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Buying Not on Such Big Scale this Christmas

A number of merchants in this city report that the volume of Christmas business this year was not as large as last. There were just as many people buying but apparently they were not buying as extensively. Purchases were just as numerous but they were on a smaller scale. In other words, gifts were not as substantial as far as cost was concerned. While some disappointment may be expressed as to the aggregate turnover in the stores, it may be that the purchasers were buying more sanely.

The fishermen have always been big buyers and the fact that the close season is on and their cash is not flowing in at this time may account to some extent for their decreased spendings. Some of them may not have the money but, undoubtedly, there are more who are holding on to it to tide them over the period of the next six weeks or until they start marketing fish again. If this is the case, it might be that the merchants in the long run will be just as well off. Safe spending now may mean some money left next month without which there would be danger of bad debts.

Laying of Golden Eggs Is Suspended

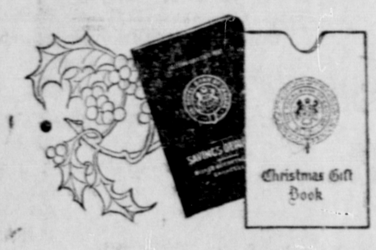
Neither the business men of Prince Rupert nor the fishermen themselves should have expected to have been just as well off when the close season came into effect as they were before. That, however was not a consideration when the close season was brought about. The object of the close season was to conserve an industry that will mean permanent business here for all time. As long as there was no close season, it was like "killing the goose that lays the golden eggs." If the goose is to continue laying golden eggs she must be given a rest for a while and she is now having her rest—so there are no golden eggs just now.

North Responsible For Gold and Silver

Further particulars received with regard to the announcement of the minister of mines that 1924 was to be a banner year in the matter of mineral production in this province indicate that Northern B.C. was responsible in a large degree for making it such. The large production of gold and silver it attributed to the north. Last year it was the same and in future years this district will continue to become even a greater factor.

The Portland Canal section, where the large preponderance of this gold and silver was produced, according to all authorities, is just on the eve of even greater things. Many properties, it is said, are about to emerge from the stage of development to that of production.

The province is looking towards the north for this wealth in future and, sooner or later, it is going to mean something big for Prince Rupert. With more ore being mined, there will have to be more smelters and perhaps this city will get such a plant at a time not very far removed from now.



A Gift that Increases in Value

Presentation Covers are provided for Christmas Gift Books.

WHAT DID YOU GIVE LAST CHRISTMAS?

Toys for the kiddies—most of them broken by now. "Something useful" for the grown-ups—now worn out or forgotten. Cash to your employees—appreciated but soon spent. Other presents—hurriedly bought and perhaps ill-chosen. Are they remembered now?

Suppose this year you give them each a Bank Book containing an initial deposit, and urge them to add to it regularly. Could anything be more suitable?

Add "Royal Bank Pass Books" to your list of Christmas Gifts.

The Royal Bank of Canada

Prince Rupert Branch - F. E. Robertson, Manager

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SMELTER TOWN XMAS AFFAIRS

Community League Dance on Monday—Kiddies of Place Entertained Tuesday

ANYOX, Dec. 27.—Anyox holiday celebrations started on Monday night last when a big crowd gathered at Recreation Hall and danced into the early hours of Tuesday morning. The occasion was the annual Christmas dance of the Community League, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all those attending. The decorative scheme carried out in the hall was the object of much favorable comment, the music was good, there was plenty to eat, and the Christmas cake of three decks, which was carried around the hall at the supper hour, was much admired for its artistic appearance at the time as well as for the excellence of its taste and flavor on being cut. The cake was the product of the Bluebird Cafe and was as pretty a piece of work as one would wish to see in the line of Christmas cake ornamentation. The music was supplied by the Elk's orchestra, the decorations were made by Mrs. F. M. Kelley and Mrs. S. Herrin, and were arranged by Mr. P. Ryan and the Community League secretary. The dance was in charge of Mrs. O. K. Dwyer and Mrs. J. Cloke, and it was mainly owing to their efforts that the affair was so pronounced a success. An efficient and hard-working official for the occasion was the master of ceremonies, H. A. Berry. Jimmie Thompson was head man in the kitchen and there could be no complaint with the result of his brewing.

Kiddies Entertained

Following the Community League dance on Monday night, the League and the Granby Company entertained all the Anyox kiddies on Tuesday, treating the younger ones in the afternoon, and the older ones during the evening. The afternoon session was the heaviest one, about 250 kiddies having a great time. Everybody was kept busy supplying their wants and keeping them amused. The dance decorations were all left in place with the exception of the stage end, where they had to be removed so that the special pictures brought in for the occasion could be shown. These pictures were all kid pictures, the programme consisting of three comedies and several dances by pupils of Mrs. Kelley.

Those taking part in the dances were Patricia O'Neill, sailor's hornpipe; Florence Kelley, tambourine dance; Edna Herrin and Teresa Gordon, Irish dance; Florence and Frances Kelley, sailor's hornpipe, and Patricia O'Neill and Heresa Gordon, Fantana dance. Between programme items, great trays of cakes, supplied by the Granby Mess and prepared by "Baker" Robertson, were tucked away, and many gallons of soft drinks and klim vanished with the cakes. Bon bons were distributed and, on leaving the hall, all the boys and girls were given generous-sized bags containing candies, nuts, apples and oranges. Those assisting and in charge of this community effort and handling it in fine style were Mrs. J. Cloke, Mrs. O. K. Dwyer, Mrs. S. Herrin, Mrs. Selfe and Mrs. Kelley.

FINE SCHOOL CONCERT AT QUEEN CHARLOTTE

Splendid Christmas Recital Reflected Much Credit on Efforts of Local Teacher

QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY, Dec. 27—The annual Christmas concert of the Queen Charlotte school was held on December 16, at the school, under the direction of the teacher, Lee Gordon, of Prince Rupert. There was a full attendance and everybody voted it the best school concert that had been held for years. The performance of the children reflected great credit, indeed, on Mr. Gordon who went to great effort to make it such a success. The following was the programme:

O, Canada, School.
Recitation, E. Fairburn.
Playlet, "Cure," by eleven children.
Recitation, M. Johnson.
Dialogue by three children.
Recitation, E. Christensen.
Chorus, "Silent Night," by School.
Violin Duet, G. Freeman and L. Gordon.
Mask Drill by eight children.
Recitation, D. Carmichael.
Dialogue, "Country and City Mouse" M. Beattie and E. Christensen.
Recitation by L. Bleeker.
Dialogue, "Rival Orators," K. Carmichael and P. Barge.
Playlet, "Trial of Santa Claus," by eleven children.
Recitation, M. Beattie.
Presentation of Awards, by Mrs. Bleeker.
Recitation, K. Carmichael.
"Strike in Santa Claus Land," School.
Playlet, "Five Little Chickens," M. Fairburn, O. Fairburn, D. Carmichael, M. Beattie and E. Christensen.
Fan Drill.
Recitation, B. Carmichael.

The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

Now that Christmas is over we can settle down and look forward to celebrating the New Year.

If the sweet young thing at the postal wicket won't stick the stamps on your letter don't stick them on yourself.

By making the most of one's blunders in life is a good way to attain success.

It was an optimist who looked for the family Christmas tree with a torchlight.

What with cross word puzzles to solve, Mah Jong to play, and the New Year to usher in, we'll soon have no time left for work at all.

One of London's principal hospitals for animals is run entirely by women. And some mean lady said it must have been a hospital for husbands.

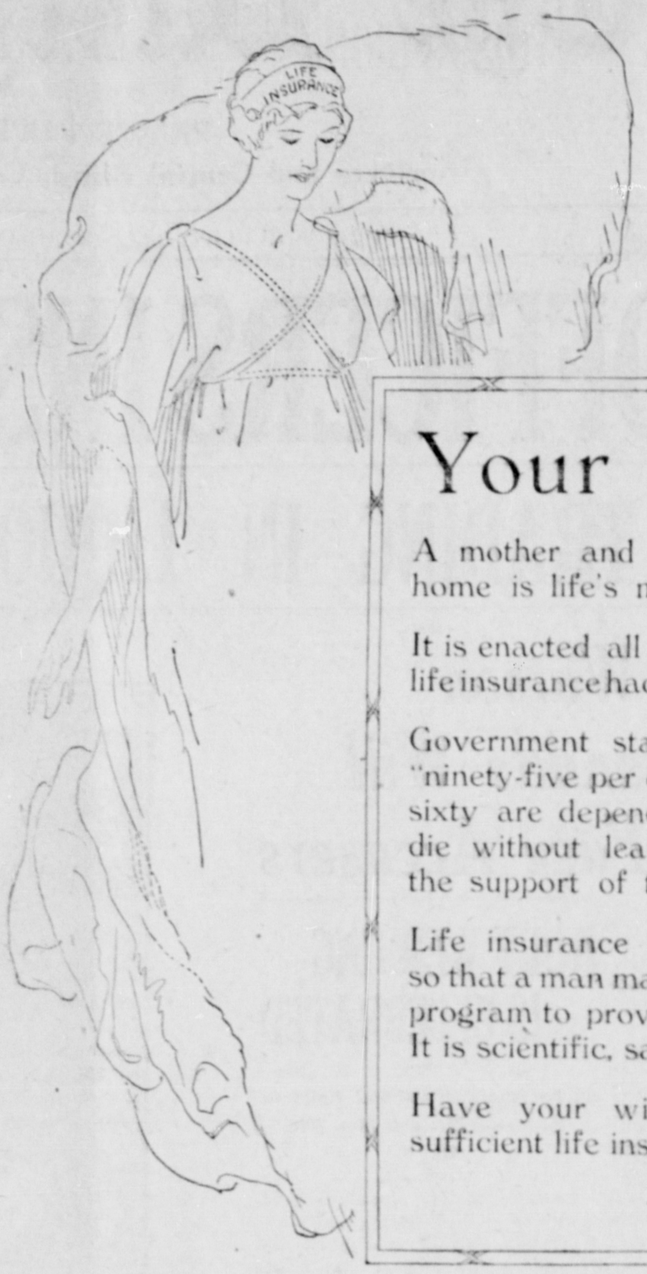
The way to make a cheap chicken soup is to boil an egg and then place the water in a soup plate.

The flapper's complexion certainly matched the Christmas decorations.

What has become of the old fashioned wife who used to get up in the morning and cook her husband's breakfast?

The meanest man I ever saw was the guy who gave the pavement artist a piece of chalk with which to draw himself a good meal.

The beauty of this community singing business it that it enables one to learn who is constantly singing out of tune in church.



Your Family

A mother and children bereft of home is life's most pitiful drama.

It is enacted all too often because life insurance had not been provided.

Government statistics show that "ninety-five per cent of men at age sixty are dependent." Other men die without leaving anything for the support of their families.

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

December 27, 1914.

When Roy Bullen, Grand Trunk Pacific agent in Minneapolis, returned east last night there was a goodly supply of chicken halibut in the ice apartment of his car. This was done to oblige many Minnesota friends who wish to sample the fish that is making Prince Rupert famous.

The little son of R. A. White, Eighth Street, met with a very bad accident on Saturday afternoon. He fell from the wharf on to a scow, a distance of about 20 feet. Te lad's condition is serious and the case is being watched with great care.

The delay to the steamer Princess May from Vancouver has been caused by fog.

SPECIAL TRIPS TO SKAGWAY PLANNED

In Addition to Regular Service by Alice and Louise, Charlotte Will Run North Next Season

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Steamship service to Alaska will be increased for the 1925 summer season, according to Captain C. D. Neroutsos, superintendent of the Canadian Pacific's B. C. Coast service and acting manager in the absence of Captain J. W. Troup. The S.S. Princess Charlotte will make four trips to Skagway in addition to the season's regular schedule of 18 round trips by the S.S. Princess Louise and S.S. Princess Alice. The Princess Mary has been chartered by a special party for one round trip to the north, bringing next summer's schedule up to 25 round trips as against 18 during the past season.

In the Letter Box

PROSPEROUS OUTLOOK

Editor, Daily News:

Xmas has once again come around and the residents of Skidegate Inlet send Yuletide and New Year greetings to their neighbours in Prince Rupert.

A New Year will soon be upon us and, although this one has not been very prosperous for the Islands, we are not downhearted as we know that there is a great future in store. Prospects for the coming year appear to be bright but we need the co-operation of Prince Rupert in helping us develop. We have received visits from various public men during the last year, and we appreciate them as they become acquainted with our various problems and are able to take a sympathetic viewpoint of these when they are brought to their notice. It is of great interest to us that Norman Watt is appointed government agent as he spent considerable time here last summer and took a personal interest in everything that was going on. Thus we feel that he will be fully informed in any matters pertaining to the Islands.

We appreciate especially the publicity given the Islands by the Daily News, and the way that that newspaper is always working for our best interests.

ISLANDER,
Skidegate.

CAMP CLOSED DOWN

MASSETT, Dec. 27.—The Port Clements pole camp, operated by A. B. Pleas, has closed down for the winter and Mr. Pleas has gone to Vancouver.

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