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Will B.C. Railway Problems Be Settled?

One of the most important issues which has ever been raised in British Columbia is the disposition of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. That acknowledged "white elephant," has cost the taxpayers of the province tremendous sums, and a sale of the property would mean a saving of enough money each year to decrease materially the public expenditures. Premier Oliver has received assurance from Ottawa that the Federal railway conference will be held in January. He will attend and present British Columbia's case. First of all will come the disposition of the provincial line and secondly the question of linking up the great Peace River country with the British Columbia coast. The Premier has been trying for years to get rid of the P.G.E. but without success. Following his representations to Premier Mackenzie King, a general conference was arranged. After this is over it is expected that some solution will be reached as to the future of the line and the settlement of the transportation problems of Peace River. The potential wealth of the latter district is conceded to be of inestimable value in the fuller development of British Columbia.

Canada Biggest Wheat Producer.

As the value of the wheat crop on the prairie is normally about fifty per cent of the total value of the entire annual agricultural production of the prairie provinces, it is interesting to learn how the yields of this important crop in Canada compare with those in other countries. Briefly stated, Canada has a much higher average yield per acre than any other important wheat exporting country. Some countries which import wheat have a higher average yield per acre than Canada but there are only a few of these, such as the United Kingdom, Germany and Denmark, which have a yield considereably higher, while the total quantity produced by these countries is relativeley very small. Moreover, the expense of producing wheat in these countries is extremely high. Even such an important wheat producing country as France has an average yield of only two bushels per acre higher than Canada, while both Italy and Roumania have lower yields per acre.

The outstanding facts in the Canadian production of wheat are that the average yield per acre is much better than in any other exporting country in the world but that, unfortunately, the variation from year to year is also greater than in any other country. The reason for this great variation in yield is due predominately to variation in rainfall. When the season is dry the yield is small. The high average yield per acre, which Canada now enjoys in comparison with that of other countrigs, is due in quite a large part to the results of scientific agriculture. There remains yet the difficult task of reducing the losses suffered in dry years. This is one of the big objects of experimental farms.

By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them.

Russia has another famine on its hands. It's six years since the Bolsheviks took charge. In that time Poland, Roumania, Serbia, Bulgaria, all devastated more or less by the Great War, managed to restore production and transportation to such an extent that famines are unheard of. Germany, Austria, and Hungary, defeated, emasculated, penalized, have become self-supporting. Even Greece, having gone through four wars to Russia's one, gets along with a minimum of outside help.

Last summer the weather was uniformly unfavorable to crop production throughout Europe; the Far West suffered from an unprecedented drouth fully as bad and as extensive as Russia's. But in all Europe except Russia there is no famine; no one dreams of collecting relief funds for American farmers. In Russia, on the contrary, millions of peasants are reported to be hungry.

What's the answer? Could the principles of applied communism have something to do with Russia's failure to recuperate? Even Trotsky is complaining bitterly of bureaucratic inefficiency under communism and blaming it for the continuing distress of the masses.

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WEEK AT WESTHOLME

Monday and Tuesday
"In the Shadows of Whitechapel."
Comedy—"Fight and Win.
International News.

Wednesday and Thursday
Charles Jones in "Western Luck."
Comedy.
Fox-News Gazette.

Friday and Saturday
"Wanderers of the Wasteland."
Comedy.
Topics of the Day.

ENGLISH PICTURE ON BILL TONIGHT

"In the Shadows of Whitechapel" is Unusual Story of Old Country Life

Tonight and tomorrow the famous English comedy melodrama, "In the Shadows of Whitechapel," will be presented at the Westholme Theatre. It is an unusual story of Old Country life, with its atmosphere, humor, heart interest and romance of dear old London. Henry Edwards, the popular English comedian, appears in the role of Bill, a part that calls upon him to register every human emotion, while Chrissie White handles the part of Liza to perfection. This is probably the best melodrama that has ever been presented in this country, and folks from the Old Land, as well as native born sons, will delight in the many thrills furnished by this phenomenal attraction.

TRICK RIDING IS SHOWN IN PICTURE

"Western Luck," Coming Wednesday and Thursday, Has Many Sensational Features

Daring riding and "cowboyship" of the most sensational order are among the many features of interest in "Western Luck," a new William Fox production starring Chas. Jones, which will be the attraction at the Westholme Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday nights. As usual Jones leads all others in wild riding and hair-raising acts of daring.

The story of "Western Luck," takes place for the most part in the West, although there is an exciting sequence later in the picture wherein Jones, as Larry Campbell, visits New York and has to fight his way through a gang of hired thugs. His long, flying leap through the air from his horse to the steps of a speeding train is one of the high spots of the production. Beatrice Burnham plays opposite the star. George Beranger directed the picture from a story by Robert Lee. The supporting cast is further distinguished by the presence of Pat Hardigan, Tom Lingham, J. Farrell McDonald, Gordon Bruce and Edith Kennick, all familiar and well liked figures in pictures.

WELL KNOWN STORY IS PUT ON SCREEN

Natural Color Used Throughout "Wanderer of the Wasteland" Which is Week-end Feature

"Wanderer of the Wasteland," Zane Grey's greatest story and the most popular of all the books he has given to the American public, is the first full-length Paramount picture to be produced completely in color. This is an announcement of significance to every movie patron because it means that colored photography at last has been perfected for practical purposes. In this picture the Technicolor process was used—the same perfected process that was used in the biblical sequences of Cecil B. DeMille's monumental screen achievement, "The Ten Commandments."

"Wanderer of the Wasteland" is an outdoor picture but with an entirely new background, never before shown on the screen. Scenic comparisons are out of order as the entire production was photographed on the actual locations described in the book, the gorgeous Painted Desert of Arizona and Death Valley California.

Readers of Zane Grey's stories know that it is a thrilling, adventurous story of the wastelands of the American desert, full of drama, action and romantic love.

Jack Holt, in an ideal role, heads the list of featured players, which includes Kathlyn Williams, Noah Beery and Billie Dove.

With such a story, cast and added novelty of a picture entirely in color, it is safe to predict that few will miss seeing "Wanderer of the Wasteland" during its run at the Westholme Theatre at the week-end.

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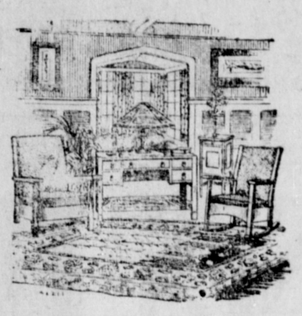

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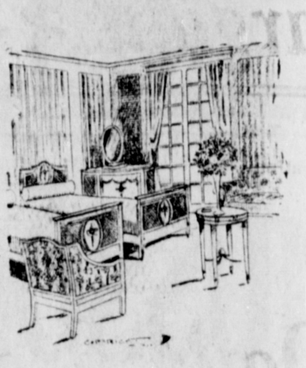

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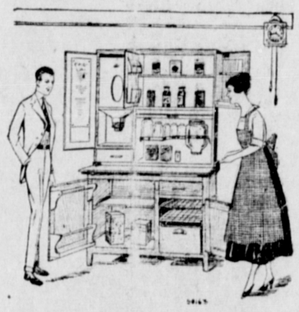

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