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University Class For Prince Rupert.
It seems rather a pity that the school board could not have seen their way clear to continue the University first year class at the local high school. The cost to the city would have been very small as the Provincial Government pays most of the expenses. If there are eight pupils offering, the class would have been worth continuing. At the time when it was decided to close down there were but three or four pupils who seemed likely to attend and even that number was doubtful. Today the position is changed.

It is the duty of the school board to carefully conserve the finances of the city and to see that no money is spent unnecessarily. At the same time their first duty is to see that proper educational facilities are provided.

While it is argued that it is better for pupils to attend the university rather than take the course here, the contra argument is that some of the students are girls who are too young to be sent away from home to a strange city where they would lose the home influences.

Just what will be done in regard to the eight students who wished to take the course here is not intimated. Possibly some of them will attend the university and the others will remain at home and their educational course is ended.

Educational Obtained By Doing Things.
The other day a lecture was given over the radio in which the point was stressed that all education was the result of action. Education cannot be imparted. It must be acquired. One does not become a runner without running and one does not learn to think without thinking. In other words education cannot be obtained by listening, although hearing an address is often a great stimulus to education.

There is a somewhat prevalent idea that a person can become a sportsman by watching games. They may be helped in learning by watching those who play well, but it is only by playing that one learns to play.

Danger In University Method Of Training.
That is one of the dangers in university training. The students listen to lectures and they have little opportunity to reproduce what they hear except at examinations. There is too much listening and not enough doing.

Many educationists believe that the kindergarten method should be followed throughout the school course. Students should be doing all the time and listening should be a very small part of the course.

Very often children who leave school at an early age and go to work excel those who attend the high school classes and the university, simply because they get down at once to the first principles of education. They learn to do by doing. As long as the student continues a system of wide reading, especially of books of an educational nature, he is educating himself often better than he would at a university. The difficulty is that most young folks lose the stimulus for study as soon as they leave school. They become absorbed in the gaieties of social life and their intellectual education stops.

Time To Plan For Winter Reading.
This is a good time to plan for winter study. What course is to be followed during the long evenings? Will the time be wasted in parties and light reading or will a system of serious study be adopted, looking to real educational development? This is a good time to map out a course that will be beneficial and interesting.

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Swimming Tank One of Features at Lodge is Well Patronized

That Jasper Park Lodge is filled to overflowing with tourists this season and it has been found necessary to sleep large numbers in Pullman sleepers nearly every night on the railway tracks at Jasper depot is word brought back from that holiday resort by Sidney Webb of The News staff, who returned on yesterday's train after attending a newspaper convention held at that point. While additional bungalows have been built for this year's business there is still a shortage of accommodation, which speaks for itself as to the growing popularity of Jasper Lodge as an inland holiday resort.

Also the new golf course has been opened this season, and an open air swimming tank, in which the water is slightly heated, has been constructed on the shores of the lake directly in front of the main hotel building. The swimming pool has proved extremely popular during the hot weather at Jasper at present.

On Monday afternoon the newspaper men were the guests of the C.N.R. to a scenic motor trip to Maligne canyon and in the evening were the guests of Major Graham Bell, deputy minister of railways and vice-president of the C.N.R. at a dinner given in their honor in the main dining room. J. Gill Gardner, member of the board of directors of the railway, was also present.

A large gang of men is kept employed on road work and beautifying the grounds generally.

It was common talk at Jasper that the C.N.R. executive are contemplating new ways and means of coping with the ever increasing tourist business but of course nothing definite was known as to future intentions of the management in this connection.

On every hand one hears nothing but admiration for the grandeur of the scenery and praise for the excellence of the service rendered to the patrons of the Lodge.

The Man in the Moon
SAYS—

WHEN a strange lady introduces herself and smiles and then smiles again, watch out. She has design on your pocketbook, probably by the monthly payment route.

"Early to bed
And early to rise,"
I hate those old people
Who told such big lies.

THE other day I heard of a lady with an inferiority complex. The difficulty with most people is they have a damfool complex.

MOST people when past fifty years old are like a pullman car. No lowers and very few uppers left.

IF Canada is to become a nation it will not be through the possession of a common language, common institutions, ancestry and traditions but by the application of common sense.

ONCE more the common people are becoming important. An election is in sight.

THE editor says he wishes to refute the rumor that he spent five hundred dollars on his holidays. He says as a matter of fact he still has part of the fifty left.

HAPPINESS is a contagious disease. The pessimist should give it a wide berth.

FOLLOW the birds to Victoria; follow the hoots to Vancouver and follow the fish to Prince Rupert. No poor fish here.

ABOUT a dozen years ago Prince Rupert's member in the Provincial House got hold of the tail of an idea. He grabbed it and held it up to public gaze, but the people said it was a serpent. Since that he has kept hold of the idea and today people are bowing down and worshipping it. Later on they will be adopting it as their child.

MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT AGAINST BIG ALEC FOR INCITING TO KILL LAD
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cabin at the time. Moccasin had been tied up for three days.

Dan Loo also gave corroborative evidence of the conversations between Big Alec and Edie leading up to the tying of Moccasin. He had seen Big Alec's dogs hanging up. Big Alec had told him that if he tied up his dogs he would feel good.

Edie was again called to the stand to answer a question from the jury as to where Moccasin had been tied up. It was outside quite a little way from her house, she said. Big Alec had not been with her when she tied Moccasin. Moccasin had not called for help after he had been tied up.

This concluded the evidence for the crown. The defence had no evidence to offer so argument of counsel followed.

Addresses of Counsel

In presenting the case for the crown to the jury, Mr. Patmore stressed the fact that Big Alec had talked to Edie about Moccasin, inciting her to tie him up because he practised witchcraft. The fact that Big Alec had killed his own dogs was evidence that he believed in witchcraft. Accused was, therefore, just as responsible for the tying up and death of Moccasin as was Edie. Even though it was the religion of these natives to drive out witchcraft in this manner, the practice could not be allowed to continue. Because they were ignorant was no excuse. If mercy should be extended under the circumstances, it would be the duty of the crown and not of the jury to judge upon that. If the jury, believing that Big Alec was responsible, brought in a verdict of not guilty then wholesale murder in the north in this manner would continue.

Mr. Jones, in addressing the jury on behalf of the defence, referred to the superstition, ignorance and savagery of the natives involved. It would be absurd to punish such people for an act that, up to a short time ago, was permissible even in England, France, Germany and United States—namely the killing of those believed to be engaged in the practice of witchcraft. It would not be just to make an example of these poor people. What assurance had the jury that the crown would be merciful? No jury should be a party to inflicting a punishment of life imprisonment or even several years on people under such circumstances.

Furthermore, Mr. Jones questioned if the crime had actually been proven against Big Alec and, if so, had there been intent to kill? From the evidence adduced it was apparent that the purpose in tying Moccasin up had been to drive the evil spirit from him and not to cause his death. The corpse had not been identified positively and the crown needed more definite evidence. Allen, the white witness, having testified that Big Alec did not have the reputation of being a witch doctor, might not the story of the three Loo brothers that he had incited their sister have been told in order to save her? Mr. Jones referred to the mental capacity of the accused. They were little more than children and, apparently, their only God was "the old man in the woods," himself the devil, who entered the bodies of human people inciting them to do harm to others. They believed that they would be doing wrong unless they took steps to liberate the witch from Moccasin. In view of the evidence, Mr. Jones asked the jury to find the accused not guilty and not depend on the crown for mercy.

Judge's Charge

In charging the jury, Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald pointed out that, to establish murder, it must be proven that there was intent to kill or cause injuries resulting in death. The law also provided that one inciting another to kill was equally guilty of murder. There seemed little doubt but that Moccasin had been killed. The jury must be satisfied, however, that Big Alec was responsible with Edie. His Lordship said that, after some consideration, he had decided to point out to the jury that a verdict of manslaughter might be possible in his case, assuming that intent to kill had not been proven but that the lying up of Moccasin had led to his death. The action of Moccasin in having been willing to be tied up was no excuse.

Then again, there was the question of whether Big Alec was sane. It was no excuse to kill Moccasin because it was believed that he was a witch. However, Big Alec could not be convicted if he was insane and, if it was proven that he was laboring under a disease of the mind at the time, it would be the duty of the jury to acquit. It was possible, as Mr. Jones had suggested, that the Loo brothers had concocted this story against Big Alec to save their sister. It was up to the jury to decide if they were clever enough to do this. If there was a reasonable doubt it should be in favor of the accused but the jury should not conjure up a doubt in order to escape responsibility. They should decide on this case as they would if it was a problem of everyday life. After the jury had retired, His Lordship recalled it to the court room to point out that, if Big Alec was insane, they might bring in a special verdict of "guilty but insane" in which case the matter would be left in the hands of the crown to have Big Alec dealt with in the proper manner.

The jury retired at 3:50 and returned at 4:55 with its verdict.

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LANGARA FISHING & PACKING COMPANY, LTD.
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Per E. H. Simpson, Agent.

Dated June 13th, 1925.

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LANGARA FISHING & PACKING CO. LTD.,
Applicant.
Per E. H. Simpson, Agent.

Dated June 10th, 1925.

LAND ACT

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LANGARA FISHING & PACKING COMPANY, LTD.
Applicant.
Per E. H. Simpson, Agent.

Dated June 12th, 1925.

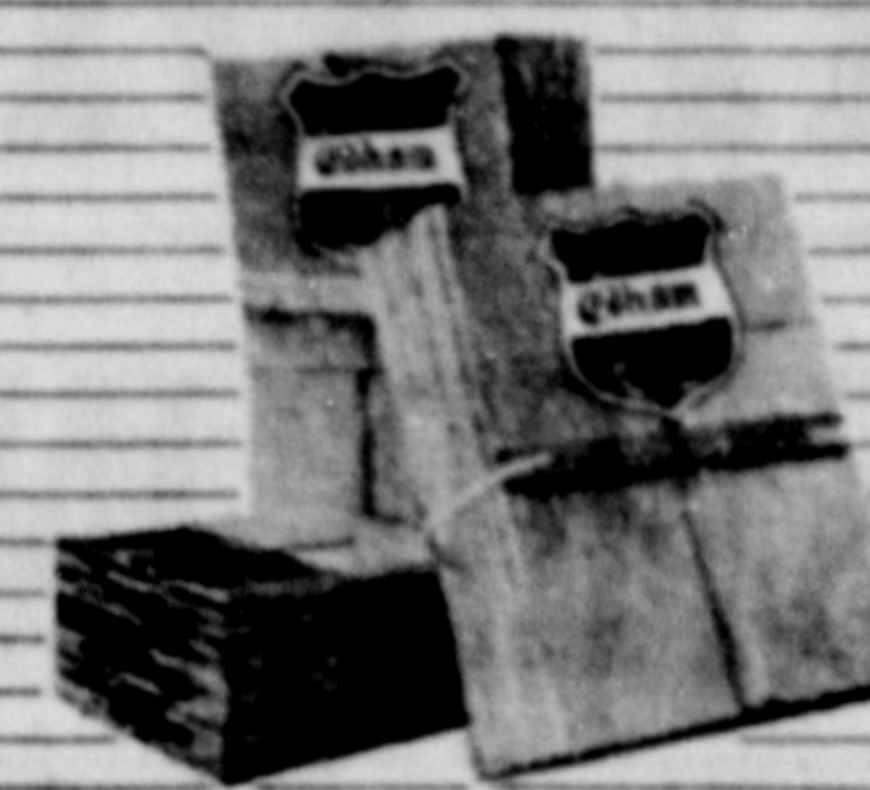
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