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League Of Nations In Public Eye.

The League of Nations has been very much in the public eye of late owing largely to the application of Germany for admission to the league being considered and the demand made by Brazil, Spain and Poland that they be given permanent positions.

The present permanent members of the League are Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan. The temporary members include, Brazil, Spain, Belgium, Czecho-Slovakia, Sweden and Uruguay. Spain was backed by France in an effort to secure a permanent seat and the influence of the Vatican is also with her. Great Britain has seven votes in the assembly and one in the council. The chief countries outside now are United States, Russia and Germany.

Value Of Hemlock Is Demonstrated.

The value of hemlock wood has often been mentioned in these columns and it is interesting to note that its use is becoming more general. Discussing it the Vancouver Province of recent date says:

"The most beautiful evergreen tree native to British Columbia is the hemlock. It grows in the primeval forest in amity with its lordlier cousin, the incomparable Douglas fir; and its graceful pendant foliage makes a pleasant foil to the sombre dignity affected by the monarch of the woods. It is found almost everywhere in company with the fir, and often with the cedar; and does not occur in isolated stands. We are most of us used to thinking in terms of fir and cedar and spruce when we think at all of our native trees that it surprises us to learn there is almost as much hemlock as fir in British Columbia. Yet that is the fact. The estimated stand of fir is, roughly, seventy-five billion feet, board measure; of hemlock, sixty-four billion feet.

"These facts are illuminated by the statements of Loren Brown, former lumber commissioner of the province, in an interview. He says that new chemical processes in the staining of soft woods have been particularly successful in the case of British Columbia hemlock; and that the results obtained have been so pleasing to Old Country lumber merchants that a new and prospectively considerable market for hemlock is opening in Great Britain.

Cinderella Of Native Woods.

"Hemlock has been the 'Cinderella' of our native woods, says Mr. Brown, because the first generation of loggers here associated it with the inferior hemlock of the eastern provinces. A great deal of it was formerly wasted; and while that is no longer true, it is still sometimes an embarrassment to the logger and lumberman, who find it everywhere they cut fir.

"Mr. Brown is to be congratulated upon the success of his work at Wembley Exhibition in making Great Britain better acquainted with our native woods. If the new treatment of hemlock makes it the valuable lumber for interior finish that it is said to be, it is good news on several accounts. It will develop the basic industry of British Columbia, and it will help to conserve the forests, the most practical immediate means of conservation being the elimination of waste and destruction in the cutting and hauling of logs in the woods."

Cost Of Government In British Columbia.

The cost of government in British Columbia is being mentioned in some of the other provinces and attention to it is often drawn here at election times and the party in power, whichever it happens to be, is twitted with being responsible for it.

In the first place the cost of education and hospitals is carried very largely by the provincial government and the second reason for the high cost is that this is a huge country with population more scattered than any other. Roads and bridge are very costly and other public works are also expensive. Possibly there is a third reason and that is that the tastes of the people of British Columbia are cultivated to such an extent that they demand things other provinces would do without. We want fine buildings and the best of everything in public works. And these things cost money.

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SURVEY LANDS NEAR THE CITY

Instructions Given to Proceed With Preliminary Work With View to Marketing

A. E. Wright, the local land surveyor, has received instructions from the Provincial Department of lands at Victoria to proceed with a reconnaisance survey of lands at Digby Island between the quarantine station and the Indian reserve at Crippen's Point or the lands facing Shawatlan's Passage between Shawatlans Lake and Butze Rapids on the opposite side from Kaien Island or both, with a view to having these cut into plots of from half an acre to two acres each for the use of chicken ranchers and those who would raise pigs, or undertake market gardening. Also they would be available for summer cottages or any other purpose people might wish.

The action has been taken in response to a request from the Board of Trade, through a committee appointed for the purpose. Mr. Wright will look over both tracts of land and make a rough sketch of what he thinks might be done with it and will then consult with the local committee before submitting his recommendations to Victoria.

Nearest Available

The sites mentioned are the nearest owned by the provincial government which would be suitable for the purposes required and which are accessible. The land on Kaien Island is almost all owned by the Railway Company, which will be asked to have a portion of their lands surveyed and placed on the market.

Some delay has been occasioned by the slowness of the departments concerned in completing the transfer of lands under a recent agreement between the Provincial Government and the Railway Company.

Hitherto there have been no lands available for purchase outside the Prince Rupert townsite nearer than Smith Island or Porcher Island.

THE MAN IN THE MOON says:

PREMIER Ferguson of Ontario says his wife made him what he is. If he had been a labor member, now, I should believe that story.

NEXT week the days will be longer than the nights. There will be such a short time for the night hawks to enjoy themselves.

YOU can always tell an employee. He takes twice as long as the boss for his lunch.

SOME of those wretched Englishmen say that the Scotish were afraid Burns would be forgotten so they placed his name on a cigar. The difficulty there is that he smells as well as burns.

JUDGING from their grapefruit, I think I prefer Florida to California.

A HICK town is one where everybody knows you got a registered letter.

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WE know spring is near because the sport pages are beginning to fill up with baseball news.

SAM Hill stated the other day that he asked a college girl if Einstein's theory of relativity was practical and she answered "So's your old man." Higher education is surely a blessing.

IT is suggested the proper question to ask a college girl is whether parking is good.

THE eternal question is "Does my petticoat show?"

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EARTH IN THE CENTRE OF THE MILKY WAY IS A SCIENTIST'S IDEA

Dr. Baade Says We Are Only Tiny Speck in Centre of Great Constellation

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Mar. 26.—The earth, the sun and its entire solar system are in the very centre of the Milky Way; according to Dr. Walter Baade, noted German astronomer, who has just arrived in the United States to make a special study of measurements in the Milky Way and to accumulate "more facts about the great mass of stars in the nebula of which we are a part."

"We are only a tiny speck in the centre of this great constellation, with a diameter of 25,000 or 30,000 light years," Dr. Baade said, "and with the enormous telescopes in the United States we can see through our own milky way into thousands of other milky ways, just as large as our own. The nearest star in our nebula is only three light years away, while the nearest separate constellation, known as Andromeda, is more than a million light years away."

Dr. Baade declared that only the first page of the volumes which are still to be written about the distances of the stars in the Milky Way had been completed.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Reserve existing over expired Timber Licence No. 44818, situated on Pitt Island, Range 4, Coast District, is cancelled.

G. R. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

HAZELTON LAND DISTRICT.

District of Coast Range 5.

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Located January 8th, 1926.

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