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**Speculation Rife Regarding Far North.**

Speculation regarding the far north exploration is rife everywhere both on this continent and in Europe. If there is a big stretch of land beyond that already discovered, it may prove to have some value, although the general opinion is it is useless. Much scientific data may be acquired by the airmen in the course of their flights to the far north and this acquisition of information will always be kept in mind by the flyers. They are not only looking for land but for all kinds of valuable information which may be used for scientific purposes.

**New Territory And Its Acquisition.**

There should be little dispute over the ownership of the far away frozen north, but yet such may develop. The fisheries there and the furs may prove of value and the commercial aspect is what causes most of the disputes. The islands north of Canada are claimed by her and for many years the Arctic zone has been policed from this country. If there is land north of Alaska and the people of the United States can find it, it is to be hoped they will make good their claims to ownership. At any rate Canada will hardly worry her head about it.

**Grain Company Should Soon Take Over Elevator.**

As soon as the people have voted the tax exemption for the grain elevator and the proper signatures are placed on the documents the Wheat Pool, it is understood, will take possession of the local house and begin to operate it. This should take place early in May when the officials of the company will be here and from that time on will take charge. While it is not expected that much grain will pass this way during the present season, it is very probable that a few cargoes may be shipped through this port before the 1925-26 season closes. Vancouver is still handling considerable wheat.

**Indian People As Citizens.**

The natives of this country do not have a vote as long as they live on the reserves and are wards of the government. Once they break away and take their places with other citizens they at once may become real citizens. That is the present law. Indians will not get much consideration from politicians until they secure the vote. In Alaska they are becoming a power, so much so that they are able to swing an election one way or the other. In Canada they might do the same but they are not citizens in the full sense of the word. When they will attain the position of full citizenship is not clear, for there seems no indication that they will leave their reserves and there seems no indications that the laws will be changed to give them the vote unless they do. The result is that the position is complicated.

**Clear Up Position Regarding Lands.**

There is a feeling of dissatisfaction among the natives in regard to the lands. They lay claim to all the unoccupied lands of the province, but this claim is not admitted by the provincial or Dominion governments. And all the time the Indians are subscribing large sums of money to men who claim to be trying to secure their rights for them and who say they expect to succeed. It seems to us that the government should clear up this situation instead of continuously holding it in abeyance. Either the Indians should be granted what they ask or told that they cannot have it. The period of unsettlement is not good for development. The probability is they will not get their requests granted, as there seems no indication in that direction, but at any rate we owe it to the Indian to treat him fairly and also to treat him as a reasonable being rather than as a child. The time is past when he was a person who knew nothing and cared less.

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**ASKS McGEER VISIT RUPERT**

Expert Has Offered to Prepare Case For Board of Railway Commissioners

**RATES STILL HIGH**

Possibly Board May Hold a Session Here During Month of May

The board of trade at its meeting last night decided to invite G. G. McGeer to visit Prince Rupert some time before the board of railway commissioners comes to the coast in regard to the general freight rates inquiry which has been ordered by the Dominion government. Some correspondence in regard to it was read at the meeting and it was suggested that possibly the evidence to be submitted here would be almost exactly similar to that for Vancouver. However, the board would like to consult with Mr. McGeer in connection with it and with the freight rates question generally.

**McGeer's Letter**

Mr. McGeer's letter to the board offering his help was as follows:

As you are no doubt aware, on June 5th last, the Governor-in-Council directed the board of railway commissioners to:

1. Equalize grain rates as between Pacific coast ports and Fort William.
2. Hold a general inquiry with a view to working out a plan of equalization of freight rates throughout the Dominion of Canada.

In 1921, under instructions from the Government of British Columbia, I filed with the board of railway commissioners an application asking for the removal of what is known as the mountain scale differential. Our claim was based in part upon the favorable grades of the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian National Railway between the prairie and Vancouver and Prince Rupert. The favorable grades of these roads and the favorable weather and other operating conditions that exist in the territory through which these roads pass make them roads over which as large a volume of business may be hauled at as low a cost as any similar section of railway on the North American continent.

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Despite this fact, rates are charged on these railways which are from 15 to 20 per cent more than are charged for the same services on the same roads in the prairies, and in many instances from 35 to 80 per cent more than are charged for the same services on the same roads in Eastern Canada. Our efforts in the past have met with considerable success.

I have been instructed by the government to ascertain whether or not your board of trade or anyone in your city would care to make any representations to the board asking for a reduction in freight rates either from prairie points to Prince Rupert or from Prince Rupert to any point east thereof.

**Should be Interested**

It seems to me that your community should be interested in the distribution of all kinds of groceries and hardware and all classes of imported commodities such as mining, lumbering and agricultural machinery, etc., etc., lumber, fish and a number of other natural products. In turn, you are no doubt interested in securing the exportation of grain from Alberta and coal from the Alberta coal fields, and are looking forward to the time when dairy products and other natural products of the Prince Rupert hinterland will be exported via your port.


**Offer to Assist**

If there is any way in which I can assist you in preparing the representations to be made before the board, I should be glad to do so and I should also be glad to know that Prince Rupert will desire a hearing of the board of railway commissioners when they come to the coast some time during the month of May. I have already spoken to some of your leading citizens and I conclude from their remarks that there will be no difficulty in securing a number of witnesses who will give evidence of the discriminations under which you are suffering today.

G. G. McGEER.

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**SUNBEAM CLUB ARE GUESTS TO DORCAS CLASS OF BAPTISTS**

The Sunbeam Club of the Baptist Church entertained the Dorcas class and friends numbering thirty-five in the lecture room of the church last evening to an Easter party. The time was spent in games and contests of which the following were prize winners: Miss Edna Gilkirk, Miss Thelma Bunn, Miss Viola Carr, Miss Aletta McKinley.

During the evening recitations were given by Miss Adelia Thurber and Miss Beryl Birch, a piano selection by Miss Aletta McKinley, and a reading by P. H. Linzey, every item being much enjoyed. Dainty refreshments were served by the following members of the club: Miss Joan Arthur, Edith Johnstone, Edith Miller, May Jones, Peggy Smith and Annie McLeod.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND CITY OF LONDON**

**Support For Organization Asked in Letter Sent Out From Canadian Centre**

The secretary of the board of trade at the meeting last night read the following self-explanatory letter:

Dear Sir—The request is made of your institution that information asked for by any citizen of London should be forwarded to the London Chamber of Commerce.

You are asked to respect this request even though the one writing may say that he is a member of the local Chamber of Commerce.

It has been discovered that

**Her Face Was Covered With Large, Red Pimples**

Miss Greta Carlisle, 28 Leonard St., Brantford, Ont., writes:—"A short while ago, my face was completely covered with large red pimples, and it seemed that it was almost impossible for me to get rid of them, as nothing I took seemed to do me any good. One day I noticed an advertisement of

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**THE MAN IN THE MOON**

THE worst of being a woman is that she is so sensitive even a new hat goes to her head.

SOME young men become so elated that they are fired with enthusiasm.

THERE'S one thing, if we had not wasted our money the way we did this winter, we'd have spent it some other way.

ONE thing that makes kitchen help expensive is buying reducing labels for the mistress when she has nothing to do but get at.

I KNOW some men who are so industrious they will even empty their own ash trays.

YOU can tell a town by the little tin god it worships.

A PERSON who really adores children seldom has the inclination to say so.

IT is not so much birth control that is needed as control of the young people after birth for about twenty or thirty years.

HURRAH! Waterproof matches have been invented and pretty soon we shall have waterproof milk.

**Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert**

April 10, 1916.

Plans are being energetically laid for the big "Carnival of the Allies" which will be held in the Agricultural Hall on April 24 and 25.

Major Bullock-Webster and Col. Kirkpatrick of the 11th Canadian Mounted Rifles left this morning for Prince George on a recruiting expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Williams left on today's train for Trampville where they will in future reside.

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