INSURANCE CO. IS CRITICIZED

FOR DISCRIMINATION IN RATES AGAINST FRENCH-CANADIAN MARRIED WOMEN

MONTREAL, Feb. 1.—(By Canadian Press.)—A leading Insurance Company has been criticised in the French Press of the city for discrimination in its rates against French Canadian married women. Recently the President of the Company issued a statment relative to this: "In the combined experiences of the American and Canadian companies, covering the entire United States and Canada deaths from this cause are 7.8 per cent. of the total number of deaths among married women. In our experience among French-Canadian women, the ratio is but 8 per cent. It will be seen, therefore that the higher birth rate among French-Canadian women is not the real cause of the extra mortality.

"The chief trouble is that our French Canadian women are hard-working and self-sacrificing to an extreme. Too often the wife of a farmer or artisan does not take sufficient rest after the birth of a child, but is up and about in a very few days, attending to the housework and other duties at a time when she is physically unfit for tasks that are frequently burdensome and exhausting. One cannot but admire her pluck and sympathize with her difficulties, but the results may be disastrous. Her constitution may become undermined, making her susceptible to almost any form of disease. Tuberculosis then becomes a grave menace. The fact that so much of her life must be spent indoors adds to this danger. Pneumonia, pleurisy and peritonitis also take heavy tolls. It is noted that while there is a connection between child-bearing and the heavy mortality, that connection is not a necessary one and is to a large extent preventable. If the value of thorough ventilation of our homes were better understood, and if there were more facilities for the care of tubercular patients in the earlier stages of the disease, so that these unfortunate might have a better chance of recovery and matters would greatly improve.

BUILDING PERMITS FOR JANUARY ARE VALUED AT $5,850

Building permits for the month of January totalled $5,850 as compared with $15,805 for the corresponding month last year. Permits issued by the city engineer's department were as follows:

C. Johansen, addition to residence on Eighth Avenue west, $1,000.
B. Kerr, repairs to residence on Eighth Avenue east $250.
J. E. Dyer, private garage on First Avenue, $1500.
W. Rothwell, addition to residence on Sherbrooke Avenue, $350.
H. J. Bradbury, addition to residence on Fifth Avenue west $14,000.
J. Zarelli excavation of basement on Third Avenue $550.
H. B. Rochester, repairs to porch and residence on Eleventh Street $300.

WILLIAM FULLER' FATHER OF LOCAL MAN, DIES IN EAST

L. Murray Fuller received a wire this morning advising that William Fuller, had passed away at his home in Green River, Ontario, as a result of an attack of pneumonia. Deceased had been in failing health for the last two years, having suffered from a stroke nearly two years ago. At that time L. M. Fuller, the only son, went east and found his father gradually improving. He never recovered, however, and, in a weakened condition, was unable to combat his recent illness.

SUCCESSFUL WHIST DRIVE AND DANCE

Pythian Sisters Were Hostesses at Enjoyable Affair in Boston Hall Last Night

An enjoyable whist drive and dance was held last night in the Boston Hall by the Pythian Sisters.

From fifteen tables of cards, the winners were: Ladies' first, Mrs. Jack Ratchford; ladies' second, Mrs. Bert Wilson; ladies' third, Mrs. D. McCulloch; men's first, G. W. Johnstone; men's second, F. W. Hart.

Refreshments were served and dancing followed, music being by Mrs. H. P. Ponder's orchestra. F. W. Wesch was master of ceremonies and W. N. Hoss presided at the door.

The committee responsible for the success of the affair consisted of Mrs. D. McCulloch, Mrs. W. N. Hoss and Mrs. M. Leek.

COMMISSION TO SIT IN REGINA

Many Summonses Issued for Customs Inquiry

REGINA, Feb. 1.—Several Regina citizens have been served with summonses to appear as witnesses before the royal commission on customs here. They are being asked to appear February 4, the summonses bearing that date. It is presumed, therefore, that the commission will open its Regina sittings that day. At least some of those already summoned to appear as witnesses, figured more or less prominently in liquor selling and theft charges heard last summer, in which bonded alcohol, alleged to have been stolen and bootlegged, was mentioned so freely on the floor of the House of Commons.

BILLIARD SCHEDULE

The following schedule for the second half of the Billiard League season is released by the secretary, W. H. Long:

FEBRUARY
1—Grand Terminals vs. St. Andrews.
4—Gyros vs. Moose.
8—Grand Terminals vs. Grotto.
11—St. Andrews vs. Gyros.
15—Grotto vs. Moose.
18—Gyros vs. Grand Terminals.
22—Moose vs. St. Andrews.
25—Gyros vs. Grotto.

MARCH
1—Grand Terminals vs. Moose.
4—Grotto vs. St. Andrews.
8—Moose vs. Gyros.
11—St. Andrews vs. Grand Terminals.

FEBRUARY

Month will commence Monday at Our Store.

SPECIAL SALE FOR ONE WEEK

Canned Fruits
Malkin's Best Pears, 2's
Malkin's Best Loganberries, 2's
Malkin's Best Sliced Peaches, 2's
Malkin's Best Apricots, 2's
Malkin's Best R.A. Cherries, 2's

These Fruits are 35c and 40c lines, for one week we will sell
3 tins for 95c

Make up an order for 6 tins of the above Fruits and we will include 1 lb. of Fuller's Tea for 50c. Quality guarantee or money refunded.

King Oscar Sardines have gone up to 20c per tin. This week our price will be 7 tins for .. $1.00
Royal Crown Soap, 18 bars for 75c
Rinso, 3 pkgs. for 25c
Toilet Rolls, 22 rolls for $1.00

Now is the time to buy Prunes. Special for this week, per lb. 10c
25 lb. box for $2.35
Eggo Baking Powder, 5 lb. tin, regular $2.00. We will sell these at each $1.55
Beekist Honey, 5 lb. tin. Special price 95c
Victoria Cross Cocoa, 5 lb. pkg. for 75c
Seedless Raisins in 4 lb. pkgs., worth 75c. This week we offer each 4 lb. pkg. for 55c
We have purchased a large shipment of Oranges and offer them this week at special value.
Small sizes, Sunkist Oranges, 3 doz. for $1.00
Medium sizes, Sunkist Oranges, 2 doz. for 75c
Snowflake Flour, 10 lb. sack this week for 65c
B. & K. Rolled Oats, 7's 55c
Graham & Wholewheat Flour, 10 lb. sacks 65c

JAMS
Extraordinary Value
Strawberry, 4 lb. tin 75c
Raspberry, 4 lb. tin 75c
Black Currant, 4 lb. tin ... 75c
Apricot, 4 lb. tin 75c
Peach, 4 lb. tin 65c
Gooseberry, 4 lb. tin 55c
Red Plum special, 4 lb. tin .. 50c
With every order coming into our store this week we will sell a 50c bottle of Lemon Extract for 35c
A Christmas time we purchased an over-supply of Chocolate Eclair Biscuits in boxes, regular price 75c. This week to clear them out we will sell 2 for 75c
Buy one, and get one free.
Finnan Haddie, 2 lb. for ... 35c
Smoked Black Cod, 2 lb. for .. 35c
Smoked Kippers, per lb. ... 35c
Roquefort Cheese, per lb. .. 75c
Guyere Swiss Cheese, each .. 45c
Canadian Cheese, per lb. ... 35c
Golden Loaf Cream or Kraft Pimento Cheese, per lb. ... 45c
Try our Bulk Tea and Coffee
Fresh Ground Coffee, per lb. 50c
High Grade Bulk Tea, per lb. 65c

B.C. Butchers & Grocers Limited

Phones 45 and 574

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS

NOTICE

Application for Grazing Permits for the Season of 1927.

Application for permits to graze livestock on the Crown ranges within any grazing district of the Province of British Columbia, must be filed with the District Forester at Fort George, Kamloops, Nelson, Prince Rupert, Vancouver or Williams Lake on or before March 31st, 1927.

Blank forms upon which to submit applications may be obtained from the District Foresters at the above named places, or from the Department of Lands at Victoria, B.C.

G. R. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C.
January 4, 1927.

LAND ACT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO TO LEASE LAND

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District, and situate at Huston Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands.

TAKE NOTICE that Robert M. Currie of Vancouver, B.C., occupation fish packer, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at northeast corner about 1,000 feet westerly from miners' cabins at head of Huston Inlet; thence westerly 20 chains; thence southerly about 12 chains; thence easterly 20 chains; thence northerly about 12 chains, and containing 24 acres, more or less.

ROBERT M. CURRIE.
Applicant.

LAND ACT

Skeena Land District, District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

TAKE NOTICE that sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum over 640 acres of land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Section 36, Township 3, Graham Island, and marked "A.J.G.'s southwest corner"; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement, being Section 36, Township 3, Graham Island, B.C.

A. J. GORDON,
Locator.

Dated December 17, 1926.

'FLU' INCREASES DEATH TOTALS

NEARLY SEVEN HUNDRED DIE IN BRITAIN DURING WEEK—BUSINESS DELAYED

LONDON, Feb. 1.—A wintry spell last week has caused the recent epidemic of influenza which has been prevalent in many parts of Europe to tighten its grip on Great Britain, 667 deaths being reported in Britain for the week.

The official death roll in the county of London shows a steady increase during the past three weeks, the figures being 72, 122 and 197. The reports from 105 large towns apart from London for the same period of time shows 172, 326 and 470 deaths.

In some of the poorer districts of London people have had to stand in line to obtain death certificates.

Hundreds of school teachers are ill while some small shops in the east end have put up their shutters and placed a notice on the door: "The whole family is ill of influenza, will re-open when better."

Some of the country districts have been badly stricken. Half the schools have been closed in Nottinghamshire, while half the police force in Dorsetshire is sick. There is hardly a household in the villages of Northamptonshire which has escaped. All the public officials at Penmaenmawr, Carnarvonshire, Wales, have been stricken.

During the last five weeks there have been 300 more deaths from influenza than for the corresponding period last year.

PROOF

Keenan: "You're a good worker, Pat, but I'm afraid I have to let Maloney go. He is getting very lax."

Pat: "You're roight, boss; he's after takin' them pink laxatives all the toime."—Granny Gooseberry.

LAND ACT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate on the north shore of Crescent Inlet Moresby Island Queen Charlotte Islands in the Province of British Columbia, and being about one and a half miles from the head of the Inlet.

TAKE NOTICE that James Field, of Prince Rupert, B.C., occupation Marine Broker, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Crescent Inlet, about one and a half miles from the head of the Inlet; thence northwesterly 20 chains; thence southwesterly 20 chains; thence southeasterly 20 chains; thence northeasterly 20 chains, and containing forty (40) acres, more or less.

JAMES FIELD,
Applicant.

Dated November 27, 1926.

SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 8,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 5,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price for first-class (arable) land is $5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land $2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stumpage.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partly free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.