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During the month of May we will give a special rate on all Blankets.

Single Blanket, each . . . 35c
Double Blanket, each . . . 50c

Blankets washed without shrinking and returned nice and fluffy.

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BURNS LAKE IS THRIVING

SMITHERS MAN WRITES IN SOUTHERN PAPER OF NEW INTERIOR MUNICIPALITY

Of the small towns of British Columbia—growing up along its railways, tucked away in cove or inlet along its rugged coastline, sheltering in its fruitful valleys, scattered among the rolling uplands of the interior, shadowed by some mighty mountain peak, or rising from the shore of some lovely lake—each of them has some distinctive features of its own writes L. S. McGill of Smithers in this week's Sunday edition of the Vancouver Province.

Therein do our small towns differ from the small towns of the Old World, and from those in the East, and from those in the prairie provinces. In British Columbia "Main Street" is not altogether of a standardized pattern. With us, each little "Main Street" has its own individuality.

And so it is with Burns Lake. Though it is in many respects, the usual small town, there is about it something that is different from the others. Probably few who have visited there have failed to notice that.

Burns Lake is an incorporated village on the Canadian National Railway line through Central British Columbia, 316 miles east of Prince Rupert. It is one of the newest municipalities in the whole province, the townsite having been surveyed as recently as 1917. It is built at the shore of the lake of the same name—a beautiful

body of water fifteen miles in length, set amid wooded hills. Though often referred to as being in the "North," it is close to the exact geographical centre of British Columbia.

ORIGIN OF NAME

The origin of the name is somewhat in dispute among residents of the town. Some claim that the "Burns" in question was put in charge of the telegraph cabin on the shore of this lake when the overland telegraph line was built in 1866. After the abandonment of that line in the same year, no white man lived there, and no move was made to open up the country for another thirty-four years. An occasional visit might be paid by a missionary priest to the tiny Indian village at the head of the lake. But no white settler came to the vicinity.

At length, in 1900, after the Klondike gold rush, the Dominion Government built the Yukon telegraph line, following the route of the "Old Telegraph Trail" from Quesnel to Hazelton. One mile east of the present village, a telegraph cabin was established, with a linesman-operator in charge.

Much might be written of the romantic story of Burns Lake since that time—of years of lonely struggle against difficulty, danger and death to keep the Yukon telegraph line a living wire to link the frost-bound northland with the great world "outside"; or of the vivid, colorful life of the railway construction period; or of the faithful building up of the little town of today. But it is sufficient for this present purpose to tell that about 1908 the survey of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was finally settled along this route, and that in February, 1911, R. C. (Bob) Macdonald came to set up at the present townsite the first railway construction camp. Then, in 1911, Robert H. Gerow opened the first store on the "island" and did a rushing business from the start on account of



MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 10th June, 1927, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for a period not exceeding four years as required times per week on the route between Prince Rupert and Railway Station (C.N.R.) and Wharves (C.N.R. and C.P.R.), and Transfer of Mails between Railway Station and Wharves (C.N.R. U.S.S. Co., and C.P.R.) from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Prince Rupert, B.C., and at the office of the District Superintendent of Postal Service, Vancouver, B.C.

J. F. MURRAY,
District Superintendent of Postal Service.

District Superintendent's Office,
Vancouver, B.C.,
April 29, 1927.

"PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS ACT"

PRINCE RUPERT ELECTORAL DISTRICT

MACKENZIE ELECTORAL DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given that I shall on Monday, the 16th day of May, 1927, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Courthouse, Prince Rupert, hold a sitting of the Court of Revision for the purpose of revising the lists of voters for the said Electoral Districts, and of hearing and determining any and all objections to the retention of any name on the said lists, or to the registration as a voter of any applicant for registration; and for the other purposes set forth in the "Provincial Elections Act."

Dated at Prince Rupert, B.C., this 6th day of April, 1927.

NORMAN A. WATT,
Registrar of Voters.

LAND ACT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND.

In Range 3, Coast Land District, Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate on the south shore of Evans Arm, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that Goss Packing Co. Ltd., of 325 Howe St., Vancouver, B.C., occupation Fish Packers, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted about 3 chains distant in an easterly direction from northeast corner Lot 740, Range 3; thence south 10 chains; thence west 15 chains; thence north to shore; thence easterly along shore to point of commencement, and containing 7 acres, more or less.

GOSS PACKING CO. LTD., Applicant.
Per Chas. L. Roberts, Agent.
Dated April 7, 1927.

LAND ACT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND.

In Range 4, Coast Land District, Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate in vicinity of Captain's Cove, Pitt Island, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that Goss Packing Co. Ltd., of 325 Howe St., Vancouver, B.C., occupation Fish Packers, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Lot 1253, Range 4; thence north 3 chains; thence east 15 chains; thence south to northeast corner Lot 1253; thence westerly along shore to point of commencement, and containing 7 acres, more or less.

GOSS PACKING CO. LTD., Applicant.
Per Chas. L. Roberts, Agent.
Dated April 7, 1927.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 28 of the "Mineral Act," notice is hereby given Messrs. Malcolm Smyth, Edmund Langis, Harold Hansen and Albert Moore, that there is owing to the undersigned for Assessment Work performed on the Cordilla Group of Mineral Claims, Princess Royal Island, Skeena Mining Division, the sum of \$523.80, and that unless said persons pay their proportionate share of the cost of such Assessment, together with all costs of advertising, etc., to the undersigned at Butedale, B.C., on or before May 12, 1927, application will be made to the Gold Commissioner, Prince Rupert, B.C., to have their respective interests in the herein mentioned Mining Group of Mineral Claims vested in the undersigned.

DAVID OORDILLA,
JACOB KOSKI.



While you are enjoying Wrigley's, you are getting benefit as well.

After every meal

the construction gangs. The first store on the present townsite was George McKenzie's, and came years later. The "steel" actually reached Burns Lake from the west in the autumn of 1913, but it was the following year before the railway was finally linked up and before the railway station at Burns Lake was built.

"BARNEY" MULVANY

"Barney" Mulvany, who still remains one of the town's picturesque characters, started the first stopping-place in 1914. From that, after many additions and extensions, has grown Andy Ruddy's "Omneca Hotel" of today, of which the citizens of the town are justly proud. Many new stores, the Royal Bank building in 1922, the Community Hall in 1925, have marked the progress of Burns Lake down to the present time. But it has not been smooth sailing, for there have been hard times; and a series of disastrous fires, occurring year after year, brought many losses. These and the difficulties of every pioneer community have been met by the citizens with a steadfastness and optimism that can not be shaken.

In the wide district of which Burns Lake is the centre, there are many and varied resources. Not only along the railway, but for many miles to the south and west is a district wherein the agricultural industry, though as yet in its early stages, is making progress. By the shores of the many charming lakes everywhere to be seen, in natural open meadows, and in clearings cut into the heart of the forest, pioneer settlers are making, for themselves and their families, farms and homes.

Mixed farming has been found successful, and some sections are adapted to stockraising or to grain-growing. An abundant and luxurious growth provides the necessary fodder for an ideal dairy country, a branch of farming here still in its infancy. Vegetables of all kinds grow exceptionally well. The production of seed potatoes and of timothy seed is increasing rapidly, and right now the government seed-cleaning plant is working night and day on the 1926 timothy seed crop. In this the district has already shown at the Chicago fair that it produces the world's very best. As the shipping point for the agricultural produce of this vast region, Burns Lake occupies a most enviable position.

PRINCIPAL INDUSTRY

One of the principal industries is that of getting out railway track ties. For this there is much suitable timber. Camps are located all along the line of the Canadian National Railways, where the ties are cut in the fall and early winter, then hauled out to the track, and in the spring loaded into cars. The annual output is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. Since practically the whole value of the tie is paid in actual wages for making, hauling and loading, the tie industry has proved a veritable Godsend to the struggling settlers. Many of them spend their summers in farm work, clearing and bringing land under cultivation, and then for the winter season become "tie-hackers" to earn their annual "grubstake."

As a fur-trading centre, Burns Lake holds one of the chief places in the province. Although fur and game have been rapidly decreasing in recent years, these are still resources of no mean importance.

Mining, too, shows great promise. In every direction from Burns Lake discoveries of gold, silver, copper, lead and zinc indicate that with further prospecting and development much may be expected. The sensational gold-silver strike of 1926 was at Topley, only thirty-five miles away. The Silver Island mine in Babine Lake to the north, the Taltapin mine twenty-five miles northeast, and the Gerow property near Decker Lake, only ten miles west, all have promising showings. The capital and the enterprise for mining development is now the great need.

It was late in the year 1925 before the roads in this district were linked up with the general highway system of the province. Now it is possible for the motorist to journey through this region by way of Prince George, not only from Southern British Columbia, but from all parts of the continent. In the season of 1926 the vanguard of a great army of motor tourists reached and passed through Burns Lake. They came from Vancouver, from Victoria, from the Okanagan, from California, from Detroit, and even from New York City. They found, and many of them were surprised to find, good motor roads, magnificent scenery of rolling woodlands strewn with a myriad of beautiful lakes teeming with gamey fish, a glorious summer climate, free from excessive heat or dust or wind or violent storms, and with it all a real chance to get away from the crowd.

WATER NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, by and with the advice of His Executive Council, has been pleased to order:

THAT the reservation of the unrecorded waters of Brown's River and Mc Knight Creek, tributaries of Ecstall River, established pursuant to Order in Council Number 808 approved the 13th day of June, 1921, be cancelled.

The cancellation of the said reservation will be effective on April 19th, 1927.

DATED this 11th day of March, 1927.

T. D. PATTULLO,
Minister of Lands

QUEEN CHARLOTTE LAND DIVISION

TAKE NOTICE that H. F. Leonard, of Portland, Ore., physician, intends to apply to the Minister of Lands for a licence to prospect for coal, petroleum and natural gas over and under the following described lands, situate on Skidegate Inlet, Graham Island:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Section 30, Township 1; thence 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north, to point of commencement.

Located March 14, 1927.

H. F. LEONARD,
A. J. GORDON, Agent.

IN PROBATE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the "Administration Act", and

In the Matter of the Estate of John William Tibbitts, Deceased, Intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that by order of H. F. Macleod, District Registrar, dated the 21st day of April, A.D. 1927, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of John William Tibbitts, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified, to me on or before the 21st day of May, A.D. 1927, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

NORMAN A. WATT,
Official Administrator,
Prince Rupert, B.C.
DATED the 21st day of April, A.D. 1927.

IN PROBATE

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In the Matter of the Administration Act; and

In the Matter of the Estate of August B. Norlin, deceased, Intestate of His Honor F. McE. Young, the 28th day of March, A.D. 1927, I was appointed administrator of the estate of August B. Norlin, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified, to me on or before the 18th day of April, A.D. 1927, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

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The Little Things

AWAY back in the year 1757, in his maxims prefixed to Poor Richard's Almanac, Benjamin Franklin said: "For want of a nail, the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe, the horse was lost; and for want of a horse, the rider was lost." So you see the importance of a little think like a horse-shoe nail!

If you are disposed to neglect the smaller advertisements in this paper, you are making a mistake. You are missing money-saving opportunities. You are missing important information about something that some day you are going to buy. You are throwing away your road-map and following your nose.

THE big stores of today were little stores years ago. They used advertising space judiciously and became large. At first, their announcements were smaller than they are today. But those small advertisements told about real values, real savings for their customers.

IN other words, the size of an advertisement is no indication of its importance to you. The message is the thing. Some of the most important merchandise news is often printed in tiny type. Even in the largest advertisements you will find small type. Read the small type as well as the big black type. Read the little type as well as the large ones. It pays.

ADVERTISEMENTS COME IN ALL SIZES—BUT THE SMALLEST ONE MAY CARRY THE BIGGEST NEWS FOR YOU.

READ THEM ALL.

DOCTOR ORDERS VINOL FOR NERVOUS WOMAN

"I was weak, nervous and anemic. Could hardly walk. My doctor ordered Vinol, and I feel 100 per cent better."
—Mrs. H. Willis. For over 25 years, this simple, strengthening iron and cod liver compound has been prescribed for weak, nervous women and men and frail children. The very FIRST week you take Vinol, you begin to feel stronger, eat and sleep better. Contains no oil—you'll like its taste.—Ormes Limited, Druggists.

Canadian National Steamships Co. Limited

Prince Rupert DRYDOCK AND SHIPYARD

Operating G.T.P. 20,000 Ton Floating Dry Dock

Engineers, Machinists, Boilermakers, Blacksmiths, Pattern-makers, Founders, Woodworkers, Etc.

ELECTRIC AND ACETYLENE WELDING.

Our plant is equipped to handle all kinds of MARINE AND COMMERCIAL WORK.

PHONES 43 and 385

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SODA FOUNTAIN HAS INVADED FAR NORTH

Even Indians Take Kindly to Pop Through a Straw at Fort Smith

EDMONTON, May 4.—The soda fountain and cafeteria have invaded the far north.

At Fort Smith, on the northern edge of Alberta, the jumping-off-place for the Arctic and all points north, Frank Combe, farthest north hotel keeper, has set up a lunch counter, bright burlesque nickel trimmings and everything, with straws, colored pops, ice-cream and all the rest.

Now, Arctic traders and trappers who are hardened to fighting off huskies for a piece of frozen fish or a well-gnawed caribou hock, are offered hot tamales, real hot dogs, the odd loaf of bread and a pound of meat, to say nothing of coffee and tea.

Even the Indian braves who were wont to make a dainty repast on strips of well-worn moccasins and worn-out dog harness, take kindly to the innovation.

PRINCE RUPERT FEED CO.

New Stock of

Garden and Field Seeds and Fertilisers

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BULKLEY VALLEY HAY AND GRAIN

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