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PERSISTENT EFFORTS

Persistent efforts are being made by Vancouver people to let the world know of the development of the Peace River country by way of that port. Only recently the Vancouver Sun published a full page advertisement in the Toronto Globe calling attention to the matter which brought forth an editorial article from that paper suggesting the need of developing the Peace River district and mentioning only Vancouver in connection therewith.

The Sun is the most persistent booster Vancouver has. It is out for Vancouver and Vancouver only. It spends money in connection with the campaign but it often forgets that there are other parts of British Columbia besides that in which it is published. That makes it less popular outside especially in Prince Rupert.

AUSTRALIAN TRADE

The Financial Post which usually is Conservative in its views recently discussed the Australian trade treaty, the most pungent paragraphs from which are:

The minute number of people in Canada who do not find the Australian Trade Treaty beneficial are articulate out of all proportion to their numbers. But their propaganda machine is working extraordinarily well. However, it will have to operate a great deal more efficiently to convince the people of Canada that the treaty, which has already benefitted such basic and fundamental industries as salmon-packing and pulp and paper manufacturing, will not be favored by business men as a whole.

To augment further the trade between the two countries, the Australian Minister of Trade and Customs has decided to appoint a trade agent in this country with headquarters, probably, in Toronto. As the Dominion has its representative in Australia, the Australian appointment should tend to cement more firmly the improved and increasingly satisfactory growth in trade between these two nations of the British Commonwealth.

HOW DO THEY KNOW?

Saranac reports that wild geese on their southward migration have taken to stealing rides on freight trains, says a writer in The Times (New York). This shows ingenuity worthy of some of the domesticated animals that inhabit the famous town of Winsted, Conn.

The birds have been seen to alight in such numbers that the tops of the cars (so the Herald Tribune assures us) were "literally covered" with geese. After resting themselves for a while, they rise up and resume their swifter way by wing.

Students of bird migration will promptly see in this an analogy to the cases of birds which take passage on a steamer. Others more inclined to cynicism will remind them that flying fish show a similar wisdom, and frequently jump out of the water into a boat in order to obtain a free ride.

To the simple city nature lover the question promptly arises, How do the wild geese know if the train is bound in the right direction?

SENDING OUT RADIO CALLS

The government allows young boys and others to have radio sending stations which can send messages for long distances. They are often powerful. Jack Barnsley when here was able to communicate with the Arctic and the smaller sets can send long distances. To be allowed to use these sets is a privilege which will not likely continue for long as they may become a nuisance. The people who send out distress calls or other foolish messages which are likely to interrupt business or navigation are simply cutting shorter the time during which amateur broadcasting will be allowed.

SIDE-TRACKING EDMONTON

Edmonton people are rather worried over a suggestion that perhaps the C.P.R. may buy the Alberta Government Railways and sidetrack that city by a cutoff, taking all the grain from the Peace River east. The matter has been discussed by the Board of Trade and the mayor, and a number of other prominent citizens have been formed into a committee to watch events, to call citizen's meetings if necessary, or to take any other action that may tend to protect the interests of Edmonton. The meeting came out flat as favoring the sale of the E.D. & B.C. Railway to the Canadian National.

ROYAL PURPLE AS ENTERTAINERS AT CARDS AND DANCING

A very enjoyable whist drive and dance was held last night in the Elks' Hall under the auspices of the Ladies of the Royal Purple, the committee in charge being Mesdames Murray Puller, J. D. Lawrence and A. Ackerberg, with Murray Puller at the door.

During the course of the evening several songs were sung by S. A. McPherson. Prize winners were:

Bridge Ladies—1. Mrs. Geo. Frizzell; 2. Miss Palmira Astoria. Men—J. J. Howe; 2. J. Jack.

Whist Ladies—1. Mrs. H. H. Long; 2. Mrs. K. Reed. Men—1. J. J. Mulligan; 2. Mrs. R. Arthur.

A dance followed to the strains of Arthur's Orchestra.

RE-OPENING SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Auditorium of the Baptist Church has been renovated and new pews, a new organ, and new heating system installed.

The following special music will be rendered at the evening service on Sunday, January 15:

7:15 Organ recital—"Inflammatus" (Rossini); "Berceuse in G." (Gounod.) 7:30 Worship.

Vocal solos—"He Shall Feed His Flock." (Handel). Miss E. M. Davies. Recessional—"Koven." Ernest Smith. "The New Jerusalem." (Gabriel). R. W. Howard.

Anthem—"O Be Joyful in the Lord." (Emerson). Choir. Offertory Voluntary—"In a Monastery Garden."

Organist—W. Vaughan Davies. The public cordially invited.

SMITHERS

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Bulkley Valley District Hospital has elected officers for the year as follows: president, Mrs. A. E. Campbell; vice-president, Mrs. J. A. Macdonald; secretary, Mrs. H. Welch; treasurer, Mrs. R. C. Bamford; executive, Mrs. George Raymond and Mrs. N. P. Moran. Committees to handle various branches of the work during the year have also been appointed.

With a large force of men in employment, Charles Wilson has started cutting ice at Lake Kathleen to fill contracts for the Booth Canadian Fisheries Co. and the Canadian National Railways, totalling about 8,500 tons. When cutting commenced the thickness of the ice was 22 inches but it is expected it will reach the record thickness of last year which was 27 inches.

After meeting all old bills as well as those for the past year, the corporation of the village of Smithers has a credit balance on hand of \$600.

The Bulkley Valley branch of the Canadian Legion has elected officers as follows: president, Lieut. Col. R. L. Gale; first vice-president, C. Warner; second vice-president, J. H. Byrne; executive, Robert Elliott, James A. Pinney and R. R. C. Bamford. J. H. Hetherington is the secretary and T. Chalmers has been appointed auditor.

The Smithers District Board of Trade has elected officers for the year as follows: honorary president, Dr. H. C. Wrinch, M.L.A.; honorary vice-president, Olof Hanson; president, J. H. Groat; vice-president, J. G. Stephens; council, Charles Reid, W. S. Henry, E. M. Bates, H. F. Noel, L. B. Warner, L. S. McGill, H. M. Matthews, S. H. Hoskins and George Oulton. The secretary, H. M. Matthews, reports a balance of cash on hand of \$500.

The Women's Auxiliary to St. James' Anglican Church in Smithers has elected officers for the year as follows: president, Mrs. Charles Reid; vice-president, Mrs. R. W. Campbell; secretary, Mrs. H. G. Wind; treasurer, Mrs. Jas. E. Kirby; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. A. Greenhalgh; thank offering secretary, Mrs. S. H. Hoskins; leaflet secretary, Mrs. J. G. Stephens.

The annual meeting of the Bulkley Valley Cow Testing Association is being held this afternoon in Telkwa, business including the election of officers for the year.

The following students of St. Joseph's Church Sunday School have won prizes: assiduity and punctuality, Dick McDonald, Pat Carr, Cecilia McDonald and Joe Watson; knowledge, Agnes Harmon, Frances Seaton, Margaret Dunlop, Wilfrid Watson, June Carr, Raymond Salmeter, Sylvia Mayer and Jack McDonald. Lorena Carr obtained the prize for the Bible class.

As a result of rains which fell almost continuously during the early part of the week, much of the snow in Smithers has now disappeared.

The Smithers team is among a series of pictures being enclosed in its wares by a Winnipeg confectionery concern.

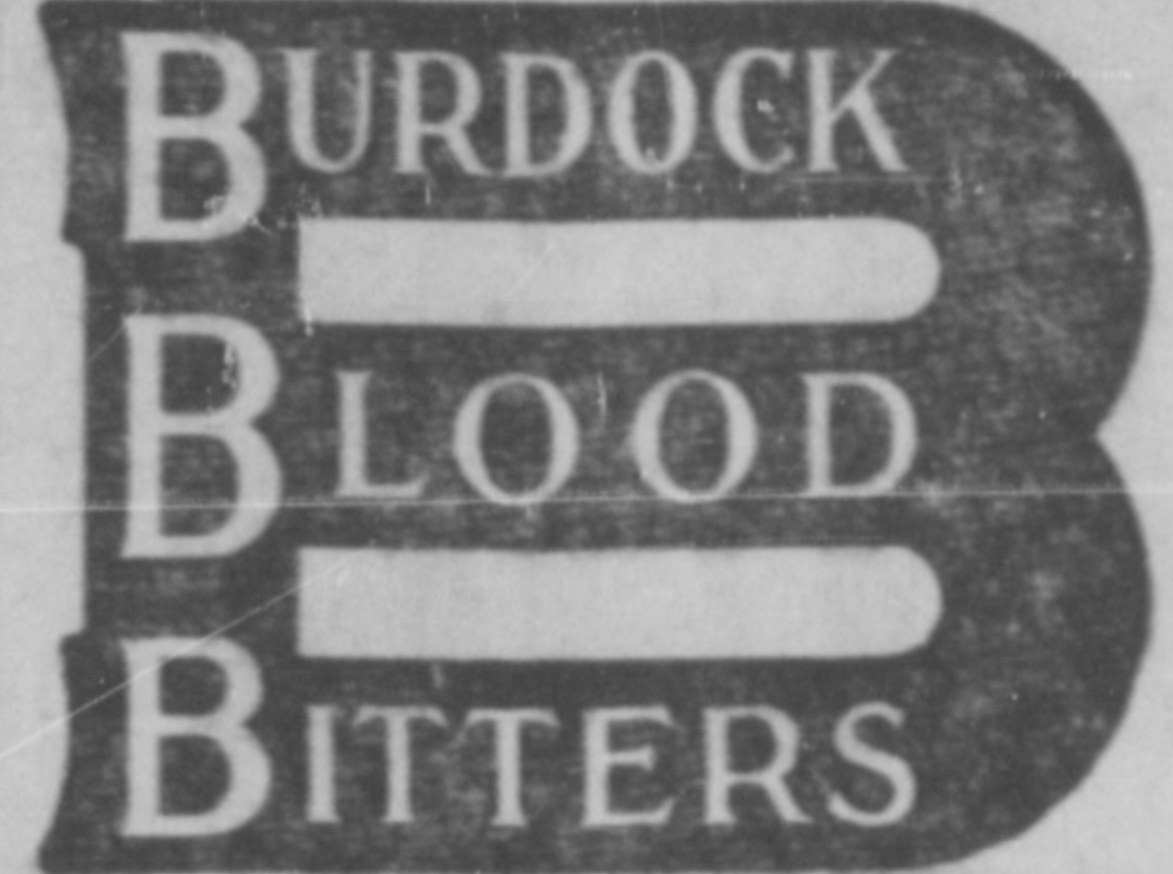
The annual congregational meeting of St. James' Parish was held in the local Anglican Church on Thursday night.

A. Elliott of Hazelton and W. S. Sergeant of New Hazelton have been business visitors here recently.

J. P. Downey has started work on a new residence to be built on Aldous Street for Mrs. D. C. Sangster.

For Six Years PIMPLES Covered Her Face

Mrs. Albert Stubbs, Newbury, Ont., writes:—"My face was covered with pimples and was so bad I was ashamed to be seen. I suffered in this way for six years, until one day a friend told me to use



and after I had used two bottles the pimples were all gone and my skin was as clean and smooth as ever."

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HON. C. A. DUNNING AND SIR HENRY THORNTON TALK OF RAILWAY BUSINESS AND TELL OF MANY PROBLEMS

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selected for everybody else's job. Certain individuals with more imagination than intelligence have even gone so far as to consign me to the land of the hot tamale. When I came back from Mexico I found the hot tamale was right here in Canada.

"Now I want to put aside all this nonsense and in all seriousness I want to say to this great family of ours that Mr. Dunning and I are on perfectly friendly terms. Furthermore, I never served under any minister of railways who gave as much support as Mr. Dunning, and I take advantage of the opportunity to say to all of you who are here and to the public of Canada, that the affairs of the Canadian National Railways insofar as the government are concerned are in safe and friendly hands with him in his present post. We both of us have but one object and that is to advance the welfare of our National Railway system and in our respective positions to faithfully, conscientiously and loyally serve the people of Canada. Now after this statement I hope that the busybodies will retire to a warmer climate and that Mr. Dunning and I, with the assistance of all of you, will be permitted to do those things which we regard as essential for the welfare of the National Railway system in the Dominion of Canada. I hope that all of you when you return to your respective homes, you who are gathered from length and breadth of Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific, will do what you can to stop the ridiculous idle rumors which find their origin in a desire not to help the National Railways system but to create dissension and trouble and hamper the work of all of us and Mr. Dunning and myself."

NO LONGER MENACE Sir Henry declared that he was proud and happy in the knowledge that good fortune had placed him at the head of such an army as those that compose the official rank and file of the National Railway system. "We have seen our railway grow from a relatively doubtful proposition, viewed sometimes with contempt at other times with ridicule and generally with no confidence. We have seen it grow from that state to an organization which is earning annually in the neighborhood of \$45,000,000 net and which is performing a fine and effective service in the advancement of the prosperity of our Dominion. Time was when the deficit of the Canadian National Railways was an actual menace to the financial security of this Dominion and the time has now come when that menace has disappeared and our National Railway system is regarded as an asset and not a liability. That is a fine achievement of which we may be collectively and individually proud."

Turning to the future Sir Henry said that it had its problems and opportunities and, in considering the victories of the past, they must not ignore the problems which presented themselves for the future. "Day by day and month by month competition becomes more severe. If we are to maintain our position in the future it will only be as a result of united co-operative enthusiastic effort on the part of each and every one of you. There is only a certain amount of traffic and we want as much of the traffic as we legitimately can get. We have faith in our organization, hope in the future based on the

achievements of the past and that charity which finds its source in tolerance and the knowledge that from the strength of our position we can look upon criticism with a friendly eye. Accept the best of it and discard that which is abusive and vindictive. This is an army dedicated to the welfare of the people of Canada, dedicated to the advancement of our Dominion, an army which faces the future with courage and hope."

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS The Hon. C. A. Dunning said that any remarks he might make were intended to be such remarks as a shareholder might be expected to make at a gathering of the officials of the organization of which he was a shareholder. "It is true that this organization is unfortunate enough to be compelled to be in alliance with a politician and in alliance with a politician you must expect that some of the grime and mud of politics thrown at the politician will, on its way, stick to you. It is true Sir Henry and I have a task, which very few people really appreciate the seriousness of, the unique task of harmonizing the schedules businesslike conduct of a publicly owned enterprise with the necessities of that thing we call responsible government and that is much harder to do than most men realize. On the one hand the people of Canada expect this institution to be conducted in accordance with the best principles of business and without the intervention of those evils which are described as political patronage. They expect at the same time the maintenance of responsible government in relation to this institution. I only need to state the problem for you to appreciate the difficulty."

ENDORSED SIR HENRY "I can in every respect endorse all that Sir Henry has said with respect to my relations with him. Under the law this system is managed in all its branches and operating enterprise without reference to me and properly so. Whenever the management desires to increase the capital load of this enterprise, in other words the investment of the shareholders, it must come to the shareholders for the necessary permission to do so. There is the relationship expressed in a few words and I think I can say that Sir Henry has never had to come to me without having on my part careful study of whatever proposal was made which I believe my duty compels to give."

"Too little attention has been given by the Canadian public up to now to the peculiar nature of this great, this unique experiment which we are carrying out on such a large and successful way in this Dominion of Canada. May I say with respect to the year which has just closed that they do appreciate to the full the services which have been rendered to them by your president, by your board of directors, by your officers and by your employees. In various ways up and down the country the pride in this system is manifest. Your pride is the justifiable pride of men who are engaged in making this enterprise function."

WRONG CRITICISM In conclusion the minister said: "You need not let the rumormonger worry you. It has been my good fortune or ill fortune to have spent twelve years in public life, interesting years which have to some extent hardened me with respect to criticism. I frankly say I have not yet learned to like the poisoned kind of criticism which does not attack a man's policies or his administration but instead devotes itself to personalities, demonstrating him by innuendo as a traitor to the interests he is supposed to serve. That kind of thing in Canada is poison in our national life. It is one of the things which makes it most difficult to secure for public life the services of men who have business ability, because they don't have to put up with that sort of thing in ordinary business life. Criticism is a fine thing, it is a good thing, if you don't have it progress stops. We don't object to fair criticism of the Canadian National system, because we try to analyze the criticism and see if there is anything in it which can be turned to the advantage of this great organization. So far as the other kind is concerned just hit it wherever you see it."

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