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NEWS OF NORTHERN B.C.

TERRACE

Mrs. C. L. M. Giggey left during the week for Regina on a visit with relatives and to seek medical advice. She was accompanied as far as Edmonton by Mr. Giggey.

Mrs. W. W. Hippisley left on Thursday for Prince Rupert where Mr. Hippisley is a patient in the hospital with a broken leg. She returned home on Saturday.

Ex-Governor D. W. Davis of the D. W. Mines, Cedarvale, who returned recently after spending Christmas at his home in Washington D.C., left again on Thursday for the south.

S. Haudenschild left on Thursday on a trip to Washington State.

Joe Spitz left again for the coast on Thursday after a short visit at the home of his brother here.

Olof Hanson of the Hanson Timber Co., was a visitor here the end of the week.

Mrs. Geo. Graham, and little son left on Saturday to visit with friends at Dorreen.

Mrs. S. Dobbie and Miss Holt, of Copper City were visitors in town on Saturday.

A. Goodenough of Smithers was business visitor here on Friday.

Donald McLeod of Vancouver who spent the past week visiting around Hazelton returned on Thursday for a further visit with his sister Mrs. Jas. Richmond.

The Golden Key Group of the Girls' Club were hostesses on Saturday to their little sisters and brothers at the home of Mrs. Allan. It proved to be a jolly outing for all the children.

NEW HAZELTON

Miss Moffatt, Hazelton school teacher, returned at the end of last week after having spent the holidays visiting in Prince Rupert with friends.

Miss Ray of New Westminster arrived at Kispix to take the place of Miss Morrice as teacher at the Indian School.

Natives from far and wide were at Kispix at the end of last week when a new totem pole—the first in years—was erected there.

Donald McLeod of Vancouver has been the guest here for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sawley. He also visited at Terrace and Smithers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Falconer made a trip this week to Prince Rupert where Mrs. Falconer consulted with a physician.

The working force at the Mohawk mine is to be increased in a few days. One carload of ore has been sent to the smelter and another car will be ready shortly. Work is progressing in both the rift and the raise and a double shift is to be put on the drift tunnel.

SMITHERS

Miss Halliwell, Prince Rupert school teacher, spent the holidays visiting here with Mrs. J. Byrne.

C. W. Dawson, proprietor of the Omineca Hotel at Hazelton, was a visitor here this week.

Miss Marjorie Warner and the Misses Harmon have left to resume their studies in convent at Prince Rupert after having spent the holidays visiting at their homes here.

Miss Marjorie Roberts and Miss Mary Fawcett have returned to their school teaching duties here after spending the holidays at Prince George.

J. P. Alexanderson, for some time residing in the Decker Lake

district, died recently at the Hazelton Hospital.

Miss Munro of Winnipeg has arrived here to join the teaching staff of the local public school.

The influenza epidemic has so far passed lightly over Smithers. There have been but a few mild cases.

James Stoyanoff of Dorreen was in Smithers this week on business in connection with his duties as secretary of the Maintenance of Way men of the railway.

L. J. Hill has received the sad intelligence of the death of his mother at Albion, B. C.

A daughter was born at the local hospital on Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. R. Hall of Smithers.

PRINCE GEORGE

Mrs. Wynne Heath of Vanderhoof underwent an operation in the local hospital last week and is now making satisfactory progress toward recovery.

The wedding will take place toward the end of this month of Miss Marjorie McMicking, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Renwick, to Irving Wilson of this city.

The members of the auxiliary of the Order of the Eastern Star met last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Hughes.

Joint installation of 1929 officers of Northern Rebekah Lodge and Cariboo Oddfellows' Lodge took place here last Thursday evening.

Miss E. A. Horwood has bought out Miss Bowman's local millinery and ladyware business.

Rev. T. W. F. DePencier, local Anglican rector, spoke before a large congregation on Sunday evening on the subject of "Marriage and Divorce," his discourse following a recent pronouncement made by the House of Bishops.

L. F. Coles, Prince Rupert piano tuner, is a visitor here on professional business.

Two local infants have succumbed to influenza—the two month old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Danielson of Sinclair Mills and the three months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCabe of Shelley.

Fire of mysterious origin last Monday evening destroyed the barn of James Bird at South Fort George. Five head of horses as well as a large quantity of hay were lost.

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TEACHERS AND PARENTS KEEN FOR SCHOOLS

Association at Terrace Take Steps to Improve Conditions; Miss Pillsbury Welcomed

TERRACE, Jan. 14.—The monthly meeting of the Parent-teachers' Association was held in the school house on Thursday evening with a fair attendance. Mrs. Moore, president, was in the chair and Miss Davis was appointed secretary to take Miss Munro's place.

The condition of the school flag was brought to the notice of the meeting and also the desirability of purchasing flags for each classroom. The matter was left with H. Halliwell, secretary of the school board, to look into and report at next meeting.

Mr. Dyson reported that the High School Literary Society had been active in raising almost \$50 toward their set of reference works, and it was agreed that the P.T.A. would make up the balance, which, with the \$50 government grant for the year, should be at once expended. Mr. Dyson and Mr. Halliwell were appointed a book committee and were asked to name one more member to act with them in buying books.

Mrs. Moore, Mrs. George Little and Rev. Wm. Allan were appointed a committee to meet the school board with a view to making some plans for building walks around the school building, where at certain times of the year it becomes very wet and muddy. Assistance in the cost of this work was agreed on if the trustees were not agreeable to doing it from school funds.

Votes of thanks were passed to the music teachers, Miss French and Mrs. Maney, and to the school teachers for their part in making the December musical the success it was.

It was decided to hold a sale of home cooking and afternoon tea in G.W.V.A. hall on Saturday afternoon, February 9, and the assistance of all the parents will be asked, so that funds may be materially increased in readiness for spring activity.

A hearty welcome was tendered to Miss Pillsbury, who assumed duty after Christmas.

Following the business meeting Miss Bertha Moore favored the gathering with a piano solo.

ANOTHER BOAT SAILING SOON

Loading of Grain Ship Hindpool Almost Completed; Wheat Arrives From Prairies

Loading of the British steamer Hindpool, Prince Rupert's sixth grain ship of the season, with a full cargo for the United Kingdom, or continent was nearly finished this morning and it is expected the vessel will be ready to sail tonight or tomorrow.

Loading of the steamer Adra will be commenced as soon as the Hindpool is finished.

No other boats for local loading were reported up to this morning.

Over the week-end 24 carloads of grain arrived from the prairies for the local elevator and 60 cars were reported west of Jasper Park this morning bound here.

REVIVAL IN LUMBER INDUSTRY EXPECTED

Interesting Rumors Heard Here in Connection with Queen Charlotte Island Operations

If rumors that are heard in Prince Rupert have any foundation in fact, there may shortly be a revival of timbering activity on the Queen Charlotte Islands. It is persistently reported that the T. A. Kelley Logging Co. is to reopen its camps and a newer report is that F. L. Buckley may resume control and operate the sawmill at Port Clements of the Canadian Lumber Yards, which has been closed down for the past year or so. All signs seem to a point to a general renewal of lumbering activity on the north coast and in the interior during 1929.



Mr. Shuh Tomii, who has been Japanese charge d'affaires in Ottawa for the past year and a half who prior to this was first consul-general, is shown here with his charming wife in court dress. Mr. Shuh Tomii has just received instructions to return to Japan when Y. Iawate will assume charge of the legation in the Canadian capital.

LAYING TRACK IN FAR NORTH

Froben Muskeg Being Utilized by Railway Builders Toward Fort Churchill

MONTREAL, Jan. 14.—"Laying of steel is proceeding on the Hudson Bay line from Mile 356 to Fort Churchill and, if the work moves according to schedule, steel will be into the new Hudson Bay terminal before spring," it was stated this morning by H. A. Dixon, chief engineer, western region of the Canadian National Railways, who has just returned from a trip over the line as far as the "barren lands."

"The construction of a telegraph line into Fort Churchill is proceeding rapidly," said Mr. Dixon, "and within two months Churchill will be in telegraphic connection with the rest of the world. Building of the pole line is proceeding ahead of the laying of steel."

The cold weather of the territory is being made to assist the contractors in the building of this track rather than hinder them. Under the plans of operation, ties and steel are laid directly on the muskeg, the only work done is that by a gang of men who are levelling off bumps and surfacing with natural muskeg for the track. A cutting which is to be made at one point will also be made during the winter months. As soon as the steel has been laid into Fort Churchill a steam shovel will be moved to that point, where there is ample room for ballast for the ballasting of the 50 odd miles of line which remained to be constructed at the beginning of this

winter. This steam shovel will be placed in operation and the ballast will be ballasted from the Churchill end on to the point where construction of the track over the muskeg was begun.

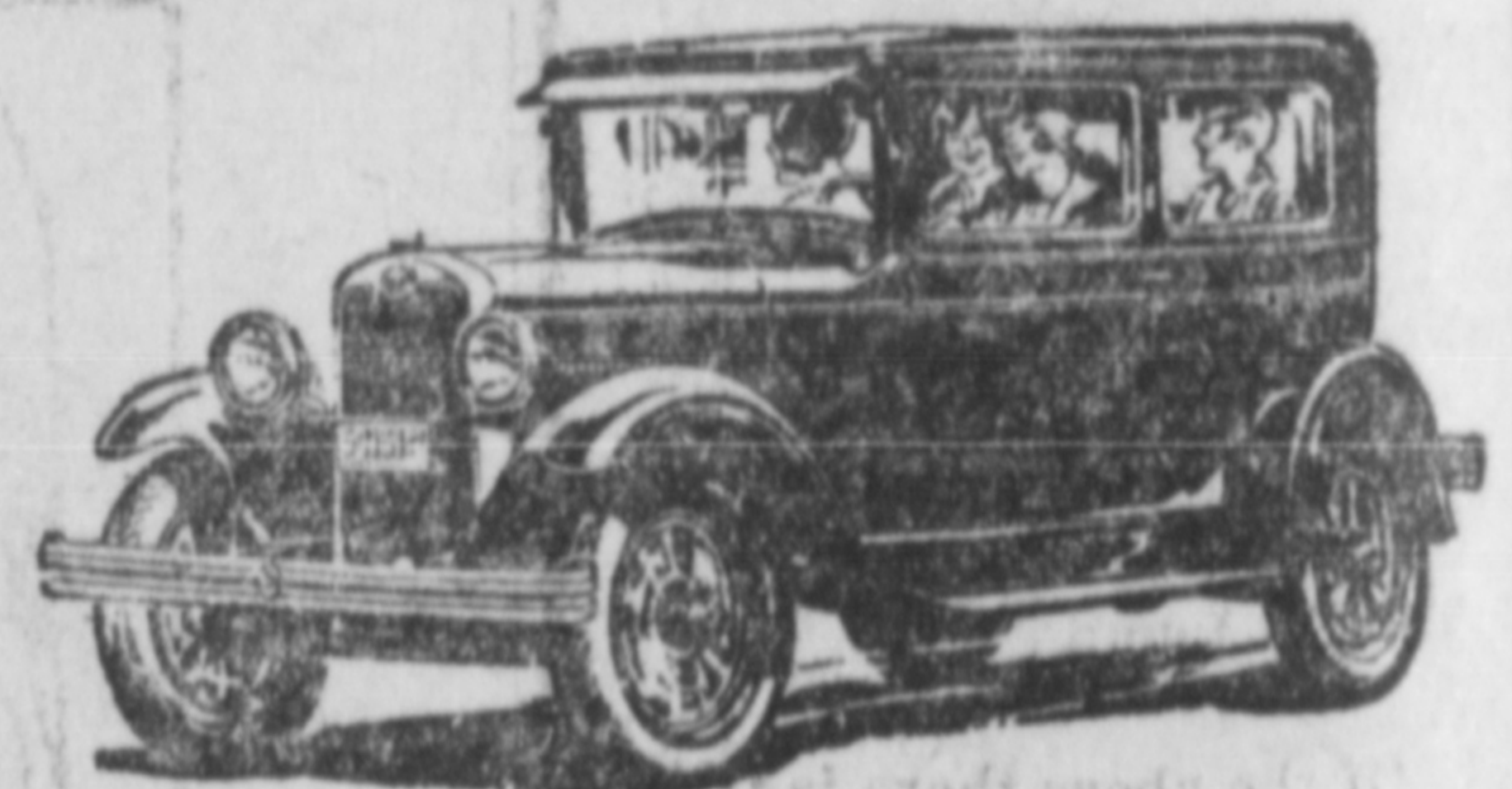
Approximately 500 men are employed in this work north of 356 at the present time and train crews are being used delivering to the front and in laying work.

According to the engineers reports and also the personal observations made by Mr. Dixon on his visit to the point where the work was being carried on, no great difficulty had been experienced in laying the track over the muskeg with the exception of weather conditions. Progress of the work was held up for a few days in December on account of bad storms in the "barren lands" but from the period just before Christmas up to the present the work has been proceeding according to expectations.

"The contractors," Mr. Dixon said, "are now building roads and so forth from the point of steel to Fort Churchill. The department of railways and mails are operating tractors with sleigh runners in front and rear caterpillar drive wheels at the end of steel to Fort Churchill. A very good road exists over the muskeg where the line is to be built."

Weather conditions are reported to be very moderate in the north with the exception of a few days around December 20, when the work was held up by a storm.

Mr. Dixon was on an inspection trip of the work being carried on when he was called back to Prince Rupert on business and came to Montreal for a conference.



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