

Prince Rupert and Central Interior Importance Stressed

Prince Rupert and Central British Columbia figured prominently in an address Monday night by Hon. Leslie Eyres, provincial minister of trade and industry. He gave an optimistic picture of British Columbia's industrial potential as he covered the province area by area and touched on the development already being made in those areas and work now under way or projected to bring the potentialities into being.

Mr. Eyres commented on the gradual tendency of industry to move away from the cities of the lower mainland.

The minister outlined the development in the Prince Rupert area with the building of Columbia Cellulose Company plant costing \$27,000,000 and its effect on the city of Prince Rupert and the district through the establishment of another large payroll, and the impetus it will give to the development and expansion of that city's port and harbor facilities.

He mentioned the proposed aluminum industry and its far-reaching effects on the entire province. The growth of the pulp and paper industry in this province was covered briefly and the minister pointed out the ideal conditions existing in British Columbia for the continued development of this industry.

The minister dealt with the area known as Central British Columbia, that broad belt which stretches from the Rocky Mountains to the coast, from McBride to Prince Rupert, and traversed from end to end by the Canadian National Railways. Climatically pleasing, scenic to a remarkable degree, well watered, and rich in fish and game, it was admirably adapted to mixed and dairy farming, and appealed alike to the man of modest means and to the man with substantial capital. The natural resources are such as to support substantial industries, but only the sawmilling industry has really been developed. Pulp, paper, plywood and rayon mills all suggest themselves as possibilities; grist mills, canneries, packing plants are all perfectly logical enterprises.

Still another area of immense promise is British Columbia's Peace River district. Here again we have an agricultural area of striking potentialities. Known the world over for its record yields and championship wheat, there has been a marked tendency to look upon it as a "one crop" area. Even were it so, it would still be sufficiently attractive, but actually it is an admirable mixed farming area with one of the finest climates to be found in that whole climate zone.

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matic zone.

"What are the possibilities there?" asked Mr. Eyres. "At once, we think of its enormous coal deposits. It is reliably estimated that the total content is in the neighborhood of 2,000,000,000 tons of coal second to none and superior to most in any present producing or known field in North America.

"It is estimated to contain about 49,000 acres of merchantable timber, and more than 90,000 acres of immature timber of all species."

In hydro power alone, the Peace River Canyon was said to be capable of developing enough for a city of 1,000,000 people. With this and all its other resources, British Columbia's Peace River district had all the essentials for the establishment and support of a great industrial centre. With the provision of the railway connections that the coalition government was planning and bent on carrying out, there was no doubt that the Peace River district could develop many thriving new industries.

AUCTION SALE
Timber Sale X50888
There will be offered for sale at Public Auction, at 11 a.m., on Friday, March 30th, 1951, in the office of the District Forester, Prince George, B.C., the Licence X50888, to cut 6,650,000 f.b.m. of Spruce, Fir, Balsam and Lodgepole Pine on an area comprising of vacant Crown land adjoining the north boundary of Lot 2963, situated northeast of Hart Lake, Cariboo Land District.
Five years will be allowed for removal of timber.
"Provided anyone unable to attend the auction in person may submit tender to be opened at the hour of auction and treated as one bid."
Further particulars may be obtained from the Deputy Minister of Forests, Victoria, B.C., or the District Forester, Prince George, B.C. (H)

AUCTION SALE
Timber Sale X21584
There will be offered for sale at Public Auction, at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4th, 1951, in the office of the District Forester at Ocean Falls, B.C., the Licence X21584, to cut 3,080,000 f.b.m. of Spruce, Hemlock, Balsam and Cedar on an area comprising of vacant Crown land situated on the west shore of Johnson Channel, Range 3, Coast Land District.
Five years will be allowed for removal of timber.
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AUCTION SALE
Timber Sale X10225
There will be offered for sale at Public Auction, at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4th, 1951, in the office of the District Forester at Ocean Falls, B.C., the Licence X10225, to cut 5,240,000 f.b.m. of Hemlock, Balsam, Cedar and Spruce on an area comprising of vacant Crown land situated on the northwestern portion of Lake Island, Range 3, Coast Land District.
Five years will be allowed for removal of timber.
"Provided anyone unable to attend the auction in person may submit tender to be opened at the hour of auction and treated as one bid."
Further particulars may be obtained from the Deputy Minister of Forests, Victoria, B.C., or the District Forester, Prince George, B.C. (H)

TIMBER SALE X49486
Sealed tenders will be received by the Minister of Forests at Victoria, B.C., not later than 11 a.m. on the 13th day of March, 1951, for the purchase of Licence X49486, to cut 3,375,000 f.b.m. of Hemlock, Balsam, Spruce and Cedar on an area covering vacant Crown land situated approximately 1½ miles southeast of Lot 3960 on west shore of Truck Inlet, Range 5, Coast Land District.
Three years will be allowed for removal of timber.
Further particulars of the Chief Forester, Victoria, B.C., or District Forester, Prince Rupert, B.C. (H)



NEW LICENCE PLATES—Nine of the provincial automobile licence plates for 1951 are shown in this composite photo. The 10th—Newfoundland—was not available until April 1. Two of them—Manitoba and British Columbia—have separate strips or plates showing the year of issue. Counter-clockwise, they are: Quebec, black on a uniform grey; Manitoba, black on silver with red date tag; Nova Scotia, black on orange; British Columbia, orange on black with new strip of blue on white; New Brunswick, white on green; Alberta, blue on yellow; Prince Edward Island, white on dark blue; Saskatchewan, black on ivory. Ontario, centre, is light blue on white. (CP PHOTO)

Blackwood on Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

The laws of contract bridge are supposed to simplify matters for all concerned and to avoid confusion at the bridge table. Somehow they don't seem to help my friend Mr. Muzzy. Maybe there is just no way for him to avoid confusion.

Both sides vulnerable

North dealer
(Mr. Abel)
S-10 9 8 2
H-A 6
D-7 2
C-Q J 10 4 3

West (Mr. Champion)
S-10 9 8 2
H-A 6
D-7 2
C-Q J 10 4 3

East (Mr. Muzzy)
S-K J 7 6 4
H-7 5
D-Q 9 8
C-A 9 6

South (Mr. Dale)
S-A Q 5
H-Q J 10 8 2
D-10 5 3
C-7 2

The bidding:
North 1D
East 1S
South 2H
West 2S

You will notice that all the bidding is not given on today's hand. Usually the actual play does not begin until a bid has been followed by three passes. But this hand is different. Play began immediately after Mr. Abel bid four hearts. Mr. Muzzy started the play at that point by banging the ace of clubs on the table.

Mr. Champion clapped both hands over his eyes. "Why does this sort of thing always happen to me?" he said in a strangled voice. On the other

hand Mr. Dale and Mr. Abel both looked pleased.

The premature lead gave Mr. Dale the right to enforce a penalty. The penalty was two-fold. First, Mr. Champion (partner of the offender) had to pass when next it was his turn to bid. That wasn't so bad as he didn't want to bid any more anyway. He felt that a four spade contract, played by Mr. Muzzy, might be pretty bad.

So the bidding reverted to where it had been so rudely interrupted and Mr. Abel's four heart bid was duly followed by three passes.

The second part of the penalty was that the ace of clubs became a "penalty card." It had to remain face up on the table and it had to be played the first time Mr. Muzzy could legally play it.

Against the four heart contract Mr. Champion opened the ten of spades. When the dummy went down Mr. Dale saw at once the advantage he could realize from Mr. Muzzy's premature lead. He won the first trick with the ace of spades, killing East's king. He then laid down his deuce of clubs and played

Grader Out On Highway

Public works grader was out on the road between the city and Port Edward yesterday. The work was timely. There had been considerable complaining of potholes developing in the road as a result of the recent soft weather following the cold.

The five from dummy. Mr. Muzzy was forced by the laws to take this trick with his ace.

Had the hand been played normally, East and West would have won two clubs, the ace of hearts and a diamond trick. But when Mr. Muzzy's error gave new life to the king of clubs, Mr. Dale rolled the contract home with ease.

"In the future, Muzzy," said Mr. Champion with mock friendliness, "please depend upon me to tell you when it is time for you to lead. I will use a signal. The signal will be that I hit you over the head with this chair."

AUCTION SALE

Timber Sale X53064

There will be offered for sale at Public Auction, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, March 15th, 1951, in the office of the District Forester, Ocean Falls, B.C., the Licence X53064, to cut 1,800,000 f.b.m. of Cedar, Hemlock, Balsam and Spruce on an area comprising of vacant Crown land situated on Fish Egg Inlet, Range 2, Coast Land District.
Two years will be allowed for removal of timber.
"Provided anyone unable to attend the auction in person may submit tender to be opened at the hour of auction and treated as one bid."
Further particulars may be obtained from the Deputy Minister of Forests, Victoria, B.C., or the District Forester, Prince Rupert, B.C. (H)

MAXIMILIAN HENRY HEILBRONER, formerly of Prince Rupert, B.C., DECEASED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above deceased are hereby required to send them to THE ROYAL TRUST COMPANY, 626 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C., Agent for the undersigned Executors, before the 12th day of April, 1951, after which date the Executors will distribute the said estate among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.
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