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MAKE FAIR A SUCCESS

The Fair Board now has everything well under way for the annual fall fair. The prize book is just going to the printers, the hall is being put in shape and the board is actively making plans for the biggest and best fair in the history of the institution.

It has been pointed out that with the placing of the Prince William on the run to the islands and other points it will be easier to get exhibits in the city. Port Clements has some good produce and flower growers and they may well enter this year.

While there is still a possibility of the natives entering their bands and taking advantage of the thousand dollar offer of the board, if they do not come, the local boys are now able to give splendid concerts and the contest being arranged for members of the Boys' Band will be one of the interesting features of the fair. There will be plenty of music anyway.

Stewart is one of the best locations in the district for raising flowers and vegetables. Possibly a Stewart exhibit might be arranged that would show the people of the other sections what that live little town is capable of doing. It would be good advertising for them and Prince Rupert would do well to encourage the idea.

The offer of the board just made to give three good prizes for a floral display is one that should encourage flower growers to take part and show what they can grow and how artistically they can arrange their exhibit.

What is needed now is for local people to be a unit in support of the fair, to talk about it and try to induce outsiders to pay Prince Rupert a visit at that time.

UNITED EFFORT NECESSARY

In the next few months the people of the city will be divided over the election of a member to represent them at Ottawa. Some will support one candidate and some another. While it is a serious matter it is not sufficiently serious to cause people to be at outs with their neighbors. It should be looked upon somewhat as a sport event in which the supporters of either team root for their side but keep happy and refuse to be so serious about it as to allow it to interfere with their other activities.

Though we shall be divided in politics, let us be united for the fair. It is one of Prince Rupert's institutions and must be made a credit to the city and district.

MEETING OF P. T. ASS'N

Interesting Program Enjoyed Last Night—Plans For Tea and Sale

The regular monthly meeting of the Prince Rupert Parent-Teacher Association held last evening in the Booth Memorial School with Mrs. Blance presiding, was well attended.

The treasurer's report showed a credit balance of $121. The meeting decided that the usual grant of $20 be made to each of the larger schools and $10 to each of the smaller ones.

Plans were also discussed for a sale of home cooking to be held in the Booth Memorial School on Thursday, June 19. Conveners for the home cooking are Mrs. Viereck and Mrs. Eastman while Mrs. Hill-Tout is in charge of the tea room. Mrs. G. Hill and Mrs. Cameron are in charge of the ice cream.

Proceeds of the sale of candy at the different schools on the closing day before the Easter vacation amounted to $44.35.

H. McLeod was the chief attraction for the evening with his display of moving pictures taken by himself in Prince Rupert and the neighborhood.

Mrs. T. A. Ross, accompanied by Miss E. Grassie, rendered two solos, "The Cradle Song" (Brahms) and "The Mother Heart," very acceptably and Miss B. A. Leitch gave pianoforte solos in her usual capable style. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the artists and Mr. McLeod on motion of Miss Mills seconded by Miss Rothwell.

Delightful refreshments were served by the refreshment committee in the Home Economics department after the program.

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Price of Grain Alcohol Is Cut For Hospitals

Whereas the price had been raised fro $3 to $30 a gallon because of an amendment to the Government Liquor Act under which the commodity could no longer be bought from distillers direct but would have to be purchased through the government liquor stores, efforts of the British Columbia Hospitals Association had been successful in bringing about a system of credits whereby pure grain alcohol could be purchased now at a net price of $5.93 per gallon. This information was contained in a circular from the Hospitals Association which was read at last night's meeting of the local hospital board. Not satisfied with a price which is still nearly double the old figure, the association is working for even further deductions and is hopeful of getting same.

The circular contained a progress report from the Royal Commission which is working on state health insurance and maternity benefits.

It was mentioned that the annual convention of the British Columbia Hospitals Association would be held in Vancouver, possibly in September, jointly with the Western Hospital Association and the Northwestern Hospital Association. A visit from prominent British doctors who would be visiting Canada at that time was expected and they would be speakers. Any resolutions that the local board might have to offer, the communication asked be sent along as soon as possible.

Tempest In Tea Pot Threatened

Ald. Macdonald Resents not Being Consulted in Business of Committee of Which he is Member

A tempest in the teapot was threatened for a time at last night's meeting of the hospital board when Ald. S. D. Macdonald, although not wishing to be too fussy, expressed resentment at having heard two reports from the grounds committee of which he was a member but, although a representative of the city council on the board, on which he had not been consulted. He wondered how many more there were. He thought he was entitled to know, before hearing these reports at a general meeting, what was going on on the committee of which he was a member.

G. V. Wilkinson, chairman of the committee, did not see why work should be held up if a majority of the committee was brought together. It was not his fault that he had not got in touch with Ald. Macdonald for he had attempted to do so and had left a message which he thought was sufficient.

Frank Dibb stated that he might have been remiss in the matter.

Ald. Macdonald accepted Mr. Wilkinson's explanation.

Mr. Wilkinson, on behalf of his committee, reported that a new fence had been put up in connection with the nurses' home garden and fertilizer had been purchased. The committee would be undertaking only small expenditure this year as no work on the hospital grounds was contemplated.

ALICE ARM

A large new deposit of molybdenum ore, 200 feet in width, has been discovered on the Tidewater Molybdenum property which is under development by the Dalhousie Mining Co. The strike made quite a sensation here and was hailed as one of the most important that has been made in the district for some time. A shipment of 100 pounds has been sent to the Mines Department laboratories at Ottawa for mill test.

Good progress is being made with work in the district by the provincial public works department. The work on the bridges to connect the road on the flats with Illiance Valley and Silver City trails is well under way; the repairing of the Dolly Varden Railway has proceeded as far as Mile 6 where heavy slides of clay have been cleared from the tracks, and the work of clearing new streets and lanes in the town of Alice Arm is proceeding.

B. R. Wilson, formerly of Prince Rupert, has taken a year's lease on the Kitsault Cafe which has been conducted for the last 13 years by Mr. and Mrs. G. Anderson. The latter will remain in Alice Arm.

LABORATORY IS REOPENED

Miss A. Johnson Engaged As Technician at Hospital With Salary of $80 Per Month

The hospital board decided last night to reopen a laboratory department in the Prince Rupert General Hospital. Miss A. Johnson of this city, who for the past two or three years, has been in the United States, received the appointment of laboratory technician at a salary of $80 per month, with meals but not with room.

Miss Johnson's appointment had been hanging fire for some time as the board had not been able to get in touch with her since last fall. Dr. J. P. Cade advised the board last night that he had heard from Miss Johnson and that she was willing to come here at any reasonable salary and to live at home. She had no difficulty in securing a position elsewhere but merely wanted to get back to Prince Rupert. Medical men of the city, Dr. Cade pointed out, had long been pressing for laboratory facilities. A good deal of this kind of work now went to Vancouver but it would all be done here if the facilities were available. There would be considerable revenue and he was quite confident that the department would be self-sustaining or very nearly so. It would add to the efficiency of the hospital and would be a great convenience both to patients and doctors.

Miss Jean Harrison R. N., lady superintendent, thought it would be advisable to reopen the laboratory. It would improve the standing of the hospital and it seemed there would be plenty of work available.

Ald. Brown supported the move as being merely another step in the general direction of improving hospital facilities and standing such as was the policy of the board.

It was moved by G. V. Wilkinson that Miss Johnson be engaged at $80 per month, seconded by Ald. Brown and carried.

HINTS FOR GARDENERS

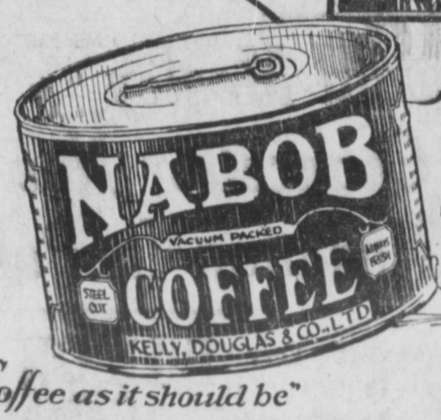
PLANTS FOR ROCK GARDEN

Practically all seedsmen list suitable planting material for the rock garden, that interesting little layout representing a mountainous range in miniature which can be developed in one's own garden. While there are literally thousands of species of alpine plants from all parts of the world, the number that are proving hardy in Canada is limited, and the novice would be well-advised to confine himself at first to any or all of the following varieites which are obtained either as seed or plants; the three best Phloxes (obtainable in plants only) are: Subulata in white, pink and lilac; Amoena, pink and divaricate in white and pale lavender blue; Violas may be secured in many pleasing colors, there are two Primulas, the cortusoides, a rosy lilac, and denticulata, a white to lilac rose, two Arabis, the alpinus, a white, and the alpinus roseus, a pink. Other plants include Alyssum saxatile compactum (yellow); Aubretia, (various); Armeria, (rose and white); Calamintha alpina (purple); Campanula carpatica, (blue and white); Cerastium tomentosum (grayish foliage with white flowers); Cheiranthus allioni, biennial (orange); Dianthus deltoides (rose-pink); Gypsophila repens (white); Helianthemum mutabile (various); Iberis sempervirens (white); Linaria alpina brids (various); Silene schafta (rosy-purple); Tunica saxifrega (pink); Veronica prostrata (blue). Lychnis alpina (bright rose).

The secret of successful rock gardening is informality. Use irregular shaped stones, planted firmly, with the pocket of soil between leading back into the centre of the mound, so that there will be full room for root development and moisture supplies will not be cut off. There must be good drainage. Before attempting to establish one of these gardens, it would be well to visit one in your locality, or at least to read a good book on the subject.

A copy of a Fort William paper which has reached this city contains a picture of Miss Lorraine Grant, who graduated as a Bachelor of Science this spring from Manitoba University in Winnipeg. Miss Grant is the younger daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Grant, formerly of this city and now in Fort William.

There Are Times When Nothing Can Take The Place Of



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Locating Engineer for C.P.R. Leads First Party Into Peace River

Implementing the promise made by E. W. Beatty and announced through the Northern Newspapers in February last, the first of four parties of locating engineers has arrived in the field to make a final survey for the purpose of definitely determining the most practical route for the route from Peace River to give a railway outlet to connect with the Pacific Coast, says the Peace River Record. The four parties will be distributed over as many proposed routes through the several mountain passes, and will spend the entire summer on their work.

The first of these parties, under J. E. Mercer, locating engineer for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, arrived on Tuesday of this week at Wembley and have already established their camp twelve miles south west from Wembley from which point they will commence their work of surveying the route through the Monkman Pass.

Starting from a point on the Northern Alberta Railway in the vicinity of Wembley, the first work will be the finding of a route with a favorable crossing of the Beaverlodge river, after which the route will follow generally that of the Red Willow River toward the mountains. The estimated distance from Wembley to a point where the survey will connect with the Canadian National Railway at the western end of the pass is approximately 180 miles and the work will require the entire summer.

When interviewed at his camp Mr. Mrcer stated that any information for publication could only be given out from the railway offices. "There is no secret about our work," he said, "because within a very short time anyone will be able to follow the line of survey stakes and see for themselves the route we are taking, but other than this we have no information to give out."

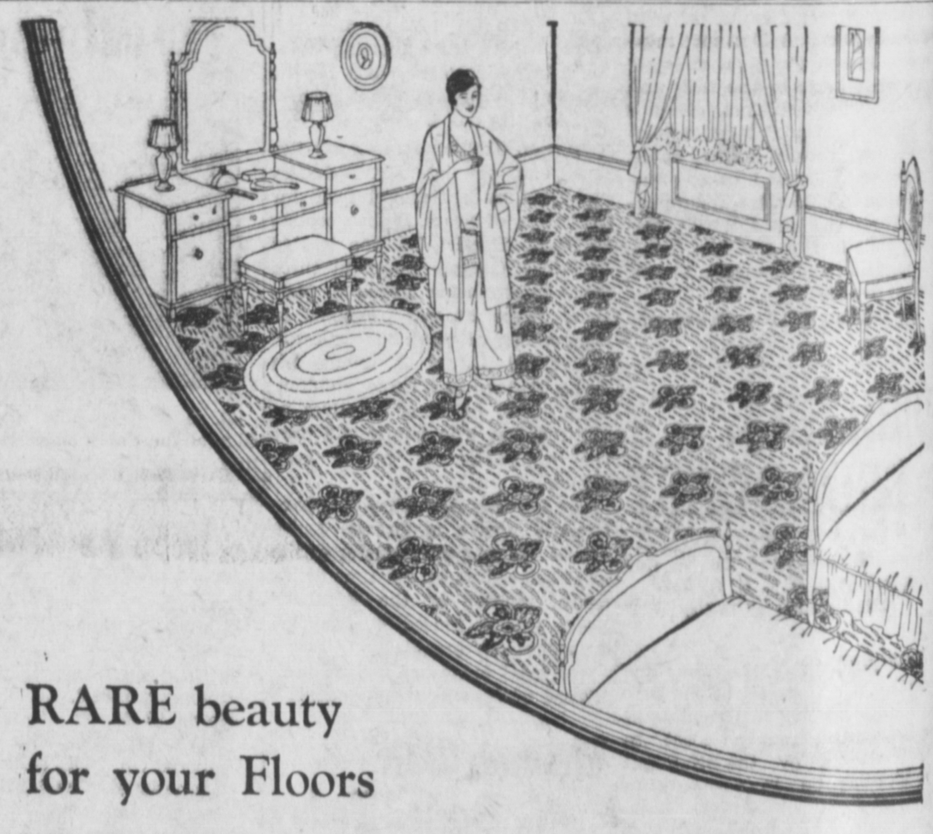
Crew of Eighteen

Asked as to how large a crew would be employed he stated that he now had a staff of eighteen men and would probably add a couple more for transport work as the work progressed. For this purpose pack horses will be required once the mountainous region is reached.

Alex Monkman, Peace River old-timer, and the original discoverer of the pass, was an interesting visitor at the new survey camp the first day and is taking a keen interest in the progress of the work.

Other survey parties will be in the field within the next few days it is understood, and will carry on location work through each of the mountain passes including the Pine and Peace passes. When asked regarding these parties who will soon be at work Mr. Mercer stated that he had only one party on his work and had no information regarding the other parties. In reply to a further enquiry as to whether the work is being undertaken by the Northern Alberta Railways or by the Canadian Pacific Railway he stated that he had no information as to who was responsible for the expense.

Mr. Mercer, is, however, an old locating engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway and is not a stranger in the Peace River country. In 1921 he was the engineer in charge of construction on the extension from Peace River to Beatty, which was constructed by the Canadian Pacific.



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