

THE DAILY NEWS  
PRINCE RUPERT - BRITISH COLUMBIA

Published Every Afternoon, Except Sunday, by Prince Rupert Daily News, Limited, Third Avenue  
H. F. PULLEN - - - Managing-Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

By mail to all other parts of British Columbia, the British Empire and United States, paid in advance, per year . . . . . 6.00  
By mail to all other countries, per year . . . . . 7.50  
By mail to all parts of Northern and Central British Columbia, paid in advance for yearly period . . . . . 3.00  
Legal notices, each insertion, per agate line . . . . . 15  
Transient advertising on front page, per inch . . . . . 2.80  
Local readers, per insertion, per line . . . . . 25  
Transient display advertising, per inch, per insertion . . . . . 1.40  
Classified advertising, per insertion, per word . . . . . 02  
Or four months for . . . . . 1.00

DAILY EDITION

Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1930

CHRISTMAS IS CLOSE

It's not very long now before Christmas will be here and everybody will be looking around for presents for their relatives and close friends.

This is the time to make a list of those who must have gifts and after it has been properly revised and pruned a start should be made with the purchases.

While the most valuable presents are those made by the donors because they reflect a real desire to give pleasure, only a few can receive those very personal treasures. The majority of the gifts must be purchased and the amount of care given to the purchases will to a large extent reflect the interest taken by the donors in the persons receiving them. Time is required and it is always a good plan to begin shopping early.

NEW ROAD PROPOSAL

With very little knowledge of the new Alaska road proposal it is almost impossible to comment on it. All that can be said at present is to draw attention to the fact that the governments have for years been trying to dispose of the P.G.E. and cannot find a purchaser, yet here are people running after the privilege of spending their money in this north country, which evidently they must consider valuable.

Yesterday we quoted from the Victoria Conservative paper to show that practically no money had yet been spent in extensions to the original railroad west of the Rocky Mountains while immense sums have been expended on the prairies, yet it is claimed the road does not pay. How could it? Intelligent development of the north is what is needed and evidently some people think large returns could be secured as a result of the expenditures.

INDIA'S POSITION

Evidently India is intending to make herself felt in the councils of the Empire. The despatch published exclusively in this paper yesterday dealing with the India Conference in London indicates the general trend of what is being demanded. They are asking for full dominion status and we are inclined to think they will get it very soon. If they do not they are likely to get independence instead.

These are days when the world is moving rapidly. What seemed impossible yesterday becomes an actuality today. We are learning to sweep away old barriers and grapple with hard facts without reference to precedent.

AN EXCELLENT PICTURE

Last night at the Capitol Theatre there was an unusual picture. It was "Song O' My Heart," featuring John MacCormack. For those who are a little tired of the jazz pictures that are so popular with picture makers and who at the same time enjoy wonderful music, we strongly recommend this. The singing sees MacCormack at his best, and the little Irish tale woven around the great singer is an exceedingly pretty one and well played. Very few more pleasing talkies have appeared in Prince Rupert.

PRINCE GEORGE

The city of Prince George is negotiating with the provincial government with a view to securing \$10,000 from the governments under the unemployment relief scheme.

The marriage was solemnized quietly by Rev. Peter Connal here on Sunday of Miss Mabel Hilda Pike, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Pike of Smithers, and Thomas Arthur Simpson, also of Smithers. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Barrett. The couple left for Smithers where they will reside.

In the recent field crop competitions held in the Pineview district, E. Pearson won first prize for Garnet wheat and A. Haggart first prize for Banner oats.

An Armistice Day service was conducted in the local Canadian Legion Hall on Tuesday by Rev. T. V. L'Estrange of St. Michael's Anglican Church and Rev. Peter Connal of Knox United Church. The service was preceded by a

parade in which returned men, Boy Scouts under the direction of William Monroe and Girl Guides under the leadership of Miss C. Irwin participated. The Last Post was sounded by W. L. Hornsby.

The Prince George Dramatic Society presented the three-act farce "Anne's Little Affair" delightfully on Wednesday evening in the Princess Theatre under the capable direction of George Oliver. Members of the cast were Miss Pearl McInnes, Mrs. Louis Blair, Mrs. Julian P. Myers, Mrs. Creswell and Miss Myrtle Creswell, J. H. McCClinton, E. Davis, E. J. Newman, W. J. Peckham, J. P. Myers, W. D. G. Harper, Mrs. E. J. Craswell, Mrs. R. S. Edwards, E. J. Flower and Miss M. Geiger.

Hugh McDonald, employed as a blacksmith at Bend, lost his home by fire last week when he mistook a can of gasoline for kerosene. Mrs. McDonald and four children, one an infant, escaped although two of the little daughters had to come to hospital here for treatment for their burns.

A successful dance was held last night in the South Fort George Community Hall in aid of the children's Christmas tree fund.

NORTHERN B. C. NEWS

SMITHERS

First prize winners in the seed show held here last week were as follows: Banner oats, J. E. Johnson, Evelyn; victory oats, A. McMillan, Evelyn; garnet wheat, John Bostrom, Grassy Plains; reward wheat, James Owens, Evelyn; marquis wheat, J. E. Johnson, Evelyn; six-rowed barley, G. P. Wright, Quick; field peas, D. Huber, Smithers; timothy seed, Mr. Charles Barrett, Barrett Lake; flax, Miss Dora Huber, Smithers; seed potatoes, James Owens, Evelyn; ten bushels of seed oats, A. McMillan, Evelyn; seed judging competition, E. Norman Bree, Telkwa.

Armistice night was celebrated here on Tuesday with a large and successful dance, people from all parts of the district being in attendance. J. A. Finnerty was in general charge.

For almost three weeks now there have been almost incessant rains in the Bulkley Valley. There being no frost in the ground as yet, the moisture has penetrated to considerable depth, assuring plenty of moisture for next spring's farming operations. Meanwhile, on account of the rains, the roads of the valley are in rather bad shape for travelling.

A new four-room dwelling is being built near the corner of Queen and Alfred Streets by T. Jenkinson for Frank H. Taylor.

A deficit of \$150 on the year's operations was reported at the annual meeting last week of the Smithers Hall Co. A new board of directors has been elected. S. H. Hoskins has rendered his resignation as secretary and a successor will be appointed as soon as possible.

The marriage took place here quietly on Tuesday afternoon of Miss Ellen C. Christianson of Houston and John Albert Stout. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William McKenzie. Miss Mary Ryan of Terrace acted as bridesmaid.

BURNS LAKE

The settlement of Ootsa Lake has seen more business and activity during the past season than has been known in the history of the place. The operations of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. in the district have had a good deal to do with the activity. Norman Schreiber is taking a prominent part in the transportation facilities of the district.

Heavy winds were experienced in this district last Monday and telegraph and telephone lines all went down.

People from all parts of the district attended the masquerade ball held by the Canadian Legion here last Monday night. Prize-winners for costumes included Mrs. L. Scherck, Ted Greenwood, Mrs. C. Oland, H. Hefflick, A. M. Ruddy and H. J. Jewell, J. J. McKenna and Percy Kaler.

VANDERHOOF

The Vanderhoof and District Teachers' Association, at its convention which was held here recently, elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: president, Fred G. Cook; secretary, Miss Evelyn Smedley; executive, Miss Margaret McVicar, Miss Betty Lamb and Miss Joyce Goodridge.

According to a survey made by C. C. Kelley, district agriculturalist, there are 20,398 acres of agricultural land owned in Vanderhoof district with a total of 4,848 acres under cultivation.

During a trip east, Mervill Averill was successful in getting fine specimens of moose and cariboo in the Guildford district east of Prince George. During his stay at Guildford, he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Woods.

The provincial government is having a standard equipment shed built on its property south of the railway tracks. The shed will be used to house all government machinery.

V. Schelderup has completed a re-survey of Township 12 near here. The settlers on that area are very pleased that the work has been carried out.

STEWART

A travelling library has been secured from the provincial government by the local Canadian Legion. W. S. Orr will be in charge of it.

The list of unemployed in this district, which is being kept by the local Board of Trade, already numbers 122.

The Christian Science Society of Prince Rupert is endeavoring to sell fifty shares in the Stewart Land Co. here.

The firm of Gardiner-Johnson & Co., which has the contract for widening the Salmon River road between Seven Mile and Eleven Mile, has closed down work for the season. It is hoped to resume the work early in the spring, possibly by the middle of April. The work started two months ago and good progress was made since then.

Armistice Day was brought to a conclusion last Tuesday evening with a largely attended dance. In the morning there were appropriate services at the local cenotaph with Rev. Father E. M. Leray O.M.I., chaplain of the Canadian Legion, in charge.

Bill Turgoose won a \$5 gold piece and the pee wee golf championship of Stewart last Thursday night when he defeated Sam McNeil in the final. Turgoose turned in a card of 42 for the 18 holes while McNeil took six strokes more. The Portland Canal Power Co.,

which controls a valuable hydro-electric power site on Davis River, 12 miles south of Hyder, commenced surveying this week for a power transmission line from Hyder to Stewart and up the Bear River valley. Surveys will also be made for a possible branch line up the Marmot River.

The Woman's Auxillary to St. Mark's Church held a very successful bazaar last Friday afternoon. The proceedings came to a close with a large whist drive and dance in the evening.

The last whist drive and dance held by the Canadian Legion here was an unqualified success. There were 16 tables and prize winners were Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Lee, Ted Richardson and Bill Tooth.

The Stewart Liberal Conservative Association, at its recent annual meeting, elected officers as follows for the coming year: president, H. W. M. Rolston; vice-president, H. A. Stewart; secretary, Mrs. J. V. Clegg; executive, H. D. Rochford, W. S. Orr, J. Scott, J. Murdoch, W. D. Smith, George Matheson, J. Rennie, Mrs. D. Bennett and J. O. Lyon.

G. A. Woodland, agent for the Imperial Oil Co., at Prince Rupert paid a brief visit here last week on company business.

Mrs. M. Michelizza left last week for Vancouver where she will spend the winter.

H. L. Batten M.E., after having spent a week at the B. C. Silver mine, left last week on his return to Vancouver.

NEW HAZELTON

Advices have been received that Skeena riding is to receive \$10,000 for unemployment relief work during the coming winter, this sum being exclusive of any sums that have been allotted to incorporated municipalities such as Terrace and Smithers.

Miss M. McLean, school teacher at Hazelton, spent the Thanksgiving holiday at her home in Prince Rupert.

R. J. Morrison and Albert Arnold were visitors in Prince Rupert at the end of last week.

An Indian from Skeena Crossing got a cougar at Stony Creek last week. It was a large animal measuring nine feet from tip to tip. It is said that there are a lot of cougars in that district and that they are playing havoc with the game. The same Indian plans on capturing more of them.

The annual value of Fish & Fish Products of British Columbia is about \$23,000,000. Of this amount about \$11,000,000 is produced in Prince Rupert District.

KEEPS THE BATHROOM

Spotless

Dissolve a tablespoonful of Gillett's Lye in a gallon of cold water and you have a solution that will save you hours of cleaning time in the bathroom, for it is equally efficient for washing floors, tiling, sinks, the bathtub or closet-bowl . . . and when cleaned with Gillett's Lye each is thoroughly disinfected with the one operation.

GILLETT'S Pure Flake LYE has dozens of other daily household uses. Send for our new Free booklet explaining how it will help you with all your cleaning.

GILLETT'S Lye "Eats Dirt"

STANDARD BRANDS LIMITED  
GILLETT PRODUCTS  
Toronto Montreal Winnipeg Vancouver  
and offices in all the principal cities of Canada.



"Once-a-week"



\*Lye should never be dissolved in hot water



DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE  
OTTAWA, CANADA

November 15th, 1930.

To Government Departments, Municipal Councils,  
Public Utility Commissions, School Boards, etc.,  
Everywhere in Canada.

Keep Tax Collections Circulating at Home!

A certain Canadian municipality that shall be nameless is now spending large sums of money on improvements of one kind or another, for the express purpose of providing work for its unemployed. Only a year ago that same municipality refused to sanction the use of Canadian stone for an important building it was putting up on the ground that imported stone was cheaper.

The incident is typical of that peculiar situation that all public bodies are occasionally confronted with, where duty calls in two different directions at the same time. In this case there was the urge to specify a Canadian material because of the additional work it would provide for Canadian artisans; on the other hand there was the urge to remain faithful to a trust, and to buy for the tax-payers in the cheapest market. And the die was cast in favour of the tax-payers!

But was it a worth-while victory for the tax-payers? If that same municipality were to be confronted with the same problem to-day, would it decide it in the same way? I venture to think not! For every dollar it saved itself last year by refusing to give Canadian labour first call, it is spending hundreds of dollars this year to create jobs for Canada's unemployed!

One cannot help wondering whether most of the emergency construction programme, now in full swing across Canada, could not have been obviated if those responsible for the letting of public contracts in the past few years had shown less concern about saving the tax-payers a few dollars on the purchase of materials, and more concern about keeping the collections from those tax-payers circulating in Canada. In the calendar year 1929 alone, the construction expenditures in Canada for hospitals, schools, public buildings, bridges, dams, wharves, sewers, water mains, road building and street paving aggregated \$145,000,000. How much of that was spent outside of Canada, for imported materials, it is hard to say. But even if it were only 10 percent, it would have meant a sum equal to almost three-quarters of the appropriation which the Dominion Government voted two months ago for emergency undertakings to relieve unemployment!

With the lessons of the past fresh in our minds, and with to-day's grim reminder of what our neglect of an important responsibility is costing us, surely the time is opportune to suggest that you pass a resolution calling for the insertion, in all future contracts, of a clause stipulating that nothing but Canadian materials shall be used, provided that permission to use imported materials may be granted where sufficient cause is shown.

Many municipalities have long made a practice of stipulating that for such labour as may have to be employed directly on the job, local labour shall be given first call. That is only as it should be. But if it is desirable to employ local labour directly on the job itself, isn't it equally desirable to give as much indirect employment to local labour as possible by using materials that have been produced locally? And if the necessary materials are not procurable in the locality, isn't it then desirable, from the standpoint of developing the home market, to procure them from the nearest point in Canada where they are to be had in the quality, in the quantity, and within the time desired?

I am not suggesting that you should deprive yourselves of the advantage of foreign competition in the purchase of materials. Foreign competition must be allowed to play its part, if only to protect you in the enjoyment of fair prices. But I do suggest that other things being equal, or nearly equal, you see to it that Canadian materials always receive the preference.

And if you are in any doubt as to whether your ratepayers would approve such action, just spend an hour some day tingling up those whose opinions you would value!

Very sincerely yours,

A. A. Stevens  
Minister of Trade and Commerce.