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TONIGHT'S MEETING

The meeting in the city hall tonight is designed to give information to those who are in doubt about supporting the two bylaws which are to be voted on, on Friday.

Just now there is great necessity for the work to commence owing to the number of men out of employment and the only way in which the council can make immediate provision for them is through the passage of the two bylaws. Even that will be slim enough and the city council is making an appeal to the provincial government for more help.

Able-bodied men do not want doles. They do not want to be subjects of charity. What they want is the right to earn a living and the passing of the two bylaws this week will give most of them an opportunity to earn enough to carry them through. We appeal to all ratepayers to support of these bylaws and if there are any who feel that they are not sufficiently well informed about them, the meeting tonight is designed to clear up the difficulties.

The city council has taken the action it thought best under the circumstances. They have canvassed the whole situation along with the city engineer and the work they have chosen has been the most suitable for the purpose while at the same time being of the greatest possible benefit to the city.

SOCIALISM DISCUSSED

Socialism is a subject that is always open for discussion because it is something that has never been tried out. In Russia they set out to do so but fell far short of the ideal. Benjamin de Casseres in an article in "The Thinker" finds one great objection to the logic of the advocates of the system and that is that the reasoning starts with a wrong hypothesis. He says:

"Socialism conceives man to be naturally honest, benevolent, peace-loving and ultimately perfectable. All history, all experience, all obseration—in other words all reality—contradict absolutely and incontrovertibly these bovarystic conceptions. The human imagination has never invented a demon comparable in pure diabolism to man. All organized government is an attempt to restrain this demon. In the animal kingdom there are found all human virtues. It remained for men to invent forms of viciousness and malevolence that can nowhere be discovered in the sub-human world. Man's history is a shambles. There is no crime, no vice, no villainy that he will not justify. Paradoxically, it is the knout, the lash, the gallows, and war that make life possible."

Evidently Casseres does not like socialism for he states that "its mainsprings will be found to be malevolence, envy, hatred and the instinct to war." He also says: "When the giant structure of socialism, reared on the falsification of the nature of man and the nature of the universe, falls, the race will stand where Madame Bovary stood before she took arsenic. Its imaginative palaces will turn to rookeries in the gray light of reality, and the tragi-comedy will begin all over again—under other masks."

While we cannot agree with the writer as to the human race being as bad as he paints it, yet there is much in life to back up his argument. Undoubtedly the race must advance a very long way before any scheme which calls for such self-denial and restraint as is demanded under the socialistic program as set out by the leading writers on the subject can be a success.

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HOPE FOR BIG MISS

Great Things In Store For Property, Heads of Company In Tacoma Declare

TACOMA, Nov. 25: — Extensive and continuous operations of the Big Missouri mine in the Portland Canal district are forecast by officials of the mine here on the basis of recent tests of various ore bodies.

Duncan McVichie, engineer for Big Missouri, has just arrived from the property and states that in his estimation the Big Missouri mine shows greater possibilities than even the Premier mine in the same district. He added that some estimates placed its potentialities at greater than the Utah copper mine that has produced more than $135,000,000.

Mr. McVichie stated that 2100 feet in distance has been covered over various widths in 22 drill holes, assays being taken every two and one-half feet. These assays have shown an average value of $9 in gold per ton, besides heavy values in base metals with an approximate average of 35% in lead and as high as 100 ounces in silver.

Unmistakable evidences of gold bearing ore have been found over a continuous stretch of two miles extending the entire width of the property.

Included in the 22 drill holes, assays as high as $53 per ton in gold only have been obtained. This particular vein is two and one-half feet in width. Another ran an average of $5.12 of gold per ton for a width of 100 feet.

Operate Mill Soon

It was stated that a 250-ton capacity mill would be in operation by December 15, and it is proposed that a 2000-ton mill will be built shortly as there is sufficient ore to keep the mill running to full capacity.

J. T. Gregory, president of the Big Missouri, asserted that he is highly delighted over the showings made during the extensive series of tests of the various ore bodies of the property.

Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. holds the controlling interest in Big Missouri, and is in charge of development operations.

The option on Big Missouri was exercised by Consolidated in July, 1928, when the Buena Vista Mining Co. Ltd. was formed to operate the property. In this company Big Missouri Mining Co. received 47% of the stock for its interest, the controlling amount being held by Consolidated. Development work has been carried on by Consolidated since, and while little information has been given out to the public, J. J. Warren, president of Consolidated, has repeatedly indicated that Big Missouri is very promising.

In Ireland

(By Thomas Carr)

There's a little bit of everything in Ireland,
There's a little bit of Robin on the green,
There's a little bit of shamrock in the mire land,
There's a little bit of Shannon's lovely stream.

There's a little darling sweetheart there a-waiting,
There's a little Mother standing on the shore,
There's a little boy and girl there agitating,
There's a little bit of love around the door.

There's a little bit of everything in Ireland,
There's a little bit of sunshine on the shore,
There's a little bit of moonshine on the mire land,
That's a little bit of Ireland I adore. adore.

Address On Japan Very Interesting

Mr. Matsumoto, Japanese missionary, gave the Fireside Club of First Baptist Church a very interesting address last night on customs in Japan. He referred particularly to the differences in the educational systems between Japan and Canada. The audience showed its appreciation with hearty applause.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Vic Houston. There was the usual devotional opening with Scripture reading by Melvin R. Dafoe. There was closing prayer by Rev. Dr. F. W. Dafoe.

NORTHERN B. C. NEWS

TERRACE

Mr. and Mrs. Osburn Stout have returned from a honeymoon spent in Smithers, and will reside in Terrace.

Mrs. Abernethy, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. McNeill for the past two months left last Sunday for her home at Parkville, V.I.

Robert Corlett, who intends spending the winter in Victoria, will leave on Tuesday for Prince Rupert and sail on the Prince George on Thursday for Vancouver.

SMITHERS

Although the government has offered to help to the extent of $2,500, the village commissioners of Smithers feel that finances will not permit them putting up a similar amount for unemployment relief and it is possible that the municipality may not be able to take advantage of the government's offer.

An Elks' Lodge was inaugurated here last week-end. There is a membership of over sixty. The installation was carried out Saturday night with George Mitchell of the Prince Rupert lodge in charge.

The annual meeting of the Smithers Curling Club was held on Thursday night. An active winter in this popular sport is expected.

The annual bazaar of the Woman's Auxiliary of the local Anglican Church was held Saturday afternoon in the Parish Hall.

The Sisters of Charity of Providence announce that they will be unable to take over the operation of the Smithers Hospital on the basis of proposals offered by the citizens of this town. The local hospital situation thus remains the same as it was before with the institution continuing to show heavy deficits.

Preliminary work has been carried out on the Smithers skating rink which will be available for skating and hockey just as soon as weather permits.

In addition to coal, there is also a heavy demand here for wood, just now. The price of wood has dropped considerably, good jackpine being available at $6 per cord whereas the price last winter was a steady $7.

Smithers merchants are paying the farmers of the district $1.50 a hundred for oats and $1.75 for wheat.

A. G. Forde of the local Royal Bank of Canada staff is relieving temporarily at Burns Lake.

Mrs. W. H. Doodson was hostess at a surprise party for Miss P. Downey. The party was organized by Miss Ball and Miss Wilson. During the evening, Miss Downie was presented with an ivory clock.

Construction of the new school building at Houston was completed by the end of last week by the contractor, James P. Downey.

Mrs. J. L. McEwen, who recently underwent a serious operation in the Smithers Hospital, has sufficiently recovered to leave the institution and is visiting in town for a few days with Mrs. R. C. Bamford before proceeding to her home at Duthie mine.

VANDERHOOF

Evening service is to be held every other Sunday in Trinity Anglican Church here during the winter.

A. A. Hutchinson is having a heated garage erected at the rear of the railway station. This will prove a great convenience during the winter months.

Miss E. G. M. Byrd returned to town last week after having spent the summer and autumn at Vancouver and Boundary Bay.

At a meeting in the Canadian Bank of Commerce chambers here arrangements were made for the annual Sunshine Fund to provide Christmas cheer for the needy in town and district.

The Vanderhoof and District Board of Trade, at its regular monthly meeting last week, passed a resolution opposing any changes being made in the lines and boundaries of Omineca provincial riding. The resolution was passed in view of press reports that the provincial government was considering wiping out Omineca in order to give the Peace River a separate seat. It is likely that other boards of trade in the riding will make similar protests.

BURNS LAKE

The village of Burns Lake has signed an agreement to receive $800 from the governments to which a similar amount from municipal funds will be added in order to provide relief work during the winter. The work to be carried out will include the construction of a small wharf on Burns Lake and improvements to the public park and streets and roads.

Gowans & Sons have purchased two registered Oxford Down rams from the colony farm at Essondale for the purpose of grading up their sheep flock. The purchase was made through the Burns Lake branch of the Farmers' Institute.

William Behnke of Colleymount last week shipped out to Edmonton three carloads of cattle and two carloads of sheep which he had raised on his farm. The stock was in very fine shape.

Despite very slippery roads, Frank Carroll was able to make a motor trip to Prince George last Monday, returning on Tuesday.

Robert W. McGowan of Burns Lake has been appointed a stipendiary magistrate and judge under the Small Debts Court Act.

The nucleus of a new settlement is being formed west of Taltapin Lake, north of Burns Lake, where four German families are now establishing residence. They expect to be joined by ten more families next spring. It is their intention to go in chiefly for stock raising.

District visitors in town during the past week have included: Henry Piche, Decker Lake; Crichton Christensen, Fraser Lake; Oscar Solheim, Danskin; P. L. Mulville, Grassy Plains; Frank Bickle, Bickle; Dr. J. B. Judge and J. T. Harvey, Smithers; R. H. Moore, Indian Agent, Vanderhof; W. G. Gamble, school inspector, Prince George; Mrs. J. N. Van Norman, Decker Lake; A. Blayney, Grassy Plains; A. H. Brean, Vanderhoof; D. L. McGibbon, Smithers; T. E. E. Greenfield R. C. M. P., Vanderhoof, and R. C. Stanyer and William Burke, Francois Lake.

Members of the staff of the J. H. Fisheries are able to make frequent trips into the Babine since the frost has made the roads passable.

William Burke is having a large residence erected on his farm at Francois Lake. The structure measures 32 by 26 feet and is being put up by Carl Ostberg.

A. C. Ford of Smithers is relieving teller in the local branch of the Royal Bank of Canada while W. Muirhead and B. Brunell are taking their annual vacations.

Snowfall and zero temperatures are now becoming quite usual here, indicating that winter will soon be here to stay.

Mrs. Frank Lewis of Decker Lake returned last week from Edmonton where she had taken her baby for treatment. The child is now making good recovery.

Robert Lowe is on his way back from a motor trip to Vancouver.

The big brush pile, which had been maed by Thomas Radley in his clearing operations on Block 13, was burned last week under its snow blanket.

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