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Judge Howay Tells Vancouver Transport Men How First Settlers Arrived on Coast

VANCOUVER, April 18—The first settlers on the mainland of B.C. came to the coast by way of Peace River and the first man-built trail in the interior was cut from Fort St. James to Fort McLeod to shorten the route from the Parsnip to the Fraser.

It was some time after that when Sir James Simpson made the obvious but then remarkable discovery that the distance from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific is considerably shorter than from the Rockies to the Atlantic.

"That is a discovery that the Board of Trade might well keep in mind. Too many have overlooked it since the days when the Hudson's Bay Company started bringing its furs to the coast and taking its supplies in from here," said Judge F. W. Howay of New Westminster in an interesting address before the Transportation and Customs Bureau of Vancouver Board of Trade. His subject was "Transportation Pioneering in B. C."

The absorbingly interesting and romantic history of the Cariboo road formed the chief part of Judge Howay's notable address. He traced the various links of the road that succeeded the trails and recalled the succession of changes from packing by Indians to horse-packing, mule teams, camels, and then the wagons drawn by horses and oxen.

Tried to Use Engines

There was even an unsuccessful attempt to use steam traction engines brought out from Scotland. But they were no faster and were much more expensive than horses and not one of them ever made the trip into the Cariboo Stage coach days were recalled in delightful anecdote.

It is a mistake to say that the old Cariboo road was built by the Royal Engineers, Judge Howay said. They surveyed and planned the road and built two small sections, but only that.

To many it is still a mystery how the cables for the old Alexandra suspension bridge at Spuzzum were transported there. The fact is that the wire was taken up and the cables woven on the spot, Judge Howay said.

A number of members of the New Westminster Board of Trade were guests at the luncheon, including President Archie Hoeg. The head table was ornamented with a model of the pioneer s.s. Beaver, lent for the occasion of the Hudson's Bay Company. Another relic of early days was a large model of the Vancouver Belle, first schooner built on False Creek.

Twenty Years Ago In Prince Rupert

April 18, 1912

The Earl Grey's Rifles were on annual church parade to St. Andrew's Anglican Church where Bishop F. H. DuVernet preached an appropriate sermon.

The great White Star liner Titanic struck an ice berg near the Straits of Belle Island while en route from England to New York. Over 2000 passengers were lost including Sir Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and many other prominent people.

Returning Officer Ed. Clark is now conducting the official count following the recent provincial election when William Manson, sitting Conservative member, was elected with a decisive majority over A. M. Manson, the Liberal candidate.

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GOVERNING BY GANGS

Christian Science Monitor Comments on Lindbergh Kidnapping Case

Some months ago an English cartoonist pictured Al Capone in the act of overthrowing constituted authority in the United States and himself entering the White House as head of the Government. Such a view is, of course, an exaggeration of the extent to which gangsters rule America. But it is only an exaggeration; all the materials for the portrait exist in the American scene.

That is the unhappy fact, and two circumstances connected with the Lindbergh kidnapping have given public recognition to the power of the underworld. One is the popular credence given to the theory that Capone engineered this latest abduction and hopes to bargain with the Government, offering return of the child for his own release. The other is the fact that Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh have publicly commissioned two notorious gangsters as their agents to deal with the kidnapers. Both theory and fact offer sad commentary on the extent to which the government of the underworld has usurped the functions of lawful authority.

One reason this subterranean government is effective is that it practices law enforcement. Infractions are not tolerated. Punishment is quick and sure. Only when honest citizens inject some of the same efficiency into the police and the courts will they cease to be vassals of gangdom.

For vassals they are, in great or small degree. Every citizen pays taxes to gang government in the gigantic annual bill for crime. And none is free from the threat of racketeering and violence—not even the gangster with his bodyguards. Men, women and children are seized on the street and abducted from their homes.

No American but is potentially subject to a tyranny seldom exceeded by any despotism in history. If the Lindbergh baby was not immune, and if constituted authority has been unable to recover him, what is to assure ordinary folk? They can seek divine protection. And they can revolt against government. They can vote. They can interest themselves in ward politics. They can support honest police. They can purify and strengthen legitimate government. Until they do, they can hardly call themselves free or self-governed.

CROSSING OF PATHS

Chance Meeting in B. C. Rockies Has Sequel Lately in Montreal

MONTREAL, April 18—Two men who crossed one another's path by chance last summer in the Rocky Mountain Canyon met again quite unexpectedly in Montreal recently. They were Dr. Norman Henry, Philadelphia's director of public health, who was the first white man to cast eyes on the "sub-tropical valley" of British Columbia, and Rev. George Wolfendale, a Church of England missionary from Fort St. John in the Peace River District. Both visitors were lecturing in this city at the time of their meeting.

Mr. Wolfendale was returning from the most northerly part of this scattered parish last September when he met a young gold-panner near Gold Bar. They joined forces, paddled by raft a few miles down the Peace River and then found an abandoned boat. They travelled on, balling as they went, but stopped at midnight and camped on the shore for the rest of the night. The missionary had a sea-pack, a large haversack and the gold-panner had only a little rice. Next morning found them at the Canyon and witness the fortunate meeting with Dr. and Mrs. Henry and their party, which included 60 pack horses in the expedition.

"We were lucky in meeting the Henrys," said Mr. Wolfendale as he smilingly recalled the episode. "They gave us their lunches which had been prepared that morning and I never tasted better. There were even chocolate bars in those lunches. We don't get them often in the north and how they were enjoyed," he said.

With a fair-sized list of passengers including a number of cannery workers for the Naas River, Union steamer Catala, Capt. A. E. Dickson, arrived in port at 4:45 yesterday afternoon from the south and sailed at 9 p.m. for Anyox, Stewart and other northern points whence she will return here tomorrow morning enroute back to Vancouver and waypoints.

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"Atonement" Is Science Church Subject Sunday

The subject of the lesson-sermon in Prince Rupert Christian Science Society on Sunday was "Doctrine of Atonement."

One of the Bible texts was: "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." (1 Peter 1: 22.)

The lesson sermon also included the following passage from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "If Truth is overcoming error in your daily walk and conversation, you can finally say, 'I have fought a good fight... I have kept the faith, because you are a better man. This is having our part in the at-one-ment with Truth, and Love.'" (page 21).

Mrs. Jean Latham and Mrs. Sadie Wright, both of Ocean Falls, have been appointed provincial election commissioners for Mackenzie electoral district, it is announced in the current issue of the B. C. Gazette.



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