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Waiting to Go Into Northern Gold Field—L. S. McGill Speaks in Vancouver—Prospectors For Stikine River

A. H. Daniels and Don Ray of Des Moines, Iowa, and C. M. Looney of Caspar, Wyoming, are among a number of mining men who are awaiting at Burns Lake aerial transportation to proceed into the new McConnell Creek gold fields where they plan on engaging in development of placer property. John Alto, Emil Maunu, John Annala and C. Matt of Trout Creek are also at Burns Lake enroute to the goldfields. It is expected that the most of these men will be able to get away from Burns Lake for the north within the coming week.

In a recent Vancouver Sunday Province appears an article by Lyster Mulvany, pioneer of Burns Lake, on the McConnell Creek gold country. The article deals with many of the outstanding personalities of the early days in that region.

L. S. McGill, manager of the Omineca Branch of the British Columbia Chamber of Mines, will give an address in the Eagles' Hall in Vancouver on Wednesday night of this week on the subject of "Gold Mining in Omineca Mining Division." The address will be illustrated with lantern slides.

Included in the lists of successful students at the recent convocation of the University of British Columbia in Vancouver is that of Vladimar Okulitch who won his Master of Applied Science degree in geology with a thesis on "The Ore Deposits of the Eastern Side of the Coast Range Batholith with Special Reference to the Atlin District."

Fifty prospectors, who have been wintering at Seattle, have been assured of transportation into the country surrounding Telegraph Creek on the Stikine River in a search for gold. Capt. S. C. Barrington of the Alaska Grubstake Mining Co. has let a contract to the Barrington Transportation Co. to take the men north. They will be well supplied with provisions before being turned loose, it is stated.

Will Instruct Gold Panning

Classes to be Held by Resident Engineers at Various Points In Province

Prince George and Smithers are among six points in the province to which rockers are being sent by the Department of Mines so that would-be placer miners may be able to take lessons in gold-panning. Instructions in panning will be given by the province to all green hands at these several points.

The rockers to be used were designed by Major Nation of the Department of Mines at the request of Hon. W. A. McKenzie, minister of mines, when the latter's office was deluged by applications for free miners' licences from men who had no previous experience in gold panning.

Instruction in the use of the rockers will be given by the resident mining engineers.

Stewart Opposed to Move to Abolish Mining Engineers

STEWART, May 10—The Stewart Board of Trade has passed a resolution strongly opposing any move that might be made to do away with resident mining engineers of the provincial government. Appreciation and commendation of the services to Dr. J. T. Mandy, resident mining engineer for northwestern mineral survey district, has been expressed.

SUSPENSION EXPLAINED

Liquor Control Board Writes City Council Regarding Royal Hotel Beer Parlor Licence

The city council was in receipt of an explanation at last night's meeting from the Liquor Control Board regarding the circumstances of the recent suspension of the beer parlor licence at the Royal Hotel here, the letter, after brief discussion, being filed. The communication explained that three convictions had been recorded against the Royal Hotel, once before Mr. Zarelli's ownership and twice since. The board deemed the circumstances of too serious nature to be dealt with lightly and a further conviction against the house might even jeopardize the existence of the licence. The letter pointed out that there were over 300 licensed beer parlors in the province and it was necessary that these be conducted in a fit and proper manner so they would not fall into disrepute. Last year there had been 22 licences suspended. The communication asked the council for co-operation in impressing upon Mr. Zarelli the seriousness of his situation and in seeing that the regulations were adhered to.

In commenting upon the communication which he considered a weak explanation, Ald. Casey charged the police with being out to "get" Mr. Zarelli. Such had been the nature of his punishment for voting against retention of the provincial police in the city. Ald. Casey decried "rule by malice" and declared that the real bootleggers of the city had been behind the Retail Merchants' Association in supporting the provincial police at the referendum held recently.

The letter from the Liquor Control Board was in reply to a request sent by the council to Victoria asking for leniency in considering Mr. Zarelli's application for reinstatement. It is now understood that the suspension will be for a period of three months.

A request from the Prince Rupert Branch of the Navy League of Canada for permission to hold a tag day on June 11 to raise funds for Sea Cadet work was granted by the city council last night.

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Shareholders of Woodbine Mine to Petition Ottawa For Probe of Affairs

VANCOUVER, May 10:—Shareholders of Woodbine Gold Mining Company Ltd., at a meeting here, decided to ask the Secretary of State to appoint a competent inspector to investigate the affairs of the company and report thereon.

J. Edward Sears has been retained as solicitor to prepare the necessary application to the Secretary of State on behalf of the members.

Reason for this action, as outlined in the preamble of the resolution, is that, according to the text, "there is reason, on substantial grounds, to believe that material information regarding the affairs or management of the Woodbine Gold Mining Company Ltd. has been and is being concealed or withheld from shareholders, whose interests entitle them to the disclosure."

J. M. Harper was chairman and J. A. Edgecombe secretary of the meeting.

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