News of Northern Districts

SMITHERS

Another oil company is contemplating opening a branch at Smithers. A site has been selected close the railway and the Home and Imperial plants, the Interior News reports, and arrangements have been made for the erection of tanks which will commence at once.

Lakes in the vicinity of Smithers now have sheets of ice to a depth of three or four inches and, with snow absent, are in the best of shape for skating which sport is now being fully enjoyed.

Several Smithers people have visited Prince Rupert in connection with the Canadian National Railways cent-a-mile excursion.

After spending five weeks visiting in Smithers with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Warner, Mrs. James Silver has left or her return to her home in the Bridge River district.

Members of the Smithers Masonic Lodge held a farewell meeting last Monday night in honor of L. G. Calder, retiring manager of the Royal Bank of Canada here.

Ole Kalhood, well known resident of Topley, spent a few days in Smithers last week.

R. Chesley is a patient in the Smithers Hospital suffering from a cracked vertebrae.

Harry Wearne of Quick was the guest in Smithers at the first of last week of J. H. Byrne.

T. Van Dyk of Prince George, district game warden, was a visitor in Smithers last week on official duties.

Dukes, local senior basketball team, lost their first game of the season last week when they were defeated 31 to 22 by High School. Basketball is flourishing in Smithers this winter with boys' and girls' leagues in operation.

Genevieve Middleton early last week suffered a relapse in the Smithers Hospital following an operation for appendicitis but is now reported to be doing well again.

"There is a big market in Prince Rupert for Bulkley Valley farm products if growers will only grade for the business offering," declares S. C. Thompson, well known Prince Rupert whoesale produce dealer.

C. H. Simpson, who for several years has been chief despatcher for the Canadian National Railways at Smithers will leave here next Tuesday for Edmonton where he will take on similar duties. He will be succeeded at Smithers by Alec McIntyre who is night despatcher at Kamloops.

Comment in Smithers regarding the remarks made in the House recently by Dr. Telford when he referred to Prince Rupert as a "Siwash Village" are those of great surprise that a virtual leader of a party in the province wouldso far forget himself as to be so tactless even if that was what he thought of the city of Prince Rupert. Inasmuch as he visited Prince Rupert to meet and confer with the adherents of his own party and as these were probably the great majority of the citizens of the town that he did see, he is not paying them a very delicate compliment when he states that it was a "Siwash Village." His followers in other towns and villages of the north might be interested to know what his reaction was to the other places he visited.

Monday was nomination dav in Smithers when Returning Officer W. S. Henry was on hand to receive nominations for candidates for Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of L. H. Kenney who has served his full term of three years. The only nomination papers received were those of the retiring Commissioner and L. H. Kenney was declared elected for a further term of three years by acclamation. The two other commissioners on the Board are Harvey Davies and Charles Morris.

PRINCE GEORGE

J. B. Macdonald, who has been in charge of the test ing work for the Tabor Creek Placers Ltd. on Six Mile Creek fifteen miles south of Prince George during the past seasn, left on Monday for a three weeks' visit to Vancouver. As a result of the past summer's work, Mr. Macdonald reports satisfaction with the ground upon which preliminary work is continuing. It is expected that there will be a major placer operation on the property next season. While in Vancouver, Mr. Macdonald will consult with his associates in regard to the possibility of extending operations to other placer and lode gold ground in the vicinity of Prince George.

Good angling may still be enjoyed on Cluculz Lake near here. Ivor Guest, Bob Guest, Phil Quinn and Hugh Docherty visited there at the first of last week and reeled in thirty fine rainbow trout and an eight-pound char. There was not even shore ice in Cluculz then, Mr. Guest reported.

A very successful dance was held on Friday night by the Prince George branch of the Monkman Pass Highway Association. The Junior Chamber of Commerce cooperated.

Classes under the Dominion-provincial youth training plan are being held in Prince George this week under the direction of Kenneth Carle.

Dan Palumbo of Smithers, who has just returned from a trip to California, was a visitor in Prince George for a couple of days last week.

Two well known and popular Prince George families were joined last Tuesday when Miss Hazel Arnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. I. Arnett, became the bride of Carl Wedemeyer, only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Wedemeyer. Rev. Evan Fullerton performed the ceremony at the United Church Manse. Attendants of the couple were Miss Dorothy Lawlor and Harold Arnett. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Wedemeyer will reside in Prince George.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McCorkell have arrived here from Fort St. James and will take up residence for the winter months in the home of Mrs. M. Perkins.

STEWART

G. B. Banta and C. J. Rhode of the Alaska Forestry Service were visitors in Stewart and Hyder last week in the course of an official tour. They were making the trip on their own power boat, inspecting timber stands along the shore line as they went.

P. S. Jack, Canadian National Express agent at Stewart, is now comfortably installed in new quarters in the Falconer building.

Mrs. John McLeod and daughter have returned to Stewart after spending several weeks visiting in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Skeltness have moved into the Jackson House on Columbia Street in Stewart.

Rev. E. W. Slater, travelling missionary for the Anglican Church, held services in Stewart last Sunday and has now gone to Anyox and Alice Arm to conduct services there.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Johnson will be leaving Premier shortly to take up future residence at Burnaby, Vancouver, the change becoming necessary in view of Mr. Johnson's

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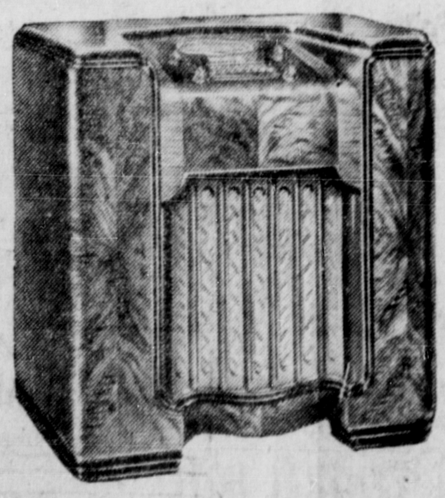
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