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Christmas Happy Day when Rupert Was Young

Optimist, Then Daily News Recall Some Happy Incidents of Pioneer Yuletides

(By W.J.R.)
There always was time even when Prince Rupert new to make the most of Christmas and enjoy the festivities to the fullest possible extent. The niceties of an older and more discriminating might have been lacking but it is indeed questionable if anywhere else in Canada was Christmas

forward to with more real celebration and spent with merriment than here in the early days. True of the first year celebration which was 1910, thousand comprised the town but all were young and very much alive.

Evjan, Guy Phipps, Muriel Patmore, and Jack Humble. Assisting in supervision and instruction were Miss E. Holtby, Mrs. D. McLeod, Miss Sawie, Mrs. Phipps, Alma Christensen, Miss Jewel Garton, Mrs. Humble, Miss A. Sutherland, Mrs. J. McIntyre and Rev. F. W. Kerr.

The Optimist directs attention to a page of Christmas suggestions offered by leading merchants and business men including Martin O'Reilly, Lynen Brothers, Frank D. Keeley, Stalker & Wells, C. B. Schrieber & Co., C. B. Wark, George D. Tite, J. S. Gray & Son, R. W. Cameron & Co., H. B. Campbell, C. H. Orme, Julius Levy, Mrs. Frizzell, H. Hoffman, H. S. Wallace & Co., Jabour Brothers Sloan & Co. Best buy early!

With unsparing energy, Ensign & Mrs. Johnstone, Captain Kerr and Lieut. Wright have devoted themselves to the work of making the Salvation Army Christmas dinner the success it deserves to be.

Fifteen thousand sacks of mail have been handled here this year, the pioneer newspaper, predecessor of the Daily News, reports.

Deep in discussing the li-

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At Christmas

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MOTHERS ARE "AT HOME" FOR THEIR DAUGHTERS

Mrs. C. A. Berner and Mrs. H. S. Parker Joint Hostesses at Home of Former

Two well known and popular Prince Rupert girls who now reside in Eastern Canada were guests of honor with their mothers as hostesses late yesterday afternoon when Mrs. C. A. Berner and Mrs. H. S. Parker were at home in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Berner Pacific Place, for Mrs. Robert Winship of Niagara Falls and Miss Leona Parker of Ottawa. Many guests called during the afternoon to meet and renew acquaintances with the two charming young ladies.

You Saw it in The News.

censing Bylaw, the city council held the last meeting before Christmas in 1910, remaining in session until almost midnight. Two strangers, mumbling and stumbling, staggered in. They wanted two glasses of beer. Mayor Stork gently explained that the council chamber was not a bar and Ald. Pattullo piloted the thirsty visitors outside.

The council made a donation of \$1,000 to the hospital for Christmas.

That Christmas Eve saw one rather serious accident. A Swede named Eric Ericson stumbled at the Royal Hotel corner and fell heavily. Dr. W. T. Kergin treated a badly bashed head. The victim did not spend a Merry Christmas.

The Christmas party given by Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis H. McLeod to members of the Choral Society at their home on Ambrose Avenue was a most happy occasion. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamblin, Mr. and Mrs. James Carmichael, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dunn, Mrs.

THIS AND THAT



"This is the living room. We're having it done over in Early American."

Stork, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Frank Derry, the Misses Holtby, Mr. Davey, Miss Froud, Mr. Froud, Mr. Scott, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Wilford and Miss Barber.

CHRISTMAS 1913

Christmas 1913, three years later, reflects the steady drive of progress and spirit of optimism when world wars were unthinkable and there was peace on earth. Says The Daily News:

"The Christmas entertainment in the Methodist Church drew a capacity audience. George Waddell arranged the fine program. Miss Eason was organist. Among others taking part were Mrs. Hamblin, Ted Ling, Alex Clapperton and J. L. Evans.

"It is easy to see how quickly Prince Rupert is growing, and now this will become a city of homes," said R. L. MacIntosh, post master, speaking of the 1913 Christmas rush. The Princess Beatrix brought in 130

sacks at one time. Mail matter was "piled to the ceiling" and there was a staff of twelve.

More than 200 men were busy at dry dock construction where steel work has just commenced, the contract being held by Poole & Dean. Scores more of workers were busy with excavations, under McDougall. The cement chimney, which was to stand 185 feet, was now up 60 feet.

There were only four arrests for drunkenness on Christmas Eve, 1913. That was a light record and no one disputes the statement.

EARLY BUFFONERY

The earliest record of an "April Fools Day" was in England in 1713.

AID FOR CUT FLOWERS

Drop cubes of ice into the flower vase to help keep the water cool in a heated room.

ONTARIO RUSTLING

Saskatchewan Newspaper Says Eastern Cattle Thefts Small Time

NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask. — Many a western lip curled in scorn when recent news dispatches told of "cattle rustlers" operating in eastern Ontario. Throwing a few cows into a two-ton truck and speeding off into the night isn't, in the western view, cattle rustling. It's plain theft.

The North Battleford Optimist expressed western thought when, discussing operations of cow thieves near Cornwall, Ont., it editorially took to task those who term such overall-clad, truck-driving thieves "cattle rustlers."

In the view of this weekly newspaper such stealthy, small-time thefts are "enough to make an old-time, honest-to-goodness cattle runner turn over in his grave and reach for a rope to help string 'em up himself."

Appealing to newspapers and news agencies "not to help muddy the pages of the glorious history of the great open spaces by dignifying their operations as 'cattle rustling,'" the Optimist's editorial continued:

"The way these piddling cattle thieves operate would bring a sneer to the lips of a rustler of the old, old west who had any pride in his occupation and reputation. They wouldn't know what it was to hand over a thousand head of steers, make a real clean-up and gallop off to hide-out or another range with the sheriff and his posse shooting the air full of holes behind them."

Walter J. Gilhooly, the Optimist's president and author of the editorial, is a doughty westerner, albeit a recent one. He left his native Ottawa just a year ago last spring.

ANCIENT HAND-PRESS

In China the classics were cut into tablets which were printed by hand in 175 A.D.

Greetings at Christmas Time

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Once again Christmas is upon us - we know it is good, and we like it - but perhaps we take it too much for granted. Let's reflect for a moment upon this greatest of Christian festivals: what it is, and what it can mean.

It is more than just a day or season - more than a festive holiday - more than another day of worship. It is a time for nostalgic reverie: a time for personal stocktaking - a time for gratitude and for appreciation - a time for giving and a time to forgive. Above all it is a time for tolerance and for humility.

It is also a state of mind and of being - it is the spirit of friendship, of "Peace on Earth; Goodwill Toward Men". It is the symbol of faith and hope for the whole world.

Christmas is all these things wrapped into one; and it is in that fullness of meaning that we of Standard of B.C. wish for you and yours a hopeful, joyful Christmas.

Cordially yours,
R. D. Baker
Ralph D. Baker
President

GREETINGS

May all the joys and pleasures of the Yuletide be yours this Christmas.

And may the New Year be one of abundant good health and good fortune.

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