

by the Prince... Caldwell, arrived in port at 11 o'clock yesterday morning from Vancouver, Westview and Ocean Falls and sailed at midnight for Prince Rupert. Capt. Caldwell will be transferring from the Prince George to the Prince Rupert. F. W. Chandler, another city pioneer, has been taken to the Prince Rupert General Hospital to receive treatment for a heart condition.

Gyros Hear Of Strange Land

Rev. Charles L. Lomas Speaker at Yesterday's Luncheon

Seven hundred miles inland from Nigeria's port of Lagos lies an isolated country of West Africa populated by a strange and primitive people whose life and customs were the basis of an intriguing descriptive story which the Prince Rupert Gyro Club heard at luncheon yesterday from Rev. Charles L. Lomas, skipper of the Anglican mission boat, Northern Cross, who was a padre in that part of the world in World War II.

Little known to the outside world as it may be today, these states of northern Nigeria have a known history dating back 1000 years and a civilization of their own which is traceable through the centuries by the records of their own script. Principal among the cities in that land of tropical jungle is Kano, economic centre of a nation which also has a currency of its own and whose main export is 240,000 tons of peanuts a year. It is a land of long dry summers and hot rains.

It was Mr. Lomas' description of strange and almost barbaric customs (the people are traditionally Mohammedan although Christianity has been introduced in recent years) that proved of particular interest. He told of the primitive medicines made from dried animals, the seclusion of wives including the daughters of the Emir with their strange beauty, the houses of seasoned clay smeared with mica which are impenetrable even by rifle fire, the rampance of murder and the disposal of the dead.

After hearing Mr. Lomas' discourse, the Gyros said they could have listened to much more and they invited the speaker to come back and continue his story. The speaker was introduced by J. S. Lindsay and was thanked by Dr. K. G. Large.

The meeting observed a minute silence out of respect to the memory of the late Arnold Flaten who passed away a few days ago in Victoria.

President A. J. Domingos was in the chair and E. S. Gladding was a guest.

Stanley Saville of Prince Rupert and A. M. Patterson of Prince George are central and northern British Columbia representatives on the executive committee of the Red Cross in connection with the organization for the forthcoming annual appeal for funds. Hon. E. W. Hamber, Chancellor of the University of British Columbia and former Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, is chairman.

News of Francois Lake

Mild weather is welcome and has given people a chance to sleep the night through without having to get up and replenish fires. Loaded trucks with lumber are crossing the lake day and night. Timbers have been hauled down ready for the building of the new wharf.

Sam Shaffer has returned from Edmonton where he had his periodical medical check-up.

At the annual Farmers' Institute meeting the officers were re-elected as follows: President, Neil Kelly; Secretary Treasurer, J. Keefe; Vice President, C. Corliss; Directors—J. Stretch and C. Snyder.

Mrs. J. Henkel is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. O'Mears, at Alameda, and expects to be away for two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Antilla were in Prince Rupert last week, having left hurriedly after hearing of the death of Mrs. Antilla's father, Robert, Gordon.

Architects Busy—

Plans For New Hotel

With Apartment Project, Will Cost Three-Quarters of Million Dollars

Plans for the new Charles M. Hays hotel at Prince Rupert are now in course of preparation by Architect William K. Noppe, Nicola Street, Vancouver. It will have fifty rooms and cost about \$500,000. A five storey structure, it will contain on the ground floor, a lobby, dining room, coffee shop, ball room, theatre and stores. A club room will be in the area below the ground level.

Mr. Noppe is also planning conversion of the former United States army building on First Avenue into an apartment block. This will provide for sixty suites, the work to cost \$220,000.

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Red Cross Drive Being Planned

Planning for the annual drive for funds for the continued work of mercy will be included in the business for the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society which will be held tonight. Meantime Campaign Chairman Stanley Saville is asking for volunteer canvassers to operate in a block system details of which are to be arranged. Annual reports will also be presented tonight and officers elected. Present officers are R. A. Morley, president; H. A. Green, secretary, and Stanley Saville, treasurer.

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