

The B.C. Budget

It was known that the provincial government was living up to its income but few would have imagined that an increase in taxes would come through the gasoline taxes. The tax on gasoline today is ten cents. At the end of March it will be 13, and since the operators are to increase their price by one cent the unfortunate motorist will be paying an extra four cents.

He will not like it, since he looks upon the gasoline tax as an imposition. It is probably no more unfair than the sales tax in these days when most everyone has a car, it will affect the cost of doing business in many ways and this will result in further price rises.

Apart from that, the provincial budget is very much as can be expected. There is an increase of \$8 million but this is accounted for by increases in 22 departments and a decrease in three. Because work on the Trans-Canada Highway is almost

finished, it is possible for the Department of Highways to cut its estimates by 3 1/2 million dollars, but this saving is counter-balanced by an increase in education estimates of nearly \$7 million while Hospital Insurance calls for nearly \$1.2 million more.

Is the increased expenditure justifiable? It is perturbing to find that there is no brake on rising expenditures, though this may not be the fault of the government. There have been loud outcries for increased expenditure by members of the opposition and the public in many directions and we can't expect government to do more without having to pay for it.

Among the three departments with a decrease in estimates is that of Mines, which is asking for \$446,041 less than last year. We trust this does not mean that the government feels the department is not of great importance.

Twilight of Anticolonialism

A thought occurs as one watches the splendor and enthusiasm with which India, and now Pakistan, have welcomed Queen Elizabeth II: the world may be witnessing the twilight of anticolonialism.

Since World War II, a major message sweeping the earth has been the "twilight of colonialism" — the end of Western rule over great expanses of Asia and, more recently, Africa. The newly independent or about-to-be-independent nations have been riding the crest of what has been termed "anticolonialism."

Now, with the British visit to the subcontinent, we may be entering a new phase. For the first time, anticolonialism seems beside the point. India and Pakistan are too busy — building, Britain is able and willing to help them. To rehearse old enmities now would be sheer waste of time. There is just too much to be done.

Significantly, the Chinese Com-

munist press carried the small and simple item that the Queen had arrived in South Asia, and later followed with the view that the visit to India re-emphasizes China's suspicion that India is "basically imperialistic and reactionary."

In Britain, Lord Birdwood asked the House of Lords if there was "any hope of publicity of the royal tour reaching the public in Moscow or Prague." He said he feared the Communists might present the tour "as a kind of imperial plot."

It is obvious that relations between all ex-colonies and their one-time rulers are not so cordial as those between Britain and India, and Britain and Pakistan. The "doctrine" of anticolonialism will probably be with us for an indefinite period.

But we have seen in South Asia how rapid change, new situations — and a desire to build — can cause formerly sharp concepts of hostility to blur and then pass away.

—Christian Science Monitor.

Being Fair to Safe Driver

For years it has been evident to those who would read the statistics that much the greater number of serious automobile accidents are caused by a small minority of drivers. Each year in most states the liability insurance rates creep higher and higher — reflecting largely the damage done by a relatively few reckless, incompetent, or immature drivers.

For a long time it was considered hopeless to try to identify these motorists and weed them out or make them pay insurance rates comparable to the losses they cause. But insurance companies are showing that some discernment in this aspect of rate-making is entirely possible.

On the West Coast, an experimental "merit plan" put into effect by 200 companies with official approval last year has been revised to make it even easier on drivers with good two-year records and to penalize more stiffly the driver prone to serious traffic violations such as drunken or hit-and-run driving.

Now companies belonging to the National Bureau of Casualty Underwriters are introducing in New York State a rate structure also using demerits for law violations or responsibility for accidents. Under it they estimate that 67 of an average 100 drivers will get a 10 per cent discount from the basic premium, 21 drivers will pay 10 per cent more, and 10 of the hundred will pay a penalty of 30 per cent or higher.

The justice of such a plan de-

pends in part on the fairness of law enforcement. If that is lax, it must be improved. But merit ratings should be installed as fast and as broadly as a sound base is laid for them; for they are clearly in the interest of the preponderant decent majority of drivers. —Christian Science Monitor.

Letters to The Editor

Letters to the editor on any topic of genuine interest are welcome if they are brief, accurate and fair. They may be published over a nom de plume, but the name of the writer must be given to the Editor as evidence of good faith. Anonymous letters go into the wastebasket. Typewritten letters must be double-spaced.

Criminal to Flood Lands, Says Writer

To the Editor: Without knowing too much about either dams or the Arrow Lakes it seems to me criminal to flood valuable agricultural, recreational or habitable land mainly for the benefit of another country — regardless of the benefits either in kilowatts or cash. Does anyone imagine that U.S.A. would flood one acre of sagebrush, displace one prairie-chicken or surrender control of even their two smallest rivers for one year, for a project to benefit Canada? I think not. And they would be quite right not to do so. But the Columbia Treaty offers them control of two of our largest rivers for a period of 80 to 100 years and involves flooding of our good lands, homes and communities. This destruction, incidentally, to be paid for by the victim.

Do we love our own country?
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Gems of Thought

"GIFTS OF SPRING"

Many and beautiful are the gifts of spring, not the least of which is the silent suggestion of the omnipotence of life. — Sam Campbell.

Spring passes over mountain and meadow, waking up the world. — Mary Baker Eddy.

Spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil. — Reginald Heber.

Spring hangs her infant blossoms on the trees, rocked in the cradle of the west-ern breeze. — William Cowper.

June reared that bunch of flowers you carry.
From seeds of April's sowing.
— Robert Browning.

With the calm patience of the woods I wait
For leaf and blossom when God gives us Spring!
— John Greenleaf Whittier

F. B. Pearce... ...Writes

The local branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association is sponsoring a series of lectures under the heading, "The Adventure of Marriage." They may be very valuable. I don't know and I don't propose to find out but I think all young people should attend the lectures. Not that I think they may take all the good advice. Young people are like that. When I proffer advice all I get is, "Oh, don't be so old-fashioned, grandpa," which does not stimulate one to the best possible efforts, and convinces me that they are just as obstinate as we were when we were young.

Punch's advice given so long ago is still good. He said "To those about to marry. Don't." So much misery might well have been avoided if more people had taken that advice and thought first before embarking on the stormy sea of matrimony.

North Americans still romantically believe in love at first sight. Unfortunately they have lost the spiritual side of love. They don't think of love as a feeling apart from sex, a desire to be with a person, to enjoy his or her company and feel an urge of pleasure at the sight of the other, to enjoy a community of spirit which has nothing to do with sex and to have a lifetime of regard for the other.

Instead, with all the emphasis on sex, love to most young people we are led to believe, is simply a matter of jumping into bed with one another. I don't believe that, simply because I cannot believe that the girls I have taught are all built that way. Nevertheless, that is what we are led to believe.

It is no wonder that marriages do not last very long if that is their basis. Youth goes and desire fails and if it flares up it is not because of a lack of sex but because the spiritual side has died. Love doesn't die and affection never fades if both parties in marriage unselfishly put the other partner first.

That is not so easy as it sounds. As the years go on, children come and they can quite unconsciously oust one parent or the other. Money is always a source of anxiety and troubles multiply. It is hard to keep a cheerful face but on that depends the success of marriage.

There can be no real happiness in a marriage unless each partner feels wanted. The poet was right when he said a man should compass his beloved about with loving observances — a swift hug, a pat or a kiss and not the perfunctory remembering of anniversaries.

Tenderness is an essential to a good marriage and many a woman needs to remember that actions speak louder than words and how she runs her home may show how far she puts her husband first. The sweet words, "Honey, do this" often cover a disregard of the other partner — a somewhat unconscious contemptuousness which treats him like a child. A woman can suffer from a lack of tenderness and so can a man.

The Gentle Muse

A writer owned an Asterisk. And kept it in his den. When he wrote tales (which had large sales) Of frail and erring men; And always, when he reached the point Where carping censors lurk, He called upon the Asterisk To do his dirty work.

—Stoddard King.



EINAR V. RECHNITZER, who has been elected president of the Canadian Advertising Advisory Board. The board was established jointly by the Association of Canadian Advertisers and the Canadian Association of Advertising Agencies to act as an advertising counsel in the national interest. Mr. Rechnitzer is president of MacLaren Advertising Co. Limited and a past president of the Canadian Association of Advertising Agencies.

Four Provinces Free of Highway Deaths

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Four provinces were free of highway deaths from Friday night through Sunday but multiple fatalities in Ontario kept Canada's figure up to average for a winter weekend.

Twenty-three drivers, passengers and pedestrians perished across the country from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Sunday, a Canadian Press survey shows. Three Ontario fire deaths, two drownings in British Columbia, three accidental deaths in Alberta and two cases of asphyxiation in Quebec brought the total to 33.

Ontario had 13 deaths in traffic accidents, including three that took two lives each. Five persons were killed in Quebec, two in Nova Scotia and one each in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

The count includes fatalities in normal holiday activities, including industrial accidents, slayings and known suicides.

Exonerate Two Teachers In Strapping

NIAGARA ON THE LAKE, Ont. (CP) — The board of education has exonerated two teachers following complaints from parents about a strapping incident at Parliament Oak Public School.

The board at a special meeting ruled that teachers John M. Coltart and Richard Nightingale had "acted within their jurisdiction" in strapping a girl and nine boys.

The strappings were administered when Mr. Coltart discovered spitballs had been thrown around his grade eight classroom while he was out.

Olive Morrison, 14, had said she was strapped to make her name the boys.

Mr. Coltart called that "fantastic" and said she was "punished for her part in the misdemeanor." He said she was given six strokes on the hands.

Mrs. Margaret Morgan, board chairman, said the board's management committee found no basis for charges against the teachers.

Aunt Het



I guess I'll never get over being sentimental. I still like to get a few valentines, even if Pa forgets and I have to depend on the grandchildren.

Shopping Mall Not Always Popular With Canadians

By JOHN LABLANC Canadian Press Staff Writer

The shopping mall is making dubious progress in Canada.

This European import was tried out on varying scales — mostly limited and with different degrees of success in five communities during 1960.

A cross-Canada survey by The Canadian Press indicates that this year will see even more limited use of the mall as a means of boosting business by barring motor traffic from downtown areas and dressing them up for shoppers.

Present plans call for not more than four communities to experiment with the often-controversial mall in 1961. And it's not certain that Ottawa — the only one that made a big production of it last year — will do it again.

Ottawa's mall operated for 3 1/2 months last summer. Others 3 1/2 months last summer. Others Timmins, and Peterborough in Ontario, ran between three days and three hours.

SOME INDOORS

A variation of the mall came into operation in London, Ont., where a building housing a restaurant was banks of stores on either side was opened. Construction is to start this spring on a similar establishment in Halifax.

In Ottawa, uptown Sparks Street a few yards off Parliament Hill was transformed into a strollers' island for three blocks with potted trees and plants, a fountain and pool and jaily-colored benches and canopies.

There were sidewalk cafes, band concerts and outdoor fashion shows. It cost \$80,000, split evenly between the city and merchants on the street.

A recent official report termed the mall a business success, and a civic committee's poll of 2,000 Ottawans found 88.8 per cent of them wanting the mall to become permanent.

Sales were up as high as 34 per cent over the same 1959 period in some cases, and in general volume on the mall was "proportionately greater than in Ottawa as a whole or in Ontario."

But there are dissenters. Forty-six owners or tenants of Sparks street properties have filed a petition opposing another mall. One of these is George H. Nelms, who was mayor last year and whose optical business is in the mall area.

JEWELER UNHAPPY

On the other hand, 41 others in the Sparks Street Development Association have petitioned the city for permission to operate again.

A main complaint is lack of nearby parking, and the unhappiest are those dealing with the carriage trade.

"There are crowds but you can't sell diamonds on a midway," one jeweler grumbled. But merchants on Rideau Street, separated from Sparks by Confederation Square, are drafting plans for an even more

ambitious project, at a cost of \$1,000,000.

Not properly a mall, this would involve letting traffic flow through this arterial section, but the sidewalks would be covered, colored, heated and widened. The street would be extensively landscaped and store fronts dolled up, and wiring would be placed underground.

The plan is still under study.

WILL TRY AGAIN

Nanaimo, on Vancouver Island, was the only community outside Ontario to stage a mall last year — its first. It operated for three days in the heart of downtown section, with about 30 stores participating. A sidewalk cafe, a few benches and some inexpensive trimmings constituted the decor.

Nuclear Attack Survival Book Soon Off Press

OTTAWA (CP) — A survival booklet written for use by individuals in the event of nuclear attack soon will come off the government presses.

The 32-page booklet is being prepared in the Emergency Measures Organization, the federal agency co-ordinating civil defence preparations. It is expected to be ready for distribution in April.

A spokesman said Monday the booklet will contain information on nuclear explosions, protection against fallout, and among other things — the public announcements that can be expected on an emergency radio system.

West Germany's "Al Capone" Gives Self Up

LABRECHT, West Germany (Reuters) — A man who called himself Germany's "Al Capone" surrendered to police Monday, ending the biggest manhunt in the history of the Rhineland-Palatinate province.

Hundreds of armed police joined the search for Bernhard Kimmel, 24, who escaped four days ago while showing police a secret woodland cache.

Kimmel — arrested three weeks ago in connection with a slaying — pulled a sub-machine from the cache, fired a burst at police and escaped with his fiancée, Gilli Dohn, 19, who also had been ordered to the spot.

Early this morning, Kimmel and his fiancée came out of the woods, completely exhausted, and meekly surrendered to police at their native village of Lambrecht.

Gov't Means To Make Oil Policy Work Says Fleming

CALGARY (CP) — The government intends to make its new oil policy work or find one that does, Finance Minister Fleming bluntly warned the Canadian petroleum industry Monday.

"To succeed... we shall need a sincere effort and the full co-operation from all interested," Fleming said of the program to have the industry voluntarily boost Canadian production of crude oil and liquid petroleum gases to 800,000 barrels daily in 1963.

"We are determined to make this program work. We are hopeful that this co-operation will be forthcoming in the full measure required and that it will not become necessary to fall back on a mandatory system of government regulations."

Mr. Fleming was speaking to the Kiwanis Club of downtown Calgary.

He had a special word for the large international companies dominating the Canadian oil industry.

"I have in mind here not only the fact of extensive government regulations in many oil exporting and importing countries," Mr. Fleming said, "but also the fact that the large international oil companies are quite naturally inclined to pursue production and marketing policies which reflect their global interests as distinct from the special needs and circumstances of the particular country in which

they have subsidiary operations."

Mr. Fleming said he believes the various production targets — 621,000 barrels daily by mid-1961 and 640,000 at the end of the year compared with some 530,000 barrels during 1960 — can be reached on a sound economic basis. There was no forced pace involved in the government decision to expand production.

STUNTS GROWTH

"On the contrary, we believe that there are artificial impediments which are stunting its growth and in the national interest we are determined to remove these impediments by bringing to bear the influence of

Gas Fire Destroys Bowling Alley

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A gas-fed fire has destroyed a bowling alley on downtown Eighth Street.

Manager Ralph Zintz estimated the gas at \$350,000. He said the 21-alley, two-storey building was only partly insured.

Every fireman in the city was called to fight the blaze. They were hampered by the fact that city workmen could not turn off gas from a pipe entering the building for almost an hour. ing rooming house were evacuated during the fire. Three firemen were treated for smoke exposure.



D. E. KILGOUR, President of the Great-West Life Assurance Company, reported record sales of \$667 million in 1960 to the company's 69th annual meeting held at the head office, Winnipeg.

Pick Guardian As Leading Foreign Paper

NEW YORK (CP) — The Guardian of Manchester was picked as the leading foreign newspaper in a poll of United States newspaper publishers.

Edward Bernays, a public relations counsellor here, conducted the poll and released the results Sunday.

The other top foreign papers picked by the publishers were, in order: The Times, London; La Prensa, Buenos Aires; The Star, Toronto; The Daily Telegraph, London; Le Monde, Paris; and Mainichi, Tokyo; The Observer, London; and France-Soir, Paris; Asahi, Tokyo; and The Star, Montreal.

German Bishop Says Church's Fight Grim

BERLIN (Reuters) — Bishop Otto Dibelius, chairman of the all-German Evangelical (Protestant) Church, said today the church is fighting a "life or death" battle against Communist attempts to impose political conditions on it.

The 80-year-old Bishop of Berlin was making a two-hour report to the all-German church synod which began a critical five-day meeting in West Berlin.

He said the church was "unable to regard as serious" assurances from East German Communists that they want a positive relation with the church and are not trying to split it.

East German border police at the Brandenburg Gate Sunday night barred six West German bishops and about 30 other churchmen and laymen from entering East Berlin to attend the synod's opening service there Sunday.

The synod was originally due to have met in East Berlin for its five-day session, but transferred the meeting to West Berlin after the East German authorities barred it.

East German Communist Leader Walter Ulbricht last week attacked several German Protestant bishops as "NATO politicians disguised in church cloth" and said they had "no business in East Germany or its capital."

The Western allies issued a statement Sunday night condemning the East German moves as "an obvious attempt to disturb the Berlin situation by interfering with the basic human right of freedom of worship."



"We like the new neighborhood, but the first day here Hubert got clipped the welcoming committee's ca



POWER SHOVEL loads truck with high-grade copper ore at site of old Victoria Mine, now operated by Swift Copper Mines, Ltd.

Former Victoria Mine Reopening

Swift Copper Mines, Ltd., Developing Mine at Beasley

Preparation for reopening of the pioneer Queen Victoria copper mine seven miles west of Nelson is under way.

Employment for an estimated 125 men will be provided, when operating at full capacity, officials of Swift Copper Mines, Ltd., announce.

R. J. Cook, M.Sc., F.G.S., geologist in charge of field operations, H. E. Derrough, superintendent of the Nelson area, and W. D. Savage, prospector of considerable experience in B. C., gave their views on the potential of the mine and mill operation in an interview in Nelson.

The work is being financed by

Science Now Shrinks Piles Without Pain or Discomfort

Finds Substance That Relieves Pain, And Itching As It Shrinks Hemorrhoids

Toronto, Ont. (Special)—For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the ability to shrink hemorrhoids and to relieve pain and itching. Thousands have been relieved with this inexpensive substance right in the privacy of their own home without any discomfort or inconvenience.

In case after case, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction (shrinkage) took place. Most amazing of all—results were so thorough that sufferers made statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!"

The secret is a new healing substance (Bio-Dyne)—discovery of a famous scientific institute. Now this new healing substance is offered in suppository or ointment form called Preparation H. Ask for it at all drug stores—money back guarantee.

M. H. Carr, Eymour Investments Ltd., Toronto, and associates.

Initial geological surveys of the site were begun in May, 1960, and actual development work, under supervision of Mr. Derrough, was started the first week in December. During the course of this work, a 12-foot-wide vein of high grade ore was discovered and as a result the scope of operations will now be enlarged. A bulldozer and a large compressor, capable of handling five drilling machines, are expected next week.

Stockpiling of high-grade ore has been going on since early December.

SHIP TO TACOMA

This will be shipped for smelting to the American Smelting and Refining Company in Tacoma, Wash., which has contracted to process all high-grade ore and eventually the concentrate from the mill.

The property claimed by the company at present embraces 350 acres, in two closely situated locations. A new find, which Mr. Cook and Mr. Derrough feel shows good potential, was made last summer 700 feet west of the present operation.

At present the operation will consist of some necessary preparatory work, due to the location of the site as left by former operations. Then the company will embark on a program of development work in order to prove-up tonnages of ore sufficient to justify reopening of the mill.

Until further development has taken place, it is difficult, said Mr. Derrough, to ascertain just what type of mining will be carried on. When more development work has been completed and it is possible to get a better picture on the disposition of the ore, a decision will be made as to what method of mining will be instituted. It can take the form of strip mining or adits (tunnels) and stops may be used. When this point is reached the greatest labor force of approximately 75 men will be employed in mining operations alone.

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MAY REOPEN MILL

"Recent developments indicate definite possibilities of developing sufficient tonnage to justify reopening the Kenville mill," said Derrough, but he did not feel he had enough information available to make any realistic assessment of what the average percentage of copper in the ore will be. However, he did state that when and if the mill goes into operation, the company could operate quite profitably with an ore content of two percent copper.

The copper sulphides found at the mine are mainly calcopyrite and some bornite (a material containing roughly 50 percent copper). The ore also carries low values of gold and silver.

The Kenville mill, which Swift Copper Mines has an option to buy has an assessed value of \$400,000. J. H. M. Greenwood, Nelson Machinery Co. in a partnership, has estimated cost of rehabilitation for a current operation would not exceed \$2,000. He further states that the mill, plant, equipment, buildings and state of repair is excellent.

Running on a 24-hour basis the mill would employ between 12 and 30 men, depending on the number engaged in sorting the high-grade ore before it goes into the crusher.

Power, water and good roads are nearby. The present capacity of the mill, which is equipped with flotation cells for copper and also some equipment for extracting gold and silver, is 250 tons a day. It is the opinion of Mr. Derrough and Mr. Cook that present capacity could be doubled or even tripled with the installation of additional grinding units, for which there is plenty of room.

Mr. Derrough said statements as to when the mill would be opened would follow three or four months of further development.

The Queen Victoria mine was

discovered in 1890, and shipped 3,500 tons of ore grading 2.6 percent copper in 1907. A further 2,689 tons was shipped in 1911, with an average grade of 2.1 percent copper. The average grade of gold and silver per ton was .01 and 0.6, respectively.

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Spuds Rank High In K-B District

Slightly less than one-quarter of the 866,677 hundred-pound sacks of potatoes in storage in British Columbia, or 89,095 hundred-pound sacks, were grown in the Kootenays, Grand Forks and Midway districts, the Canada Department of Agriculture report of Feb. 1 stated.

Of the three districts' total one-half the potatoes, or 42,295 hundred pound sacks, were grown in the Kootenay district.

The Feb. 1 storage report shows that 1349 boxes of cold apples, 175 boxes of common apples, and 24 boxes of pears, grown in the Kootenay district, are in storage.

In the province as a whole, 1,130,271 boxes of cold apples, 27,398 boxes of common apples, and 12,801 boxes of pears, were in storage on Feb. 1.

Vegetables in storage in the three districts compared to the B. C. totals as follows: Onions, Kootenay, 478 bushels; Grand Forks-Midway, 200 bushels; B. C., 14,016 bushels; carrots, Kootenay, 523 bushels; Grand Forks-Midway, 400 bushels; B. C., 12,676 bushels; cabbage, Kootenay, 223 bushels; Grand Forks-Midway, B. C., 4636 bushels; and celery, Kootenay, 87 crates; Grand Forks-Midway 0, and B. C., 2103 crates.

4th Annual Derby...

Invermere Man Wins With 27-Inch Ling

INVERMERE — Top prize money of \$50 at the fourth annual ling derby sponsored by the Lake Windermere Rod and Gun Club Sunday was won by John Sprague of Invermere for his 27-inch ling. Second prize went to Pat Bavin of Windermere, who ling measured 22 1/2 inches and third to Terry Lim of Invermere with a 22 1/2 inch ling. Measuring of the winning ling

was done by game warden Jack MacKillop, with Percy Dean of Windermere, derby convener, announcing the winners. Miss Carrol Godlien of Wilmer, Miss Windermere Valley, presented the prizes. Four planes from Cranbrook landed and took off the sightseers on Lake Windermere with ice 18 inches thick. Perfect weather marked the day.

Fruitvale Council Ponders...

Many Problems Thrashed Out In Two Consecutive Meetings

FRUITVALE — The regular semi-monthly meeting of the village commission extended over two evenings as most of council's time was taken up with various delegations on matters that ranged from village equipment and finances to sewer easements and garbage collection outside the village area.

The first delegation to meet with council was made up of six members, headed by the local postmaster, J. D. Morissette, and it discussed first the idea of council's to sell the village loader and contract all loader work. The delegation felt that the village would lose money by doing this and that a loader was a necessary piece of equipment in the village.

Council assured the delegation that it did not intend to dispose of the machine at a loss but stated that except for the last two months when it had been used fairly steadily because of breakdown of the grader, the running time on the loader consisted of time spent moving between the garage and the gravel pit, and from one job to another, with little actual operating time for each job.

Council was then questioned as to why custom work could not make the machine pay for itself. Council stated that municipal administration did not include custom work, especially in view of the fact that there were several firms holding trades licenses to do loader work in the village and which had machines available.

Council was asked why the garbage collection service was not extended to residents outside the village area or at least why permission could not be granted to residents to use the village dump. Council stated that in previous years such service had been carried on outside the village area but that it had to be discontinued because the village could not enforce collection of fees and was losing money on the arrangement.

It was learned at this time that the Fruitvale Waterworks District was investigating the possibility of starting garbage collection outside the village.

SEE SAVING

Council also informed the delegation that its reason for investigating garbage collection on contract was that it considered a good-sized sum of the taxpayers' money could be saved this way and still provide the same service that is being offered at the present time. The delegation then questioned council on the matter of \$8000 that was spent out of the general revenue last year on the sewer system.

Council informed the delegation that their information was not correct and that they should visit the office during working hours and the clerk would explain the financing of the sewer system and give them the correct information.

Council was also questioned on why the hard-topping program should commence on Columbia Garden Road instead of some other part of the village. Council assured them that this was the best point at which to start because it is a secondary highway and the Department of Highways shares in the cost to the extent of 50 per cent.

Another property owner met with council to discuss an easement the village requires to service an adjoining subdivision with sewers. It was also discussed at this time that a proper access must soon take the place of the temporary access he has granted residents of the subdivision who are presently crossing his property by means of his driveway. He explained to council the possibility of another access which would involve a change in the subdivision plan itself; council will meet with him in the near future to look this over before giving approval to such a road.

A delegation from the Rotary Club in the persons of J. MacKay and K. Monk outlined their project of house numbering in the village. They showed a map with the system roughed in and received several suggestions from the commissioners.

Council agreed to supply them with a map or tracing from which all block numbers, plan numbers, etc., have been removed, and would bring the map up to date as far as recent subdivisions were concerned. They will then proceed to fill it in with the house numbers and again present it to council for approval before having additional copies printed for distribution. They presented a copy of a letter written by the Rotary Club to the postmaster-general in regard to a new post office for the village. Council advised them that letters had gone out from the office some time ago to the postmaster-general, the district

director of postal services and H. W. Herridge, MP for Kootenay West, about the same subject, and that assurance had already been received from the last named that he would present the matter to the proper minister and pledged his support in any way possible.

PLAN COMMITTEE

They also asked council to consider having two representatives on a project committee, which would draw up a series of projects for the betterment of Fruitvale. If all organizations are sufficiently interested, one project would be started and completed before another was commenced, and they felt that this was the only way to get things done, rather than all organizations endeavoring to start their own little projects and then having to give them up because of lack of interest or funds.

Council expressed its interest but advised the delegation that there would be certain matters in which its hands are tied; that some investigation should be carried out by the Rotarians and by council to determine the best way to go about setting up such a committee, and just how far council would be able to act.

A resolution drafted by the Advisory Committee of the Trail Unemployment Insurance Commission branch on more Federal aid to municipalities was not endorsed, as council considered the resolution was indefinite as to just what it wanted in so far as, under such a scheme as proposed in the resolution, some municipalities on works projects, knowing that if they go themselves into financial difficulties they could make application to the Federal Government.

The clerk will advise the committee that the resolution, which called for a year round program instead of just a winter works program, should be made less ambiguous and with not such a broad view of the financing; if such a resolution is drafted council will consider endorsement.

Commissioner Fogh-Douglas presented the financial statement for the past year for the Recreation Commission and on behalf of the council asked council for a small grant to assist them in their budget for 1961. Council advised him that other avenues should be tried first and that at the present time could not consider a grant of any kind.

Commissioner Grupp was appointed to represent council at the annual meeting of the Fruitvale Community Chest February 15. Commissioner Rochford stated he may also be able to attend.

BYLAW READ

First, second and third readings were given to Bylaw 92, pertaining to sewer rental charges. This bylaw has been returned from Victoria with certain recommendations and will now be returned for approval by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council before final adoption by council.

One building permit for \$400 for alterations to a business premises was approved.

Council instructed the clerk to write to the B. C. Telephone Company in regard to moving of three of their poles before May 1, so that the village can commence preparations on Columbia Garden Road for the hard-topping.

It was agreed that the Works Department would attend to three roads in particular as soon as the weather would allow: the 1st Street extension on the Kalusk Subdivision, the Blankman Road, and a new section of road to replace the present Scout Road which involves a railroad crossing and a hazardous approach on to Highway 3A.

Council felt that with weather conditions being what they are, there was not too much could be done with the streets even though some of them are full of holes. The crew will continue draining and ditching as much as possible and will dump gravel on some of the worst spots.

Creston Boy Wins Athlone Fellowship

VANCOUVER (CP) — Four University of British Columbia students have been awarded Athlone Fellowships, entitling them to two years advanced work or research in industry or universities in the United Kingdom.

They include Roger N. Stone of Victoria and Donald Towson of Creston, who graduate with bachelor of applied science degrees this year. The fellowships include traveling and living expenses, academic fees and book allowances.

Commissioner Lewis reported that the parts for the grader had finally arrived and he hoped to have the machine try a light grading of some of the streets before the weekend.

The clerk reported that several firms, including three local businesses, were operating without trades licenses. He also reported that three outside firms persisted in carrying on business in the village without first obtaining a permit. Council instructed him to give them one more chance and that if licenses were not paid by the time of the next council meeting on the 20th, the proper steps would be taken to see that their business was halted until such time as they formally applied for a trades licence and paid all arrears.

As complaints have been received about the manner in which Airlines Service are parking their buses, the clerk will have ready for council's next meeting all the

correspondence that has gone on previously about this. Considerable correspondence has passed between the council and Airlines Service.

A regular monthly meeting of the clerks in this area was unanimously endorsed by council as it considers a closer liaison with the other municipalities essential. Bylaws such as the Trades License Bylaw will be compared, and the methods of enforcing same throughout the area will be made more uniform, and other mutual problems will be discussed at these meetings.

Council agreed that a set time each month would be best for these meetings so that the office would be closed for a certain length of time one day a month and people would be notified of this to avoid unnecessary trips to the office on business. Council agreed it would take its turn as host with meetings to be held in Trail.

Fernie Sends Off Olympic Site Report

FERNIE — Fernie's Snow Valley Olympic Committee has finished a Herculean task. The 16-page questionnaire sent by Foundation of Canada Engineering Corporation Ltd. in its survey of competing sites, was in the mail on schedule, and expanded to 30 pages.

With it were a large contour map of Snow Valley with potential ski runs and chair lifts, the Olympic Village and sports centres plotted by committee member Jack Crabb in many painstaking hours. Two areas were shown where skiing events could be staged. Large photos with the facilities marked were also sent.

The questionnaire contained seven pages of weather statistics compiled from Dominion weather observation figures by L. M. Dworkin, official Fernie observer. They showed daily snowfall and rainfall for February; inches of snow on the ground for each month from January to April from 1951 to 1960; monthly precipitation; average monthly temperatures, and February daily maximum and minimum temperatures for the ten years; average monthly cloudiness all year from 1943 to 1952; and cloudiness each day in February from 1943 to

1952. The latter figures were not kept after 1952.

Also included was a three-page resume of Fernie's efforts, to date, future use if the site hosted the Olympics, and its advantages over other contenders. This was prepared from the combined efforts of chairman Telfer Dieks, Sam Worthington of Kimberley and secretary James Ryley.

Use of Olympic village buildings and facilities as a vocational and technical school for eastern B.C. after the Games was suggested in a five-page appendix prepared in Kimberley at Mr. Worthington's request. Details on transportation, communications and so forth were provided by Mr. Ryley, who edited and assembled the questionnaire.

The cover was an area map, with Snow Valley expertly etched in one corner by Norman Gallagher.

MISSSES 110 YEAR GOAL

CYNTHIANA, Ky. (AP)—Mrs. Muary Catherine Price wanted to be 100 years old. She even gave up her favorite corn cob pipe because she feared it might shorten her days. But she died at a nursing home Sunday at the age of 97.

Public Utilities Commission Hearings Today

CRANBROOK — The Public Utilities Commission hearing of the four applications for gas distribution franchise in East Kootenay opens at 10 a.m. today at the courthouse.

Applicants are Kootenay Utilities Ltd., Inland Natural Gas, Sturdie Propane and Plains Western. Each is represented by counsel and expects to produce witnesses outlining a plan for distribution rates and methods of financing.

Commission chairman Dr. F. Angus is requesting that each applicant limit his arguments to cross examinations of witnesses to four and one half hours, which would complete hearings by Thursday afternoon. Friday is reserved for representations of the various municipalities in the district.

Trail Speaker

TRAIL — G. S. McKenzie, district superintendent of school district No. 11, will be guest speaker at the next monthly meeting of the Trail Chamber of Commerce, February 16.

McKenzie will speak on the Chant Royal Commission brief on Education.

The Chamber executive is now making plans for the Annual Meeting, tentatively set for April 8.

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NOTICE
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EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC
KASLO-SLOCAN ELECTORAL DISTRICT

The undersigned, being a person authorized by the Minister of Highways in writing to exercise the powers vested in the said Minister under Part II of the Highway Act and being of the opinion that Provincial highways within the Kaslo-Slocan Electoral District are liable to damage from traffic thereon, hereby make the following regulations pursuant to Section 27 of the Highway Act, effective from 12:01 a.m. on the morning of February 16, 1961 until further notice.

No person shall operate any vehicle over:

- (1) Road No. 204 (Coffee Creek to Kaslo) in excess of 75% of 18,000 pounds or a tandem axle weight in excess of 75% of 32,000 pounds as allowed under the Regulations pursuant to the Highway Act.
- (2) Road No. 173 (Kaslo-Lardeau), and Road No. 183 (Lardeau-Gerrard) in excess of 50% of 18,000 pounds or a tandem axle weight in excess of 50% of 32,000 pounds as allowed under the Regulations pursuant to the Highway Act.

Vehicles with solid tires are prohibited.
The LX factor will be disregarded in calculating the allowable load.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., Feb. 13, 1961.

D. F. MARTIN,
Regional Engineer.