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HOWE SOUND ROUTE IS BEST

---KENNEDY

In an address to the North Vancouver Board of Trade last week, Mr. J. A. Kennedy the general manager of the PGE stated that the link between Squamish and Vancouver is bound to come sooner or later.

He said completion of the line is important to the whole province. He said that at present they have had to turn away business due to the inadequacy of barges to transport it all. He said that at present Edmonton was getting all the benefits from the rich interior of the province which will be tapped by the PGE when it reaches Prince George.

The route from Squamish to Vancouver will have to be along Howe Sound. Although costly—about eight million dollars is the estimate—it is the only route offering good grades and it is the shortest.

Mr. Kennedy said that modern diesel engines would not offend West Vancouver as they are not noisy, nor are they smoky. They are also more practical for this road than steam engines.

He said that the link could be completed in six months if the Americans were doing it but would probably take three years if the contract was given to one company. However the time would be cut if several companies shared it.

Have you noticed the festive appearance of the store windows? Mackenzies large show window makes a particularly attractive sight.

Institutes Hold Regular Meetings

The Women's Institute at their regular meeting in the Community hall in Brackendale on Monday night decided to have their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. E. Brown next Wednesday. Members and their friends will be present.

Due to the prevalence of colds in the district, Santa Claus will visit the children at their homes next week and will not be at the hall as in other years. He will bring a gift to all the small children and a treat for those of school age.

Mrs. Chamberlain was the hostess.

The main business at the regular meeting of the Farmer's Institute on Tuesday was the framing of three resolutions to be presented at the District "E" conference in New Westminster. Mr. Axen will attend as the local delegate.

Dr. Kidd of the Department of Agriculture will be in the valley this week vaccinating cattle and testing them for brucellosis.

Legion Notes

Work of sheeting the upper story of the Legion hall has commenced and, weather permitting, should go ahead very quickly.

The members are pleased with the success of their effort to have Peter Weir admitted to Hycroft, the home for aged veterans.

The regular meeting has been postponed until Friday, December 21.

XMAS FESTIVITIES COMMENCE HERE

The PTA Christmas party tonight will usher in a two weeks round of social activities which will be climaxed by the annual New Years Eve Ball. Second event of the week will be the Scout banquet, followed by the Legion turkey dance.

Next week will see the parties at school, followed by the high school party on Thursday evening, and the Elks Xmas party in the Community hall on Friday. There will be dancing from 6:30 to 7:30 and then Santa Claus will make his appearance.

The Anglican and United Church Sunday Schools have planned special services for their pupils on Sunday and on Monday Santa Claus will be at Mackenzies Ltd. in the afternoon. In the evening there will be the usual hamper drawing.

There will be a film showing for the children later in the week.

LONG DISTANCE SERVICE IMPROVED

The Long distance telephone service between Squamish and Vancouver should be greatly improved by the addition of a third circuit to the existing ones. On Monday the new radio-telephone circuit, known as Squamish number three went into operation. There should be little delay on long distance calls now.

The new installation involved the erection of an eighty-five foot pole with antenna beside the present one at the foot of Clereland avenue and the installation of a new transmitter and receiver.

The pole was erected by J. Drenka and H. M. Clarke and the other work was done by the Northwest Telephone Co.

Since the B.C. Telephone took over in Squamish a year ago the number of telephones in the community has almost doubled, with about 280 in operation at present. There are almost fifty applications for phones on file.

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BOARD SEEKS BETTER DYKES

At its regular meeting last week the Board of Trade decided to ask the provincial government for action on an immediate overhaul of the present dyking system. They will also ask the federal government about plans for flood control.

The board also decided to try to secure adequate aeroplane landing floats at the Squamish dock.

The board would like to have the public co-operate about the problem of transient salesmen who come into Squamish. All door-to-door salesmen must secure a peddler's license and they would suggest notifying the village of any salesman's presence.

George Behner, who attended the Associated Boards meeting at Brighthouse last month gave a report on the formation of the B.C. Chamber of Commerce and said in his opinion it would be to the advantage of the local board to join.

Plans for the New Year's Eve dance are well under way and they are hoping for a good turnout.

The January meeting, at which and officers for the coming year will be elected will be held on Thursday, January 3, instead of Wednesday. They would like to have as many members as possible attend.

PGE EMPLOYEE PASSES SUDDENLY

Death came suddenly to Richard (Dick) Leishman Armstrong at his home in Squamish on Saturday morning, December 8. Mr. Armstrong, who was 44 years of age was employed by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway as a despatcher.

He was born in Ontario and had lived in Squamish for the last four years. He is survived by his wife, Eveline of Squamish, and his father in Wiarton, Ontario; also two sisters, one in Wiarton and one in Detroit.

Interment took place in Vancouver Tuesday, Dec. 11.

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The local pubs opened their doors on Tuesday after being closed for two weeks due to the beer strike which ended last Saturday.

Due to the absence of one of the teachers and the illness of another, Mrs. B. E. Valde and Mrs. F. Munro are both teaching at the school this week.

Bill Cosman made a business trip to Vancouver this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Powell are attending a convention in Vancouver.

Mrs. C. McKinnon is visiting at Bloedel's on Vancouver Island, keeping house for her son, Francis and the children while Mrs. C. F. McKinnon is in hospital in Vancouver.

The volunteer fire brigade was called out twice last week to put out chimney fires. On Thursday night there was one at the Owen Cameron's and on Friday night, at the vicarage.

We would like to apologize to Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Gibbs for the omission of their surname in the announcement of the birth of their son last week.

A group of friends honored Mr. and Mrs. J. Wutzke at a surprise party last Saturday night in celebration of their tenth wedding anniversary.

Dave Caldwell spent the weekend at home.

A recital, open to everyone will be held in the Parish hall next Monday evening. Mrs. Gorsuch's pupils, piano pupils of Mrs. R. E. Cole and Jackie Long's accordionists will all be featured. Everyone is welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eadie of Woodfibre, with Jimmie and Mary, spent the weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Eadie.

Mr. H. Hurford of Vancouver is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. Hurford.

Mr. M. Read, of the Advanx Tire Co. was a business visitor in Squamish this week.

Mrs. J. Drenka and Mrs. S. L. Brooks spent several days in Vancouver last week.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. B. Pearce, the former Frances Lamport, is in Tranquille. We wish her a speedy recovery.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Caldwell is ill and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Seal Sale Doing Well

The Christmas Seal Committee have announced that the sum collected to date is now over seven hundred dollars. With at least two more week's returns to come in they are very hopeful of exceeding last year's quota.

If you haven't already sent your donation, don't forget to do so—it's for a worthy cause.

West Van Wins Basketball Game

The Squamish High School boys basketball team played the West Vancouver High team in the West Vancouver High gym last Friday night.

West Van won but our boys reported that they had a very enjoyable trip and were warmly welcomed by Mr. Wright, the vice-principal. Plans are being made for a return game in Squamish after the New Year.

Mrs. W. J. Dent is in hospital in Vancouver recovering from an operation on her hip, which was broken when she fell last week.

Mrs. J. M. G. Hurren was in North Vancouver last week to attend the wedding of her nephew, Stanley Johnson. Mr. Johnson, who lived here for many years, married Marguerite Elaine Wilson of North Vancouver. The ceremony took place in St. John's Anglican Church, North Vancouver on Friday, December 7, at 7.30 p.m.

Mrs. Bruce Wright of Vancouver is visiting her sister Mrs. S. McDonald. Their mother, Mrs. C. Schoonover, who has been ill for some time is also at Mrs. McDonald's.

Guess Ed Bishop is going to need some help when he starts to gather up all those flood-scattered oil barrels.

The water was shut off in the lower town on Monday morning while repairs were made to a break in the pipe along Cleveland Avenue near the station.

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Use Your Ballot

To day is election day in Squamish and on the choice you, the voters, make to-day the business of managing the village for the next two years will partially depend.

We have heard the comment that municipal elections are small stuff. We don't agree. Government, whether municipal provincial or federal is never small stuff. People who are accustomed to a high standard in village government are going to expect the same standards elsewhere.

Good government always attracts people of high calibre to public office and these officials in turn are a source of pride in any community. Everyone who has a vote should use it to-day. If not, should you object to any decisions made later by the commissioners, your complaints would be unjustified.

Last year between 70 and 75% of the voters used their ballots. That was a good showing but we would like to have an even better turnout this year. It doesn't matter how you vote, just get out and vote.

Communications

Editor,
Squamish Advance,
Dear Sir:

By the time this letter appears in print the election will be over, and if fortune favors me I will continue in office, but regardless of how the election goes I wish to thank all those who supported me.

However I could not let this opportunity pass without replying to the letter in your paper of December 6, written over the signature of Mr. E. Carson, in which I detect a mild note of censure of the Board of Commissioners for not making periodic use of your paper to acquaint the taxpayers re the cost of improvements and the financial standing of our village. No doubt Mr. Carson, as well as the majority of our ratepay-

ers knows that the regular meetings of the commission are held on the second Tuesday of each month, and are open to anyone interested in civic affairs. At these meetings a full report is given by the clerk as to expenditures, receipts since previous meeting, and the current financial standing of the village.

True, we would have difficulty squeezing in any more than six or seven people at any meeting due to the size of our office.

However considerable discussion has taken place during the past concerning erecting our own quarters, and such progress has been made as to convince me that some definite action will be forthcoming in the new year.

Sincerely yours,
Sidney R. Bishop.
Squamish, Dec. 10, 1951.

School Board Has New Secretary

Mr. G. Hurley, of Britannia Beach has resigned his position as secretary of the Howe Sound School Board. Mr. J. R. S. Mainwaring of Vancouver has been appointed to the post.

Mr. Mainwaring, who is residing in Squamish is making Frsnk Scott's former office his headquarters.

Exams Start

All that groaning you may have been hearing was the high school pupils lamenting the examinations which start this week. The pupils are busy cramming for the Christmas tests.

There's one bright spot in the picture, as soon as they are over the Xmas holidays begin and they'll have two weeks without school to look forward to.

Brackendale

Webb Judd of Daisy Lake spent a few days here visiting friends and relatives before going on to Vancouver to spend the winter.

Among those who visited Vancouver last week were Mrs. Crosson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Rae, Mrs. D. Stowe and Mrs. F. Butcher.

Mr. C. Persons of New Westminster is spending a week at the H. Judd's.

A group of youngsters went for a hike last Sunday and reported seeing some huge cougar tracks on the road just above the Brackendale store.

Ladies' Aid Holds Successful Sale

The Ladies Aid annual Xmas sale held in the new United Church hall last Thursday was a great success. The sale was opened by the Rev. J. R. Hewitt and Mrs. W. Gedge won the door prize.

A wide assortment of novelties and home sewing was displayed and the white elephant booth was very popular. The Explorers handled the candy stall and there was a wide variety of home cooking for sale. Tea was served.

For this first public function in the new hall, the room was beautifully decorated. All proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the church kitchen.

Boy Scout Banquet Tomorrow Night

The Boy Scouts will hold their first annual banquet in the Parish hall to-morrow evening at 6:30 p.m. with their parents as guests. There should be some novel table arrangements as the patrols are competing to see who can produce the most attractive decorations.

Feature events of the evening will include a short film on the Scout Jamboree and a father and son tall story contest.

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Squamish Valley Pioneer Passes

Death claimed another pioneer Squamish settler this month. On December 1, James Octavius Day died in North Vancouver.

Mr. Day, who had lived in the valley for more than fifty years, came here in 1892 and lived quietly in Brackendale until he moved to North Vancouver about seven years ago.

Brackendale residents remember him as a gladiolus grower who experimented in crossing different varieties.

Funeral services were held in North Vancouver.

The Cradle

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Bird on Friday, December 7th, a daughter, Valerie Anne.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Martin on Wednesday, December 12, a son, Paul Stewart.

Seeing Double



Seeing double? That's what thought when two bewhiskered gents in North Pole outfits suddenly appeared with a box of chocolates for her when she was putting up her Christmas tree.

Then one of the Santas pulled his beard down a little and revealed the mischievous grin of radio comedian Johnny Wayne. Of course the other jolly old customer could be none other than Frank Shuster. They explained to Terry that they were just getting into the mood for their pre-

Christmas broadcast of the Wayne and Shuster show, which is heard on the CBC on Thursdays. Terry is their featured vocalist.

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