

Mine and townsite work speeds up at Lornex

Mine preparations at Lornex-Copper in the Highland Valley and townsite work 11 miles away have been speeded up, president R. D. Armstrong told shareholders here Monday.

Armstrong said the open pit and sites for surface operations have been cleared. A considerable amount of grading has been done. Access and pit perimeter roads have been constructed and the pit electrical power loop completed.

At the Logan Lake townsite, grading and roadwork is continuing and we expect contracts will be let for 100 houses.

Elks Lodge to hold installation

The Merritt Elks Lodge will hold their annual installation of officers this Saturday, October 3 at eight o'clock in the Elks Hall. Many out of town dignitaries are expected.

At the copper mine several of the 22 trucks of 120-ton load capacity are on site and working and others are in various stages of assembly. Three 15-yard shovels are on site, one is working on overburden removal with company and contractor trucks. One is working to the extent that trucks are available and the erection of a third shovel is nearing completion.

There are approximately 200 men presently employed at the site. A number of contracts have been let and in other cases tender action has not been completed.

Shareholders approved conversion of the shares of the company to one dollar par value shares, a technical change that, Armstrong said, did not affect in any way the established financing arrangements or the number of shares to be issued thereunder.

Board defers appointment of adult education director

Despite the fact there were four applications received for the position of adult education director, the Merritt school board has decided to defer the appointment until such time as public demand shows that this district wants adult education.

Trustee Hugh Peter said he didn't know if this was putting the cart before the horse, or what, but there didn't seem much point in proceeding without the demand.

Tom Waters, secretary-treasurer for the school district, told the board that although there had been four applicants for the position, there had certainly been no requests at the school board office for night school courses.

Although there has been no individual requests, Mr. Ramsay told the board there had been an industrial request. "Apparently Craigmont Mines contacted Canada Manpower in Kamloops asking for a course to be set up. Since there is no night school here, it had to be arranged through the Kamloops Manpower office.

Canada Manpower then contacted the school board office to arrange for a classroom here on Saturdays for the course.

"Kamloops is willing to turn it over to our school board if an adult education program is set up here, but it is my understanding there is nothing firm on the horizon for adult education here."

School board chairman

Gordon McDonald asked if the Indian bands had applied for adult education this year as they had last year and Mr. Ramsay said they hadn't so far, but Robert Sterling, the Indian student counselor was in the process of making a survey and it seemed likely there would be courses.

The principal of the Diamond Vale Elementary school, Frank McEachern, was present at the meeting and said since he had been adult education director here a few years ago, he was asked to comment.

He said he had found there was a nucleus of about 120 people here in Merritt who were enthusiastic "but they have such a variety of interests that they are spread very thinly through a number of courses". Getting a good number to take a specific course was the problem and also it was found that interest dropped off as the course proceeded.

He was asked if he thought the cost of the courses had been prohibitive and he said no, they weren't. "If people wanted to take them, they were able to pay the fee."

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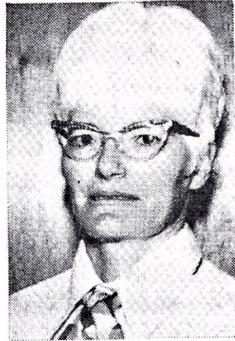
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Between the Lines

By Ida Makaro



Last week I tried to make an appointment for a medical checkup for my nineteen year old son. He works in forestry for the logging division of a local sawmill, leaving home at 7:30 a.m. and returning home after 5 p.m., usually about 5:30, Monday to Friday.

I learned that the last appointment time at the clinic is at 10 to 5 p.m. and that there are no "checkup" appointments on Saturday. There is only one doctor on "call" for emergency only.

I was surprised. I wondered what the loggers did to have an appointment . . . those that go miles out into "the bush" every day. I asked the receptionist and she said she didn't know "but they seem to manage to keep their appointments." She told me if this was an emergency, he could get in on a Saturday.

My thoughts were racing. How could he get an appointment he can keep without putting someone else out at work to see that he makes it? He would have to take a whole day off from work, or he could ask his boss to bring him in early from the bush which meant his boss would have to plan his day's activities in accordance to his employee's convenience, and in turn, the company they worked for would have to be tolerant.

This didn't seem fair to me. I didn't think my son had the right to ask this, so I asked for a Saturday appointment and was referred to the office manager at the clinic.

He informed me in no uncertain terms that he would not get a Saturday appointment. I was asked, "Is it an emergency?" I said yes, I thought he needed to have a checkup. Then, if he was sick enough to call it an emergency, he was certainly sick enough to take a day off from work for his appointment, was the reply.

I phoned the office where my son is employed and told them the situation, asking what do they do with their other logging employees who have to keep doctor appointments? They hadn't really thought about it but they presumed they simply made their appointments and kept

them . . . or went without checkups. I asked what to do about my son and was told to make the appointment and he can keep it.

I phoned back to the clinic and arranged for an appointment at 10 to 5 on Thursday. My son's boss found work for Gerald to do around and close to town that day so he could keep his appointment, and did without him in the bush. Gerald came home earlier in the afternoon to get ready for his appointment, drove the pickup back to the office so his boss could pick it up after work and was informed by the office girl there that the medical clinic had called. His appointment had been cancelled!! No reason was given and they had made another appointment for him at 10 to 5 on Tuesday.

It means his boss will have to let Gerald spend another day "around town" and do without him in the bush so he can keep his appointment, providing it isn't cancelled again.

I can't think of another essential service that is shut up this tight for the bush workers. I would be interested to know what they do to see a doctor for reasons other than dire emergency.

Patricia Rebekah report

On September 17th, the regular meeting of Patricia Rebekah Lodge No. 33 was held. The 3 Link News, an I.O.O.F.

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LIVING IN PRESENT TIME

By Irene T. Maxwell



How often do we wish we could go back on the time track and change some action in the past. We dwell on it and follow through in our imagination thinking how our life would have been changed for the better. Little do we realize that while we are "wishful thinking" the very same or a similar opportunity is passing us by. We are too busy living in the past to be aware of what is happening in the present; so again some time in the future we look back and repeat the same performance.

We keep on repeating this same pattern because the mind likes routine. It likes to follow set patterns and will not change a pattern it has been following until forced to do so by the monitor of the mind - the real "I" or soul. Until we become aware that mind is only an instrument for soul to use and take control - become cause instead of effect - we will keep on getting the same unwanted results.

A good way to take control is to learn to put all our attention on living NOW - in present time. When our attention has been scattered all over the place on the time track, it takes effort and patience to focus it in present time. We really have to work at it until we begin to see the results. We look for and see the opportunities that are present NOW and take advantage of them. Once we take control we can shape our future to follow the patterns we (soul) want and not let the reactive mind take the easy way for itself. That is how we become master of our own destiny. Eternity is a succession of NOWS.

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magazine was received and two articles from it were read, one mentioning Lila Mansus being honoured at the local school in June and one on Brad Carr receiving the Mayon Cup. Both of these students have Rebekah mothers.

Plans were made to hold a bake sale October 17th at the Super Valu Store from 2-4 p.m.

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