There is a daily passenger train running between Sicamous Junction and Vernon; also daily boat communication to the various Towns adjoining the Okanagan Lake. The number of freight trains per day vary according to traffic requirements. Motor stages run to Lumby and Kelowna, and there is also a Steamboat Service in operation on Long Lake and Woods Lake. The Canadian Northern Railway have now purchased the rights formerly held by the Conteau Power Co., Ltd., and have already taken the necessary steps to construct an electric railway from Vernon to Lumby (a distance of 16 miles), which will traverse amongst other orchards the well-known Coldstream Estate Company's property. This line will be extended from time to time according to traffic demands. The C.N.R. Surveyors have already laid out a line from Vernon to Kelowna (35 miles). The same Company will also build a line from Kamloops to Vernon at an early date. In addition to this the C.P.R. have recently surveyed lines from Vernon to Kelowna via Long Lake, and also to Lumby, in addition to which the Kettle Valley Line from Vernon to Pentiction is under construction.

There are at present two newspapers published in Vernon.

The question naturally arises—What has Vernon behind it to have made it such a steadily progressive and up-to-date Town? Many reasons will have become apparent from the above information added to which is the vast acreage and productiveness of the land surrounding it. As we have said, Vernon is the junction of three main valleys. From each of these valleys innumerable smaller valleys radiate, each yielding its quota of fruit, vegetables, hay, or grain, to say nothing of timber, and in some cases coal and mineral. The immediate environment of Vernon is rapidly being planted in orchard, and it is estimated that within two years there will be about two million trees bearing fruit in the valley.

Although steadily advancing in price good unplanted fruit land with irrigation available can still be obtained from \$150 per acre upwards in areas of from 5 acre blocks and onwards.

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Source of Vernon's Prosperity

Financial Possibilities of Fruit Culture