### Interesting Collector of World's Greatest Individual Gathering of South Sea Relics Bequeaths it to New Canadian University

By Francis Dickie

region of the South Sea Islands was the these Frank Burnett took his life many life of Frank Burnett, the sturdy, grayhaired man shown in this picture. In the last twenty-five years of his life he spent much of that time in voyaging throughout the vast stretch of the South Seas studying the Polynesian and Papuan people, and gathering all the various objects representative of them, till in 1919 he had gathered the greatest individual collection of South Sea curios ever procured and owned by one man. And now he has made a bequest of the entire magnificent collection to the new university of British Columbia which is being constructed on the outskirts of the City of Vancouver. Thus in future years the thousands of students that will throng the halls of this vast institution of learning will be able to become acquainted with the varied lives of the people who inhabit a stretch covering over a quarter of the entire globe. Few people realize what an enormous stretch is taken in by the South Sea Islands. Yet from the Marquesas to the end of New Guinea is over seven thousand miles along the equator. And throughout these varied islands, the Tongan, the Fijian, the Solomons, the Gilberts, the Marquesas, the Carolines and a score of others Frank Burnett roamed and combed them for accept money for investment upon one things most representative of the people of the present and the past.

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It would take many hundred pages to tell in detail the history of all the rare treasures that have been transported the trust company accepts sums ranging from their various island homes. Many from a hundred dollars or so upwards, of them to-day in this man's collection are no longer to be found in the land

over two hundred spears, some barbed 6 instances are fifteen feet long, and have human meat hook used onl excite the envy of any boyish heart-all can take charge of to realize her money.

Rich in the romance of business and these things are gathered here. the adventure of the big outdoors of the are gods of many shapes made of stone and wood and lime. To gather some of times in his hand, for heathen people are jealous of their deities and resentful of their disturbing. There are ornaments of marvellous ancientness. Shell money and money made from feathers fill part of a case. In fact, nothing representative of a people in the way of things used in hunting, war or dress, in ornament, amusement or religion, has Frank Burnett failed to ferret out and bring back to Canada. There are pillows of stone

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kinds of trust business. Our correspondent will be particularly interested in the investment department. That department will be in charge of a man whose sole duty is to see that trust funds are properly handled. As the investment department is a very important branch of a trust company organization, the man in charge is of necessity, a very competent, trustworthy and dapable official. The investment department of a trust company is usually prepared to of two plans, i. e., the guaranteed plan or the agency plan. The guaranteed plan is usually found to be more satisfactory for a small investor. Under this plan, and guarantees to repay the investment at the end of a certain period, usually where they originated and once were five years, and interest is also guaranteed to be paid half yearly or yearly Among the chief things of interest are at the rate agreed upon, usually around per cent.

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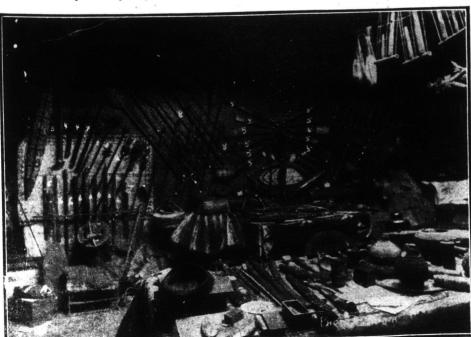
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