

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

KEEPPHILLS. Bulletin News Special. A. Donnwerth has returned from Edmonton. Mrs. Sharp and Mr. Sharp have left for Edmonton for the winter. The heavy rains of the past week have seriously interfered with hay-making in this district. The neighborhood has just witnessed the arrival of J. Bennett's new binder, his friends have taken great interest in the assembling of the machine. Keepphills, Aug. 6.

BON ACCORD. Bulletin News Service. A very pretty wedding took place at Emmanuel church, Batterburg, on Wednesday, August 4, by the Rev. A. W. Sale, M. assisted by Mr. W. E. Herbert, when Robert Ernest Hewitt, of Bon Accord and Agnes Victoria Milligan, of Gore Bay, Ont., were united in marriage. The bride was very prettily gowned in cream cashmere with blue silk trimmings and wearing the conventional orange blossom and bridal veil. Miss Brown and two young nieces of the bride were the bridesmaids and were very charmingly gowned. Mr. Bert Hewitt brother of the bridegroom was best man. Mrs. F. A. Pearce presided at the organ and played a beautiful wedding march as the parties left the vestry after signing the register. The church was crowded to the doors. The wedding breakfast was given at the home of Mr. John Milligan, Fifteenth street and two tables. The tables and the room were beautifully decorated with flowers, shrubs and Chinese lanterns. To W. Mason, J. P., was delegated the toast of the bride which he proposed in a humorous speech, the bridegroom responding to a request for a speech in his own ready style. Dancing commenced at 9 p.m. and was kept up until early morning. The presents to the bride were both numerous and costly. Bon Accord, Aug. 5.

BON ACCORD WEATHER. John Schofield, meteorological observer at Bon Accord, has compiled the following report of the weather at his station during July: Date Max. Min. Date Max. Min. 1... 63.6 50.5 17... 71.4 46.0 2... 68.8 39.5 18... 65.2 49.8 3... 73.0 37.2 19... 65.0 40.5 4... 70.3 51.0 20... 72.2 41.5 5... 74.6 61.2 21... 80.2 44.0 6... 65.7 56.8 22... 80.4 53.8 7... 75.7 66.4 23... 81.5 61.6 8... 74.4 65.2 24... 78.5 46.1 9... 76.8 47.2 25... 75.5 53.2 10... 75.5 45.2 26... 75.0 48.5 11... 66.0 54.0 27... 73.0 48.5 12... 63.8 53.4 28... 76.2 44.8 13... 63.1 45.6 29... 80.0 62.0 14... 71.5 46.5 30... 75.5 51.3 15... 74.6 41.2 31... 79.0 46.0 16... 75.0 55.3 Average maximum... 72.7 Average minimum... 48.6 Highest maximum (on 22nd)... 80.4 Lowest minimum (on 3rd)... 37.2 Rainfall (inches)... 2.44

ATHABASCA LANDING. Bulletin News Service. Mr. J. Irvine is making extensive additions and improvements to his house on the hill. Rev. Bishop Holmes will occupy it upon his return from north. The R.N.W.M.P. contemplate making additions to their barracks in a week or two. Mr. J. Weissh, of Ponton's survey party, arrived in the Landing Tuesday morning after a four days trip from Fort McMurray. He reports the party having great difficulties in the muskies in attempting to reach the 6th meridian. After being thirty-three hours in the boat, but fifteen days rations they returned to the river for fresh supplies, and will make another start for the meridian. Word was brought to the village of the drowning of the two assistants of Count A. Von Hammerstein in the Grand Rapids. The Count had a very narrow escape himself but managed to make the shore safely. A party of automobilists composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Cornwall, Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Blewett and Miss Wilson arrived in the village Monday from Edmonton after being delayed over night at Egge's owing to a breakdown to one of the machines. Last Thursday evening a farewell banquet was tendered Rev. Father Beaudry, upon his departure for Edmonton. After a hearty supper had been disposed of a pleasant little programme of songs, speeches and stories was carried out, at the conclusion of which Father Beaudry was presented with a well-filled purse, as a token of esteem in which he was held by his fellow citizens. Mr. J. L. Cole, newly elected M.P.P. for Athabasca, was present and explained how the trick was done in the adjoining constituency. A very pleasant evening was spent by all present. Mr. W. L. Wood occupied the chair. Mr. P. Tompkins, Dominion Land Agent of the new office at Grouard, was in the village a few days the past week. Messrs. Jas. McKernan and J. Gazon are spending a few days in Edmonton. Capt. Geo. Riddle of S.S. Northland Light was in the village this week. Mr. J. Knowles was a passenger on S.S. Northland Sun Tuesday on route to the Finlay River country on a prospecting tour. Mr. V. Maurice, of Grouard, arrived in the village last night from Edmonton where he has been purchasing supplies for his northern posts. Maurice is taking in about twenty tons of goods, which is the largest outfit even taken through here by one individual trader to the western country. Last Monday evening a very successful impromptu concert was held in the Methodist Hall upon the occasion of the visit of Mrs. Jean Blewett, the great Canadian authoress. The several recitations of her poems and recitations of Mrs. Blewett were

greatly appreciated. It is pleasing to know that Mrs. Blewett will be here again in September, upon her way to the Peace River country for material for new writings. Colin Fraser, of Fort Chipewyan, left last Saturday for Edmonton to dispose of his fur and obtain more supplies. Colin's fur catch the past season was much greater than he expected in such a dull season. His catch will bring close to \$20,000. Hay is in full swing in the district. Rev. Mr. F. W. Moxhay and wife left last Tuesday evening for Fort Vermilion, where Mr. Moxhay will be stationed in future.

HAZEL BLUFFS. Bulletin News Service. Miss Myrtle Bell is home on her vacation from Strathcona. Miss Leola Roth, of Strathcona, is here the guest of friends. A. R. Brown is back after a short stay in Edmonton. Rev. Mr. White has been laid up with a severe attack of rheumatism for the last two weeks. The formal church opening of the Methodist church was held on Sunday, August 1st. J. H. Riddell, M.A., D.D., delivered the opening address to a very large audience, who listened to an excellent discourse, his subject being "The Church of the Living God." After which the regular Sunday school was held. Rev. Lewis giving a very interesting talk to the younger members of the congregation. Rev. Hughson rendered a solo and the choir rendered special music. In the afternoon an election of the Sunday school officers for the ensuing year was held. The ones appointed are as follows: President, Mrs. C. E. Hall; vice-president, C. C. Jorgensen; secretary, Mrs. Hattie Bell; organist, Miss Edna Wheatley. The teachers of the various classes were appointed. W. A. Lewis acting as chairman of the meeting. In the evening another excellent discourse was given by Dr. Riddell, his subject being "The Kingdom Come." H. H. Haynes and A. M. Kipp leave the latter part of this week for their former home in Southern Michigan.

Monday afternoon the official board held a meeting at which time the work for the coming year was outlined. In the evening the Ladies' Aid Society gave a tea meeting and concert which was largely attended. The opening of this church not only means much to this community but has a very wide interest, fond memories of the one whose highest ambition while among us was to see this church erected, who was called to his reward in the glorious beyond. Rev. Robt. Taylor and to whom a full work of carrying out and making his plans, and by whom 27,000 have been ably handled. Rev. D. H. Telfer. J. E. and family of Altus, Okla., are here the guests of Mrs. Nick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lenke. "Edna's Banquet" and "Special" was held at the Hotel on Monday last. A plowing bee was held at the home of Joe. Dowling last week, many friends and the good gentlemen were present to lend a helping hand. Road work will soon start on the fifth meridian road south of the base line. The first annual picnic of the Hazel Bluff school district, 1895, will be held on Friday next. John Thompson, C. P. Thompson and A. Clark were Edison visitors last week. R. C. Benton is back from a short stay in Edmonton and Strathcona. Wm. Lovell made a trip to Moraville this week. Mrs. Gertrude Lovell and William Engle are here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lovell. R. J. Laidlaw and wife are expected here soon for a short stay. Percy Andrews is an Edmonton visitor this week. The J. Archer of Strathcona is here the guest of Mr. Andrew Telfer. Geo. Beaton of Clyde was a visitor here this week, on Monday. Hazel Bluff, Aug. 8, '09.

COUNCIL MEETING OF L.I.D. 29 D.A. The first meeting of the L.I.D. 29 D.A. held July 30 last by order of the chairman, at Jas. H. Towell's N.W. 42-7 W. 4th. All the councillors were present: John J. Hope, (chairman), Jas. Towell, John Symington and John Summers. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The L. I. D. inspector, Mr. Marlow, inspected the treasurer's books on June 21. The report of which was received by the chairman and presented to council. The report was adopted and ordered filed. The secretary was instructed to find out why the 1907 arrears of Hudson Bay W. 1-2 and S.E. 25-27, W. 4th does not appear on 1908 roll. One scraper for each of D. W. L. and H. were ordered, the councilors of these division to look after the purchase. The following bills were ordered paid: Pay list div. I, \$184.25; pay list Div. III \$100.50; John Summers, over-riding roads \$10; John Hope, over-riding roads \$17.50; W. F. Radday, bill July 3, 26; L. C. Porter, over-charge 1907 taxes, \$2; Jas. Hunt, bill July 29, 75.27. After the usual councillors' fees were voted and passed council adjourned to meet at the cab of the chairman. Manville, Aug. 7, 1909.

DISTRICT CHURCH SERVICES. Church of England services in the district north west of Edmonton will be held as follows during the summer months: Every first Sunday in the month - At Mr. East's house, Eastburg, 11.30 a.m.; at the Pembina school at 3 p.m.; at the Edison school at 7.30 p.m. Every second Sunday - Excelsior school at 11 a.m.; Batterburg church at 3 p.m.; Sunnyside school at 7.30 p.m. Every third Sunday - Clyde school at 11.30 a.m.; Dunganon school at 3 p.m.; Poplar Knoll school at 7.30 p.m. Every fourth Sunday - Excelsior school at 11 a.m.; Batterburg church at 3 p.m.; St. Eugene school at 8 p.m. Every fifth Sunday - at Mr. Griffith's house, Edmonton, at 8 p.m. Every sixth Sunday - New Lunnon school at 11 a.m.; Bon Accord school at 7.30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING, L.I.D. 28, R. 4.

A meeting of council of local improvement district 28, R. 4, was held at Federal P. O. on Saturday, July 24. There were present Ed. Martin; G. Zadnjajak, M. Rostnik and Wasyl Romank. The secretary read letters from the department of public works with reference to the addition of townships 27 and 28 in range 21, to L. T. D. 28, R. 4, when, upon the motion of Ed. Martin and seconded by W. Romanik the council contracted with the secretary treasurer had done in carrying out the orders of the department of public works. The secretary reported that Wasyl Romank had been duly certified as secretary-treasurer were certified to be being correct and were passed accordingly.

The question of the proposed increase of the salary of the secretary-treasurer owing to the increase of two more townships, was discussed and it was unanimously agreed that the salary be increased \$50 per year from March 31, 1909. The secretary-treasurer thanked the council for the increase. The fees and mileage of the councilors and rent of the hall, amounting to \$23, were then passed. The secretary-treasurer was instructed to order from Beals & Hoar, Edmonton, two scrapers, each, for division No. 1 and No. 5. The next meeting of the council will be held at Federal P. O. on Saturday, September 25, 1909, at 1 p.m. Federal, August 6th.

BIG ACREAGE IN THE VEGREVILLE DISTRICT

Oats Looking Especially Well—Much New Land Being Planted to the Saskatchewan This Winter Wheat is Being Sown.

Vegreville, Aug. 9.—The crops throughout this district are progressing favorably. Harvesting on barley has commenced and oats, an extra large acreage of which has been planted, are looking especially well. Unfortunately there has been sown a lot of inferior seed, which has been learned by this experience that it is false economy to put in cheap seed. J. S. Dunn, of Brooksidge, received a test sample of "Banner" oats from the government and they are looking well. Fall wheat, which may be considered the greatest asset of the district, is in patches as the long winter has been a great deal in former years, but is a good crop. The hay crop is not as heavy as in former years. A plowing bee was held at the home of Joe. Dowling last week, many friends and the good gentlemen were present to lend a helping hand. Road work will soon start on the fifth meridian road south of the base line. The first annual picnic of the Hazel Bluff school district, 1895, will be held on Friday next. John Thompson, C. P. Thompson and A. Clark were Edison visitors last week. R. C. Benton is back from a short stay in Edmonton and Strathcona. Wm. Lovell made a trip to Moraville this week. Mrs. Gertrude Lovell and William Engle are here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lovell. R. J. Laidlaw and wife are expected here soon for a short stay. Percy Andrews is an Edmonton visitor this week. The J. Archer of Strathcona is here the guest of Mr. Andrew Telfer. Geo. Beaton of Clyde was a visitor here this week, on Monday. Hazel Bluff, Aug. 8, '09.

EXTENDED SIGHTS BARRED. D. R. A. Will Not Allow Sight Used at Bisley This Year.

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—Marksmen will not be allowed to use the new extended sights at the D. R. A. meet, although these sights were permitted at Bisley. At the N. R. A. meet this year for the first time in a meeting, it was allowed which extended much nearer the eye than the sight-bed on the rifle. This gave a longer distance between the foresight and back-sight. The back-sight was fixed on the sight-bed and extended back some inches towards the eye. The sight-bed on the rifle was the great improvement which the D. R. A. executive considers that a sight could not be used in active service as it would be liable to get off cambering through a rough country, and, therefore, unlike the Bisley association, it has forbidden the use of any back-sight which brings the sight nearer the eye than the rifle.

BRITONS LACK ENTHUSIASM. Are Not Sufficiently Energetic to Wave Old Flag.

London, Aug. 9.—At a luncheon tendered the Canadian tour for tourists at Edinburgh, Mr. Wm. Mackenzie, in referring to French Canadians said they number 3,000,000 and would stand by the empire in time of trouble. Referring to the fact that the Stars and Stripes were to be seen waving over various buildings in Edinburgh, Mr. Mackenzie said that nobody would stay in a hotel in Canada unless the Union Jack was flying. The only fault he had to find with the people of this country was that they had not enough enthusiasm to wave the old flag.

A SOURCE OF REVENUE. Chinese Will Pay Federal Government \$75,500.

Victoria, B.C., Aug. 9.—With 578 Chinese passengers, 150 of whom pay the head tax of \$500 each, and 7,000 tons of general merchandise, including a big shipment of hemp from Manilla, 600 cases of silk, and other goods, valued at \$30,000, and general merchandise for the United Kingdom, of which \$80 tons will be loaded for the steamer Titanic of the Blue Funnel line, reached port yesterday. One day out from Yokohama, a Chinese died, and the body was embalmed and brought to port.

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Council Decides to Pave Namayo, First and Jasper This Year—Ald. McNinn Opposes. The council of the city of Edmonton, at a meeting held last night at the special meeting of the city council, further city paving totalling in cost \$203,859 will be undertaken this season, and if possible completed. The streets which it was decided to pave on credit terms as stated some time ago by W. M. Macphail, of Bitanish and Contracting, Ltd., are: Namayo avenue from the C. N. R. tracks to Norwood boulevard. First street from the end of the front pavement to Vermilion ave. Jasper avenue from Eleventh to sixteenth street.

In addition to the cost of paving there is also the cost of laying the water and sewer connections. On Namayo there will be about 150 connections at the rate of \$20 each, making a total cost of \$3,000; on First street the new water main will run from McKenzie north and on Jasper there will be the sewer of this kind as the water and sewer mains are in the lanes. There were present at the meeting Mayor Lee, Ald. McNinn, Agas, Armstrong and Garriep. In the discussion Ald. McNinn strenuously opposed the expenditure of further money during this year. The resolution in favor of the paving was moved by Ald. Armstrong, seconded by Ald. Fraser and supported by Ald. Agas and Garriep. It was finally after moving a resolution opposing further paving this year, which was not seconded, voted against the resolution and Mayor Lee also asked that his name be recorded in opposition to the motion.

The discussion was brought before the board by the reading of the estimate for this year, which was practically the same as that given at last week's meeting. Ald. McNinn opposed. He was strongly opposed to paving further this season. He had property on one of the streets which was in a very poor condition and he was strongly opposed to further paving. He disapproved of saddling a further debt of over \$100,000 for Namayo avenue alone on the city this season. The proposal was not on a par with that of last year when the estimated paving for this year had not been expended when it was decided to do Rice street. This year \$125,000 had been set aside for paving and already \$125,000 had been expended on this year.

SAYS TROLLEY CAR IS A MENACE

London, August 9.—The Lancet publishes a strong warning against the trolley car arising from too cheap transit facilities. "The inducement to ride rather than walk is a temptation which continually confronts the public," says the Lancet. "It is not difficult to see in this a process which is calculated to lead to physical and not improbably mental demoralization. If a man can reach his home by tram-car or omnibus for one cent he is not going to trouble himself to walk any distance. "He thus loses daily a valuable and healthy form of exercise, because the travelling is so cheap. Formerly he walked to save the relatively costly fare. "The lift is another example of modern innovation which encourages idleness, and which, indeed, threatens to take the place of the old-fashioned and healthy mode of locomotion, if we possessed no means for getting about ourselves. "Scarcely this state of things cannot count for sturdiness and healthful activity in the future generation, but is more likely to lead to a state of atrophy which must react unfavorably on the individual. It is open to question whether the human race is better off for the number of facilities which constantly are thrown in its way."

DISGUISED HERSELF AS A MAN. New York, Aug. 9.—Among the steerage passengers on the Red Star line Kronland, which arrived here this week, was one registered as David Kovats, 35 years old, a Russian who was taken to Ellis island with the other immigrants. "David," when questioned, spoke in decidedly feminine tones and the inspectors referred the matter to their superior who reported today that Kovats was a woman. She had assumed male attire, she said in the hope that she could enter the country more easily. She will be deported as likely to become a public charge.

TO-DAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, August 10.—Cables were sharply lower again this morning and the markets continued their downward course. There does not appear to be anything fresh in the news, but sympathy holding and prices seem to be declining of their own weight. There are reports today of too much rain in the Northwest and if this continues it should lead to a good demand, which will advance markets quickly. Liverpool closed 3d to 4d lower, Chicago 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 lower, Minneapolis 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 lower, and Winnipeg 1 to 3 lower. Winnipeg closing prices: Futures—August 28, October 27 1/2, December 27 1/2, May 29, August 28, October 27 1/2, May 29, August 28, October 27 1/2.

O.P.R. CROP REPORT.

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