

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

WATER SUPPLY

Vancouver's water supply is abundant and of excellent quality.

Its sources are in the mountains across Burrard Inlet. "Every day in the year huge wooden, steel and cast-iron pipes draw from the fastnesses of the high mountains across the harbor the best that they can give, and the cool, pure water by gravity alone is here transmitted into the thousand diversified needs of a great city."

There are two independent sources—the waters of the Capilano and of Seymour Creek—having a present daily output of 18,000,000 gallons. With the addition of a few small mains and the full utilization of those now installed, the two systems will deliver 35,000,000 gallons per day.

The city has owned the waterworks only twenty years, prior to which it was operated by a private company. Since acquiring it the city has expended some \$3,000,000 upon it, of which amount one and one-half millions have been put into the two systems.

It has been no light duty to slake the thirst of Vancouver during the passing years, but the work has been done, and done well. Prominent among the civic sources of pride is this very water system, and the same people who are able to smile in gratification and tell you, "We have the most up-to-date fire brigade in America," have equal assurance when they announce that the water they drink is the purest in the West, and the supply is the best on the coast.

The increasing demands upon the plant due to the growth of the city are indicated by the following tables:

WATERWORKS COLLECTIONS

For the first six months of—

1907	\$ 78,213.79	1909	\$114,341.04
1908	95,008.65	1910	137,110.81
1911	181,372.81	—more than the combined totals of 1907 and 1908	

APPLICATIONS FOR WATER SERVICE

From leaseholders only for first half of—

1907	766
1908	843
1909	939
1910	984
1911	1375

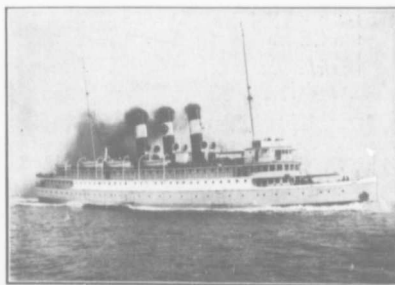
WATER SERVICES IN USE

June 30, 1907	10,250
" " 1908	11,914
" " 1909	13,577
" " 1910	15,452
" " 1911	17,675

An increase of over 70 per cent. in four years. City mains, 174 miles. Hydrants, 902.



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