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REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1942  
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A Council meeting of the Squamish Band was held on the 18th from 7 p.m. until after midnight. So many Councillors are working in the shipyards, we have trouble in getting a majority of them together, and work had accumulated. A Band meeting of the Musqueam Band was held from 7.30 to 11 p.m. on the 1st, there was almost 100% attendance, and proved to be the last one which the old Chief attended. He was a friendly soul, and co-operated in everything we tried to do on the Reserve, and I shall miss him. The Band are objecting to the City of Vancouver taxing the Chinese lessees so heavily, and many of the lessees have given notice that they cannot continue leasing from us. The Indians say the City has never done anything for the Reserve and if any taxes are paid, they should be paid to the Indians themselves. More will be heard of this when the Chinese leave their leased land. All the Musqueams are fishermen and will shortly leave for the fishing grounds until Fall, when they will no doubt have another general meeting to elect a Chief and discuss this taxation business.

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