

The Albertan

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THE ISLAND PARK

One of the most vital questions to any city should be its public parks; older cities have long since recognized this, and after many years of neglect are attempting to repair the errors of former years by the purchase of large tracts of land at an enormous increase in value.

Had this question been dealt with adequately in the past there is no reason why the cities of the west should not each have a park system, which would be ample for its needs. Such, however, has not been the case, and Calgary would do well to secure a public park before its natural breathing places shall have been absorbed by its commercial life.

It is not only a question of recreation but also of health. Calgary, the metropolis of the Last Great West, growing as it is by leaps and bounds, will, in a few short years, no longer be a city of magnificent distances, with a play ground on every side, but will be a congested centre of business activity. Therefore it behooves the citizens to safeguard their rights while they may.

And a definite policy in regard to a park system, which shall be second to none should be immediately inaugurated. A few acres have been reserved in different portions of the city for park purposes, all being in the original prairie state except Central park, which has been somewhat embellished by the landscape, and hardly serves as more than a promenade ground during a band concert.

As has been said a park is one of the crucial needs of the city, and from its situation and conformation the fact that it is possessed of a huge number of shade bearing trees St. George's park is above all others the most suitable for this purpose. Connected as it will be by means of the bridge which is shortly to be constructed, it possesses within itself the ideal requirements for a public park.

It is neither too near, nor is it too distant; it is not like Central Park, within the city limits and surrounded by residences, but at the same time is within easy reach. Encompassed by historic associations it thereby acquires added interest. Many years ago when Calgary was but a frontier post early settlers and Indians coming down the Blackfoot trail, struck the old trail and crossing the island reached Fort Calgary.

Truly St. George's island is the ideal park for the city, nesting as it does on the bosom of the Bow flanked by cool breezes, even in the extreme heat of summer, it will form a welcome seclusion to ladies and children who wish to escape from the heat and turmoil of the city.

The island is large enough to be laid out as a park, with a band stand, seats, tennis courts, bathing pools could be made, and fishing piers constructed.

As a pleasant spot for picnics, this island is unequalled; the scenery looking west and east up and down the river encompassing the beautiful vista of the Bow Valley, and in the far distance the snow capped peaks of the majestic Rockies is magnificent.

As an asset to the city this park would be of incalculable value, not only because it would prove a boon to the present population but would prove an additional attraction to immigrants, and so increase the prosperity of the Queen Bee of western cities.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Have you joined the Canadian Club? Do it now.

Yesterday passed without Alexander & Budd making any change in their proposition.

Not only are we having the coldest winter in ten years, but we are having more winter than we have had for ten years previous.

Even our old friend January Thaw has deserted us this year. Just think of the delightful weather we were having one year ago.

In the draft schedule of the baseball league, which is published today, they rather seem to have us bottled up in the holiday games.

One year ago today, the Lethbridge baseball team played Calgary at Victoria park. There is no baseball game scheduled for today.

Here is an unkind thrust from the Edmonton News: "There is no power in Hell or Calgary, that can keep you from the other side." "If you have made the determination," said Mr. Hunter, the evangelist in an address the other night. It is one of Mr. Hunter's weaknesses as a speaker that he always uses two words where one would do."

Again the Albertan desires to know if Messrs. Alexander & Budd have any water rights upon the Bow River. This question is one which might be of interest to the people of Calgary.

The Medicine Hat News has decided that neither Calgary nor Edmonton is large enough for street railways and with a long experience in the ways of Medicine Hat, this scribe ought to know.

The city of Edmonton is thinking about rescinding the motion making a grant of \$1,000 to Kingston sufferers. They have got as much advertising out of the affair now as they would get by putting up the real coin.

The mayor of Edmonton has ordered the police to move the undesirable out of the city limits, and the underscribes reply that if they get out of the limits they will be either in Saskatchewan or Athabasca Landing.

The coldest day on record in Edmonton, was one last week, and the coldest day in Calgary was that fair April day when Frank Oliver and Peter Talbot sat down and carved the province of Alberta into provincial constituencies.

The following interesting item appears in the latest number of the Kenora News: "Stanley Cup, an old resident of Western Canada, but who has been residing in Montreal and Ottawa for the last three years has again taken up residence in the west. We hope it will be some time before S. Cup decides to return east."

The Hotel Question

Editor Albertan: I noticed a reference in a recent issue of your paper to the action of the hotel keepers in Calgary in the raising of their usual rates in their several hotels. Now I protest, as one who is directly interested in this action of the hotel keepers.

I think it savors too much of graft or greed on the part of somebody. Who is the cause of this extortionate raise? I suppose the hotel combine is. But who is the individual? It points pretty plainly to Mr. Moodle. What a public benefactor he is getting to be anyway.

We all know the hotels are and have been coming money right along. It is no unusual thing to see a hotel proprietor sell out at from \$20,000 to \$70,000 at any time, have a trip east or west, come back and start business anew. Let us glance for a minute at the rates: \$2.00 per day straight, 50 cents per meal, \$7.00 for meal ticket. They want us to pay for the hotel license, the brewery bill, the booze slingers' salary; why the whole thing.

Is there no public benefactor who will erect a large eating house where we shall get good plain food and plenty of it? The hotels certainly deserve a boycott from us. I suppose they think they can get along without us, depending on the travelling public. At any rate they are causing us considerable inconvenience at this season of the year, as we are at present depending on them.

I say, Mr. Editor, how would municipal owned and municipal operated hotels work anyway? It has been shown that this means can be used in supplying other necessities and commodities.

We have not seen that they are raising the wages of waitresses in the hotels, but on the other hand are discharging the waitresses and giving their places to Asiatics, Chinese and Japanese taking the place of our own people in our own country. What a shame.

It is about time people would waken up to see things as they are. At any rate I have wakened up since my hotel rate was doubled and must make a move somewhere.

ENRAGED HOTEL BOARDER.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that all parties having any claims against the Estate of Allen Richard Smith late of Calgary, Alberta, deceased, are hereby required to file with the undersigned, full particulars thereof verified by Statutory Declaration on or before the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1907 after which date the Administrator will proceed to distribute the estate having regard only to the claims of which he shall have had notice.

Dated this 28th day of January, A. D. 1907. JAMES SHORT, Advocate for the Administrator.

MORTGAGE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the decree of this Honourable Court, dated the 4th day of April, A. D. 1906, and the order of the Honourable Mr. Justice Stuart dated the 14th day of January, A. D. 1907, made in a certain cause in the Supreme Court of the North West Territories (Northern Alberta) Judicial District, wherein The Union Trust Company, Limited, is Plaintiff, and Francis Edward Griffin is Defendant, there will be sold by public auction on Thursday, the 28th day of February, A. D. 1907, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the Imperial Hotel in the Village of Penhold the following described property: That is to say, Lots Five and Six according to the registered plan of the Village of Penhold in the Province of Alberta, in the Dominion of Canada, and all buildings and improvements thereon. Terms to be made known at sale.

Dated at Calgary the 14th day of January, A. D. 1907. LOUGHEED & BENNETT, Advocates for Union Trust Co. Limited, Mortgagees.

North West Association of Stationary Engineers will meet at the Co-operative Hall, second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. Engineers wishing positions and employers wishing certified engineers, write to P. O. Box 1028. E. H. OLIVER, Sec.

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CITY OF CALGARY. WARD NO. 1.

Notice is hereby given that at the meeting held on Monday, the 28th day of January, 1907, in Ward No. 1, for the nomination of Alderman, I. G. Ruttle and A. J. Samis were nominated. I hereby give notice that a poll will be held in said ward on Monday, the 4th day of February next, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon as follows:

At City Clerk's office in the City Hall for voters in Ward 1 (a) from A. to L, before Arthur Newham, Deputy Returning Officer.

At City Treasurer's office in City Hall for voters in Ward 1 (a) from M. to Z, before Miss Roma Macleod, Deputy Returning Officer.

At Black's store, Edbow, for voters in Ward 1 (b), before R. Vincent Shaw, Deputy Returning Officer.

Dated at Calgary, January 28th, 1907. H. E. GILLIS, Returning Officer.

CITY OF CALGARY Applications for the position of chimney sweep for the City of Calgary will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th day of February, A. D. 1907. Dated at Calgary, January 29th A. D. 1907. H. E. GILLIS, City Clerk

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NOTICE Public notice is hereby given that an application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Alberta, for an Act incorporating The Calgary Fire Insurance Company, with power to carry on the business of insurance against loss by fire and other contingencies, with power to acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property, and for all further and other powers, incidental to or expedient for the attainment of the above objects. Dated at Calgary this 28th day of January, A. D. 1907. JONES & NICHOLS Advocates for the Applicants D 23.6-13-20 Notice is hereby given that the Assessment Roll for year 1907 is in my office open to inspection. The Court of Revision of Assessment will meet at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Calgary, on Monday the 11th day of February, A. D. 1907 at ten o'clock in the forenoon for the hearing of any appeals against the assessment. Notice of such appeal, if any, must be filed with the undersigned not later than February 4th, next, with statement of the grounds of appeal. Dated at Calgary January 2nd. A.D. 1907. H. E. GILLIS, City Clerk