

U. C. T. CONVENTION WAS A SUCCESS

Visiting Travelers, After a Day Full of Pleasure, Concluded Their Short Stay With Fete at Gorge Park.

The commercial travelers have come and gone.

Last night the annual convention of the United Commercial Travelers association, which was held in Victoria this year, was brought to a conclusion and the majority of the delegates have dispersed to their homes in Washington, Oregon, and different sections of British Columbia. Tomorrow morning most of these genial knights of the grip, who on Friday and Saturday, were the guests of Victoria and who made the city gay with the exuberance of their spirits, will again be on the road. The visitors, or at least many of them, were heard to say before leaving that their short stay in Victoria was thoroughly enjoyed and that the convention of 1911 will long remain a pleasant recollection.

Yesterday morning the travelers were up and about bright and early and before 10 o'clock had lined up at the Knights of Pythias hall, from which point a parade was started which circulated through the city's chief streets and everywhere attracted crowds of amused spectators. The Fifth Regiment band headed the procession, with short stops in front of the two newspaper offices and the principal business establishments for the purpose of serenading the occupants. First in the line were the Bagmen of Bagdad, the dignitaries of the various councils, attired in strikingly fantastic costumes. Then came the delegates from Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Vancouver, Everett, Bellingham and Victoria. One of the features were the representatives from Tacoma who wore long light blue ulsters and carried grips, on which they sat while the band, in their behalf, paid respects to different Victoria establishments. The parade dispersed at parliament square where pictures were taken.

Automobile Tour.

After this the ladies of the party were taken on a tour of the city by automobile. They were shown the various adjacent resorts or as many as possible in the short time at their disposal before lunch. If their comments are any criterion they were thoroughly appreciative of the courtesy.

The finale of the convention came in the evening when everyone enjoyed a U. C. T. badge, augmented by a large crowd of local pleasure seekers, went to the Gorge Park. That place of beauty, rendered the more charming because of the exceptionally mild and summery weather, was turned over to the visitors. It was theirs for the time being and, realizing this, they made themselves thoroughly at home. The attendants at the Japanese gardens were kept busy supplying the wants of the travelers. Meanwhile the latter were entertained by a splendid musical programme rendered by the park's orchestra. Also there were moving pictures for those who wished to stay and watch. Boats and canoes were requisitioned by many parties. In short the resort took on that spirit of animation which is not usually apparent there for at least a month from the present date.

That the visitors enjoyed themselves no one who was at the Gorge can doubt. The local council did in to be congratulated on the able and hospitable manner in which they did the honors of hosts to the one thousand strangers who called Victoria home for two days.

Yesterday morning Grand Councilor Somers, of Spokane, and Messrs. Holman, of Portland, and Beebe, of Tacoma, judged those store windows which had been adorned in the colors of the order in performance with the conditions of a competition which has already been outlined in these columns. The results follow:

First, D. Spencer & Co., \$25, donated by the Canadian Rubber Co.; second, Ross & Co., \$10; special mention, Hammond shoe store, Fitzpatrick & O'Connell, Campbell's ladies' outfitting store, Colbert Plumbing Co., Tucson Electric Supply Co., Weller Bros. and the Five, Ten and Fifteen Cent store.

Orchard Stoves in U. C. T. It may seem to the casual reader obviously a joke for one to speak of protecting apple trees from the nip of the frost king by means of little individual stoves, but this is just what advanced orchard science is doing and doing successfully, as the results of experiments in the Armstrong district, just reported to the department of agriculture, attest. Messrs. Freeze and Sharpe are there in charge of the introduction of the heat-pots, which are placed at the foot of each tree, and in one Armstrong orchard they have upward of a hundred of the tiny stoves at work. As a result during one exceptionally cold day last week, when three degrees of frost was reported, with the trees all in blossom, the one heated orchard came through without mishap, while all its neighbors suffered. The orchard stove is far from a new idea in California, but in British Columbia it is both an innovation and still regarded as a prize discovery by the bucolic humorists.

Empire Georges' Fund.—The Georges of the Empire fund in so far as British Columbia is concerned was officially closed yesterday, and a cheque for the amount of the total subscriptions in this province, \$20.35, will be forthwith transmitted by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, through His Excellency the Governor-General, to the custodians of the King George Coronation fund at London.

STREET ENDS-AS ASSET FOR CITY

Secretary of Inner Harbor Association Suggests Method by Which Corporation would Get Benefit.

Perpetual maintenance of the various street ends abutting upon the harbour as public spaces at which wharves could be erected and facilities given for communication between various points on the inner harbor, the greater portion of the waterfront of which is now held by private interests, is advocated by Mr. Thomas Sorby, secretary of the Inner Harbor Association.

Mr. Sorby has written to the city council advocating a scheme whereby these street ends might be made to serve the public interest and at the same time be made a source of revenue. He points out that there is a demand for public landing places or wharves as numbers of yachts and other non-mercantile vessels, foreign and coastwise, are continually seeking some place to tie up, and as available wharves are fully occupied with the mercantile traffic pertaining to them, these small vessels, while permitted to tie up to the wharves at a small charge, are more or less of a nuisance to legitimate traffic. There is also a demand for public landing places for outside products of the farm and fisheries as well as other food or commercial enterprises where such can be marketed off to the retailer or consumer.

Suggested Development

Mr. Sorby therefore suggests to the city council that the city should claim all these street ends and develop them for the public convenience not necessarily as free commercial wharves but as places where parties may land and discharge cargo at fixed rates, the proceeds to be part of the general revenue of the city. Piers of ample capacity, or, where needed, wharves could be erected. The street ends could be either carried out as solid piers, if water on either side could be secured, or they could be used as docks, in which case the public landing would be at the shore end and adjacent owners could pay rent for water privileges, or facilities, which would add greatly to the value of their properties. These street ends might be developed as a covered, double-back, recreation and trade pier, as in Philadelphia, with railroad tracks connected with the B. C. Electric Railway system for the reception and distribution of merchandise.

Mr. Sorby believes that the possibilities of this development are very great and that the facilities so offered might fairly be expected to induce small, independent coastwise trading vessels to make regular landings, and thus encourage and develop trade and minor industries while inducing healthy competition in transportation facilities to the advantage of the producer and consumer.

If the city cannot see its way clear to develop the property it claims to hold, in the public interest Mr. Sorby believes it should encourage while the letting of these street ends on moderate terms to such persons as will use them and so help in building up the trade of the city, but the city should not sell the street ends.

SIMILKAMEEN ROADS

Mr. L. W. Shatford, M.P.P., Reports His District as Progressive and Prosperous

Mr. L. W. Shatford, M.P.P., and Read Superintendent Turner are now making a tour of inspection and inspection of the Princeton section of the Similkameen district, inquiring into the needs of the people, and recommending road and trail improvements and construction wherever needed. The trunk road to connect Alberta with the Pacific coast is of deep concern to the member, and the difficult task to locate and construct lines between Princeton and the west slope of Hope mountains, mostly in his constituency. The five-mile route is being located now by R. H. Parkinson, P.L.S., and will eventually connect with Summerland and Penticton.

Of the roads, trails and bridges in the Similkameen receiving immediate attention the following may be named: Trail to Steamboat, J. Snowden, foreman; Hope trail, S. Spencer; Whipsaw trail, Day and Knight; road to be completed up Tulameen river, to West Princeton collieries; extension of five-mile road, S. R. Gibson; road to Holmes mountain via Deer Valley, J. Budd; Wolf Creek road, W. A. Davis; and One-mile road, J. Hedley.

Mr. Shatford reports the country progressive and prosperous, due largely to the railway policy of the government. He is building a fine country residence on Lake Skaha, a central part of his constituency, whence he may reach by auto the outlying parts of the Similkameen in a few hours.

Valueless Cheque.—Bernard W. Cater, who came here from England seven years ago to learn to become a farmer, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment in the police court yesterday on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. He gave a valueless cheque to Messrs T. N. Hibben & Co., and secured ten dollars.

Provincial School Inspectors.—With the opening of the autumn term, the public schools of Victoria and Vancouver again will be under the supervision of provincial inspectors. Provision having been made in the framing of the last estimates for the restoration of these officers, as stated some weeks ago in these columns. The inspectors will confine themselves strictly to provincial duties, in no way conflicting with or trespassing upon the useful functions of the city superintendents, Messrs. Paul and Argue.

Campbell's

A Galaxy of Summer Outer-Garments

YOUR ASPIRATION—TO BE PERFECTLY GOWNED—ON THE 24TH INST., CAN SO EASILY BE MET HERE. RIGHT AT THE MOMENT WHEN DAME FASHION'S CALL IS LOUDEST WE ARE READY WITH THE GREATEST DISPLAY OF SUMMER FINERY THAT IT HAS EVER BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO SHOW.

Cream Serge Suits

Cream Serge Suits and Victoria sunshine go hand in hand. The well dressed woman no matter how many suits she may have, always has at least one cream serge—sometimes more. Whether you desire the perfectly plain model, without any embellishment at all, or the fancy models with blue or black hairline stripes, you will find that "Campbell's" have them—and very conveniently priced.



Linen Coats and Suits

This summer Linen Coats and Suits will enjoy the same popularity as last summer. We doubt if their popularity will ever decline, simply because like the separate wash top-skirts, they are easily laundered. A new shipment in this line has just been unpacked.



The Newest Style Parasols

In every conceivable shade to match your costume.

All Black Parasols, with plain and brocaded moire silk covers, crook or plain flat knobbed handles, \$7.50 to **2.25**
Pongee Silk Parasols, perfectly plain, \$4.75, \$3.75, \$2.90 and **\$2.25**
Parasols, in fancy figured and brocaded silks—tremendous range of these—to match every costume or dress, \$4.75 to **\$1.00**

Brocaded Satin Parasols, in helio, pink, green and white, \$7.50, \$6.50 and **\$5.00**
Black and White—mixed—Parasols, extremely new, \$5.25 to **\$3.75**
Children's Parasols, in fancy cottons and silks, frilled, \$1.25 to **50c**
Plain Heavy Silk Parasols, in navy, brown, pink, red, helio, sky, green, white and sax blues. Handles in colors to match covers, \$4.75 to **\$1.90**

Exquisite Waists and Blouses

A world wide variety of styles—every one dainty, dainty enough to please the most exacting. Others richly elaborated so as to suit any taste—in fact a waist here to please any fancy, style, want or for any occasion that may arise. A hint of the prices are as follows:

Colored Marquessette Waists over foundation of white lace net, in champagne, green, Copenhagen, navy, black, brown and old rose, kimona sleeves **\$7.50**
Chiffon Blouses, chiffon over cream net, kimona sleeves, in all the newest shades, Price **\$5.75**
Chiffon Waists, black and white stripe over heavy white net, kimona sleeves. Very smart indeed **\$6.90**
Lingerie Waists, in all the most approved styles, all of which are exclusive with us, "Campbell's" \$8.75 to **\$1.25**
\$5.50 TO \$2.50—Shirtwaists in dainty white mull, hand embroidered, with fine tucks and lace insertion.



\$5.75 TO \$6.50—Exquisite Marquessette Waists, hand embroidered, kimona sleeves.

UP FROM \$4.25—Pure Irish Linen Waists, with handsome embroidery, stiff cuffs and detachable collars.

UP FROM \$2.75—Pure Irish Linen Waists, hand embroidered and tucked, stiff cuffs and detachable collars.

\$2.25 TO \$1.25—Splendid range of Lingerie and Tailored Blouses—very exceptional value at the price.

UP FROM \$2.25—Embroidered Linen Shirtwaists in fancy designs and styles.

Lingerie Dresses

In looking over our elaborate and comprehensive collection of really beautiful Lingerie Frocks, you will be struck at once by the gracefully correct lines of every individual design from the modestly priced to the most exquisitely finished model. The 24th suggests immediate attention to your summer wardrobe and in making your selection you really cannot spend time more pleasantly than inspecting and comparing our values.

Silk Dresses

These dresses are in light, pretty summer silks—stripe, plain and fancy effects for the most part—in tan, grey, brown, blue, pongee, etc. Some are especially adapted for afternoon and street wear. Others are in more fancy effects—smart dressy little gowns for the matinee or evening wear.



Glove Features

Maggiore Kid Gloves at \$1.50. The best glove value that it is possible for any woman to procure. Two dome fasteners and in all shades. Per pair **\$1.50**
Fowne's Washable Kid Gloves, in white only. Pair **\$1.25**
Perrin's Glace Kid Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, in all shades. Per pair **\$1.25**
Kaysor Silk Gloves, extra heavy, in black and white, double tips. Per pair **\$1.25**
Dent's and Fowne's Elbow Length Gloves, in glaze kid, black, tan and white. Per pair, \$2.50, \$2.25 and **\$1.75**
Silk Gloves, elbow length, in black, tan, grey, pink, blue and cream. Per pair, \$1.50, \$1.25 and **\$1.00**
Kaysor Silk Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, double tips, in black, white, grey, champagne, brown and navy. Special, per pair **75c**



Most Exclusive Styles in Summer Neckwear

Washable Stocks, in plain and fancy vestings, embroidered. Very large range in white and colors, 75c to **35c**
Embroidered Lawn Collars, with jabots exquisitely trimmed, 90c to **35c**
Hand Embroidered Lawn Collars, with embroidered lace jabots, \$1.75 to **\$1.25**

Fancy Collars, in net and laces, trimmed with chiffons and silks, in white, cream and colors. Tremendous range of these from \$2.25 to **50c**
Jabots, of embroidered lawn, with solid and eyelet embroidery, and lace edges. 'Tis next to impossible to detail our great variety of these. Prices are 90c, 75c, 65c, 50c to **35c**

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