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LOCAL NEWS

Mr. Harold Norris paid a flying visit to Sidney Sunday.

A new store has been opened at Deep Cove by George Lowe.

The S. S. Willochra of 12,000 tons will replace the Aorangi on the line between Victoria and Sydney.

Mr. and Mrs. Martineau and daughter motored from Victoria Sunday on a picnic to Patricia Bay, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Converse, Mrs. Donovan, Miss Elliott and Miss Norris, of Sidney.

Sidney climate has again proved its excellence during the recent warm spell, as much higher temperatures have been experienced in other places. On Tuesday in Victoria 78 degrees were registered and in Kamloops 86, Seattle reported 82 and Portland 86. Some apprehension is felt in the Fraser Valley of danger from floods.

We are glad to see that Mr. D. M. Evans, the Sidney tailor, who has been ill for some days has recovered sufficiently to be about again, and though he is far from well he is able to attend to his many customer's wants.

The new bell and belfry at St. Andrew's church were dedicated on Sunday evening last by the Dean of Columbia at a special dedication service held outside the church prior to the ordinary evening service at which the sermon was also preached by Dean Doull.

A mistake was made last week by the statement that the work of painting the building of the Merchants Bank of Canada was in the hands of Messrs Walker and Crawford. As a matter of fact the contract which is now nearly completed has been carried out by Messrs Hayward and Apps.

A large party of Victorians visited Sidney on Saturday afternoon. They were Messrs. W. Crow, R. Eccles, Reg. Hayward, Harry Rivers, J. A. Roberts, Leonard Tait, Guy Walker, and C. White. They came out of sheer liking for Sidney having previously visited the place as members of a picnic party. Some of these gentlemen returned to Victoria the same evening by motor car and one or two remained over Sunday.

A large party of members of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers will visit the plant of the Cement Co. on Bamerton Bay, Saanich Inlet, on Monday next. For the past eighteen months work on the big cement plant has been under way. The plant will cost over \$100,000 and when completed will have a large output of cement, unlimited material being available, and will employ a large number of men. It is constructed on the most modern lines.

Few salmon are at present running in the Arm but the capture of a few fine grilse is reported. While possibly inferior to his more mature relative from a sporting point of view the grilse is second to none as a table fish, and is certainly one of the greatest delicacies that the Pacific or any other ocean can offer to the gourmand. There are large quantities of dog fish in the Arm also and they freely take the spoon that is put out to lure the king of fish, much to the disgust of the sportsman.

Miss Jessie Brown and two girl friends from St. Margaret's school, Victoria, spent the week end with the former's parents at Sidney.

The Sidney Trading Co. has received the contract for certain supplies for the summer camp of the Royal Canadian Militia.

Mrs. Converse, Miss Elliott and Miss Norris spent a few days in Victoria this week when they attended the performance of "The Toy Maker," by the Australian Pollard Co.

Repairs to the wharf are now nearly completed. On Monday a boom of piles and a pile driver arrived and Tuesday morning Messrs. McDonald and Wither the contractors set to work in earnest.

For a number of years Vancouver and Vancouver Island, says the Colonist have been connected by telephone by a very round about route crossing over the Gulf by a series of Islands, some of which lie on the American side of the line. With the arrival of a new 38 mile telephone cable which came in on the steamer Crown of Galicia, direct communication from Point Grey to Nanaimo and thence overland and under Saanich Inlet to Victoria will be provided, all in Canadian waters and on Canadian land.

On Wednesday last a party of gentlemen connected with the Canadian Explosives Company came to Sidney and went over to James Island for the purpose of selecting the best site for a new wharf at which the various materials of which the new buildings are to be constructed may be landed. The company was represented by Mr. H. J. Scott, vice-president, and Mr. F. Moore. Captains Christensen, Foote and Butler accompanied them for the purpose of giving expert nautical advice on the subject. Capt. Butler will be remembered by old timers as commander of the S. S. Joan when she used to call in at Shoal Harbor on her weekly trip to Nanaimo.

A fine specimen of local industry has made its appearance this week in the shape of the power yacht Naploa, which in the Cree language means the West Wind. This boat has been built to the order of Mr. J. B. Kelly by Mr. J. Reid of Third Street and is as fine a specimen of her style of craft as can be found. She is 33ft long by 8ft beam and draws 3ft of water. She is engined by a 12 horse power single cylinder Gray motor. Her frame is built of clear white oak and her planking is 7-8 inch Cypress. Besides the usual cockpit she has a roomy cabin with good head room and is fitted with all the necessary appliances. On Wednesday she was taken out for a trial run and made 8 knots an hour.

BANK MANAGER IS RECIPIENT OF PRESENT

F. W. Anderson is Honored By His Many Friends in Sidney.

On the eve of his departure from Sidney Mr. F. W. Anderson, manager of the local branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada, was presented with a nice travelling bag by a few of his Sidney friends. Among those present at the presentation were Messrs. John, Julius, Roy and George Brethour, Sam, Jack and Yeddie Roberts, R. G. R. McKenzie, J. Critchley, W. Lait, G. A. Davidson, H. A. McKilligan, P. N. Tester, F. J. Pfister, W. Mallendar, G. F. Smith and Angus Ego, all of whom spoke regretfully of Andy's departure and assured him of their regard for him as a bank manager and a business man, a true sport, and a good friend, and one who had the best interests of Sidney at heart.

The presentation, which was made by Mr. P. N. Tester on behalf of the above gentlemen, took place at the Sidney hotel. Mr. Anderson was absolutely surprised and was almost overcome by his friends testimonials of regard, but spoke shortly and feelingly of his deep appreciation of the many friends that were so kind to him since his arrival in Sidney. He thanked all present for their kindness to him and said he would always have a tender spot in his heart for Sidney. After singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" and "Auld Lang Syne" the gathering dispersed.



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