

LOG STRIKE MARS PEACE OF NANAIMO

Quaint Vancouver Island City Now Recovering From Year's Labor War.

POLICE GAUDILY ATTIRED

Coal Output, Fishery Trade, Timber Business, Valuable Assets of Canadian Town Visited by Addison Bennett.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.
NANAIMO, B. C., March 30.—(Staff correspondence)—This is the principal city on Vancouver Island, next to Victoria. It is a fine little city of some 12,000 people, but just now there are perhaps less than that owing to a strike in the coal mines.

This strike is now about a year old. Up to that time the 2500 miners employed hereabouts were apparently contented and prosperous. They made good wages and their conditions in the mine and on the surface were supposed to be in every way satisfactory. There was no discontent known to the mine operators.

However, of these 2500, something like 200 belonged to the miners' union, and through these union organizers came in and demanded recognition of the union.

Then came the strike, which for a time amounted to a lockout. The Canadian Government sent in about 1000 troops, the mines began in a desultory way to resume on their main shafts, the workmen increased, and now there are about 1500 men employed at the old works and under the old conditions.

The strike is not, was long since lost. But apparently the union men do not know this. They have been withdrawn with the exception of about 200 men, and normal conditions will soon prevail. Now something like 1500 tons of coal are mined a day. When the strike is really settled, it is said the output will soon go up to something like 4000 tons per day, for well-settled conditions many new shafts will be sunk.

I mention these conditions to show that the labor troubles in the domains of Uncle Sam are in no wise unique or exceptional. The ne'er do wells and the agitators are not confined to the States; the Canadian people suffer by them even as we do.

Our vessel tied up at one of the wharves about 8 o'clock this evening, stopping for 250 tons of coal to take to a cannery at Ketchikan. Talk about taking coal to Newcastle! Here was a case of taking coal from a small field to the great coal field of the world, of the small supplying the great.

Passengers Enjoy Nights.

As soon as Captain MacGregor could get to the custom-house and arrange for the passengers to land, also to arrange for the cargo, word was passed to the passengers by phone that we might go and see the town. And all the first and second class passengers took advantage of the hint and walked three-quarters of a mile up to the business section.

It is indeed a quaint little city. Those of us of an inquiring turn of mind went first to the newspaper office, the Daily Herald, a morning paper, and the mighty goal field for a place of this size. Here I was fortunate enough to meet Mr. Matson, the proprietor, and the editor, who gave me much information.

From there I went to one of the leading hotels, and there met John F. Doyle, of the Doyle & Powers Company. I found Mr. Doyle to be one of the cleverest and most estimable gentlemen I have met for a long time. He and his partner are handling and furnishing goods store, and I was taken there. Then Mr. Doyle telephoned for the secretary of the development association. This gentleman came and did the best he knew how, but to Mr. Doyle I am indebted for the main facts about the town.

I wish Portland had a thousand business men like John F. Doyle, of Nanaimo. They would give us an asset beyond any work our commercial bodies could do. If Nanaimo has but a half-dozen such, then the town is sure to prosper.

Thousands Paid for Publicity.

The people about 10 months ago subscribed \$1000 a month for a year for publicity work. The strike conditions tightened business up greatly, but more than two-thirds of the money had been regularly paid each month. By doing a little figuring I take it that Portland would have to come through with about \$1600 a year for publicity work to equal what the Nanaimo people are doing.

The first thing that strikes an American as he enters the town is the police, with their quaint uniforms and their chin straps, each one standing up as straight as if he had a broom handle stuck up the back of his coat or buttoned coat. Then the incontinent, downy mustaches of the many passers-by, then the soldiers and the gaudily uniformed officers marching straight along.

Main Street Series of Twists.

The main thoroughfare of the town is Commercial street. This street is well paved and the walks and curbs are of the best. The highway itself has more twists and turns in it than I ever saw in a city street before. Talk about Pearl street in New York, which begins and ends in Broadway, and forms a half circle in its two or three miles of length! Why, Commercial street in Nanaimo has 40 twists where Pearl street has one. It winds in and out, north and south, east and west, up hill and down hill and on the level, while streets intersect it from every direction and every angle.

Mr. Doyle explained why this was so. He took me down toward the water front, a block from this spiral street, and showed me an old fort or block-house. It was erected, so an inscription on it says, by the Hudson's Bay Company in 1853. There were no residents but incoming boats then.

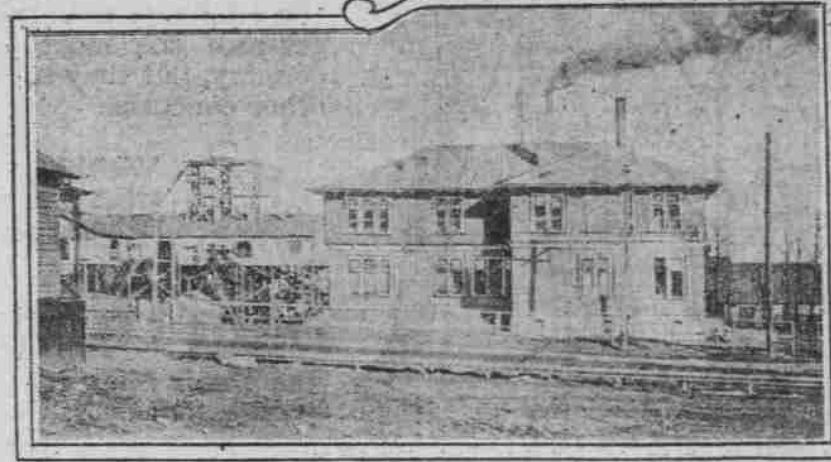
Back of the fort, leading to higher ground, there was a ravine. Eventually a path wound along the eastern bank of this ravine; then when a settler came he built his house near this path; the path became a road; the houses along it increased; the path became a street and still the buildings increased. And there, like the "Trail of the Calif," lies Commercial street in all its quaintness and, I am forced to say, in all its beauty.

For it is built up solidly on each side with good buildings and these are mostly occupied as mercantile establishments, many of them equal to that of the Doyle & Powers Company. Indeed, you may go to many cities a half dozen times the size of Nanaimo and not find as fine stocks of goods and as finely displayed as in Nanaimo.

Fine Harbor Is Protected.

Nanaimo, of course, is on the Gulf of Georgia, on the eastern shore of Vancouver Island. The city has a fine harbor, protected from adverse winds and tides and storms by two islands—Protection and Newcastle. It is distant

SCENES AT NANAIMO



Top-View of Harbor Front, Middle-Western Fuel Company's New Office, Bottom—Old Fort, Remic of Hostile Indian Days.

BIG DEVELOPMENT DUE LEWIS AND CHEHALIS COUNTIES TO GET MILLS.

William Carlisle, Millionaire Lumberman, Visits Interests and Gives Out Plans.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 11.—(Special).—William Carlisle, the millionaire head of the Carlisle-Pennell Lumber Company, a wealthy Eastern concern whose headquarters are at Atchison, Kan., and who has been passing some time locally looking after extensive business interests in this section, left for his home at Atchison this week, after seeing all plans well under way for the great development work which his company is now starting in South-west Washington.

Of especial importance to the people of Lewis and Chehalis counties is the announcement of Mr. Carlisle's company as to its future plans, which already have taken on life near Copalis on Grays Harbor and at Onalaska, 16 miles east of Chehalis, at both of which points big sawmills are to be erected at once.

The Carlisle-Pennell Company's timber holdings in Lewis County alone aggregate 35,000 acres, most all of which are within a comparatively few miles distance from the City of Chehalis, and the greater portion of which is located either in the fertile forks of

HUSUM, Wash., April 11.—(Special).—Ranchers throughout the White Salmon Valley are cultivating many extra acres of strawberries this season. The proposed cannery to be installed at Husum is an incentive for the increased production.

POLK COUNTY JUDGE HEAD OF LARGE FAMILY



PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN ON FARM OF J. B. TEAL, NEAR FALLS CITY. DALLAS, Or., April 11.—(Special).—In addition to being one of the best road men in the county, and one of the best County Judges Polk County has had, J. B. Teal, County Judge of Polk County, is at the same time a great family man. Judge and Mrs. Teal are the father and mother of nine living children, their whole family amounting to 12 children, three of whom died in infancy. The home of Judge Teal is located at Falls City and though all of his children are married and most of them have families of their own, all live within a radius of three miles of Falls City. The Judge says he can have a family reunion every Sunday if he desires, and it is a well-known fact that the Judge and his children are strong and healthy and hard workers. Judge and Mrs. Teal, though somewhat advanced in years, are young for their age, are healthy and both enjoy life.

F. S. MORRIS RESIDENCE TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION



The above noted residence of F. S. Morris, 190 King street, will be sold at public auction, Monday, April 20, 1914, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

Contents of the house will also be sold at auction at 1:30 o'clock P. M. the same day. See Auction Advertisements elsewhere for details.

This fine property is very favorably located in the exclusive King's Hill residence district and offers one of the most substantial, comfortable, well-appointed homes in the City of Portland. The lot has a frontage of 75 feet on King street with a depth of 120 feet. A well-set lawn, choice roses and other shrubbery complete the surroundings.

This property will be sold on very attractive terms, either for cash or deferred payments to suit requirements of responsible purchaser. Anyone interested in the property can arrange for personal inspection of the house and can secure detailed information by applying to the undersigned.

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NEW BUG ENRICHES SOIL

FIFTY BILLION IN SMALL BOTTLE FERTILIZE FIVE ACRES.

Idaho University Develops a Bacteria Which Sucks Nitrogen From the Air and Doubles Acreage Output.

MOSCOW, Idaho, April 8.—(Special).—That the farmers in all sections of the state are very ready to adopt tried-and-true scientific methods of farming, as a means of increasing the profits on their lands, is evidenced by the heavy demand for the nitrogen-gathering bacteria that is being manufactured in the laboratories of the department of bacteriology at the University. Within the past week or two, orders for the product have been coming in, not only from all sections of Idaho, but from Washington and Oregon as well, and more than 200 bottles of the manufactured article have already been shipped out. The orders are increasing daily and are expected to become heavier as the Spring crop planting season comes on.

The function of the product is to form nodules on the roots of leguminous plants, such as clover, alfalfa, peas and beans, by a process of seed inoculation, through which the plants can convert nitrogen from the air into nitrate form as a plant food. In some sections of the state the soil in its natural condition produces the root nodules without any artificial treatment. In other sections, it is said, much of the soil will, without special treatment, produce but scant yields, owing to the inability of the plants to gather a sufficient quantity of nitrogen.

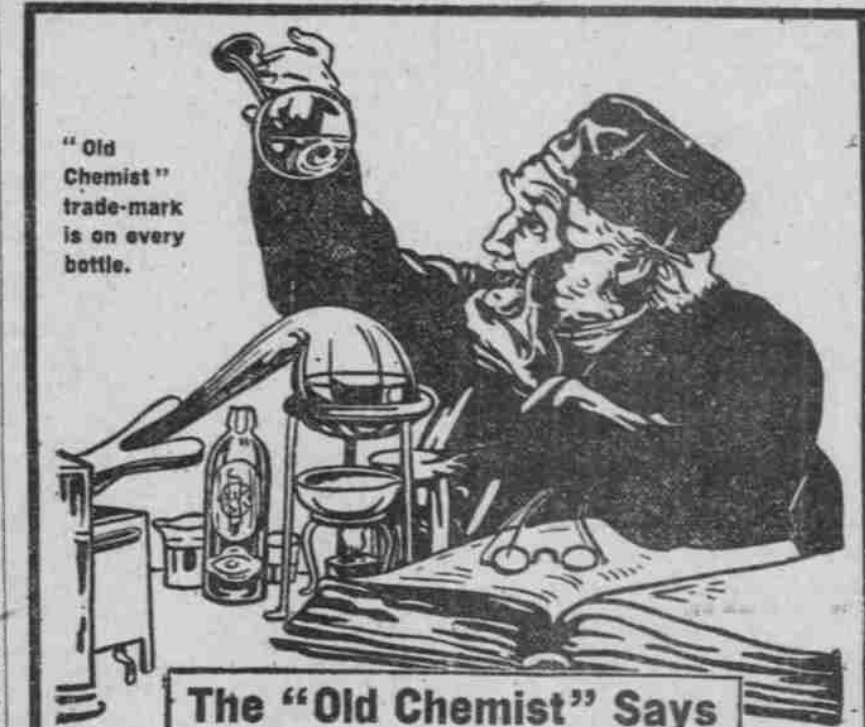
Extensive experiments with the nodule-producing product were conducted last year on the University farm and very gratifying results were obtained. It was found that by inoculating the seed of Canada field peas the yield could be almost doubled. Practically all the results were obtained with beans, alfalfa and clover.

The product is shipped from the University laboratories in four-ounce bottles, each containing from 16 to 20 billion bacteria collected on a jelly-like substance. The contents of the bottles are thoroughly mixed with sweet milk and sugar and in that form applied to the seed. Each four-ounce bottle contains a sufficient quantity of bacteria to inoculate seed for five acres of ground.

The product is sent to all applicants upon receipt of only enough money to cover the actual cost of manufacture.

and shipment. It can be applied, it is said, for about 5 cents per acre.

Power Firm Officials on Trip. MOSCOW, Idaho, April 11.—(Special).—The Chamber of Commerce will entertain stockholders of the Washington Water Power Company, who will arrive here tomorrow on a special train from Spokane. Twenty-five New York capitalists, headed by W. A. White, of New York, chairman of the executive board of the company, will come.



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