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D. A. PEERS APPOINTED

Donald A. Peers, 347 West Sixteenth, was appointed assistant city license inspector at a meeting of the North Vancouver Council Monday night. Mr. Peers a resident of the North Shore for a number of years, will assume his duties immediately. There were thirty-nine applications for the position. No action was taken on the eleven applications for the position of stenographer in the city clerk's office.

SEES GROWING POPULARITY OF B. C. WINTER FAIR

"The popularity of the British Columbia Winter Fair is growing by leaps and bounds," said Mr. F. D. Gross, on his return from the annual sheep sale held at Kamloops recently, where he was representing the Vancouver Exhibition Association.

"The Winter Fair is popular with the farmers, and producers of the province, because at the same time it is a show ring and a splendid marketing opportunity for them, and they plan for this event for months."

Exhibits in large numbers are assured from the interior as well as other parts of the province, Mr. Gross stated, and the departments of horses, cattle, sheep and swine will be well filled with many new exhibitors included in the list. The fair will be held November 27 to 30 at Hastings Park.

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UNION OF NORTH SHORE WITH VANCOUVER TO "REMAIN ON AGENDA"

"The Vancouver City Council is sympathetic with the request of the North Vancouver City council regarding the amalgamation of Vancouver and that city, but it does not think the time is yet opportune for such a mergwas the information conveyed to the North Vancouver Council Monday evening in a letter from William McQueen, Vancouver city clerk.

The advisability of the North Vancouver City and District councils jointly discussing further the matter of amalgamation was cited so the question of amalgamation will appear on the 3genda at the next joint meeting of the two councils.

SAYS ENGINEER HANES' REPORT IS UNFAIR

Strong objection to statements made in a recent report submitted to the North Vancouver City Council by City Engineer George S. Hanes regarding the condition of the local ferry wharf were voiced by Ferry Superintendent George Chalmers in a letter to the council Monday evening.

"The report of the engineer regarding the pontoons at the ferry wharf has been unfairly exaggerated, said Mr. Chalmers. He said the particular pontoon which Mr. Hanes reported as seriously corroded and pitted is about twenty years old and has been in place about two years. It has been in the way of the wash of the propellers of the boats and has been subjected to the damaging effects of driftwood, added Mr. Chalmers.

Regarding Mr. Hanes' criticism of the painting of the pontoons, Mr. Chalmers said "it has been considered good practice by many shipbuilders to apply red paint as a base for under-water plates. Four of the pontoons were treated with that paint to prolong their life.

"The report is most unfair and misleading when it suggests that the whole of the \$60,000 or \$70,-000 investment is in danger," Mr. Chalmers concluded.

BRITISH COLUMBIA HOUSE OFFERS AID TO TOURISTS

Hon. F. A. Pauline, agent-general for British Columbia in Great Britain, has issued a small pamphlet setting forth the services his department is willing to render citizens of British Columbia visiting the Old Country. Mail may be sent to British Columbia House, Regent Street and forwarded to any address. Advice on shopping or amusements may be obtained. There is a writing room and reading room with British Columbia papers. The agent-general and his secretary will deem it a privilege to meet any citizens in London and urge them to make use of B. C. House.

The pamphlet has an excellent photograph of B. C. House and a map of central London showing theatres, museums, clubs and principal Canadian offices.

DEATH OF MRS, YATES' FATHER

The death occurred last Friday of Thomas Partington, father of Mrs. J. S. Yates, at his home at Selkirk, Manitoba. The deceased, who was born in Lancashire, England, was nearly ninety years of age, and had resided in Selkirk for fifty years. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, three sons and four daughters including Mrs. Yates.

FIRST DIVISION FOOTBALL

Owing to the difficulty in securing grounds, only one first division game in the Vancouver and District Soccer League has been scheduled by Secretary J. E. Munro for Saturday, and this will bring together North Shore United and Westminster Royals at Con Jones Park at 2.45 with Referee W. Cowan in charge.

DEATH OF T. FINNIE

T. Finnie passed away suddenly on Thursday, 17th instant, at his home at 2659 Marine Drive. He is survived by his wife, two sons and three daughters, one of whom, Mrs. R. H. Simmonds, resides in Dundarave. The funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon from the Burrard Funeral Chapel, North Vancouver, Rev. A. Harding Priest officiating, and interment was made in the West Vancouver cemetery.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. R. P. Blower, 18th and Fulton, gave a party at her home on Tuesday afternoon in honor of the ninth birthday of her daughter Barbara, nine of whose little playmates were invited. The children spent the afternoon in playing old country games, after which tea and refreshments were served. The little guests were: Lois Colvin, Leone Woodcock, Marion Vigar, Muriel Vigar, Doris Lashbrook, Morva Batchelor, Stella Blower, Toney Cook and Bill Hartley.

GEORGE H. HEWITT'S FIRM WILL ERECT BUILDING

The George H. Hewitt Co. Ltd., Vancouver, of which George H. Hewitt of West Bay is the head, took out a permit last Tuesday for a store and workshop at 732 Homer Street, costing \$19,500. This will be a two-storey structure 25x120 feet.

GARDENS and GARDENING

By MINA G. HUTT. Landscape Architect

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There are many reasons for planting in the fall-but the one that is the most convincing—the one that changes fanciful musing to eager activity-is the pleasant anticipation of the picturesque garden that will be yours next year.

The shrubs are the backbone of the planting, so give them first consideration. Can you imagine spring coming and going without lilacs to cast their spell over the scene? If you haven't several kinds of this well known shrub, plant them this fall. The lilac (Syringa) season is all too short, but you can, by proper selection of varieties, extend their blooming period several

Most familiar of all is the ever popular S. vulgaris, with its lovely clusters of sweetly scented purple flowers. S. vulgaris alba is a sister variety that grows slenderly upright and has blooms of white instead of purple.

Closely following are the Chinese and Persian varieties. S. persica and S. chinensis. Both have unusually large plumes of exquisitely perfumed blossoms.

S. villosa is a later flowering type, as well as S. josikaea, which forms a large bush with rather small, faintly scented blooms of heliotrope color.

The common lilac is perfectly hardy and does well under the most unfavorable conditions. Of course, if it has plenty of sun and is planted in good soil it shows its appreciation with increased

The other varieties, however, need a better soil to make a successful start, and they like an occasional feeding of bone meal or manure.

Another shrub that will be charming in your planting is the Flowering Almond. Like the lilacs, the flowering almond is also very hardy, and forms a very pretty dwarf bush.

Early in the spring, even before the leaves have dared to venture forth, the brave little flowers join in the spring symphony of color. The blossoms put one in mind of roses, except that they are smaller and snuggle close to the branches.

Flowering almond can be had with either delicate pink or pretty white flowers, and for early bloom in the shrub border, you will find it especially valuable.

A shrub that will add still another color to the border is Forsythia. Its flowers also appear

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before the leaves and their sunshiny golden color seems to light up the whole garden. F. fortunei is the tall growing kind that combines beautifully with lilacs. The earliest blooming member of the family is F. intermedia. The lowest growing type, F. suspensa has long slender training branch-

These are just a few suggestions that can be carried out this Fall for new loveliness in the

We are in receipt of a card from one of our readers requesting information in connection with the planting of privet cuttings. Lack of space prevents answering the inquiry this week but the answer will appear next week.

Than you, Mr. Grundy for your kind letter. We are giving serious thought to your suggestion. Perhaps we can induce the Editor to allow us more space.

NOTE—The writer will consider it a pleasure to answer questions concerning the garden in this column.

The questions should be addressed to the writer in care of the Editor. The answer will appear in an early issue or if a personal reply is desired a stamped, self-addressed envelope should be enclosed.

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