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The Revelstoke Ski Club has received definite word that iHs Honor Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce and Miss Helen Mackenzie will attend the sixteenth annual ski tournament, February 4 and 5.

An array of talent from affiliated clubs of the western branch of the Canadian Ski Association will compete for the Western Canadian championship. Olaf Telefsen, selected to represent the association at the Olympic games, has arrived from Ottawa to practice for the event. He will have strong opposition in Nels Nelsen, world's champion, and other prominent jumpers in the West.

Attendance records are almost certain to be broken, according to the enquiries already received

At least fifteen class A jumpers will compete.

Sneiss, Finkelhagen, Fladmark Gust Gustrome, Pete Sandnes, Nelsen, Telefsen, all leaders, are among them. Over ninety entries have been made to date.

UNITED CHURCH W. A.

Women's Association of the United Church will be held in the church hall next Tuesday afternoon, February 4th, at 2.15 p.m. All women of the congregation interested in the work of this organization are cordially invited to attend.

DR. FRANK E. DORCHESTER TO START LECTURE SERIES

given by Dr. Frank E. Dorchester to men and women in the Women's Building, 752 Thurlow Street, last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays evenings, start-

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A series of three lectures was ing at 8 p. m.

The basic subjects of his lectures were "Health and Efficiency," but Dr. Dorchester dealt with psychological and physiological facts, explaining the cooperation of mind and muscles, foods and their correct use, both in self culture and cure of

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"THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE"

At the Lonsdale Theatre Monday Next

All roads will lead to this popular North Shore playhouse for three days next week commencing Monday when the North Shore Operatic Society will present their fifth annual production "The Pirates of Penzance."

This popular Gilbert and Sullivan opera is one of the gems of this never-to-be-forgotten pair and will be mounted with absolute fidelity to tradition. New settings and effects such as have never been seen before on this side of the inlet are in prepara-

All the principals and chorus have been carefully rehearsed and the patrons are going to enjoy the best offering of the local society.

Among the company will be seen some West Vancouver residents, Misses Dorothy Corbett and Margaret Nyland and Mr. Harry G. Mason who are old members of the operatic society and tried and true.

It is suggested to West Van. patrons that they pool their ideas regarding transportation back to their homes by arranging with the stage company for a special bus to meet them at the theatre.

It is expected that the show will be out by about 10.45 p.m., Wednesday will be a little later.

BUILDING PERMITS FOR JANUARY

Owing to the severe frost which tied up building operations throughout the month, only three permits were issued in January. Particulars are as fol-

C. R. Messinger, 16th and Waterfront, dwelling, \$1,000;

Miss B. Tristram, West Bay, addition to house and store, \$2,500;

J. Matheson, 20th Street, addition, \$250.

Total \$3,750.

FINDS 248 PEACE

YEARS IN 3,400

War is a norman state for humanity since out of the total of 3,400 known years of world history there have been 3,152 years of local and general wars, Professor Pella, Rumanian delegate to the League of Nations, told members of the nIternational Diplomatic Academy. The professor was discussing the Briand-Kellogg pact and the likelihood of its preventing conflicts.

From the foregoing figures it was evident, Professor Pella said, that the world had been able to get along with but 248 years of peace. He declared that the pact of Paris, in refusing to define the aggressor, permitted the various signatories to range themselves on one side or the other, according to their views as to which State was fighting a defensive campaign.

GARDENS and GARDENING

By MINA G. HUTT, Landscape Architect

Graduate in Landscaping U. of C., American School of Landscape Architecture and Gardening. Member National Landscape Service.

The growing of cactus as an indoor winter pastime is a very fascinating one. Some of the most easily grown ones are the Leaf Cactus (Phyllocactus) among which is the Night-blooming Cereus (Phyllocactus latifrons) and the large red flower-Dr. Dorchester has written a ing Phyllcoactus, the Epiphyllums (Christmas Cactus) and the true Night-blooming Cereus (C. nycticaulis). These are really easier to cultivate and bring into bloom in the house than in a greenhouse. They stand almost any amount of heat but should be kept away from freezing temperature in the winter.

The soil should have a considerable quantity of old mortar or broken chalk mixed in it, as the plants are lovers of lime. During the winter months practically no water need be given, but during the summer they may be given considerable, especially during the blooming period. It is however best to let the soil become quite dry between waterings. Remember that the cactus is a native of the deserts where for long periods no rain falls. As a result sufficient water is stored up during the wet periods to carry the plant through the dry periods. Consequently the nearer we can come to duplicating the native envirorment of the plant the greater will be our success.

When potting the plants it is well to take extra pains to pack the soil in as hard as possible. Pots only a little larger than the

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plants should be used as Cactus grows slowly and it is seldom necessary to transfer the plants to larger containers. However, if the soil remains wet for any length of time, it may indicate faulty drainage and the plant should be repotted. Very seldom this will be necessary if about a third of the pot is filled with broken crockery or flower pot.

Some people think that a cactus is not healthy unless the stems are a bright green. This is not true. The healthiest plants are those with stems of a brownish color. hose with bright green stems indicate that either too much water has been provided or there has been a lack of sunshine, or both. There is no possibility of cactus getting too much sun.

If you desire to propogate cactus take cuttings and place them in a sunny spot for about a week, then pot them up in a mixture of one quarter each of loam, leaf mold, and one half sand. If the soil is damp when the cuttings are inserted little or no further water need be supplied until the cuttings have rooted. After rooting it is best to provide a more liberal supply of water than you do with the mature plants. This way the cuttings will be brought to a flowering size more rapidly.

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.

NORTH SHORE V.O.N. HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR: ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Accomplishments of the past year established new records for the North Vancouver branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses, according to reports submitted to the annual meeting.

Receipts from all sources last vear totalled \$4363, approximately \$200 more than was collected in 1928, and the nursing staff made 5003 visits, over 600 more than in 1928.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Honorary president, Mrs. Geo. H. Morden; first vice-president, Mrs. W. D. Harvie; second honorary vice-president, Mrs. F. W. Dalton; third honorary vice-president, Mrs. R. B. Webster; president, Mrs. Fred McVickar; first vice-president, to be appointed; second vice-president, Miss I. Smith; third vice-president, Mrs. W. T. Grahame; secretary. Mrs. H. C. Hooper; treasurer, Miss Nancy Garnett; executive committee, Mrs. J. M. Ewing, Mrs. C. O. Digby, Mrs. W. C. Lambert, Mrs. C. N. Evans, Mrs. J. G. Garnett, Mrs. Fergus MacLachlan Mrs. J. V. MacLeod, Mrs. F. Dip lock, Mrs. J. Norminton, Mrs. E. Roberts, Mrs. E. Owen, Mrs. W. White, Mrs. Jasper Dalton, Mrs. Colin Jackson, Mrs. W. L. Keene, Miss Maltby, Mrs. George Anderson, Mrs. F. W. Anderson, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Gillman, Mrs. Milne. Mrs. S. Simpson, Mrs. Ray Sargent, Mrs. Troughton.

The men's advisory board consists of Mayor G. H. Morden, Reeve J. M. Fromme, Ald. E. H. Bridgman, Ald. Jack Loutet, F. W. Dalton, H. N. Fraser, Howard

B. Stoker.

Officials of the order wish to extend their thanks to the following for assistance rendered during the past year: the general public and industrial concerns of the North Shore, the city and district councils, members of the local medical association, the North Vancouver General Hospital, the Lynn Valley Women's Institute, the Catholic Women's League, the Red Cross Society, Mrs. Chapman and her helpers, Mr. R. B. Webster, auditor.

THE BRIDGE RIVER TUNNEL

Less than half a mile now remains to be bored to complete the tunnel betwen Bridge River and Seton Lake, which will within a year or so carry water to turn the turbines of yet another British Columbia hydro-electric power plant.

Begun in 1926 the work of boring through Mission Mountain has gone steadily on, and this summer will see the completion of a truly gigantic task. The diameter of the bore is 16 feet, and when it is lined with concrete the diameter will be 13 feet. This is considerably larger than was first planned, the additional capacity having been doubled and the enlargements having been pushed forward since the beginning of 1929.

From the Bridge River portal the work is finished. Men are now working from the Seton Lake end on the last lap of the tunnel. They push forward at an average rate of 17 feet a day.

As soon as the last loads of rock and debris are taken from the completed tunnel, new gangs will be at work lining the long tube with concrete. This will pave the way for the final work of building diversion dams at Bridge River and of the powerhouse at Seaton Lake.

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