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## THE ORIENTAL MENACE

Dealt With in Address to Kiwanians By Dr. Smith, Vancouver.

Rev. W. H. Smith, D.D., principal of Westminster Theological College, Vancouver, B.C., was the special speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis club in the Frontenac Hotel on Monday. He dealt in detail with the oriental menace to Canada from the Asiatic tide of immigration that has obtained a strong footing on the Pacific coast and is rapidly pushing the white race out of many industries. "But this is not all. The Chinese and Japanese are submerging the social and moral life of the country."

Dr. Smith did not approve of the drastic measures proposed by the Anti-Asiatic League of the coast, but advocated the application of Christian methods. He thought that the church was to-day the one bright spot in this dark problem, declaring that the Christian Japanese and Chinese were always true blue and loyal, 2,500 of them serving in the Canadian army in the late war, and that "it was for us to show them by ideals that we must all live together for the good of all."

Noble Steacy presided and introduced Dr. Smith, who in opening his address stated that there were three great races pouring into British Columbia. They were the Hindoos from India, the Chinese and Japanese. They presented a problem of the first importance for solution. The Hindoos he described as of a superior physical type and intellectual. They have been coming to Canada for many years but have not been permitted to bring their wives and children, and are very resentful of the injustice under which they live. There are 2,400 in Vancouver. The Japanese are not under the same restrictions, they have their wives and children, and like the Hindoos and Chinese have their own colony in the city. There are 10,000 Japanese engaged in the fisheries. Last year of the \$1,500,000 paid to the fruit growers, the Japanese received sixty per cent. The Chinese are the most numerous and in Vancouver every fifth person is a Chinaman.

The Chinese compete with female labor and the Japanese compete with male labor, but both are successful in fruit growing and gardening. The Japanese being keen and enthusiastic business men are obtaining a strong hold in the lumbering business. All of the orientals are prosperous by reason of their ability to live on less than a white man. They are able to pay cash for land and outbid the whites, with the result that the whites are losing out. Last year when Canadians and veterans unemployed were walking the streets the orientals were all busily occupied, every one of them. The reason for this is the inability or refusal of white labor to do the same work. Employers of saw mills prefer oriental labor because these people will always be on the job while it lasts.

There are 1658 different places of business licensed to Japanese and Chinese in Vancouver and they represent 39 different kinds of businesses, including thirty drug stores. They are all doing business in an efficient way. But they are superior in manual labor. A Jap will carry lumber all day and show an endurance that white labor cannot command. There are in British Columbia 568 saw mills, the pay roll of which amounts to \$20,000,000, and the owners say that they cannot use Canadian and English labor. After pay day they will be absent or drunk, but the oriental will be on his job. The Japs and Chinese are reliable as far as industry is concerned and will work for small pay.

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police for playing fan-tan complains that the whites can gamble \$6,000,000 at the horse races with impunity.

The moral situation is very bad, the white race lapsing to the Chinese and the Chinese rising. The drug traffic, the most damnable in its evil effects upon civilization, is an organized business with white villains associated with the oriental. There are 3,000 addicts of drugs in Vancouver. The cocaine is bought at \$1.25 and sold at \$35, so that millions of dollars profit are made.

The speaker endeavored to account for the rise of the oriental races by saying that their action was the reaction against the political domination of the white races. In other words it was a revolt against the traditional attitude of the white.

Already these people are crossing the Rockies and will soon be seen in increasing numbers in all of our cities. It was quite legal, but it was a peaceable invasion nevertheless and had to be dealt with.

A hearty vote of thanks was moved by J. D. Boyd, seconded by Murdoch Johnson and tendered to Dr. Smith.

Among the other guests of the club were Rev. Principal Dyde of Queen's Theological College, Prof. W. G. Jordan and Prof. W. Morgan.

Ernest Sparks acted as Sergeant-at-Arms, and W. Y. Mills directed the singing, while Garnet Lockett accompanied with the piano.

"Bill" McCallum of the McCallum Grant Company Ltd., was the booster, and very thoughtfully placed a reminder of the ultimate end of all at the dinner plate of every member. This was in the form of pictures of monuments in cemeteries erected to departed loved ones by surviving relatives. Needless to say the pictures made a deep appeal. "Bill" also donated some valuable prizes which were won by L. G. Lockett, J. McGill, W. Cusick, S. Crawford, H. T. Hughes, W. K. Macnee and Mr. McLean.

### WANT INVESTIGATION OF COLONIZATION ROAD

The Kaladar-Denbigh Road is Said To Be Poorly Built.

Gloyne, Ont., Nov. 11.—Charging that the construction in North Frontenac County of the Kaladar-Denbigh road under the department of colonization roads will finally result in the waste of nearly \$30,000, residents of the district are asking for an investigation by an impartial commission. The road, about 60 miles north of Kingston, is a Howard Ferguson enterprise, undertaken when the present leader of the Conservative party in the Ontario house was minister of lands, forests and mines. Charles Meeder, engineer; W. W. Pringle, road inspector and William Head, road foreman took charge of the work at that time. Messrs. Reid and Scanzini, members in the dominion house for Lennox and Addington, have taken the matter up with Premier Drury.

The Kaladar end of the road was commenced in 1916. Settlers in that district complain that several new hills were then introduced that are almost impassable and state that officials of the department have told them that this section will have to be rebuilt very shortly. At Denbigh, where work was also done several years ago, the new road in one place runs along the side of a hill with a sheer drop of 150 feet at the edge, two or three feet from the roadbed. There is a flat "S" curve at that point and it is claimed that unless a motorist knew the road well there is every chance of his going over the drop on a dark night as the only protection is a weak fence of cedar poles.

Work was commenced on the centre portion of the road this spring near Bon Echo, a summer resort owned by Merrill Denison of Toronto. The department of colonization roads is required by law to obtain a right of way from the township through which the road passes. This the township refused to grant. Denison then undertook to grant a 2 mile right of way through his own property and obtain a right of way from the other property owners along the survey. This was done and the work proceeded with, but it has now been stopped by disputes between the land owners and the engineers.

Denison Tells of Trouble.

When seen by The Star at Bon Echo, Denison said that he had had a tacit understanding with C. H. Fullerton, head of the department, that he would be consulted in the matter of where the road was to go through his own property.

Denison claims his property has been damaged to the extent of nearly \$10,000. "I ordered the gangs off the section of my property that was under dispute and went to Toronto to see the heads of the department. I could see no one but Mr. Fullerton who promised to stop work at the disputed point immediately until he could come up and see for himself. I asked that some engineer of the department of public works be asked to arbitrate but Mr. Fullerton refused. When I returned I found that work was still going on under the direction of Head and Pringle, the road inspector.

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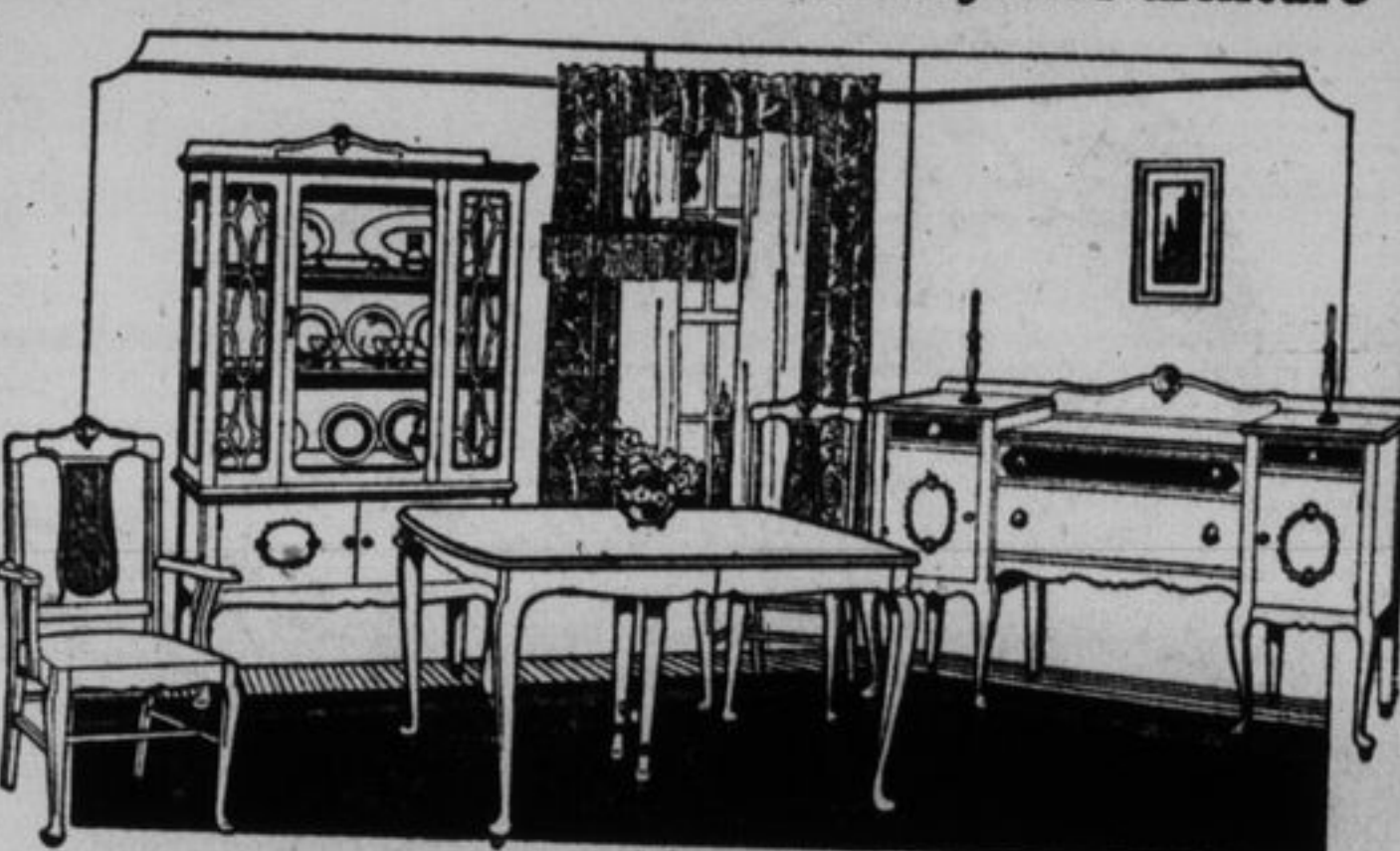
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