

PROVIDE WORK

For Residents of Banff--- Married Men Will Be Given Preference

The labor question, insofar as bona fide residents of Banff is concerned, has been practically settled and a large number of men are now employed on different government works. Superintendent Clarke states that only Banff men are given employment, the first preference being accorded to married men. No outside labor will be considered, unless conditions arise—which are hardly probable—making the importation of labor imperative.

Gangs of men are busy putting down rockmac pavement around the Cave and Basin, while another squad is busy painting the new structure. This latter work was partially necessitated by the quality of paint used last season.

Other improvements at the Cave and Basin will be undertaken immediately, consisting of the making of ornamental flower beds, etc. Rustic furniture has been ordered for the galleries, benches are being placed in the dressing rooms, numbers placed on the doors of the many rooms and handsome furniture ordered for the belvediers. The old bathhouse will also be painted, roof and all.

Gangs of men will be put on early next week making any repairs necessary to the automobile road west of Exshaw, and from Banff to Castle and from Castle to the Vermillion Pass in B. C.

Several new trails will be cut, enabling tourists to gain easy access to more of the beauty spots surrounding Banff, and the bridge at Castle will be painted.

As stated above, by confining the labor exclusively to residents of Banff it is confidently expected that enough money has been appropriated to keep the working men of this town busy during the summer season and Sup't Clarke expects to be able to provide work during the greater part of the coming winter.

All the men in the government employ are receiving thirty cents per hour for their labor which, with the exercise of economy and judgment, should place them beyond accepting assistance from charity or more fortunate friends and neighbors.