John Beverly "J B" Hutchcroft

Birth: Feb. 27, 1904
Petrolia
Ontario, Canada
Death: Apr. 13, 1965
Quesnel
British Columbia, Canada

Ref: Cariboo Observer, Quesnel, BC, Canada, 15 Apr. 1965 – John Beverly Hutchcroft, former publisher of the Cariboo Observer and long-time resident of Quesnel, died at G. R. Memorial Hospital on Tuesday evening following an illness of several months. He was 61 yrs.

He was born at Petrolia, Ontario on Feb. 27, 1904 and came to Quesnel with his parents in 1909 when his father arrived to take over operation of the Observer which had been established in 1908 by John B. Daniell.

Educated here and at Victoria, he joined his father in the printing business following conclusion of his schooling and later took trade training in San Francisco. He assumed publication of the paper on the death of his father in 1931.

During his younger days he was a keen field lacrosse player and later developed an equal interest in tennis and badminton. He was one of the early members of the Quesnel Golf Club.

Always an avid reader he maintained his interest in books throughout his lifetime and gathered a considerable personal library including many copies of the classics.

He was also interested in the affairs of the Quesnel and Cariboo Historical Societies and was something o an authority on history of the area.

Though he disposed of his interest in the Observer in 1949 he remained on the mechanical staff of the paper until late last year when his retirement was forced due to failing health.

He is survived by his wife, Marie, here, residing at the family home at 534 Front St.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Church of St. John the Divine, with Rev. C. L.G. Rowland officiating. Interment will take place at Quesnel Cemetery. Acting as pall bearers will be D. McN. Finlay, Donald Larsen, James LeBourdais, Gordon Hilborn, George Allen and Charles Keen. (picture)



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Family links:
Parents:
John George Hutchcroft (1867 - 1934)
Miriam *McWhorter* Hutchcroft (1877 - 1939)

Burial:
Quesnel and District Cemetery
Quesnel
Cariboo Regional District
British Columbia, Canada

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