Public invited to attend Girls' Lodge "first" open house Saturday afternoon

By GRACE BROWN
Daily News Social Editor

Tomorrow afternoon between 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. the public is being invited to attend the first "Open House and Tea" to be staged in the Salvation Army Girls' Lodge on Sixth Avenue West, Senior Captain Aubrey Rideout announced today.

The attractive and cheerful lodge provides "a home away from home" for 12 girls between the ages of 14 and 19, who are attending high school in Prince Rupert, under the sponsorship of the Skeena and Bella Bella Indian Affairs branches.

Under the motherly supervision of matron Senior Major Ella Church, the girls receive more than just love and care, they are also trained to cook, sew, keep house and do beautiful handiwork.

Major Church said that the girls are a happy lot and parents continually write to tell her of their appreciation for the extra guidance she gives her charges.

Newly-painted outside, the inside is a delightful setting with its gay colors.

Rugs and comfortable chairs furnish the living room, the kitchen is bright in white with modern fixtures, the huge dining room, curtained with gay drapes is also used as a study room and upstairs bedrooms are cheery and bright.

Girls rise at 7 a.m. and retire at 10 p.m. They have one night a week out.

"You really couldn't call this an institution," Captain Rideout said.

"However the girls sometimes become dissatisfied when they hear of the freedom other girls have in private homes."

One item which the lodge has not got is a good radio.

All proceeds from the tea will go towards purchasing a combination radio-record player.

Presiding at the tea cups will be Mrs. George W. Cook, Mrs. Ronald Sampson, Mrs. C. E. Rees and Mrs. Captain Donald Kerr.

Captain Rideout said that it takes about $5,000 yearly to operate the lodge.

"Of this we find we need about $2,000, which we get from the national Red Shield Driver, when we haven't got a full enrolment in the lodge. This year we have only six girls coming next week, but we could accommodate 12," he said.

The lodge is operated to "serve a great need," in the city.

Many people are brought in overnight when there is no place else to take them.

. . . . A cheerful room in Girls' Lodge
—Staff photo by Charles E. Giordano

. . . . Lodge matron with handiwork
—Staff photo by Charles E. Giordano

MUSEUM BRIEFS . . .

By JOCELYN BOLTON

This letter will be principally a "Thank you" to many good friends, as we have received quite a number of donations lately.

First we feel that the work at the Museum and also Tourist Bureau has been appreciated, when we receive a handsome donation from a very old-timer Andrew O. Morse. In fact Dr. R. G. Large and myself felt it was the nicest thing that has happened to us at the Museum since we have been associated with the project.

We extend the warmest thanks to Mr. Morse, who has long been a friend of the Museum.

Mrs. Vera Webb also donated to the Museum, plus giving us a walking cane which was carved by Chief Edenshaw, many, many years ago, then given to Eliza Abrahams and finally Mrs. Webb acquired it. Now it will rest in the Museum and be of interest to our many guests.

Young David Negrych gave up a very fine specimen of mica, called a "Book of Mica" which he found on Digby Island, and I have noticed many of our guests enjoy seeing this exhibit.

Mrs. Joseph Slaggard also has been very kind in giving us exhibits; a set of fine Goat horns—a badge of the Rocky Mountain Ranchers, who were stationed in Prince Rupert during the last war—a very fine native copper arrow point, from the Yukon, plus pictures of her late husband "Joe", when he was at White River, about 155 miles from Dawson City.

We appreciate these gifts and thank Mrs. Slaggard for thinking of us, and we wish her well in her new home in Vancouver. I am sure she will be missed in Prince Rupert, where she has lived for 35 years. We hope that she will visit us i n the years to come.

Mrs. T. A. McWaters of Vancouver sent up a very fine exhibit of buttons and military badges, which belonged to her father James R. Manson. They are all mounted and make a good exhibit. We find that quite a number of our men visitors enjoy this exhibit.

Mrs. J. Stace-Smith is also donating a bear trap. We have one, but it is not in good condition, so we hope to have a better one on exhibit soon.

To all these kind donors we extend a hearty vote of thanks and feel that the Museum is really filling its destiny. So many local people have been to visit and all admire our building, our exhibits and the way we dispay them. Our totems are getting a face lifting also, so as soon as the front garden is landscaped, we should be quite handsome.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire F. Downing of Vancouver were visitors a short while ago, and were very impressed with our Museum. Mr. Downing asked me to extend his congratulations to the people of Prince Rupert who erected the building and support such a worthwhile project.

Rev. Basil Prockter, an old friend of the Museum, also paid us a visit and was pleased with our new building.

We have had guests from all over the world, South Africa, England, Hawaii and of course every state in the U.S. All provinces of Canada also appear on our register.

"Skeena, River of Destiny" by Dr. R. G. Large is still popular and we have had good sales of this book during the summer and also orders from Hazelton, where it would appear they have a good market.

PERSONALS

Home for a week's visit is Mrs. Kenneth Hall of Castlegar, who arrived Wednesday morning as guest of her mother Mrs. Phyllis Pullen, 229 Third Avenue West.

Announcements

● Presbyterian Kindergarten opens Wednesday, September 9. Registrations Phone 5823. (174)

● St. Andrew's W.A. evening branch meeting Wednesday, September 9th at 8 p.m. (175)

United hall group holds family night Sept. 30

The Joyce M. Facey United hall Women's association Monday night completed plans for a "Family Night" to be held in the hall September 30.

With 10 members present, under the chairmanship of president Mrs. R. A. Larson, Mrs. Louis Zurek was named convener for the event, which will feature something of interest for every member of the family.

It was reported that $30 was realized at the opening night of the "Thrift Shop" which was held August 28 in the new "Friendship House."

The group also made plans to purchase and install new desks and blackboards in the United church kindergarten which will be held in the "Friendship House."

It was reported that registration for kindergarten to begin September 14, is still open.

The meeting concluded with refreshments served by Mrs. A. J. Busaanich and Mrs. Marcel Girardet.

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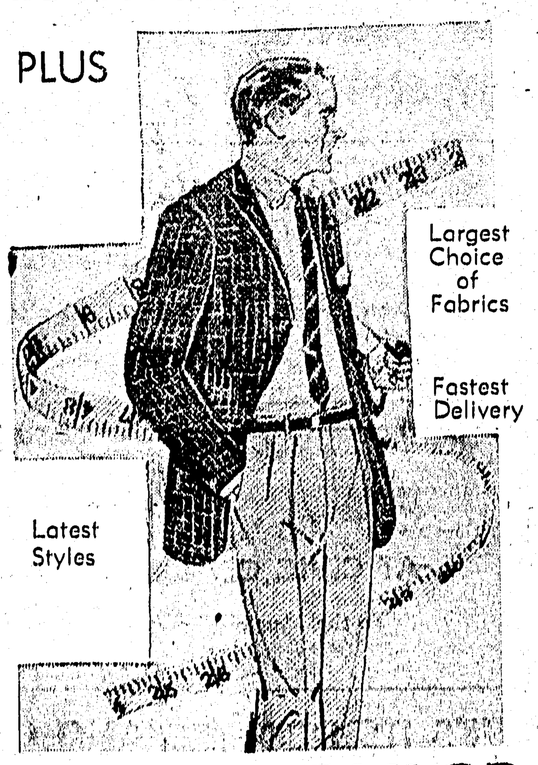
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