BEVERLEY ERICKSON
"Miss Prince Rupert, 1961"

Miss PNE Contest proves exciting, thrilling for local contestant

"Miss Prince Rupert, 1961" is back in town and back to work, but not yet quite back down to earth. From the moment she was met at the Vancouver airport by PNE officials until she attended the party given in the director's lounge when it was all over, 18-year-old Beverley Erickson was in a constant whirl of gay excitement and activity.

The 32 contestants for the Miss PNE title were housed together at the Bayshore Inn, and were taken on tours of the city, the harbor, the exhibits, pet, fashion shows and the Shrine Circus on the PNE grounds. They also lunched with press, radio and TV officials.

Beverley said that all the girls helped each other out, and lent each other everything from shoe polish to make-up.

"The officials told us that only one of us could win, but we might as well all have a good time — they told us to live it up. So we really had fun — it was just a big four-day party. We were one big happy family."

The girls appeared on the outdoor stage every night to make their speeches. On judging night, Wednesday, it rained, so the big indoor stage of the PNE auditorium was used. The contestants also appeared on television that night.

"Everyone was so relieved when the judging was over," Beverley said, "it didn't matter who won. We were all happy for Miss Abbotsford, of course. The tension was terrific — we all cried when it was over. The whole thing was a wonderful experience."

Each girl received several lovely gifts from the PNE. Among them were a box of personalized stationery, a cosmetic kit, a plush poodle dog, and a gold bracelet which was inscribed with "Miss PNE Contest, 1961."

Officials also sent each contestant the names and addresses of all the other girls, so they could correspond when they returned home.

After the contest, Beverley and her mother spent two days shopping in Vancouver and a weekend in Chilliwack, before flying home, where she says she is having a hard time adjusting to the mundane things of life again.

Kinette Club holds meeting

A dinner at Club 27 followed by a business meeting began the fall meetings of the Prince Rupert Chapter of the Kinette club Thursday night.

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Bond, 409 Fourth Avenue West, and was chaired by President Mrs. R. L. Eby.

Convenors for the November 3 rummage sale were appointed. They are Mrs. Peter Moroz and Mrs. Peter Husoy.

The members decided to adopt a five-year-o'd German boy under their "Save the Children" commitment.

The next monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. K. Cameron, 1532 Eighth Avenue East.

New members for enrollment at ceremony

A class of new members will be enrolled into the Loyal Order of Moose in honor of Pilgrim Brother B. James Bacon, when it meets at the Moose Hall on Tuesday at 8 p.m., Kenneth Hardy, governor of the local lodge announced today.

It is anticipated that a class of from 15 to 25 new members will be enrolled by the degree staff.

Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served and a film shown.

Pilgrim Brother B. James Bacon, the class honoree, is a pioneer of Prince Rupert and one of the members fo long standing in the lodge.

Announcements

● P.T.A. meeting, Booth School. Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 7:30 p.m. A panel of four discuss the problems of P.T.A. with E. T. Applewhaite, moderator. (183)

THE ALCOHOLIC IS A SICK MAN — Many theories and practices are exercised to restore him to health and society. The problem is so large that there can never be too many people working against it. The Salvation Army has a strong drive to fight alcoholism and what it does to a human being. Harbour Light Centres across Canada open their doors to these sad, unlovable creatures. Of 741 alcoholics boarded in 1960, 341 were rehabilitated to full time employment and a satisfying home life. Each year Captain William Leslie of the Vancouver Harbour Light visits Prince Rupert and holds daily clinics with alcoholics. An alcoholic is not necessarily a derelict. He may be a well-educated professional man who has had a successful life and maintained a home and family. During stress when he needed a crutch, he may have gone over-board for alcohol. Once he has fallen captive to the crutch he cannot get back alone. The way is hard fought and a desire to win is the prerequisite. The Salvation Army program has helped many and is ready to help many more. The Salvation Army finds joy in each alcoholic returned to life. Share their joy with a generous donation to the Red Shield Campaign tonight.

Cambrai Chapter plans busy season

A busy round of activities was planned by the members of Cambrai Chapter, IODE, at their first fall meeting held Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. William McLean, 1994 Seal Cove Circle.

Assistance was pledged by the members to the CARS drive and they will also act as taggers for the Women's co - ordinating council tag day September 30. The proceeds of this tagging will go towards the senior citizen's Christmas dinner.

Plans were made for a rummage sale or home cooking sale to be held the latter part of this month.

The sum of $25 was donated to the Retarded Children's Sciety to defray expenses of transporting the children back and forth to Jack and Jill School. The Chapter will also aid this society in its tag day.

Miss Evie Rivett reported that Cambrai's bridge merry-go-round will be in full swing shortly and participants will be notified.

In further business, Mrs. McLean reported that another shipment of infant's knitted sets had been forwarded to the provincial chapter for distribution.

Members were urged to lend support to the Opera Society in the sale of tickets for the opera to be held November 22.

Reports were given on summer activities, which included the sponsoring of two children to the New Caledonia summer camp at McClure Lake near Smithers.

Cambrai also pledged its support to the national chapter in its plan to build a third community hall for the Eskimos at Baker Lake.

The chapter will participate in the celebration of Canada's 100th birthday. Members will send personal letters to the prime minister, it was decided, going on record as strongly favoring the Red Ensign as the national flag of Canada.

Evie Rivett won the monthly raffle.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Richard Morley and Mrs. Joe Ridsdale at the close of the meeting.

LOOM aids bereaved family

MOOSEHEART, Ill. — Mrs. Elizabeth Fowler and 14 of her children have started a new life in their new home at Mooseheart, Ill. This is a "child city" maintained by the Loyal Order of the Moose for dependent offspring of deceased members.

The husband and father of the Fowlers was killed in an auto accident last April in their hometown of Red Rock, Ont.

The children range in age from four months to 16 years. They will stay at Mooseheart until they finish high school, and will spend part of each day with their mother who has been assigned various duties at the child city.

NORMAN LARSON, who has been here for the past year leaves shortly for Chilliwack where he has been transferred to the Chilliwack Credit Bureau. While here, Mr. Larson has been active in civic affairs, as he was membership director of the Jaycees, secretary of the Retail Credit Granters Association and a representative of the Jaycees on the benefit committee. Mr. Larson takes up his new duties on September 25.

Garden Club arranges annual banquet

Arrangements for the annual membership drive dinner and flower contest were made at the recent meeting of the Garden Club, held Wednesday evening at the Civic Centre.

The dinner will take place at the La Gondola Cafe on Saturday, September 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the affair are $2 each, and may be obtained by phoning the chairman of the dinner, C. P. Balagno at 5557, the secretary - treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Secord, at 2737, or William Baxter at 2347.

Anyone attending the dinner may compete for the prize of $25 donated by T. Norton Youngs for the best table arrangement of garden flowers. Entries should be at the cafe any time after 4 p.m. on the day of the banquet. A film will also be shown at the dinner.

It was reported at the meeting by president Cornelius Verhaar that 4,000 tulip bulbs had been ordered by the club, and members will be advised when they arrive.

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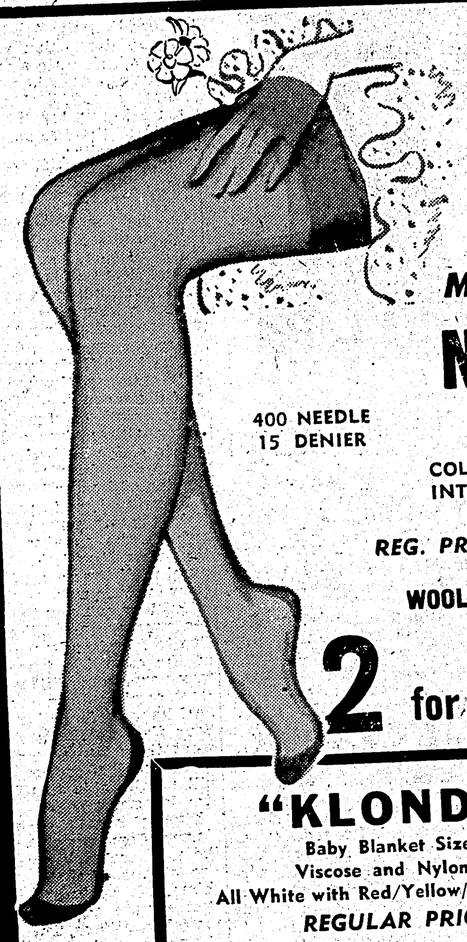

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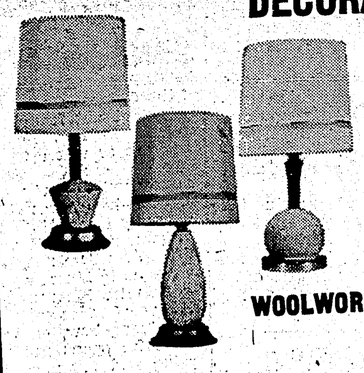

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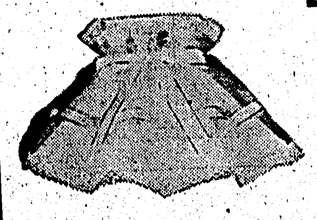

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