

Timely Topics from Terrace

FORD JACKSON IS CHOSEN MASTER OF ORANGE LODGE AT TERRACE

TERRACE—Ford Jackson has been elected master of the Orange Lodge here. Other officers are: C. Carruthers, recording-secretary; Sam Kirkaldy, treasurer; Gordon Haughland, chaplain; Ed Schuman, lecturer; Chris Haughland, marshal; and O. T. Sundal, tyler.

Praise For Party

The annual Christmas entertainment for children at Terrace received a word of praise from Les Way, Weekly Editor for the CBC Neighbourly News feature broadcast from Vancouver last Tuesday.

The speaker told of the late Bill Johnson's provision for a fund to perpetuate the program of amusement and gifts for district children. The support given the fund every year of the residents of Terrace was cited as a fine example for others.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cushman and family left on Tuesday's train for Vancouver, where they will spend the winter.

Josephine Jordan, Miss Christy, Johanna Kofoed and Judy Curtis, students of the convent at Prince Rupert, are enjoying the Yuletide holiday in Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, parents of Mrs. Gordon Haughland, are here from the south for the Yuletide holidays.

Miss Della Haughland of the teaching staff at Prince George, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Haughland.

Terrace Xmas parties over the week-end included one given by the Orange Lodge on Saturday evening in the Orange Hall when some 20 children were given gifts and candy by Mr. Pohle in the guise of Santa Claus. Games were enjoyed by the youngsters while the elders played cards. Refreshments were served by the members. Dancing continued till midnight for the younger set.

Passengers on Monday night's train included Mr. and Mrs. Duncan deKergommeaux and Miss Daisy Wishart, of Port Edward, who are spending the festive season with Mrs. C. R. deKergommeaux.

J. P. Lindgran of Dryden, Ont. arrived in town for a short visit with his son-in-law and daughter, Mrs. and Mrs. Jack McLeod.

Miss Edna Robson, of Terrace teaching staff, left Monday for Smithers to spend the holidays.

Jack Kirkaldy is home from the University of B. C. for the



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SNOW, RAINFALL TIE UP TERRACE HOLIDAY TRAFFIC

TERRACE—New York City was not the only part of the continent which the weatherman deluged with snow over the Christmas holidays. This interior village was snow-bound for a time, too.

More than a foot of snow followed by torrential rain greeted travellers who stepped off Wednesday night's train. Rain and snow conditions caused a breakdown in taxi service which resulted in villagers wading through the deep slush.

Succeeding falls of snow continued to hamper snow-moving operations, keeping cars in the area inactive. The streets are still piled with mounds of frozen snow, but traffic is gradually returning to normal.

C. J. Norrington Is Justice of Peace

TERRACE—C. J. Norrington, who moved from Prince Rupert to Terrace some years ago to make his home, was recently sworn in as a justice of the peace for British Columbia.

Born and educated in England, he served through the First World War and has lived in Canada for 27 years.

Few Settlers While Wages Remain High

VANDERHOOF—Income for district farmers this year equalled that of 1946 despite a short crop, according to a report by Harry Taylor of Vanderhoof Board of Trade. Livestock and grains brought higher prices this year.

There were few new settlers in the district during 1947. This was attributed to the lumber industry paying between \$10 and \$15 per day for labor.

The mining area north of Vanderhoof could open sooner than expected, suggested Maynard G. Kerr in presenting an optimistic report for the mining committee.

NEW BANK MANAGER

VANDERHOOF—W. G. Kennedy has succeeded Harvey Wallace as local manager for the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

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of tennis, too, when not juggling with figures and was a good dancer. He did not smoke or drink.

John Hart once said that "as long as I am minister of finance, British Columbia will never default"—and he kept his promise. His youthful face, soft-spoken manner and his shock of hair which went prematurely white early in life, were well known in the Legislature and well-liked. Considered as master of financial detail, he was credited with presenting more budgets than any other B.C. finance minister. His 16th, in January, 1942, was his second balanced budget since he returned to office in 1933.

Mr. Hart retired from politics once, in 1924, to have more time for private business. But he came back to the finance ministry in 1933 and retained the portfolio even after he took the premiership, succeeding T. D. Pattullo, his former chief and close friend who resigned after refusing to form a wartime coalition government.

Many have said the secret of John Hart's success lay in his liking for his job. "I always had a desire to deal in finance," he once said. "Even as a boy it was a habit with me. If I had to do it all over again, I'd follow the same course I took as a youth."

John Hart was born in Mohill, County Leitrim, Ireland, March 31, 1879, the son of John and Mary Hart. Educated at Ross' school in Mohill, he came to Canada in 1898 and went directly to Victoria. His first job was as a clerk at \$10 per month. Eleven years later he went into a financial partnership, later joined by E. D. Todd to form the financial house of Gillespie, Hart and Todd.

M.L.A. IN 1916

Young Hart joined the Liberal party and was first elected to the Legislature for Victoria in the Brewster landslide of 1916. Almost immediately he was made Liberal whip and in 1917 became finance minister.

Re-elected to the Legislature in 1920, he retained the finance portfolio and in addition was made minister of industries in 1922. In 1924 he resigned to assume management of the Vancouver branch of his firm, but the call of provincial finance was strong. In 1933 he returned to the Legislature as member for Victoria when the Liberals under T. D. Pattullo defeated the Conservatives led by S. F. Tolmie. Mr. Hart once more took over the finance ministry.

When Mr. Hart succeeded to the premiership in 1941 he wasted little time in bringing the Liberals and Conservatives together. He became chief in the first coalition government in British Columbia's political history.

Mr. Hart was married in June, 1908, to Harriet Mackay, daughter of Donald Mackay of Victoria.

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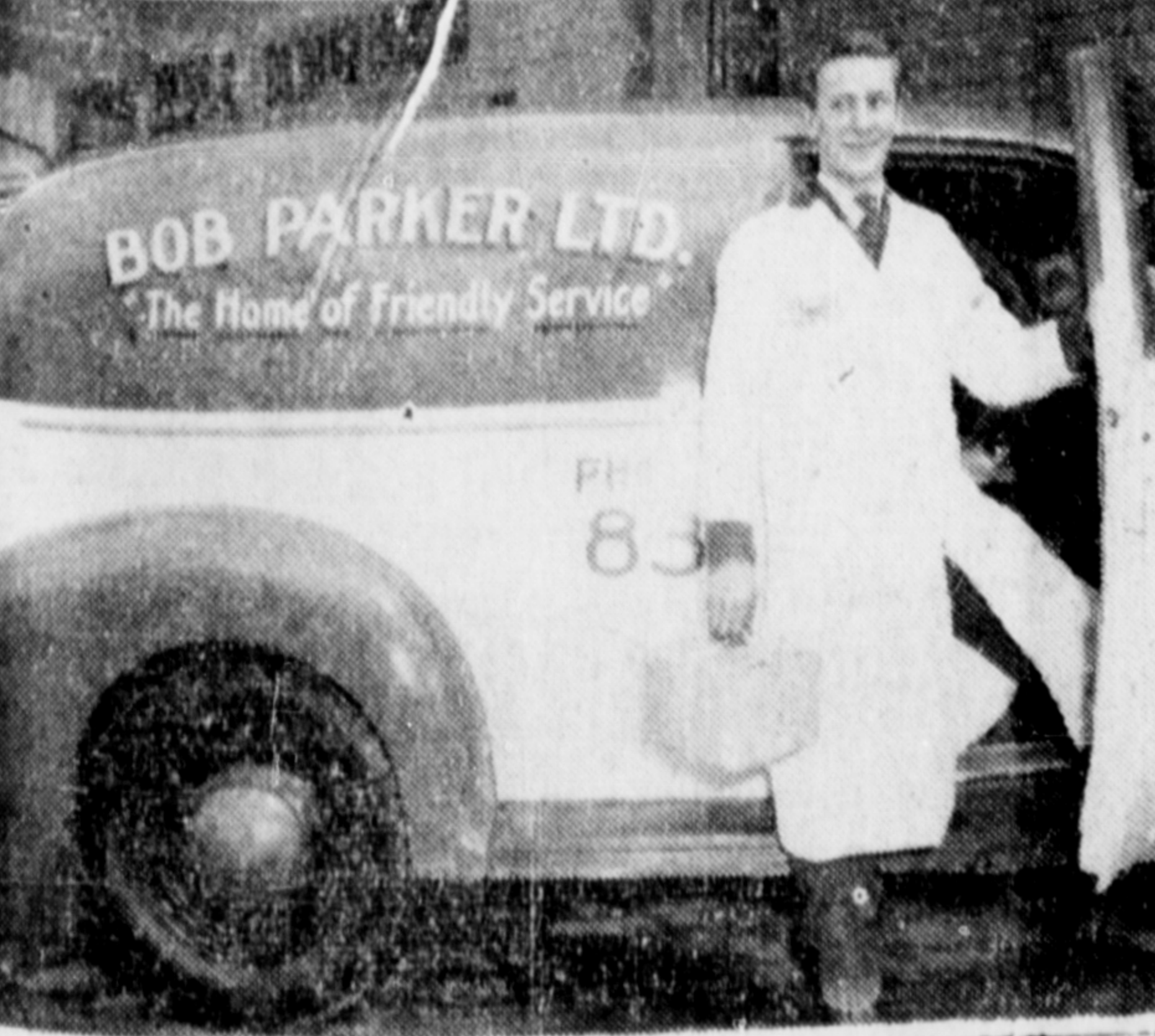
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Hotelman Burned At New Hazelton

NEW HAZELTON—Gust Christianson, proprietor of New Hazelton Hotel, was seriously burned about the face and hands last week by a blaze that occurred in the hotel power house at night. Cause of fire was not yet determined.

Christianson was in the hotel rotunda when he observed that something was wrong with the lights. During his investigation he opened the power house door and was struck by the full force of a sheet of flame.

While the man was rushed to the hospital, the community joined in a successful effort to save the hotel building. The two engines in the plant were badly damaged and will be shipped to the factory to determine whether they can be restored to usefulness.

Christianson, long a resident of New Hazelton, is well known in Prince Rupert. He fought the flames until the pain of his burns became too severe for him to carry on.

Finnish Community Builds Own Church

WINDSOR, Ont. (2)—This Christmas the Finnish population of Windsor will enjoy the satisfaction of worshipping in a church they personally helped to build.

Faced with high costs and shortage of materials, the community decided early last summer that if it were to have a church it would have to do the building.

Since July, lay members contributing their spare time and abilities have been putting up a stone edifice which they hope to have partly completed for Christmas services.

The purpose is actually twofold, says Earl Lehto, former wrestler and merchant who is working on the new church.

In addition to providing a house of worship it "will show people how to build homes when they haven't the means to get a builder to do it."

The first storey is nearing completion and the second floor is expected to be finished next summer.

At present there are 90 members but it is hoped that by the time the building is completed the congregation will have grown to 200.

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Yuletide. He is the son of Postmaster and Mrs. Sam Kirkaldy, sons, Donald and Jack.

Miss Helen Hipp of Prince George, is spending the Yuletide with her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Hipp.

Mrs. C. Pratt and daughter returned Monday from a week's visit in Prince Rupert.

H. Halliwell has been sick for two weeks, but is now reported to be convalescing.

Among those travelling on Tuesday's train to Prince Rupert for the Yuletide were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Judd and Mr. and

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