HORTICULTURE GROUP WOULD EXTEND SHOW

The Prince Rupert Horticultural Society laid plans for a spring flower show and set the tentative date for May 16, when they held their regular monthly meeting at the Civic Centre this week. The club members also discussed the possibilities of enlarging their annual fall show to include sections for home cooking, canning, arts and crafts.

They are especially interested in having a display of plants grown under glass. An enthusiastic vote of thanks was expressed to all those who were so generous in donating their time and cars, factors that greatly contributed to the success of the fall show.

The door prize of Colen slips, donated by Mrs. Green, was won by Mr. Halliwell. Door prizes of one dozen tulip bulbs and one dozen daffodil bulbs are being donated by Mrs. R. Cameron for the next meeting.

In the care of bulbs the club had some advice for local gardeners. Heavy frosts are damaging to bulbs but before storing them for the winter they should be left for a few days to mature after the first frost has touched their foliage.

If you want your bulbs in good condition for next spring here is what to do:

1. Dig bulbs, leave light earth on them or wash and dry them before storing.
2. Turn upside down in cardboard cartons so stalks can get whatever moisture is available.
3. Store in sand if possible, if not, store in a cool, dry basement.
4. In the spring if bulbs seem dry sprinkle lightly with water.
5. In the spring divide bulbs so as to leave only one shoot per bulb. Less foliage gives larger blooms.

For the winter protection of roses the club has this to say:

1. Do not prune climbers.
2. Have at least 6 inches of good drainage.
3. Hill up over crown 8 inches (grass cuttings covered with earth serves best) for a distance of six inches all around base.

LIFE in this Prince Rupert

by BIDDEE JINKS

When folks start criticizing the King and Queen of England for the thousands that will be spent on Princess Elizabeth's wedding, I always wonder just how much these people, or any of us, would spend on a similar occasion if we had it to spend.

Certainly we are part of the British Empire and personally, I am proud. My country means a great deal to me, my church too—but neither are perfect. Neither one is any better than people make it and the bickering, small scope of some minds would pocket any structure, given time.

We know, of course, that there is plenty wrong with what has come to be our way of life but it is not because the Royal Family was born conspicuous public servants with a lot more money and less real freedom than the majority can conceive but rather because between them and us are long rows of lesser men whose noses are "nestled close under the coat-tails of those above, and his feet firmly planted on the heads underneath," as Pat Frank puts it. And as mere coincidence, each loves profit a little better than the other.

When the Royal tour of Canada was made in 1939 it pleased me to see the King and Queen. I honor them for doing a hard task well, one not of their choosing. I like them better for the kind of people they are, simple of heart, kindly and sympathetic—even to their servants.

Just before the Royal party reached Calgary, one of the nurses fell ill and was replaced by an acquaintance from the hospital in Lethbridge. This girl had nursed in many homes but declared she had never seen such true consideration shown toward everyone, or genuine pleasure expressed for the smallest service as by the King and Queen. In Montreal she turned toward the west again quite convinced that they did not know how to be "snobbish."

There again people love to exclaim that they don't need to be, they have everything, which is folly. If we are strung together right neither what we have or do not have would make any difference in our attitude. All Monarchs have not been as gracious as the reigning ones.

Thinking of this always reminds me of peanut butter, that so-tasty poor man's sandwich spread. To our small country school came a family of four whose mother was a widow. She worked like a man, kept as dainty as a woman, and did wonders for her family. Of course she drew a mother's allowance made small because she lived on a farm which helped her subsistence.

One day one of her children drew a sandwich from the red Shamrock lard pail which was neither egg nor jam—but peanut butter. Immediately a neighbor's child sniffed the air, drew a sandwich from her pail and offered a trade. Refused, she said "you had peanut butter once before too—and my mother said if she got an allowance like your mother does she could buy fancy things too."

There may be something missing in me but, if Princess Elizabeth has ten petticoats all lined in diamonds for her wedding, it will not worry me at all. None of them were mine or ever would be and if they were Princess Elizabeth would not want them. Neither would her parents, nor would they have the power to take them if the should. They are but the King and Queen of England—God bless them.

THE MARKETS

Vegetables	
Mushrooms, lb.	.65
Spinach, 2 lbs.	.29
Beets, 6 lbs.	.25
Cauliflower, each 25	.33
Lettuce, each	.15
Celery, lb.	.10
Garlic, lb.	.65
Cabbage, new, lb.	.09
Calif. Carrots, 2 lbs.	.15
Sugar	
White, lb.	.10
Golden Yellow, lb.	.11
Fresh Milk	
Quart	.19
Pint	.10
Cream, ½-Pint	.15
Eggs	
Grade A:	
Large, cartoned, doz.	.62
Fish	
Halibut, b.	.33
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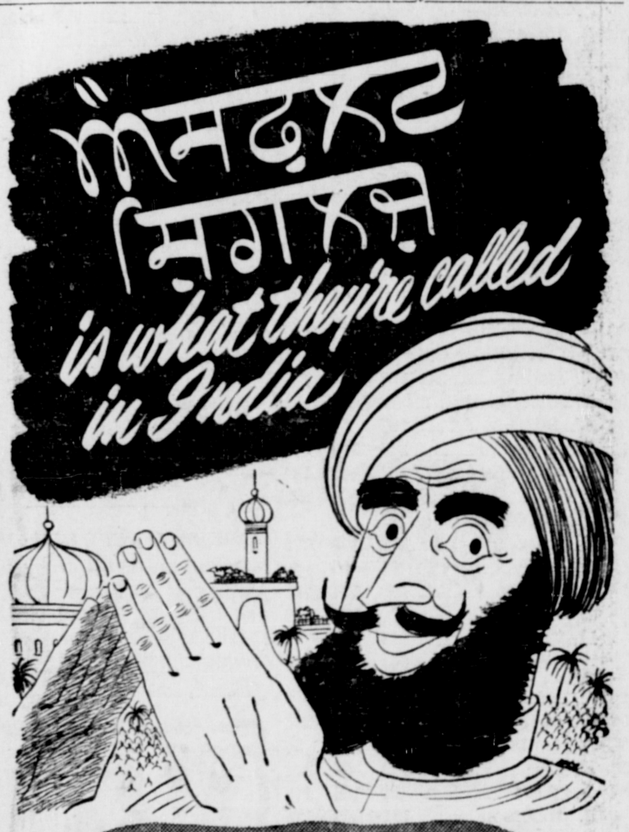

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