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City and Fire Hall

MANY cities in Canada have antiquated City Hall buildings which have become dilapidated eyesores for many years. It was that way in Vancouver for decades until the late Gerry McGeer took the initiative during the depression and led in the dynamic movement which resulted in the fine building which today is a monument to his memory. Now Victoria is providing itself with a new City Hall.

While here in Prince Rupert we have many and pressing civic needs such as the streets, sidewalks, water and telephone services which must receive prior consideration, the matter of a new City Hall is something that must also be kept in mind. The present decrepit 40-year-old frame structure is certainly becoming a tottery eyesore which is bad enough to look at from outside and is a good deal worse when one enters its creaking insides.

And, if the City Hall is bad, the Fire Hall is worse. Not only are they aged and outworn but they are also assuming the condition of fire-traps.

We know they cannot be built tomorrow but they are projects that the city council is warranted in considering in plans for the fairly near future.

For years Prince Rupert had the name of possessing the worst school buildings in the province. Now that has been rectified and we have buildings of which we are justly proud. Soon then—a new City Hall and a new Fire Hall!

Stuffy Civic Officials

WHEN royalty once again visits British Columbia, the Natives should demand that they take their rightful place and be presented. That their position is such that a demand must be made is completely inexcusable, but there the situation lies.

Can some people so soon forget that the Natives have willingly risen to defend Canada, that in the last war they enlisted with a willingness which set a profound example of devotion?

We consider it outrageous the way that Vancouver ignored the Natives when royalty paid us a visit. In the same breath, we wish to commend Victoria for inviting the Natives to put on their lovely dances and for including them in the plans of welcome.

One can imagine nothing more boring for the royal couple than to visit the Vancouver City Hall and the indifferent statue of Captain Vancouver, then standing to shake the hands of stuffy, uninteresting civic officials by the score merely, it seems, to satisfy the petty ambitions of these officials.

What a waste of time when there is so much to see in our lovely country!

The royal pair thoroughly enjoyed seeing the logging operations on Vancouver Island. Why were they not taken along the coast to see some part of the fishing operation and the lovely scenery that would inevitably accompany such a tour?

Surely their choice, had they been free to choose, would not have been the dreary spots so consistently chosen by our city fathers. Out-of-the-way public parks, uninteresting residential districts—these were the places to which our long-suffering royal victims were taken with the end of the trip another drab suburb.

We do not wonder that Princess Elizabeth was exhausted. We express to her our apologies for the thoughtlessness of those who arranged the tour. Our one note of relief is the knowledge that the royal couple were not taken around Forest Lawn, though some of the sights they saw could hardly have been more interesting.

Drab, uninteresting, unimaginative little civic officials—could any prospect be worse than that some of them may be with us in the Great Beyond?—Native Voice.

Scripture Passage for Today

"Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith?"—James 2:5

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT...

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Services in the Church

Saturday Sermon

Prayer

(By Rev. H. O. Olson, St. Paul's Lutheran Church)

"But the end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore of sound mind, and be sober unto prayer."—1 Peter 4:7.

Impending judgment should drive God's people to prayer. When the edict against God's people went out in the days of Queen Esther in the Old Testament, Mordecai led them in a time of fasting, weeping, humility and prayer. Whenever the king's commandment went out for the destruction of the Jews, there was much praying.

In the time of Joel, when locusts and other insects had devastated the land of Israel, the prophet led the people in a time of earnest prayer. Similarly when Abraham saw the impending judgment of Sodom, he gave himself to a ministry of intercession for his relative, Lot.

But why is it that in our day great catastrophes, tremendous events, and impending judgment have so little affected the church? The atomic bomb has not called people to prayer, as one would expect. The prayer meeting is still the poorest attended meeting in our churches. The danger of impending ought to be a strong incentive to sober prayer.

For what should we pray in this day of impending judgment?

- (1) Pray for a heaven-sent revival. That is the only hope for our day.
- (2) Pray that God will raise up laborers for the harvest.
- (3) Pray for individuals. "If any man see his brother sinning a sin not unto death, he shall ask, and God will give him life for them that sin not unto death." (1 John 5:16). As Abraham saved Lot, there are those whom we can save from impending judgment.
- (4) Pray for our own Christian lives, that we may be found

faithful to our Saviour in our journey through life.

- (5) Pray that we might catch a vision of what prayer can do. "Prayer is the mold into which God pours His blessings." The request of the disciples was not to be taught how to preach, how to organize, or how to testify—but "Lord, teach us to pray."—Amen.

DIRECTORY

Services in all church at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday School at 12:15 except as shown.

ANGELIC CATHEDRAL
4th Ave. W. at Dunsin St.
Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 2:00 p.m.
Canon Basil S. Pruckter, B.A., B.D.
Rector (Blue 700)

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5th Ave. E. at Young St.
Minister: Rev. Fred Antrabus.
(Green 812)

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Rev. E. A. Wright, D.D.
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636 6th Ave. West
Rev. L. G. Sieber
(Green 613)

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C.O.: Sr. Capt. George Oystrik
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(Black 269)

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5th Ave. at McBride St.
Pastor: Rev. H. O. Olson
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Seal Cove
Rector: Rev. H. Godfrey Bird
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SUNDAY SERVICES

December 9, 1951

Morning Service—11:00 a.m.
Family Sunday. The children will take part in the service. Be sure to come.
Evening Service—7:30 p.m.
Theme: "The Great Commission."

FIRST UNITED CHURCH

636 Sixth Avenue West
Prince Rupert, B.C.
Rev. Lawrence G. Sieber

11 a.m.—Morning Worship
Sermon: In The Same Country
Children's Story: Christmas Lights

Anthem: We Would See Jesus
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship
Sermon: The Quest of The Ages
Anthem: We Praise Thee, O God—W. Jackson

COME AND WORSHIP
SUNDAY SCHOOLS — At First Church: Beginners and Primary at 11 a.m.; Juniors and Older at 12:15; at Conrad United Hall, all at 1 p.m.

Full Gospel Tabernacle

202 6th Ave. West
(Across from Armouries)
SUNDAY SERVICES
10:30—Sunday School and Class

11:30—Morning Worship
7:30—Evangelistic Service

FRIDAY, DEC. 21
Sunday School
Christmas Program at 7:30

MONDAY
7:30—Men's Fellowship
Wednesday
8:00—Prayer Meeting

Friday
3:45—Boys and Girls Clubs
3:00—"Christ Ambassadors"

Green 331 Pastor C. Fawcett

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

We are moving to a new location. Sunday services and Sunday School will be held in L.O.O.F. Hall, 4th Ave. East.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Week-day meetings in homes to be announced Sundays.
"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead thou shalt be saved."

Canada's Biggest Quonset Building

The largest multiple quonset structure in B.C. and one of the biggest in Canada, is being erected in Vancouver by Woodward's Stores.

It is a general-purpose warehouse on the Grandview highway which will provide more than 30,000 square feet of storage space.

When completed, which will

be some time in January, it will cost approximately \$100,000. A \$58,000 contract for steel and aluminum for skylights, has been awarded Keystone Industries Limited, of Vancouver.

In a joint announcement of start of erection of the building, the companies explain that quonset construction is not controlled in Canada.

They report that by the quonset method, the unit can be erected in approximately half the time it would take to construct a comparable structure of the conventional type.

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

Kamloops Report

KAMLOOPS: If you spend any time in the interior of B.C. you are bound to get better educated as to railroading.

Last night in Revelstoke a CPR engineer was explaining to me the difference between black frost and white frost.

Black frost, he says, is the greasy kind, which makes the wheels slip on the rails, and generally plays hob with railroad timetables, not to mention railroad men's nerves. White frost is the benign kind, which makes the wheels grip even better and seems to give extra traction.

Today in Kamloops I chatted with Charlie Sables, another engineer who has just retired from railroad service after 40 years service. What a book he could write! Come to think of it, the only other man on a train crew who might be able to write a more dramatic story would be a long service sleeping car porter.

Charlie now operates the magazine stand in the big hotel here.

FOR YEARS I have read of the Christmas Fat Stock Show at Kamloops and this year I got there.

The internationally famous Grant McEwen of Manitoba University was judging steers when I went in, and it did not take long to discover why he is in such demand all across Canada and beyond. After judging the individual animals he goes down the line and explains to each boy or girl just what are the strong and weak points of his or her steer. Sometimes he takes to the loudspeaker to explain to the whole crowd in the arena just what's what about the prize winners.

READERS ought to know by this time that I am a peculiar cuss. So as I watched the fine, well-fed baby beaves stand there I thought what queer critters they are—and what doubly queer critters we humans are.

The steer who gets the first prize blue ribbon pinned on him is not long for this world. He is bred and born for no other purpose than to die—to help feed us humans. Nine hundred and ninety-nine out of a thousand steers are too low in intelligence even to sense danger. A few weeks ago one steer did break loose in Vancouver (a few blocks from the slaughterhouse) and the whole city regarded it as a huge joke that one such animal upset man's routine, even for a few minutes.

But are the dumb cattle any more stupid than man? True, the cattle seem to be too low in intelligence to know why man even allows them to live. But what of man? Apart from one species of ant, he is the only creature who kills his own kind—and by millions.

Ninety-nine per cent of the people of the world are absolutely against war. Yet genera-

ray..

Reflects and Reminisces

Twenty-five civic employees, becoming seventy, have been discharged in Vancouver. It is explained by the new government's pension legislation. Perhaps it all comes down to the sorry fact that they need what everyone else needs and that is money.

HARD TO STAND

The worst sin toward our fellow creatures is not to hate them; but to be indifferent to them; that's the essence of inhumanity.—Bernard Shaw.

Two things hard to understand—how is it possible for salmon, soon to die, to swim in from the sea to go back to where they originated? And why when Prince Rupert was surveyed, was not enough space left for a second lane on the south of Third Avenue, between McBride and Fulton Streets?

AS IS

This was written this morning, with not a flake of snow in sight except on the mountains, no frost, no ice, and an atmosphere not unlike a fair day in October. No rain, yet! Not sunny, but muggy! As for this afternoon's weather, or what will happen tonight or tomorrow at dawn, can't say. Nor can anyone else, including the weatherman.

DEMOCRACY

I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy.—Abraham Lincoln.

The Dessert Fox entertains, yet one persists in having the hankering idea that Montgomery never had his uniform pressed so beautifully as Rommel had his.

Some men strive to leave their footprints in the sands of time; the rest of us are satisfied if we can cover up our tracks.—Ex.

Excerpt from letter:

Dear Jack:

Not much news.

Goodbye.

J. R. Kelly

tion after generation of us allow ourselves to be mobilized for war, with little if any more awareness than the steers show. If we really were much smarter than the dumb animals we would have set up a world system of law and order long ago.

IT DID not take me one whole day to find out that opinion in Kamloops is overwhelmingly against the re-location near here of the Sons of Freedom sect of Doukhobors.

It seems to me therefore that it would be wiser to delay the transfer of the Sons until some other suitable place has been found—where there would be no such organized antagonism.

Apart altogether from fairness to Kamloops it would certainly not be fair to the Sons to relocate them where there was deep-seated and widespread opposition to their arrival.

I believe there are several places in B.C. where this feeling would not apply.

Most of the Doukhobors are fine people—in fact most of the Sons of Freedom are fine people or have the makings of what would be fine people, when some of their wrong ideas are educated out of them, as they already have been in the case of the vast majority.

HIS BITE IS WORSE

The so-called African barkless dog, the Basenji, actually howls while hunting game.



AUSTRALIAN MINISTER—Australia's Minister of External Affairs, Rt. Hon. Richard G. Casey seen (left) with Rt. Hon. Francis M. Forde, Australian High Commissioner to Canada, has completed a round of talks with Canadian government officials in Ottawa about world and Commonwealth relations. Leader of the Australian delegation to the United Nations meeting in Paris, he told Canadians in a radio address that if everyone worked as hard as Canadians did, the world would be a different place. (CP PHOTO)

FAMOUS INSTRUMENT
The clarinet, a wind instrument used in both classical and popular music, is believed to have been produced in Germany in 1690.

ELECTORS

At 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10, The Power Company will be bombarded from the air by "OLD GEORGE B."

Listen in and Hear The Bombs Explode

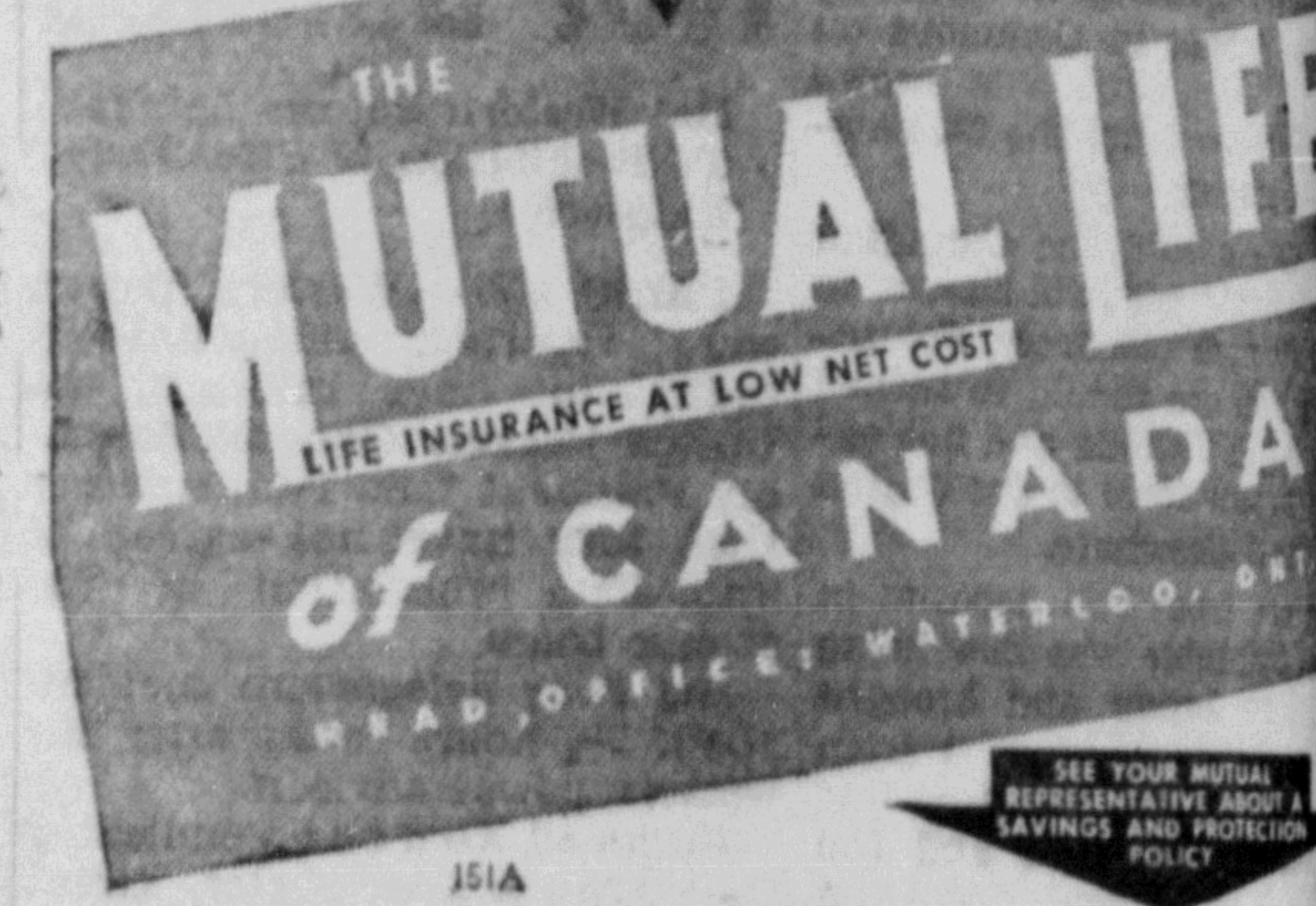


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