

Conservatives Meeting Again

Too Much Business For Present Executive Session So Another Called

VANCOUVER (C)—British Columbia Progressive Conservatives decided Saturday to hold a special meeting early next year to consider a new constitution. A spokesman for the Progressive Conservative executive said that the constitution was discussed at a closed session but, in view of a large number of amendments submitted and lack of time to discuss them, it was resolved to call a special meeting.

Col. Cecil Merritt, V.C., was named National Leader George Drew's personal representative in British Columbia and Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., of Nanaimo, was re-elected president. Other officers include George Ogston of Vanderhoof, fifth vice-president. Mr. Dew attended the meeting which is understood to have discussed issues between national and provincial organizations.

Should Pay For Recount Commerce Chamber Busy Body

Chamber of Commerce Deals With "Short" Census Question

If the city council considers that a census recount here is necessary and provided that arrangements can be made to bring about one which will be accepted officially by the government, such a recount should be undertaken at city expense. This was the view that was taken by the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night.

The "deplorably worded" referendum on the power question which is being presented at the civic election next week, the short census count, inadequate long distance telephone service, the rat extermination campaign, demand for early completion of the paving of Highway Sixteen, blowing up of the long accepted theory that the port of Prince Rupert was being discriminated under the international load line regulations were among matters which came up last night at a busy monthly meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce.

Nominations of officers for 1952 were also received and will be voted upon at the annual meeting in December. T. Norton Youngs was the only nomination for president with O. G. Stuart for vice-president and P. M. Ray for secretary.

In the absence of President J. C. Gilker, the chair was occupied last night by Vice-President T. N. Youngs.

Guests were Postmaster R. S. Scherck and Jack Stansfield, new assistant general agent here for Union Steamships.

Some forty members were present.

The meeting heard a report from W. F. Stone on the progress of the rental housing project for which the city is negotiating and which the Chamber has been pressing. The city had had the lots cleared, Mr. Stone said, and within a week tenders would be called.

In the matter of traffic regulation revision, Orme Stuart reported having had a session with the city traffic committee which was drawing up proposed new regulations on which the Chamber's traffic committee would be consulted later.

Secretary P. M. Ray reported on attendance at the recent chartered meeting in Vancouver of the British Columbia Chamber of Commerce. Principal speaker had been Premier Byron Johnson who alluded to important new industrial developments in northern British Columbia including Columbia Cellulose and the Aluminum Co. of Canada. J. T. Harvey of Prince Rupert had been elected second vice-president and F. M. Dockrill of Telkwa to the executive.

On the current rat extermination campaign, Hugo Kraupner reported that the Junior Chamber of Commerce was going to put on a real drive with a publicity campaign after Christmas. Dr. L. M. Greene having been unable to take on the task, Hugo Kraupner will take over duty as chairman of the Senior Chamber's anti-rat committee.

P. H. Linzey reported on attendance at a recent meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He had been impressed with the large attendance and enthusiasm of that body. Ernest Paulding and David Radford will represent the Senior Chamber at the next Jaycee meeting.

The Chamber reiterated its opinion that a highway patrol should be instituted out of Prince Rupert. Mention was being made

"Desert Fox" Showing Here

Heralded as one of the most important productions of 1951, "The Desert Fox," the dramatic story of Field Marshal Rommel, has been booked into the Capitol Theatre for four days starting tomorrow.

Starring James Mason in the title role, "The Desert Fox" is based on the biography by Brigadier Desmond Young and recounts the fabulous career of Rommel from the North African campaign to his untimely end by suicide in Germany. The story was produced and written for the screen by Nunnally Johnson. "The Desert Fox" boasts a prominent supporting cast headed by Cedric Hardwicke, Jessica Tandy, Luther Adler, Everett Sloane, Leo G. Carroll, George Macready, Richard Boone, Edward Franz and Desmond Young.

The film was made partly on location at Borrego Springs, California, with special on-the-scene footage taken in Germany and North Africa.

Hotel Arrivals

Prince Rupert
H. B. Thompson, Prince George; C. Moffatt, Sandspit; E. Stephen, Port Edward; C. W. Strong, Vancouver; L. D. Publisher, Montreal; C. V. Evelt, Departure Bay; G. Johnson, North Vancouver; W. D. Garrick, Montreal; G. Cope, Lachine, Quebec; Mrs. G. Baines, Saskatoon; Mrs. J. MacGregor and sons Prince Rupert.

HEAVY LOAD
DEAL, England (C)—Fisherman Ben Bailey's good luck nearly was his undoing. He arrived back at this Kent county port with his boat nearly sinking under the weight of 150,000 herring.

at broken down cars being permitted to remain indefinitely on the highway.

The meeting heard from the minister of public works, Hon. Ernest Carson, that site for a new highway bridge at Port Fraser was being selected. This bridge is something that had been pressed for at two successive annual conventions of the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia.

A letter from the Vancouver Chamber of Shipping on the matter of fumigation and inspection of ships was received.

The provincial Travel Bureau asked for a supply of Prince Rupert publicity pamphlets.

'Best of Bad Men' Western Thriller

An exciting and picturesque story of the lawless days in the Cherokee Strip following the Civil War, "Best of the Badmen," in color by Technicolor stars Robert Ryan, Claire Trevor, Jack Buettel and Robert Preston. The picture, showing Wednesday and Thursday at Totem Theatre, presents a vivid conflict between heroism and villainy in a lawless period of American history.

Ryan plays a Union officer who persuades a group of outlaws to surrender, take the oath of allegiance and get a fresh start in life. Preston, as an unscrupulous detective anxious to collect rewards offered for the capture of the bandits, unsuccessfully tries to interfere, and in revenge has Ryan framed on a murder charge and sentenced to death.

He escapes with the help of Preston's bitter and disillusioned wife, as played by Miss Trevor, and, with a price on his head, joins the outlaw group in order to strike back at Preston. The ensuing enmity between the two men leads to the stirring climax.

If you want to see it, advertise it. News classified.

TODAY 7-8:20 "THE TALL TARGET" "MAKE MINE LAUGH"

TOMORROW

FLAMING OUT OF A GREAT BEST-SELLER AND THE DANGEROUS AFRICAN DESERT!

20th CENTURY-FOX'S

THE DESERT FOX

It's here!—with all the adventure the screen can hold!

starring JAMES MASON

CAPITOL

Shows 7-9:03

TODAY ONLY 7-9 p.m. PAULETTE GODDARD "ANNA LUCASTA"

STARTING WEDNESDAY—DOUBLE TECHNICOLOR PROGRAM

Also Showing "SAHARA'S SECRETS OF NATURE IN THE RAW" "Jungle Head Hunters" (African Expedition) Shown at 8:20 p.m. only

—TOTEM— A FAMOUS PLAYERS THEATRE

Absolutely ...

THE LARGEST AND MOST NOVEL STOCK OF DECORATIONS IN TOWN

THE VARIETY STORE

Where Your Dimes are Little Dollars

618 3rd Ave. Box 1116

For a Girl's Xmas Gift—

WALLACE'S OF COURSE

A gift centre for everything to please a girl's affection. Sizes to fit every age and build. Prices to please all.

Housecoats Dresses
Sweaters Skirts
Pajamas Blouses

WALLACE'S DEPT. STORE

WHEN ONLY The Finest WILL DO

CANADA'S FINEST

Harwood's Canadian Whisky

Distilled and Bottled Under Government Supervision by Vancouver Harwood's Co. Ltd. Vancouver, Canada

Harwood's CANADIAN RYE Canada's Finest

This advertisement is not published or displayed by the Liquor Control Board or by the Government of British Columbia. 481-2

Railway Has Less Traffic

DETROIT—The general slackening of industrial activity and the change over to defence production has caused a decline in freight volume in recent months on the Grand Trunk Western Railroad and will probably mean that the over-all results for 1951 will not be as satisfactory as those for 1950. Donald Gordon, C.M.G., told the G.T.W. board of directors at their meeting here Monday.

Coupled with the decreased traffic as adverse factors are increased material costs and wages, which are continuing to outpace rate increases granted to the railroads, Mr. Gordon said.

Indications are that traffic will not show improvement in the immediate future, Mr. Gordon asserted. The automobile industry, which is one of the sources of tonnage in the Grand Trunk western territory, is now curtailing civilian production to concentrate on defence materials.

Even if a truce is negotiated in Korea, building materials and other commodities which moved in considerable quantity this year will probably also show a decrease in 1952.

Oil Stoves Cause Fire

Two dwellings destroyed in Prince Rupert last month brought fire damage total to \$2500 in November from 10 fire calls. Total damage by fire this year is \$25,710, with heaviest loss of \$20,000 occurring in March. Majority of calls were due to fire from oil stoves, according to the city fire department.

In an 18th CENTURY Drawing-room

Guests and hosts, having enjoyed a gracious dinner, sat together and partook of wine—a wine so pleasing to the taste and so satisfying it was heralded throughout Europe as one of the finest wines of the day.

That was a hundred years ago, but that wine—Paarl Old Constantia—is still world-wide in popularity. The rich, full-bodied taste of Paarl Old Constantia is as satisfying to-day as it was then.

And up through the years, the perfect host and hostess have always served Paarl Old Constantia after they, and their guests, have enjoyed a pleasant and satisfying dinner.

Next time you have guests, either for dinner or for the evening, serve them Paarl Old Constantia—they'll appreciate your taste and good judgement.

SOUTH AFRICAN PAARL OLD CONSTANTIA

CO-OPERATIVE WINE GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA, LIMITED, PAARL, SOUTH AFRICA

This advertisement is not published or displayed by the Liquor Control Board or by the Government of British Columbia. 12-51

Call 363 FOR BETTER ...

—Planning
—Building or
—Repairing

MITCHELL & CURRIE LIMITED
Builders & Contractors

3-25 HORSEPOWER POUNDS

CHAIN SAW with 15-inch Bow

Saws in any position without adjustment!

See the McCulloch 3-25 today! It takes the work out of cutting wood. Has automatic clutch, kickproof rewind starter, built-in chain oiler, many other features!

We Carry Spare Parts for All McCulloch Saws

Authorized Sales and Service

PACIFIC ELECTRIC

Phone Blue 992

SERVE

VICKERS' LONDON DRY GIN

famous since 1750

VICKERS' LONDON DRY GIN is distilled in Canada and distributed by Calvert DISTILLERS (CANADA) LIMITED

This advertisement is not published or displayed by the Liquor Control Board or by the Government of British Columbia.

It's Time to Order ...

CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS

CHRISTMAS CAKES

and MINCE PIES

from VAN'S BAKERY

611—3rd Ave. W. Phone 190