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Community Enterprise

THE MOVE to relieve the housing shortage here by local initiative in taking over for conversion to apartment purposes of the former United States Army administration building is something greatly to be commended.

Prince Rupert is "on the spot" now to provide housing for the permanent employees of Columbia Cellulose at Watson Island. The use of the old administration building, with its possible 60 apartments, should go far to meeting the need.

Public-spirited local enterprise has seized an opportunity to help relieve an emergent situation. Nothing should be lost by those participating in the deal but the gratifying thing is that Prince Rupert people are backing their enthusiasm with their cash.

It is a testimonial to community enterprise in putting the project over.

Meantime, it is not the rain which keeps people away from Prince Rupert. It's the chronic lack of housing, and this deal is going to help a lot.

How It All Began

WHAT'S this business of St. Valentine's Day, with hearts and flowers everywhere and Cupid running wild with his little bow? How did it all begin?

It seems that St. Valentine won his letter in the sweetheart league by performing secret marriages. That was in ancient Rome. Emperor Claudius, who, it turns out, was a stuffed shirt, had hung the "verboten" sign on the marriage bureau (by way of revenge on the women of Rome who wouldn't support his war policy). So St. Valentine saved the day.

Swains stricken speechless with emotion have been saying "Be my Valentine" with a handful of posies since the Greek goddess of love Aphrodite chose the rose as her personal trademark. Venus, the better-known Roman love queen, was a copy-cat and took her cue from Aphrodite. Since then hearts and flowers have been as inseparable as Romeo and Juliet.

The Proper Approach

PRINCE RUPERT'S ice arena project is now being approached in the common-sense manner. Elsewhere in the Daily News today, it is announced that a quick canvass of the whole city will be undertaken this week-end to ascertain if the people really want an ice arena and how much they are willing to put up to establish and maintain it. This follows up the suggestion made by the Daily News when the ice arena idea was revived a few weeks ago that the financial aspects of the undertaking should be carefully considered before anything else.

That there is a good deal of favor for an ice arena in Prince Rupert is evidenced by the recent poll in the Daily News. In addition to those who answered the poll, there are also many who have been talking-up the ice arena for years. The most of these enthusiasts will, no doubt, be ready to back up their talk with their cash.

The measure of support expressed through the questionnaires to be circulated this week-end will decide whether or not the project will proceed. Talk is cheap. Now we shall see who is going to put up the cash—or let George do it.

After unloading one car load of frozen salmon and two car loads of halibut, the freighter on the Prince George today from "Sidney," Capt. Osmund Henderson, returned yesterday to Kelchikan. He will return south tomorrow night.

Scripture Passage for Today

"For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."
—I Cor. 6:20

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As I See It



by
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GOODBYE TO GRAND SHIP

ABOARD RMS CHUSAN.—It is my last day at sea, before landing at Port Said, Egypt.

The sleek greyhound of the southern oceans, the good ship Chusan, is not really racing for port—rather, she is loping in, for she is slowing down a bit so as not to arrive before dawn.

The wind is still cutting and cold, although the thermometer now reads 62 degrees on the leeward side—which, by the way, is the side toward Europe, not Africa, whence the cold winds are coming.

Now THAT THIS little voyage is nearly over, I am surprised to note how many new friends I have made. Two young British kids (my table mates) and two Americans, man and wife, are coming ashore with an Indian to put me safe aboard the t-a-m for Cairo.

They will be going on to India—the two English lads to take jobs, the American couple to supervise a rubber factory extension, the Indian to open a half-Swiss-owned plant.

THE ENGLISH BOYS think that most of the fellow passengers aboard this ship are "stuffy." I guess old age is creeping over me, for I haven't particularly noted the stuffiness.

My impression is, both from what I have seen aboard this ship and on my two last visits to England, that the English are definitely changing their outlook toward the outside world—and changing it very much for the better.

They seem to be less shy than they used to be. The snobs are not quite so snobbish as they once were. The others, who are the vast majority by the way, are not nearly so reserved and standoffish as they used to be.

The Indians aboard this ship notice the difference, and comment upon it, without malice, but nevertheless with apparent satisfaction.

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One Keen young Indian chemist said to me that the partial failure of British policy in India, and all Southwest Asia, could be summed up in four words: "Too little and too late."

Had they granted dominion self-governing status to an undivided India back around 1927 instead of 1947, the whole history of those tragic times might have been changed—indefinitely for the better. His theory was that there would have been no portion of India.

According to this scientist's theory, the British are too slow, right now, in laying a basis of native democracy in other Asian areas, like Malaya.

WE HAVE PRINTED instruction sheets regarding landing at Port Said. One paragraph says:

"Photography is strictly forbidden and on no account should cameras be taken ashore or on deck during transit of the Suez Canal."

We are also warned that letters may be a bit late, due to the censorship in Egypt.

Here is another intriguing item:

"Members of the Jewish faith are advised that owing to Egyptian government regulations, they will not be allowed to land at Port Said."

The above ruling is a consequence of the war in Palestine in 1948.

THIS MORNING WE got a belated explanation of our rough ride last night. It seems that if the good ship wants to make top speed, they pull in the "stabilizers." While these variable fins keep the ship from rolling, they tend to slow her down a bit.

Well, I'm sorry to say farewell to the grand old lady of the seas and the fine new friends I have made aboard her. I never get such a reassurance of British competence as I do on a British ship.

As we used to say in my army days, when we had made a batch of things: "Thank God, we've got the Navy," and this new queen of the seas seems to me to symbolize Britain at her best—efficient and modern, but with no show off ornamentation.

Ice Arena Poll

For combination arena 107
For skating rink only 7
For curling rink only 1,948.74
\$250,000 project 60
\$75,000 project 40

Tahtsa Mine Shipping Ore

Underground work is expected to be under way this month with shipments of high grade ore from the Emerald Glacier Mines Ltd. property on Sweeney Mountain near Tahtsa Lake south of Burns Lake in the Tweedsmuir Park country.

In spite of difficult winter conditions, construction of a road to the property has been completed and equipment enough to start and maintain operation is being delivered from the Kentville mine at Nelson. Later a mill will be moved from the Kentville to the Emerald Glacier.

The provincial government contributed \$35,000 toward the construction of the road to the mine. Ore shipments will be trucked to the Canadian National Railways at Burns Lake enroute to Trail smelter.

In the meantime, the company plans to ship high grade lead ore to Trail to be followed later by shipments of lead-zinc concentrates.

H. L. Batten, consulting engineer, estimates a tonnage of 250,000 on the property grading 27 percent in combined lead and zinc with \$5 in silver and uncalculated values in copper. The gross value would exceed \$100 per ton.

First underground work will consist of drifting on the main vein to be followed by cross-cutting on parallel veins. Diamond drilling will be carried out to determine the limits of the ore bodies.

Mayor Cuts His Salary to \$1

VANCOUVER — The city council has reduced Mayor Fred Hume's salary to \$1 a year—at the request of the mayor.

The change in salary necessitated a bylaw amendment which places \$7499 of the \$7500 salary into the city's general revenue fund.

The money will be turned over to charities.

LATEST PARK

The Fundy National Park in New Brunswick was the most recently opened of 26 national parks in Canada.

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Reflects and Reminisces

Seldom, if ever, has there been a case in Ontario similar to the Sullivan manslaughter trial that ended in an acquittal in Ottawa yesterday. The jury remained out for four hours. The charge was that Mrs. Marion Sullivan had beaten her husband, Francis J. Sullivan of Toronto, an official of the Ontario government, to death in a bedroom in the Chateau Laurier. The accused was at first charged with murder, this being later reduced. She was arrested when driving to her home in Toronto. Chief Justice J. C. McRuer, who presided, remarked that, guided by the evidence, there was hardly any other verdict the jury could have brought in.

Interest in the outcome has been intense. It always is when wealth and social and professional prominence become involved. Incidentally, a few lines of type, to the effect that the accused might be called as a witness, cost an Ottawa paper a cool three thousand. A reporter's forecast is sometimes expensive.

The eighty-two-year-old newspaper La Prensa of Buenos Aires, which suspended publication a few days ago was not remarkable for its age or circulation but it did possess an almost unrivalled influence in South America, as well as to some extent in Europe. La Prensa never counted the cost whenever it became necessary to get a story. That was by no means rare. Sometimes pages were cable. The present trouble was between La Prensa and the Argentine government.

Prince Rupert in the early summer of 1909, had not been quite tamed. The town was full of youth, ambition, impulse, generosity and, generally speaking, love of life. No one ever ran from a fight. It was usually the other way around. Rarely was there a dull or stupid day in court. Lawyers needed their brief cases for there was plenty to think about. William Manson, now living in Vancouver, and then government agent, was first magistrate. In subsequent years

others included Alfred Carrs, Thomas McClymont and Col. S. P. McMordie.

The late lamented W. E. Williams who died in Vancouver last week first knew Prince Rupert's police headquarters as a practicing lawyer. This place of justice was in the City Hall. It was here that all cases, important or of small consequence, were heard. Times were busy. Every day, the guns of a civilian army were sounding. Building the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was a man-sized job and licking the rocky, stubborn site for a city became a series of adventures.

When flu appears there is sometimes a tendency to say, at first, that there is nothing much to feel alarmed about. Perhaps there isn't. But a change can set in and that's what is taking place today. There have been hundreds of influenza funerals in Britain. And now flu is making headway not only in Canada but among the fishermen on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. There are a couple of thousand patients in the Penitentiary region.

Charges ranged all the way from murder, to just plain, everyday assaults and fights, drinking and slander. Many an incident was more humorous than serious. Forty years ago, people had a keen eye for anything in the shape of fun. One morning a new face appeared in court. He wished to see the magistrate, and the judge obliged. The stranger asked to be

H. M. Hanson, local agent of the Edward Lipson Co., turned to Prince Rupert's Prince George this morning on a business trip to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hanson, who have been living in Vancouver, arrived here this morning. Prince George this morning will reside at Inverness. Mr. Johanson will work in a cannery.

committed to jail. He was broken the law. All he was to get away from here for about a month. He found him in jail. The Prince Rupert morning rest of the day.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE For the Year Ended December 31st, 1950

REVENUE		EXPENDITURE	
Taxes		Administrative	
Municipal	\$123,735.32	Salaries Administration	\$ 3,210.50
Rural	23,832.15	Office Expense	382.69
	\$147,567.47	Trustees Expenses	515.00
Government Grants		General Administration	2,561.40
Public	61,567.79		\$ 6,469.59
Dormitory and Boarding	42.00	Instruction	
Vocational	1,239.96	Teachers' Salaries	\$137,499.61
Transportation	1,948.74	School Clerical Salaries	1,590.41
Additions and Reconstruction		Teaching Supplies	6,948.00
Buildings	8,903.89	Other Instruction Expense	234.48
Equipment	751.95		146,279.10
Night School	172.80	Operation	
	74,627.13	Janitor and Engineer Salaries	15,285.33
Other Revenue		Janitor and Engineer Supplies	1,715.78
Tuition Fees	13,365.56	Light, Power, Water, Fuel	13,032.58
Rentals	658.68	Insurance, Rentals, Other	6,008.32
Sale of Assets	320.00		36,042.01
Night Schools Fees	670.00	Repairs and Maintenance	
Miscellaneous	407.65	Grounds—Wages and Supplies	505.77
	15,421.89	Buildings—Wages and Supplies	4,042.16
Total Revenue	\$237,616.49	Equipment—Wages and Supplies	1,281.99
Excess of Expenditure over Revenue for the year ended December 31st, 1950	6,046.73		5,829.92
		Auxiliary Services	
		Health	1,267.99
		Dormitory and Boarding Expense	140.00
		Other	38.54
			1,446.53
		Debt Service	
		Sinking Fund—Principal	6,119.90
		—Interest	7,304.09
			13,423.90
		Conveyance of Pupils	
		Contract Expense	3,362.90
		Capital Account	
		Sites	59.20
		New Buildings	7,475.00
		Reconstruction and Additions to Buildings	20,124.05
		Equipment	3,251.02
			30,909.27
		Total Expenditure	\$243,663.22

Statement "B"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS For the Year Ended December 31st, 1950

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Revenue		Revenue	
Revenue (as per Statement "B")	\$237,616.49	Expenditures (as per Statement "B")	\$243,663.22
Sale of Bond	100.00		\$243,663.22
	\$237,716.49	Add Accounts Payable December 31, 1949	3.50
Add Accounts Receivable, December 31, 1949	14,123.36		\$243,666.72
	\$251,839.85	Deduct Accounts Payable December 31, 1950	10.50
Deduct Accounts Receivable, December 31, 1950	6,216.42		\$243,656.22
	\$245,623.43	Add Cash on Hand and at Bank December 31, 1950	239.24
Deduct Bank Overdraft December 31, 1949	\$2,732.99		\$243,895.46
Less Cash on Hand December 31, 1949	5.00		
	2,727.99	Capital Account	
	\$242,895.44	Sale of Debentures	\$ 67,000.00
		Premium on Sale of Debentures	1,507.50
		Accrued Interest on Sale of Debentures	396.40
		Advances from City of Prince Rupert	132,121.89
		Bank Interest	46.23
			201,072.11
			\$444,967.57
		Statement "C"	
		Revenue	
		Expenditures	
		Payments re Buildings under Construction	\$247,691.49
		Deduct Bank Overdraft December 31, 1950	46,619.38
			201,072.11
			\$444,967.57

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