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Fishing Big Business

ANOTHER important fishing industry—a quarter-of-a-million-dollar undertaking—is coming to the Prince Rupert waterfront, principal feature of the new development to be started at Seal Cove this year being a modern \$200,000 reduction plant.

The B. C. Packers has also been reported planning to move one of its Skeena River canneries to the waterfront here, similar to what the Canadian Fishing Co. is doing. But that development appears to be deferred for the time being at least.

All this is providing new mediums of employment, enhancing the developing prosperity of Prince Rupert which still depends to a very substantial degree upon the fishing industry.

It is all in line with the tendency of centralization of the industry at points where the raw material—the fish—and the facilities necessary for processing can be most strategically brought together. Year after year Prince Rupert is witnessing the further development of the waterfront for the various phases of fish handling.

There is nothing to look down upon in being called a fishing port. It is big business and we are mighty glad to have it.

Never Satisfied

WE ARE never satisfied. A new fish processing industry is going to be established on the local waterfront. But what do some of us do now? Nothing less than conjure up how our good fresh air may be polluted by the odors from the processes.

We would also cry if the fish plant did not come to Prince Rupert as it has. So we are never satisfied—which is human nature.

But we must take the bad with the good, the tainted air with the fresh, the nuisances with the advantages.

Fortunately, if it is fresh air that we want, there will still be plenty of that to be found even if some of our valued industries should prove odoriferous at times although profitable to us always.

And, as far as the fish plant is concerned, we are assured officially that there will be "little or no smell." That ought to be good enough assurance.

Scripture Passage for Today

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal."—I Cor. 13:1.

Sewer Problem Still Unsettled

Final decision of the city council in its attitude toward the town Bay sewer problem and their contract with Mitchell & Currie will be handed down at the next regular meeting March 5. Council met in committee last night to consider the matter.

A keen problem was encountered when contractors found the existing tunnel outlet too small to accommodate a 42-inch pipe called for in the contract.

Mitchell & Currie are disclaiming responsibility for widening of the tunnel and are asking some \$20,000 more for this work.

Because of legal aspects involved, the committee as a whole left the matter with city solicitors, Brown & Harvey, for decision early next month.

Air Passengers

From Sandspit (Wednesday)—T. Mariah.

From Vancouver (Wednesday)—W. Turnell, J. MacCloy, C. Severson, E. Severson, R. Campbell, F. W. Richardson, C. Newhaven, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wong and infant.

From Masset (Wednesday)—Mrs. Anderson.

From Justkatla (Wednesday)—A. Racine.

To Stewart (today)—E. Miller.

To Vancouver (today)—G. L. Mackey, J. H. Taylor, H. Routh, S. Donze, B. Watson, G. A. Beare, J. G. Wilson, Dr. R. H. Ball, C. M. May, R. J. Cooper, J. Miller, H. Gray and J. J. Whyte.

To Port Hardy (today)—Mrs. F. O. Smith and infant.

To Sandspit (today)—William Gladstone, Mrs. M. J. Williams.

For Action, Advertiser

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

NOTES FROM EGYPT

CAIRO, Egypt.—Here are some interesting tidbits from Cairo which I don't think would get on the news cables.

A pretty young woman went to the door of her home to answer a knock. A young man stood there. He said he was the electric meter inspector.

The wife said: "Come back again when my husband is home, between four and six o'clock."

The man disappeared, did not turn up again when hubby was home. The irate husband reported the incident to the police.

On Sunday, while husband and wife were out walking, the wife spotted the fake meter reader. She called the police and had him arrested.

The arrested man told the police station officials that he had seen the young woman at a movie, and had been overpowered by her beauty. He had gone to the home to propose marriage. But when he realized that the lady was married he "dropped the whole idea."

Here is the part of the news which tickled me:

"Thereupon the young lady dropped her complaint and she and her husband shook hands with him and left the station."

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HERE IS A country love story with an unhappy ending. Karim was a handsome 20-year-old peasant of the village of El Balalis, noted because of his ability to sing romantic songs.

He was deeply in love with Zeinab, the loveliest young girl in the village, as sweet and pure as she was beautiful.

But Zeinab was long betrothed to marry her cousin—an event greatly desired by both families. In vain Karim out-sung and out-danced all the other village men. And Zeinab knew that his love songs were meant for her alone.

After the ceremony, but before the bride had been duly escorted by her young brother to the bridegroom, Karim waited for one last word with his lost beloved.

The bride listened, but was deaf to his pleas. In a sudden burst of fury and grief, Karim whipped out his sharp knife and stabbed the girl to the heart.

The bride fell without a word. Karim ran blindly across fields till exhausted—but at last came home to await arrest.

In the court he told three grave judges about his tragic love.

He omitted no detail of his guilt, but said he was at peace and was willing to take full punishment.

Verdict: Fifteen years' imprisonment with hard labor.

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THERE IS A SOCIETY here called the Bent el Nil Movement, which is opening many schools to wipe out illiteracy amongst girls and women.

The original aim of the society, says the main promoter, Madame Daria Shafik, is to get equal voting rights for women. But the broader purpose is to raise the whole level of life for women.

Twelve such schools were just opened in Cairo in one day. They are private affairs, but the ceremony was addressed by a spokesman for the government's department of education.

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SOME OF THE older and, I imagine, more conservative Arab women still wear the traditional black dress, complete with veil covering the head and face.

Others, less wealthy but with similar ideas of orthodox behavior, wear a half-veil—covering the mouth but not the eyes.

But for the most part the women of Cairo in 1951 dress and look much like the women of any more westerly country.

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THIS COUNTRY is, of course, one of the great human melting pots. They say that the Pyramids are at the exact centre of the land surface of the earth. Something the same is true of the races. This is the racial cross-roads of the whole world.

You see Egyptian soldiers of all shades—some literally as black as ebony. You also see women so fair-skinned and beautiful that they might look like Queen Nefertiti, wife of the great reformer, Amenhotep the Fourth, or Cleopatra.

NOTHING WASTED

Fuel gas is produced experimentally from trimmings, cores and other fruit wastes in an Oregon laboratory.

For Action Advertiser

THE LETTER BOX

OFFENDING SERMON

Editor, Daily News:
I have read and re-read a sermon by a former Prince Rupert minister (C. D. Clarke) which appeared in the Daily News last Saturday and about which some hue and cry appears to be rising. Possibly I am a little stupid theologically but I see little, if anything, therein to justify such a speedy and emphatic repudiation by the Prince Rupert Ministerial Association.

To me Mr. Clarke's sermon seemed to be a simple expression of faith in the goodness of God and the belief that He will take care of His own.

I see no objection to Mr. Clarke's disavowing some dogmatic beliefs and practices. As a matter of fact, actually it seems to me that the sermon contained some lofty ideas which were not inconsistent with the true and liberal conception of real Christianity.

The Daily News need make no apologies for having published Mr. Clarke's sermon. Indeed it should be happy if it gives rise to some useful and constructive discussion of religious matters of which we get little enough in these materialistic and selfish days. But it is to be hoped that further discussion of Mr. Clarke's sermon, if any, will be kept along as decorous a plane as the original treatise.

Now that the Prince Rupert Ministerial Association, through both its president and secretary, has taken exception to opinions expressed by Mr. Clarke, some further elucidation of their objections might be in order and would doubtless be of interest to the public whose curiosity has been aroused. Some may be still wondering what it is all about. Exception has been taken. There should be explanation why. SIMPLE BELIEVER.

EXPLANATION WANTED

Editor, Daily News:
In your issue of last Saturday you printed a sermon by C. D. Clarke. This sermon soon became a veritable "Storm Centre" and was subsequently "repudiated" by the local Ministerial Association.

Such correspondence on this subject has since passed through your letter box. However, the public is still in the dark as to the reasons which motivated the Ministerial Association in taking the serious step of "repudiation."

Surely the issue involved transcends the importance of individuals—be it Mr. Procter or Mr. Clarke.

Will not some person, authorized by the Ministerial Association to do so, explain the position taken by the Association for the benefit of the laymen.

ERIC FAURE

For action use News classified.

BATTLE OF MUCK

Editor, Daily News:
The battle of the "muck" really results in getting readable print in your paper. Let's have more controversial topics even if you have to instigate them yourself.

Let's have less judgments and more direct action. Those who particularly feel like a good battle are directed to the Korean front line.

If you go to church, don't let the theological battle worry you. Have blind faith. Who knows but your own ministers that particular interpretation of the Scripture may be the correct one.

If you don't go to church, obey the orders of Matthew 6:6 and pray that everyone will soon love each other and have a cheerful countenance.

Let everyone get behind the Boy Scout campaign.

VERNON STREBE,

P.O. Box 432.

(No phone for another year or two).

CANT SEE "MUD, MUSH"

Editor, Daily News:
I was greatly astonished to read the blast in Canon Procter's letter re last Saturday night's sermon.

Being just a dumb layman I

Ald. Frizzell Is Health Chairman

Ald. G. D. (Doug.) Frizzell was elected chairman of the Prince Rupert Union Board of Health for 1951 at a quarterly meeting held in the Health Centre yesterday afternoon.

Miss Marilyn Roos of the Health Unit office staff was elected secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Duncan Black, director of the Health Unit, has been acting chairman, replacing Ald. James Foreman, while Miss F. S. Hilton PHN senior public health nurse, is retiring secretary-treasurer.

Attending the meeting were: Mrs. E. W. Becker, representative from the school board; the Misses Marilyn Roos and F. S. Hilton, of the health unit; Dr. Duncan Black, director of the Health Unit; A. G. Boas, sanitary inspector with the health unit; and Aldermen D. G. Frizzell and H. S. Whalen.

ANCIENT MONUMENT

The famous Cleopatra's needle in London, 68 feet high, was originally erected at Heliopolis about 1450 B.C.

read it but failed to find the "mud and mush." In fact I think it is "tops" and the best I have read for many a day.

I would like to have the good Canon point out exactly where the "mud and mush" is in it so I can see just where I am at fault. Also if he can write a better one I will be glad to read and profit by it.

R.C.W.

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