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CARE FOR GRAVES
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Second World War now have been erected or are in transit. Each bears the badge, name, rank, unit, date of death and age and beneath is engraved, if desired, a religious emblem. There is equality of treatment regardless of rank, based on equality of sacrifice.

The Commission has its headquarters in London and there are agencies in Ottawa, Melbourne and Cape Town. District headquarters are in Brussels, Avras, Rome, Cairo Alexandria, Tunis, Falonika, Bagdad, Delhi and Singapore.

Cost of its work is borne by the Commonwealth Governments on the basis of the proportion of war dead. Canada contributed \$400,000 this year and will contribute \$600,000 in 1951.

Secretary-General of the Canadian agency is A. L. Watson, 59, of Ottawa, a native of England who rose from private to sergeant in the Canadian Army during the First World War.

EXPORTS STRAWBERRIES HALIFAX —A new item in Nova Scotia's list of exports is strawberry plants. More than 2,000 plants were shipped recently to Bermuda, second annual shipment in what is expected to become a regular item in trade with the West Indies.

PRISON REFORMS ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. —First of a series of reforms in the penitentiary here will be daily periods in which prisoners may smoke. Each prisoner will be provided with a weekly issue of cigarette tobacco and papers.

His main job is overseeing the care of war graves on this continent—about 17,000 graves in 2,500 different cemeteries in Canada and at 500 different places in the United States.

These are the graves of the men who died or were killed before they went to war and those who died of wounds or disabilities after they came home.

Year in year out quality has always been and will always be the first consideration with

"SALADA" TEA



"Good evening, Mrs. Career Woman!"

Dr. Large Again School Chairman

Dr. R. G. Large was re-elected chairman of the board of school trustees at the first regular meeting last night. Secretary Mrs. M. M. Roper took the chair during the election.

W. J. Scott welcomed the re-elected trustees and Trustee J. Knudsen from Digby Island.

Dr. Large welcomed J. Knudsen as trustee for Digby Island and Mrs. E. W. Becker and A. B. Brown who had been re-elected to the board.

The following standing committees were appointed for the year:

- Poath Memorial School—Mrs. E. W. Becker.
- King Edward—A. Bruce Brown, Borden Street—W. J. Scott, Conrad Street—A. J. Dominato, Finance—W. J. Scott, Mrs. E. W. Becker.
- Personnel—Mrs. E. W. Becker, A. Bruce Brown.
- Salaries—All members of the board.
- Councils—A. J. Dominato, W. J. Scott.
- Building—All members of the board.
- Resolutions—A. Bruce Brown, W. J. Scott.
- Union Board of Health representative—Mrs. E. W. Becker.

SCHOOL COLOR SCHEME

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In a generous mood, the board approved several expenditures at the meeting. Among them were:

Authorization of the redecoration of the music room at Borden Street School.

A grant up to \$750 to the student council to be expended for band instruments, expenditures to be met with equal amounts by the council.

Purchase by Mr. Hurst of surplus laboratory equipment from Prince Rupert General Hospital from the science allotment for the year.

Purchase of door closers and necessary benches for Conrad Street School.

The board decided against insuring members against accident while travelling on school business as suggested by Robert S. Day and Co.

In answer to a request from T. Norton Youngs for a share in the insurance of schools or, failing that, having his name on the list of local companies sharing premium commissions of a blanket policy, the secretary was instructed to write Mr. Youngs informing him that the division was for those who had been in the business here for three years or more.

The secretary was instructed to apply to the district engineer for permission for BC, Bridge and Dredging Co. to take gravel from pit on highway for fill purposes.

REPORT ON SCHOOLS

Reporting on schools, A. Bruce Brown said King Edward School heating plant had been converted to coal over the Christmas holiday, as had been agreed upon if further trouble developed.

J. Knudsen said the shed at Digby Island School had been filled with sufficient oil to last the winter.

The secretary reported that the paint job on the Booth School lavatories and approaching corridors had been nearly completed. It would be finished at the week-end.

A. Bruce Brown reported a contract with Lee Wing for supplying electric power to light the Port Essington school had been signed. The secretary was advised to proceed with having the school wired.

The appointment of Mrs. Christina Worsley to fill a Grade 8 vacancy on the Booth School teaching staff was approved.

Want Ads, Sure Results!

NO PLACE FOR WORKERS—Lack of Housing Holding Employment Down In City

Shortage of proper housing remains the fly in the ointment in Prince Rupert's employment situation, according to National Employment Service officials here. "The housing situation is a factor that will become more vital than at present," E. V. Whiting, manager of the Prince Rupert office, said yesterday afternoon, "because the permanent employees of Columbia Cellulose Company will have homes which do not exist at the present time."

Speaking of the 1950 season, Mr. Whiting said it had been exceedingly good. All local skilled men were employed during the working seasons and it became necessary to import a number of skilled workers for Columbia Cellulose Company.

Looking to 1951, he said it was expected the Columbia Cellulose plant would be nearing completion in the early spring and a lay-off of several hundred men was expected. But the operation of the plant will be a source of steady employment for a class of worker who will be resident in the city. Many of the men who have been engaged in construction left their families behind, partially because of the difficulty in finding proper housing.

FAIR TO GOOD

On the whole, Mr. Whiting said the employment picture here for the time of the year was "fair to good." About the usual number of men employed in fishing are drawing unemployed benefits. There is still a shortage of stenographers, he said, but this again he blamed partially on lack of housing. It is getting worse, he said, and there is no place to put workers when they get here.

The run of herring before Christmas supplied some employment at the Nelson Brothers plant at Port Edward and built at the fishermen's co-operative. There has also been a certain amount of employment in freight handling with shipments of fish.

Holidays plus closing some of the higher camps on the Queen Charlotte Islands and wet weather in the Terrace area were given as causes for the slowing down of logging operations. The November scale was over that of November, 1949. Markets for wood products are holding well.

Mining is good with a demand for labor near Hazelton and Smithers. Most requirements for mining labor, however, are being filled from Alberta. Telkwa mines have started shipping coal to the Columbia Cellulose Watson Island plant.

The normal number of men are employed at the shipyards.

Merchants report a good Christmas season and the employment office had no difficulty supplying extra Christmas help to stores and post office.

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THURSDAY — P.M.

- 3:30—Listeners' Choice
- 4:00—The Sunshine Society
- 4:15—Stock Quotations and Int.
- 4:30—My Shipmate Jimmy
- 4:45—Young Man with a Song
- 4:55—CBC News
- 5:00—Int. Comy.
- 5:10—There's Music in the Air
- 5:30—Musical Program
- 5:45—"Canada at Work"
- 6:00—Supper Serenade
- 6:15—English Favorites
- 6:30—Musical Varieties
- 7:00—CBC News
- 7:15—CBC News Roundup
- 7:30—Eventide
- 8:00—Citizen's Forum
- 8:30—Citizen's Forum News
- 8:45—The Metre Reader
- 9:00—CBC Vancouver Concert Orchestra
- 9:30—Winnipeg Drama
- 10:00—CBC News
- 10:10—CBC News
- 10:15—Dateline: Edmonton
- 10:30—Fairmont Hotel Orch.
- 10:35—Interlude
- 11:00—Weather Report and Sign Off

FRIDAY — A.M.

- 7:00—Musical Clock
- 8:00—CBC News
- 8:10—Here's Bill Good
- 8:15—Morning Song
- 8:30—Music for Lovers
- 8:45—Little Concert
- 9:00—BBC News and Comty.
- 9:15—Morning Devotions
- 9:30—M - ning Concert
- 9:59—Time Signal
- 10:10—Morning Visit
- 10:15—Carson Robison and His Buckaroos
- 10:30—"Melody Time"
- 10:45—Musical Kitchen
- 11:00—Kindergarten of the Air
- 11:15—Roundup Time
- 11:30—Weather Forecast
- 11:31—Message Period
- 11:33—Rec. Int.
- 11:45—Scandinavian Melodies

FRIDAY -- P.M.

- 12:00—Mid-Day Melodies
- 12:15—CBC News
- 12:25—Program Resume
- 12:30—B.C. Farm Broadcast
- 12:55—Rec. Int.
- 1:00—Concert Hour
- 1:30—Musical Program
- 1:45—Women in Jobs: Comty.
- 2:00—School Broadcast
- 2:30—Records at Random
- 2:45—Solo Guest

STERN COMMAND

BRISTOL, England —A loud "beep" was the cue for silence at a banquet of motor car agents here. They used an automobile horn instead of the traditional chairman's banner.

Neighbors Honor Midwife of North

THE PAS, Man. —Midwife of the North is Mrs. William Mercree's title.

She's been delivering northern Manitoba babies for more than 30 years. And at her home town, the little settlement of Thicket Portage, 185 miles north of The Pas on the Hudson Bay railway, her neighbors soon will honor Mrs. Mercree—and her husband—on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Mercree was born in Edmonton, the daughter of Joseph Chartier, a boat captain on the Athabasca River in the days when freight was transported by land from Edmonton to Athabasca Landing and from there down river by barge to Fort McMurray and north into the territories.

It is estimated that Mrs. Mercree has brought into the world more than 200 babies—and that is not counting the children of her own relatives. Of these she can count at least 70.

Mrs. Mercree's reputation as a nurse and midwife spreads throughout the north country. She has tended the sick at Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Ticket Portage, Piwitane and Gillam.

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LONDON (CP) — "Tim," the London speaking clock used in London's County Council has erected memorial plaques over the workshop automatic time signals, had 66,000 calls one day recently when a men—Thomas Chippendale, cap-power cut stopped operation of inet maker, and William Caslon, household electric clocks, type founder.

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