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PAST YEAR IN RCAF—RCAF events and operations during the past year are depicted in this photo-montage and will be recalled when the RCAF holds its annual Air Force Day at air stations across the Dominion on Saturday, June 9. (1) Presently the front line combat aircraft of the USAF in Korea, the F-86 Sabre is being manufactured in Canada for the RCAF and will be used as a day-fighter. (2) First squadron to go overseas for advanced training was 421 Red Indian Squadron, from Chatham, N.B. Caught by the camera in a happy mood is one of the squadron's armoureders on his way to load a Vampire's guns. (3) Also taking to the skies in the past year was the Canadian-designed-and-built CF-100 Canuck, the RCAF's new all-weather twin-jet fighter. (4) Since joining the Korean airlift last July, 426 Thunderbird Squadron has rolled up a

remarkable record and has flown more than 14 million accident-free miles. Here, one of the squadron's North Stars is shown over Tokyo on its way to Haneda Air Base just outside the city. (5) Keen interest was displayed in the new uniform fashions for women entering the RCAF. Three models in the photo show the summer slacks for women in specified trades, the sports costume—T-shirt and shorts, and the summer dress uniform. (6) Canada's contribution to the North Atlantic Pact began to bear fruit last month when seventy-seven European and twenty-four Canadian aircrew trainees received their wings under the NATO plan. Typical of European students, this Dutch student-pilot is shown boarding a Harvard trainer for an exercise in aerobatics. (NATIONAL DEFENCE PHOTO)

FIRST CHINESE
DRUMHELLER, Alta. (CP)—A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mah was the first Chinese baby born in Drumheller Hospital. Mr. Mah brought his wife over from China last year.

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Blackwood on Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

Playing with Miss Brash, Mr. Dale takes the bidding sort of slow and easy. He couldn't have been criticized for raising all the way to four hearts on this hand, but he made allowance for Miss Brash's extreme optimism and just gave her a single raise.

Of course she went blithely on to four. How do you like two bids on that collection of trash in the South hand?

None vulnerable North dealer

North (Mr. Dale)		East (Mr. Abel)	
S-K Q 10 9 4		S-8 7 3 2	
H-A 9 4		H-J 10 2	
D-A 9 6		D-K J 10 3	
C-K 5		C-8 2	
West (Mr. Masters)		South (Miss Brash)	
S-A J 5		S-6	
H-K 6		H-Q 8 7 5 3	
D-8 7 2		D-9 5 4	
C-Q J 9 7 3		C-A 10 6 4	

The bidding:
North 1S East 3H South 2H West 4H All pass

It's pretty hard to criticize Miss Brash's bidding, as she brings so many of her sporty contracts home. I don't think she realizes, though, that players like Mr. Dale and Mr. Masters underbid a trifle to balance her aggressiveness.

Mr. Masters' opening lead was the queen of clubs, which was won by dummy's king. Mr. Abel playing the deuce. One thing was sure, Miss Brash had a lot of work to do before she led trumps. She would have liked to lead spades from her hand but lacked the entries. So at trick two she led the king of spades for mthe board.

HOPES IT'S LAST ONE
Mr. Masters won with the ace and shifted to the eight of diamonds. Miss Brash couldn't afford to play her queen of diamonds yet so she put in the six spot and Mr. Abel won with the 10 and returned the eight of clubs.

Miss Brash eyed that eight of clubs and hoped it was Mr. Abel's last one. She went up with the ace and now finally got around to leading hearts, playing a small one from her hand and the nine from dummy. Mr. Abel won with the 10 and found himself in a spot for a good lead.

He didn't relish leading into dummy's spade or diamond holdings and he had no clubs. So he came out with the deuce of hearts. Mr. Masters' king fell to dummy's ace. The queen of spades was cashed and a club discarded from the closed hand. Another spade lead was trumped by Miss Brash, dropping Mr.

Chamber to Thank City

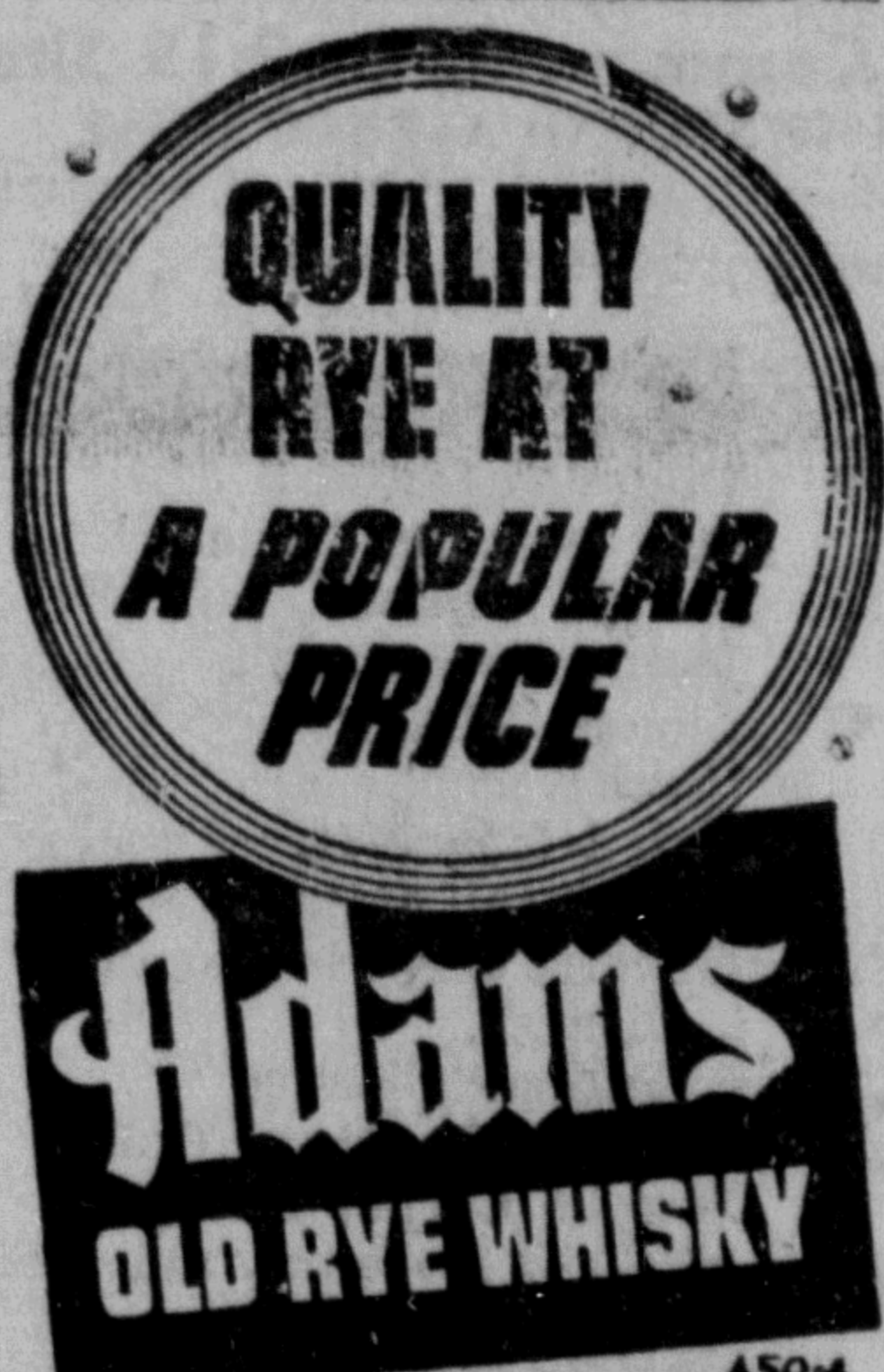
Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce will say "thank you" to the city for the good job which has been done in cleaning up Third Avenue from which winter sand was removed this week, followed by a good sprinkling yesterday.

"We are often inclined to complain and criticize the city," said Vice-President T. N. Youngs. "I think we should compliment the city when compliment is due."

The Chamber agreed and the city will be communicated with in appreciative vein.

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Swimming Pool Opens Sunday

Official opening of the Gyro swimming pool in McClymont Park will take place next Sunday afternoon. It is announced by Gyro President Don Forward, Ian McHardy, playground director, will be in charge of the pool assisted by Miss Gloria Sather.

Meantime swings and other playground equipment are now in process of erection.

The annual Gyro Club tag day in aid of the club's playground work will be held Saturday.

Tomorrow, at its regular weekly luncheon, the Gyro Club will hear and discuss a report by Playground Chairman M. G. Gormely on the playground situation.

Noted Pianist Visitor Here

Ivett Gustin of Saskatoon, a member of the Board of Examiners of the Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto, has arrived in the city to conduct examinations for the Conservatory in Prince Rupert on Wednesday and Thursday.

Seattle Gains In Population

SEATTLE—U.S. Census Bureau figures Thursday showed another 5000 boost in Seattle's population in the 1950 count. A report boosted the city to 467,900 from the previously reported 452,901.

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Convention is Invited Here

Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night decided to invite the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia to hold its annual convention in Prince Rupert. It was left to the executive council to fix the date of the gathering which will probably be in late August or early September.

A. D. Vance, chairman of a committee, which has been assigned to look into the possibilities of accommodation for delegates, reported that at least thirty-one rooms had been assured.

J. W. Scott suggested that, if necessary, a limit could be placed on the number of delegates in view of the accommodation stringency.

Originally Burns Lake was to have been host to the Associated Boards' 1951 convention but a few weeks ago it intimated that it would not be able to accommodate the delegates.

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Last Rites For Pioneer

Funeral for Charles Erickson, pioneer Prince Rupert fisherman who died Thursday, was held from Greenville Chapel at 2 p.m. yesterday. Rev. E. Solland conducted the service.

Full bearers were David Thoren, Heige Essen, Jens Knutson, Charlie Ehn, Hans Hansen and Oscar Strom.

Mrs. J. C. Gilker presided at the organ during the singing of hymns, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less."

Burial was at Fairview Cemetery. B. C. Undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

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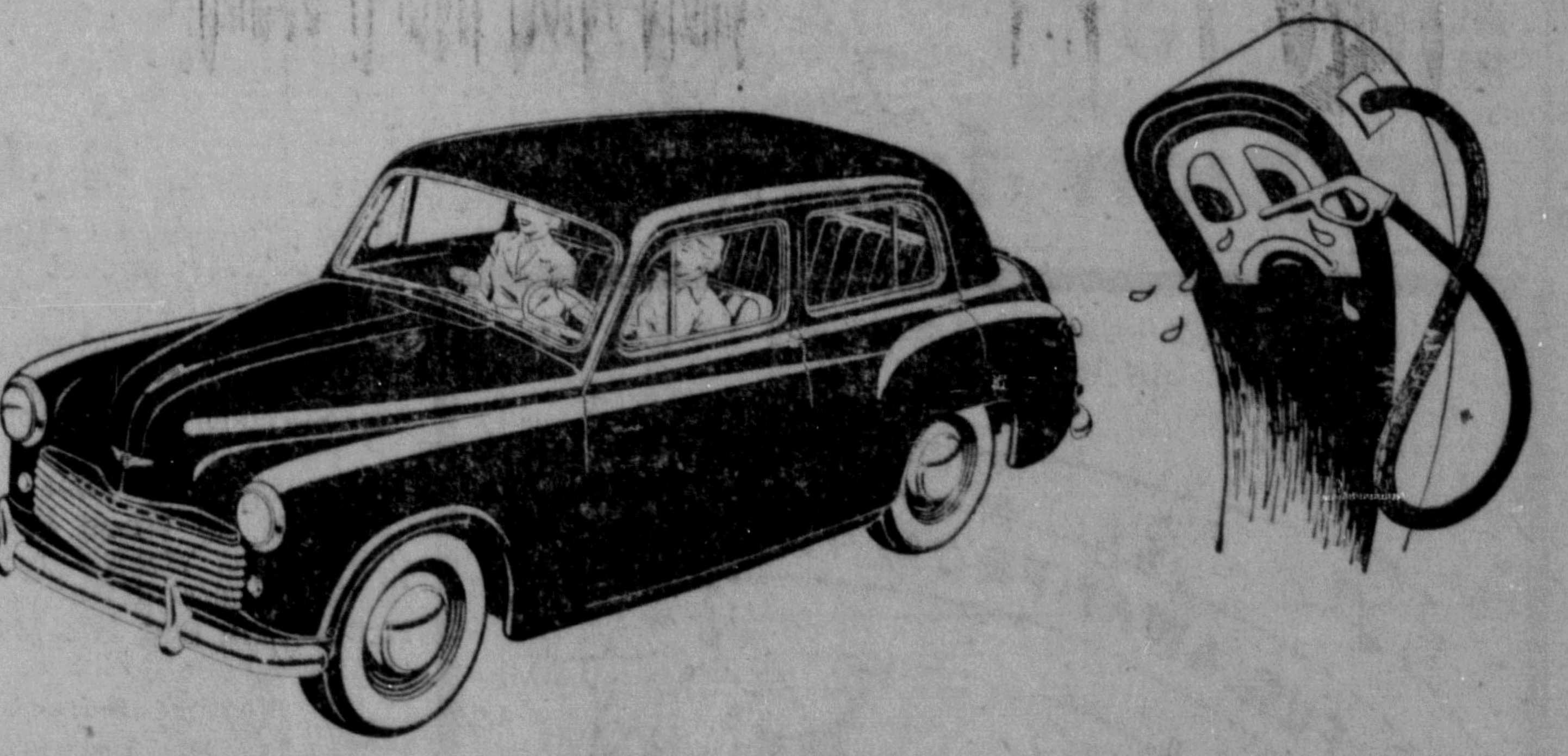
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