

Organic Matter Needed by Soil

OTTAWA—Frequent applications of barnyard manure and the use of short crop rotations are recommended for the improvement of soils in the Prince George area, where there is a natural deficiency of organic matter.

R. G. Savage, of the Experimental Station at Prince George, who makes the recommendations, says the deficiency is particularly noticeable in the fine-textured clay soils.

Because of their fine texture and their lack of organic matter these soils are slow to warm up in the Spring, are difficult to manage when wet and have a very dense subsoil.

Addition of organic matter will help correct these structural conditions, and, in time, modify the sub-soil, Mr. Savage says.

Barnyard manure not only adds organic matter, it also increases the bacterial activity in the soil and acts as an excellent fertilizer.

Rotations should include grass and legume mixtures and not more than two consecutive cereal crops. Fertilizing these crops adds more organic matter through root growth. Keeping the rotations short-term means more organic matter is plowed in.

SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

On board SS Louise, arriving in Prince Rupert at 11 a.m. today enroute to Skagway and return, were 40 tourist "round-trippers" among a total of 150 passengers including general cargo.

Disembarking at Prince Rupert were Mrs. Alex McRae, Mrs. Bannerman, R. Day, K. Smith, Mrs. M. Botsford, L. Halton, Mr. Todd, Mrs. Kios and W. McKnight.

Mackerel, a fish seldom or ever seen on this part of the coast, will be marketed this summer. It comes, in considerable quantities, from the island of Atka, in the middle Aleutians. Spawning will be in June and July. The fish lend themselves to salting and are considered excellent eating.

BEAVER INCREASE
NORTH BAY, Ont. (CP)—About 2,700 beaver were officially "sealed" after being trapped in the North Bay district in the season just ended. The total is about 400 higher than last year, due to an increase in the district's beaver population.

TIMBER SALE 53118
Sealed tenders will be received by the Minister of Forests at Victoria, B.C., not later than 11 a.m. on the 26th day of June, 1951, for the purchase of Licence 53118, to cut 3,285,000 lb.m. of Hemlock, Spruce, Balsam, and Cedar on an area covering part of S.T.L. 7987, situated on Cortina Canal, 14 miles south of Stewart, Range 5 Coast Land District.

Five years will be allowed for removal of timber.

Further particulars of the Chief Forester, Victoria, B.C., or District Forester Prince Rupert, B.C. (M28, J4, 11, 18)

Attack Could Come

Atomic Bomb Will Kill 60,000 in Ottawa

OTTAWA—Hon. Brooke Claxton, minister of national defence, said the Royal Canadian Air Force is on alert for a possible atomic bombing attack on Canada in two directions—Alaska or via Spitzbergen.

Claxton believed that attack most likely be by the route.

Gen. F. F. Worthington, Canadian defence co-ordinator, said a well-laced atomic bomb might kill 60,000 people in Ottawa.

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Bus Driver Sees Moose

A bull moose was sighted on the Skeena Highway between Terrace and Hazelton by David Jones, driving the Canadian National Railway bus, early Saturday. He was making the regular schedule run from Smithers to Prince Rupert. It was not long after the break of day and the moose did not appear much alarmed. After a few glances at the approaching bus, it moved toward the edge of the woods and quietly disappeared.

Where Lind Sang Now Ballet Spot

TORONTO (CP)—Jenny Lind once sang in the dusty old hall here that is to become a headquarters for Canada's dance devotees.

The old St. Lawrence hall—a century-old auditorium not far from the waterfront—has been taken over by Celia Franca for her dance studio.

Beneath the ornate ceiling, gingerbreaded to 19th century tastes, Miss Franca will teach advanced ballet. She came here in February on the recommendation of Ninette de Alois, her former employer and instructor at Sadlers Wells in London. She also came at the request of some of Canada's best-known dance teachers who thought it high time to set up a national ballet.

"And I'm going to do it," said Miss Franca, "if it takes me five years, 10 years or 20."

She doesn't seem to mind the fact that her studio is smack in the middle of a vegetable market.

"It's just the sort of place I wanted," she said. "It couldn't be better. The city has rented it to me for a very nominal sum and has promised to brighten it up with some paint."

COLORFUL HISTORY
Meanwhile the hall in which Jenny Lind once sang, where a Toronto audience once heard a lecture on slavery, is filled with chairs piled on tables and mattresses. During the winter it served as a hostel for homeless men.

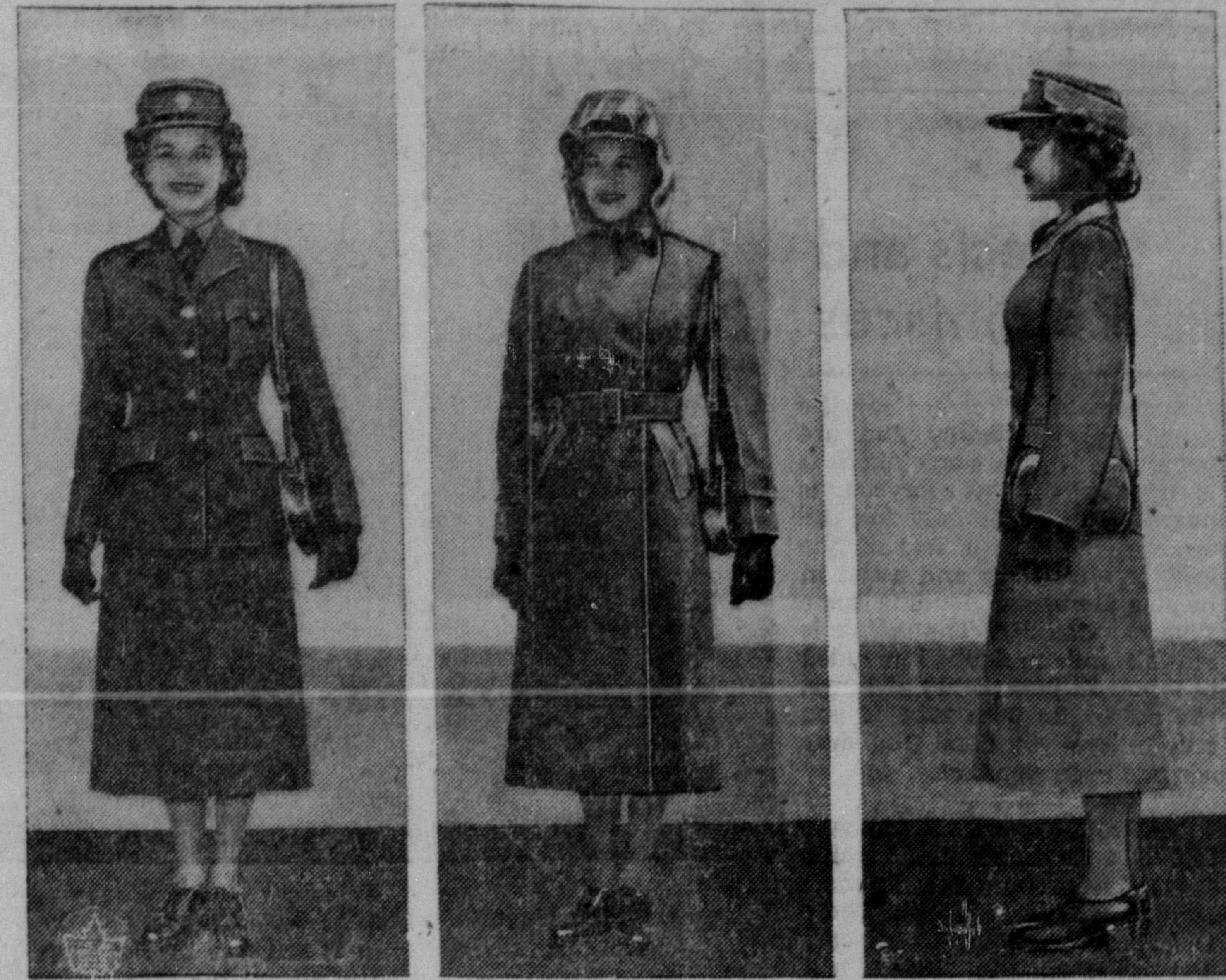
Soon however some 60 ballerinas will be climbing its rickety staircases to spend summer mornings and afternoons learning their routine.

They will be members of Miss Franca's summer school which she will conduct this coming season, assisted by Betty Oliphant, fellow and examiner of the Imperial Society for Teachers of Dancing in London, and by Wendy Canetta of the Royal Academy of Dancing.

Students from across Canada are expected to attend.

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NEW FASHIONS AND FACES—Up-to-minute styles and fair faces will brighten the Canadian Army Reserve Force soon when the Canadian Women's Army Corps come into being. Smart new uniforms of botany serge for winter and tropical worsted for summer, form-fitting and designed to give "a slim effect," have now been approved by Army Headquarters. Similar in many ways to the CWAC uniform of the Second World War, the new ensemble features false pockets on the jacket, longer skirts, beige nylon stockings and improved shoulder purse of genuine leather. The raincoat is made of gabardine with a full belt and detachable hood. A new item in the CWAC wardrobe will be a battle dress style jacket that may be worn with slacks or skirts. Model shown in these pictures is Miss Mary MacAulay, a secretary in the Directorate of Inter-service Development, Ottawa. (National Defence Photos)



FOUR DIE IN FIRE—Three firemen and a volunteer were killed in this fire at Peterborough, Ont., when ceiling and floors collapsed. The building—in the centre of the city's business district—was a total loss. Damage was estimated at \$300,000. (CP PHOTO)

City's Consulting Engineer Passes

There died recently at Riverside, California, W. R. Bonnycastle, a widely known hydro engineer. Mr. Bonnycastle will be remembered in Prince Rupert. He had been engaged by the city to study the city water system.

Central Interior Enjoys Summer

Summer appears well advanced in the region around Hazelton, says David Jones who has charge of the CNR bus making regular trips between here and Smithers. Wild cherries are blossoming and the breeze is pleasant. Returning here, numerous salmon were noted jumping at many points along the Skeena.

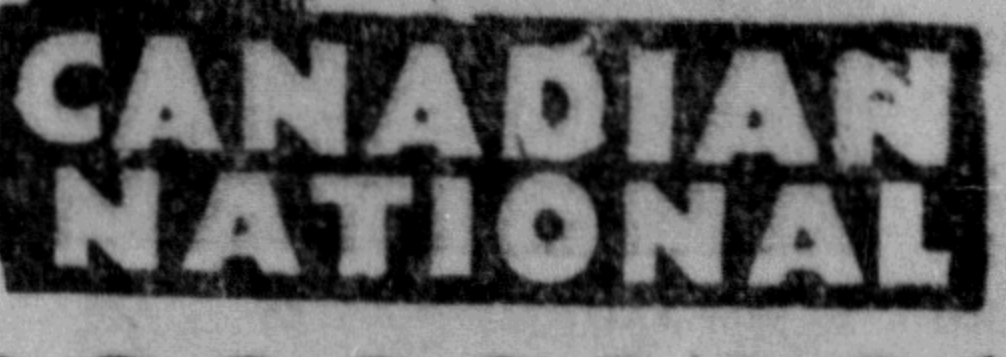
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Air Passengers

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From Sandspit (Saturday)—W. Cooper, L. Grimble, C. Cameron, J. B. Smith.
To Vancouver (Saturday)—A. Zambakos, W. C. R. Jones, D. Little, F. Dietrich, A. Leggart, A. Smart, H. Thorvaldson, A. Berman.
To Sandspit (Saturday)—L. Hurlbut.
To Vancouver (today)—S. Packard, H. Johnson, F. Howard, H. Sproule, F. R. Wilson, Mrs. Dicks, Mrs. Woodruff, W. Ebbutt, A. Ebbutt, Mrs. C. Christoffersen.
To Sandspit (today)—Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stevens.

Lamb Killing Bear Slain

BURNS LAKE—A bear had been making heavy inroads on the sheep farm of Lee Cooper, in spite of careful watchfulness on the part of the owner, who finally reported his losses to Game Warden William H. Richmond.

The bear had been making kills of a lamb every night, eating only the choicest parts. He would usually encounter the mother of the lamb in search of her offspring and kill her forthwith.

On Thursday night Game Warden Richmond, accompanied by Roy Lord, well known guide and join members of the Tweedsmuir Park Rod and Gun Club, camped on the sheep range between Franco's and Tehesinkut Lakes. During the early hours of the morning the bear snarled in and made his kill. Tracking was easy until they entered a jungle of heavy windfall. Each circled the down timber and finally the game warden spotted the bear dragging a lamb. He signalled to Bud Lord and they closed in, opening fire as they cornered the bear, an average black bear weighing over 350 pounds, fat as a seal.

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