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## Housing is Big Need

ANNOUNCEMENT by the head of Celanese Corporation of America that there is to be further expansion of the big pulp mill project at Watson Island, near Prince Rupert, which is about to commence operations, is received with interest and satisfaction.

While the establishment of this great industry has brought a new era of activity and prosperity to Prince Rupert, it also poses problems and the most serious one is that of housing.

News of further expansion at Watson Island makes the deficiency of housing here, already serious, the more acute.

Even today the company is perplexed with the necessity of finding housing immediately for at least fifty families. And more will be required.

The pulp mill people say that the one big thing Prince Rupert could do would be to find or assist in finding ways and means of augmenting the housing accommodation here.

A challenge seems to be presented to the community.

Somehow or other it is going to have to be met.

The new local project for conversion of the former United States Army administration building to 51 apartments is a definite and very creditable step in that direction. That is the kind of enterprise that is needed. But even that, welcome and helpful as it is, is not sufficient.

## Age of Big Development

A LETTER from someone who wished to open a store at Kitimat caused an Aluminum Company executive to smile the other day. There was also a query asking how soon it might be advisable to travel north to look over the situation.

That there was amusement need occasion no surprise. For one thing, a letter like that may have been most unusual, if not rare. There was something so literal about it. To know of an undertaking, even slightly, but on so vast a scale, is to think of it on a basis far indeed from figuring on store building in what is still a wilderness. So it was natural the contrast would not pass unnoticed.

But this is a day of far-reaching plans to be pushed to completion. This is an era that sees accomplishment performed in the minimum of time. And that is what will occur in the north, once the "green light" flashes.

## Douks on Islands

UNRULY Doukhobors are to be resettled anywhere it will not be on the Queen Charlotte Islands off Canada's west coast, says the Windsor (Ont.) Star. Canadian military authorities are understood to oppose any such plan and their objection is not difficult to understand. It would be an invitation to enemy infiltration or invasion to turn the islands over to that pacifist sect.

## Scripture Passage for Today

"Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me."—Psa. 50:15.

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## As I See It



by  
**Elmore  
Philpott**

### TRUE MOTHERLAND

NEW DELHI, India.—The reason I am daily gaining more and more confidence in India's ability to solve her truly titanic problems is because so many strong women are on the job here.

They say that the average Indian, unlike the average Westerner, instinctively thinks of the Divinity as Mother. They tell me that in the southernmost parts of this vast land plain evidences of the ancient system of matriarchy still exist.

The superintendent of a vast chain of demonstration farm villages told me "the men are lazy, the women do all the work except the plowing."

And wherever you turn in or near this capital, where really big things are under way, you find women as the guiding hands and leading spirits in this literal Mother-land.

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I HAVE MET SEVERAL remarkable women, all doing really amazing constructive jobs. One is Miss Mridula Sarabhai, who is the driving force behind the two-nation agreement to restore the abducted women to their proper homes and families—if they themselves freely choose to go.

To understand the magnitude of this job, and also the complications, one has to remember that when the sub-continent was split into two nations, one of the greatest upheavals in all human history took place. Approximately as many people as the total population of Canada were uprooted and forced to flee across the new border, one way or the other.

In the chaos and horrible bloodshed, families were separated. The whole fabric of civilized society broke down. Many women and girls were seized by force and one way or another compelled to live with men not their lawful husbands.

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AS SOON AS ORDER was restored, the governments on both sides of the line did what they could to remedy the situation. But with each passing month and year it became harder and harder to do anything about it.

One woman, however, was determined not to quit—not to let things stay as they were. Although she had been the general secretary of the Congress Party, she dropped out of politics in India in order to make it easier for her to work with the governments of both Pakistan and India.

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I WENT TO SEE Mridula Sarabhai the other morning. It was chilly and she stood with her back to a coal fire in the grate.

She is shortish, has black hair turning grey, and wears it bobbed. She wore slacks, but with the knee-length tunic, split at both sides, which makes the so-called "Punjabi pyjama" combination quite attractive.

But for her lovely soft brown eyes, you would take her for a little Indian Napoleon.

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WHILE I WAS IN Miss Sarabhai's office she was visited by officials from Pakistan. We later discussed certain difficulties which struck my Western mind.

What happens if the abducted woman prefers to stay with her new "husband" rather than return to the old?

Answer: Once she is able to make such a choice, completely free from domination, she can go or stay, as she chooses.

So with the children, born since the abductions. If the mother wants to take them, the law says she can. If not, the father keeps them. If neither

# Services in the Church

## DIRECTORY

Services in all churches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School at 12:15 except as shown.

**ANGELICAN CATHEDRAL**  
4th Ave. W. at Dunsmuir St.  
Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 2:00 p.m.  
Canon Basil S. Procter, B.A., B.D.  
Rector: (Blue 733)

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
5th Ave. E. at Young St.  
Minister: Rev. Fred Antrobus  
(Green 612)

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
4th Avenue East  
Rev. E. A. Wright, D.D.  
(Green 982)

**FIRST UNITED**  
636 6th Ave. West  
Rev. L. G. Sieber  
(Green 613)

**FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE**  
202 6th Ave. West  
Pastor: C. Fawcett  
Services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 12:15.  
(Green 331)

**SALVATION ARMY**  
Fraser Street  
C.O.: Capt. W. Poulton  
Lectures Class 2:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 3:00 p.m.  
(Black 269)

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
5th Ave. at McBride St.  
Pastor: E. Solland  
(Black 610)

**ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN**  
Beal Cove  
Sunday School: 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Prayer 7:30 p.m.  
(Blue 827)

**REGULAR BAPTIST**  
629 6th Ave. E.  
Pastor: Rev. Leonard A. Thorpe  
(Blue 803)

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wants them, the Organization takes the children.

Sarabhai laughed when I said:

"What happens if, in the meantime, the original husband has married a new wife and prefers her?" These things can be worked out, she said.

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I FOLLOWED THROUGH the whole process, from the office of high-powered social workers to the actual camps where

"girls" recovered only a few hours were awaiting transport to the larger depots.

I saw and spoke with women (all, by the way, working on charkas, or little spinning wheels). I saw their babies—one poor little bloke with a nasty growth on his head. I read the figures—that up till the end of last year 6947 abducted women had been rescued (recovered is the official term) from Pakistan

to India, and no less than 13,780 had gone home in the other direction.

All this because one woman wouldn't quit, so long as there was a chance of undoing any part of an injury to a single fellow human.

Canadians are buying new cars and trucks at the rate of \$900,000,000 worth a year.

service. We can join with others

## Saturday Sermon

### PALM SUNDAY

Rev. E. Solland, St. Paul's Lutheran Church

The Palm Sunday story is written in the Gospel of St. John, chapter 12, verses 12-16. It is a simple account of the triumphant entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. Yet those who helped to make that occasion a memorable one in the life of Christ did not realize what they were doing.

It says in verse 16: "These things understood not the disciples at first but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of Him and that they had done these things unto Him." They hailed Him as King, but were not aware that His kingdom was not of this world.

Now the Lord Jesus Christ has an exalted place as the Lord of lords and King of kings. There are times in our lives when we are privileged to honor Him. Yet we too fail to realize just what we do. Only at a later date do we see what the meaning of our conduct is. It is of interest to note that it was the followers of Jesus who shouted: "Hosanna! Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord." They did what they should have done though they did not know why.

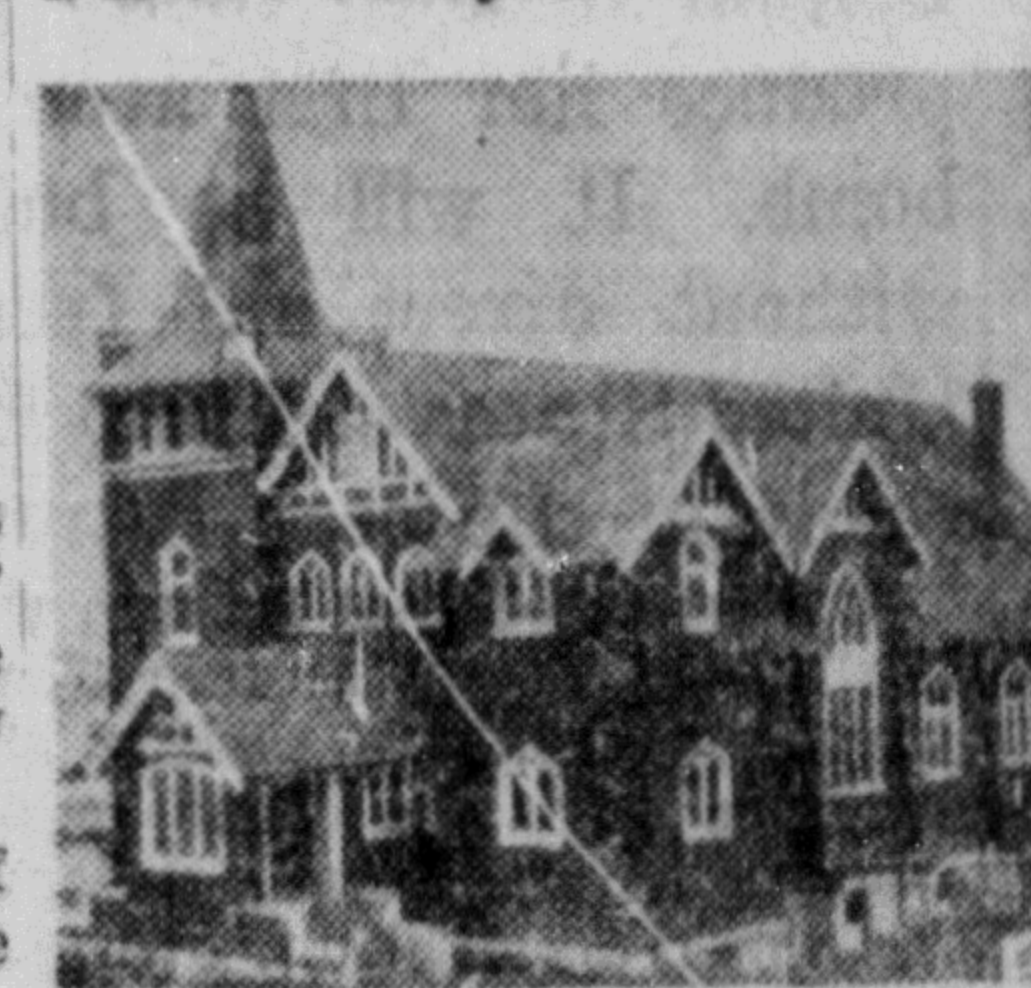
We who are the followers of Jesus today should have the same desire to honor Him by our conduct. It is true that we may not be aware of just what we do or the results of our deeds but time will reveal just what they mean. There are many today who praise the name of Jesus because somebody who was a Christian did them a kind deed. Our voices may praise Him by simply telling someone else just what Jesus has done for us. Our lives speak loudly, so we praise Him by doing the things which may be called practical Christianity. Deeds of love are truly great works that glorify Jesus Christ. In befriending someone or giving practical aid where it is needed, we participate in the wonderful privilege of praise for Christ.

God wants to be praised by His followers. When the procession of people cried praises to God, the leaders of the people rebuked them. Then Jesus said: "I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out." It is the privilege and the duty of each follower of Jesus to praise Him. Should you as a follower fail in praising Him, He will find a substitute, but you will lose the blessing that should have been yours.

Palm Sunday is a time for again shouting praises to the Lord Jesus Christ. We can do this effectively in our worship service. We can join with others

as they sing mighty anthems of praise. When our worship service is finished, we can continue to praise Him by setting our faces to the task which God has set before us. As Christ went resolutely to the cross, we too, can take up our task and fulfill it. Faithfulness is required of stewards. We are stewards of Christ.

### First Presbyterian Church



We extend a cordial invitation to visitors to worship with us.  
231 Fourth Ave. East

Minister: Rev. E. A. Wright, D.D.  
Organists: Mrs. E. J. Smith, John Currie.

Sunday, March 18, 1951  
Morning Worship—11 o'clock.  
Sunday School—12:15  
Evening Service—7:30  
"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy."

### FIRST UNITED CHURCH

636 Sixth Avenue West  
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Rev. Lawrence G. Sieber

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship and Holy Communion.  
Sermon: "Forgive Us Our Tresspasses."  
Anthem: "Saviour, Blessed Saviour."—Havergal.  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship  
Sacred Cantata: "The Seven Words of Christ"—Dubois  
SUNDAY SCHOOLS at First United Hall at 12:15; at Conrad United Hall at 1 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

Sunday, March 18, 1951  
11 a.m.: "The Assurance of Salvation" on Basic Bible Principles  
12:15 p.m.—Sunday Bible Class  
7:30 p.m.: "Peter's Promise From Prison"  
GOOD FRIDAY 11 a.m.—Worship

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