

Civic Centre Campaign

High School Pupils Knocking At Prince Rupert's Doors

With an objective of 2000 additional members, high school students are knocking at Prince Rupert doors in a membership drive for the Civic Centre. Campaign began Wednesday.

"Because we feel we have something to offer to more people than the present 1800 membership," says Civic Centre Director Jack Stirn.

And in attempt to encourage a greater membership, Mr. Stirn plans to make available additional forms of recreation to children and adults, such as Saturday morning games, music and reading circles for young children; more games of all

kinds for teen-agers, and afternoon and evening groups for adults.

Mr. Stirn is open to suggestions. Would afternoon sewing circles or woodworking classes be appealing to women? What about evening cribbage, bridge, chess and checker tournaments for mixed groups?

"This is a community centre and it should be active all the time. Right now, this place is practically empty most afternoons."

For the teen-age set, the director plans to hold chaperoned "jive" sessions twice monthly. He would like the opinion of teen-agers on this.

Greater supervision of the teen-age games room also is planned, with addition of such

Air Mail to Naas River

A monthly air mail service will again be inaugurated between Prince Rupert and Alyangash on November 19 and subsequently regular trips will be performed on or about the 19th of each succeeding month during the winter season. The mail will be dropped, as was done last winter, by Queen Charlotte Air Lines.

For first, second and third class matter, ordinary rates will be charged. Parcel post will be for the first pound and 25c for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

games as checkers, crokinole, Chinese checkers.

"Actually, we want to give as many people as possible what they want. That is the way a community centre should operate, but the people—members—themselves should ask for things."

One problem, thinks Mr. Stirn, can be overcome by little more concentration on "community spirit."

"We do need volunteer workers for supervision of children. Even if only an hour or so a day can be given, Mr. Stirn will welcome any volunteers. It isn't possible, he says, to have any more workers on the Civic Centre payroll.

He assures members that facilities will be made available if at all possible for any activity in which 10 or more members will partake.

Meanwhile, tonight will see opening of the bi-monthly square dances with one hour devoted to teaching beginners and 1½ hours dancing to follow. Instruction is in charge of Roly Miles.

News of the District

Central Interior TRAVELS

... Evangeline Vann's Diary

When ready to depart east by train for North Central District Teachers' Fall Convention at Prince George, and luggage gone ahead, found pair pink pyjamas, "hiding behind ginger jar," so to speak. Tried stuffing their pinkness into typewriter, without success. Poor thing already had to accommodate hat which had also hidden at last minute so stalked over to station with garments over arm, and found 12 men in waiting room. Garments seemed to have acquired extra pinkness as secreted them into bag, or "port," as called "down under."

Train overrun with pedagogues on way to Convention. Encountered Irvine Hare, United Church Minister, Hazelton, on way to be married in Vancouver. Ruined a foursome by joining Mr. Campbell, Principal Smithers High School, Mr. Noakes of Terrace Elementary, Mr. Andrusko, Principal Houston School, and Mr. Montaldi, Principal Burns Lake Senior-Elementary. Only travelled this part by road before. Happy days in camp on Fraser Lake recalled, as Vic Montaldi pointed out site of old Fort Fraser in 1807, and newer site under bluff nearby. Train sneaked into Prince George like a whipped puppy, with its tail between its legs. Decided only two ways to get off train, either first or last, decided on last.

Available accommodation bursting at seams by invasion of around 250 teachers in town. Ran across Miss Bertha Hards, charming Assistant Director Junior Red Cross, up here to speak to schools, and to encourage groups to start. "Northern and Central B.C. is one of the most active areas. They appreciate contact with the city, and the majority of crippled cases come from the rural areas," Miss Hards said.

"Words are important," the title of this book at Convention book display took my fancy. I love words and how important they are, yet in spelling today young people have the greatest of difficulty, and one hears on every side employers deploring the low standard of spelling in their young employees.

Follows odd snippets of information, probably as odious to you the reader, as the isolated items inserted as padding in Victorian newspapers, are to me, such as, "Ostriches are found in Africa, and emus in Australia." Anyway, here goes. Gleaned from address by George G. Vincent, Public Relations Officer for Alcan.—There are between six and seven hundred men in Tahtsa, and five hundred in Kitimat. Four pounds of bauxite, and two pounds of alumina imported from Jamaica, produce one pound of aluminum. The by-products of aluminum are abrasive. From address on "Argentina today," by D. D. Godfrey, school girls there wear uniform, subject for good debate, methinks.

Highlight of social part of Convention, dance. Though jitters, first met by

me, in Victoria, long dead and buried. Not so. Being given push in stomach, which sent me reeling back, the while my partner wiggled his legs from the hips, for all the world like a puppet on strings, while I am expected to reel back into his arms with joy, ready for next punch, shocks what is left of British reserve, and what WOULD Mamma say? However, perfectly wonderful "eats," provided at dance.

Many old acquaintances from all along line, met in Prince George Hotel. How close do salesmen get together? Let's call them Al and Don seen in close proximity getting upstairs, wonder how they get down?

Ran into Herb Lloyd and Jim Williams with the B. C. Forest Service. Knew Jim in Camera Club in Victoria. Herb travelled 3000 miles last month. Used to be with the B. C. Power Commission. Talked of thrill given women, when power comes to their village for first time. Stayed put with Power Commission, now delighted see places, which were mere names to him before. When lamented fact that was mere woman where anything mechanical concerned, "So long as you don't call an engine, a motor," he consoled, "you'll do alright."

Terrace Hospital Campaign Success

TERRACE—The campaign for funds to take over the Terrace hospital from the Red Cross at December 1 is doing well. Early returns of the canvass are very satisfactory.

George McAdams is now chairman of the hospital committee, taking over from H. M. Wightman.

A local hospital society is being formed under the Societies Act.

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Bill Camock ran into difficulties when his truck, loaded with 16 tons of coal, backed down the incline just off the highway near the ball grounds. The icy roads made it impossible for him to prevent the heavy truck from skidding off into the ditch. A bulldozer was used to right the trailer after the coal was dumped.

Mrs. E. Widen is in Vancouver where she is undergoing minor surgical treatment. Mr. Widen also left for the coast, driving part way.

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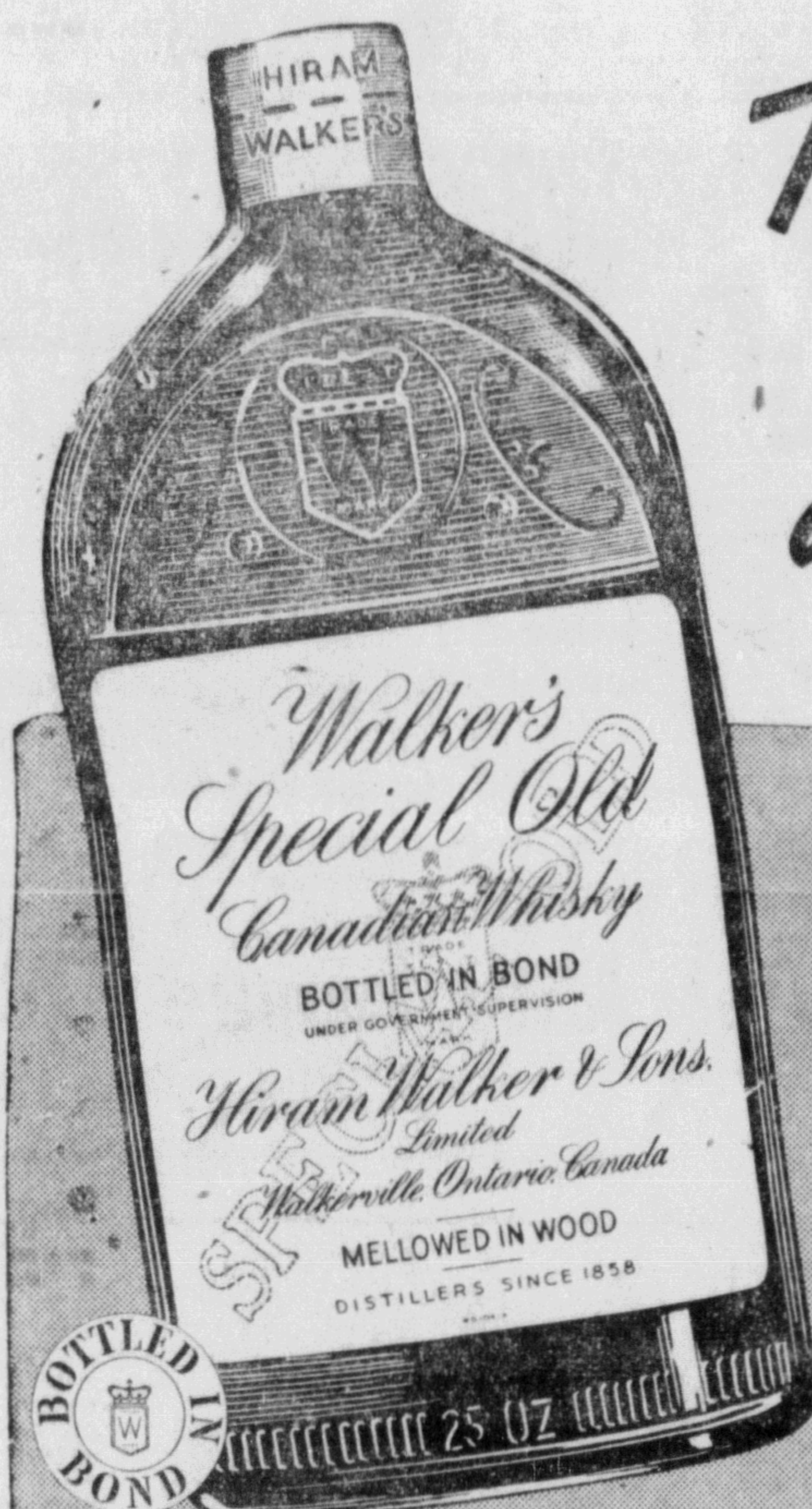
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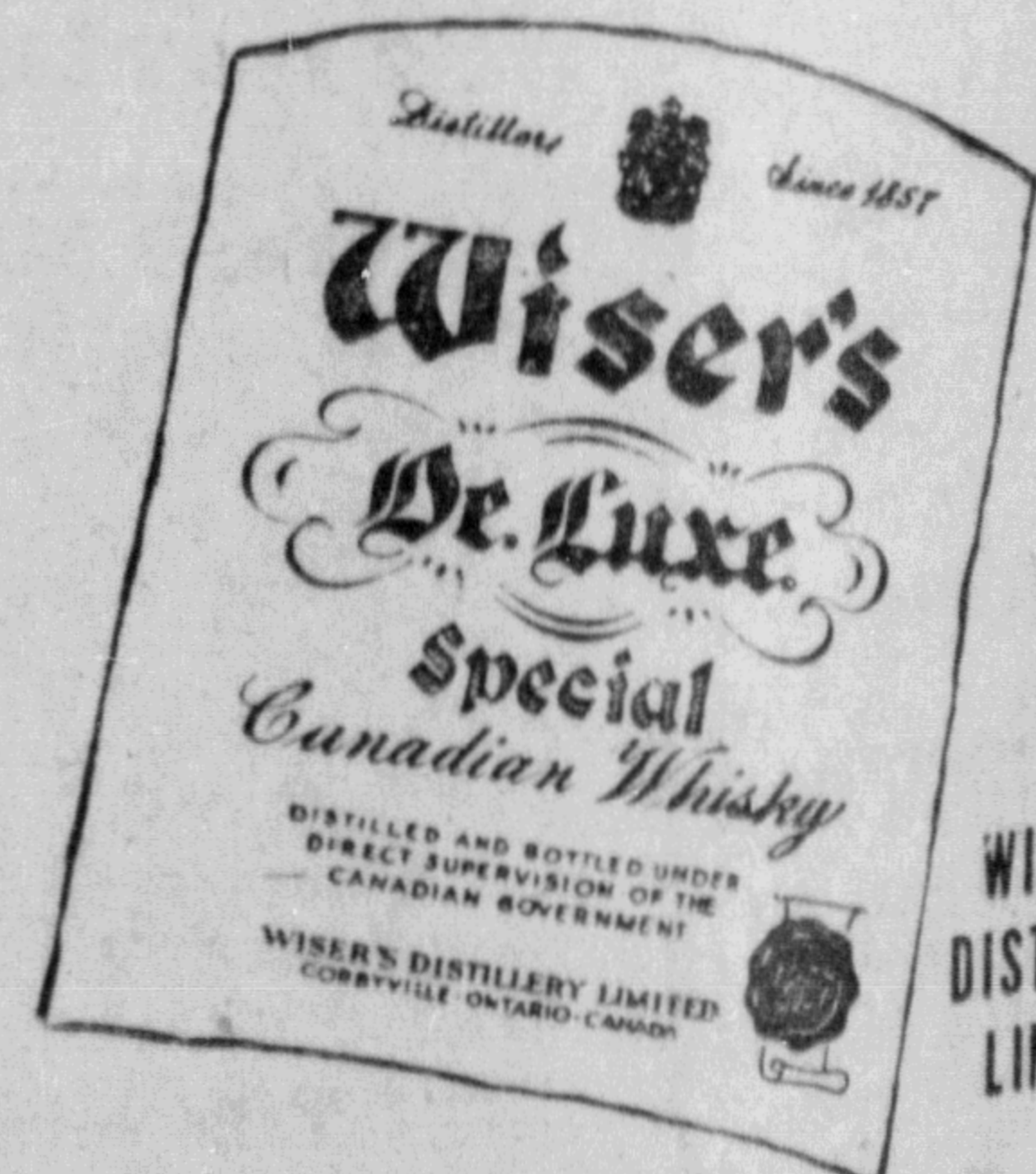
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