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Leadership Urgent Need

In Great Work of Developing Boys in Way Of Good Citizenship

Speaking before the Prince Rupert Gyro Club at luncheon Wednesday on the occasion of Boy Scout week, F. Earl Anfield, district commissioner of Boy Scouts, asked for support of the movement not only financially but added that "we need men even more than money" in Prince Rupert.

"We just cannot get enough men to lead the boys," Mr. Anfield said, revealing that there were twelve groups with an aggregate of 300 boys in the city today. There was difficulty in handling these, much less taking care of further boys who sought to become Cubs and Scouts.

"Our biggest problem is obtaining leaders," the speaker said. "If any of you men might be interested or know any one among your employees or your friends who would be available to assist us, please let us know. We will do the rest."

The Boy Scout movement, the speaker described as an anti-thesis of communism or any other form of totalitarianism. Scouting sought to broaden, widen and enliven the minds of youth. The largest youth group movement in the world, totalitarian nations saw in it the enemy of "closed mind." In such regimes it was crushed, only to spring up again with renewed strength and vigor when liberation came.

Scouting taught boys to think and act for themselves, to learn to make wise decisions.

"We should realize with all seriousness that, in these dangerous times when we seem to be on the threshold of cataclysmic events, a war is going on for the minds of youth. Totalitarianism emphasizes the importance of youth. Are we not remiss—too satisfied to go on disinterestedly and 'Let George Do It'?"

Mr. Anfield deplored the tendency on the part of parents of today to let the church and the state (through the schools) have the handling of the minds of youth. Parents, he felt, should keep a more careful watch on the thought trends of their children and assume large share of the responsibility in directing them in the true value of citizenship. Primarily, this was something for which the parents were responsible. It was a responsibility which should not be delegated.

But the speaker directed his appeal not only to the parents. He invited those who might not have boys in the movement themselves but were in a position to give a helping hand in assisting to mould the greatest weapon that Canada had against the evil of the times—her boys and girls. Here was a challenge to all.

President Don Forward was in the chair and the speaker was introduced by William Cruickshank.

Ald. Casey Felicitated

It was a happy birthday indeed for Ald. George B. Casey who celebrated the completion of a three-quarter century span. The colorful pioneer—who has spent well over half of his life span in Prince Rupert—had a busy time during the day receiving birthday greeting calls.

Last night old friends called to join the family circle in observance of the anniversary.

The evening was spent in singing and reminiscing and musical honors were paid the central figure of the occasion.

"Why, I'm only a young fellow yet," remarked George, who was looking as fit as he, apparently, felt.

After 18 days in the Prince Rupert General Hospital Fire Chief E. W. (Earl) Becker has returned home. He underwent an operation on his left knee.

TERRACE TOPICS

Schools to Use Civic Centre—Garage Changes Hands

Use of the heated and unheated portions of the Civic Centre by the local schools, at a rental of \$65 monthly, starting February 1, was granted the Terrace School Board at a special meeting with the officers of the Civic Centre Association on Tuesday evening in the office of school secretary, C. W. Alger. At a former meeting of the Civic Centre directorate, the executive had been empowered to come to an agreement with the school board. The unheated portion of the building, behind the Auditorium, will be used for supervised play during cold, rainy weather. The Auditorium will be used from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for physical education and folk dancing. The high school will have two periods two days a week and the elementary school the rest of the time. The stage will be out-of-bounds to all the students. A suitable contract will be drawn up to protect the School Board and the Civic Centre Association and this will be brought before a directors' meeting to be held in the near future. C. W. Michiel, chairman of the School Board, was chairman of the special meeting. Others present were Mrs. Hall, P. Van Stolk and C. W. Alger for the School Board. B. R. Dodds, Mrs. C. R. Newhouse, F. S. Sargent and D. Bain were there for the Civic Centre Association.

The sale of Spencer's Garage, on Lakelse Avenue to Robert Elkins and James Irvine has been concluded and the new owners took over on February 17. They will continue operating the garage and their taxi stand has been moved there from the old location on the corner of Lakelse and Kalum Street.

After flying from Hong Kong to join her husband at Terrace, Mrs. James Wong and 14-month old baby boy are returning here this week-end. Mr. Wong, who



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Should Uphold Canadianism

Canadians should attempt to be just Canadians—not British, or Americans. This was the opinion expressed here by Gordon Huson, information advisor to Great Britain's high commissioner to Canada.

And it behooved Canadians to advertise more and more their own way of life and their way of thinking, he said. Since 1939, Canada has done "considerable job" in public relations overseas, but he felt only harm could come to Canadians by not always identifying themselves as such.

Meanwhile, Britons had left far too long "the extremely important" work of telling other countries about themselves. Mr. Huson thought the Old Country was finally awakened to the importance of public relations.

Mr. Huson is on a return trip to Ottawa, where his headquarters employs another Briton and 24 Canadians to compile and distribute information on the British Isles to Canadians.

Mr. Huson spoke Wednesday night to Prince Rupert's Women's Canadian Club and Thursday at the Rotary Club luncheon.

New Bank for Prince George

PRINCE GEORGE—A new building for the Bank of Montreal in Prince George is to be erected. Plans show a two-story and full basement reinforced concrete structure, 41 by 58 feet, at the northwest corner of Third and Quebec Street.

is proprietor of the Silver Tip Cafe and long time resident of Terrace, met his family last week in Vancouver, continuing with them here by plane to Prince Rupert and thence here.

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no reward promised in Holy Writ for committing to prison a certain body of persons who express their opinions as to who will be on the right or left hand of God on the Judgment morning.

I am no communist or atheist but I pledge allegiance to His Majesty the King, ruler and defender of the Faith.

FAY GAMBLIN.

THE PRIMARY DUTY

Editor, Daily News: A churchman is sometimes in a difficult position. It is his duty to forward peace among men and also to speak the truth. But to be peaceful is sometimes to pussyfoot the issue and to speak the truth is often very bad manners. I do most sincerely apologize for my manners insofar as what I have said may have carried with it an unintentional personal flavor. But I am jealous for the churches of Christ and I like to see what they have taught for generations fairly represented. In the final analysis personal opinion, personal charm and eloquence matter as little in Christian teaching as they do in the multiplication table.

May I hope, sir, through your kind co-operation, many of your readers may have been awakened to a new interest in what is the true and basic Christian teaching as it has been received for centuries on Death and the Hereafter.

BASIL S. PROCKTER.

B. Parry of the Dominion Bridge, leaves for the south on the Chilcoot Sunday night.

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