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Icelanders' Benefit Dance

A benefit dance for the Icelandic Old People's home in Vancouver netted over \$60 at the Oddfellows' Hall Saturday night.

Dancing to Barney Kristmannson's accordion and Al Ternovsky's guitar, 100 persons enjoyed the regular monthly dance of the Icelandic committee.

Headed by Mrs. J. H. Pritchard, on the dance committee were Mrs. A. McIver, Mrs. A. Christmannson, Mrs. E. Johnson, Mrs. B. Christmannson. They also served refreshments.

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Churches Hear Special Speaker

Rev. Maurice Murphy, here from Vancouver on inter-denominational Christian fellowship, gave edifying discourses in city churches Sunday.

He spoke at the regular service of First Presbyterian Church in the morning and at First United Church in the evening. Tuesday evening he will be heard at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Mr. Murphy was well received by interested congregations at the two churches yesterday. In his address, he led on to an opening meeting tomorrow night at St. Paul's Lutheran Church which will be the highlight of his visit.

While Mr. Murphy is here, he is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ruark, 415-5th Ave. East.

He returns to Vancouver on the Princess Norah Wednesday afternoon.

Presbyterian Downtown Sale

Well over 60 cakes were sold at the Presbyterian home cooking sale at McRae Bros. store Saturday afternoon.

Committee of the women's auxiliary in charge consisted of Mrs. John McLeod, Mrs. John McLeod, Mrs. William Bremner and Mrs. Svd. Hunter.

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Parliamentary Hats For MP's

LONDON (CP)—A new type of headgear to be known as the "Parliamentary Hat" has been suggested by Col. L. Ropner, Conservative member for Barkston Ash, as a means of speeding up the business of the British House of Commons.

The proposal came when a member sought to raise a point of order during a debate on foreign affairs. Tradition, dating back 166 years, decrees that a member may not speak to a point of order while a division is being taken unless he is seated and wearing a hat.

When proceedings were delayed by a search for appropriate headgear, Col. Ropner asked the Speaker if the rule requiring the use of a hat could not be abolished.

"Hats," he said, "are on the verge of extinction. The hunt for a hat during a division is hard going. Even if the run ends in a kill, the chase is often undignified and sometimes unsightly."

He believed adoption of an official Parliamentary Hat would solve the problem. To roar of laughter he suggested that for the sake of neutrality such colors as red, pink, blue or yellow should be avoided. But once the members agreed on the type of head covering, it should be kept "in close custody" by the Sergeant-at-Arms for use when required.

The Speaker urged the House to give careful consideration to the proposal before acceding to it.

Building This Year Higher

Prince Rupert building permits for the first two months of 1951 have totalled \$32,995 as compared with \$16,420 in the first two months of 1950.

Permits this February totalled \$24,555 as compared with \$4,720 in February 1950.

The building list for this February was as follows:

E. R. Scott, residence construction, Eleventh Avenue, \$2,200.

Andrew Kaardal, foundation repairs, 701-5th Ave. West, \$200.

Fred Kohse, new house construction, Fifth Avenue, \$8,000.

R. K. Olsen, chimney construction, 1319 Piggott Ave., \$100.

Frank Goertzen, addition of two bedroom and attic work, \$500.

J. Basso, repairs to burned out building, Park Avenue, \$675.

M. Gagnon, new construction, 1315-6th Ave. East, \$6,000.

B. S. Bjornson, foundation repairs, 440-8th Ave. East, \$130.

Ethel Sladie, altering shed for living quarters, 800 Alfred Street, \$400.

W. H. Koughan, new house construction, Fourth Ave. East, \$5,000.

R. E. Mortimer, concrete foundation and repairs, demolishing and rebuilding chimney, 508-4th Ave. East, \$1,000.

T. N. Rowe, building sheds for mining, 935 McNicoll Street, \$350.

RAY REFLECTS
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women were of rugged build, and in early middle life. Many were simply, roughly dressed, many in sheep skin.

SQUARING HIMSELF!

St. John's police chief was standing by, an interested observer. In uniform dress he cut a smart and efficient looking figure. To the Doukhobors, this represented the authority, and therefore, all powerful. One was quick to cross over to where the chief was standing. He removed his hat, gave what might have passed for a salute, and bowed about as low as he could.

The Douks were not long in town, being soon aboard the line of waiting cars. A reporter looked up Peter Verigin—wearing long boots and longish whiskers.

The interview was probably the first of the kind to take place, following the coming of the new and unknown settlers. Public opinion favored them. These industrious, peace-loving Russians, whose strength and artless virtues could mean so much to the west, were to be welcomed. At any rate so thought the Maritimers half a century ago.

NO MORE TITANICS

On screen and paper and over the air we follow the movements of ships—all kinds of ships—except the strong little sea-going tugs away up in the North Atlantic. They are hardly heard of. But their importance need not be minimized. They are on patrol to keep check on a merciless menace—monster icebergs drifting from the Arctic into passenger liner channels.

THEY ALL FEEL IT

Friends of President Truman say he scowls and is irritable where he used to be sociable and liked to smile. How could he be any other way, after an attempt on his life and the size of Korean casualties? Every President is under a strain. But some, more than others.

Recently, to take care of increased mining activity in the Kootenays, the district there has been divided into two sections, East and West Kootenays. Mr. Hemsworth will take charge of the eastern section. Nelson, formerly headquarters for the district, will remain base for the western section.

The northern tour is expected to begin Thursday, when the two inspectors plan to leave for Alice Arm. The trip will carry them to Stewart, Tlulsequah, Atlin and the interior, which will be made by plane, boat and train.

Victoria is doing her best to become incapable of getting used to the dollar hair cut. Already, barbers report fewer customers. Citizens are saying 75 cents is

enough. In other words, they object to being trimmed.

SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

With Capt. John Boden back in command after an extended vacation, Union steamer Camosun arrived in port at 1:15 yesterday afternoon from Vancouver and waypoints, sailing at 11 p.m. for Alice Arm, Stewart and other northern points whence she will return here tomorrow morning to sail at noon on her return south. Second Union liner yesterday, the steamer Chilcotin, Capt. Harry McLean, arrived in port at 3 p.m. from Masset Inlet points and sailed at 8 p.m. for Vancouver and waypoints.

Thomas Parkin, northern representative of the United Fishermen's and Allied Workers will leave this Thursday for Vancouver to attend preliminary executive meetings prior to the convention.

Approximately 2,000 tons of herring have been caught in Juan Perez Sound, Queen Charlotte Islands, since fishing opened in that part of the district, according to word received at the week-end.

PLEASANT TO BEHOLD

The age of stately homes is said to be passing because there are so few owners who can afford to maintain them. Some, perhaps, see in this a new redistribution of wealth in the shape of a mechanical tax system, less effective and tiresome. Yet to think of beautifully cultivated acres—handsome homes—richness and culture—coming to an end is close to absurdity. This is not yet so sorry a world.

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