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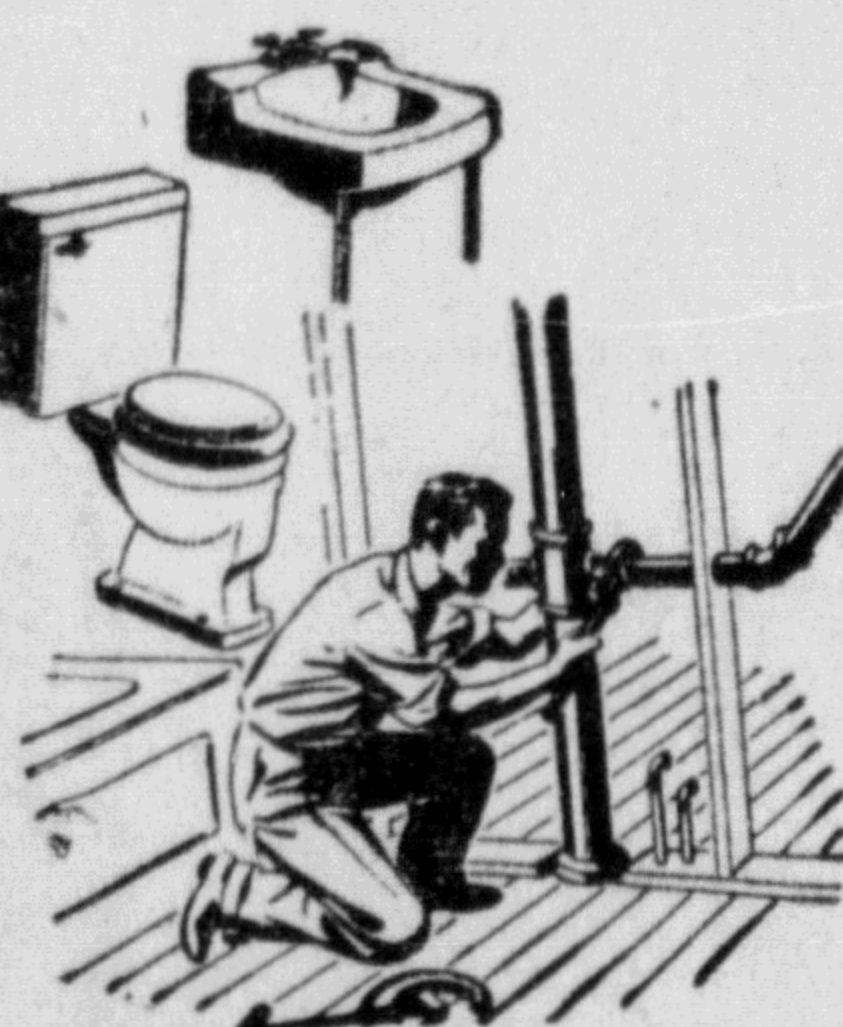
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VARIETY and ARTISTRY (Continued from page 4)

She expressed a solid idea of what she was doing and proved herself to be a talented young actress.

Russell Morrison, as Herbert, played his part well and in the right mood. Harold Weber, as Major Morris, gave an excellent character study. And Fred Christensen gave a sympathetic portrayal of Mr. Sampson.

This play was directed by Miss E. Ball and the adjudicator complimented both the director and the cast on attempting such a difficult play and making such a success of it.

NATIVE BAND

The Aiyansh Harmonic Silver Band, conducted by Benjamin Munro, which had been so favorably received in their previous appearance in this festival, played the "Lustspiel Overture" and two marches "Steel King" and "Maple City." In their third number the clarinets were very effective in the lower register.

R. G. Moore was announcer for the evening.

MRS. BECKER'S THANKS

Mrs. Earl Becker, president of the association, expressed appreciation to Mrs. Phoebe Smith and Burton Kurth for their helpful adjudications. She also thanked all the contestants who had taken part in the festival. Much preparation and effort has gone into each and every item presented. Of course, not every contestant can be awarded first place. "But," said Mrs. Becker, "it is the effort that deserves praise—not the success."

Mrs. Becker expressed particular thanks to the people from out of town who added a great deal to the success of the festival by their participation.

After the program a reception was held and participants had a most welcomed opportunity to discuss with the adjudicators different phases of music and dramatic work.

Further reports on the Music and Drama Festival will appear in Monday's Daily News.

GOLD PANNING

A geological survey in Pakistan reported an average of 2 or 3 grains of gold to the cubic yard of gravel in the Chitral River.

SCIENCE CENTENARY

Hans Christian Oersted, the discoverer of the principle of electro-magnetism, died in Copenhagen in 1851.

MURDER TRIAL (Continued from page 1)

he had run aground. The last time, November 18, 1950, he had sunk his boat.

Everything on boat had become wet, he said.

Ryan said he left Prince Rupert about "3 (a.m. or so)" the afternoon of December 23 with Lorraine Tait and Wilfred Knott, for Port Simpson. He said he had no liquor on the boat except a "mickey" of rye which he had hidden.

Knott had produced a bottle of wine from which all had drunk. After the bottle was finished, it was thrown overboard, he said. Then another bottle of wine, which Knott produced was finished. It was shortly after that, Ryan said, that they passed Hudson's Reef and that is the last thing he remembered that day.

Defence's principal witness told court he and Lorraine came into Prince Rupert at 11:10 a.m. December 23, aboard the West-erly. They came to do Christmas shopping. They arrived at the bank too late, for it was already closed, and so Ryan said he cashed a cheque for \$100 at Bulger's jewelry store.

Mr. Brown produced the check as an exhibit. It was dated December 22.

Ryan said he gave Lorraine \$75 and kept \$25. They did a lot of shopping and landed at the boat laden with parcels a few hours later.

Then they continued to shop in the Co-op store at Cow Bay, but their money was running short, he said, and he cashed another check there, for \$75. He gave Lorraine \$50 and kept \$25.

LORRAINE HAD \$30

Upon leaving Prince Rupert that afternoon, Ryan said he was sure Lorraine still must have had \$30. He said no liquor was bought by them.

Lorraine had been given a small bottle of whiskey by her brother whom they met, he said. This bottle he hid on the boat and "it should still be there," he said.

"How do you know that bottle is still on the boat?" demanded Mr. Hogg.

"I hid it where nobody can ever find it," accused answered. A tide-table was introduced by Mr. Brown as evidence. Ryan looked up the tides for the night of December 23 and early morning of December 24.

COULDN'T BE THERE

Evidence of Ambrose Wells was recounted, saying he saw the accused swimming under the bridge at Port Simpson late on the night Lorraine Tait died. Ryan said he could not have been swimming there because, according to the tide-book, there would be no water under the bridge at that time.

Mr. Hogg showed accused a photograph of the harbor and bridge which Ryan said showed similar condition of how the tides would have been that night. There was no water under the bridge in the photo.

When Mr. Hogg asked Ryan about much of the evidence given previously, Witness said he could "not remember." He knew about nothing which happened after passing Hudson's Reef but identified pants and shorts, which were produced as evidence, as his. He said he had been wearing them on the day in question. He had also been

wearing the shoes, but could not have taken them off in a laced condition. The shoes were laced when found by Const. White, RCMP.

HEAD INJURIES FATAL

Dr. L. M. Greene, testifying as one who had performed the autopsy on the deceased woman, said there was no doubt in his mind Lorraine Tait had died as the result of injuries to her head.

Results of his examination of the brain and of the large injury on the back of the head led him to believe it was the cause of death of Lorraine Tait.

"She could not have lived," he said. "She had to die with those injuries," even if immediate medical attention had been available.

Dr. Greene said he did not think there had been any water in the lungs and did not think the woman had breathed after entering the water.

On cross-examination, Mr. Brown told witness another witness had sworn the woman had attempted to clamber aboard the boat where she was in the water.

Dr. Greene said that testimony was "not compatible" with his theory of immediate death.

"I don't think she could have survived the blows," he stated, but admitted he could not say positively that the woman could not have lived a "very short time" after the injuries.

From his examination of the body, Dr. Greene said he could not say whether the woman had been criminally attacked. He had given such a possibility little thought, he said.

PATHOLOGIST

Dr. H. H. Pitts, second medical crown witness, director of the laboratory at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver, said he had examined the lungs of Miss Tait, which he had received from Special Const. Black, RCMP.

It was unlikely, he said, that death was due to drowning, according to the condition of the lungs.

Before defence counsel, however, Dr. Pitts did not "rule out" the possibility of drowning. He admitted defence medical evidence read from a medical periodical, that there were two ways of drowning, one in which no water entered the lungs—obstructive asphyxia.

Dr. Pitts said he had examined the blood sample of Miss Tait and it had contained .144 per cent alcohol. He said some could have evaporated—that the alcoholic content could have been more, as much as 1.5 per cent, and that would have caused drunkenness.

SAMPLES OF SKIN

Samples of skin tissue which Dr. Pitts also had received for

examination showed there were burns and they had been suffered while there was still life in the body, he said.

He had examined two samples of hair, he said. Hair taken from the head of Miss Tait were similar to the hair found on a soft-drink bottle by Const. White, RCMP. The hair on the bottle was not similar to the hair of the accused, he said.

Mr. Hogg tore into evidence presented by defence witness Larry Ryan, brother of the accused.

The younger Ryan testified he had been on the wharf with two other witnesses, Ruth Wasley and Ruby Dudward. They had seen the Westerly adrift in the harbor. Witness said he "heard a party on the boat."

He said he had not heard Ryan shout at him, "Shut up or you'll be next," as testified by Miss Wasley.

Crown produced a signed statement which witness had purportedly given to the police on January 17. Witness said most of the statements therein were untrue.

At first, witness said he had heard "more than two" people on the drifting boat. Then he admitted in cross-examination he had heard only two, the voice of Lorraine and that of Harold Ryan.

CONTRADICTION

After much contradiction of his own testimony, witness kept repeating: "It sounded like a party."

"You have been told to keep on saying 'It sounded like a party,' haven't you?" Mr. Hogg charged.

Under continual hammering by Mr. Hogg, young Ryan finally admitted he was afraid of his brother when the latter was drinking.

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