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Music and Drama Festival

DRINCE RUPERT'S largest and most comprehen-I sive Music and Drama Festival to date gets under way tomorrow and continues until the end of the week. Full programs for adjudication will be participated in by talent drawn not only from the city but various parts of the district.

The entry list is larger than ever before and the items for presentation more varied—the program being of such scale that it has been necessary to go beyond the confines of the Civic Centre to find venue.

The Music and Drama Festival is, indeed, a splendid institution in the cultural and educational life of the community. The widespread interest that is being taken in it speaks well for the progress of city and district along these very desirable lines.

Festivals of this kind need not be regarded merely as competitions for a few people with special gifts. They should be thought of as a means of bringing to all our people the knowledge and understanding of music and the dramatic arts.

Prince Rupert people will have the opportunity this week of learning more of these arts by attending as many festival programs as possible.

Organization of this event has entailed a great real of thought, effort and time by the committees ir charge, led by the president, Mrs. Earl Becker. They are to be commended for their good work and the part they are playing in developing a very important phase of good community life. The success they have attained should be gratifying to themselves as it should be appreciated by the community at large.

Civilian Defences

DRINCE RUPERT has been named as one of five vulnerable target areas in the province of British Columbia should war arise out of the present crisis. President Truman of the United States said even yesterday that the world was now on the brink.

Speaking last night, Hon. W. T. Straith, minister of education, who has been entrusted with the organization of civil defence on the provincial level, emphasized the urgent necessity of communities getting organized.

Now that we have been officially designated as a vulnerable area of possible enemy attack, it would appear to be about time that, without excitement or panic, we were beginning to accept a realistic appreciation of the necessity of getting prepared for possible disaster.

In view of the general outlook, it would appear that time is running short and that we should not be delaying much longer. If attack came tomorrow, we are afraid that Prince Rupert would be in a state of panic-stricken chaos. If we don't know what to do, we should be finding out without delay so we may act accordingly.

Scripture Passage for Joday

"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." Corinthians 11:1.

Speaker's Apology Infrequent Event

the British House of Commons, ever, recalled that Col. Clifton ebrated an anniversary with an three years before to a Labor apology.

On the day he started his

a question by Alan Lennox-Boyn, Conservative.

Some authorities described this as the first occasion in modern times in which a Speaker had apologized for unfairness or a minor impropriety. Parlia-LONDON (CP)—The Speaker of mentary correspondents, how-Col. Douglas Clifton Brown, cel- Brown himself had apologized back-bencher.

ninth year as speaker, Col. Clif- Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bond ton Brown conveyed to the sailed this afternoon on the rules of procedure, a budget, and House his regret at using the Camosun for a three months' established a number of per word "impertinent" to describe visit in Vancouver and Victoria.

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VICTORIA REPORT

... by J. K. Nesbitt

VICTORIA.—Some interesting anniversaries are going to be marked in British Columbia in the next month or so. We have now reached the stage of our history where we are marking 100th birthdays-and that shows we are growing up. A 100th birthday in the New World is quite an age.

Next week it will be 100 years families whose descendants are

the voyage from England, around day. calm, the men fished, and so Columbians arrived here also, a sions of all the problems con some variety was added to the century ago, in June - Robert cerning world government.

his castle "Armadale."

aboard—and they started the first wife lived in her castle in lonely farm at Colwood, where the widowhood for 18 years. Royal Colwood Golf Club is to- The son James became Preday. They had with them aboard mier and Lieut-Governor of Britship a mastiff dog and a goat— ish Columbia and he built Hatley so there was fresh milk now and Park—the mansion eight miles

horn were aboard too, with Mrs. Robert Dunsmuir and his wife Blinkhorn's 14-year-old niece, had eight daughters and two after their arrival Martha was his wife had eight daughters and

that I consider it would be

get such a building built this

materials to nurroses more ur-

gent than office buildings is the

present policy — a policy with

Atlantic Fisheries-Either St.

permanent headquarters of the

the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries

as a result of the decision taken

at the first meeting of the Com-

mission held in Washington,

D.C., April 2-10. United States

Commissioner Hilary J. Deason,

chief, office of foreign activities,

Fish and Wildlife Service, De

partment of the Interior (what a

title!), was elected chairman of

the Commission, and the vice

chairman is United Kingdom

Commissione: A. T. A. Dobson,

fisheries adviser, Ministry of Ag-

riculture and Fisheries, both of

whom will serve for two years.

William Robert Martin, senior

biologist at the St. Andrews, N.B.

Biological Station, was appointed

acting executive secretary for

the period July 1, 1951 to June

Once again it is impressed upon

me how far ahead of the East

Elections Committee - Th

special committee on revision

the Dominion Elections Act. of

which I am a member, was set

up last week. Chester McLure

Conservative of Queen's County

Prince Edward Island raised as

a question of privilege, the com-

plaint that no P.E.I. member is

on the Committee. As Prince Ed-

ward Island has a grand total of

four members in the House, and

there are now at least eighteen

standing and special committees

of the House, I can't quite see

After Budget-The long bud-

get debate is now over and the

principle. The uncertain state of

budget has been approved in]

the world was well summed up in

Finance Minister Abbott's state-

how P.E.I. is to get on all of Films Developed and Printed

we are on the Pacific.

John's, Newfoundland, or Hali-

fax, Nova Scotia, will become

International Commission

which I agree.

since the little barque Tory Irvine and his wife, from the reached Victoria from England, Orkney Islands. They took up from the British Isles, people land at Cedar Hill, three miles who pioneered here and became from Victoria, and called their people from all parts of leading citizens. Many of them place Rose Bank Farm. Still became rich and they founded living at Rose Bank today is their still community leaders in this youngest child, Margaret. She's 86 now, but still hale and hearty It took the Tory six months for and does her housework each

the Horn and up the Pacific Senator Macdonald, as he grew cial delegate from Canada, bu Coast to Victoria. She was only old, wrote his memoirs: "Very my wife and Mrs. DesBrisay of 105 feet long—and only 25 feet monotonous sailing week after vancouver are also registered as wide—and yet into this little week, without seeing any life vessel were crowded 105 passen- besides sea birds and porpoises. observers. This works out fine, ger. They lived mostly on hard Although the voyage was long for they beautifully represent tack and salt pork and each day and tedious I had no wish to Canada at the social functions the captain handed out a ration leave the ship and so many such as the Mayor of Rome's of rum to keep his passengers friends made on the long voyage." reception in the City Hall. contented. Now and then, in a Some other famous British

Dunsmuir and his wife. They Men and women who have be- came around the Horn and stopcome famous in our history were ned off in Oregon when their must include a little note about aboard the Tory. There was first son James was born. Robert what we mean by "world governyoung William John Macdonald, Dunsmuir was a Scottish coal ment. a Scot. He worked hard in this miner and he found a new seam new land and he made money, of coal near Nanaimo and so al-He became Mayor of Victoria and most evernight became a multia Canadian Senator at Ottawa millionaire. He built Craigdarand he built a fine home that roch Castle in Victoria-for he looked like a castle, on the water- had promised his wife that if she front in Victoria, and he called would come with him to the New World he would build her a castle. Capt: and Mrs. E. E. Langford But-before the castle was ready. and their five daughters were Robert Dunsmuir died and his

from Victoria that is now the Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blink- Canadian Joint Services College. Martha Cheney. A few years sons, and James Dunsmuir and wed to Capt. Henry B. Ella and two sons-and it was a dynasty they built "Wentworth Villa," one as romantic as any founded in

trom Parliament

get and that he would be reluc-

that we should adopt a perma-

nent policy looking to an annual

budget of four billion dollars. It

is quite impossible to lay down a

permanent policy when no one

knows whether we are going to

have peace or war. If the situa-

tion gets worse, taxes will have

to go still higher but, on the

other hand, if there should be a

these interim measures can be

dispensed with. This budget i

a true reflection of the world-

wide uncertainty, as the decision

to provoke a world war, if made

at all, will not be made by the

Abbott's Qualities - Mr. Ab-

bott's outstanding qualities were

never shown to better advantage

than in his defence of this bud-

get. He stated, when speaking a

tended to do so as (to quote Mr.

Abbott) "Unlike the leader of

the Opposition (Mr. Drew) I en-

deavour to avoid repetition as

much as possible," and he had

taken an hour and twenty min-

utes to outline both what he

conceived to be the economic

position of Canada and the bud-

getary proposals which he had

to make. A great deal had been

said about the fact that the

revenue for the last four or five

years had in each case greatly

exceeded the estimate which

Mr. Abbott had made at the time

of his budget forecast. He point-

ed out that invariably he had

indicated the basis on which his

estimates had been made and

that it is certainly better for a

Minister of Finance to be over-

cautious than unduly optimistic.

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second time, that he had not in-

for better prospect of peace, then

Canadian Government.

of the fine big early-day homes California by the bonanza kngs of Victoria, on Fort Street hill. who built their mansions atop Others on the Tory were John San Francisco's famed Nob Hill,

By E. T. APPLEWHAITE, M.P.

what I could during the past few days to persuade

the government to acquire a site for a federal build-

ing in Burns Lake. The obvious and spectacular

growth of the community, together with the limited

ground available, makes it, I think, imperative that

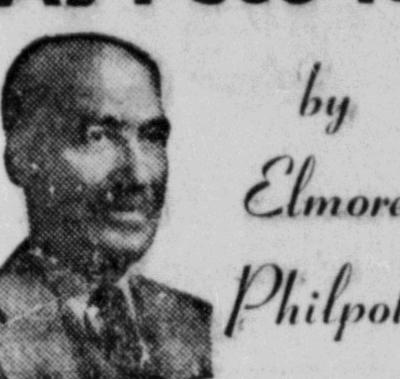
we should pick up a couple of lots for this purpose

I will admit, quite frankly, ment that this is an interim bud-

wasted effort, however, to try to tant to come to the conclusion

BURNS LAKE BUILDING-I have been doing

As I See It



CANADIANS AT ROME

ROME, Italy.—Among about a hundred and fifty the world who are here to devise ways and means of establishing actual world government; there are three Canadians. I am the only offi-

AT THIS POINT I THINK

What is the difference between the old League of Nations or the present UN and the kind of world government we want?

The difference is that the UN is a mere association of sovereign nations. It has power only to make recommendations. It cannot make LAW.

In the UN it is as if we were trying to govern Canada by having each provincial GOVERN-MENT send appointees or employees to Ottawa to try to make agreements on the way to run all Canada. We in our own experience have seen that such an arrangement never works out. We can't even get the Ontario and Quebec governments to agree or displayed by the Liquor Control with the rest while we vainly try Board or by the Government of to do business on the govern-

might get Russia and U.S.A. to ers as the U.S.A. agree at UN, although we can't Another school, also representeven get the Canadian govern- ed here, believes that the present much better results ments to agree in conference at North Atlantic Pact should be trated on the WORLD home, dealing with infinitely transformed into an out-and-out impler matters.

entirely new and higher level, trade and free migration area. | future world government And we will do it by parliamen- But over as against this re- must be an absolute ti

tures; we will elect our nation- greater, and not lesser. MP's exactly as now.

BUT WE WILL ALSO THEN of energy necessary to put it comes to colonies. LECT WORLD MP's, and they hall have the power to make VORLD LAW.

AS SHERLOCK HOLMES vould have said, all the above is elementary, my dear Watson, o people well versed in higher onstitutional matters.

All kinds of democratic believers in world government accept the general principle of world government, as stated above. But here are sharp differences as to the best means of getting world government:

One school of thought believes that it is wiser to start with regional federations. For instance, there is strong support here, especially from the Italians and French, for the idea of a United States of Europe. Its advocates believe that it would be a good thing for all Western Europe to





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ment-to-government level. | form one grand union, with through Atlantic Federal much the same set-up and power it. Yet we blithely imagine that we much the same set-up and pow- the federation of the

federation. That is, all the western democracies, including the ed representation here WHEN WE GET THE KIND OF U.S.A., British Commonwealth ference as a whole seems world government which is pre- and all free Europe, would join in to accept the principle world government which is pictured in the Bible, of which an outright federal union. In this lute colonial liberation Tennyson called "the parliament there would be one citizenship, has uttered a word of of man, the federation of the one armed force, one foreign when the Africans have world," we will make law on an policy, one money and one free that in any constitut

gionalist approach, there are set to the whole imperis Instead of having three-level those who believe in sticking to ial set-up. lemocracy as we now have, we the idea of "one world now." But I have the impress vill have four-level democracy. Many of these believe that re- the British, French and Ve will elect local aldermen, etc.; gional federations would actually are deftly side-stepping ve will elect our provincial legis- make the danger of world war sue. Many of them are

Others believe that the amount how warily nations me

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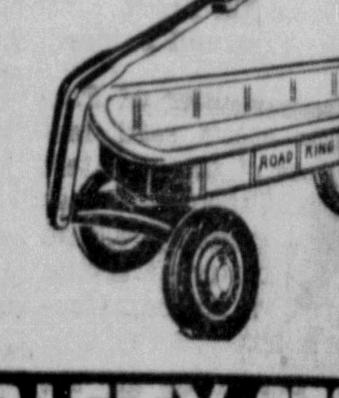
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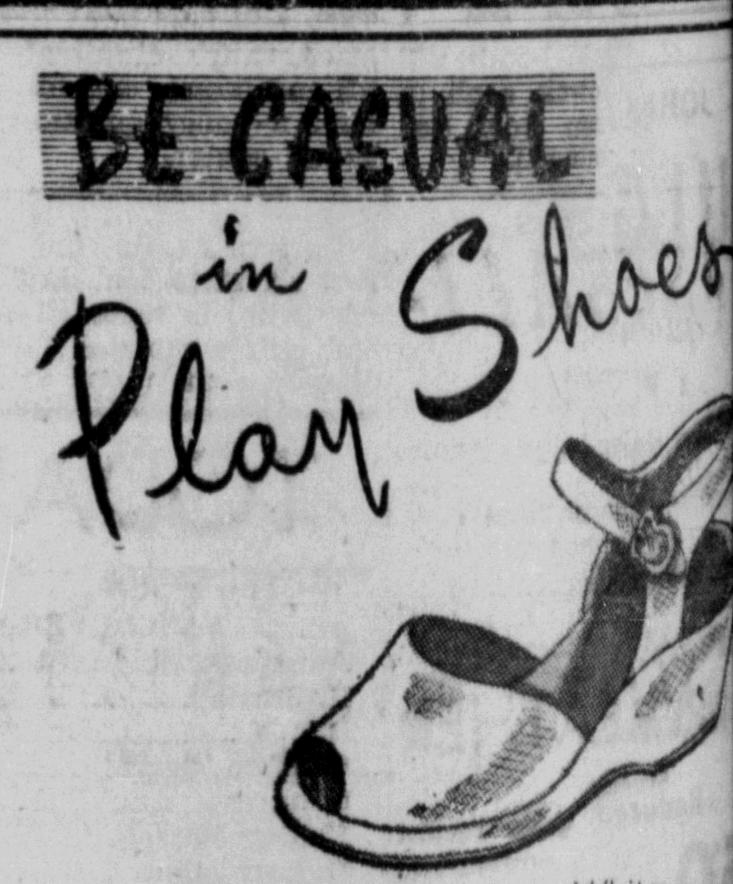
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