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ARSON CASE BEING HEARD

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identified by witness and special attention was paid by the crown to certain articles such as razors belonging to accused and a brooch which belonged to witness' wife and was an heirloom. Accused, his wife and two children had also occupied the 8 by 11 bedroom where all these goods had been stored.

At the time of the fire, witness testified, his son, accused, had no income. He had been declared bankrupt, witness having filed a claim for \$1050 against him and witness' wife a claim for about \$1800.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Harvey witness told of the nature of Christmas decorations in the house. Some of these had been close to the airtight heater and the chimney pipe. The airtight heater was a borrowed one and it was liable to explode, it had been found. The son had no interest in the insurance.

There was no heating either in the garage or woodshed and things would freeze there, witness admitted.

The jury trying the case is as follows: W. J. Greer (foreman), G. W. Adams, W. H. Wright, Wm. Moffat, Wm. Rance, John McLeod, Gillis

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"His Uncle's Niece" Provides Good Entertainment at United Church

A very diverting entertainment with many unexpected and ludicrous twists is the three-act comedy farce "His Uncle's Niece" which was presented last night at First United Church by a talented cast of young people of the church before a large and appreciative audience and which will be repeated tonight. The play is being offered under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Church and with the capable direction of Mrs. B. E. Valde.

The cast has been highly selected with the players well adapted to their respective roles, which they carry out in fine style. The plot is very ably developed and keeps the audience in constant fits of merriment. A number of novel disguises and character parts prove very effective and diverting. Costuming and make-up are also excellent.

As a rising young lawyer, with a dearth of currency but a wealth of ideas, Bob Irvine gives a splendid characterization. Bill Tobey, whose important part as the "niece" involves a lengthy female impersonation which he sustains excellently, is very much the life of the party. Miss E. M. Earl, who is always popular and to be depended upon, portrays the part of a middle-aged widow who has not yet lost her sense of romance, and, in doing so, leaves nothing to be desired. Miss Cath Irvine is entrusted with the romantic lead and gives a charming performance as also does Mrs. R. D. Gregor in the part of another pretty young woman. F. M. Davis is good as the eccentric uncle and Ralph Moore appears to advantage as a philandering adventurer. Earl Gordon and Bert Cameron complete the cast with rustic roles as gardener and village constable respectively.

Orchestral music for the entertainment is provided by the Junior Symphony Orchestra, consisting of Bert Cameron, Bobby Houston, Miss Audrey Parkin, Miss Phyllis Hamblin, Miss Edith Johnstone and Miss Elsie Franks, violinists; Tony Bussanich, mandolin; Guido Bussanich, clarinet; Thos. Johnstone, clarionette, and Kenward Green, trumpet, with Mrs. J. S. Black as pianist.

Flood lights were loaned by the Northern British Columbia Power Co. while headress and hair adornment is in charge of Miss Mary Macfie.

Before the play commenced last night, Rev. C. D. Clarke, pastor of the church made brief introductory remarks, paying special tribute to the work of the stage properties committee consisting of Bob Irvine, Tommy Fraser and Bob Tobey.

James Krikevsky presided at the door and usierettes were Misses Margaret McKay and Mary Macfie.

To Be Three Senior League Teams This Year—Annual Meeting Is Held

Like last year, there will be three Senior League teams—Sons of Canada, Elks and Old Empress—in operation on the local baseball diamond this season. It was indicated last night at the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Baseball Association. Some thirty persons were present at the meeting and considerable enthusiasm was displayed.

It is planned this year to supplement the ranks of the senior teams with promising talent from the Intermediate League of last year. Players will be assigned to the three clubs at an executive meeting to be held on May 9.

Officers for the year were elected as follows:

- Honorary President, Ex-Mayor Cyril H. Orme.
- President, A. G. W. Rudderham.
- First Vice-President, H. G. Kennedy.
- Second Vice-President, J. Campbell.
- Secretary-Treasurer, A. H. Skatetbol.

IMPORTING OF LABOR

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"Whereas the fishermen and cannery workers of this district are domiciled in and around Prince Rupert, many having families, and have been more or less drawing government relief since last season, and there being barely sufficient work to employ all the local unemployed fishermen and cannery workers without bringing in workers from other parts;

"Therefore we, the members of the Fishermen's Industrial Union of Canada, assembled to the number of one hundred and fifty in meeting held at Prince Rupert on May 1, vigorously protest the action of the cannery operators in importing fishermen and cannery workers from outlying points as it is not only unfair discrimination but encroaches upon the very means of our existence; and

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