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ARE WE BRITISH OR NOT

Thursday, January 20, 1938.

Is this a part of the British Commonwealth of nations or not? It seems that in some parts of the country it is considered unwise politically to advocate giving support to Great Britain in the event of war. Surely this must be a fiction of imagination of some fearful politicians. Canada is a British Dominion and we believe is willing to take upon herself all the duties of such a Dominion. Possibly Nominations a few people may not agree with this view. We, undoubted For Election little. Most people will agree, when the time comes, if it ever should come, that it would be a disgrace for Canad- At Wetlakatla ians to hold back.

We stress this point just now because Camillien Houde, opposing the Liberal candidate in Montreal, tried | uled for next Monday, the following section. to make capital of a story that Canada was pledged to have been nominated for six seats "A portion of the monies taken send a number of troops overseas in case of war. Happily on the native council of the neigh- in for fines and the pay section Houde was defeated, the people of Montreal not agreeing year: Peter Ryan, William Leack, binding and reinforcing fifty books with the policy he propounded. After all there is no reason why Canada should not go to the defense of the Empire ward Leighton, James Prevost, Al- small part of the volumes requiras long as the troops sent are those who have volunteered fred Auckland, Francis Leask, Wal- ing repairs. Many of the better for the purpose. It would be the least Canada could do.

IMPROVEMENTS IN CITY

After all the doubts and fears expressed by local citizens the new federal building will be under way this week, it is announced. This is excellent news and will encourage those who may have been feeling faint-hearted as to the future of the city. Evidently the federal government feels that Prince Rupert is of sufficient importance to spend! public money on it. There are others who will be investing money on buildings here before the end of the present year. One of these is already announced. The Chriss Mill Bakery is to be housed in a new building soon. There is a little building to be erected on the waterfront for the use of the local heavy artillery battery. Even now the Department of Defense is busy on preliminary preparations for other work here. The new shell fish cannery recently completed is now busy turning out canned goods. Gradually the waterfront is filling up, indicating increased business. The city is steadily improving.

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MUST QUIT

Puck Star Retiring Permanently From Game on Advice Of Physicians

the Toronto Maple Leafs, is through with hockey for good. Af- Augmentation of Reference Section ter his physicians had advised him that he would seriously endanger his health if he continued any The annual meeting of the form of violent exercise, he an- Prince Rupert Library Board was nounced his permanent retirement held on Wednesday evening. Those from the game in which for a de- pesent were Frank Dibb, chair cade he has been one of the lead- man; T. B. Black, secretary; R. ing figures. Immediate rest in a Moore, T. J. Williams and Mis warm climate was prescribed for Olive van Cooten, librarian. Conacher.

that Conacher joined the Maple sented and accepted. Leafs as a member of the famous | The Prince Rupert Branch of the "Kid" line. In 1930 the now 28- Canadian Legion has presented year old Conacher was taken seri- copy of, "Five Nines and Whi ously ill and underwent an opera- Bangs" to the library. tion. That and a number of seri- As the reference section of the li ous accidents did not help and un-brary is of considerable interes doubtedly contributed to the pre- to many patrons, the board is con sent condition which requires his sidering augmenting the facilities retirement. He built up a brilliant of this section. career, however, and for two sea- New directories from main censons was leading scorer of the Na. tres in Canada will be secured at tional Hockey League.

Connie Smythe, manager of the oronto Maple Leafs, described The librarian's report for tie Conacher's retirement as a severe year was as follows: blow to his hopes in the Stanley Cup series.

MOOSE IN

Scored Clean Sweep Victory Ove Three Five Taxi in City Bowling Last Night

Moose defeated Three Five Taxi three games to nil in City Ten Pin League Bowling last night and assumed first place in the standing. In the second match, Grotto won over Royal Hotel two games to one. High average scorer was Max Asemissen of Moose with 184. These fixtures had been scheduled for Sunday but were postponed owing to the absence of players on a trip o Ketchikan.

The standing of teams for the second half of the season to date is as follows:

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Moose	5	1	5
Grotto	3	3	3
Royal Hotel	2	4	2
Three Five Taxi	2	4	2

boring village of Metlakatla this was used to cover the cost of re-Henry Prevost, Edward Ryan, Ed- These fifty books form but a very lace Leighton and Reuben Leigh- books are in quite a dilapidated

BOOKS ARE

Library Board in Annual Session Last Night-Reports Presented

Making Plans

Being Contemplated

The annual reports of the ! It was almost ten years ago brarian and secretary were pre

an early date.

Librarian's Report

'A fact of considerable import ance in this year's report is the increase in books in the library A loan of seventy-two non-fiction books for an indefinite period was made by the provincial government through the Public Librar; Commission. This loan is a great boon to our library as these are all worthwhile volumes and are being used extensively by the more serious readers. A gift of \$25 was received from the Canadian

Club and greatly appreciated. "In April of 1937 a campaign was started, its objective being the raising of money for new books for the free adult and child ren's sections of the library. Thi campaign brought in \$82. hundred and ten books were duly ordered with the sum but, owing to some misunderstanding in the East, the books were delayed and did not arrive until December Thus, the borrowers are just now

receiving the benefits of them. "A sum of \$50 was granted the library from the private fund new reprints were bought, part for the children's section where they were sorely needed.

"The library received many gift from borrowers during the year and, although they are needed!tions and appreciated, they do not stand up for any length of time as they have not been reinforced and are in most cases used books.

"The pay section of the library shows a steady increase, the fi gures for 1937 being 5,620 a against 4,814 in 1936, an increas: of 806. which shows that more With the annual election sched- borrowers are patronizing that

state, despite our best efforts to

eep them in good condition b Cricket Team it would be well if these necessary

nany more should be taken from Asked Over he shelves but, as they are always n demand, they must be left until

robability, is owing to the in University teams. reasing employment. It would be nd serious readers are making use Ironsides Are f the library this year, the refer nce room being used to a great Leading Ocean ktent. Non-fiction books are in reat demand although, in many ases, the library has not the up. Falls Bowling ections of the non-fiction.

containing these books which are est standing: rarely used and were taking up space in the various section of the library. A stack and ladder were ilso built.

"Statistics show an increase in porrowers from the preceding year which may seem incompatible with a decrease in circulation. This 's explained by the fact that more ivenile borrowers joined up durg 1937. Unfortunately, owing to he various epidemics, many of hem were forced to leave their ards in the library without ever

aving had the use of them. The library is indebted and very grateful to the City for renewing! the subscriptions to magazines in the reading room."

Secretary's Report The secretary's report was follows:

"A further decline in circulation of books through the public library s reported for the year 1937. The circulation shows only 31,086 volumes, a reduction of 8327 or 21 percent from that of the previous

"Although books in the librar are listed as 9.455, an increase of 288 from the total of 1936, the continued decline in circulation can in part be attributed to the considerable number of obsolete copies on the shelves, withdrawals due to disrepair and lack of ade quate replacements and additions

"It is generally accepted opinion lowever, that any improvement in general conditions is reflected in decreased public library circula-

"Likewise, as civic library apropriations are now approxi nately 50 percent of those made n the years 1931-32, it is apparent that facilities must be curtailed to some extent.

"The Library Board spent \$708.90 from private funds throughout the largely on new books and ebinding. These monies were ob tained from donations, fines and he library pay section. No civic ment for books was received.

"Patrons still show an active interest in the library as 4136 were isted at the end of the year, an nercase of 94 since 1936. A coniderable number are not active

loaning 72 new books to the nonfirtien section. These already have had a wide circulation. The dona- MODER to the Library Campaign Fund, including a gift from the Woman's Canadian Club, were much appreciated. A large number of books were also kindly donated to the library by various citizens.

The librarian, together with former and present assistant, have endeavored as far as possible to maintain efficient service and have given every satisfaction.

Twelve meetings were held by the Library Board in 1937. Attend ance was as follows:

Frank Dibb. 10; T. B. Black, 11 T. J. Williams, 10; R. L. McLennan. 9; Mrs. N. Arnold, 8; R. E Moore, 7; W. H. Tobey, 3. The Commissioner, W. J. Alder, attended six meetings of the Board

STEPPING OUT

MELBOURNE, Jan. 20: (CP)-As a special concession to New Year's revellers the St. Kilda street cars were run till 2 a.m. with extra fare after midnight.

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here are new ones to replace Marylebone Cricket Club has in- American ships \$100,000,000 a year! rited a Canadian cricket team to Congressman-You ought to cut "A decrease in the circulation is make a tour of England in 1939 that item down. Use a cheaper again evident this year, the circula- or 1941. The idea is to tighten the grade of barnacle-or get along ion being 31,056 for 1937, 8,327 bonds of sport already established with fewer of them. ess than the previous year. This with India and the West Indias decrease, however, seems general The Canadians would play with hroughout Canada and, in all first-class British county and

"During the latter part of the OCEAN FALLS, Jan. 20:-With year additions were made to the the second of a three-round schedibrary fixtures in the way of a ule of the men's ten pen league of l'I've left my wife asleep in the shelf placed on top of each end the Ocean Falls' Bowling Club well grandstand, and she's got my rewall book case for the purpose of under way, the following is the lat- turn ticket." Won Lost Pts.

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Molly Hogans	23	16	32
Invincibles	22	17	30
Finishers	23	- 16	30
Paper Makers	. 21	18	27
General Store			
Townsite	13	26	18
Foremen			
General Store Office	11	28	14
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From the Waterfront

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Man in the Moon

Shipowner-We must have government aid. Congress doesn't realize how expensive it is to operate LONDON, Jan. 20: (CP)- The a ship. Why, barnacles alone cost

> A somewhat depressed group was returning home from a football game when one man broke the gloomy silence with the remark: "Poor game! Poor game! Never saw a more uninteresting one in my

> A bored-looking member yawned and began fumbling in his peckets. Then he sprang to his feet, exclaiming, "Great Scott!"

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"Watch!" cried the football fan.

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