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### EDITORIAL

### Prince Rupert And The War Effort - -

The majority of the people of Prince Rupert, we believe, are anxious that everything this port and its facilities can do to further the war effort should be done. A few may have been primarily interested in causing the government political embarrassment. Such an attitude is to be heartily condemned at a serious time like this. We believe, however, that the motive of the most of those who criticize has been that they feel sincerely that our facilities have not being taken full advantage of. They have felt that Prince Rupert is capable of and should be doing more in the way of producing the sinews of war. We are Mountain Rangers Regiment, two breath. Then he was a fairly easy championship to assure a close was later filled and emptied when Rangers also honestly of the belief that the powers that be are as of the 102nd. Battery and one of mark for Leading Aircraftsman W. vote struggle for nearly every posi- toasts were drunk to the future Chicago anxious as we are that, consistent with efficiency, Prince the Royal Canadian Air Force will W. Keith of the Royal Canadian tion. The consensus of the sports Rupert's capacity should be used to the fullest advantage journey from Prince Rupert to Air Force, being saved only by the writers who choose the team will Mr. Webber who so generously pre- Americans in the war effort.

Some inconsistent statements have been made in the this garrison area in the second first team all-stars were: Goal, encouragement of this great sport Spokane Some inconsistent statements have been made in the command boxing championship round and shaded Keith who was, Davie Kerr. New York Rangers; among local players of Central Bri-Seattle past. The minister of munitions and supply himself had finals. The area finals to deter- however, the fresher in the third Right Defence. Dit Clapper, Bos- tish Columbia. said that all the industrial plants were already busy. Since mine the representatives from this round and took a sufficient edge ton; Left Defence, Ebbie Goodfelthen, evidently on the basis of better information that had district took place last night at to win the trip. Keith weighed 152 low, Detroit; Centre, Milt Schmidt, been supplied him, Mr. Howe has now said that steps are the Armory before a large crowd pounds and Neilson 154. being taken to mobilize all the available industrial plants of fans. Soldiers were in predom- In the middleweight affair Pri-Rangers; Left Wing, Toe Blake, in British Columbia—large and small—to put them at the civilian patrons of the caulitain Rangers, 160 pounds, and Air-Chicago. work on vital war requirements. Official inquiries receiv- flower industry. Most of the fights craftsman B. Brown, 165 pounds, ed even at the Daily News office this week indicate that were well contested and productive were pretty evenly matched in the government is now taking some sort of a census with of action. There were to have been the first round but Cooper started that end in view.

Judging from reports which we have received, Bri- of the contestants was ruled physi- of at least nine, sitting on the cantish Columbia members have been working hard in regard cally unfit to go into the ring. The vas and trying to shake the ringto having fuller use made of British Columbia's resources fans were well satisfied at having ing out of his ears. Soon after getof men, material and machines. Doubtless, Skeena's own got their money's worth even ting on to his feet he was leaning member, known to be always effectively if quietly on the though some of the decisions, al- against the ropes. The third stanza member, known to be always effectively if quietry on the job, has been among those making representations, partitional as popular as they might have slugged himself to an unquestionticularly on behalf of his own constituency.

Prince Rupert people are expecting results and we by decisions, one by technical have no hesitation in predicting that they will be obtain-knockout and one by foul.

The local dry dock is, of course, the one plant of which which bars cheering or shouting beautyweight bit Lucas, 165 pounds, in the light-light able to go on forever without showwe all think when we consider the facilities which we pos- while fighting is in progress provsess in the way of furtheringthe war effort and getting ed novel for the most of those useful work done. We do not attempt to suggest that there present but more than once the; have not been hitches and delays, that some mistakes have master of ceremonies, Lieut. J. F. though baffled at times and findbeen made. However, we should be fair with all parties Rangers, had to warn the crowd to concerned and not judge too harshly. The point is that, curb its tendency to become audwhen it has seen where mistakes have been made and ibly enthusiastic. where improvements are possible, there should be no delay! Lieut. Walter Johnson of the hitting had the foul call not been in taking the necessary action. Efficiency must be the 102nd. Battery and Lieut. Howard given in his favor. Lucas had hit watchword in this all out war effort and no stubborn of gers shared the duties of referee, the last one, for which Lucas was ficial routine should be allowed to interfere with cetting for the duties of referee, the last one, for which Lucas was ficial routine should be allowed to interfere with getting functioning from outside of the called the loser and Cooper the jobs done. At the same time, waste, which is inefficiency, ring. This was another new feat- winner, obviously hurt the latter. should also be guarded against.

Compatible with efficiency from a national stand- ing rules, that the crowd found two members of the 162nd. Battery The controversy over the league's some difficulty in adjusting itself —Gunner McCabe, 183 pounds, and leading centre has blown around point—and by that we mean that work should be done to Judges were Bombardier Col- Bombardier . GM. Letnes, 180 was the heads of Bill Cowley of Boston where it is most efficient to do it, be in Prince Rupert, line of the Second Searchlight not very satisfactory to watch, and Syl Apps of Toronto with Vancouver, Montreal of Halifax-local people are keenly Battery, Corp. F. Davidson of the McCabe grinned and clowned and Schmidt and Neil Colville and Phil desirous of seeing that our facilities are put to the fullest Rocky Mountain Rangers and seemingly dared Letnes to try and watson of Rangers skating fast bepossible use.

As for the dry dock itself, we know that, from a strictly mechanical standpoint, it is capable of doing more In the flyweight bout, which was been allowed to they would cer- Along right wing the selectors have and larger shipbuilding than it is doing. There is no ar- the opener, Lance Corporal Corner tainly have called for fighting in- Bobby Bauer of Boston, Gord Drilgument about that. There are other aspects to be considered, however, such as the possibility of obtaining men who are competent of manning the plant. In this regard there is the question of housing. Men are not anxious to leave their comfortable homes elsewhere and, in many cases good jobs, to come to Prince Rupert to live under, more or less discomfort and makeshift conditions. There may also be the difficulty at times of getting the deliveries of necessary materials to be used on the job. Such matters as these are questions of organization and can and should be righted.

As we have said before, we believe the large majority of people of Prince Rupert are anxious that the local facilities should be used to their best advantage not for political reasons, not for the mere sake of getting work done here that could be done equally as well or better elsewhere. but because they are anxious we and our resources should be working as fully and efficiently as possible in winning the war. And they wish to be sure that the authorities and officials who have to do with the use of our facilities

are imbued with the same spirit. Possibly things may not have been moving as rapidly as they might have. Democracies by the very nature of things do not move with the same cold efficiency as do the! Boat "Wanderlust" Cow Bay dictatorships. We do not believe that Prince Rupert has been discriminated against. We do, however, expect anl early speeding up in the war effort here as well as elsewhere throughout the country.

If you have something to sell, a classified advertisement in this paper will soon let you know if there is all buyer in the city.

THE WINNERS Flyweight- Lance Corporal Corner, Rocky Mountain Ran-

Bantamweight - Private R. Coatsworth, Rocky Mountain Rangers.

Featherweight-Gunner G. T. Hunter, 102nd, Battery. Lightweight- Private Parkin-

son, Rocky Mountain Rangers. Welterweight - Leading Air craftsman W. W. Keith, Royal Canadian Air Force.

Middleweight-Private J. Cooper, Rocky Mountain Rangers. Light Heavyweight- Corporal C. E. Porter, Rocky Mountain

McCabe, 102nd. Battery.

been. Four of the bouts were one able decision.

Each bout was scheduled for

ure, characteristic of military box. The heavyweight bout between Rocky Mountain Rangers.

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of the Rocky Mountain Rangers, Varsity harder than Gunner Kerrigan of the 102nd. Battery, 120 pounds, and Final Opener earned the decision fairly enough. Final Opener Kerrigan did some rushing in the second round and worked hard for rouble was a knockdown and a cut over the left eye. He was rather tired before the end of the third whereas the steadier Corner was

quite fresh. The win of Gunner G. T. Hunter title of the 102nd. Battery over Corp. D. A. Penny of Ninth Fortress Signals in the featherweight number was the most decisive of the evening. Early in the first round Hunter, 133 pounds, sent Penny, 130, flying through the ropes. Hunte had a hard long right swing which he applied to Penny's head until

two others but one had been set- to slug hard in the second round

Corp. C. E. Porter, Rocky Mountain Rangers, 169 pounds, won on heavyweight bit. Lucas, who crouched and acted like a wrestler was hard for Porter to hit. Aling it difficult to time his punches to advantage against Lucas' low style, Porter would have been able to win on points anyway through

Lance Corporal W. Cook of the get him. The result was lack of hind them for consideration. Cowaction and the third round was ley and Apps ran one-two in the particularly slow. Had the fans scoring race most of the season. stead of stalling. Somehow or other lon of Toronto and the sharp-shoot-Letnes got himself a bloody nose ing Hextall, bidding to retain the

> ever, what he did to earn it. no condition to fight.

have to fight for his trip as bantamweight representative.

Scored Third Straight Victory Over Kimberley To Take B. C. Championship

TRAIL, March 15:-Trail Smok ||Eaters defeated Kimberley Dynamiters by a score of four to nothing last night to win the West Kootenay Hockey League and the British Columbia senior hockey! championship. It was the third! straight victory for the Smoke Eat-

sity of British Columbia Thunder- hockey team were entertained at a birds defeated Victoria Dominees dinner in the Hudson Hotel last 37 to 32 last night in the first Friday evening in tribute to their British Columbia senior basketball George recently when they easily

### SPORT CHAT

There is no surer sign of the closeness of the National Hockey L. H. Kenney, local agent for the year he became dazed and the referee League's play-offs than the opencalled it a technical knockout in ing of the balloting for the annual Canadian Press all-star teams now Gunner W. K. Neilson of the under way among the circuit's the hockey players, Guy Ludgate 102nd. Battery got on his bicycle hockey writers. There have been Heavyweight- Gunner D. K. immediately after the start of the enough outstanding players in a and not able to attend. welterweight event and in a few season noteworthy for the tense-Five members of the Rocky seconds ran himself right out of ness of the fight for the league Vancouver next week to represent rell at the end of the first round, be published later. The 1939-40 sented such a fine trophy for the Boston; Right Wing, Brian Hextall,

The best goalies this season have been Walter Broda of Toronto Maple Leafs, the sensational Detreit rookie, Jehnny Mowers, and Frank Brimsek of Boston. In a game where first-year goalies barely manage to survive. Mowers' performance has been extraordinary but the balloting will tell whether it overshadowed the work of the two veterans. Most of the older greats of the blueline have had better-than-average seasons with some like Clapper, Goodfellow, Earl Seibert of Chicago and Bingo ing the ravages of time. Injuries hurt the chances of Rangers' Ott Heller and Wilf Field of New York Americans. Shining so brightly that it could not help but attract notice was the star of Walter Stanowaki, the whirling dervish of Torjonto's rearguard. The young Winnipeg Pole, in his second year, has been brilliant from the opening game. He is perhaps the most dangerous threat to the hold the oldtimers have fastened on the all-star I defence jobs.

and McCabe played himself into a goal-scoring championship, as the decision which was unanimously logical choices. To patrol the othaccorded. It was hard to see, how- er side of the boards on this mythlical ssuad there are Dave Schrin-Private Parkinson of the Rocky er of Toronto, Woody Dumart of Mountain Rangers will represent Boston or Syd Howe of Detroit. No the area at Vancouver in the light- doubt there are others whose fancy weight class, his scheduled oppon- deeds have taken hold of the writent, Lance Corporal Pescott of the ers. Certain it is that they must Signals Corps, having been adjudg- be impressed by the coaching jobs ed by the medical officer to be in done by Clarence (Happy) Day, who had Toronto in first place most of Private R. Coatsworth of the the season, Cooney Weiland, whose Rocky Mountain Rangers did not Bruins set up a record of 23 unbeaten games, and Dick Irwin who took half-a-dozen green rookies and moulded them into a hardskating band for Montreal Canad-

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SMITHERS. March 15 .- The ahead of time that they had VICTORIA, March 15:-Univer- members of the Smithers Junior a fine Junior hockey team it is game of the final series for the fine successes in hockey at Prince overcame the Quesnel junior hockey team to bring home the fine silver trophy presented by H. C. Webber, manager for the Interior of British Columbia for the Mutua Life Assurance Co., and also for having defeated an all star team of Prince George hockey players.

The players were the guests of Mutual Life Assurance Co., at this dinner, the only thing to mar the occasion being the fact that two of and Gordie Heatherington, were ill

The large sterling silver cup dec- Toronto success of Smithers Juniors and to Canadiens

Most of the players will be able Portland

## to play as juniors for several coming along, Smithers is i

If local hockey fans had likely that arrangements have been made to have the into competition with some of highly touted teams of the o agan. However the local will be largely held together next year and it is hoped that months go further afield the they continue to display the that they have shown this One or two of the good players however, pass out of the Junior ture with the march of time

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