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EDITORIAL

A Dangerous Situation . . .

Members of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, at their meeting this week, did a good deal of talking about the disreputable state of affairs that one finds by night down town in Prince Rupert these days due to excessive indulgence in liquor by both men and women.

There are abundant signs of increasing lawlessness and disorder in Prince Rupert and it is not helping matters any to have the streets full of reeling, foul-mouthed drunks, leering, pursuing and accosting women, making filthy nuisances of themselves.

The other night there was a sudden black-out in Prince Rupert. This was evidently the signal for the dumping of some considerable number of drunk or half drunk men and women into the dark streets, there to shout and jostle and get themselves generally in the way.

It is not good enough to condone drunkenness in Prince Rupert because there is nothing else for people, particularly the young, to do here. Drunkenness and disorder cannot be justified on any such grounds.

These are trying times and, instead of justifying drunkenness and immorality, filth and indecency, we should all be doing what we can to prevent it.

Whatever the cause, however, there is a fester of drunkenness and disorder growing and spreading in Prince Rupert. It is high time that something was being done about it before more serious consequences ensue.

We are not particularly bothered about whether or not our remarks hurt any one. What we do believe is that it is high time for action and improvement. We believe that it should be possible, if the situation is handled adequately and competently, to bring about that improvement.

There is no reason why Prince Rupert should not still be a decent, respectable, orderly and law-abiding town even if it is doubled in population, overcrowded and lacking in recreational facilities.

Now, dear reader, do not let yourself be carried away by anger or resentment because you may not agree with some of the above remarks, unless, of course, you are quite satisfied with things as they are.

The Vichy Radio . . .

The Vichy radio is much quoted in news dispatches these days. The most of us are not deluded about any of the "news" that may emanate from that source.

Vichy, of course, knows like Barnum that "there is one born every minute."

ACTIVITIES OF Y.M.C.A. AND Y.W.C.A.

By DOROTHY GARBUTT, Hostess

With the appointment of the two new Young Men's Christian Association men to the Forts and the Grenadiers I think perhaps that a restatement of where we all work might be of interest to those with whom we do business, as it were.

On the catering side of the Y.M.C.A. work there is Mrs. Woodside, who runs the canteen at the Hut. As the pressure of work increases there she threatens daily to fire herself but not if we can help it.

lot can happen to a schedule between the time it is all nicely written out on paper and when it is put in practice.

Remember, boys, the time limit on library books is seven days not seven weeks.

OLD BALMORAL

Balmoral Castle, private residence of British sovereigns in Scotland, means in Gaelic "the majestic building."

Letter Box

SERVICES NEEDED

The "Job Patience" letter in your issue of September 30 regarding the line-up at the city Post Office is timely but I venture to say that it does not go far enough.

I stood for over an hour at the local theatre after a hard day's work and won't do so again because I sign myself

FLAT FEET,

FIRE PREVENTION

It is a fact that fires are of interest only to the average person. As a purely personal matter the average man or woman has little knowledge of fires or fire causes.

experience. The question then is why should the public be interested in fires and fire prevention, the answer is obvious.

The national fire loss yearly is a staggering sum.

Experience in inspection work prompts me to suggest that the majority of people who read these notes are fully aware that in their home or place of business there is at least one job which needs doing to remove a possible fire hazard.

Remember, every fire helps Hitler.

H. T. LOCK,

City Fire Chief.

WINNIPEG

The Cameron Highlanders of Winnipeg, the Winnipeg regiment which penetrated deeper inland than any other unit, emerged from

the Dieppe raid with more decorations than any other participating unit, namely twenty-four. The Cameronians were awarded two Distinguished Service Orders, three Distinguished Conduct Medals, four Military Crosses, four Military Medals while thirteen members of the regiment were mentioned in dispatches.

Travelers from all over Manitoba and Saskatchewan were in Winnipeg at the end of last week to honor Supreme Court Justice William C. Ridd of Red Wing, Minnesota, who was in the city there was a banquet in the Fort Garry and other affairs.

FRENCH ORIGIN

The word "bleu" as a coalition of minority parties to form a working majority, was coined in France in 1899.

Advertisement for Victory Bonds featuring a soldier and a man thinking, with text: 'Of Him Canada Asks All a Man Can Give', 'On You Canada Lays a Grave Responsibility', 'Work-Save-Lend for Victory', 'NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE'