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EDITORIAL

A Dangerous Situation . . .

Members of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Com- ciation men to the Forts and the merce, at their meeting this week, did a good deal of talk- Grenadiers I think perhaps that ing about the disreputable state of affairs that one finds a restatement of where we all work by night down town in Prince Rupert these days due to whom we do business, as it were excessive indulgence in liquor by both men and women. It was too bad that the Chamber should have let it go with only the talking and failed to follow it up with some all the Y.M.C.A. activities in this sort of resolution to officially draw attention to a situation which, in spite of protests and representations that and so forth, in fact is more or have been made in the past, is deteriorating rather than less of a "Pooh Bah" if he'll eximproving.

There are abundant signs of increasing lawlessness works half of the Forts and Geordie and disorder in Prince Rupert and it is not helping mat- son at the other Forts as well as ters any to have the streets full of reeling, foul-mouthed Fairview Camp. Ivan Mallett looks drunks, leering, pursuing and accosting women, making after the Navy's wants and also filthy nuisances of themselves. We are not sug-sees that the shows get to their gesting for a moment that drunkenness which is becom- various destinations on time and dence of British ing so obvious on the streets here is confined to or is in their right order. It sounds sim- Scotland, means in Gaelic "the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting in their right order. It sounds sim- Scotland, means in Gaelic "the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting in their right order. It sounds sim- Scotland, means in Gaelic "the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting to the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting to the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting to the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland working presenting the lotted time of three score years which penetrated deeper inland to the lotted time of three score years which years are the lotted time of three score years which years are the lotted time of three score years which years are the lotted time of three score years which years are the lotted time of three score years which years are the lotted time of three years are the lotted time of three years.

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. One could not help but wonder what would happen, what panic or chaos there would be, should the enemy happen to come to Prince Rupert with conditions existing downtown such as they did that night.

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. To do so is to tacitly prescribe getting drunk as a form of entertainment to be resorted to because no other less evil entertainment is available. It would be just as reasonable to excuse more disreputable or diabolical diversions should liquor suddenly disappear. Such excuses are nothing but red herrings, no matter who may offer them.

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. Nor should those responsible be allowed to laugh it off or minimize or ignore 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. Even if there were no women or children here, no quiet-living normal citizens, only soldiers, sailors, airmen and essential workers, we cannot see where the war effort could justify Sodom and Gomorrah conditions. It is no use telling us this time that we ought to remember that there is war on or remind us that there is nothing else to do in Prince Rupert.

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. Conditions are not only intolerable now but they are downright dangerous and there should be no further delay in taking the full measures necessary to clean them up. To say that things aren't too bad and that nothing can be done about it is merely justifying indolent inaction or authoritative incompetence.

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. And the fact that it is at or near the front line makes it all the more important that it should be so. A little greater sense of sobriety and responsibility would not be amiss in Prince Rupert's war effort. Even financial considerations should not be allowed to prevent a clean-up being made.

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

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. What we might keep in mind is that neither Vichy nor any of its institutions are neutral. Vichy, whether we hate to believe it or not, is but a mouthpiece, willing or otherwise, of Nazi Germany. Anything that comes over the Vichy radio we may rest assured is prepared, obscured as the intent may be, to mitigate against our cause. Vichy announcements may on some occasions appear to be comforting to us. The fact is that such announcements are merely just a little more subtle in their meaning and effect.

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

new Young Men's Christian Asso- teer workers, traveller's aid might be of interest to those with side, who runs the canteen at the The Area Supervisor is Bob Gibson he holds the reins and directs area. Carl Clay is in charge of the hut work, arranges the programs cuse my saying so. Jock Morse Wilkinson replaces Ken Hutchin-

lot can happen to a schedule between the time it is all nicely written out on paper and when it is put in practice. Hector Mackenzie makes things hum around the Midland Camp and puts shows on at the Dry Dock. Harvey Orr out at Seal Cove seeing to the air men's wants. Percy Poulton starts

rooms registry. last but not least this column On the catering side of the Y.M.C.A. work there is Mrs. Wood-

Hut. As the pressure of work increases there she threatens daily to fire herself but not if we can help it. At the cafeteria Pat Trant in charge with Mrs. Bellisle Audrey Burnett as cashiers Mrs. Moon is in charge of the Staff House and its personnel.

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

OLD BALMORAL

Letter Box

SERVICES NEEDED

your issue of September 30 regard- a staggering sam. in with the Grenariers today My ling the line-up at the city Post Eggs of the Improvement is a read in disparches. In addition, Office is timely but I venture to knowledge. To prevent fires there there others listed as Williams with say that it does not go far enough. Inust be a knowledge of the comptions with other and Is anything being done to pro- causes, of prevention and ex- wit Winners of the D.S.O. were arrive here soon.

local theatre after a hard day's ard, work and won't do so again be- Remember, every fire helps Hit- | commercial travelers from all cause I sign myself

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 i Balmoral Castle, private resi- This is a natural condition as the) The Cameron Highlanders of The word "bloz" as a coalition

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FRENCH ORIGIN

Of Him Canada Asks All a Man Can Give



On You Canada Lays a Grave Responsibility

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MAKE no mistake — this is a total war in which we face fanatical, ruthless, determined enemies: We shall defeat them only if valour in our fighting men is matched by selfdenial and effort on the part of those at home.

WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR CANADA

Canada does not ask of you the deathless courage that she expects of her fighting men, but she does place on you a grave responsibility Over and above the money raised through taxation she must spend every single day Six Million Dollars to carry on the war. It must come from voluntary loans - from you and people like you. That is why you are asked to get ready to buy Victory Bonds.

Does Canada doubt that you will do as she asks? No indeed. She trusts in the sincerity of your patriotism - in your deep-rooted pride in her and all she stands for. She believes that you

would scorn to do less than your utmost, or refuse to lend your money while others are offering their lives. v Lospital Centre

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Of late the total earnings that go into the nation's pay envelopes have been enormously increased. Thousands are earning more than they have ever done. In countless homes sons and daughters are earning money for the first

This may-or may not-be true of you and yours, but at least your duty is clear. It is to see that each and every one in your home budy gets his or her expenditures week by week to allow regular and consistent saving. Every item of needless spending should be ruthlessly cut out - every spare dollar invested in Victory Bonds. Make this the motto of your household: "Work, save and lend."

Work-Save-Lend for Victory

NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE