District News

PIONEER IS DEAD

Angus A. McDonald of Cedarvale Has Passed Away.

SMITHERS, Feb. 18:—Word was received in Smithers on Friday afternoon of the passing of Angus A. McDonald of Cedarvale on the morning of that day. Mr. McDonald was an old-timer on the Skeena River and was well known along the river.

Mrs. McDonald is one of the Moberley family, who were among the oldest old-time pioneers of British Columbia.

Mr. McDonald was a South African war veteran and a member of Bulkley Valley branch of the Canadian Legion at Smithers.

The funeral of the late Mr. MacDonald was held from the United Church in Smithers on Tuesday morning and interment took place in the Canadian Lgion Cemetery.

Friends of the deceased accompanied the widow from Cedarvale and attended the funeral. Members of the Canadian Legion attended in a body.

The late Mr. MacDonald was born in Rosshire, Scotland, and served through the Boer War in the South African constabulary. He has lived at Cedarvale for many years and was 65 years of age. Rev. C. E. Motte preached the funeral service and Mrs. G. R. MacKenzie was organist. The pallbearers were K. G. Houghton, J. W. Turner, James Hogg, H. E. Wallace, N. H. Kilpatrick and L. H. Kenney.

SMITHERS

The "Pee-Wees", Smithers youngest set of hockey players, left Smithers yesterday morning for Vanderhoof where they will take on their opposites there for a series of games which they consider will be second in importance only to the Stanley Cup series. If enthusiasm is of any help to them they should clean up all opposition.

Chris Haugland of Little, Haugland & Kerr, sawmill operators at Terrace, spent several days in Smithers over the week-end looking up horses in the Bulkley Valley for their timber work at Terrace. He was greatly impressed with the possibilities of the Bulkley Valley and the superior brand of winter weather here. He also took the opportunity to get in a few games of curling, having been an old curler from his prairie days, and regrets that the Terrace climate does not permit of such games as curling and hockey which the Smithers boys so well excel in.

BEXLEY'S BABIES

BEXLEY, Feb. 18: (CP)— Twelve mothers whose babies were born during Bexley's Warship week were each presented with a Savings Certificate.

BAND HAD BUSY YEAR

Annual Meeting of Popular Smithers Musical Organization

SMITHERS, Feb. 18:—The Smithers Brass Band held its annual meeting on Thursday evening for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of regular business.

The retiring president, J. M. Collison, reported on the activities of the band for the past year, here activities being mainly the trip up the valley as far as Fort Fraser to play at a number of points promoting the sale of War Loan Bonds in May. The band played at Houston, Topley, Burns Lake, Endako and Fort Fraser.

It also attended the hanging and burning of Hitler in effigy, promoting the sale of War Savings Certificates in Smithers with the result that sale of these certificates increased six times what they had previously been here.

The band also played on the First of July at the field day here, held a successful concert in the theatre at Easter and other more minor occasions.

Financially the organization was exactly where it was at the beginning of the year, according to Secretary A. C. Fowler.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Honorary resident, V. Crockett.
Honorary Vice-President, Mr. Hans Olsen.
Past President, J. M. Collison.
President, Robert Cook.
Vice-President, Harry Kenney.
Secretary-Treasurer, A. C. Fowler.
Executive Committee—W. Bodger and L. H. Kenney.
Bandmaster, J. S. Gray.

Bandmaster Gray, who has led the organization continuously for the thirteen years it has been in existence, was presented with a box of cigars during the meeting.

WEDDING AT BURNS LAKE

Miss Elva Beatrice Elliott Becomes Bride of John Leon Stolz.

St. John's Anglican Church at Burns Lake was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday when Elva Beatrice, fifth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Edward Elliott of Abernethy, Saskatchewan, became the bride of John Leon Stolz, third son of Mr. and Mrs. John James Stolz of Fort Fraser. Rev. A. W. Atkinson, rector of St. John's Church, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride entered the church to the strains of the Wedding March from Lohengrin, Mrs. Walter Wilson presiding at the organ, and was given in marriage by Dr. T. C. Holmes. The bride's gown was fashioned of white satin with full floor length skirt falling from a girdle. A coronet of seed pearls and orange blossoms held her embroidered veil in place. She wore a gold cross on which was engraved the Lord's Prayer. Her bouquet was made up of Talisman roses.

Miss Isabel M. Love, the bridesmaid, was frocked in tropic sea-blue chiffon gown worn with a small blue flower-topped hat. She carried a bouquet of golden daffodils. Andrew R. Brown of Burns Lake was the groomsman.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Holmes. Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Atkinson and Mrs. MacNeil poured tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Stolz will make their home at Hutton, where the groom is in the service of the Canadian National Railways.

Home On Leave

VICTOR DELL

Sergeant Pilot Victor Dell, who recently won his wings at Dauphin, Manitoba, arrived in the city on last night's train to pay a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dell. He will be here until Friday evening's train when he will return east.

BEATEN BY CANADIENS

League Leaders Humbled By Cellar Dwellers In Hockey Fixture Last Night

NEW YORK, Feb. 18:—In the only scheduled National Hockey League game last night, Montreal Canadiens eked out a two to one victory over New York Rangers who still cling to a one point lead over Toronto Maple Leafs for the league leadership with the Boston Bruins another single point below in third place.

In games scheduled for tomorrow night Boston will play at Brooklyn and Chicago at Detroit.

The league standing to date:

Air Force Plays Draw in Hockey With Bostonians

OTTAWA, Feb. 18:—Royal Canadian Air Force Flyers played to a five-all draw in a hockey game with the Boston Bruins last night.

SPORT CHAT

Joe Louis successfully defended his world heavyweight title for the fourteenth time with a second round knock-out over Gus Dorazio in Philadelphia one year ago last night.

James J. Corbett, former heavyweight boxing king, died at his New York home nine years ago. Corbett stunned the sports world September 7, 1892, when he knocked out the great John L. Sullivan in 21 rounds in the first heavyweight battle under Marquiss of Queensbury rules.

TONIGHT'S BOWLING

In the opening session of the Mixed Bowling League tonight, Stone's will meet Alley Cats and Sav-Mor will play Peoples Store. Later, Tollers will trundle against Woanjas and Rinky Dinks will meet Pushovers.

INTEREST IN A.R.P.

Prince Rupert People Becoming Conscious To Possibility Of Actual Need

As the possibility of actual emergency increases, active interest in the local Air Raid Protection organization is growing. Various groups under the civilian protection committee are holding regular organization meetings and practices and are getting their plans well in hand for action should the need at any time arise. Monday some of the groups were meeting and almost nightly others are gathering. There is still need for further volunteers so that effective service may be carried out.

Hockey Standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
New York	24	1	14	147	118	49
Toronto	22	4	12	121	94	48
Boston	21	5	12	118	84	47
Chicago	20	3	14	116	102	43
Brooklyn	13	1	24	102	123	27
Detroit	12	3	23	100	112	27
Montreal	12	2	25	95	146	26

Mail Schedule

For the East—
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays ..... 5 p.m.
From the East—
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays ..... 11 p.m.
For Vancouver—
Tuesday ..... 12:30 p.m.
Thursday ..... 10:15 p.m.
Friday ..... 9:30 p.m
February 12 and 23 ..... p.m.
From Vancouver—
Sunday ..... p.m.
Wednesday ..... 10:00 a.m.
Friday ..... p.m.
February 8 and 19 ..... a.m.

WOMAN MAN LIFEBOATS

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18: (CP)—Women may soon man lifeboats. So many lifeboatmen have been called, women may be enlisted to keep the service manned.

HOW EASTER ARRIVED AT

This Year It Comes On April 5, But It Might Have Been Much Earlier or Later

Written for the Canadian Press by LAVERY TIBBS

Do you know off hand on what date Easter will fall this year? Unlike Christmas, which is fixed, Easter has a variation of 35 days and can come any Sunday between March 22 and April 25, depending on the phases of the moon.

Easter is the first Sunday after the full moon maturing on or near March 21. If the full moon matures on Sunday, Easter Day is the Sunday following. In 1942 there are full moons on March 2 and April 1.

The April 1 date, being closest to March 21, puts Easter on the following Sunday, April 5. This fixes Ash Wednesday, beginning of Lent, February 18, and Good Friday, April 3.

As Eastertide approaches, folks turn to the calendar in the hope of finding the date marked. But many modern calendars do not give the answer. Some people find out eventually when there are about six days left to buy the new spring outfit.

Named From Norse

The term Easter in Anglo-Saxon is derived from "Ostera," the divinity of spring of the ancient Norsemen, who was welcomed in a festival of her annual return.

The forerunner of Easter was the celebration of the "Pesach" or "passing over" by the twelve tribes of Israel to commemorate the passing of the angel of the Lord over the Hebrew households when death smote the first born of the Egyptians.

Early Christians began to observe the Jewish festivals in a new spirit because the Resurrection overshadowed all events of the past.

A controversy, raging for many centuries, began when the church at Rome observed the day on the Sunday after the Passover, marking the difference between Judaism and Christianity, while the Eastern churches were reluctant to change and still held it on the same day as the Passover.

Present Reckoning

The council of Nicaea in A. D. 325 tried to settle the difference by a decree that the date would be reckoned by the system used at present.

Bishops in Alexandria, the scientific centre of the world at that time, attempted to compute the Easter date for a number of years in advance. But the Alexandrian Pasachal cycles were both obscure and incorrect, thus there remained wide variance in the observance of the day.

Ancient British and Celtic churches, disagreeing with the church at Rome, clung to the use of a lunar cycle which Rome herself had abandoned, having found a more accurate calculation. After much dissension, the present system was prescribed in A. D. 669 by Theodore, Archbishop of Canterbury when he brought the Easter date in England into uniformity with the church at Rome.

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POLISH GIRLS OE'RHEAD

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18: (CP)— Two Polish girl pilots are flying with the Air Transport Auxiliary and say it's the next best thing to fighting the Nazis.

FIXED HER BROKEN NECK

MANCHESTER, Feb. 18: (CP) — Grace Hemingway is back again with the Land Army after having spent four months in a plaster cast following an accident in which she suffered a broken neck.

GAS IN ALCOHOL

Natural gas is now being used in the manufacture of alcohol.

IT'S CORNISH PASTRY

CAMBOURNE, Eng., Feb. 18: (CP) —Celebrating her 100th birthday Mrs. Mary Jane Rodda gave "Cornish pastry at least once a week" as her recipe for long life and happiness.

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