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The Mayor's Statement . . .

A statement, which the mayor and council have patiently withheld in the hope that some action might be taken by the federal government in the way of assuming some effective measure of responsibility for the rehabilitation of local public works and services which have been severely pressed by defence activities and which have now reached a deplorable condition, has been issued by the mayor and is published today.

The city is, of course, in no financial position to carry out the extensive repair work that has become necessary through defence activities which have by no means been carried out for the benefit of this community but for Canada as a whole and for which, therefore, the city feels is a federal responsibility. The statement made public by the mayor today we commend to the attention of our readers. Now, we would suggest, should be a good time for the citizens of Prince Rupert to lend their voice and support in any way possible to the petitions of the city council which have, evidently, gone about as far as they can without achieving much in the way of tangible results.

Canadian War Medal . . .

The decision of the Canadian government to issue a new service ribbon, tokening a medal which will be struck and presented after the war to Canadians—we presume both men and women—who volunteer for active service in navy, army or air force, is a commendable move. It will have the effect of encouraging voluntary enlistment as well as being some token of recognition for those who have long since seen their duty in this regard and have done it.

Every person feels some sense of pride and satisfaction even in wearing a patch of ribbon when it marks meritorious service. When it is considered the way that the soldiers of some countries are decorated for mere routine duty, it would appear quite fitting that Canadians, who have to date at least not been overencumbered with such trappings, should have at least some coming.

A Protracted Strain . . .

In the prosecution of the war we must always acquire economic liabilities as we achieve military victories. The conquest of Italy is going to put an additional strain upon our food resources. The liberation of France and all the occupied countries in the West will add to the strain. Military victories are decisive and pass quickly. The economic liabilities, on the other hand, are long-term propositions which may take years to liquidate. Unless we recognize this clearly the impulse to regard the war as being over when the fighting stops will be irresistible. But this war will not be over until all the people of the occupied countries are restored to normal living. This restoration will impose a great responsibility upon all the United Nations, and particularly upon the North American nations. If we, on this continent, concentrate too much of our attention upon military victory alone, we may well set in motion forces which in the end will lose us the peace.

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William Hogg of This City Weds

The marriage was solemnized at the Court House at Vancouver, on October 16, between Mrs. Amy Elizabeth Goddard of Vancouver and William Alexander Hogg, also of Vancouver and formerly of Prince Rupert. Witnesses were Mrs. Doris McPhedrian and Staff Sgt. Robert Townsend.

After a wedding breakfast at the Devon Cafe, Mr. and Mrs. Hogg left for a trip to Sechart.

Mr. Hogg will well be remembered in Prince Rupert, where he resided until recently, having been employed by the Royal Canadian Engineers and the B.C. Dredging Co.

Married Quietly At United Manse

The marriage took place quietly last evening at the Manse of First United Church here, between Mrs. Berna Anderson and Andrew Bernardson, a well known local couple whose residence in Prince Rupert, has been of considerable years standing. Rev. James A. Donnell officiated and the witnesses were John Hazen Pritchard and Mrs. Christina Nelson.

Mr. Bernardson is in the employ of the Northern Fisheries Co-operative.

The couple, who will have the hearty congratulations and best wishes of many friends, are taking up residence at 621 Eighth Avenue West.

CO-OP IS SUBJECT

University of British Columbia Speaker Heard Tuesday Night

Co-operatives and Credit Unions had their birth in the industrial revolution and are a sincere expression of the people to solve their economic problems brought on by the operation of the capitalistic system. George Greenwell of the Department of Extension University of British Columbia told a public meeting of interested attendants at the Eagles' Hall Tuesday night. He was sure that the people would not stand for a return to the conditions of pre-war depression and that the co-operative movement would play its important part alongside the trade union movement and political organizations in building the post-war world.

The co-operative movement had its birth in Canada at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, in the year 1870. The growth of the movement made it necessary in 1909 to organize a Canadian co-operative educational association which was called the Co-operative Union of Canada. Since its inception George Keen had been its secretary. The Co-operative Union until very recently was interested mainly in co-operative consumer societies and such societies directly formed its membership. This policy had been changed to take in producer and marketing co-operatives and expression of representation through provincial organizations of the union. A further development was being made in the appointment of a dominion organizer, A. B. MacDonald of the University of St. Francis Xavier, Nova Scotia was at the present time making a survey of co-operatives in Canada before accepting the position. His view was very favorable to the establishment of such a position.

Co-operation found its business expression and tie-up through the provincial co-operative wholesales and the Inter-provincial Co-operatives Ltd., a dominion chartered organization, composed of the co-operative wholesales societies of the provinces producer and marketing co-operatives.

Last September an all-Canadian conference of credit unions was held in Quebec at the birthplace of credit unions in Canada. In 1901 A. Desjardins organized the first credit union in Canada with a capital of \$20. Today the same society has a capital of \$2,400,000 and the 238 credit unions of Quebec have a combined capital of \$57,000,000. The conference discussed the formation of a Canadian federation of credit unions and the tie-up of the credit union and co-operative movements.

In British Columbia a move is on foot to request the British Columbia government to enact legislation making it possible to form a central credit union which would have a definite tie-up with the British Columbia co-operatives.

The co-operative and credit

Florence Dixon Shower Honoree

A very pleasant evening was spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Garten, 305 seventh Avenue East, where a surprise miscellaneous shower was held in honor of Miss Florence Dixon whose marriage takes place November 1. The pink and white streamer decorations and flower arrangements were very pleasing.

After a period of social activities, Miss Dixon was presented with a large basket of gifts in which were many beautiful as well as useful articles. Later, a lovely luncheon was served.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Dixon, parents of the bride-elect, Gordon Dixon, Pastor and Mrs. Amundson, Mr. and Mrs. William McLean, Mr. and Mrs. L. Freistad, Mrs. A. M. Beattie, Mrs. Scarsland, Mrs. George Cook and David, Mr. and Mrs. H. Toftager, Mrs. M. Toftager, Mrs. J. D. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. V. Johnson and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Martin, Elsie Proese, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Donellink, Mrs. J. Valderhaug, Mrs. M. Kettles, Jean Smith and Signe Fladset.

Mrs. Dick Green and Mrs. E. Alzers, though unable to be present, added their gifts and good wishes to those of Miss Dixon's many friends.

union movements were recognized by Premier Mackenzie King and others, of which, the speaker gave quotations as being a major factor in the operation of our post-war economy. William Brett presided over the meeting.

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