VARDEN SINGERS HAVE BIRTHDAY

Celebrate Fifteenth Anniversary With Banquet and Dance

Valhalla Hall was filled to capacity with the Varden Singers and their friends and supporters Friday night when the choir celebrated its fifteenth year of activity.

The guests were seated around tables decorated with flags and flowers and a program of entertainment was introduced by the master of ceremonies, M. Nordgaard.

Ingvald Fenness was the first speaker. In a thoughtful speech he outlined the history of the choir which in reality was organized in 1930. The problems of keeping a choral independent organization together were not easily solved, the speaker stated and he attributed the success of the choir largely to the painstaking work of Peter Lien.

Mr. Lien expressed his satisfaction at having had good cooperation from the choir members during these years. Entertainment of the lighter kind was presented by the master of ceremonies who gave humorous stories to fill in the gaps. Nels Gundersen sang a special review song dealing with the characteristics of all the singers. This review drew great applause and Mr. Gundersen had to sing another of his popular songs.

Mel Skalmerud sang two songs to his own guitar accompaniment. They were well received by the audience. B. Petersen recited verses which he had written in the form of a review dating back to the year 1930.

Rudolph Olsen the present president of the choir, spoke on the aims of the Varden Choir, pointing out that the word "Varden" meant "Beacon" and the choir was in a sense a beacon, he said.

A very impressive ceremony took place when R. Olsen called up the charter members, eight in number, and invested each with a badge of honor. Two of the younger choir members read appropriate words of thanks and appreciation to each charter member. The charter members were Nels Gundersen, Mrs. L Luth, I. Fenness, P. Lien, Mrs. P. Lien, B. Petersen, Mrs. Grinstrand and G. Selvig. The members officiating were Mrs. Aslaug Lindseth and Miss Ethel Knutsen.

A large birthday cake was cut by Mr. Fenness and Mrs. Luth.

After the banquet a dance was held until well after midnight.

COMPLICATED TEACHING

As late as the 14th century, English schools still taught Latin through French.

Timely TERRACE *Topics*

A. Yoxall of Prince Rupert, who recently received his discharge from the air force, has just purchased the Empire Meat Market from Art Klohn. Mr. Yoxall arrived during the week and has already taken possession. His family will not be coming for some time.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Guild of Knox United Church was held at the home of Mrs. F. Fisher on Friday afternoon with a large and representative crowd present. Plans were made for a tea and sale to be held on Saturday. Other business was also transacted. Rev. C. Carter of the Airmen's and Soldiers' Christian Association was present and gave a very interesting address.

Brian C. Colwell, son of Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Colwell, arrived home from overseas service with the R.C.A.F. on Wednesday evening. Among other places, Brian has been in India and England. He spent Christmas with Mrs. Colwell's relatives in Scotland.

Donald Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Cooper of Terrace, arrived home Wednesday night. He came over on t he Mauretania after being overseas nearly three years. During that time, he saw service in France, Belgium and Holland. After 30 days' leave he will be returning to his depot in Vancouver.

Harold Ruckle of Vancouver arrived in Terrace Thursday night. He has just received his discharge from the Air Force and is spending a few days with his family here before going to Kamloops.

After a three weeks' holiday, Charles Adams, owner of the Terrace Theatre, arrived back in Terrace Thursday evening. He had been in Vancouver and returned home by way of Prince Rupert.

Mrs. A. Dishman of Prince Rupert arrived Wednesday evening to join the staff of the Skeena Coffee Bar. One of her sons is still on overseas service.

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WHATS DOING AT PRINCE RUPERT RECREATION COUNCIL GYMS

BY JIM NAST

Plans for Expansion

To acquaint the public with the diversity of interests to be included in expansion program of the Prince Rupert Civic Centre following the official opening on March 3, this column will present a series of suggestions dealing with the four main phases of activity which are to supplement the popular program of recreative gymnastics now in effect. Cultural clubs, arts and crafts, adult education, and general recreation are the new features to be inaugurated and it is felt that both young and old people will find one or more activities in which to participate and even offer voluntary leadership. A member of the executive committee is in charge of each of these four groups. It is to be emphasized that the Civic Centre is for the people and of the people and that suggestions apearing in this column depend upon the response from the public for their fulfilment. Further expressions of interest from citizens who are interested in promoting any phase of the program would be a help to the committee in charge in working out details of the plans which are now in the embryonic stage.

Leader Training

The Leader Training Classes which will be held twice weekly for the remainder of this month will have a twofold purpose. Apart from providing new material to be taught after the opening of the Civic Centre, the training includes routines, dances and stunts which are being prepared for the coming display. First the girls' class, which begins this evening, will have training in fundamentals, tap dancing and pyramids. Then the men will meet and take part in fundamentals, parallel bar work and mat and springboard tumbling.

SMITHERS

An enjoyable gathering was held at the home of Mrs. A. Ford in Smithers on Thursday evening last when the Anglican Sewing Circle met to work on articles for the coming bazaar. The meetings are to be held every two weeks at the homes of the various members.

An examining board under the Veterans' Land Act consisting of C. Hardwicke, appraiser; D. Holman, Kamloops; H. Bowman, C.N.R. representative, Prince George, and J. Owens, Evelyn local representative, was in Smithers last week.

Peter Demeray, recently returned from overseas, is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Al Ford, in Smithers.

TRANSFER FISH

Salt water mullet have been successfully transferred from the ocean to stock fresh water ponds inland.

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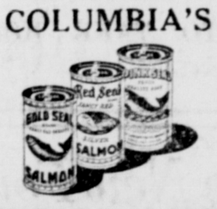

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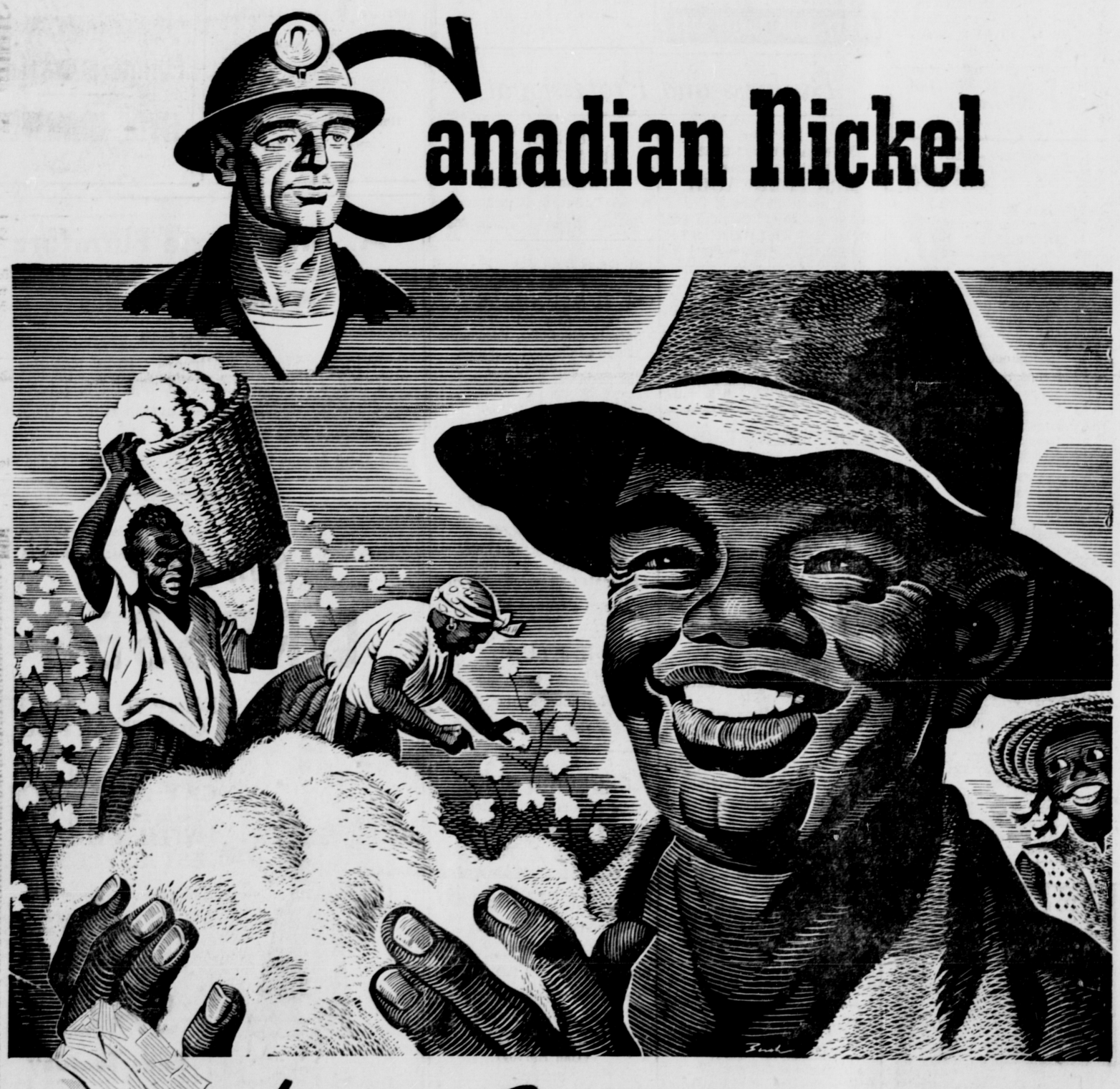

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