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Pobert Burns

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Noble and lofty thoughts that are expressed in imperishable words by men of genius are the priceless possession of all mankind.

Hence today, not only Scotsmen, but countless others of every race pay reverent tribute to the memory of Scotland's immortal bard whose tender poems forever touch the emotions of the human heart.

Robert Burns was born on January 25, 1759. He died in 1796 at the age of 37. In that short span of life he gave to Scotsmen especially such songs of kindness and of love that by their intimate and human appeal have since become the cherished music of all people in the world who love their fellow-men.

Few have touched the chords of human brotherhood as did the poet Burns. He peered with prophetic vision beyond the mists of racial strife and saw a world where

"man to man the world o'er shall brother be and a' that."

He lifted the veneer that clothes the arrogant, the pompous and the hypocritical and brought to light the refreshing goodness that lay beneath their sham.

"The rank is but the guinea's stamp A man's a man for a' that."

And he who loved, with a poet's tender passion knew too how fleeting are our human joys.

"For pleasures are like poppies spread, You seize the flower, the bloom is shed; Or like the snowfall in the river A moment white, then gone forever."

Robert Burns possessed a matchless insight into human nature, its virtues and its weaknesses. He wrote in simple language the hopes Publicity Meetand yearnings of the common man.

Scotsmen everywhere this day Montecor will address the haggis, toast the immortal memory, clasp each other's President hands and sing "Auld Lang Syne" hands and sing "Auld Lang Syne."

And we who are not fortunate enough to be of the land of the land of the heather — Sassenachs they said we were - we shall turn to our book of Burns and read again his lovely thoughts. And we know that in our silent reverie his words | elected Alderman Nora Arnold arrangements. will kindle in our hearts a warm glow of affection for the ploughman ten remains chairman of the poet who still inspires mankind with the ideal of the brotherhood of man.

C.P.R. Does It Anyway

In spite of vigorous protests at tions, and interested individuals, the proposal, the Canadian Pacific heard reports from its retiring Railway is going through with its intention of building three super- Hill and Arnold Flaten. In his liners for British Columbia coastal annual report, Mr. Morris outservice at a cost of \$2,500,000 each. lined work of the organization With British Columbia yards gasp- since its beginning on March 29 ing for work, that is what the C.P.R. does. There may be what will be Flaten reported that funds colcalled sound business reasons for the lected last year totalled \$2,645. exporting of this industrial plum to | and that expenditures were \$339. British yards, which are already said tions last year, totalling \$2,555, to be choked with work, but the best about \$900 has been pledged to of reasons will not be very acceept- the Council for the next two able to the people of this coast. They cannot help but think how much it would have reduced the growing unemployment situation here if the work could have been done herehow far it would have gone in tiding us over the difficult interim reconversion period.

Fortunately, there appears to be no intention of the other steamship companies on the coast to do like the of traffic and street signs. C.P.R. Union Steamships are actually calling for tenders for corvette reconversion work which will bring their fleet up to the current require- ed to interest waterfrom busiments. The minister of transport, Mr. Chevrier, has publicly announced that it is the intention to build new C.N.R. ships on this coast and the fact that the railway company itself owns the local shipbuilding yard at Prince Rupert would logically rule out any idea of exporting the work.

Local Public Relations Council In Annual Session

Prince Rupert Public Relations Council elected E. Montador president by acclamation at its cil chamber last night and re- by the president pending budget as vice-president. Arnold Flafinance committee, and J. Harry Black and Mark Hill were reelected chairmen of the external and internal committees respectively. Miss Jean McMillen was elected secretary. The whole executive entered their 1946 posts by acclamation.

The meeting, attended by 31 delegates from city organizapresident, Lloyd Merris, and from committee chairmen Mark

Finance committee chairman year's financial drive, he said, will be about \$5,000.

Internal affairs chairman Mark Hill reported that his committee has been "surveying the field" in its efforts to brighten the city. He said that his committee had met with the City Engineer and Sanitary Inspector to discuss such matters as open sewers, garbage disposal, cleaning of vacant city lots and the erection

The committee had also been active, he said, in regard to erection of a welcome arch at the city's outskirts and had attemptnessmen in brightening that district with colorful neon signs.

An appeal for a centralized source for industrial information which could be used for the guidance of businessmen interested in establishing in Prince Rupert was made by Theo Collart who said that such information should be specific and immediately available.

Collart used as an ex ample for the need, a report that Vancouver interests had been unable to fill an order for railroad ties by the Chinese government and said that the Public Relations Council ought to be able to offer figures on the amount of tie timber available in the Prince Rupert district and invite the Chinese government to seek bids here.

He also urged that local citizens invest their money in locai

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industries to assist the industrial ALD. ARNOLD growth of the city.

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Adoption of a constitution by the public relations council was preceded by a discussion of the duties of the internal and external affairs committees.

Correspondence from severa eastern magazines and newspapers regarding advertising for annual meeting in the city coun- Prince Rupert was ordered filed

At Vanderhoof— QUITS AS TRADE BOARD SECT'Y

the position of secretary of the Mr. Harper on the completeness Vanderhoof and District Board of his report. of Trade for the last 27 years, George Ogston retired last week. His resignation was presented to the Board's annual meeting.

Tribute to Mr. Ogston's service was paid by Board members who described him as the "backbone" of the organization during past years. His contacts with Leslie. prominent people and organizations, it was said, played an important part in the development of Vanderhoof.

Mr. Ogston gave pressure private business as his reason years. Ultimate results of last for relinquishing the office. However, he will continue as a member of the executive.

The election of officers resulted in Maynard G. Kerr being

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Annual meeting of the Prince Rupert and District Union Board of Health elected Alderman Nora E. Arnold president Thursday afternoon, and named Mrs. Earl Becker treasurer with M. J. Harper as secretary.

Introduced at the meeting was Miss Joyce Leslie who arrived this week to assume the position of senior public health nurse here. Miss Leslie was formerly connected with the Central Vancouver Island Health Unit, and during the meeting she outlined the work being done there. Miss Leslie replaces Miss H. Hetherington, who retired recently as public health nurse here.

The meeting passed the Health Unit's annual report compiled by VANDERHOOF-After holding M. J. Harper and congratulated

Present at the meeting were Alderman Arnold, Alderman Hills and Alderman Ham representing city council, Mrs. F. M. Hall, Terrace district, Mrs. Earl Becker, school board, Inspector of schools E. E. Hyndman, sanitary inspector M. J. Harper, and Miss

named president, Kenneth L Johnston, vice-president, Lawrence C. French, secretarytreasurer. Executive members are: Dr. R. W. Stone, George Ogston, R. C. Steele, Harry V. Taylor and Clifford W. Weeks.

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