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Peace But Alarm

With his customary forthrightness, Mr. Churchill spoke from a small American university convocation yesterday afternoon and told the world some candid opinions as to the present state of world affairs. Although he entitled his address "The Sinews of Peace," his talk was not without alarms of war.

Nor did Mr. Churchill draw his punches in naming over and over again the power solely responsible for the alarming state of affairs. He professed his admiration and friendship for Marshal Stalin and Soviet Russia as stemming from the alliance of the Second World War but he more than hinted his growing distrust today for the Soviet and its present intentions.

We had observed the difficulties Britain, even under a Socialist government, was having with the Soviet. We had been having our own incident here in Canada with the Russian espionage conspiracy. Yet we might still have hesitated to attribute too strongly ulterior motives

against Russia. But when Mr. Churchill speaks as frankly and candidly and as mistrustfully about Russia as he did yesterday, we pause to ponder deeply.

Mr. Churchill reminded us that he had spoken this way in the days when Adolf Hitler was rising to power in Germany and no one had paid him heed. World War II in those days, he says, could have been so easily headed off but the nations had adopted a policy of appeasement, displaying weakness when they should have been building up and expressing their strength.

The best way of maintaining world peace and the friendship and respect of the greatest menace to world peace today—the Soviet Republic and its tendency toward aggressive totalitarianism—is by strength and watchfulness, the great war leader suggested.

Here in Canada and in our close neighborhood here at Prince Rupert as respecting Russia, we would do well to heed Mr. Churchill's words and, as none other than our redoubtable friend, Senator G. G. McGeer put it in Vancouver, protect our Empire from "without" and "within."

In the light of what Churchill, Bevin, Mackenzie King and even some of our C.C.F. friends have to say, we may not be blamed if we do feel somewhat cool, to say the least of it, of our erstwhile Allies and their post-war tactics. However, it is important, as Mr. Churchill says, that we should remain on respectful good terms.

Smithers Airman Home From India

SMITHERS—FO. Norman Kilpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Kilpatrick of Smithers, returned home from India this week. Norman joined the R.C.A.F. some three years ago and went overseas to India where he completed one tour of operations on Liberators flying out of India and bombing strategic points in enemy-held territory. He is glad to be back and intends to continue his studies at U.B.C.

Hands Off Spain, Suggests Franco

WASHINGTON—A note from General Franco, containing vigorous declaration that Spain can run its own affairs without outside intervention, was delivered at the State Department by the Spanish ambassador.

Meanwhile American officials are reported to be pinning their hopes on the possibility that the Spanish army might force Franco to yield to a caretaker regime.

WANT BABINE ROAD KEPT UP

SMITHERS—A meeting of the Smithers District Chamber of Commerce was held Monday night and attended by members from Telkwa and Smithers. It was decided to ask F. M. Dockrill of Telkwa to attend a meeting of the Pacific Northwest Trades Association to be held in Victoria in May.

A motion was also passed to approach the B.C. Power Commission as to the possibility of rates for power in the district being reduced.

It was also decided that the Department of Public Works be approached to keep the road from Topley to Topley Landing on Babine Lake in condition to permit tourists to take their cars in at all times of the tourist season. This road has been allowed to fare for itself for the past number of years and, as Babine Lake is one of the most scenic and best fishing spots in the Bulkley Valley area, it was felt by the members that every effort should be made to keep it accessible to the local sportsmen as well as those from Prince Rupert and the south.

NEW INDIAN AGENT HERE

James Gillett Going to New Westminster and F. E. Anfield Coming to Prince Rupert

James Gillett, who has been Indian Agent here for the past five years, has been transferred to New Westminster and will be leaving for his new post in the south next month. It is announced. His successor here will be F. E. Anfield, Indian Agent at Bella Coola, who arrived in the city Monday afternoon on the Princess Adelaide from down the coast. Both Mr. Gillett and Mr. Anfield are at Port Simpson attending the annual convention of the Native Brotherhood of British Columbia.

Mr. Gillett, who was Anglican Church missionary at Massett before joining the Indian Department service, served as Indian Agent first for the Queen Charlotte Islands and later was moved to Bella Coola before coming here.

Mr. Anfield, one time principal of the Alert Bay Indian industrial school, was Indian Agent at Alert Bay before going to Bella Coola.

SOVIET TAKES POWER PLANTS

CHANGCHUN, China—A semi-official dispatch from Changchun says the Russians have taken over the Manchuria Electric Power Corporation. The power plants control all electrical systems in Manchuria. A Red Army officer, believed to be newly-arrived from Moscow, is said to have seized the corporation on February 27. He is quoted as telling high officers of the trust that he was appointed company president by the Soviet commander in Manchuria, Marshal Malinovsky.

HIGHWAY QUESTION

Chamber of Commerce Still Striving for Clarification of Jurisdiction and Permanent Maintenance

When the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce communicated recently with Premier John Hart seeking speeding up of the taking over of the Prince Rupert Highway for incorporation into the provincial highway system, now that the federal government is relinquishing it as being no longer of military necessity, Mr. Hart replied saying that there were "serious difficulties" in connection with the taking over. Monday night the Chamber decided to inquire of the provincial premier what these "difficulties" might be in order that they may be ironed out.

Meantime, the Chamber has received a communication from the Minister of Mines and Resources announcing that, since the province had been advised it could take the road over now that it was no longer a federal responsibility, the question of use of Canadian National right-of-way was a matter for negotiation between the province and the railway.

"The only way we will get use of the road this summer will be by constructing the detour and starting on it now," J. E. Boddie declared. "Otherwise, it will be September or October before the snow now covering the road goes out—if then."

It also was reported that the Shames bridge, which had been undermined by flood waters last fall, had now been carried into the creek bottom.

Engineer's Statement Arouses Resentment

Mr. Black made it clear to the meeting that a statement of the district engineer that members

of the Automobile Association had made representations in regard to the condition of the road between Prince Rupert and Galloway Rapids which implied that the club "did not know what it was talking about," was not in accordance with the facts. "All representations we have made have been after most careful personal investigation," said Mr. Black "and we have been supported by authentic information."

E. T. Applewhite stressed the importance of keeping the local member, in this case W. H. Brett, always advised on representations that were being made to government departments. That was what the member was for and much more could be accomplished by following up matters personally than by mere writing of letters.

Would Consider Groundhog Coal

The Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia has conveyed to the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce a suggestion that a special committee be set up on the development of the Groundhog coal fields. A brief, it has been proposed, should be drawn up.

\$1000 RAISED TO ASSIST GIRLS

SMITHERS—A subscription list to aid the Edmonds girls, injured in a recent fire, was taken around town and the sum of over \$1000 has been realized. These girls lost everything in the fire and the money raised will go a long way in helping them to re-establish themselves. Clarence E. (Buck) Morris made great efforts to make this campaign a success.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
IN PROBATE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY SCHMIDT, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS HENRY SMITH, DECEASED.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

TAKE NOTICE that letters probate of the last will of Henry Schmidt, otherwise known as Henry Smith, deceased, formerly of Prince Rupert, British Columbia, who died at Prince Rupert, British Columbia, on or about the 29th day of November, 1944, were issued to Alfred J. Steiner, sole executor of the said estate, by the District Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the 18th day of February, 1946.
All persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the solicitors of Alfred J. Steiner forthwith, and pursuant to Section 28 of the Trustee Act all persons having claims against the said estate are required to file the same properly authenticated with the solicitors of Alfred J. Steiner on or before the 15th day of April, 1946, after which time distribution of the said estate will be made, having regard only to claims which have been so filed.
DATED at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 23rd day of February, 1946.
BROWN AND HARVEY, Esq. Block, Prince Rupert, B. C., Solicitors for Alfred J. Steiner, Executor.
First publication February 25, 1946.

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OTTAWA - CANADA

NOTICE OF HEARING OF
Application by Central British Columbia Airways Limited for Licence to Operate Non-Scheduled Charter Commercial Air Services Based at Prince George and Fort St. James, B.C.

The Air Transport Board has set March 21, 1946, at 10:00 a.m. for taking evidence and hearing representations on the above application at a public hearing at the Court House, Prince George, B.C.

At the Hearing the Board will receive evidence by and on behalf of the applicant and such persons as may have filed submissions in pursuance of the notice of application for licence published December 31, 1945, and from such other persons as may be authorized by the Board to intervene.

When an applicant, or other person entitled to be heard, intends to file written memoranda or data by way of exhibits, he should, in all cases where it would appear to facilitate the expeditious conduct of the proceedings, prepare five additional copies for the use of the Board, with further copies for use by other parties.

AIR TRANSPORT BOARD,
C. S. Booth, Acting Secretary.
Ottawa, February 27, 1946.

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