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BY-ELECTION IN SOUTH

NO SURPRISE is involved in the result of the Vancouver-Point Grey by-elections to fill the vacancies in the Legislature caused by the recent deaths of Attorney-General R. L. Maitland and J. A. Paton. In this traditionally Conservative section of Vancouver the Coalition government, as was expected, won a decisive victory, its candidates far more than doubling the count of the C.C.F. whose ticket was headed by the doughty campaigner Dorothy Steeves. Doubtless, the C.C.F. themselves did not expect to win the seat. Their only disappointment at the outcome may be at the mediocre showing they made.

The result of the election brings the Legislature up to full strength again with no change in the party representation. The new members—Mr. Stevenson and Mr. MacDougal—will be acquisition to the House.

MORE RAIN NEEDED

PRINCE RUPERT'S worst knockers, we have some time since concluded, are her own residents and some of the old timers, who have lost sight of the charms and attractions about them, may be listed among the most flagrant offenders. These people cry at Vancouver talking disparagingly about Prince Rupert's weather and in the next breath are complaining themselves about the rain.

Our readers might be surprised to hear that, since we wrote about the need of rain a week ago, some Prince Rupert people have castigated us, even blaming us, for the few little ineffective showers (we never had any idea that we were so influential) we have enjoyed so much these last few days and which have been so helpful in various ways.

We don't like to be disagreeable with our friends but, in spite of what

we have had during the past week, we think we could do with some more rain and again beseech Jupiter Pluvius to continue for us the favor of his watering can.

Just for curiosity we 'phoned over to the Weather Man yesterday to learn that Prince Rupert all this month of June, now nearly expired, had had only 1.62 inches of rain (Vancouver had 1.3 inches in one day recently). And, further, the Weather Man, who lives on Digby Island, commented: "We need more rain and plenty of it. We're running short on water supply over here."

We are just talking this way to suggest that Prince Rupert's resident knockers had better change their tune and, if they must be miserable, talk about the drought and dust rather than the muskeg and rain.

Meantime it is only to be hoped that the optimistic and delighted visitors who are so entranced when they come to Prince Rupert do not come into contact too much with the local grouchers and pessimists who insist upon conjuring up disadvantages and discomforts we suppose they would be kicking anywhere they were anyway.

WORRY AND ILLNESS

A FREQUENT CAUSE of worry is ill-health. Sickness, or fear of sickness, causes depression. Depression aggravates the original ailment and indicates still more worry. It becomes a vicious circle with some doubts as to which came first, the sickness or the worry.

Worrying about sickness, or any other misfortune, is profitable only up to the point where it induces you to do something about it. If the worrying goes beyond that point, or does not induce any corrective action, it is absolutely fruitless. Then it is likely to end up in something about which you will have real cause for worry.

Worry thrives on concealment of its cause. It usually happens that when the cause is discussed frankly with some trusted person, the load of worry grows much lighter if it does not disappear altogether. The worrier is no longer brooding alone. He has 'got it off his chest' and is receptive to advice and assistance. And this is the first step in 'doing something about it.'

What City Council Did

Sale of city owned lots to five purchasers, as reported by the committee-of-the-whole, was approved by council last night. They were:

Lot 11, Cow Bay Subdivision, to C. K. Ytreberg for \$1,750; lot 13, Cow Bay Subdivision, to J. L. Parent for \$1,200; lot 5, Cow Bay Subdivision, to E. Skogmo for \$1,000; lot 19, block 9, section 1, to H. A. Nelson for \$435; two and a half lots in block 7, section 6, to P. L. LeRoss jr. for their assessed value, two of the lots being subject to 50 per cent discount allowed ex-servicemen.

Council approved the purchase of a jack-hammer and accessories from War Assets for \$100.

Council approved a licensing committee report granting McLeod, Pitt-Cross and Gibb a license to operate as building contractors.

A social assistance committee recommendation that the city undertake to pay the Prince Rupert Medical Association 50 cents per month for each individual receiving social assistance allowance to provide for medical care, was approved by council. It is subject to acceptance by the medical association.

Council accepted a committee-

of-the-whole recommendation that the city build a garage to house its equipment. Material will come largely from the old Exhibition Building. The garage will be built behind the Fire Hall.

Payment of accounts for May totalling \$41,187, was approved by city council last night on recommendation of committee of the whole. Payments from the general account totalled \$35,712.

Blast furnace slag from the old smelter at Anyox is to be used experimentally as a finishing surface on newly paved city streets. Council last night authorized the purchase of 100 cubic yards of the material on recommendation of the committee of the whole.

In the absence of Mayor Daggett, Acting Mayor Nora Arnold was chairman of last night's council meeting. Aldermen absent were Alderman Ham, who is in Edmonton and Alderman McKay who is in Vancouver.

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Archbishops Demanding More Modest Garb

TRIVANDRUM, India—Alarmed by "a growing tendency on the part of Christian women to forget decency and modesty," the Archbishops of Cochin and Travancore have demanded that the ladies wear upper garments long enough to cover at least half the hands and lower garments long enough to cover the knees.

The regulation, prescribed in a pastoral letter to all churches, convents and monasteries, was termed "a minimum standard satisfying certain requirements of decency and modesty based on the conception of Oriental womanhood . . ."

"Soft and transparent garments and sleeveless ultra-modern blouses should be eschewed from the dressing code of Catholic women," said the Archbishops, adding: "We view with alarm and dismay this contagion of fashion which is a new phase of paganism and which is working havoc throughout the world. This deplorable neglect of the demands of decency by women has created a new problem for the Church which requires immediate remedy.

"This vulgar liking of the taints of modern sets is one of

NAVAL VESSEL INVITED HERE ON PORT DAY

Fighting units of the Royal Canadian Navy are to be invited to be present at Prince Rupert's Port Day on August 22. Considering a request by the Junior Chamber of Commerce Port Day Committee that the city endorse the committee's action in inviting a naval ship here, council went further and decided to put forward an official invitation for the gala occasion. The aldermen also granted the Port Day committee's request that the day be declared a civic holiday to allow all citizens to take part in or watch the marine celebration.

The invitations to have a naval ship present will be sent to naval headquarters at Esquimalt. It is hoped that either H.M.C.S. Charlottetown or Crescent will be present on Port Day.

100,000 INDIANS STRIKE

COLCOMBO, Ceylon—Nearly 100,000 Indians in Ceylon went on strike recently as a protest against the government's action in serving notice to quit on 400 Indian laborers on an estate bought for a land settlement scheme.

the growing pains of civilization which is rocking the solid foundation of the modesty of Christian womanhood."

Penguin Observes Shaw's Birthday

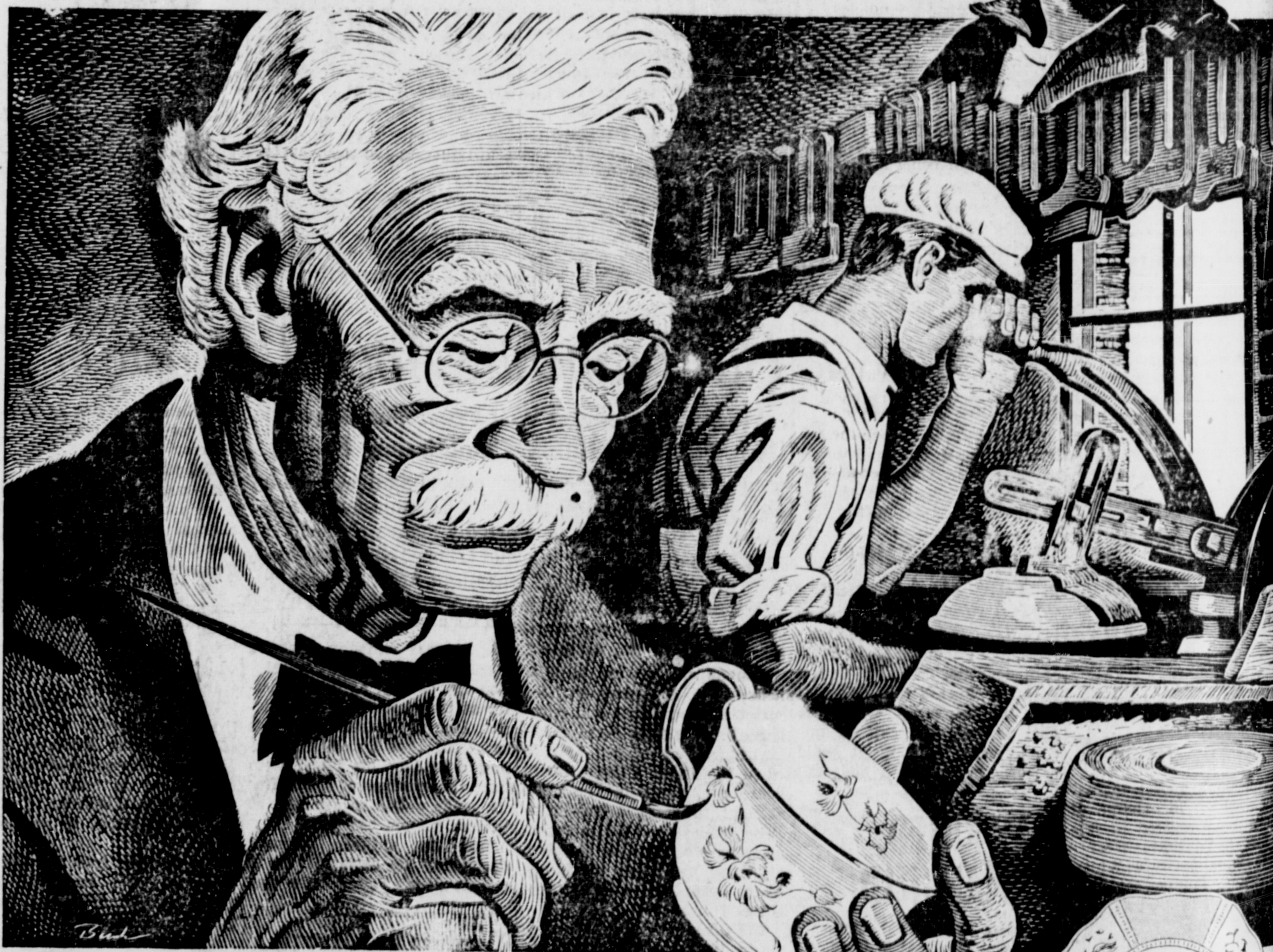
LONDON—In celebration of George Bernard Shaw's birthday on July 26, 1946, in all—will be published in the Penguin series. The 100,000,000 Penguin volume will be published in 11 years. Among commemorative issues will be "G. B. S. 90," a collection of essays edited by S. W. Parry, neighbor of Shaw's.

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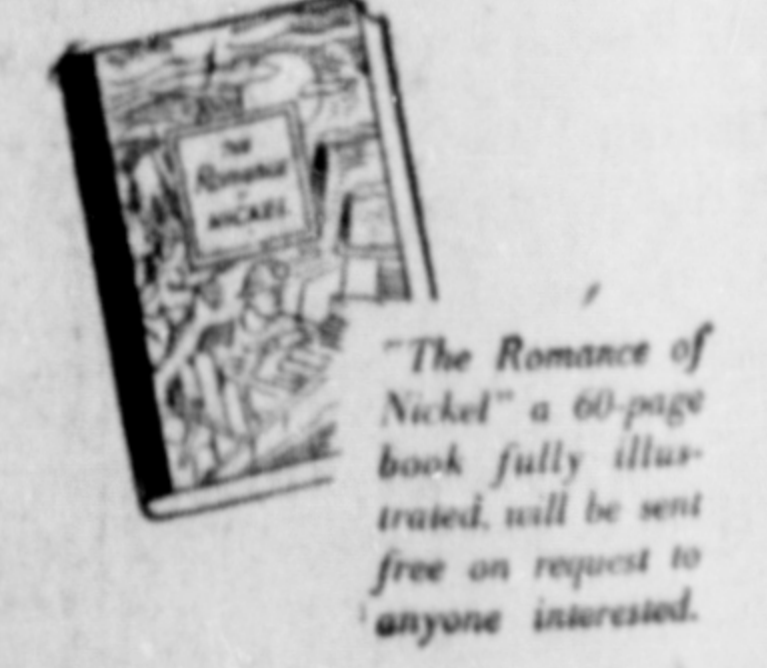
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The taggers were Mary Doane, Helen Hibbard, Robert Wood, Barbara Teng, Janet Wong, Edna Juvik, Carol Moorehouse, Sheila Bennett, Pat Hill, Yvonne Jackson, Alfred Blackaby, Marjorie Way, Alex Benson, Elvin Phillips, William Becker, Tommy Moorehouse, Ross Ingram, Leonard Griffiths, Joyce Moorehouse, William Blackaby, Henry Blackaby, Sena Pavlikis, Ethel Calder, Penio Penoff, Donald McAfee, Rena Ingram, Leona Webster, June Ratchford, Myrtle Miller, Jimmy Holt, Gienna Widdoes, Terry Ingleson, Bobby Watts, Julian and Patrick Parnell, Edna Olsen, Molly Petersen and Chester Miller.

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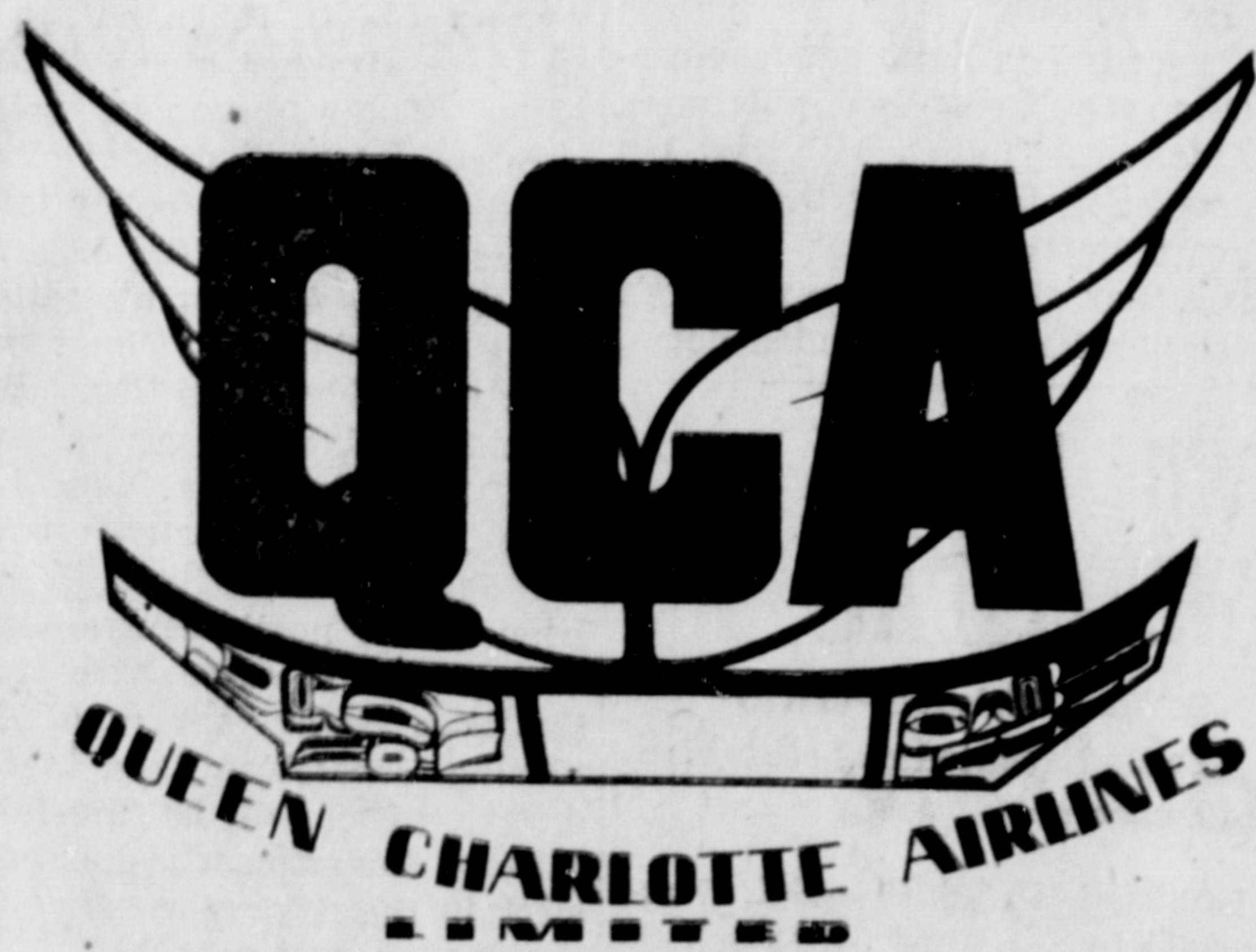
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