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Dominion Day . . .

DAILY EDITION

Tomorrow thoughts of Canadians turn to the the war. Even if it were certain, hood or that they will be con- done about this condition. names of Brown, Cartier, Galt, Macdonald, McGee, that they would be less, and taminated by the presence of Tilly and Tupper-"Big Seven" whose work made many economists believe the these aged gentlemen, who, like Confederation possible. For tomorrow Canada cele- contrary to be more likely, the a good many more are on the brates her 77th birthday.

Friday, June 30, 1944

And that birthday will be celebrated despite the selves "A Group of Pinoeers" have the idea that, because they fact that some calendars for 1944 show July 3 as would take the trouble to see are in possession of a little more Dominion Day. The confusion arose out of last year's decision to celebrate Dominion Day-one of the six wartime statutory holidays-on the first Monday in not speak so blithely of "wait- How much better if the writers July. Since then, however, an order-in-council was ing till after the war." passed re-instating July 1 as the observance date.

It will be the nation's fifth birthday since the start of the Second Great War and celebrations will one must know the cost of the home built. (I guess there are be tempered by the fact that Canada's sailor sons building one desires to construct, enough business men interested are sailing the world's seas searching out the enemy, The cost of the proposed Pion- to overcome all the so-called obthat her soldiers are fighting bitter battles in France by the amount of money avail- building). and Italy, and that her airmen are encountering the enemy in the skies.

Confederation followed on the heels of a movement for union of the Maritime provinces and it was believe that such permit will be tight fist was asked one day to during a convention of Maritimers at Charlottetown extended at once. At present donate for a worthy cause and in September, 1864, that a delegation arrived from United Canada - Quebec and Ontario. This delega- construction in Vancouver. We one artificial eye for which tion pledged support to the Charlottetown plan for Maritime union and urged the possibility of including all British North America in plans of federation.

As a result, a conference of British North Ameri- give the necessary permits with- give you a cheque." After taking can provinces was held in Quebec the next month. out delay. The results of this conference were incorporated in tunds on the promote building face the canvasser said to him 72 resolutions which became the basis for the British North America Act of 1867 - an act which was is that such a step would be said the man. "Well Sir, after passed by the British parliament without a division at any stage of its consideration. A royal proclamation announced July 1, 1867, as the official birthday of the new Dominion of Canada.

Peculiarly, however, Prince Edward Island, where the groundwork for Confederation was laid, did not enter the Dominion until 1871, the B.N.A. Act at first bringing together only Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Manitoba - half her present size-entered in 1870, while British Colrumbia became part of the nation, with P.E.I. the Editor, it is the considered opin- will do all in their power in one next year.

In 1905 the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were carved out of the giant Northwest Terri- to are not so much afraid that will be a place fit for them or tories.

It's a far cry back to 1867 and the beginning of the nation but if the Fathers of Confederation could at all. turn benevolent eyes upon the Dominion they would see real fruits of their work for Canada has taken her place among the major nations of the world.

As one of the United Nations fighting Nazi and ticular effort to hurt our cam- attached. Fascist tyranny the Dominion boasts a navy with paign will prove a distinct boom-80,000 personnel while 478,000 Canadians are in army Rupert know now that the Home uniforms and 206,500 in air force blue—and her in- is urgently needed. They can dustrial effort has been by no means small. In 1943 quite well be trustd to see to it Canada's export trade hit \$3,001,600,000, highest in the nation's history.

Reviving Exhibition . . .

The move to revive the annual Prince Rupert Exhibition is a happy idea and one which we hope will materialize into full consummation. The war will be a bang over before not so very long now, we hope, and it will be appropriate for us to actively encourage and foster the betterment of things agricultural and horticultural as well indeed as the domestic, educational Prince and cultural arts not mentioning the industries and trades. And there is no better way of bringing about such a fostering than by healthy competition as to excellence of attainment in quality of product such as a fair or exhibition brings about.

And as has been pointed out the opening of the Skeena River Highway to connect Prince Rupert more directly and intimately to the interior hinterland with all its resources of agriculture and other natural products is an especially good reason why we should be taking action to revive the exhibition in the principal city, port and business centre. It will be another very effective means of developing better relations, understanding and mutual appreciation Corner 2nd Ave. and 4th 8t. between city and district. The annual exhibition may well again become an important event in community Phone Red 389 P.O. Box 1294 life here.



HOME COMMITTEE REPLIES

Editor, Daily News:

25 Prince Rupert would be willing Bonds for a postwar building." .50 to set their names to a letter! Now Sir, not knowing just who

as the letter referred to. material, etc. The committee is these pioneer gentlemen.

Home is needed now. pioneers are living they would going to live on here forever.

able for the purpose. When we Reading that letter reminds will apply for a building per- something like this-A man with thousands of homes are under replied to the canvasser: "I have have sufficient faith in the good- paid a large sum so that it would to feel certain that, when the made. Now, if you can tell me situation is explained, they will which one is my own eye, I will

funds on the present building "Sir, it's your left eye." Which were explored. But expert advice was correct. "How can you tell," highly inadvisable. First the looking at the two eyes I can see cost would be unduly high, more of the milk of human is about the worst in the city than in your own." for the purpose.

the military authorities the a little more of the milk of huperfectly certain that, if they man, this world would be a much do object, they will say so. And better place to live in. letter either.

composers of the letter referred pioneer gentlemen a home that building material but rather their declining years in and a that we will spend any money credit to the people of the city.

ple of Prince Rupert is any- on the matter it would look betthing to go by I venture to sug- ter in print and be more hongest, Mr. Editor, that this par- orable with their own names erang. The people of Prince ing this space to reply. that no organized minority is

going to stop them. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me thank all those who have already so generously donated and let me urge those who have not already done so to get behind our committee and put the campaign over the top with

Thank you, Md. Editor.

PILLS belp to soothe, and tone u H. E. E. FAURE, Secretary

Rupert Pioneers' Home Fund Committee.

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PLEA FOR PIONEERS Editor, Daily News:

me some space in your paper to night in the News several times, ment of National Defence after, It is a matter of record that reply, on behalf of the Pioneers' I have tried in vain to under- the war. What I actually said the Carnival was first proposed Home Fund Committee, to a stand just what the inference was that one of the Anmy hos- in the Civic Centre Central Comletter published yesterday in was. To me it does seem that pitals adjacent to the General mittee on May 1, 1940, when it both Prince Rupert papers. | what these pioneers want to put Hospital might be obtained af- was decided to hold a fall car-May I say at the outset that over is that the folks who are ter the war for an Isolation Hos- nival. At another meeting on 15 it is not the usual practice to interesting themselves in getting pital. That I consider is quite June 7, of this same committee, \$7.00 dignify anonymous letters with a decent home for these aged | reasonable. .65 a reply. However, the letter re- gentlemen are all wrong. If we | Without going further into Chamber of Commerce to merge ferred to raises some points like- the public do anything at all, let the letter may I ask who are their Port Day and the Trades ly to prejudice the success of it be spending a little money on these pioneers who are so and Labor Council their Labor our fund raising campaign. Ob- the present premises. And then anxious to place money and pro- Day sports with the Civic Centre viously that was the object of they go on to say: "If the time perty values before human Committee for the purpose of the "affeged" Pioneers in ask is opportune? let contributions values? .10 ing you to publish their letter. toward the building of a new Thank you Mr. Editor. Our committee cannot under- home be obtained but let the stand how reputable citizens of fund be marked to buy Victory

containing as many misstate- these pioneers are who are the Editor, Daily News: ments of facts and innuendos authors of the letter, I venture to express an opinion that they The first objection (?) was are not living in any place rethe present cost of building sembling the present home of here seem to employ only sol-

aware that cost or building to- | There is a cause for every ef- a month clerking and washing day is higher than it was in | fect and I just wonder if some of prewar days. However there is these people are not just afraid no assurance whatsoever that that this new home will be built those costs will be less after in their own beautiful neighborwestward slope of life.

If the persons calling them- | Some people have or seem to for themselves under what sort of this world's filthy lucre than of conditions some of our real some other poor soul, they are

of the letter were to get in and Has a building permit been he'p the rest of the publicsecured? No, it has not. Before spirited folk of Prince Rupert applying for a building permit, and see to it that we do get this eers' Home will be determined stacles standing in the way of

know the sum we can spend we me much of a story which goes will of our government officials be as near perfect as it could be a good look at his hard, mean Secondly, the present location kindness in your artificial eye

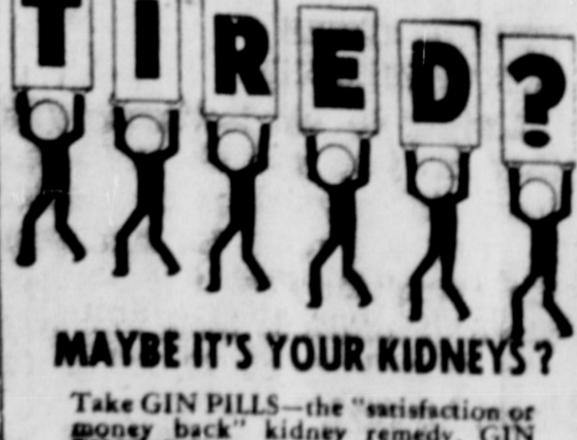
I think if these people, who-As to possible objections by ever they are, were to exercise people of Prince Rupert may be man kindness to their fellow

they will not do it by anonymous! I sincerely hope that every public body, every trade union To be perfectly candid, Mr. and organization of any kind ion of our committee that the big united effort to build these we will spend too much for any who come after them to pass

And further, if the authors of If the past record of the peo- the letter have any more to say

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ALD. HILLS REPLIES

Editor, Daily News:

states that I (chairman of the support for the Junior Chamber Civic Health Committee) sug- of Commerce Carnival Queen gested that a suitable building candidate on the grounds that for an Isolation Hospital might that club was the one that had I will appreciate it if you allow ' After reading the letter last be obtained from the Depart- "given us" the Carnival.

GEORGE HILLS

TERRACE COMPLAINT

ing and low wages. Business men dishes while local girls must go out of town looking for work.

I think something should be |

O. M. K. SMITH.

CREDIT WHERE CREDET DUE

Editor, Daily News:

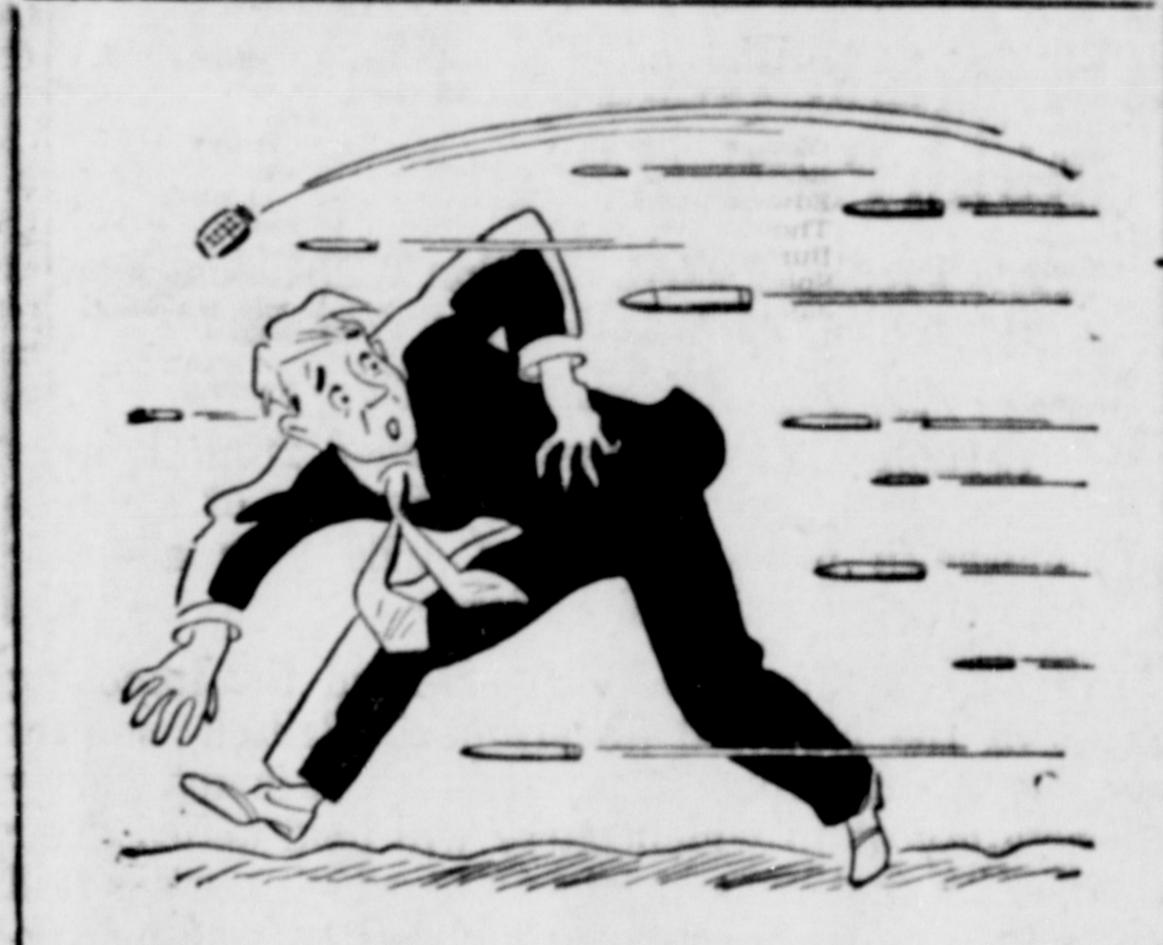
Paragraph four of the letter It was with considerable sursigned "A Group of Pioneers" prise that I read an ad soliciting

> it was decided to ask the Junior putting on one big carnival, and the four organizations-Rotary, Gyro, Junior Chamber of Commerce and Sons of Norwaywere a ked to appoint a special committee to undertake the ven-

Statesments, therefore, of the kind referred to above are definitely misleading, constitute unfair practice in the present conest and are not conducive to harmony between the various organizations in town which are ail working to the same endthe building of our Civic Centre Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this space.

R. G. LARGE





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