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A.R.P. Responsibility . . .

We do not propose to suggest that to bring about an improvement in the Civil Protection set-up in Prince Rupert it is essential to transfer, as proposed, the responsibility and leadership of the organization from the executive as now constituted to the mayor and city council. We do hope, however, that the A.R.P. will not be made into a football to be kicked back and forward in any contention as to who should or should not be responsible for the leadership and organization. There was a note of perfunctoriness in the manner in which it was handled at the city council meeting Monday when the communication from the present Civil Protection Committee chairman was read pointing out that A.R.P. was a civic responsibility which should be taken over by the city.

A. R. P., if it is of any importance at all, is a matter of greatest urgency and one that should have immediate and effective attention, not just something that can be attended to when time permits. If the time ever came, and military authorities have expressed the opinion that it is quite possible that it may when A.R.P. service would be needed, other matters would mean little.

The A.R.P. in Prince Rupert has been lagging for some time and it is important that it should receive early and effective tonic. Certainly, there should be no time wasted in arguing about who should be responsible for it.

Shipbuilding Work . . .

The announcement that Wartime Shipbuilding has ordered fourteen Victory ship freighters to be built this year at Vancouver, Victoria and Prince Rupert shipyards means that there will still be substantial activity at the coast yards in 1944 although on reduced scale from last year. With the likelihood of some naval shipbuilding contracts also coming up in addition to the freighters, the possibility of a collapse in shipbuilding on the British Columbia coast for this year at least is removed.

Exhibition Basketball

Displaying an agile method of weaving in and out the Air Force Gremlins defeated a combination of American and Canadian workers by a score of 20 to 10 in a practise basketball game for women. Both teams showed great possibilities of successs in the women's area basketball league.

The top scorer for the Gremlins was McIntyre with 8 points, for the civies Edgar and Miggins getting 4 points each.

The teams were very evenly matched and there were only two fouls each.

In the second game B.-Me-Hi defeated the C.W.A.C. "Jeepets" with a score of 18 to 14. Greig tallied up 8 points for the Bo-Me-Hi. Hill made 6 points for the "Jeepets". The "Jeepets" received seven fouls and the Bo-Me-Hi. 2. This game was evenly matched the players were picked to meet in the exibition game on Jan. 28.

Funeral Of Peter Czyz

Friends and acquaintances of many years standing gathered at the Grenville Court Chapel of the B. C. Undertakers yesterday afternoon to pay their final respects to the late Peter Czyz. Rev. A. J. Donnell, pastor of First United Church, officiated at the funeral service.

A large number of the city's Ukrainian residents and others to whom Mr. Czyz had attached himself in friendship during his long residence here were in attendance. The hymns "Lead Kindly Light", and "Abide With Me", were sung. Mrs. J. C. Gilker was organist.

Interment took place in Fairview cemetery.

Pallbearers were Mike Corney, H. Smithy, D. Chevchuk, C. Wallace' A. Makchuk, and J. Kuzyk.

Floral tributes were received from Mrs. A. Suliskoski and Family, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wallace and family, Mr. and Mrs. Krook and family, the Canadian Ukrainian Association, Comrades of the Labor-Progressive Club, Mike Corney, and the Federation of Russian Canadians.

Tonight's train, due from the east at 10:45 was reported this afternoon to be on time.

Basketball All Stars Are Named

The all stars to play Port Edward January 28 in basketball have been chosen by Sid Woodside who is president of the Men's Area Basketball league. They are as follows:

Santerbane (Reserves) McPhee (reserves) Dominato (Reserves) Fitch (Reserves) Taylor (Fortress) Zack (R.C.A.F. Wallace (Navy) Kutner (Ont.) Calderone (Coast) McMurchie (Fortress) Coach.

Dawson-Pollberg Funeral Is Held

The double funeral of D'Arcy Dawson and John Pollberg, two elderly men who passsd away in their cabins across the harbor last week, was held on Saturday from the Grenville Court Chapel of the B.C. Undertakers. The Rev. A. F. MacSween officiated.

D. C. Scott, well known confectionery traveler, is paying his first visit of the year to the city, having arived this morning from Vancouver.

Sick Visiting By Red Cross

Many Attentions Paid During Year to Patients in Service Hospitals Here.

During the past year 2615 patients in service hospitals in Prince Rupert were visited, according to the report of Mrs. J. B. Gibson, convener of the sick visiting committee, presented at the anual meeting of the local branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society last night. There were 1927 visits to military hospitals, 310 to the navy, 366 to the air force and 12 to Royal Canadian Air Force, Women's Division. This was a slight increase over the preceding year.

There were fifteen members on the sick visiting committee and their activities included distribution of magazines, cigarettes, chocolate bars and garden flowers in season. One hundred and fifty Christmas parcels had been distributed.

Mrs. Gibson acknowledged especially the services of Mrs. D. G. Borland and H. A. Breen.

The first social event of the newly organized Prince Rupert Fun Club, which is introducing the game of dart baseball here, will be a dance tomorrow night in the Eagles' Hall.

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The Annual Meeting of the CIVIC CENTRE ASSOCIATION will be held on THURSDAY, JAN. 20th, at 8 p.m. in the City Hall. All persons interested should attend this meeting at which the public will appoint their representatives to the Management.

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