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Why the New Home is Needed

When the Prince Rupert Old Men's Home was organized five years ago its initial facilities were recognized as only a temporary measure to fill a growing need. It was begun out of the knowledge that, while in its first 30 years a new community merely begins to grow up, yet during the same 30 years the men who did the back-breaking ground work for its development, grow old.

There were no old men on Kaien Island in 1909. It was young men who felled the big trees and burrowed in muskeg to make streets. It was young men who blasted rock to let the railroad through and drove pilings to build wharves. It was young men who lived in tents and cabins while they built houses in this city, many of which still stand.

It was many of those same men who remained with the town, through the years, contributed to its development, participated in its life, and were part of it.

It is a few of those men who now require the city's help.

Somebody who felt that he was wise enough to know, once said that the extent of a community's civilization can be determined by the way it treats its dead. He might have gone further and included its aged and helpless.

Prince Rupert's first effort to assist its aged and helpless has played out. With community dictates.

the passing years the need for greater facilities has increased while the accommodation has remained static. Today the community looks after nine of its pioneers with the least possible consideration to their peace of mind and comfort.

Public awareness of the need to correct this state of affairs has resulted in a drive to raise funds by subscription to supplement a city appropriation to build a new pioneer home.

The building which houses the present Home was never meant for the purpose. The three rooms which constitute it are inadequate in size, and awkward in arrangement. In one of the rooms, which is a sleeping dormitory or a dining room, depending on the hour of the day, the whole life of the Home centres.

There is no infirmary or sick bay. There are no food storage facilities. In short, as many of Prince Rupert's elder citizens as it is possible to "accommodate" have been crowded into this back yard hostel and forgotten.

The community can feel proud that it has finally remembered these men and is taking action to help them and others in similar circumstances. The tentative plans which have been drawn up for a new home indicate public recognition of the fact that they will be at least allowed the dignity which their past service to the

THE PRESENT HOME THE FUTURE HOME

Originally intended to accommodate eight men. There are nine men living in it now.

No provision for segregating ailing men from well men. Sickness and death occur in central room where the other inmates eat and sleep.

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