

Serious Question of Rats . . .

Due to the increasing incidence and wider distribution of rat-borne diseases - notedly typhus fever, plague and tularemia, the federal, provincial and local health departments have been making surveys of rat conditions and studies of the various methods of rat control and extermination. From experience over a number of years, it is found that rat exclusion and continuous extermination, both must be applied, to obtain appreciable control of these rodents.

The ideal objective, of course, would be rat-proof buildings, protected garbage containers and properly operated incinerators for disposal of all combustible refuse. This goal cannot be reached until the public realizes the immense economic

losses incurred by these pests and that their presence in a community is a constant menace to the public's health and welfare. Therefore, extermination must be carried on until the public wakes up to the dangers of rat infestation.

In addition to huge economic losses caused by rats, they are known to be the causative factors in the spread of several serious communicable diseases - bubonic plague, typhus fever, infectious jaundice, tapeworm and rat bite fever. These diseases are not unknown in B.C. and this northwest coast. A recent news item appearing in the press tells of the presence of plague in the Port of Tacoma, Washington, where the public health authorities were forced to enact special quarantine and fumigation measures for the protection of the health of the people. Such a condition of affairs might easily be brought about in Prince Rupert, where, according to a recent authoritative estimates, there is a rat population of at least 6,000. With an increase in shipping to and from foreign ports, Prince Rupert must be on guard against any potential or actual serious outbreak of rat-borne diesease.

LOOKING OVER

Fortress won its first game of the Senior Softball League season by defeating Navy, 6 to 5, in a hard-fought game at Gyro their recently-acquired league Park last night. Tommy Urquhart, who was a 5-2 win from St. Louis, while batted out of the box by Port | New York was trimming Phila-Edward in his first pitching as- delphia, 7-5. Brooklyn edged out signment, hurled the entire game | Boston, 9-8, and Chicago swept

for the winners. Navy 000 020 012-5 8-1 and 3-0. Fortress . . 000 001 32x-6 Rogers; Fortress-Urquhart and setback, and Cleveland took a

FORTRESS WINS

SOFTBALL GAME

Algoma Park, Acropolis M.P.'s tal of 27 innings in the two defeated Co-ops, 3 to 1. Fryman games of their doubleheader, and ROBINSON IS was the winning hurler, besting only one of them was completed. Kellett in a mound duel.

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MAJOR LEAGUES

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In the American League, Phil-Batteries: Navy - Irvine and adelphia handed New York a 4-3 5-2 decision from St. Louis. Bos-In an intermediate game at ton and Washington played a to-Boston took the first game, 6-5, after 13 innings, and the second 100 000 0-1 game was halted by the curfew 020 000 1-3 law after 14 innings with the

In the International circuit, Montreal gave Jersey City a 15-4

shellacking. Baltimore trounced dent, C.N.R. western region. The Toronto, 11-6. Newark took a division gaining the highest 3-1 game from Rochester, and number of points awarded on the Syracuse squeezed out a 4-3 win basis of percentage of quota subover Buffalo.

Here are today's games: National League Chicago at Cincinnati, Brooklyn at Boston, 1/4 Philadelphia at New York, and St. Louis at Pittsburgh. American League

Detroit at Chicago, Boston at Washington, and New York at Philadelphia. International League

Toronto at Baltimore, Montreal at Jersey City, Buffalo at Syracuse, and Rochester at Newark.

NOT SLIPPING

NEW YORK, June 16 (P)-Hay (Sugar) Robinson answered rumors that the "uncrowned king of the welterweights" was slip- No work too large or too small ping last night when he knocked out Jimmy McDaniels in the second round of a scheduled 10round bout at Madison Squire Garden.

Farewell Surprise Party Last Night

ed in a surprise visit last evening at the home of Mrs. Fraser Fulton, Seventh Avenue East, to bid farewell prior to her departure next Monday night for Nanaimo to take up future residence. Presentation was made of a handsome scenic picture. After having been here for the past two or three years employed at the local dry dock, Mr. Fulton went south recently and Mrs. Fulton is now leaving to join

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The painting is the work of Frank Bird, an employee in the dry dock who has a wide experience in such work. His drawmagazine "Builders for Freedom." Mr. Bird also was an illustrator at one time for "Purple and Gold," the publication of the famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The picture on display is a realistic view of the "Westview Park," one of the many 10,000ton cargo ships built in this dry

Flanking the picture are the

two Devenish cups won by the Prince Rupert Dry Dock and Shipyard in the Seventh and Eighth Victory Loan campaigns. These trophies were awarded for competition among the 13 divisions of the western region of the Canadian National Railways by W. R. Devenish, vice-presiscribed and percentage of employees subscribing wins the cup. As the Prince Rupert Dry Dock and Shipyard led the whole western region in both campaigns they are now the proud possessors of two cups. Incidentally, when the cabinet holding the two cups was on display in the shipyard the most frequently heard comment was that there seemed hardly enough room for the next cup.

The local dry dock and shipyard is proud of its record of achievement in the building of minesweepers and cargo ships as well as in the repairs to hundreds

CROSS

A great emergency has arisen for supplying the outfits of civilian clothing to the Far East internees. The time limit for packing and shipping is very short. Two thousand of these cutfits must be ready by July 1. It will be realized from this emergency call that every branch should endeavor to keep open during this rush and no thought of closing the workroom should be entertained at present. The local workroom will be open every afternoon next week ings are a regular feature of the except Saturday. More workers dry dock and shipyard plant are urgently needed in order to meet the above emergency.

> ▲ Moose are requested to attend funeral of late Mrs. Emil Petersen, Monday, 2:30 p.m., at Lutheran Church.

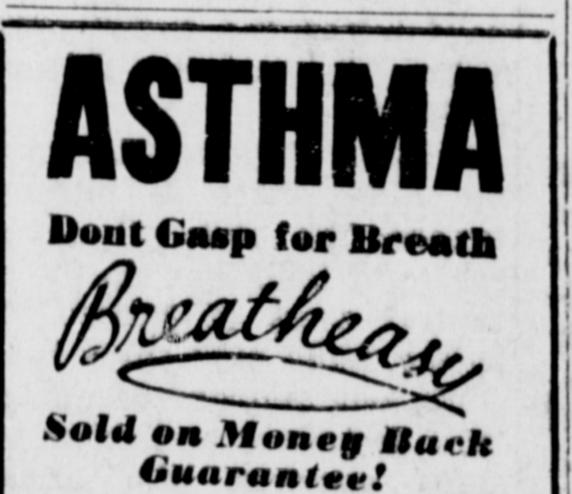
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