

# The Prince Rupert Health Unit -- A Community Service

## WORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT IN PRINCE RUPERT IS FILMED

Provincial health officers, Sanitary inspectors and nurses' meeting at the Empress Hotel in Victoria, next week will be shown the motion picture, "Test in Time," which is based on the work of the Prince Rupert Health Unit. Premiered at the Capitol Theatre here, the picture will later be shown to schools, clubs and other organizations in this district. Prints of it may be made for province-wide distribution.

Production of the movie began early this year under the supervision of Dr. R. G. Knipe, Medical Health Officer. W. T. Davis was the man behind the camera, while Bob Willett, of the CBC, was loaned to the Health Unit, to direct the shooting.

After more than two months of actual filming, the movie was ready for final processing, and it emerged as an interesting half-hour of scenes ranging from natural color sequence showing northern scenery and industries, to the bathing of a new-born baby in a wartime house. The script was written to be both entertaining and informative, and the film is designed to acquaint residents of the district with the many activities carried out or supervised by the Unit, the difficulties which are being overcome, and ways in which citizens may assist in the fight against disease.

It is expected that showings of the film will result in increased interest and more willingness on the part of the public to assist the vital work of the Rupert Health Unit.

## Committee Probes Education Set-up

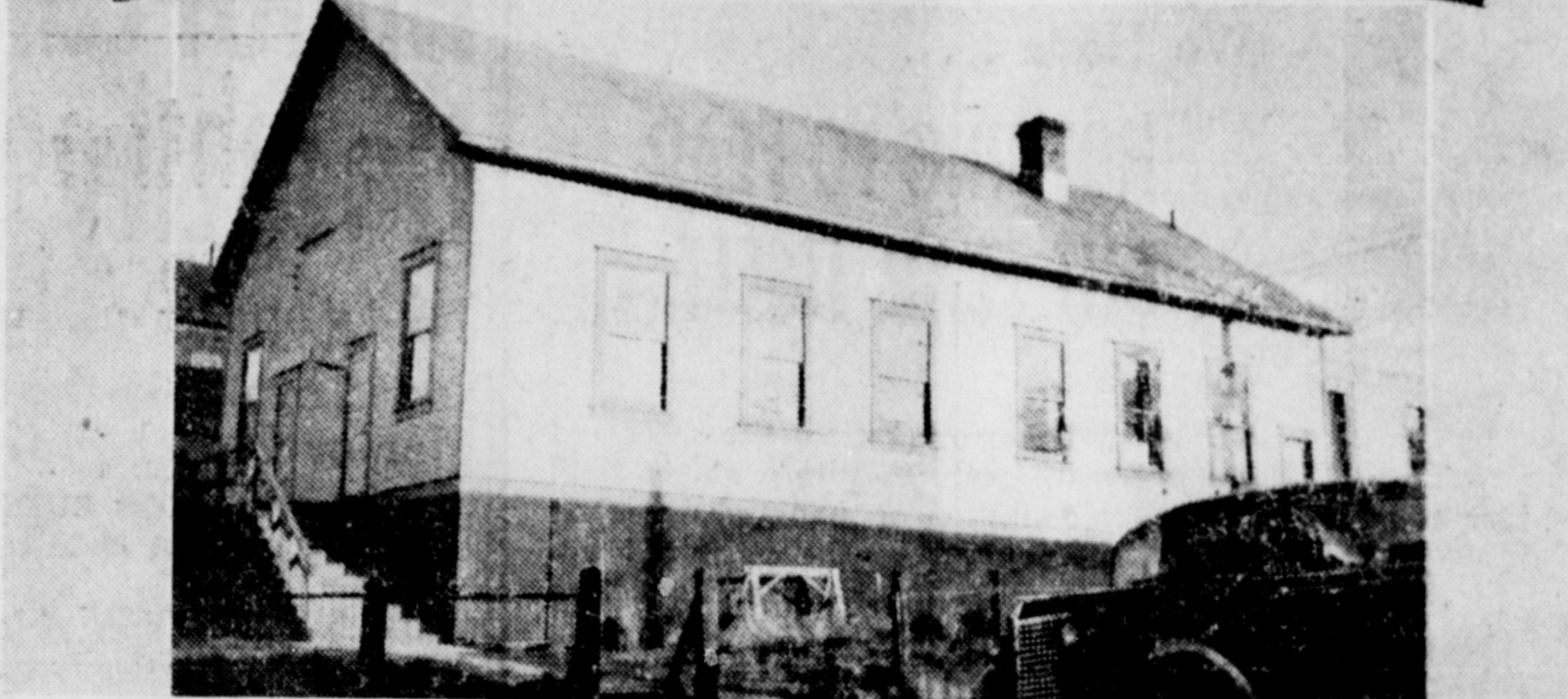
TORONTO, March 31 — In the fall of 1942, a survey committee was set up by the Canada and Newfoundland Education Association and was instructed to give the whole educational setup in Canada and Newfoundland a real searching inquiry. The association is an organization of top-ranking department of education officials and men and women of high position in municipal and voluntary educational bodies.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. W. P. Perceval, director of Protestant Education for Quebec, the survey committee studied available reports on our Canadian educational systems and programs and consulted leading educationists throughout the field.

The report of this committee was widely read and critically studied. It presents 15 outstanding needs in Canadian education in the order of immediacy. First of all ranks "Health examination and follow-up treatments for all children."

After recognizing good work in health education in our schools, it recommends that Canada spend annually additional millions for school health programs. The report declares that "healthy children are public assets; sickly children are liabilities."

And the present is a good time to bring these recommendations and the work of the committee to light again.



## Health Unit In Action . . .

1. Dr. R. G. Knipe, director.
2. A patient receiving treatment in venereal disease clinic.
3. M. J. Harper, sanitary inspector.

Below: The Prince Rupert Public Health Unit Building on Second Avenue.

Every man and woman entering Canada's armed forces is given a chest X-ray.

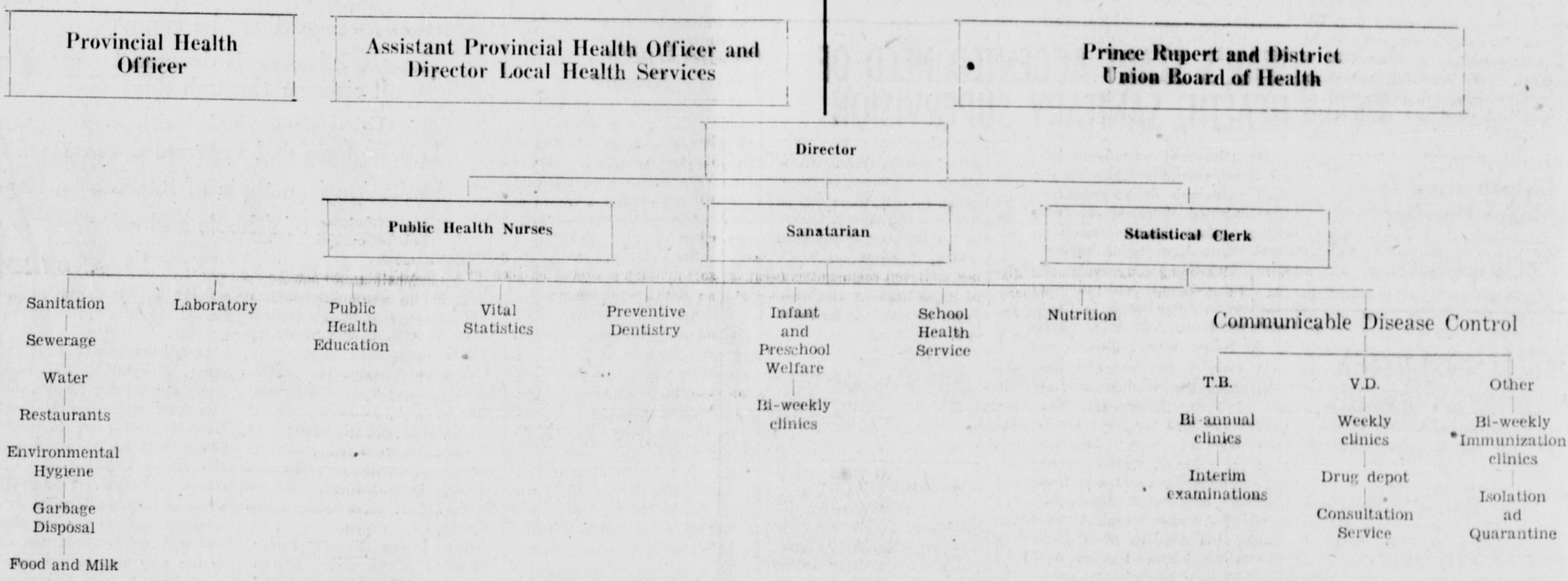
Every case of Tuberculosis comes from another case.

In the final analysis, the public depends upon the food handler in restaurants to use every precaution in guarding against the spread of infections from this source.

Unformed or misinformed persons do not recognize readily the dangers associated with syphilis and gonorrhoea.

There are no signs of early TB.

## PRINCE RUPERT HEALTH UNIT



*"If I had only known --"*

"I once thought that TB had to run in the family. There was no TB in my family so I never gave it a thought. If I had only known . . ."

"I always believed that as long as I felt well nothing could be the matter with me. If I had only known . . ."

"I never lost a day of work. I just would not believe that TB might hit me. If I had only known . . ."

"I believed in letting well enough alone. It upset me to find out unpleasant things. Now I am in real trouble. If I had only known . . ."

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