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TRUCKING HEARING

THE Public Utilities Commission is to be commended on its promptitude in meeting the request of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, backed by other chambers and boards in the district, that the hearing on the Canadian National Transportation Ltd. application for a scheduled trucking licence to carry freight and express on the highway between Burns Lake and Prince Rupert should be held on the ground concerned instead of in Vancouver as originally announced. All those interested in making representations one way or another on their own behalf or on general principles will now have the chance to do so without the inconvenience and cost which would have been involved in going to Vancouver. It means that the Commission is coming to the interested people instead of the people having to go to it which is quite fitting and proper.

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IMMIGRATION POLICY

CERTAINLY Prime Minister Mackenzie King cannot be accused of being very drastic or far-reaching on immigration plans which he has given to Parliament. In fact it indicated no definite intention on the part of the government to open the bars to immigration in the near future and there will be considerable criticism that more speedy measures are not being taken to bring in the people which Canada obviously needs in some more substantial measure.

British Columbia is particularly interested in the matter of Oriental immigration on which the government, with Progressive-Conservative approval at least, appears to be playing safe. It is certain that, as far as the Japanese are concerned, there is no desire to open the gates to them.

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JAYCEES SHOW THE WAY

GLISTENING example of what can be accomplished by an effort of well organized enthusiasm stands the museum building on Second Avenue today, transformed since yesterday from a grimsy old artichitectural eyesore to a shining ornament. Thus the energetic members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, giving up their ordinary Sunday leisure and personal occupations, turned out for a painting bee by which "Clean up and Paint up Week" in Prince Rupert is colorfully inaugurated. That the rest of the citizens of Prince Rupert will follow the lead thus set and enhance their own properties as well as join in the general intensive campaign of civic beautification which will mark this sunny week is to be hoped.

One of the most important things expected of good citizens is to be neat and tidy. We are all anxious that Prince Rupert should have a good name. We can never have that if we are dingy and dowdy. Such a condition is an obvious indication of lack of civic pride.

So, congratulations to the Junior Chamber of Commerce and good luck to their "Clean up and Paint up Week!"

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HELPING CHILDREN

THE WORLD WE BUILD today will be the heritage of tomorrow. What kind of a world will it be? Whatever kind it is, it will be the world in which our children live and work and it is worthy of our highest endeavors.

A vital task of rehabilitation in war-ravaged lands, along with the rebuilding of levelled towns an villages, is the rebuilding and reshaping of the lives of the people, and especially the children, into patterns of normalcy and hope.

The sacrifice in lives to free the world from tyranny has been great and the cost of victory dear, yet victory cannot be said to have been won while children starve. And let it not be forgotten that among the children of today are the leaders of tomorrow. Deprived of healthy childhood, living in cold and want and fear, can they develop into well-balanced, emotionally stable, constructive world citizens in the years ahead?

Today many children are in grave need of help. They need food that we can send, and warm clothing and shoes. And, no less important, they need the spirit of goodwill these things will symbolize. For there are wounds of the spirit which only a great spiritual compassion can heal. Only the warmth of a universal love put into action can banish fear and restore confidence and hope to the lives of these child victims of war.

We are all world builders. Our goal is the establishment of a world wherein dwell peace, equality of opportunity, ever new concepts of freedom, a more abundant life. We can win this goal most readily by doing what we can in the practical things of providing food, clothing, and medicines which is the present need and which may start millions of children back on the road to constructive lives.

There is no greater or more urgent demand today. There is no richer opportunity. There is no higher privilege.

EXECUTIVE OF TEACHERS IN SESSION

At a meeting of the executive of the Prince Rupert District Teachers' Association on Saturday afternoon, J. S. Wilson, chairman, geographical representative of Northern British Columbia and a member of the provincial executive, referred to a report on teacher training and certification. This report had been made by a special committee and had been submitted to the provincial government over a year ago. The teachers decided to press for the publication of the report.

British Columbia teachers will form a province-wide committee to continue a study of the B. C. Teachers' Federation proposals in the same field. The Federation is already on record as supporting a "college of education" to be affiliated with the University of British Columbia. Under the proposed set-up, direction of all teacher training would be unified with an extended and improved programs the primary objective. B.C. Training standards are already high though in some provinces the training standards are scandulously low, said Leonard W. Brockington, K.C., C.M.G., LLD., D.C.L., of Ottawa, who was the special convention guest speaker. Mr. Brockington advocated a national commission to probe all phases of education in Canada.

Mr. Wilson also stated that the Federation would press for the rights of teachers to hold public offices. For society to be free, teachers must be free. And it was inconceivable that society, which entrusts the training of its children to qualified teachers, should continue to deny teachers the right as citizens to hold office on civic committees.

Present at the executive meeting were Miss Cunliffe, Miss Beale, J. Boet and H. T. Bateman.

CANCER DRIVE NOW AT $1,450

The "Conquer Cancer" campaign has so far collected $1,450, Mrs. J. D. Fraser, drive chairman announced this morning. Here are the latest contributions:

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Miller Bay Is Growing

One Hundred and Fifteen Patients Now There—Port Simpson Closed

With the historic Port Simpson Hospital now closed, Miller Bay hospital near Galloway Rapids, just outside of Prince Rupert, has now become the real centre for treatment of natives of this district, principally those suffering from tuberculosis, although there are also some with other maladies. The patient population of the 150-bed hospital now stands at 115 and is gradually increasing. The staff consists of approximately 60. Further buildings may become necessary before long, particularly for the housing of the staff.

Dr. J. A. Macdonald, who was medical superintendent of Port Simpson Hospital, has moved into the city to become associated with Dr. J. D. Galbraith the medical superintendent at Miller Bay. Lady superintendent at Miller Bay is Miss Mary Morton, R.N.

The only professional personnel still stationed at Port Simpson is a public health nurse who ministers to the emergency needs of the community.

MASONIC FUNERAL

Final respects were paid yesterday afternoon to the memory of Suleung Fong, long prominent in Chinese Free Masonry, local merchant, and active in the affairs of Prince Rupert's Chinese community. Grenville Court Chapel was thronged to capacity. Rev. F. Antrobus, pastor of First Baptist Church, conducted the service. He spoke from the gospel of St John, telling of the divine promise of Heaven of a place prepared for those who would be prepared to enter into this future state.

The hymns included "Abide With Me," "The Old Rugged Cross," and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Mrs. J. C. Gilker acted as organist.

There were numerous flowers and the casket was draped with the colors of the Chinese Masonic order — scarlet, black, green and white. There were at least nineteen cars in the procession line.

Missing Goods From Lonely Kinahan Id.

Although the police are baffled, R. Vick of Port Edward is still on the hunt for cable and other materials valued at $75 which disappeared around the first of the year from Kinahan Island where he had stored them following purchase from the War Assets Corporation. After removing some other materials which had been contained in the observation post and house built on the island during the war, Mr. Vick carefully stored the rest in the shed on the wharf there, intending to come and get them later. After a few weeks he did return, but the door of the shed, which had been spiked, had been broken into and the contents gone. Mr. Vick posted a reward for information leading to the recovery of the goods.

LONDON IS OFF ON GEOGRAPHY

London publicity people have a notion that Lawyer Island, a few miles from Prince Rupert, is off the coast of Keewatin. And that's a long way from being correct.

It will be recalled that just recently, Deirdre Biggs of London accepted an invitation from her uncle, John Biggs, lighthouse keeper at Lawyer Island, to come out and keep house for him. Her explanation was that he wished to have solitude.

The news note in the London press reads "Deirdre Biggs, 25, left by air today to keep house for her uncle in a lighthouse on lonely, wind-swept Lawyer Island, three miles off the Keewatin coastline in Canada's Northwest Territories. (Available maps do not list Lawyer Island).

Hawk's Captivity Cause of Protest

A correspondent in the Vancouver press takes vigorous objection to keeping captive in the Stanley Park zoo a red-tailed hawk sent from the Queen Charlotte Islands. These great birds, when fully grown, have a wing spread of almost five feet. The correspondent says this one is fastened by an eight foot chain and deplores the fact of a creature, born to a heritage of absolute freedom being deprived of its liberty.

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BOSTON CAFE IS SOLD OUT

George James Disposes of Well Known Restaurant—Moving to Toronto

Sale of his Boston Cafe business to a local syndicate is announced by George James, pioneer restaurateur of this city. Mr. James expects to leave by the middle of the month for Toronto where he will take up residence with his family, members of which are attending school there. Pete Wong will take over personal management of the Boston Cafe.

Mr. James has been a resident of Prince Rupert since 1912 when he arrived from Seattle, acquiring the St. James (then the Grand) Hotel on Wayne Black to the rear of the Prince Rupert Hotel. In 1914 he went into the restaurant business, opening the London Cafe on the site now occupied by the Canadian National Railways city ticket office. In 1923 he started the Boston Cafe, erecting the present new building in 1942.

The purchasers of the Boston Cafe are Line Bo Shong (Ling the Tailor), Wong Lock, Wong Yet and Yue Don (Rupert Butchers). Peter Wong of Vancouver (formerly with Nelson Bros. Ltd.) and Wong Dick See a local cook. Peter Wong will arrive from Vancouver next week to assume the management.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Coulter were passengers aboard the Cowichan last night returning to Premier after a trip to Vancouver. Mr. Coulter is manager of the Silbak-Premier mine. Mrs. Coulter is the former Miss Margaret McCaffery of this city.

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