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Employing D.P.'s

SIX WOMEN from displaced persons camps in northwestern Europe have reached Prince Rupert General Hospital. Eighteen months ago the hospital authorities, in desperation at being unable to get suitable help locally, put in an order to National Selective Service. The arrival of these women at this time is the answer.

A letter taking exception to the importation of these women has been received at the Daily News office and has been denied publication because it has only a non-de-plume and no signature for bona-fide responsibility. Probably there will be other comment as to why the hospital board has resorted to the D.P.'s.

No doubt, the hospital authorities, as much as any one else, would prefer, if at all possible, to obtain local women or girls for the domestic help or, failing that, at least present residents of the country. As for the D.P.'s they are nothing more or less than carefully screened European immigrants such as many of Canada's best citizens or their ancestors were at one time. So there can be no particular objection on that score particularly at a time when it is agreed that Canada needs more population of the right type of people who will be able to do useful work, adapt themselves to the country as good citizens and assimilate to build and stock the nation.

Unfortunately, instead of being reasonably capable, responsible and conscientious, some people turn out to be clock watchers, trying to do as little as they can for as much as they can gouge and thinking of everything else than the work they are paid to do. There may not be many of these but what there are may spoil things for the others.

Speaking generally we would say that local employers are only too anxious to obtain the services of local people and all they ask is that some measure of value received be given for the wages paid.

'COMIC' NOTE

THERE HAS BEEN some discussion of late as to adverse effect or otherwise of the comic books, at least a certain type, on the young people. We are inclined to agree that there can be no ill-effects. To say nothing of the money and time wasted when both might be used to better advantage for more useful purposes or for more wholesome literature, it seems futile to suggest that there cannot be some ill physiological effect from a lot of the rubbishy comics which are about these days and which probably have little parental supervision.

In passing, here is a new item which we picked up from an American newspaper:

"A 16-year-old Mississippi boy, tired of cotton picking, went to Little Rock, Ark. There, police say, he boasted of committing from one to eight holdups. Proceeding to St. Louis, he robbed a restaurant, was pursued by one of the waiters, shot his pursuer, was caught finally by the police, who say he told them he was 'inspired' to become a holdup man by comic books and crime movies."

OUT OF CHARACTER

CLOTHES MAKE THE MAN, according to the old saying, with the implication that man must dress the part if he wishes to create the right impression at the right time and place. This must have slipped the mind of a hold-up man in Chicago on Hallowe'en night, when he attempted to rob a tavern. The state of the robber's clothes, described as resembling those of "a booby prize winner at a costume party," led the bartender to ignore an order to hand over his money. The stick-up man flashed his gun at the customers, who merely gave him an amused glance and went on with their conversation. Nonplussed, the would-be criminal gave it up as a bad job. He turned and ran, without loot or dignity, the victim of society's dictum that you must look like what you profess to be if you want the world to believe you.

—Victoria Times.

CARE IN HUNTING

SO FAR this season hunting casualties in the district have been comparatively few. In earlier years it seems there were more fatalities. Possibly today hunters are fewer and game less, or repeated warnings against acting too hastily in the woods have been taken more to heart.

To reflect on this is to feel a deep satisfaction. A violent death, under any circumstances, is deplorable. When the victim is a stranger, the shock and sorrow overwhelm, but when he is an acquaintance—perhaps close friend and neighbor—it is even more grievous if that could be possible.

Continued vigilance is to be recommended. Be sure before you shoot!

LETTERBOX

NOT FROM MOSCOW

Editor, Daily News:
I have read a pamphlet secured from the office of the Chamber of Commerce entitled "How Communists Operate." I was unable to detect anything new that I had not witnessed throughout my thirty years' experience in the trades union movement dating from 1894 to 1924. The two elements were forever present and all the tactics described in the pamphlet as communistic were the general order of my experience in the labor movement. To my own personal knowledge these tactics were not imported from Moscow as Lenin was little known in the western world until after the Russian revolution in 1917.

The high priests of my day were Samuel Gompers, Eugene Debs, W. D. Haywood and Daniel DeLeon—all now deceased. All were Americans loved and respected by millions of working people throughout the North American continent representing all shades of political opinion. DeLeon was at one time a professor in economics in the same University as Woodrow Wilson who later became president of the United States. Debs drew more votes as presidential candidate in 1904 than Henry Wallace did in 1948.

Without the radical or aggressive element the trade union movement would die of stagnation.

It might be news to some of your readers, Mr. Editor, to know that P. C. Rawlings, an editor for more than twenty years on the Vancouver Province, was at one time an associate of Debs and Haywood in the revolutionary movement as the stenographic report of the fifteenth annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners will show. I myself was a delegate to that convention in Denver in 1907.

In 1919 William Montgomery, the late S. D. Macdonald and myself represented the trade union movement of this city at the Western Labor Conference at Calgary when greetings were dispatched to the Bolsheviks of Russia and the Spartans of Germany. That dispatch conveyed the feelings of Canadian labor at that convention.

The labor movement contains within its fold a variety of views—political, economic, religious and social—that provide a reasonable balance. Hence the onward progressive march of civilization under the dynamic force of economic determination—not communism necessarily but a combination of forces in the struggle for existence.

GEORGE B. CASEY.

VETERANS CRITICAL
CHATHAM, Ont. 6.—Citizens who fail to take off their hats as the Canadian or British flag is paraded through the streets were strongly criticized by members at a meeting of the local Canadian Legion branch.



"RED DEAN" ARRIVES—Dr. Hewlett Johnson, dean of Canterbury, is shown on his arrival at Montreal's Dorval Airport to begin his tour of Canadian cities. Dr. Johnson, noted for his pro-Russian leanings, told reporters he was being "technically detained because of passport complications. It turned out to be merely routine passport inspection. (CP Photo)

What City Council Did

Received statutory notices from the Electricians and the Civic Employees unions that re-opening of negotiations for revision of current working agreements would be sought for next year.

Turned over to the City Engineer for study and report, a request from the Prince Rupert Gyro Club that the city construct a substantial fence around the new Gyro pool at McClymont Park as a safeguard.

Appointed Aldermen Rutherford and Brooksbank to sit with Mayor Arnold on the Court of revision which will give final approval to the civic voters list later this month.

Approved the sale to Stanley Wozney of the easterly half of lot 5, block 23, section 6 (Ninth Avenue East) for \$135 and the westerly half of the same lot to George D. Anderson for the same amount.

Approved a report of the board of works requesting the City Engineer to prepare a report and estimates covering the proposed drainage of McBride

Street from Fourth to Third Avenue.

Licensing committee action in granting trade licenses to two persons was approved. Licenses were granted to J. P. McLean to operate a messenger service and to Prince Rupert Builders Supplies Ltd. to sell building supplies.

Approved action of the utilities committee which reported that a pay telephone station has been installed at the junction of Piggott and Sixth Avenue and that an additional location will be chosen and a further station installed in that general area in the near future.

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SCOUT, GUIDE GROUPS ATTEND CHURCH PARADE

Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Wolf Cubs and Brownies of St. Andrew's Cathedral attended church service Sunday morning in formal observance of Remembrance Day. The four groups, totalling about 40, formed parade lines in the church hall and marched upstairs.

The service, conducted by Rev.

Basil S. Prockter, followed the Remembrance Day theme, the sermon being based on the text, "Greater Love Hath No Man." The hymn "O Valiant Hearts" was sung during the service. Miss Honora Silversides, District Girl Guide Commissioner and Captain of the First Girl Guide Troop, led that body, while the First Brownie Pack was led by Brown Owl, Miss Geraldine Cade. Scouts and Cubs were led by Assistant Pack Leader Wilfred St. Clair.

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H.M.C.S. CHATHAM
Prince Rupert

Extracts from speeches, September, 1943
Mr. Hon. Louis St. Laurent, Acting Prime Minister
"It is only common prudence to make a plan of defence which will make plain our determination to stand on guard for those things we hold dear."
Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence
"The defence of our country is the business of every citizen in Canada."

Royal Canadian Navy