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All-Year Road

PRINCE RUPERT'S highway to Terrace is snow-blocked again which raises the perennial question of government policy in regard to keeping it open during the winter. The district engineer for the public works department says that the present closure is only temporary and expects that it will be possible to get the road open again for a while. However, his instructions—which are government policy—is that no attempt will be made to keep the road open after snowfall comes to such an extent as to make it appear not feasible to handle it effectively with existing equipment.

Each winter the Daily News has pressed for a policy of keeping the Skeena River road open throughout the winter. We have been countered with such arguments as lack or inability to get equipment and that traffic on the road does not justify keeping it open. It has even been suggested that, along the railway right-of-way, where the highway skirts the track and the railway ploughs shove the snow onto the road, it is nigh impossible to keep the road open.

It would appear to be past or nearly past the time now when there is not the traffic to justify keeping the road open. Since last winter, there has been established a public bus transportation system. There is also a scheduled trucking service which is doing good business. These services are being pioneered by local concerns and the increasing traffic that they are building up indicates the appreciation of the public. If the road has to be closed during the winter and the continuity of service disturbed, it makes it difficult for these concerns to do business. Another factor this winter is that cellulose mill logging camps are now in operation along the lower Skeena River tributary to the road.

We do not profess to be engineers but it would seem to us that, no matter how great the difficulties may be, this road could be kept open throughout the winter if there was the resolve to keep it open. Once they said it would take a hundred years to build the road because engineering difficulties were so great. A war came along and it was run through in quick order. If another war came along, no doubt some way would be quickly found of keeping it open through the winter. We hope, however, that it does not take a war to bring about this result.

Certainly, the idea cannot be willingly accepted that it is impossible to make an all-year road of the Skeena River Highway.

Good judgment comes from experience and experience comes from poor judgment.

WHAT WILL CHINA DO?

THE NEXT few days, it is suggested by Canada's minister of external affairs, may determine to what extent Communist China will participate in the war in Korea where United Nations forces are fighting to put down and terminate aggression.

With ground forces of 100,000 estimated to be massed on either side for a new battle which has been joined and the United Nations holding the weight of air power, the balance would appear to be on the side of the Allies. Communist China, without making any assumptions as to who may be further behind, could undoubtedly, throw countless more forces into the Korea war and it is conceivable that other forms of support might be forthcoming. How far they are willing to go should soon be seen.

It is a happy thought that the campaign in Korea, which has been causing untold hardship in that unhappy land, has been costing a lot of good Allied lives, has hit us heavily economically through pointing up the necessity of building up strong defences and keeping them strong and has kept the world war pot simmering, might be over by Christmas.

Of course, an end of the war in Korea would not mean end of danger of world war. Nor could it be taken as the end of all our troubles. But it would at least be the satisfactory termination of one of our difficulties and would be immensely heartening to our cause. And, apart from all that, it has served to waken us up to the realities of the world situation.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

"As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life."

—John 3:14-5

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DIRECTORY

Services in all churches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School at 12:15 except as shown.

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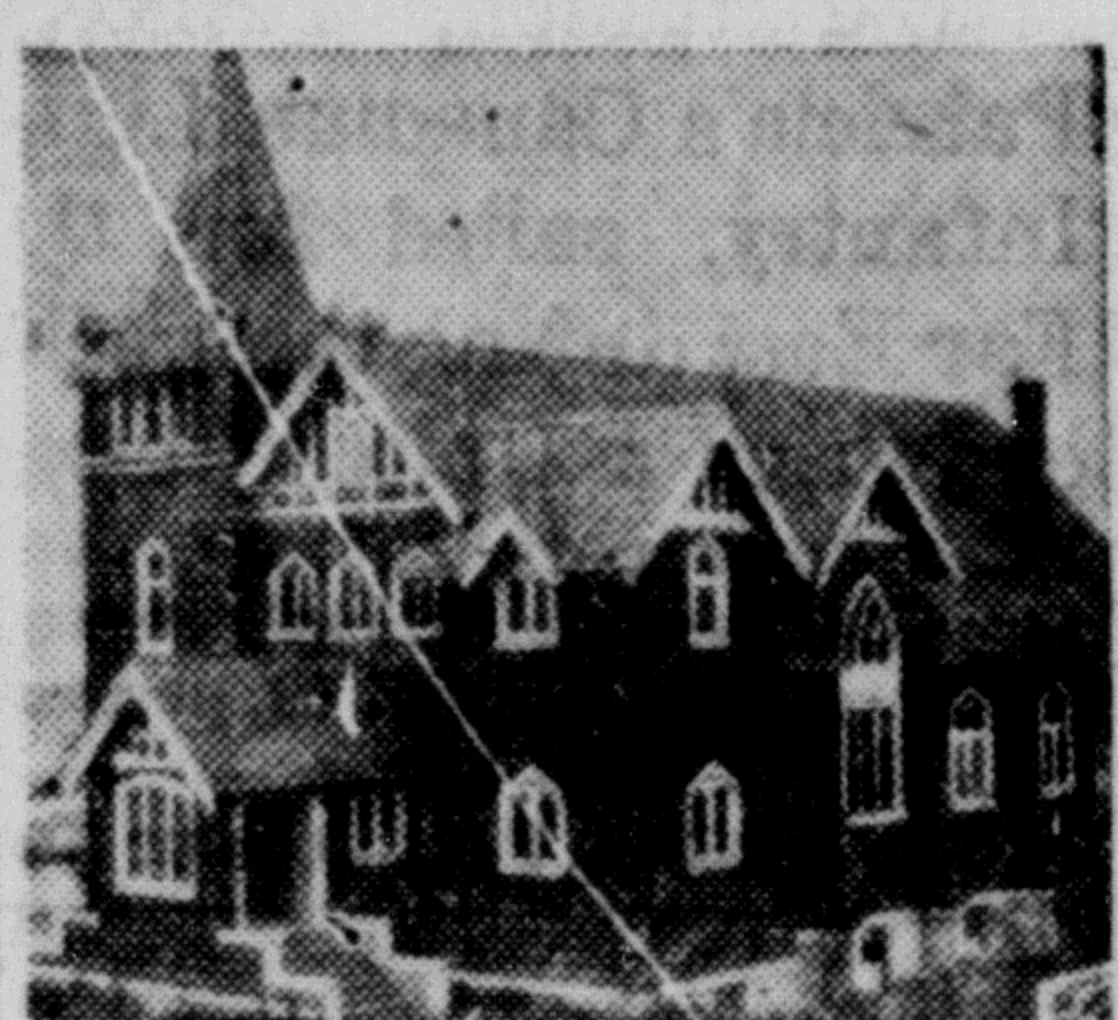
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231 Fourth Ave. East
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NOVEMBER 26, 1950
Morning: Worship—11 o'clock.
Sunday School—12:15
Evening Service—7:30
"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy."

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By ELMORE PHILPOTT

WHO SPEAKS ENGLISH?

THE EDITOR OF the Advocate, of Red Deer, Alberta, raises his voice against one of the curses of our times.

That is the vice of using big words when little words would do better.

"The Advocate's pet aversion is the use of the words 'presently' and 'currently' when 'now' is meant."

Now there's a man after my own heart!

WINSTON CHURCHILL cracked down on the British civil service for this practice during the late war. But let nobody run away with the idea that the big-word-mongers are all on government payrolls.

Is there anything sillier than some of the letter written by big business concerns? They hum and haw and puff and pant and take four or five paragraphs to get down to the point. Then instead of saying in plain English what they have to say they put it in artificial language which nobody would dream of using in real conversation. For example, "in short supply" when they mean scarce.

THERE IS another vice along the same line. Business firms and government bureaus sometimes get themselves so tied up in red tape that they can hardly move.

One of the Sifton brothers (I forget which one) was so enraged at the letter-writing waste in his government department that he did something which no other politician was ever known to do. He used to answer unimportant letters by notcard, or by scribbling a few words only on the back of the letter itself.

That outraged all the unwritten laws, but it got results quick-

SATURDAY SERMON

CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE

(By REV. E. SOILAND, of St. Paul's Lutheran Church)
Based on I Thes. 5:18

There are many things we meet in life with which it is easy to find fault and complain. Since we live in a world that is under a curse, we never find anything that is just what it should be. It seems to be natural to complain about nearly all that we encounter. If we should stop at the close of an ordinary day and count

the number of times that we have complained, we would be rather astonished. It is so easy to find fault.

Chapter 5 of I Thessalonians gives to us a summary of the duties of a Christian. Among those duties is the injunction: "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Jesus Christ concerning you." There is a power that counteracts the spirit of complaint. That is the spirit of thankfulness. For those who are interested in living the kind of life that God wishes them to have, these words are significant. They do give us room for much serious thought. For instance, some days come along in which everything we do seems to work out wrong. Should we give thanks for such experiences? Or, again, sickness, trouble or death strikes the home. Shall we give thanks for them, too? I am sure that you can add to this list of perplexing questions. To them all God speaks and says: "In everything give thanks."

We are moral creatures. In order to develop as moral beings we have to be continually exercised in moral decisions. The school of practical experience which confronts us every day is of great value in helping us to develop. No one can explain why he meets many difficulties and trials in life. Yet, the Christian can believe that all things work together for good to them that love God. In this fact lies the answer why we should give thanks to God for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

When we accept the fact that many things which we do not and cannot understand work for our good, we have already begun to win the victory over complaining. As we learn to know that

Jack Sargent To Be Married

The marriage of John Paine Sargent, Vancouver barrister, and Miss Helen Elizabeth Boyce, daughter of George Paterson McLaughlin and the late Mrs. McLaughlin, will take place in Shaughnessy United Church December 27. The groom, son of Mrs. Sargent and the late Richard Strong Sargent of Hazelton, has been residing in Vancouver for years. The reception is to be held in Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club.

Local Couple Off On Bermuda Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Young left on last evening's train for New York where they will embark on the liner Queen of Bermuda for a trip to Bermuda. The trip was won by Mr. Young for sales achievement with the Swift-Canadian Co. of which he is local manager. They expect to be away from the city for three weeks.

er and cheaper.

IN THE RECENT war I knew a bright young business man who quit his job rather than move a factory from Toronto to another point 60 miles away. He explained to me that the necessary O.K.'s we would have to get and all the runaround from officialdom was just too much to take.

So he let somebody else get the stomach ulcers.

At the same time the Germans were driving deep into Russia and the uncivilized Reds were loading whole factories on flat cars—complete with working staffs—and shipping them to the rear.

In Britain Lord Beaverbrook was sitting at the telephone cutting through red tape by phoning direct to people in key spots—violating all the sacred rules of stuffed shirts.

THE GREATEST masters in the use of language all used simple short words. Read the story of the birth of the baby Jesus, as told by Saint Luke.

The Twenty-third Psalm is another. The Sermon on the Mount is a third of a list that could be extended to Magna Charta, the Declaration of Independence, Lincoln's speech at Gettysburg.

If the greatest masters could use simple and clear words for such big jobs, why in thunder should any 1950 notwit write nonsense like "presently engaged" when he means "now working"?

nothing can come to us without God's permission and that He overrules all so that it is beneficial to the believer, we have reason to give our deepest thanks to Him for all His goodness. It means much to all of us in our life to have the right attitude towards all things. Each one who is a child of God ought to learn to know the will of God.

Surely it can become clear from the above passage that God does not want His children to be a group of complainers. Rather He would have us become a group of those who are truly thankful. It seems rather strange that many who are most thankful are among those whom we pity as though they had little for which to be thankful.

Some day when the fog of this life is cleared away and the bright light of God's glory is permitted to shine, things will be

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Preacher: The Rev. F. A. Peake, B.D., of Edmonton.

Movie in the church hall after Evensong entitled "Who Will Teach Your Child?"

different. We are told that we shall know, see and understand then what is so dark and impenetrable now. So it is up to God's children to walk by faith, trusting Him as He speaks and applying in life the lessons which He gives. Give thanks to God and see how that enriches your life. You will find little room for grumbling and your life will radiate the true Christian joy.

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