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Serious Crime Rare

IT WAS A SHOCKING week-end in Prince Rupert. In this long law-abiding community we are not used to such chapters as was experienced including murder and criminal moronic assault.

But we cannot always be free of crime such as we have been over a long period of years.

As we progress in other ways it is to be anticipated that undesirable elements may at times crop up. The thing is we are not used to them and, when they do occur, they create more of a stir than might be occasioned in more hardened places than this.

SCHOOL BYLAW VITAL

PRINCE RUPERT needs many things but it needs nothing more badly than new school buildings. It has reached a point where such new buildings are completely essential in carrying on efficient and effective educational work in Prince Rupert.

With school population, according to official figures of the school board, now at a point exceeding even the peak of war years when it became necessary for the federal government to step in and provide accommodation, the city is getting along with ancient buildings long outmoded and indeed in state of near collapse.

The school board is making out a strong case in support of the bylaw which it is proposed to present to the taxpayers next month for their approval, this bylaw to provide for the financing of two new modern buildings—one a new 10-room King Edward School and the other a modern replacement unit for Booth Memorial High School.

Prince Rupert for years has had the doubtful distinction of having the poorest school buildings in the entire province of British Columbia.

The program calls for an outlay of \$815,030 of which the provincial government will pay half, the remaining \$407,515 to be financed by Prince Rupert school district—83.1 percent the city portion and 16.9 percent the rural portion.

The net annual cost to the taxpayer per \$500 of land assessment will be \$7.65—which would appear to be a reasonable enough charge in view of the benefits to be derived.

The school bylaw is one which should receive a complete measure of support.

ON DRINKING TEA

ALTHOUGH TEA is strictly rationed in Britain, there is still more tea drunk there than in any country in the world. Tea drinking, of course, is almost ritualistic in Britain. In British history it is recorded that the first words Queen Victoria said when she came to the throne were: "Bring me a cup of tea." Believe it or not during the war tea was more popular with soldiers, sailors and airmen than any other beverage. When sirens wailed over Britain tea was the drink that air raid wardens and the bombed-out demanded.

High adventure, big business and homely charm are all blended with the history of tea drinking in Britain.

THE BIG WAREHOUSE

PERMITTING a building the size of the war-installed warehouse on the local waterfront to remain empty and unused and to have its future a matter of uncertainty is not a very satisfactory situation. But prospects of its being utilized, indeed, appear nebulous. Since then, its utility has ceased. Efforts to dispose of the place, or to attract the attention of any group, or individual with a practicable plan or idea have not been encouraging. The plant, one of the largest and finest in Canada cannot be left unemployed indefinitely. Yet, idle it is, and how much longer, no one, apparently, is able to say.

The city deplores this, but facts are facts. To see such a splendid structure dismantled and disappear cannot but arouse regret after we had hoped it might mean so much.

FRUIT WORKERS STRIKE THREAT

KELOWNA — A \$25,000,000 fruit crop in the Okanagan Valley may rot on the trees if a strike, threatened by picker and

cannery workers, is called during the next week. The possibility loomed last night with announcement by W. Sands, secretary of the Federation of Fruit and Vegetable Workers, that the strike may be called on a few hours notice.

LOOKING BACK

25 Years Ago

(August 16, 1924)
Squadron Leader Stuart MacLaren, British round-the-world flier, who crashed on the Kommandorski Islands on a west-to-east globe circling flight, was invited to visit Prince Rupert while en route to Vancouver by boat.

Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, said in an address here that he would recommend not only that a new ship be built at Prince Rupert for the coastal tourist trade, but that a second vessel and a suitable hotel for the tourist business be constructed.

Mrs. F. G. Dawson, wife of one of Prince Rupert's pioneer business men and a director of the C.N.R., died in hospital after a sudden seizure. She was 48 years old and had been active in social and community organizations.

10 Years Ago

(August 16, 1939)
Two carloads of wheat, the first to be delivered to the local elevator since the winter of 1937 were expected here daily. It was the intention of the government to fill the elevator from the 1939 crop.

A seaplane carrying H. R. McMillan and a number of B.C. Packers executives on a can-canery inspection tour was unable



DYNAMIC—Ald W. F. (Bill) Stone, chairman and main-spring of annual Civic Centre Carnival.

—Photo by Chandler.

The name of four-year-old Peter Helland was omitted in the names submitted as entries in the Civic Centre Carnival's "Beautiful Child" contest. The omission was an inadvertent one on the part of the Civic Centre. Peter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Helland, Fourth Avenue East.

to get off the water and was forced to taxi back to a wharf here. The group sailed later on their trip on a company boat.

Fear was felt for the safety of Mrs. John Brentzen and Carl Brentze of Port Simpson after their gas boat was found drifting off Tsimpsan peninsula. The boat was found with its engine running but no one aboard.

Italian Children Aided by U.N.



A young street musician plays to a cafe on a Naples piazza, while his crippled "partner" collects the money. Sights such as this one are common in postwar Italy, where lack of proper food and treatment is turning many youngsters into professional beggars. To counteract this situation, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) is now providing meals, clothing and to almost 1,000,000 and expectant mothers inoculating against tr-

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The fact of the British House of Commons having recently sat for a straight 36 hours is regarded in some quarters as an achievement, but it's far from equalling what took place in Ottawa in 1913. There, the House met at 3 p.m. on a Monday to consider Borden's bill to present the British Admiralty with three dreadnoughts and sat right through without a break until midnight the following Saturday—a stretch of 115 hours. One member appeared once, with pillow and night cap. The bill, of course, was lost. Some were on their feet six or seven hours at one time.

Germany held a general election during the week-end and Communist support was not strong. It looks like admission to the Council, representing Europe, at Strasbourg, for without Germany, such a political structure is not possible. This much was noted about the election. The war did not end German arrogance and presumption. The same old stuff appears to be on the way back. Following defeat, the Nazis whined. But now.

Whether or not the annual exhibition at Prince Rupert were its welcome out is a matter of opinion but it is a fact that some feel it would have been good judgment to have kept the fair going. It has been years since a fair, and it won't be long now before this city and district, with so much later development having taken place Prince Rupert would be well advised to exhibit again.

Bears wandered down from the mountainside last week, one with a couple of cubs. Saturday, a burly beast (but a black beauty nevertheless—was sighted several times at Seal Cove. This was natural enough. The man who saw the bear had no gun—which was also natural enough. This is an island and large enough to contain a good-sized forest, although it cannot be said all on the level. Long before the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was ever heard of, Kalen Island is said to have been a favorite hunting ground.

If anyone goes over the edge and suffers, someone or some organization may be subject to damages. This concerns the well worn and shaky wooden sidewalk to the Council, representing Europe, at Strasbourg, for without Germany, such a political structure is not possible. This much was noted about the election. The war did not end German arrogance and presumption. The same old stuff appears to be on the way back. Following defeat, the Nazis whined. But now.

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Masset Man Succumbs

A Masset business man, Harry Robinson Frost, died in hospital here Monday after a long illness. He entered hospital a month ago, being flown in a seriously ill condition from the Islands. He was 76 years old.

Born at Snares, Suffolk, England, Mr. Frost came to Canada at the turn of the century, planning to go to the Klondike. He settled, however, at Kenora, Ontario, where he lived until 1920.

In that year, he moved to the Graham Island community of Buckley Bay where he entered the logging business. Later, he settled in Masset where he opened a store. He was also a notary public and stipendiary magistrate. He was always active in community work.

During the last decade, illness forced him to withdraw more and more from business.

He is survived by his wife, who is in the city at present, and one son, Stephen Frost of Nanaimo.

The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon.

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