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Need For Fire Safety

DEPLORABLE apartment house fire tragedy at Ocean Falls illustrates how holocaust may strike even, under the most desirable of conditions and with the most adequate precautions, in frame dwellings, particularly of the multiple type.

Ocean Falls is well known for the comfortable and safe type of its living quarters generally and, as far as is known, the Balsam Apartment was no exception.

The tragedy points up the urgent necessity of the utmost of fire precautions and the best of emergency life-saving equipment in dwellings especially where many people are grouped together in separate residence. There must be such insurance against these dead of night fires when dazed people seek exit in haste and often in panic.

There are certainly situations in Prince Rupert where fire breaking out as people sleep might have consequences as black as that which occurred in the paper town down the coast early yesterday morning. The fire authorities do the best they can but they must have realization on the part of the public of the dangers and co-operation in allaying them.

SPEAKING WITH AUTHORITY

F APPLAUSE from both sides of the House is a criterion, British Columbia's first Indian M.L.A., Frank Alder of Atlin, can have no doubts over the rearmth of his welcome to the Provincial Legislature. When he had completed his maiden speech the other day the desk thumping rose to a crescendo.

It was a pleasing speech, graciously acknowledging the government's gift of the franchise to his people, and following the prescribed form of courtesy to all his fellow members. More than that, it indicated the value he will be to the legislators as they consider matters of vital concern to the natives of this province. Mr. Calder indicated some of the and ficulties which had attended his campaign, and spoke of some of the disadvantages under which his people lived. Not without some criticism; his remarks nevertheless showed that degree of tolerance and understanding that sometimes accompanies close personal knowledge of a subject which others can only know second hand.

On the basis of his first speech in the Legislature, Mr. Calder promises to be a source of strength - in dealing with Indian problems to which an auspicious approach has been made His further contributions to debate will be welcomed. - Victoria!

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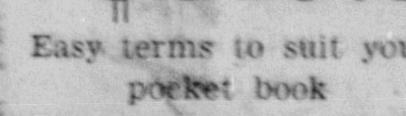
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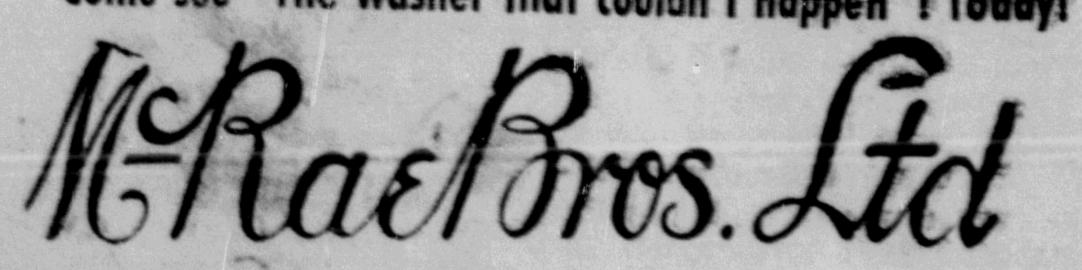
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Education Week

The School - Everybody's Business

Times have changed. More interest is being

schools even if it be casual. The man without children remem- easy task to teach how to dis- with political dynamite and so ment for a flash of humor. He bers his own school days. The criminate between fact and pro- the government will avoid it as joshes the Opposition now and children hears of paganda and how to consider logn as possible. Truly the current issues in the light of

A complex society such as ours It is not current thinking tha demands complex schools, education begins at the age of gan told the Legislature the li- that B. C. should prepare for a Times are changing faster than "x and stops at fifteen. Educa- quor store in Vernon is so dilan- rainy day. ever before. Our schools must tion is a continuous process idated and draughty that in the He started this year's budget black hair. Messrs. Calder and Boys' Long between the before our schools must tion is a continuous process idated and draughty that in the be progressive to keep up with from birth until death. We January cold spell the liquor speech by congratulating Madthe changing times. The 3 R's, are never too old to learn, froze on the shelves. reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic, Through night schools, confer- A. W. Lundell of Revelstoke Hodges. were once regarded as tool sub- ences, clinics and extension went one better than this. He "That," he said, coming from me jects and they still are but they courses the schools, at the re- said the liquor store in Revel- shows how I mellow with time. are no longer enough. On all quest of society, are trying to stoke is called "the sepulchre", Mr. Anscomb has never believed des we have many other edu- meet the needs of society. cational processes - the press, The greatest natural resource lying around but because it's lieves women should stay home radio, movie and television .The of any nation is the capacity school has to supplement all! of its people to be educated! The these and others so that citizens way to improve the educational will be able to interpret, under-level is by education, not only stand and appreciate. This does in dollars, but in youth and not mean the 3 R's are neglected through youth the continuance but it does mean that the pro- of our way of life. On this basis

in the knowledges and skills IN CITY STREETS

human relations.

they are in business. The schools

and aptitudes and develop these nothing done about it sin within the limits of society to provide. We live in an age of specialization, economically and socially. The objective should be to enable students to discover those fields where they can make the maximum contribu ion and in return receive maximum satisfaction. Our mental institutions are expanding, filling with people who have broken iown from a sense of frustration. The relationship of menta

health and social adjustment to

creative school program

everybody's business. The school is a cultural instithuon. We have a glorious heritage to be guarded and passed on to the following generations. Our schools have an Oligation here to turn out students with a knowledge steeped in the past, atune to the presen and an abounding faith in the goodness of things to come. This places a tremendous demand on a school for it means that the past must be explained victout prejudice that the past enrich the meaning of the present, that the issues which have been winnowed from history pe

orrectly interpreted. It is no

grams of forty years ago are alone, education is everybody's public. just as obsolete in schools as business.

never have and never can make DUST AND HOLES

petency. This is no alibi to mencing, W. F Stone suggested and strain and had to go to hoscover up the short comings but to the Prince Rupert Chamber life has become more than mak- of Commerce Monday night that ing a living. Man "does not live it might be a good idea to get in by bread alone." The signs of touch with the city engineer with months about hospital insurance the times would indicate we the suggestion that preparations The Legislature couldn't be quite need more than mastery of the be made to aliay the summer dust the same without this man 3 R's. We need mastery of nuisance, J. C. Gilker wendered who has given his life these if anything was to be done about last 17 years to his work, who has Our schools should be creative, the big holes that had been dug, put his whole heart and soul and There should be an opportunity in city streets one of which has mind and brain into his public for youth to discover interests been made December 27 with



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VICTORIA—Private members of the Legislature shown in education by the average citizen today than want the government to hold a plebiscite on liquor. ever before. The school, and particularly the second- They haven't organized a pressure campaign or anyary school, is attempting to offer a program for thing like that but in their speeches they say the everyman's child. It is no longer a select institution people should be entitled to say what they think on for a few. Everyone, it seems, has an interest in the subject. The government, of course, doesn't like

the liquor question. It's charged

not because of the dead soldiers in women in public life. He bemonstrous, hideous and totter- and let the men run the world. ing to pieces .

government taking in \$17,000,000 he's changing his mind. a year in liquor profits, the province could afford decent liquor

Everyone hopes Minister of Health and Welfare George Pearson will soon be back. He collansed the other day from overwork pital for a complete rest. He'l under heavy pressure in recent duties. He may have made mister for a lot of people because of George Pearson.

Finance Minister Herbert Ansmb is a master when it comes delivering the budget. He knows facts and figures are dry and that neople get tired of listening to them. Like the good ac-

then, wisecracks, tells funny stor-Liquor stores in the ninterland ies and then gets back to mill-

However, when he spoke in such One would think that with the fashion he hinted that perhaps

> Then he said to Madame Speaker: "You know-I didn't approve you sitting there in the first place.

Ah ha-said everyone to themselves-the Premier and Mr. Ans comb had a titi about the Speak-

ership-but the Premier won. Which brings up a growing restiveness as between Liberals and Conservatives although they

Jay Gould of Vancouver-Burrard said the C. C. F. don't know what they're taiking about when they say the Liberals and Conservatives are suspicious of each

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There are two bachelors in the wool, Special Legislature-Jay Gould and Frank Calder of Atlin. Fellow members are wondering how long they'll MEN'S DRESS D remain that way. Bachelor M. L.A.'s are looked upon as particularly desirable. There's pres- From tige to be caught as well as a mar and an extra \$3,000 a year: ier, a gift from the law-makers. a reception, much publicity.

Gould (38 next month) and looking, personable fellows. They still have their figures and their & shades. From Gould should realize that M. L. A.'s have come here before as bachelors. Most left with wives BOYS' AND GR

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