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Thanks Mr. Fraser

THERE HAS BEEN much beating of the drum these many years for federal co-operation with the provinces in building transcontinental highways and it is no new tune for Mr. Fraser, the Progressive-Conservative member for Peterborough, to talk in Commons along this line but, nevertheless, we are glad to have another county heard from. The Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia is among the organizations that has been thus campaigning, especially advocating the inclusion of the Jasper-Prince Rupert in a transcontinental federally-aided highway system.

So far, unfortunately, the federal government appears to have some sort of an idea that federally-aided highway construction should be reserved until times get so bad that the work will be needed for relief.

Mr. Fraser is quite correct in pointing out that, in the meantime, Canada is losing millions of dollars annually, even of her own money, because there is no TransCanada Highway. With no such highway, driving Canadians take their money across the line to travel the good American roads and the Americans, who would like to drive in Canada, cannot. So why not get the good cross-country highways and help to keep times good too? It is just about time the idea was adopted that highways are a sound, profitable national investment, not just something to muddle around with when all the rest of the construction, industry and business of the country goes flat.

Incidentally, the hard-surfaced, all-weather highway which Mr. Fraser suggested would run from "Halifax to Vancouver." He might also have mentioned the proposed TransCanada Highway which would come through Yellowhead Pass and head to the coast in two tines, one to Vancouver and one to Prince Rupert, the latter almost completely linked up already, traversing through the most intriguing tourist country of central and northern British Columbia to the coast at Prince Rupert, a bare forty miles or so from Alaska.

We would like to have Mr. Fraser, and the other eastern M.P.'s too, drive out this way some time and see for themselves. They would be all the more enthusiastic about a TransCanada Highway, particularly one to Prince Rupert.

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WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION

CONSIDERATION is most certainly due the people of the Queen Charlotte Islands and many other parts of this far flung and sparsely populated district who are so far removed from medical and hospital facilities and are always running the risk of undue suffering if not death through their inability to speedily reach these services.

The letter of the New Massett Community Club, published in the Daily News this week, is, therefore, entitled to more than passing consideration.

The Canadian Pacific Airlines possibly cannot be blamed for the heavy charge involved in transporting a patient with its big Canso, the only aircraft available.

On the other hand, the plight of the patient or those who have to foot the bill is understandable.

The government might do something to relieve the situation. Certainly, as the New Massett Community Club says, the cost is prohibitive.

If there were a local air service out of Prince Rupert, using lighter and less expensive aircraft, the situation might be relieved.

Meantime, it is nothing short of something to be ashamed about that Queen Charlotte Islands people, when they require aircraft to bring their sick or injured to Prince Rupert, should have to appeal to the United States Coastguard to do so.

If we had a Canadian Coastguard service, the cost of which has been declared "prohibitive," notwithstanding the important life-saving aspects of the service, such mercy flights as this might also be taken in stride.

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HANDLING MONEY

PEOPLE MANAGE to differ on what they think is enough to live on. The question of "getting by" invites argument. One with no dependents says that having performed the feat, he knows he can rub along on as low as $40 a month.

"I'd hate to think of having to do it on double that," opines Mr. Next Man.

Yet, admitting the spread and severity of economy vexations, there is a lot in the way money is handled.

A CLASSIFIED AD IN THE DAILY NEWS WILL BRING RESULTS

Booth Memorial School News

Student Voices

COTTAGE OF FRIENDLINESS

The first time I ever saw the tiny stone cottage with thatched roof was one summer evening about seven o'clock, many years ago. At a glance I knew I should like it for my very own. Standing there on the neat little pathway the whole cottage seemed to be saying "welcome." Although the sun was near setting and shadows lay across the walls, the latticed windows still shone brightly and the whiteness of the doorsteps looked like a smile, as if some one had spent many happy hours of effort to produce that certain gleam. As I turned to continue my walk, I could see the smoke from the red brick chimney rising grey against all the glory of the sunset, saying "good bye," please come back again. One day yet, I will return to my cottage of friendliness.

J. T. Age 16, 10 M

SNOW

I don't believe I have ever seen anything so beautiful as snow. The way a nightfall of snow can transfer a dreary landscape into a winter wonderland is amazing and wonderful. The atmosphere seems to change and everyone has a cheery word about the weather. The snow is a child's delight. Snowballing and sleigh-riding are always favored with young and old alike. While some people may grumble about shoveling the sidewalk and others may grumble about the hard walking, most people enjoy and like the snow. Presently, however, it will rain and all the snow will turn into slush. The atmosphere will change and everyone will remark on the awful state of the weather.

M. L., Age 15, 10 M.

"SUSPENSE"

Just then I heard a strange noise outside my window. It was a high pit-a-pat sound that sent icy fingers travelling up and down my spine. I did not look towards the window for fear of seeing a grotesque animal form or possibly a man from Mars. All of a sudden the noise stopped and I heaved a sigh of relief. But my relief was not long lived for almost immediately after a low humming sound began. I was petrified and a deathly fear gripped at my heart. My mind became filled with a thousand disturbing thoughts and I remembered the "Case of the Speckled Band" and many other horrible crimes. I buried my head under the bedclothes and let out a blood-curdling scream. Suddenly there was a loud ringing noise. My alarm clock! Why, I'd been sleeping. Never again would I eat a cheese and pickle sandwich before going to bed.

—I. H., Age 15, 10 B.

Modern Etiquette
By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Should a husband or a wife ever criticize the other about personal things, when in the company of others?

A. Never; not even jokingly.

Q. When a woman discovers that some new style of hat or gown that is popular, is very unbecoming to her, what should she do?

A. Discard it and wear something else.

Q. What gifts should a young man give to his fiancee?

A. Almost anything with the exception of clothes.

STUDENT EDITORS

Editor-in-Chief, Mary MacAfee.

Social Editor, Yvonne Morin.

Sports Editor, Charles Forbes.

Typists—Jean Faught, Herdis Holkestad and Frances Olafson.

It Pays To Learn Maths

Dinner Follows Competition in Class 9B

On a recent Friday evening, Section I of the 9B class played host to Section II of that class at an enjoyable dinner held at the High School. The occasion marked the celebration of this group's victory over Section I in a competition in mathematics, extending from September to December.

The competition idea had been introduced as a means of promoting interest, enthusiasm and a better understanding of maths. among the students. Its success was due chiefly to hard work on the part of B. Ewald.

The setting for the dinner was in keeping with the season with a Valentine motif being used in the decorations.

Chairman of the evening was Class President Tom Holt. Mr. Ewold introduced Principal A. M. Hurst who was speaker of the evening. The toast to the 9B group was proposed by P. Adlem, with the class president responding.

Guests at the head table were Class President Tom Holt, Shari Ingalls, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hurst, Mr. and Mrs. B. Ewold, Miss Anstey and Mr. Adlem.

In the preparation of the dinner it was shown that Mr. Ewold as chef, showed just as much proficiency as in the teaching of maths. His assistants in the kitchen were Donna Petroff, Amos Ewold, Tom Holt, Edith Johnston, Alfred Blackaby and Beverly Joyce.

Barbara Teng and Heather Brewer were in charge of table setting. Decorating was carried out by Joan Adcock, Norman Shenton, Edith Johnston, Diane Gilker, Vic Brian and Iona Hardy. Acting as serviteurs were Beverly Joyce, Virginia Richmond, Peggy Stevenson, Joan Adcock, Peter Harvey, Bill Tipton, Burns Pierce and Stuart Hills.

Asparagus beds started from seed will begin producing well almost as soon as a bed started from roots. A bed in rich, deep soil will last a lifetime.

Senior Concert Stands 'Em Up In Auditorium

A highly successful and entertaining Senior High Concert was held before a packed auditorium of senior students at Booth School on Thursday afternoon. This concert, planned by the Senior Council and directed by Rusty Thain, was arranged in order to gain more funds for the Students' Council.

The program and entertainers included the following:

Vocal Solo, Joanne Langridge.

Vocal Duet, Bernice and Eleanor Hood.

Guitar, Richard Tweed.

Junior Drama Club Skit, "Mellerdrammer" — Costumes, Margaret Giske; Properties, Barbara Hyndman; Players: Donna Dennison, Dennis Elkins, Bill Cuthill, Ross Ingram, Marjorie Way, Joan Taylor; Quartette—Christine Currie, Lily Sylvester, Lorraine Youngman, Edith Jordan.

Violin Solo, Vaughan Tattersall.

Tap Dance—Maresa Windle, Lois Thompson.

Piano Solo, Allan Forman.

SENIOR HIGH BARN DANCE

This evening the Senior Council, under the direction of Bob McChesney, is holding a Barn Dance at the School Gymnasium.

Couples will be admitted but no stags will be admitted without showing their student cards.

The program includes square and novelty dances, and refreshments will be served. A prize will be given to the winner of the hog-calling contest and to the best dressed couple.

Committees in charge of the arrangements are:

Refreshments — Jack Wynn, Edith Jordan.

Decorations — Bob Scharff, Joyce Tattersall.

Entertainment— Paul Shannon, Irene Hansen.

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The article goes on to say: "Because we believe in the worth of each individual, and in giving to each the greatest opportunity to use his ability and initiative, our millions of businessmen and workers have been free to plan and invent, to put their minds and muscles into the work of production, and have developed an industrial teamwork which gives us the highest living standards in the world.

"Europe looks to us, not only for material help, but also for guidance to the way of economic freedom and productivity.

Looking behind the reasons for the enviable position our system has produced on this continent, we generally find the perfect balance in good management and sound labor policies. The one complements the other to the mutual advantage of both.

As labor grows in stature with experience, it is finding out that the day for thoughtless demands has passed, and that it is now a responsible partner in the economy of the nation.

It is inevitable that there will come a day of stress on all business —when the dollar will buy less than it does today. That will be the final test of how well management and labor can get along together in solving big problems common to both.

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These views are presented in this newspaper by the British Columbia Federation of Trade and Industry. O-15

Better English
By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He went for him with both fists."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "Quincy" (Massachusetts)?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Comedian, comodity, complexion.

4. What does the word "foyer" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with st that means "dullness of understanding"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "He attacked him with both fists." 2. Pronounce kwin-zi, not kwin-si. 3. Com... 4. A lobby, especially ... ater. (Pronounce fwa-... a as in ah, second a ... accent last syllable). ... pidity.

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