

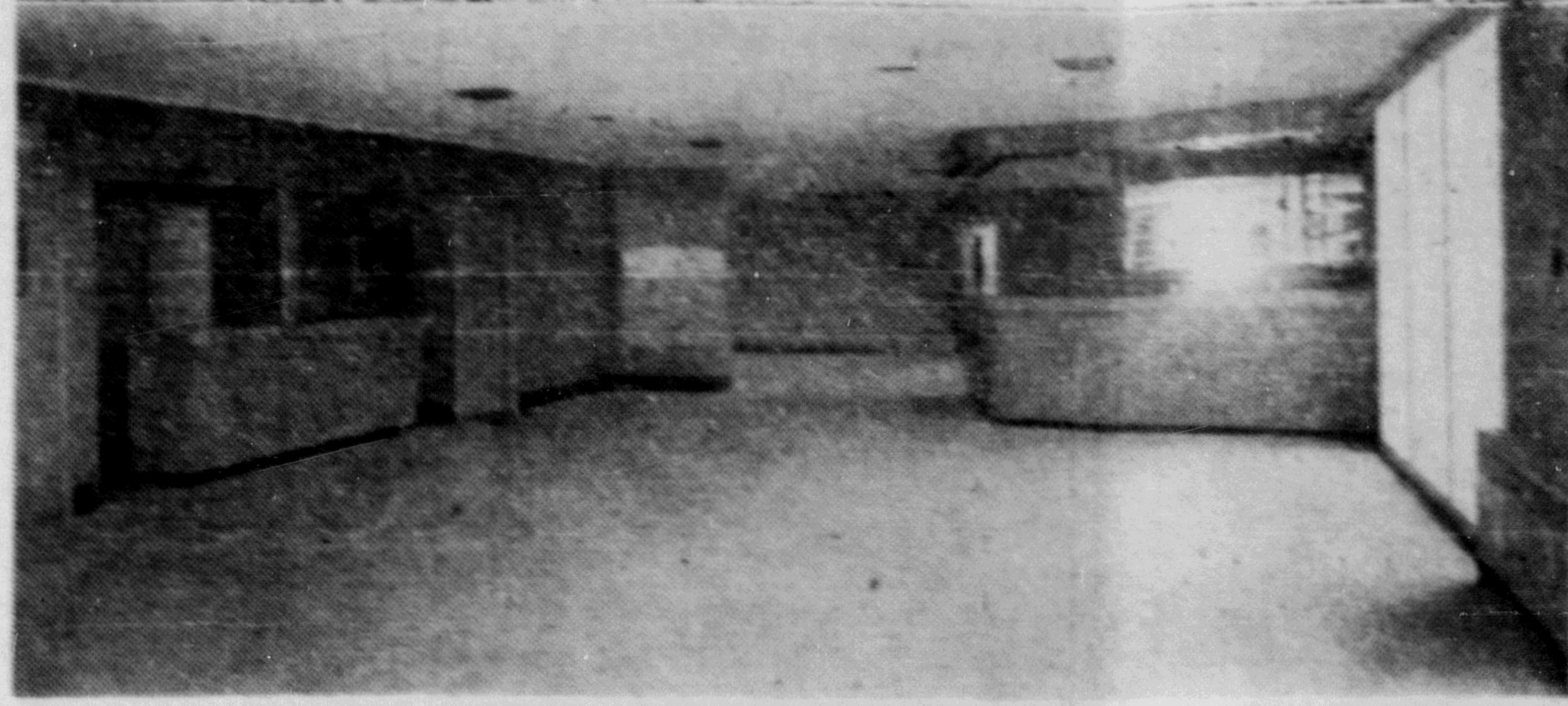
# LEGION "27" CLUB OPEN

## They've Done A good Job

What would we do without the ladies?  
The Canadian Legion can ask itself that question and it would bring an answer in high tribute to the value of the strong and enthusiastic Ladies' Auxiliary which over the years has helped the local branch invaluable in many phases of its work and activities.

for means to cut down overhead costs and make a few extra dollars the Auxiliary of the Prince Rupert branch came into being. At the time the old G.W.V.A. building (on the present site) was undergoing alterations so the initial meeting of the women was held in the old 102nd Armory on Second Avenue. (Now the Public Health Unit).

Later J. S. Wilson initiated officers of the Auxiliary in the present Legion rooms. First president was the late Mrs. Jack Preece, besides whom the charter members were Mrs. J. A. Hinton, Mrs. H. B. Eastman, Mrs. J. Connery, Mrs. H. M. Smith, Mrs. Henry Smith, sr., Mrs. J. Boulter, Mrs. C. L. Youngman, Mrs. M. M. Lamb,



THE LOUNGE—The Cocktail Lounge of the new Legion Club 27 is pictured below just before the rugs and furniture were installed. On the left is the entrance and reception desks and on the right is the bar and the full length windows over looking Prince Rupert's harbor.

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Several of these ladies are still in Prince Rupert and "carrying on" Some of them have passed beyond. Others live elsewhere. In view of the condition of the times there was much welfare work to be done in those early L.A. days and the members went from door to door collecting old clothing, later renovating and redistributing it.

The Auxiliary, which had been a factor in assisting to bring about the happy event, participated in 1935 in the ceremony of burning mortgage bonds of the Legion, at which the late Jack Preece officiated.

### DURING WAR

During the days of World War II the Legion women really proved their worth and no other woman's organization in Prince Rupert worked more faithfully or more successfully—never being deterred by time, weather or any adverse circumstance.

They formed a Bundles for Britain Club and sent thousands of dollars of clothing overseas.

Thirteen ocean-going freighters which had been built at the Prince Rupert dry dock were furnished with comforts for officers

and men. The Veterans' Guard of Canada was supplied with fifty pairs of socks.

Curtains were made for barracks in Prince Rupert.

The Canadian Women's Army Corps also benefitted from the consideration of the local Auxiliary.

Prince Rupert girls in the services received remembrances, particularly at Christmas.

One of the memorable jobs of the Auxiliary was the Welcome Hut which was operated on the Canadian National wharf near the station. There day and night, no matter what the season and how the weather, the women stationed themselves to greet the returning heroes as they arrived by boat and train, in groups, large and small, serving them with coffee, cakes and cigarettes, helping them in various ways, but, above all, delivering kind words and cheery smiles to culminate the homecomings.

Some 350 veterans signed the register which proudly also bears the signatures of the Governor General (The Earl of Athlone), Princess Alice and their aides.

But war's end, by no means, ended the work or dampened the enthusiasm of the Auxiliary. Today they are again back to peace-

time welfare work, among other things sending monthly checks to Shaughnessy Military Hospital, Tranquille Sanitarium, the Pioneers' Home and Miller Bay Hospital.

In their new and more spacious building, the Auxiliary expects to hold many functions as it goes on with the carrying out of the aims and objects of the organization.

The Auxiliary started with a membership of some twenty. Today its enrolment is a big 165.

## Special Cafeteria For Legion Club

The proprietors of the Civic Centre Dining Room, Norman and Mary Baker, are to operate the modern cafeteria which adjoins the lounge of Legion Club 27. They will provide the same style of foods found at the Centre including the "Chicken in the Rough," steaks and sandwiches and will also provide seafoods, seafood cocktails, and a new and different snack tray of hors d'oeuvres.

Mary Baker will be in charge of the cafeteria which will be open from 5 p.m. until midnight each week day.

## They "Never Die"— Veterans Of South Africa

The golden anniversary of the turning point in the South African war was observed throughout Canada last month. This was the battle of Paardeberg and surrender of General Cronje's forces, followed shortly after by the relief of Ladysmith, fifty years ago February 27, 1900.

Veterans who sailed from Canada, the British Isles, and elsewhere are still scattered across the Dominion but by this time all are well along in years. Some have been living in Prince Rupert since early in the city's history.

It was in 1935 there was a reunion here, those present on that occasion being the following: Robert W. Cameron, Royal Canadian Regiment; T. H. Johnson, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, South African hospital ship "Maine" (China); G. A. Woodland, 8th King's Liverpool Regt.; Jack Preece (guest of honor); R. Rivett, Army Service Corps; R. Lahiff, 17th Lancers; F. Stamp-Vincent, Bulawayo Horse and Cape Mounted Rifles; A. McIvor, Cameron Highlanders; M. McArthur, Seaforth Highlanders; W. H. Wilson-Murray, 78th Seaforth Highlanders; S. C. Thompson, 86th Imperial Yeomanry; G. V. Hanley, Cape Mounted Police.

Inspector J. A. Fraser, Strathcona Horse; Wright Davies, 47th Loyal North Lancashire Regt.; A. O. Franks, 82nd Imperial Yeomanry; Steve King, Pagets Horse; C. Cherry, 34th Border Regiment; George P. Connolly, Northumberland Hussars; B. Ellison, Royal Army Medical Corps; W. S. Hammond, W. J. Raymond, Royal Canadian Regiment.

It is fifteen years since 1925

and since then there has been a substantial reduction in the number of those who were there. Some have died. Some have moved elsewhere in B.C. Others, not present at the reunion, but who are still here include Bill Bailey, of the Rifle Brigade, regarded as the senior of all the local returned men, H. Love, and H. Hamilton. Helena, north west of Capetown, where Napoleon died more than a century ago.

The campaign in Africa suffered reverses in the opening months, after which General Buller was retired, to be succeeded by Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener as chief of staff. General Cronje,

until after the ending of the war, lived on the island of Helena, where Napoleon was more than a century ago.

It is not without local interest to state that in the English engagement and final capture of the Victoria Colonnade, the history of the campaign, the morning paper printed the victory before any of the news had reached Canada—even before the Peace was signed at the treaty in the Transvaal, 1902.

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