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## Water Supply Vital

MAYOR RUDDERHAM is not long installed in office before there is concrete confirmation of his statement at the initial meeting of the 1950 city council that the maintenance of the city's water supply system is the principal problem that will face the city this year.

It appears to be a two-barrelled problem—first the putting in shape of the present main line, which everybody admits is in shaky condition and in danger of a major breakdown at any moment, and, second, augmentation of the water-carrying capacity to adequately meet all the city's normal and special requirements which will increase during the years of industrial and business expansion which lie immediately ahead.

Dry, cold weather conditions of the past three weeks have focussed thought and attention on the vital necessity of a good and adequate water supply guaranteed at all times with sufficient elasticity to meet such emergencies as that of abnormal weather conditions. Scarcity of water in a city not only makes the place unlivable. It is attended with the spectre of the community's possible destruction by fire.

Yes, Mayor Rudderham is right. Water comes first.

## PACIFIC DEFENCE POLICY

ONE WOULD THINK that with our lines being drawn back in the far east we would strengthen our Alaskan bases as the first line of defense and offense in the north Pacific, observes the Ketchikan Chronicle. But the withdrawal of the air force from the Aleutians and possibly from Marks field at Nome indicates we are going home again just at a time when the Pacific becomes the hot spot of the shifting cold war.

Mr. Truman must be given credit for bringing the western world through a very trying year, with the siege of Berlin a thing of the past the Russian threats to oil-rich Iran easing and the North Atlantic treaty going into effect. He thinks a period of stability can be maintained on the foreign front if we do not meddle too much in things that don't concern us. It is important to adopt a progressive program for the far east, but our economic aid could not help China the way it was wasted away. Chiang could not hold his regime together because of corruption and the communists may not be expected to do any better for a long time. But we must face the inevitable problem of Japan's population increase, the need for capital in the Philippines, for education and leadership in Indonesia, for capital and industrialization in India and for more food in China, and formulate a policy for the orient that is humane and realistic. On every side are great problems and their solution will decide whether the white and yellow race live peacefully or end up in a new and deadlier struggle for living space and control of the Pacific world.

## Baptist College Seen In Action

An interested audience at Regular Baptist Church Friday evening saw impressive views of how a theological training school is operated and learned of various activities in connection therewith. Rev. Leonard Thorpe, pastor of Regular Baptist Church here, showed numerous colored slides of Northwest Bible College at Port Coquitlam, a residential training school for clergy, missionaries and workers. Scenes included classroom surroundings with the students in action—at work in recreation and in life generally.

The Coquitlam college was started by the Regular Baptist

## AIR PASSENGERS

Due to the late arrival of the C.P.A. flight from Vancouver yesterday, the Sandspit-Prince Rupert flight was held up at Sandspit overnight and arrived here at 9 o'clock this morning.

From Vancouver (Friday) — R. Edward, J. T. Beckett, S. Pachet, G. McLeod, Mrs. M. Person.

To Vancouver (today) — D. Rogus, Art Chapman, W. H. Clarke, T. Grover.

Church five years ago, more especially to train returning service men. It has a capacity for ninety students and there are now about thirty there.

Last night's meeting was under auspices of the Ambassadors Young People's group of the local Regular Baptist Church. Sam Janz was chairman.

# Services in the Church

## DIRECTORY

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

**ANGELICAN CATHEDRAL**  
4th Ave. W. at Dunsuir St.  
Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 2:00 p.m.  
Canon Basil S. Procter, B.A., B.D.  
Rector: (Blue 753)

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
5th Ave. E. at Young St.  
Minister: Rev. Fred Antrobus  
(Green 812)

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
4th Avenue East  
Director of Music: Mrs. E. J. Smith

**FIRST UNITED**  
636 6th Ave. West  
Rev. L. G. Sieber  
(Green 613)

**FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE**  
202 6th Ave. West  
Pastor: C. Fawcett  
(Green 331)

**SAVATION ARMY**  
Fraser Street  
C.O.: Capt. W. Foulton  
Directory Class 2:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 3:00 p.m.  
(Black 269)

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
5th Ave. at McBride St.  
Pastor: E. Solland  
(Black 610)

**ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN**  
Seal Cove  
Archdeacon E. Hodson  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Prayer 7:30 p.m.  
(Blue 427)

**REGULAR BAPTIST**  
629 6th Ave. E.  
Pastor, Leonard A. Thorpe  
Services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 12:15.

## Gift of Apples Made to Britain

KELOWNA — British Columbia fruit growers have made a gift of approximately 1,000,000 boxes of apples to Great Britain rather than have the fruit rot in warehouses, it was announced by A. K. Lloyd, president and general manager of British Columbia Tree Fruits Limited. Value of the gift is about \$1,500,000. First shipment leaves New Westminster January 15.

Classified ads bring results.



## First Presbyterian Church

Preacher: Rev. M. A. Mark  
Director of Music: Mrs. E. J. Smith

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1950  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
Anthem—Junior Choir: Show me thy way O Lord

Sunday School—12:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship—7:30 p.m.  
Rev. A. M. Mark will preach at both services.

NOTE—Annual Congregational Meeting Monday Jan. 23rd, 8 p.m.

## REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH

(Fundamentalist)  
639 East 6th Ave.  
Pastor Leonard A. Thorpe

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1950  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship  
Topic: "STEADY PROGRESS"  
(Junior Choir will sing)

12:15 p.m.—Sunday School.  
(Classes for all — Don't be afraid of the cold—The church is warm).

7:30 p.m.—Gospel Service.  
Topic: "PIGS OR POWER."  
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Mon. 7:30—Hi Young Peoples  
Wed. 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting  
Fri. 8 p.m., Ambassadors.

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## First United Church

536 Sixth Avenue West  
Prince Rupert, B.C.  
Rev. Lawrence G. Sieber

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1950  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
Children's Story: The Mill On the Hill.

Sermon: Roots and Fruits.  
Anthem: All Beautiful The March of Days.

7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship.  
Sermon: Lost—The Gospel.  
Sunday Schools at the usual times in First Church and Conrad United Hall.

Annual Congregational Supper and Meeting Friday, January 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall.

## Cold Weather Holds Building

Continuation of the long cold snap is holding up new building construction work in Prince Rupert and projects are running behind schedule. Contractors Mitchell & Currie have not been able to do a tap for three weeks now on the two principal current downtown undertakings — the new Tolem Theatre and the new Daily News building, both of which are approaching the concrete pouring stage. The normally mucky excavation sites are now deep frozen.

## Skiing On Mt. Hayes

At a meeting of the executive of the Prince Rupert Ski Club this week in the office of Allan Armstrong, the president, George Mostad stated that the ski tow should be in operation this coming week-end.

Last week-end about thirty-five members of the club enjoyed skiing on Mount Hayes. Some of the more ambitious members went to the top run while others remained at the "Kindergarten Run" which has been renamed "Sismark Flats." The trails to the ski runs have been marked by some artistic signs designed by members of the Club.

Regardless of the bruises received by most people last week it is hoped that on Saturday night they will be back for another week-end of chills and spills.

Of the 625,000 Canadians over seventy, 275,000 now receive old age pensions.

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## Poetess To Speak Here

Gifted Nanaimo-born poetess who has been an invalid for much of her life, Audrey Alexandra Brown is coming to Prince Rupert next week to address a dinner gathering on Thursday night of the Women's Canadian Club. She will travel on the steamer Prince George, arriving Wednesday morning and leaving Thursday night on her return south. Miss Brown made her first impression in the literary world with the publication in 1931 of a book of fresh poetry entitled "A Dryad of Nanaimo" since which she has contributed to magazines and other publications with poetry and prose.

Canadians have paid more than \$13,000,000 in radio license fees in the last three years.

## NOTICE OF RESERVE

Notice is hereby given that the reserve against the disposition of crown petroleum and natural gas on Queen Charlotte Islands will be lifted at 12 o'clock noon February 1, 1950, after which time applications for permits under the provisions of the "Petroleum and Natural Gas Act" may be submitted to the Superintendent of Lands, Department of Lands and Forests, Victoria. George P. Melrose, Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, Department of Lands and Forests, Victoria, B. C. January 13, 1950. (25)

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# Victoria Report

by J. K. Nesbitt

## Wide-Open vs Blue Sundays Dynamite-Laden Argument—Better Old Age Pension Needed

As if the government didn't have enough headaches without the argument of "Wide-Open vs Blue Sunday"—that argument is now going full swing. It all started when Toronto voted in favor of commercialized sports on Sunday. Promptly B. C.'s church leaders got up in arms and warned they would fight commercialized Sunday to the last ditch.

A commercialized Sunday, it appears, is up to the attorney-general, personally, or the Legislature. The Federal Lord's Day Act rules against commercialization of Sunday but, before there can be a prosecution, the Federal Government must have a fiat from an attorney-general. If the attorney-general refuses, nothing further can be done. There is no higher authority to crack down on him.

A provincial legislature may override the Lord's Day Act. For instance, the B. C. Legislature could allow commercialization of Sunday and Ottawa authorities could do nothing about it. Thus, the subject of Sunday, and how it should be observed, is charged with political dynamite. There could be a referendum and if a majority of the people voted for paid sports on Sunday the attorney-general could close his eye to the Lord's Day Act. But this might well be politically dangerous. The people might approve a commercialized Sunday in theory, get fed up with it in practice, pitch the attorney-general and his cabinet colleagues to the wolves at the next election.

The government will never give its blessing to the attorney-general and tell him to close his eyes to anything that faintly resembles a wide-open Sunday. The Legislature, while it will discuss the matter at next month's session, will turn a cold shoulder to any law that will allow paid entertainments on Sunday.

Government officials here say that, if commercialized sports are allowed on Sundays, there would be constant pressure for other types of paid entertainment—movies, beer parlors, dances, even circuses. The government will have nothing to do with that sort of thing. At the moment it is safe to say there

will be no commercialization of Sundays in this province. Another thorny question that has to be discussed by M.L.A.'s next month is old-age pensions. B.C.'s old-age pension is remarkably good, considering other provinces—\$50 a month, and the pensioner may have another \$10 a month of his own. Also, pensioners in B.C. get free medical and hospital treatment, eyeglasses and some dentistry. They may keep \$250 in the bank and leave as much as \$2,600 in real estate to a member of the family or friend.

The people really up against it are those between 5 and 70, too old to work, too young to get the old-age pension. Some retired B. C. government civil servants are living on less than \$50 a month. They must struggle along until they are 70 when they will get some part of the old-age pension to bring their monthly income up to \$60. Thus a pensioner and his wife, trying to live on \$45 a month an impossibility, at age 67, will find that when they reach 70 they get the equivalent of \$120 a month. At age 70 the \$45 pension will be split in two up to \$80 each in the way of old-age pension.

The time is coming when some provision will have to be made for the 65-70 group. There is nothing for many of them to do now but go on social assistance which is a new and fancier name for relief, but means exactly the same. And it's plenty poor pickings.

Some old-age vital statistics: Costing B. C. Government \$6,900,000 a year and Federal Government (or B. C. people) more than \$12,000,000 a year, 28,500 people now on old-age pension in B. C. has increased from \$80 a month in 1927 to \$50 a month—jump of 150 per cent.

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