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Victoria Report

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British Columbia Has Reason To Be Proud Of Public Health Services—An Epic Story

VICTORIA—This province has for long been proud—and justifiably so—of its public health services. The public health doctors and nurses spurning the money and glamor of the big cities, have labored in small places, mostly because they love their work and they love the way they are able to get close to people, to human beings, in a manner perhaps unknown to the doctor in the big-city and the nurse in the gleaming ward of a big city hospital.

Deputy Minister of Health Dr. G. F. Amyot is prouder than ever these days as he contemplates the yeoman service rendered in recent days by the senior public health nurse at Dawson Creek, Miss Aileen Bond graduate of Vancouver's St. Paul's Hospital, Miss Bond and a Miss Wilson of the Department of Indian Affairs a few weeks ago went into an isolated Indian reservation and, in below-zero weather, and under terrific handicaps, successfully fought an outbreak of diphtheria.

"Beyond the call of duty," that's what Dr. Amyot says of what these nurses did—and you can see he's touched and affected as he contemplates their deeds—and proud, too, of all young women who dedicate their lives to nursing—woman's noblest profession.

But the best way to tell this story is to use quotes from Miss Bond's official report to her boss—the Department of Health in the Legislative Buildings at Victoria:—

"The Indian camp (where the diphtheria raged) was discovered by spotting a funeral fire burning on a nearby hill, showing there had been another death that day. When approached at night—this forlorn camp looked most eerie, for it consisted of a collection of canvass tepees and a few squalid, unchinked, rough log shelters. The only signs of life were the multitude of half-starved, miserable hounds and the smoke curling from the tops of the tents.

"On the first inspection—found three acutely ill patients. Two had almost complete membranes covering their throats and the third that day had had his membrane removed by another Indian who had reached in with a pair of pliers and extracted the complete membrane which he was saving as a souvenir. This patient's life was very definitely saved temporarily by the operation—but he died—later—in Edmonton."

Miss Wilson describes the Indian camp:—"beyond description. What houses there were had no floors or windows—cotton blankets on the ground—and the one tin stove with a black pot in which all food was prepared and eaten."

"The nurses strapped penicillin and anti-toxoid to their bodies to keep them from freezing. The R. C. A. F. flew over from Edmonton and by parachute dropped supplies.

Says Miss Wilson:—"Nursing technique suffered considerably. It's not the easiest thing to look professional in Arctic regalia crawling into a teepee on hands and knees and having to squat on the saliva-spattered ground while the smoke from the bonfire slowly blinds one. Our favorite expression soon became 'koot-na-Kloon', which is Beaver for 'too much smoke' and it was flattering to enter these wig-wams and be greeted with 'Chai-Wootcha' which is 'good woman', meaning we are making them better and they were glad. Sanitary facilities were non-existent, unless one could consider a pile of tumble-down logs 500 yards from the cabin a facility. There was only one spot on my anatomy which suffered acutely with the cold, due entirely to our non-existent outdoor-plumbing."

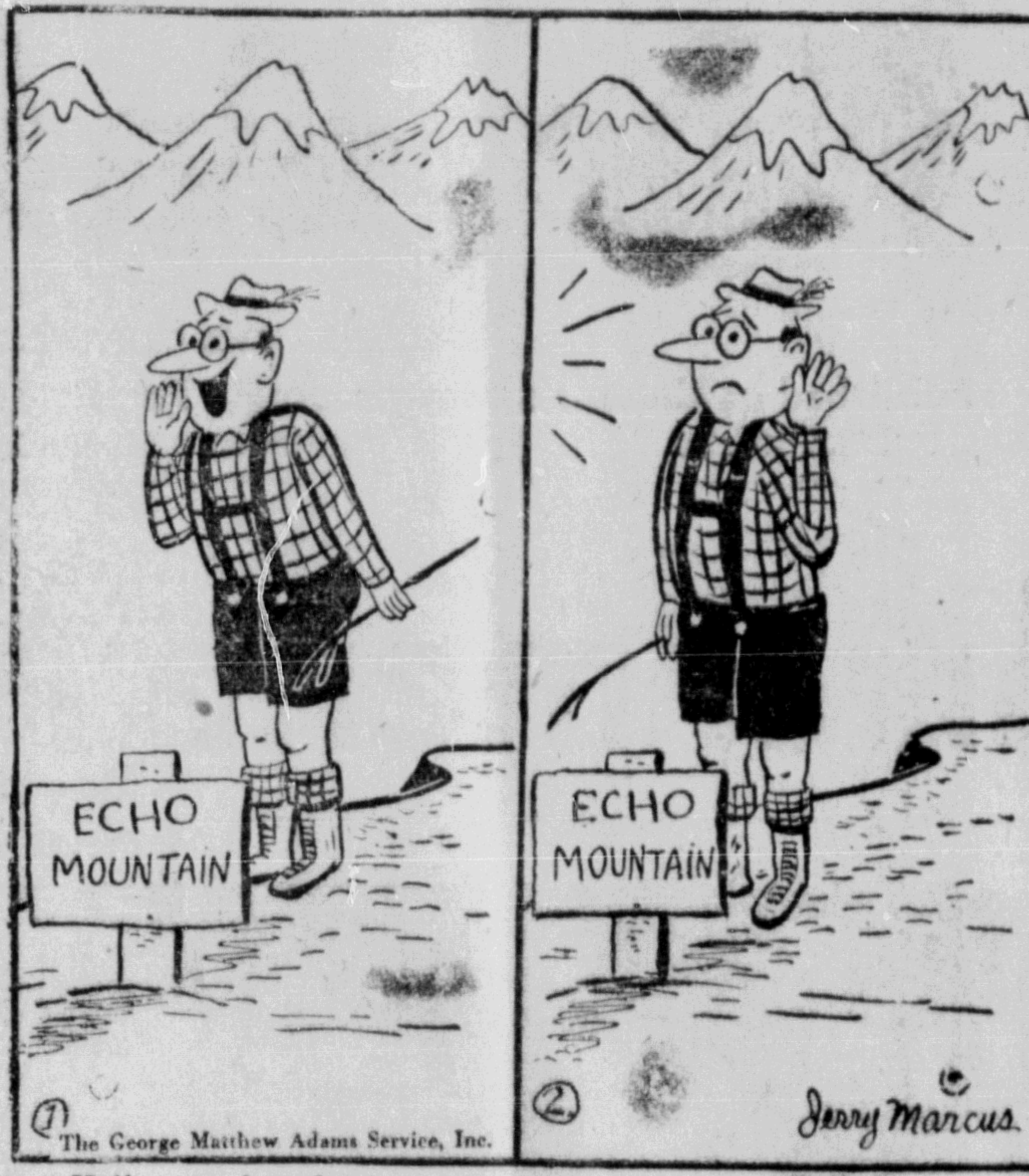
Miss Bond pays tribute to her fellow workers:—"Great credit for the salvation of so many lives and welfare of the whole camp is due to Miss Wilson, who proved a capable leader, cheerful companion, excellent nurse, ingenious cook, accomplished musician and even barber and dentist when required.

"We certainly appreciated Angus Beaton—our guide and teamster. Angus was more than a teamster. With his quiet, gentle ways he made existence endurable by fetching water and wood without being asked, heating the sleigh with hot rocks and instructing the nurses on forest lore of the north. His patience, kindness and tact with two headstrong women in tow was an example to all."

Nurses Bond and Wilson live up to the best ideals of their profession. Like Florence Nightingale each was, in truth, "a lady with a lamp."

Conviction of a \$150 fine or two months imprisonment imposed on Charles Woods by Magistrate held by Judge W. O. Fulton in W. D. Vance, May 28, was up-County Court Wednesday as the appeal was dismissed. Woods was convicted on a liquor charge. T. W. Brown acted for the appellant.

MYSTERY GIRL—A Vancouver street photographer didn't know when he snapped this picture Jan. 4 that the young lady was Beverly Ann Van Horne, 17-year-old heiress who ran away from her Montreal home for reasons that still have not been made public. Miss Van Horne, granddaughter of Sir William Van Horne, founder of the Canadian Pacific Railway, was discovered later working in a Vancouver restaurant as a dishwasher. (CP Photo)



Ray Reflects and Reminisces

A bed manufacturer, doing business in Chicago, says more and more people are going to bed to escape domestic, business and international problems. Well it's an idea all the same!

The great grand-daughter of Sir William Van Horne (and incidentally a Montreal heiress) is returning home after having been located in Vancouver holding down the job of a dish washer. Sir William, who helped found the C.P.R. and gave Vancouver its name, was known as a man of foresight, but he never foresaw anything like that.

"Man to man the world o'er, shall brothers be for a' that," sang Burns. There are atom bombs, vast cemeteries and thousands of hospitals for whose patients the war has not yet ended. And there are whispers of a third. Nevertheless, Robert, faint and far off, the dim outline of a change in world affairs takes shape. It's surely there. Compare our way of life, today, with what it was a century ago.

Recognition of Russian Communism by the British Government is drawing increasing comment in United States newspapers. The tone is very similar. It reflects a pained attitude—like a fellow discovering something he never expected to see, yet there it is.

There's nothing really new about delayed trains, floods, slides, deep snow, gales, heavy rains, below zero weather, all round inconvenience and to some extent hardship. It's all been here before—perhaps not all at the same time yet there's no novelty anywhere.

Who remembers vaudeville? Once, packed houses rarely failed. Vaudeville still slowly dying. Should be, after what the stage screen, radio and television have succeeded in doing.

Celebration of the fifth anniversary of Regular Baptist Church, which fell last Friday, was deferred until an amelioration of weather conditions. The date will be set later.

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AN AMERICAN TRADE MISSION is in Japan this month endeavoring to restore business relations which, no one can dispute, is quite legitimate and correct. They are there, Japan was told, in a spirit of friendship and goodwill. At a Chamber of Commerce dinner, one of the visitors said: "We want to live at peace with you, our neighbors across the sea. We'd like to do business with you. Business and commerce is a two way road running both east and west. Because Seattle is the closest city both by sea and air, we have an advantage over other points in the United States. We feel we have a right to solicit your business."

All that is the truth. Seattle is nearer Tokyo than any other port in the United States because of her northerly location. Prince Rupert is more than six hundred miles north of Seattle and that is one of the reasons why this city's position in trade channels places the port far nearer Japan than any other transcontinental railway terminus in all America. And no community knows this better than Seattle. It is an advantage that cannot remain unrecognized for ever. The time for use of this port is long overdue.

BOMBS PROVOKE THOUGHT

IT HAS BEEN DISCLOSED at Washington that the newly devised hydrogen bomb has a destructive power far greater than anything known previously. The atomic bombs dropped in Japan during the closing stages of the war were thought terrible enough. But this, in its capacity to destroy, has no rival.

The sober statement has been heard that ten of them could wipe out the world's ten chief cities. Because of this knowledge, and the making of such dire comparisons, it is said that Washington debates the whole question, not so much from the standpoint of defence or aggressive warfare, but solely from the angle of morale—having to do with rightness or wrongness of thoughts and actions.

BRITISH ELECTION

SIX WEEKS FOR a general election campaign may be a short time by some countries' standards. In the United Kingdom, it could have been made even shorter under the procedure laid down by law for the dismissal of one Parliament and the summoning of another—a matter of 20 days or so.

But the Prime Minister has followed the same kind of practice as was followed for the last general election in 1945 and given the political parties and the country that much more time to prepare. Preparations are in fact pretty well advanced in all parties. There will be nearly 600 Labor candidates, 550 or so Conservatives, 400 Liberals and about 100 Communists.

The House of Commons, to which these 1,600 or so hope to be elected, will be slightly smaller than the last. It will have 625 Members of Parliament instead of 640.

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Xmas Cases Adjudged

Two cases were adjourned for one week in city court Saturday by Magistrate W. D. Vance. Angus McEachern, charged with making nitroglycerine for unlawful purposes, December 22, elected for speedy trial and evidence of Corporal Taylor and Wales and Constable White was heard before the case adjourned. Counsel for the defense is Rod MacLeod. George McKnight, who was arrested Christmas night and charged with breaking and entering of the Gordon & Anderson premises, will again be brought before the Magistrate on Saturday.

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