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A United Church

COMMENDING itself to all church people and those who are convinced of the importance and necessity of making Christianity a more effective instrument than it is today at a time when the influence is so sorely needed must be the new move instituted by the heads of the Anglican and United Churches to form union between the two most influential and strongest Protestant denominations in Canada.

The point we endeavour to make might well be illustrated in Prince Rupert where the majority of Protestant denominations struggle along in duplicating effort and working at cross purposes in almost constant financial embarrassment, often without permanent and settled clergy and with pitifully sparse congregations and church organizations which are not only discouraging but ineffectual.

WOMAN OF YEAR

THE FACT of Prince Rupert having a woman mayor is paying off once more from a publicity standpoint with the selection of Nora Arnold as Canada's "Woman of the Year."

When Mrs. Arnold goes to Regina this summer to be honored as a national figure she may be depended upon to, as usual, give a good account of herself and bring credit to her home city.

GYRO'S BIGGEST UNDERTAKING

PRINCE RUPERT Gyro Club, venerable after its quarter of a century of existence as a local organization but maintaining its perpetual youth, is synonymous with playground development in this city.

Last night the Gyro Club essayed the greatest of its entire career—undertaking to provide this year a new \$8500 swimming pool.

It is a courageous project to which the Gyros have pledged their resources and their efforts. They will require and, no doubt, receive the co-operation and support of the public as a whole whenever and however the occasion arises.

AIR PASSENGERS Carey, Mrs. M. J. Redfern, G. M. Holby; from Vancouver—A. D. Hicks, A. V. Hill. LONDON, P. — A southwest London council's eight rat "operatives" have visited 1464 houses during the 15 months and destroyed an estimated 13,300 rats.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE TAXATION DIVISION NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS From APRIL 19th to APRIL 30th, representatives from the Vancouver Income Tax Office will be in Prince Rupert for the purpose of: (1) Receiving Tax Returns being filed. (2) Receiving Payments of Income Tax (but only those in the form of cheques, money orders, etc.) (3) Giving tax information to taxpayers to enable returns to be filed.

Gun Practice Sites Wanted

By Stuart Underhill Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, P. — The British Army and Royal Air Force are having a hard time finding places where they can practice with the guns and drop bombs.

During the war, battle training areas and bombing runs were established wherever the military authorities thought the most suitable. If necessary whole villages were evacuated.

But since the war ended people so affected have been clamoring to get back home. Sometimes their requests have been heeded but often the Army has clung to its territory.

Thus, several rural localities and picturesque little villages now are nothing but gutted cottages, around which troops lurk and skirmish in realistic battle training. Large areas of moorland and coastal strips have been torn to pieces by shells and tank treads.

The War Office always tries to choose a training area with the object of inconveniencing as few people as possible. But those affected do not hesitate to raise their voices and they always find supporters.

Intermittently since the end of the Second World War, the correspondence columns of the newspapers have been crammed with complaints about the Army's refusal to release some "beauty spot" or agricultural area.

MODERN FEUD AT ROBIN HOOD'S BAY Scene of one of the latest Army-civilian feuds is Robin Hood's Bay, on the east Yorkshire coast and recently in the news because of a police hunt to find the source of "poison pen" letters which residents have been getting on and off for 20 years.

Causing almost as much consternation in the picturesque old town is a War Office proposal to establish a permanent artillery training centre over 30 square miles of the nearby North Yorkshire moors.

The area once was recommended for a national park and is known to thousands of holiday-makers. It was used during the war and there are still many warning signs of "unexploded bombs."

Citizens claim that the gun site would drive away tourists and retired people looking for a quiet place to settle down and would affect the town's business because one of the main roads leading to it would have to be closed during the firing.

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LETTERBOX

THE MATINEE

Editor, Daily News: "Student's Mother" should be thanked for taking the initiative on a subject which has caused much discussion in the past week—that is, the exorbitant admission charged students at Tuesday's special matinee.

We too felt keenly on this matter and refused to let our boy attend on the principle that if a picture were worthy of a special school day matinee in the interests of education it should have been made available at a nominal cost, or for that matter free (the management passed up a fine gesture here to a long-suffering public).

However, taking a stand is not easy where children are concerned, for, in haying the courage of one's convictions, as it were, the thought persists that perhaps one is depriving the child of something he should see for his own good. One is thus torn between two fires. This may possibly explain why most of the students attended the matinee, though so many parents felt an injustice had been done.

It is argued that the management was not permitted to charge less than 50c for this picture to students. The fact remains however that had the holiday not been sanctioned, the coffers of the theatre would have been empty indeed as far as students were concerned for I am sure very few would have attended the evening performance at 75c. So the theatre stood to gain in any event from Tuesday's matinee.

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GERMANS STUDY BRITISH LIFE

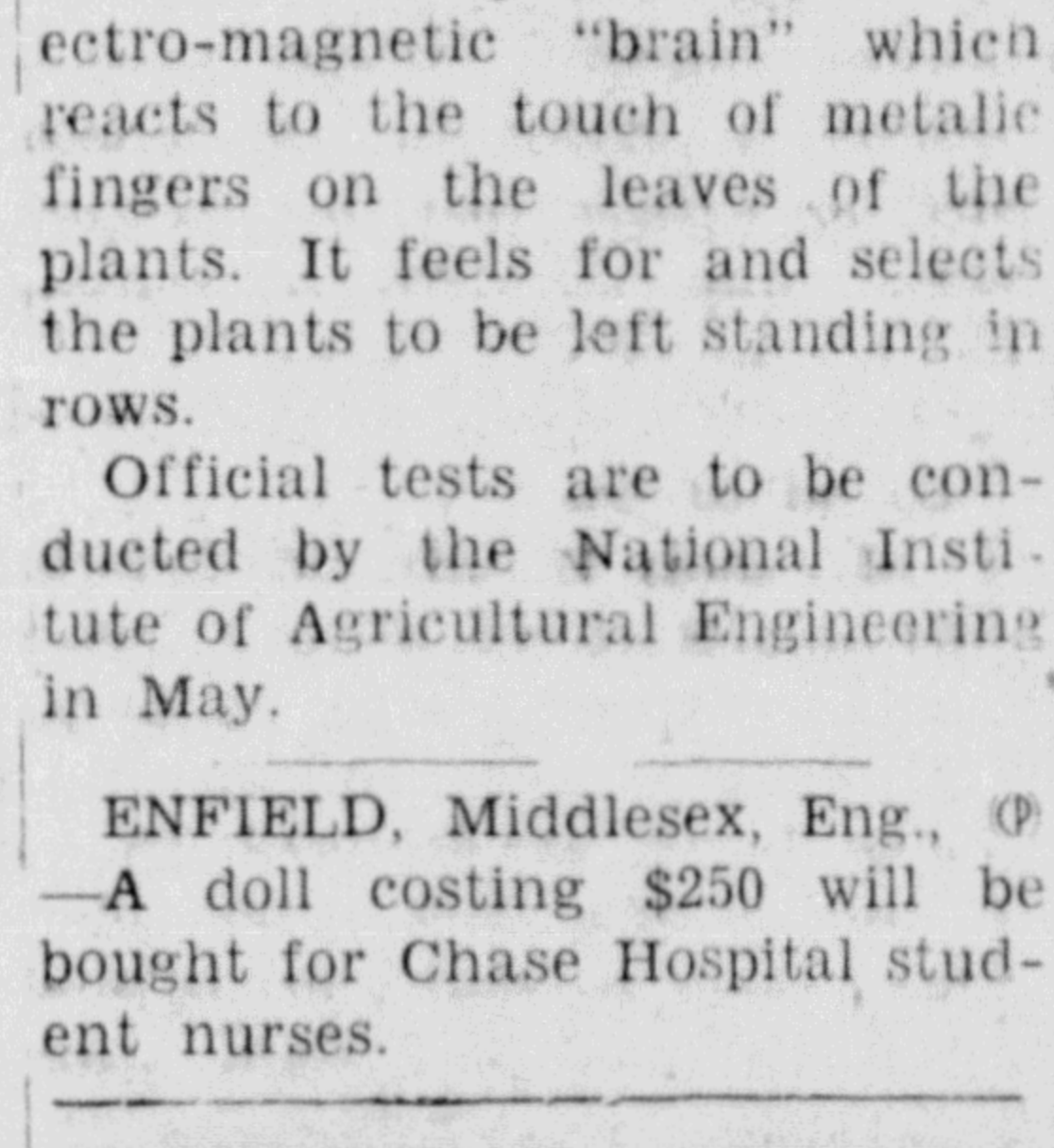
LONDON, P. — A party of 100 German men and women from the British zone of Germany now are attending courses designed to give them a general picture of life in Britain today.

Lecturers on various aspects of Britain's educational technique and social services and visits to places of historic interest and scenic beauty are included. The visitors are representative of teachers at primary and secondary schools in Germany and junior university lecturers.

New Machine Beats Beet Farming Blues LONDON, P. — A French machine to take the backache out of sugar beet farming by thinning crops at the rate of one yard a second is being demonstrated in England. The machine, demonstrated to English farmers by a French engineer, already is in use on the continent. It is operated by an electro-magnetic "brain" which reacts to the touch of metallic fingers on the leaves of the plants. It feels for and selects the plants to be left standing in rows.

Official tests are to be conducted by the National Institute of Agricultural Engineering in May.

ENFIELD, Middlesex, Eng., P. — A doll costing \$250 will be bought for Chase Hospital student nurses.



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R. B. Buckenfield, President, B.C. Branch, Canadian Cancer Society. Maj.-Gen. F. F. Worthington, C.B., M.C., M.M., Provincial Campaign Chairman. A. C. Turner, Hon. Campaign Treasurer.

LEAVES CITY TO VISIT IN NORWAY

A summer in her native Norway is in store for Mrs. Ole Wick, 1108 Ambrose Avenue, who left on last night's train for the east coast. Mrs. Wick will spend a few days visiting friends in New York City before boarding the liner Stavangerfjord for her former home at Trondheim.

The journey is a delayed one. Mrs. Wick planned to make it a year ago but a fishing boat explosion which sent her son, John, to hospital with serious injuries, caused the plan to be dropped. Now, however John is well on his way to recovery although not yet out of hospital.

Mrs. Wick, whose husband is both a boat builder and a fisherman, expects to return home in the fall.

Honoring her departure, Mrs. Axel Petersen and Mrs. Olof Skog were joint hostesses at a farewell party Saturday night. Peter Lien, on behalf of the

assemblage of 30 friends, wished her a pleasant journey and a safe return and presented her with a number of lovely gifts.

The evening was spent in dancing to accordion music by Mike Colussi.

CAPITALISM COLLAPSING?

BERLIN, P. — "The Marshall Plan means division of Germany, the division of Europe, it means war," said Col. Sergei Tulpanov, Soviet information chief here, yesterday. "This is an epoch of the collapse of capitalism."

GIVE AGAIN TO CONQUER CANCER!!

Help this year to lower the terrible toll of life that cancer takes in British Columbia. Support the B.C. Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society. This agency is devoted to the vital work of informing people about cancer in British Columbia, Educational films, lectures, literature, bursaries for special training of nurses in charge of cancer patients, the establishment of cancer units in towns and cities throughout British Columbia, and the publishing and mailing of an official Cancer Bulletin to all campaign contributors are all part of the vital work done by the Society. \$100,000 is needed in B.C. urgently. Will you help? This is not a charity—remember that your donation may pay you or a loved one a life-saving dividend. Be generous!

Learn Cancer's Danger Signals

- 1. Any sore that does not heal readily, particularly about the tongue, mouth or lips. 2. A painless lump or thickening especially on the breast, hip or tongue. 3. Irregular bleeding or discharge from any natural body opening. 4. Progressive change in size or color of mole, wart or birthmark. 5. Persistent indigestion. 6. Persistent hoarseness, unexplained coughing or difficulty in swallowing. 7. Any change in normal bowel habits.

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Contributions may be left with Bank of Montreal, Bank of Commerce or Royal Bank of Canada.

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