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The Aiyansh Story

THE DAILY NEWS today tells a story of how the three hundred people of the Naas River village of Aiyansh have contributed several thousand dollars, twelve thousand to be exact, to rebuild a church which was destroyed by fire in their community. How many families those three hundred people represent is not known, but considering the average size of an Indian family, it is doubtful if there are a hundred earning groups in the village.

Such a contribution in this age is a pretty rare thing for any good cause, but in the cause of religion, it is rare indeed. And on top of this financial generosity is the volunteer labor of love which will transform the fund from a bank credit into a house of religion, patterned on their Diocesan cathedral.

There is a moral in this story, particularly for those so-called whites who have seen the Indian only in the un-advantageous light of a city street, and not in the proper setting of his village and his home. The Aiyansh story will be recognized by those who know the native population, as a truer picture of the dignity and neighborliness which is an everyday part of village life.

Recently, the Daily News has published letters from natives criticizing phases of their treatment while in this city. Whether or not those criticisms were justified—they undoubtedly were, at least in part—is not under discussion here. The point is, that to the sensitive mind they can be recognized for what they are—pleas for understanding from a people whose responsible members are asking from us little more than the civilized attitudes of tolerance and goodwill in their development toward what they undoubtedly believe to be the best that our civilization contains.

While we are pondering the Aiyansh story it might well be significant to ask ourselves what would be the response if one of our own churches burned down.

THIS TELLS THE STORY

ON TOP of the two Russian school-teachers who elected to stay in the United States come reports of Olympic athletes from Soviet-dominated countries who have decided to stay in Great Britain. Desires for careers as professional athletes apparently has something to do with the decisions of the latter. But the atmosphere of political and mental freedom in Britain undoubtedly is the underlying attraction in all these cases.

Moscow's strenuous efforts to prevent such defections, forcibly, to blacken motives and confuse issues with lurid charges of coercion, do not bespeak confidence in the superior attractions of the Soviet system.

Earlier this year a member of the United States Information Service in Moscow and later an army sergeant on duty at the American Embassy left their jobs and announced their intentions of staying in Russia. While official American explanations imputed their actions to romantic befuddlement, there was certainly no attempt to make them change their minds by force. American newspapers freely printed the reasons they gave for preferring to stay in Communist Russia.

Perhaps the real strength of the democratic system is nowhere more apparent than in the absence of a frantic and panic-stricken effort to conceal the dissatisfaction of the occasional dissident who chooses to desert it. Such inner assurance speaks more loudly than any hysterical interchange of charge and countercharge.

Hotel.. Arrivals

Prince Rupert

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lyons, Patterson, Calif.; J. Wilson, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Craigen, Powell River; J. Grey, Juneau; D. Albright, Ketchikan; S. Penner, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Pinner, Branby, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Haley, Toledo, Ohio; E. B. Helmer, Vancouver; G. Norbury, Vancouver; L. Rosengren, Vancouver; R. McGee, Vancouver; Mrs. J. Puchas, Vancouver; E. MacDonald, Vancouver; J. Donahue, Los Angeles; E. Reid, Los Angeles; T. Gregg, Hazelton; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Boston, Omaha, Nebraska; Mrs. R. Ragsdell, Burns Lake; F. Ragsdell, Burns Lake; J. Morgan, Burns Lake; W. Marsh, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Barr, and children, Terrace; W. Boyer, Honolulu, Hawaii; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cummings, Honolulu, Hawaii; Miss O. Manning, Prince George; Miss E. Downing, Prince George; J. Craigen, Powell River; K. D. Aro, Topley; O. C. Saunders, Oceanic Cannery; S. Suga and daughter.

DISTRICT ROTARY HEAD TO VISIT RUPERT CLUB

Edward Warner, Governor of Rotary International's district 101, will visit Prince Rupert next Wednesday, according to word received by Prince Rupert Rotary Club secretary H. T. Lock. Mr. Warner, whose home is at Tacoma, will arrive and leave for Prince George by train the same night.

In the afternoon he will meet members of the local club executive and in the evening a special dinner will be held by the club.

ter, Smithers; G. Jasmin, Outremont, Quebec; Mr. and Mrs. J. Boys and daughter, Hazelton; Mrs. J. Anderson, Terrace; H. A. Aitken, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. T. Yule, city; Miss Bissonnette, Terrace; T. G. Stokes, Vancouver.

KESSINGLAND, Suffolk, Eng., @—Ten guineas (\$42) a tooth is the lowest tender for removing concrete anti-invasion "dragons' teeth" here. Total cost of demolishing beach defenses is estimated at \$10,000 (\$40,000).

LETTERBOX

NATIVE TREATMENT

Editor, Daily News:

Regarding treatment of Indians. I have lived in and around Prince Rupert for the past few years and it has come to my attention many times how rude a deal they did and still receive from us so-called civilized white brothers.

It is indeed high time for us to adopt a different attitude toward the Native people and serve them, as well as treat them in a cheerful and pleasant manner, which in my opinion they are entitled to.

The sooner we of the white race decide to regard our native brothers as equal, and improve our attitude toward them the better it will be for all. I have noticed many times that they look upon us with scorn and distrust for which I can blame them not at all.

During the recent World War I came in contact with many Native brethren-in-arms and I say with pride that was indeed an honor to serve with them. A lot of Native lads have served their King and country well, but it seems that many people have forgotten already.

There is one important point which I wish to bring up, and that is the treatment of the Natives by our esteemed law enforcement officers, which is indeed shocking at times. Granted, we do need these gentlemen to uphold law and order, but cannot their ways of dealing with Natives, drunk or sober, be in a more lenient and human manner?

Should I be challenged to clarify my statement I shall gladly do so. However, one has only to watch downtown Prince Rupert on a Saturday night and decide for himself.

So I appeal to the people of Prince Rupert to do their best and treat our Native brothers with equality and kindness. After all, it is not the color, religion or belief that counts, it is the attitude of the individual.

JULIUS C. MEULLER,
East Kwinitsa.

Loyalty Check of Public Servants

WELLINGTON, N.Z. @—New Zealand's attitude to persons whose loyalty is open to question in making public service appointments has been set out by the Public Service Commission in a report which says that it "attaches to integrity still greater importance than to efficiency."

"The Public Service Commission agrees that positions involving secrecy and national security should not be held by persons who admit membership of, or are reasonably believed to be in active association with, organizations the objects and methods of which conflict with the national interest," the reports says.

"This consideration is taken into account when appointments are made, and it applies also to the present holders of such positions."

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LONDON, @—If anyone sees children in the district using our organ pipes as trumpets or pea-shooters, we should be very grateful if they would return them." This was an advertised appeal by Rev. D. F. Strudwick, vicar of St. Luke's, Southeast London.

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By W.J.

In a world where it seems everyone is deep in an endless scramble for gain or advantage, where there are so many frustrations and heartaches—so much that's stale and soured—it does one good to be able to record something that gets away from it all. Margaret Brain of Prince Rupert has success, in fair competition. She also has unaffected charm and comeliness, and a personality that matches both. She has the unspoiled freshness of youth and beauty. All of which can go far, in life's morning.

The C.C.F. convention did not neglect much, in that list of recommendations. Socialize this and that, with the banks and the railways included, of course. And with one's pocket

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6:15—Musical Airs
6:30—Musical Varieties
6:35—Recorded Interlude
6:45—Plantation House Party
7:00—CBC News
7:15—The Tenth Man
7:30—Summer Fallow
8:00—Date After Dark
8:30—Guy Lombardo Show
9:00—Medley Time
9:30—Music to Remember
10:00—CBC News
10:10—B.C. News
10:15—Outdoor Fun
10:30—Let's Dance
10:45—Let's Dance
11:00—Weather and Sign-Off

TUESDAY—A.M.

7:30—Musical Clock
8:00—CBC News
8:15—Morning Song
8:30—Music for Moderns
8:45—Little Concert
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Morning Devotions
9:30—Transcribed Melodies
9:45—Modern Musicians
9:59—Time Signs
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—Morning Melodies
10:30—Roundup Time
10:45—Scandinavian Melodies
11:00—Bernie Braden Tells a Story (CBC)
11:15—Songs of Today
11:30—Weather Forecast
11:31—Message Period
11:33—Recorded Interlude
11:45—Let's Waltz

P.M.

12:00—Mid-Day Melodies
12:15—CBC News
12:25—Program Resume
12:30—B. C. Farm Broadcast
12:55—Recorded
1:00—Symphony Hour
2:00—Sheila Presen's
2:30—Commentary and Talk
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Somebody in Ottawa has good common sense. The last has doubtless been heard of the vague suggestion, made a few weeks ago, that beautiful Rockcliffe Park be offered the King, to serve as a Royal residence site part of the year, with the cost of constructing the palace "the responsibility of parliament." With the utmost respect for Their Majesties, says the Journal, we say we have heard of few sillier schemes, and we think the King would agree with us. He would be the last to favor spending perhaps a million dollars for something that would be empty and idle most of the time.

It was not inappropriate that top officials of the Alaska Industrial Corporation should sail north aboard the steamer George Washington, to discuss the question of the site for a proposed pulp mill at Sitka. Everyone knows that George himself, when a lad, once chopped down a tree, and being

unable to tell a lie, confessed the whole story to his father.

Mr. Mayhew, Fisheries Minister, was right when he told the Maritimes what the industry means to British Columbia. It means plenty, to all Canada. Here, on the coast and in Alaska, and despite all that's said and done, a lot of bread and butter (and perhaps a shot of oleomargarine) comes from the sea. For one thing, it's Canada's oldest industry. This enterprise may come, and that business may go, but deep sea fishing goes on forever.

The more one thinks of it, the less becomes the expectation that the giant warehouse at Prince Rupert, built during the second great war, is going to be dismantled in a hurry.

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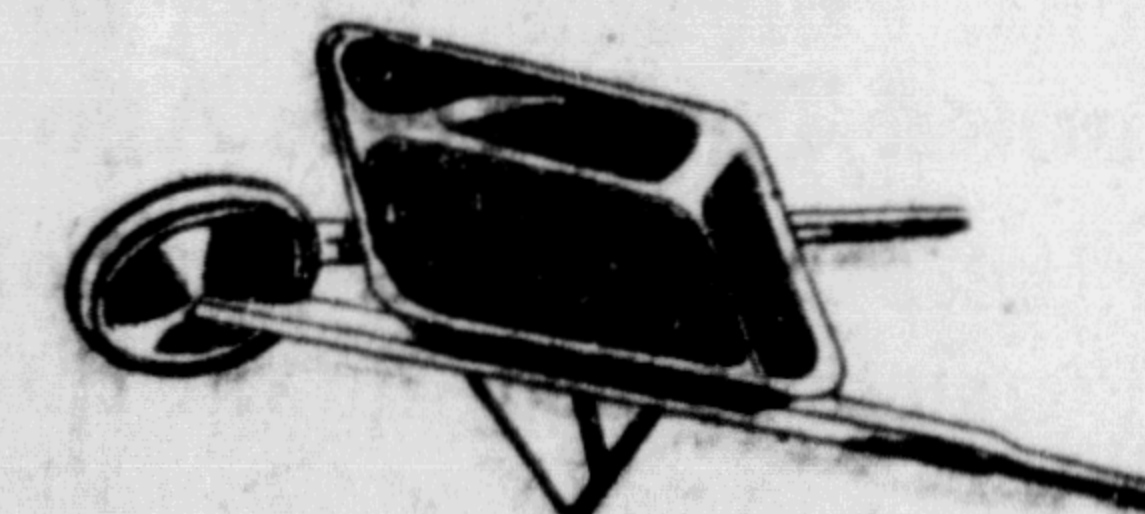
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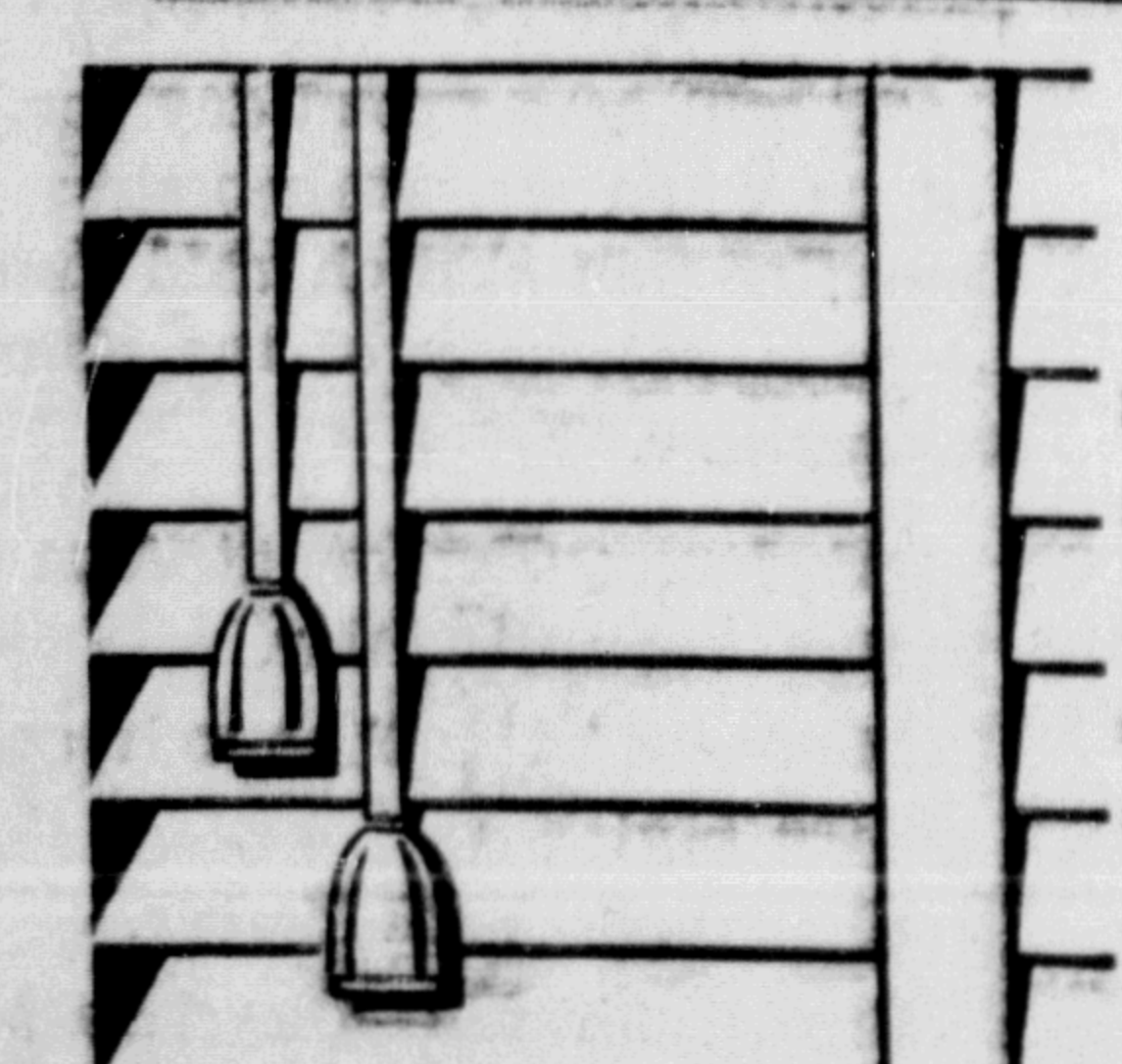
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