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Appreciation Due

SEVENTEEN public-spirited citizens offered themselves for the community service at the civic nominations which closed yesterday.

With competition only for the four aldermanic seats, a substantial list is offered from which to choose and, as there are many good men—unfortunately there are no women—in the field, some difficulty may be experienced in arriving at preferences.

Important duties are also entailed in service on the school and parks boards where there are just enough candidates to fill the seats.

The parks board is a new departure. The body may not have a lot of money to handle but it will be in a position to carry out useful planning for the future and possibly find some means of getting something done along much-to-be-desired lines in city beautification and development which is much needed here.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus."—Rom. 8:1.

BIG THINGS FOR ALASKA

THE grave turn of the war and the all-out defense program augur big developments for Alaska, with its vast reservoir of unused power, comments the Ketchikan Chronicle.

Unofficial word from Washington indicates that several federal agencies now are vying for the power that can be developed along Alaska's largest rivers. A new project has been outlined by the engineers at Wood's Canyon on the Copper River above Cordova, along the old Copper River right of way, which reportedly would produce as much power as Grand Coulee Dam itself.

The Taiya (Dyea) River project near Skagway has been put up to an important priority position, and probably some action will be taken before spring to let it go to Alcoa for aluminum, to the navy for a guided missile project or to one of the other agencies for their expanding needs.

The news that Alaska has some uranium deposits, now being tested for possible production, and that the Atomic Energy Commission is going to expand indicates that Alaska may come into the AEC program before it is all over.

These are the inevitable by-products of a warring world and, while Alaska would much prefer to have peacetime industries come north, our fate already is closely linked to defence and our latent hydro resources may tip the scales in favor of the western powers.

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As I See It

By ELMORE PHILPOTT

TRUMAN'S BOMB

A FEW MINUTES after President Truman told the world that the use of the atom bomb was 'under consideration,' my telephone began to ring.

Anxious women's voices began to ask what could be done to stop President Truman from ordering the dropping of that awful device. Would it do any good to send a telegram to the President?

WE DO NOT know yet whether President Truman dropped that verbal bombshell by accident or careful design. But we do know part of the reaction.

The hint about use of the atom bomb caused more consternation in the western countries than it did in China or Russia—maybe because more of us heard about it.

Mr. Atlee's trip to Washington was one direct result.

FOR YEARS back I have been trying to tell Canadians WHY I think we will never have a world war three of the character of the former two great wars.

I have never said that we would not have another world war—for obviously all that thunders have to do to vet a world war three is to keep right on going the way we have been.

Let us not kid ourselves either about the nature of the war, if it comes. Atom bombs will be used—so will germs—which D. Brock Chisholm says have already made A bombs or H bombs obsolete.

BUT IN MY opinion there is not a government on earth, especially Stalin's—which know what would happen once the third world war started. That's why I have never thought the Stalin and Co. would push the cold war to the point of outright world war.

But what would happen to the fabric of society in Russia itself? Apart from the disintegrating effects of atomic warfare, what of the political warfare which the western democracies would surely organize everywhere the Red-held zone?

FOR YEARS BACK I have taken the rap for saying that we had better "talk it out" with the Russians and their Chinese allies than continue to shoot it out, by cold or hot war.

But just a word of warning: It takes two to make a peace but only one to commit a murder or make a war.

If the other fellow wants to fight—you either have to fight or pay the price of not fighting. That latter is the terrible truth that a lot of wishful thinkers overlook.

Bank Depositing Process Speeded

Business through the teller cages at the Royal Bank of Canada here will be speeded up as a result of a new deposit receiving system which has been installed here.

A fire switch believed pulled in mistake for a light switch caused a false alarm at B.C. Packers Cold Storage at Seal Cove which was answered by city firemen at 8 o'clock this morning.

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It's Human Rights Day for Them, Too



These children of United Nations staff members are getting a close look at the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which is two years old on 10 December.

Cellulose Mill Order Opens New Mine in Telkwa Area

Bulkley Valley Collieries, whose head, F. M. Dockrill, is a business visitor in the city, have opened up Mine No. 3 near Telkwa.

Initial development indicates a supply of coal for three years with prospects of considerable further tonnage as developments proceed.

A 300-ton preliminary shipment of coal was made from the No. 2 workings before the new mine was brought into production, but with installation of new mining machinery completed, the new mine is expected to meet the production schedule.

As No. 3 mine gets into full production, No. 2 will be closed down for the present and the crews transferred to the new workings. Only clean-up work is left in the No. 2 mine.

An expansion of the collieries program is expected next spring, at which time additional miners will be taken on the payroll and production will be on a more or less permanent basis.

One new feature at the new workings, and one which will permit an expanded production program without adding to the crew, will be an electrification latest electrical mining machines and coal will come out of the mine on conveyor belts to be dumped into storage bunkers.



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Rat Menace Seen Here

Is Main Concern in Monthly Report of Health Unit

Chief concern expressed in the monthly report of the Prince Rupert and District Union Board of Health for December was in connection with the increase in the rat population.

The report calls the rat "the most useless and dangerous pest in the world," carrying many diseases—some fatal to man—and causing annual destruction to property and food of \$20 per rat.

Starve them out—Keep garbage containers covered so that gulls, cats and dogs do not scatter the contents about; keep stored foods in metal containers—vegetables in bags should not be stored on cellar floors.

Build them out—Keep holes in floors and walls blocked off; have doors and windows fit closely.

Kill them—when food and shelter have been eliminated, the remaining rats may be trapped or poisoned more easily.

The report goes on to warn against unconcern for the menace and asks all citizens to cooperate in keeping down the rat population.

Ray Reflects and Reminisces

A flashlight, in Prince Rupert just now, is a worthwhile possession. It reminds one of about 40 years ago when there was no lighting worth mentioning.

There are, of course, quite a few still here who lived in Prince Rupert as long ago as 1910 or earlier. The good old oil lamp was general in most of the homes. Indeed, candles were not unknown. After nightfall, the flashlight was a necessity.

Winston Churchill, after a busy day not long ago, took a

short snack before... consisted of a... two bowls of soup... garnished with... vegetables, and a... ice cream covered... washed down with... of champagne. Then... he poured himself a... portion.

The world hears that... Communist troops... down from Manchuria... guard a power plant... importance to that part... This could have been... perhaps was the truth... when has it been... start almost half a mill... marching to protest... health!

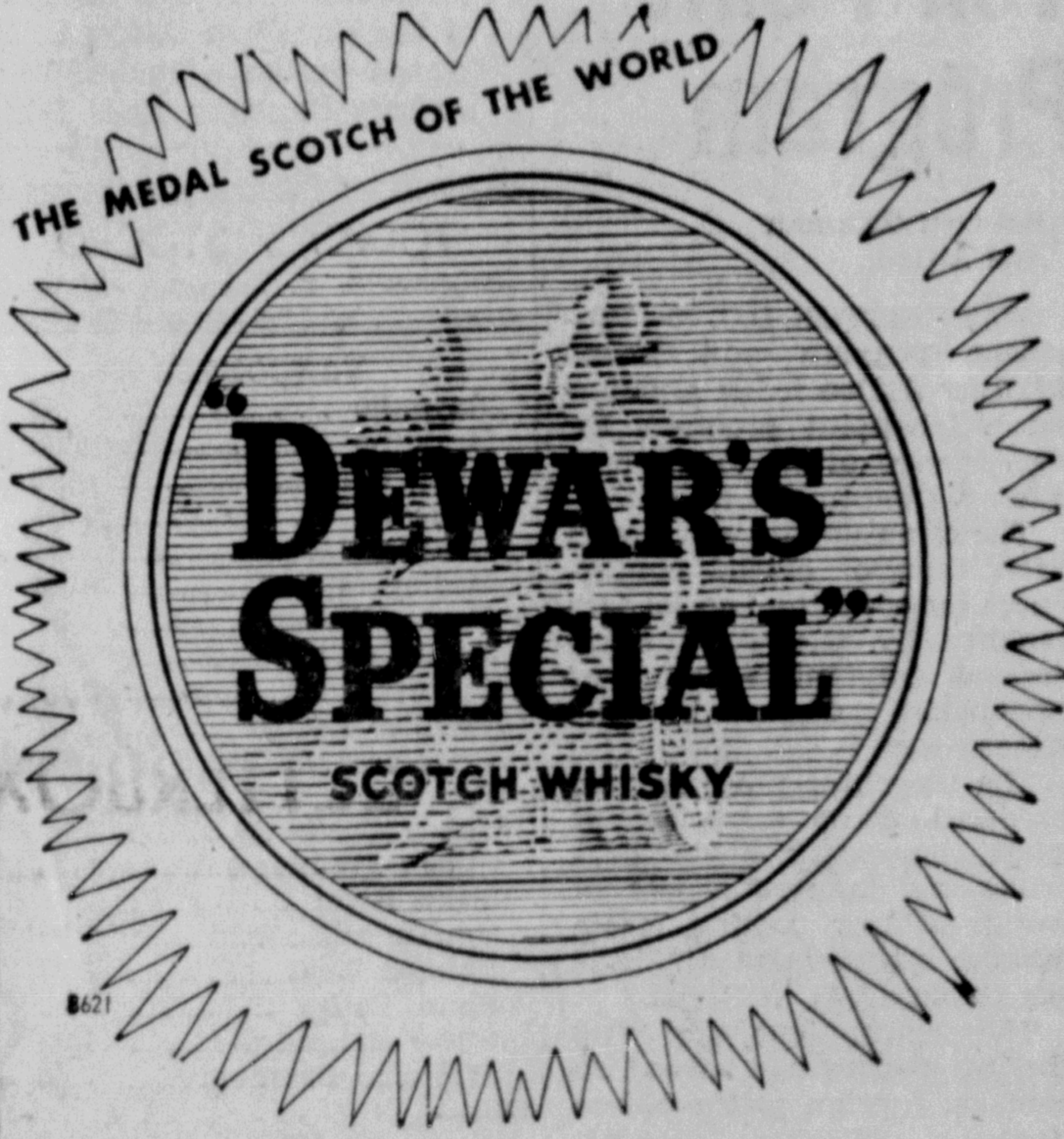
Back in the eighties... Rotarians were... that loggers' wages in... tawa Valley averaged... to \$15 a month with... which consisted of a... of pork and beans... spuds, and stewed... Sunday delicacy... was never any illness... of. Yet what a punis... health!

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