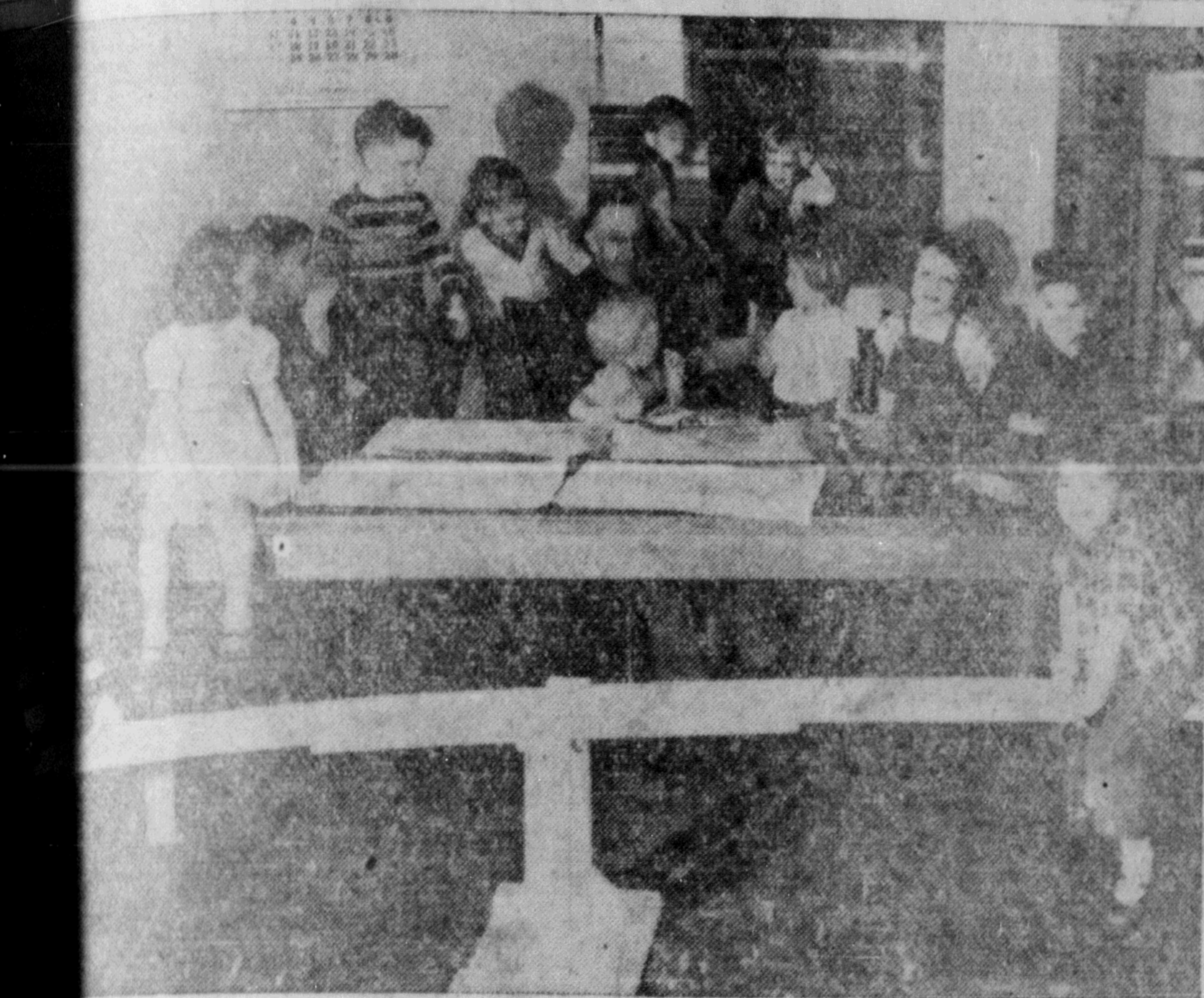


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His Honor and Friends

THE MAYOR who manages to find plenty of time for his constituents—even the ones who are not his constituents—Mayor Stanley Shupp of Park Jew, Ohio, whose office is turned into a nursery for the youngsters of the town. The mayor offered to share his office with the youngsters to inaugurate a juvenile recreation program for the Ohio town. Here, on a desk, Mayor Shupp distributes lollipops without a thought for the sticky stains on his desk, before turning his office over to the tots.

Nordic Ski Meet Opens Smithers This Week-End

The Daily News turn in the weather made it more feasible. The recent mild spell which put a crimp in the annual Smithers curling bonspiel almost ruled out the provincial meet. However, with colder weather and more snow on hand Smithers Ski Club officials, headed by president Hallvard Dahlje have decided to go ahead with the meet and if there isn't sufficient snow for the jump events, snow will be hauled down Hudson Bay mountain.

WATCHDOG TOTAL LOOT SHOE FACTORY ROBBERY

CRACK, Mass. —Thieves broke into a shoe plant last night and took one item—a watchdog named Judy. Owner Kenneth Durling said nothing else was missing.

Former B.C. Newspaperman, After Crocker, Dies at 66

Mr. Crocker, 66, pioneer newspaperman in Prince Rupert, died last night in a hospital in Vancouver. He was a well-known figure in the northern B.C. and had been in the newspaper business for over 40 years. He was a captain in the early years of the World War and served on several occasions. He was a member of the Victoria and Seattle Presses and was a prominent figure in the community. He was a member of the Victoria and Seattle Presses and was a prominent figure in the community. He was a member of the Victoria and Seattle Presses and was a prominent figure in the community.

on's Opens New Stores Rupert, Smithers, George

Vern Ciccone, who has been manager of the mail order office here, will continue as manager of the new store which has been completely redecorated in sparkling colors of deep raspberry, forest green and blue-grey, with ornamental fluorescent lighting, and a recessed counter for mail-order business. The face of the building also has been brightened. At the rear, a special cement ramp will facilitate loading and unloading operations. Northwest Construction Company was general contractor on the renovation project. Mr. Ciccone's staff will include Steve King, salesman, Miss A. Pavlikis, Mrs. I. Burchall, Mrs. M. McIntyre, Ron Ciccone and Gordon Brain. In Smithers, Miss Leith will be in charge of the new mail order office, while in Prince George, C. O. Torgeson will continue as manager of the new store.

City Plans To Prosecute Citizens Who Dump Garbage Illegally

Snowfall Tangles Traffic

A sudden return to snow and cold weather caught Prince Rupert motorists by surprise late yesterday, sending cars and buses into ditches on city streets and the arterial highway.

A three-hour snowfall, teamed with icy temperatures, glazed streets with ice and tied up traffic until city works department sanding trucks hit the roads.

Seal Cove bus service was cut off at 5:20 p.m. after two buses had skidded into ditches on Sixth Avenue. Service was resumed this morning.

Meanwhile, on Highway 16 between Galloway Rapids and the city limits, at least 15 cars landed in the ditch.

One wrecker service reported rescuing two buses, an oil truck, three half-ton pick-ups, and four passenger cars. All except the buses had skidded off highway 16, and none was badly damaged.

Another service reported pulling at least half a dozen cars out of ditches, and said that while the wrecker was working on one ditched car, another skidded into the wrecker.

The snowfall started just after 3 p.m. and continued until 6 p.m. while the mercury dropped quickly, reaching 23 degrees below zero overnight.

At 5:15 p.m. at least a dozen cars were lined at various angles on McBride Street as they failed to make the slippery grade up to Fifth Avenue. Police untangled the jam.

The sudden cold snap came after a brief respite from winter weather, during which the usual rainfall washed the city. Weather figures for January, reported by the meteorological station on Digby Island, showed snow and rain running neck and neck during the month, with a total rainfall of 3.9 inches and snowfall of 3.7 inches, measured on 19 days.

Lowest temperature during the month was 7.5 above, recorded January 25. Warmest January day was the 9th, when the mercury climbed to 46 above.

But the cold spell brought clear skies to the city, which enjoyed a total of 69.3 hours of sunshine.

The weatherman promised milder weather tonight and tomorrow.

North coast region: Cloudy today and Friday. Snow showers today and early Friday, turning to rain Friday afternoon. A little milder. Winds northeasterly 25 along northern mainland coast today and southeasterly 25 in exposed areas on Friday, otherwise light. Low tonight and high Friday at Port Hardy 32 and 40, Sandspit 28 and 33, Prince Rupert 25 and 35.



LOOKING LIKE A FUGITIVE from a horror movie in his bulky padded suit and woolen face mask, this member of an Italian mountain-climbing team is ready to battle the elements on Plateau Rosa, at the foot of the Matterhorn. He is part of the 15-man team that will attempt to scale the jagged K2 peak of the Himalayas, the highest unconquered mountain peak in the world. The entire group is undergoing rigid training at Plateau Rosa, in preparation for the attempt, which will be made this summer.

Red Cross Meeting Fails To Materialize

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society was not held last night because of lack of a quorum.

Only four persons turned up at the Civic Centre for the meeting scheduled to be held at 8 o'clock, and president Stan Saville waited for 40 minutes before announcing the cancellation.

Mr. Saville has been president of the Red Cross branch here since 1950 and several months ago advised Vancouver headquarters that he could no longer continue in that capacity.

New European Plan Urged By St. Laurent

By WILLIAM STEWART

BONN (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent, in the major address of his West German visit Wednesday night suggested a concept of integration of the Western powers much broader than the North Atlantic Treaty Organization or the European Defence Community.

In a dinner speech, while a guest of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, before members of the West German cabinet the Canadian leader put forward the idea of a political, economic and defence system of countries situated around the "great basin of the Atlantic."

The 25-minute speech at the Palais Schaumburg suggested that European unity may not be the answer to western European problems.

Newspapermen were not present, and the text was issued today by the prime minister's staff at Soest, where he went to visit the Canadian infantry brigade in Germany.

"Perhaps the time has come now to consider whether some steps towards closer integration should be taken within the larger framework of the North Atlantic community," the speech said.

"I suggest we should perhaps be seeking solutions to the problems continuing to face you of achieving greater unity in Europe in a wider context and possibly in pursuit of article two of the North Atlantic Treaty."

While thanking those who went to the scheduled meeting, he regretted the lack of interest shown "in an organization that is always ready to help in time of hardship or disaster."

With less than a month to go before the annual appeal for funds, Mr. Saville indicated that there would be no campaign here this year.

In an interview today, Mr. Saville said he wanted to thank all the canvassers and city organizations that helped him over the past nine years while he directed the annual campaigns.

Citizens here last year gave more than \$5,000 to the Red Cross. Over the nine-year period some \$87,000 has been donated by Rupert to the Red Cross.

While there are not a great many occasions in this district when the Red Cross has to go into action, the most recent aid was the supplying of blankets to two families whose homes were destroyed by fire at Port Simpson.

Westerners Heavy Drinkers

TORONTO — British Columbia has the greatest number of alcoholics per capita than any province in Canada, a survey by the Alcoholism Research Foundation of Ontario indicates. The survey also showed that western Canada has a greater proportion of drinkers than the East, with British Columbia heading the list with 81 per cent of its adult population listed as drinkers.

Speaker Modifies Ruling About Pictures in Legislature

VICTORIA — Speaker Thomas Irwin, faced with a mounting wave of protests from newspapers and opposition parties today modified a ruling that would prohibit newspaper photographers from photographing opening ceremonies of the B.C. Legislature next Tuesday.

Reversing an earlier decision announced Wednesday that only photographers from the B.C. Government Travel Bureau would be allowed to take still

Rats Reported At Park Landfill

The Algoma Park landfill garbage dump is going to have a gate placed on it with a sign prohibiting indiscriminate dumping.

Persons dumping garbage there after hours will be prosecuted, city public works department officials said today.

The move was confirmed shortly before press time by city works engineer Carl Gustafson following reports last night of open garbage and rats at Algoma park, by parks board chairman Pat Forman and Commissioner Bob Eby.

Mr. Forman said he inspected the landfill site at the McBride Street park area last weekend and noted uncovered garbage.

AFTER-HOUR DUMPING

He said he had conferred with the public works department and been told that private citizens had been dumping garbage after fill-work was completed either for the day or for the week.

Mr. Eby said he had reports of rats jumping out of the city garbage truck and disappearing into the new dump.

Commissioner Charles Balagano said: "There are rats all over town", adding that open garbage attracts them to the dump from other areas.

Mr. Forman said that the city engineer wanted a gate placed at the dump site and a sign forbidding dumping after hours.

Mr. Gustafson said today such a gate would be built and persons dumping their garbage there after the hours of 4 p.m. daily Monday to Friday or on Saturday and Sundays will be prosecuted.

He said private persons could take their garbage there when there was a man to supervise the job.

He said rats often jump out of the garbage truck and that workmen often found them in garbage cans in various areas of the city.

Searchers Claim Bodies Inside Wrecked Plane

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A ground party radioed Tuesday from the site of a plane crash that claimed three and possibly 10 lives there appear to be bodies inside the wrecked air force C-47 transport.

Search and rescue planes circling over the wilderness area some 160 miles north of here reported the ground crew requested additional equipment.

The crew remained overnight at the scene and planned to continue its investigations today, the Air Force said.

Moved to New Jail Quarters

VANCOUVER — Twenty-five Sons of Freedom Doukhobor women, fasting at suburban Oakalla prison farm, have been moved to new huts temporarily, prison officials said here Wednesday night.

The move was made to allow workmen to repair damage estimated at \$3,000 caused when the women set fire to their hut during a Feb. 1 demonstration.



WEARING a fitting crown of newspaper headlines, Joan Rawlings of Miami Beach shows the reason why she was chosen "Miss Headliner of 1954," in honor of International Printers Week. Joan exhibits the many reasons why on the sands of her home town.

Britain Opens \$5,000,000 B.C. Fish Deal

VANCOUVER — Sir Andrew Jones, head of the British food mission in Canada, opened negotiations Wednesday with the Fisheries Association of British Columbia for a possible \$5,000,000 purchase of B.C. canned salmon.

The program was launched last year with the purchase of fishing equipment and tinplate in the United Kingdom by the B.C. fishing industry, and Sir Andrew was expected to outline a longer list of available British goods.

The British purchase, if completed, would include sockeye, pinks and coho and would substantially reduce the salmon pack holdover from the 1953 B.C. fishing season.

A spokesman for the industry said prices were the big factor in the negotiations and Sir Andrew might not make the full \$5,000,000 purchase "unless the price is right."

Tories Change Name

NORTH VANCOUVER, B. C. (CP) — The North Vancouver branch of the Progressive Conservative party has taken the lead for a return to old-style conservatism.

Members voted at a meeting Tuesday night to remove the word "Progressive" from the branch name. In future it will be known as the North Vancouver Conservative Association.

Speaker Modifies Ruling About Pictures in Legislature

A spokesman for the Vancouver Newspaper Guild (CCL) said the ruling was "an overt attack on freedom of the press in B.C."

Liberal leader Arthur Laine protested what he called "disturbing implication" of the speaker's ruling.

"He's going to give them (newspapers) government photographic handouts," he said. "Will it be a handout on next?"

(See earlier story, page 6).