

DOCKSIDE TALES

Unscheduled 'Meeting' on Waterfront Finds Solution to City Rat Problem

By LARRY STANWOOD
The scene is UNDER a well-known meeting place in the city of Prince Rupert where two of the city's LESSER residents are discussing in hushed voices heard through the floorboards the topic of a meeting by a group of the city's GREATER residents. Listen!

WATERFRONT RAT: (Whispering to cousin CITY RAT) "What that goof is suggesting may well mean the end of you, Cousin, and I'm sure I don't know what to tell ya. (Pause). I can't ask ya to come and side with me on account of we are real crowded now, but..."

CITY RAT (Very Anxiously): "Listen to those scoundrels now. Hear that gruff voice? He's the

one with all the ideas. This will surely be the end of all our families. It will also mean the end of our ancestral home, the City Dump... Oh, can I stand it!"

GRUFF VOICE (from overhead, heard plainly through the floorboards by City Rat and his cousin): "That would finish the whole lot of these vermin. Here is the gist of my plan."

"I suggest that we close the city dump up, first of all. Then..."

CITY RAT: "See, Cousin, what did I tell you. Our ancestral home for these many years. Those humans are going to destroy it..."

(Scene changes to a down-

stairs meeting room in the Civic Centre, where a group of young matrons with serious faces are discussing a major problem. Rats. The man with the gruff voice is speaking. Listen!)

GRUFF VOICE: "... Then begin a new method of garbage disposal. It's being done in other cities where they are confronted with a similar problem as ours."

"We can just bury our garbage, like the Parks Board suggested some time ago."

SECOND VOICE: "Yes, I wonder what happened to that idea of the Parks Board. It sounded pretty good to me..."

THIRD VOICE (enthusiastically): "You mean, we could get rid of most of our rats by burying our garbage? Sounds like a good idea, but wouldn't that entail a lot of expense?"

GRUFF VOICE: "Well, naturally, there would be expenses, but in the long run, it probably wouldn't be nearly as expensive as letting thousands of rats overrun our city annually. Then there's all this bad publicity, too, that keeps cropping up about Prince Rupert being such a 'ratty' place..."

FOURTH VOICE (Until now unheard, speaking in a disbelieving tone, almost sneering): "And where, and with what, would you bury the thousands of tons of garbage each year. Are you going to hire spade men, maybe, at two bucks an hour?"

"Not with my tax money, you're not."

GRUFF VOICE (a little gruffer): "There are places here where our garbage would make good sanitary fill. Take for instance the gully on Eleventh Avenue East. All waste property the way it stands now. But fill it up with garbage and after 10 years or so we'd have level, well drained residential property there we so badly need here."

"All we would need to do there is to put a bulldozer in the side hill there and cover up the garbage as it is dumped each day. After all, we have a Packmaster now which compresses the garbage, or hadn't you heard about that. Some of your tax money went into that."

THIRD VOICE (enthusiastically): "That sounds pretty good to me. I don't mind if they use some of my tax money to buy a bulldozer if it will do away with rats."

(Scene shifts again to under the meeting place where the WATERFRONT RAT is glowering a little at his cousin, almost in hysteria by now.)

WATERFRONT RAT: "See, I told you guys you shoulda stayed at the City Dump, our ancestral home. You brought this on yourselves."

CITY RAT (in hysteria) "But we needed 'lebensraum'—we had to move on. And it was so nice in the city..."

WATERFRONT RAT: "Well, I might find a spot on the waterfront for you, my cousin, but there's a limit to what guys can produce, even though we can get some pretty good pickings at some of the warehouses..."

The next thing WATERFRONT Rat heard made him think of mental telepathy.

GRUFF VOICE (from above): "There's another problem linked closely to the rats in the city. It's the rat on the waterfront. I've been hearing all kinds of complaints of rat damage in warehouses along the docks. We have to institute a careful system of poisoning for several years, not only at the city dump but also along the waterfront to get rid of every rat."

CITY RAT: "Hear them, cousin, hear them? They are planning to get rid of you too. I'm really desperate. Even you can't help me."

WATERFRONT RAT (furtively, now): "We must get out of here. And quick. Don't bother rounding up the rest of the gang. We'll make better time travelling alone. We'll get going tonight. Sneak out along the railway tracks and head inland. Maybe we'll stop at Terrace. I haven't heard from my cousin there lately, but he seems to be doing alright."

GRUFF VOICE (from overhead): "That's final, then. We'll put our plan up to city council right away and also get up a petition from the electors to get this plan into action."

(Curtain drops on a frantic scurry under the Civic Centre as the two rats make their getaway. At the same time, the meeting overhead breaks up.)



WHEN FELIX TAVOLINO, 25, of Chicago became the father of a little girl he decided to tell the world—or at least part of it. What better way could there be to spread the news than to plaster the family car with signs and waver cigs out of the window. Mamma's proud, too, but the only sign on her hospital bed is the fever chart.

Marathon Doukhobor Trial Continues in Burnaby Court

By BRUCE LEVEIT
Canadian Press Staff Writer

VANCOUVER (CP)—The parade of prisoners continues through a drafty meeting hall courtroom in suburban Burnaby today as the marathon Doukhobor trial rolls on.

Monday, 20 persons were convicted on the charge of being nude in a public place and two were held over for later hearing. The charge, jointly with one of contributing to juvenile delinquency, was dropped against seven others.

Of the 20 found guilty, eight were women.

The radical Sons of Freedom women caused most of the ex-

citement Monday. Two were denounced as "ringleaders" by an RCMP witness and another, freed for lack of evidence, tore at her clothes in an attempt to disrobe in court and follow her "brothers and sisters" to prison.

Quelled by courtroom police was Dora Shoukoreff, solid-faced, suntanned woman nearing middle age.

She and three men heard crown counsel John Farris withdraw charges. The men sat silent.

"Why are the charges withdrawn?" she asked in Russian. When this was interpreted, Magistrate Graham Ladner said:

"There is not enough evidence to convict in your case."

Mrs. Soukoreff jumped to her feet.

"I am just like any other brother or sister Doukhobor. I want to stay with my brothers and sisters," she said in Russian.

Officers reached her side as she was struggling with the top button of her flowered dress. She was hustled outside where she sat quietly in the hallway until RCMP were ready to take her back to Oakalla prison farm to collect her belongings. She will stay with the Salvation Army until transportation has been arranged back to the Kootenays.

Three others—two women and a man—were not in court to hear the charges dropped. All three are in Oakalla prison hospital with others recovering from effects of the 10-day hunger strike which ended in a borscht feast Monday.

So far, 49 persons have been convicted in the three-day hearings.

None of the Doukhobor defendants has said a word to acknowledge that a trial is in progress. "We do not acknowledge man-made laws," one woman explained. "So we do not acknowledge this trial."

Meanwhile, members of the orthodox Doukhobor sect at Brilliant, B.C., announced Monday that they will not adopt children of imprisoned Free-Comites.

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BLACKWOOD on Bridge

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD
Defender Gets Nowhere With Miserly Attitude

What suit shall the defence attack? That's a question that bothers many players. Mr. New, the avid kibitzer, for one. He watches in awe as his idol, Mr. Masters, hits on the killing defence time after time.

How does Mr. Masters do it? Actually, in most cases the best defence is based on the simplest kind of reasoning. It is often missed because of what might be called stinginess.

A player like Mr. New or Mr. Meek may have a suspicion that the lead of a certain suit will wreck declarer's contract. On the other hand, they fear that it might give declarer an extra trick—let him make four no trump instead of three, or five spades instead of four. So they lead something that is "safe."

This miserly attitude will get you nowhere. The first game of a rubber is worth close to 400 points, counting the value of the game. What if declarer does make an extra trick, worth 30 points? Obviously, you can well afford to let him make several such small gains in exchange for a reasonable chance of defeating his game contract.

Take today's hand, for example. Mr. Masters led the queen of spades. Mrs. Keen flashed the eight and Mr. Abel elected to lay off. Now, Mr. Masters felt sure his partner

BLACKWOOD on Bridge

South dealer
Neither side vulnerable

North (Mr. Dale)		East (Mrs. Keen)	
S-9 4 2	H-7 5	S-K 8 3	H-A 6
D-7 4	C-A Q 10 9 3	H-Q 10 4	D-A 6 5 3
		C-8 7 2	

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South 1 NT	West Pass	North 2 NT	East Pass
3 NT	All pass		

had the king of spades but, noting the good five card club suit in dummy and realizing that the spade suit would take only three tricks for his side, he decided that continuation of the spade suit was hopeless.

As you see, Mr. Abel could win the second or third round of spades, knock out the ace of diamonds and then have nine tricks, losing only three spades and a diamond.

But at trick two Mr. Masters shifted to the trey of hearts. Thus the heart suit was set up while Mrs. Keen still had the ace of diamonds and the defenders won four hearts, a spade and a diamond for down two, 100 points.

The heart shift might have gone right into the ace-queen, enabling Mr. Abel to make one or two extra tricks. But it stood to gain so much more than it could lose that it was worth the risk.

Jaycees Plan To Buy Drier For Hospital

Special to The Daily News

TERRACE — A campaign to raise funds for a laundry tumbler drier for the hospital was planned when Terrace Junior Chamber of Commerce held its first meeting of the fall term in the Oddfellows Hall.

The Jaycees hope to raise sufficient funds for the drier, badly needed at the hospital, within the next few weeks.

Officers elected at the session were Charlie Dixon, first vice-president, Frank Heely, second vice-president, and George Rosen and Bert Goulet, directors.

Retiring as first vice-president was Ken Coleman, who is being transferred to a Vancouver branch of the Bank of Montreal. Lionel Hanle is president.

LONDON (CP)—Fines imposed for motoring offences in England and Wales last year totalled \$687,500, or eight per cent more than in 1961. There were 396,392 prosecutions.

MEETING OF THE MOOSE
TUES. SEPT. 22 8 p.m.
INITIATION NIGHT

Airmen's Bodies Recovered

VANCOUVER (CP)—Bodies of five airmen who lost their lives in the crash of a Mitchell bomber last January were evacuated Monday from the 5,500-foot level of a snow-covered, unnamed mountain.

A helicopter was used to fly the bodies out to Port Coquitlam, about 25 miles east of here and only a few miles south of the mountain on which the City of Saskatchewan Squadron Mitchell crashed last January 28.

Rescue workers at the crash scene said the bodies were found buried deep in snow and that they were well preserved. Wreckage of the plane was first sighted Sept. 15.

RCAF personnel were dropped at the crash scene Saturday to prepare a landing site for the helicopter after attempts by a ground party to climb to the wreckage were foiled by the rugged terrain and low-lying cloud.

The Mitchell's crew consisted of FO Jack McIntosh, 29, Regina, pilot; PO M. D. Hill, 24, Lindsay, Ont., navigator; PO E. D. Thygesen, 25, LAC K. G. McGinnes, 26, both of Vancouver, and AC-1 Ian DeWitt, son of a RCMP corporal in North Vancouver and brother of Keith DeWitt of Prince Rupert.

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SURPRISED ANGLER
VICTORIA (CP)—Victor Griffin hooked a small salmon on his light line and was reeling it in carefully when something tore off hundreds of feet of line. Griffin discovered a seal had taken the salmon. He cut the line.

SNATCHING GIRLS' SHOES LATEST MONTREAL SPORT

MONTREAL (CP)—Ladies, if you're coming to Montreal on to your shoes.

Suzanne Lefebvre of nearby Verdun reports a young man raced up behind her Thursday as she was entering a downtown office building, grabbed her by the ankles, and ran off with her \$3 red shoes.

Wednesday Rita Racine of Montreal told police a man snatched her shoes from her feet as she was entering her home.

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