

Parks Board Plans Tennis Court Rules

The Parks Board last night took steps to maintain better control of playing conditions at the tennis courts.

The board will draw up a set of rules outlining playing conditions which will be posted at the courts.

The move was taken following written complaints of unruly conduct by people using the tennis courts.

A request from the Prince Rupert Little League for lumber and nails to erect bleachers at Algoma Park was granted last

night. The league will organize work parties to construct the extra stands, the board indicated.

The Parks Board accepted the tender of Prince Rupert Signs for the painting of two signs which will be put up on the

roadside near Algoma and McClymont Parks.

The signs were suggested at the last board meeting by Commissioner Art Murray to direct the attention of the public to the development work being done on the two parks.

"Wiggle Test" Used to Judge Children's Opinion of Films

NEW YORK (U)—Wiggles speak louder than words in expressing a child's opinion of a movie.

On that principle, the children's film library of the Motion Picture Association of America applies the "wiggle test" in deciding which picture to select for the children's Saturday matinees at neighborhood movie houses.

Ask a child if he liked the picture and he'll probably say yes, whether he did or not. But the library's observers watch a selected juvenile audience for wiggles, indicating restlessness when the film isn't getting across.

"For years," said Mrs. Marjorie Granger Dawson, chairman of the library, "adult groups tried by themselves to decide which pictures children would enjoy. That just didn't work. Now we

let the boys and girls have the last word. Unaware of what they're there for, they come to a preview and do the final picking."

UNMISTAKEABLE REACTIONS

Mrs. Dawson had just come from a little movie house on Broadway where 80 public school children, 8 to 13, had raised the roof because they didn't like a picture.

As the kids shouted to their hearts' content, two adult observers watched and listened carefully, drawing zig-zag lines on charts. The charts list the varying degrees of interest—active participation, close attention, interest, passive acceptance, boredom, restlessness and open revolt.

"No pictures are produced especially for children," Mrs. Dawson said. "Children are bored with passionate love-making or talky scenes. They like adventure, action, scenes of lively happening. Movies must move—and fast—for children."

Pacific National Exhibition Tickets Given City Students

Free tickets to the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver, August 25 to Sept. 6 inclusive, are now being distributed to every pupil in the elementary schools and Booth Memorial high school at Prince Rupert.

Mailing of 183, 537 free admission tickets has just been completed by the Exhibition staff. Of this total, 54,099 went to Vancouver city schools, including Private and Church schools, and 129,438 to out-of-city schools.

Distribution of tickets, an annual action by the PNE in the interests of education, is made through school principals to whom the tickets are mailed. Vancouver students can attend only on "Children's Day" which, this year is Monday, August 30. Tickets for out-of-town pupils are good on any of the eleven days of the West's biggest fair.

Outdated Uniforms Paraded At Banff Nurses' Conclave

BANFF, Alta. (U)—Two stage productions stole the show Wednesday at the biennial Canadian Nurses' Association convention here. One was serious; the other, a farce.

A heavy day's business session was broken by a dramatized exhibition of teamwork among nurses' services, "Let's All Work Together." Script was by Mrs. Helen Tucker, special lecturer in oral expression at the University of Toronto.

Wednesday night students at the convention wound up a business card of their own with a skit and fashion parade on nursing in the last 50 years, "something old, something new."

Uniforms dating back to 1870 were sent from all over Canada to the Westloch chapter of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses, organizer of the show.

Commented one nurse garbed in a full-length 1870 uniform complete with bustle: "You sure couldn't sit down on the job in those days."

Earlier, delegates heard that

many private nursing registrars and their assistants are being "lost" because of low annual salaries ranging from \$335 to \$2,000.

Committee chairman Mrs. Eva Brackenridge of Peterborough, Ont., said she has found a little more uniformity in private nursing work. The great difference between provinces was in registrars' salaries.

Commenting on this report, given by the private nursing committee, Eileen Flanagan of Montreal, past president of the Quebec Association of Nurses, said hospitals, industry and other nurse-employers follow nursing organizations in paying salaries.

The health insurance committee reported a brief will be prepared by the CNA for immediate submission if and when a parliamentary health insurance committee is formed. Nursing services might be affected should a health insurance scheme be adopted.

Working Gals Exchange Tips On "Over-Friendly" Bosses

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (U)—What can the poor working girl do to protect herself against "the over-friendly boss?"

An office worker, writing to Patricia Porter of the Boston Traveller, recently raised the question of "How to discourage the office boss from conveniently placing his hands on a girl's shoulders, arms or back while discussing business matters."

At a drugstore counter where a number of girls from several offices crunched down their malted milk lunches, I made an informal poll on what they thought about this problem of "the overfriendly boss."

Their reaction was mixed—and entirely feminine.

"My boss does pinch me every once in a while," said a plump young file clerk, blushing. "But he doesn't mean anything by it. He's the fatherly type. He says he just wants to be sure that I'm not getting undernourished."

UNROMANTIC TYPE
"When my boss puts his arm on my shoulder, it's anything but love," remarked a stenographer.

Novel Notice Herald's Birth

LONDON (U)—Paul Brickhill, author of "The Dam Busters" and "Reach for the Sky," wrote to friends about the birth of his son, Timothy.

"He seems a pretty good first edition, very bold-face type, requiring extra end papers, well received by critics. No cereal rights yet."

BIG OWLS

The horned owl, largest of Canadian owl species, is nearly two feet in length.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Eyoifson, 1114 Ninth Avenue East, have as their guest Mrs. Eyoifson's only sister, Mrs. Harry M. Hill of Newmarket, Ontario. Mrs. Hill arrived by train last night.

Home from Victoria is Mrs. J. M. Simpson, 304 Sixth Avenue East, who arrived aboard the Prince Rupert yesterday. While in Victoria Mrs. Simpson attended the graduation of Miss Mary Strachan, RN, from Royal Jubilee Hospital School of Nursing.

Many Students "Disturbed" Survey Shows

VANCOUVER (U)—A school board investigation committee reported Tuesday 10 per cent of the city's 47,500 school children are mentally disturbed.

Half of the 10 per cent would probably benefit by psychiatric diagnosis and treatment, the committee stated in its report to the board.

The committee recommended improvement of the mental health services program, and charged that the present program lacks sufficient co-operation between the teaching staff and all health and welfare agencies.

FAMOUS SCHOOL

The buildings of Eton College, one of England's great schools, date from 1442.

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Thursday, June 10, 1954

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