

## Unwarranted Criticism of Newspapers Deplored by Royal City Publisher

Unwarranted criticism of newspapers which did their best to bring world and local news to their readers was deplored by Miss Dorothy Taylor, publisher of the British Columbian at New Westminster.

Miss Taylor, who has been with the New Westminster daily for many years, was speaking to the first meeting of the new Prince Rupert Canadian Club last night in the Sons of Norway Hall.

Speaking on "Journalism as a

Job," she took her listeners on travels to Europe and South America as she stressed the opportunities for travel open to workers in the newspaper field, and told the large audience that newspapers in Western Canada at least were trying to give subscribers what they wanted.

She said that newsmen welcomed constructive criticism but pointed out that reporters could not get news—especially local news—without the co-operation of their readers.

In newspaper work, she said, there were many doors, not open, but "on the latch." Sometimes much manipulation was necessary to get through, but those doors often led to wonderful experiences, especially travel.

In the past year, she said, various members of her staff had travelled to Kitimat, to the oilfields of Alberta, and to Germany. She herself had travelled to Europe during the past summer, and had attended the Coronation.

In amusing reminiscences of the Coronation, she told of attending the Coronation service in Westminster Abbey, of getting into formal evening dress, complete with tiara, and walking down two blocks of parade route streets in that attire at 7 a.m.

Her press affiliation had earned her the right to attend the Coronation, as it had earned her trips to many other parts of the world.

**WRONG PASS**  
But her press affiliation didn't do her much good on one trip. Determined to travel the Pan-American highway, she had set out, armed with letters from the British United Press. It was just after the Second World War, and passports and permits were necessary in all South American countries. When the highway came to an end, at the border of Costa Rica, she had trouble arranging her trip further south, but eventually visited a Latin-American official and showed him her United Press letters.

He seemed highly impressed and issued an official permit to allow her to travel on, ordering full co-operation from his underlings. But as she left, she looked at the permit and found he had listed her as a representative of the British United Fruit Company. Explanations were of no use, so she continued on with the blessing of a non-existent fruit company.

Miss Taylor flew here yesterday from Vancouver and returned by plane today. She was the first speaker of the season for the new Canadian Club, formerly a women's group and now open to both men and women. Membership in the club has increased by over 40 since it was opened to men.

Mrs. S. Darton, president, introduced the speaker, and Bill Smith thanked her on behalf of the club.

## Mothers Wait Patiently While Youngsters at Play

Yesterday was "kids day" at the Civic Centre, as it is every Wednesday when Tiny Tots and Toddlers take over for their play sessions.

The lobby was crowded with chatting mothers, who sat patiently waiting while their youngsters enjoyed stories and organized play in the Tiny Tot sessions in the gym. The teen room was filled with mothers, too, who sat and watched over their toddlers, playing with Civic Centre toys and looking each other over.

The two kiddies' programs are designed to help children over the hurdle of social life before they start school.

At the Tiny Tot sessions, which mothers are discouraged from attending, youngsters aged three to six years hear stories and act them out, take part in organized games, learn to be happy as one of a group, to co-operate, and learn self-discipline and many other things.

### SIX LEADERS

Mrs. Don Forward directs the Tiny Tots, with the assistance of six leaders, Mrs. A. Rivett, Mrs. F. Berg, Mrs. W. Graham, Mrs. A. E. Carlson, Mrs. F. Peagan and Mrs. W. Bremner, and two pianists, Mrs. J. Donaldson and Mrs. G. Daniels.

Much of the work is done to music, the children learning to listen to the music as a guide for their actions, particularly when acting out stories.

The Toddlers' group helps prepare youngsters for the Tiny Tot sessions. In the Toddlers' group, there is no attempt at organized play. Mothers bring the babies and let them play with the variety of toys provided by the centre.

They eye each other suspiciously, and at times there are tears when two toddlers want the same toy, or smiles when friendships are made, but the toddlers, through these sessions, get used to seeing other children, and so are better prepared for co-operative play in the Tiny Tot sessions.

### ATTENDANCE DOWN

Mrs. Forward is disappointed in the size of the class this year. There are only about 50 youngsters attending the Tiny Tot sessions, compared to twice that number in past years, and she hopes more will turn out later this year.

The children sometimes listen to her stories with fascinated attention . . . sometimes they don't listen at all, but generally, as they become used to the sessions, they enter into all projects wholeheartedly.

She has the occasional problem to deal with, but says the youngsters usually come around to happy group play without much trouble.

One little boy yesterday afternoon stood in a corner of the gym all by himself, but went through all the motions as the other youngsters did them in the centre of the floor. Mrs. Forward said that for the first two or three

sessions, he just sat by himself, neither speaking nor moving . . . just watching with big eyes. She was pleased to see him making the motions yesterday and believes that next week, or the week after, he would be right in with the crowd.

Those are the sort of children she likes to have at Tiny Tots, because they are the type who would find starting school, and all its social life, very difficult without some such experience as this.

## PERSONALS

Magistrate and Mrs. Walter D. Vance, 2155 Atlin Avenue, returned yesterday aboard the Prince George from a month-long holiday trip which took them by boat and train to California. While in San Francisco they watched the World Series on television.

Mrs. F. Antrobus, 230 Fifth Avenue East, also returned yesterday on the George from a vacation in Eastern Canada. She has been visiting for the past seven weeks with her mother and other relatives in Welland, Ontario, and Brandon, Manitoba.

Paying a brief visit here yesterday, while en route to Kitimat, was Mr. Horace Duhamel, a pioneer of this city who has been residing in Vancouver for the past six years. Mr. Duhamel will spend a week in Kitimat with his sisters.

**MINERAL WEALTH**  
Gold and other minerals are produced in Matabeleland, new part of Southern Rhodesia.

## DISTRICT NEWS

Special to The Daily News

**SMITHERS.**—Rev. C. J. Vanlaar held his inaugural service in the Christian Reformed Church here Sunday at which he urged his Dutch congregation to become good citizens of their chosen new country and community.

Mr. Vanlaar arrived last week as home missionary of his church for Smithers, Telkwa and Terrace, from Red Deer, Alta. He was home missionary for Central Alberta from 1950. The minister and his wife will reside in Smithers.

Smithers volunteer fire brigade's second annual firemen's ball is being held Friday. Proceeds from the ball will go to augment the monies received by the brigade from the Village of Smithers to further complete the new Smithers firehall and add new firefighting equipment. Practice and fire call fees paid the firemen by the village also go into this fund.

The brigade, through volunteer effort, started construction

on the new two-storey firehall a year ago. While still not completed, it was made ready for occupancy the first of the year, and has housed the department's two trucks and fire equipment and the Smithers district ambulance since that time. The firemen, all trained in first aid, also man the ambulance which is on 24-hour call.

One hundred and thirty-six dollars net was realized from sale of apples by First Smithers Boy Scout Troop on their Apple Day last Saturday.

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PANCHO, popular performer in animal acts at the St. Louis Zoo, takes time out for a combination drink and shower bath. He didn't bargain for the latter, though. The chimp was the zoo cut-up all summer.

## Mrs. Watts Tells of Japan

A talk on life in Japan by Mrs. H. G. Watts highlighted this month's meeting of the Prince Rupert Business and Professional Women's Club.

Mrs. Watts resided in Japan for some years, where she and her husband, Anglican Bishop of Caledonia, were engaged in missionary work.

The club discussed plans for a rummage sale to be held Saturday, November 7.

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## Seven Rupert Men to Attend Northern Co-Op Council Meet

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Heading the Prince Rupert delegation will be George Vierick, president of the council which comprises all types of co-operatives and credit unions in northern B.C. from Prince Rupert

to the Peace River country. The council meets annually to discuss mutual problems.

Other delegates from Prince Rupert will be Joseph Hipp, president of the Fishermen's Credit Union here; George Hills, manager of Kalen Consumer's Co-Op Association; Charles Bellis, president of Kalen Consumers; K. F. Harding, manager Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Op; Archie Bowen, manager of the Fishermen's Co-Op store and Perry York, director of the Fishermen's Co-Op.

## Marian Shenton Honored Again

Miss Marian Shenton, oridelect of this month, was honored again last night at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Miss Title Marki, 1112 Ambrose Avenue.

Mrs. Ralph Wick and Miss Marki were co-hostesses for the affair at which the honoree received a pretty corsage of pink carnations.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses and the many gifts were presented in a novel container, a miniature bath tub complete with shower and plunger.

Invited guests were Miss Madeline Youngman, Miss Beth Astoria, Miss Georgia Bateman, Mrs. Jack Cle, Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mrs. James Hebb, Mrs. Keith Phillipson and Mrs. Ted Prestay.



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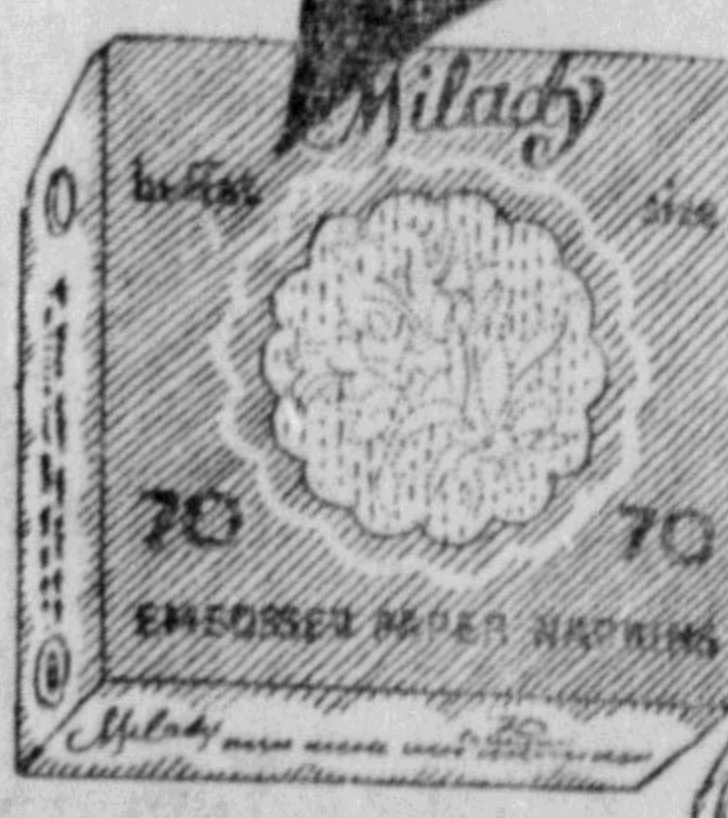
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