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Project Justified

THE new fun and enjoyment that has been brought in recent days to the young and the old of Prince Rupert on the ice of the Prince Rupert Curling Club's rink at Seal Cove is testimonial to the worthwhileness of that project and must be a matter of satisfaction to all the good workers whose enterprise and activity have brought the project to happy consummation.

We have talked about skating rinks for years but, until the Curling Club got into action, it never got past the talking stage and nothing was done about it. That skating is a popular diversion in Prince Rupert has now been amply proven. Only pity is that it will have to be curtailed as the curlers themselves take over the ice as they rightfully should.

Meantime, the conception of and enthusiasm for the rink project have been well justified. The backers and workers of the project are deserving of congratulation and appreciation and best wishes for a full measure of enjoyment as their reward.

Rumor, a Base Thing

THE thing called rumor, which newspapers know well and which often harasses them sorely, is evil.

The wickedness and injustice of all rumor is that its originator and sponsor are often never found. That in itself is sufficient proof that such a practice is unworthy of civilized, thinking people with respect to their fellows and themselves.

No one should utter or give strength to a rumor or further its course of defamation, damage and, so often, distress who is not in possession of facts to support his statement.

The subject of accusation by vague rumor has no opportunity of defence. He or she is fighting a ghost.

The proudest possession of any man or woman is his or her integrity and good name, the knowledge that, whatever their station in life may be, rich or poor, they have the respect of all.

There can be truth in rumor but it is a careless, and often cowardly, person who indulges in its dissemination.

There are too many rumors. The wagging tongue of the rumor-monger and careless talker can torture the soul and mind of many an innocent person and family.

Belgium Well Represented

An official communique received here today by Belgian Vice-consul Pierre Le Ross states that, contrary to public opinion created by news dispatches, Belgium will be represented at the funeral of King George VI.

"Prime Minister Van Houtte of Belgium," begins the communique, "stated in the House of Representatives that Belgium wishes to be represented at the funeral in a very dignified way."

"The government and speakers of the House of Representatives and the Senate have expressed how much the country shares

the sorrow of a great friendly nation."

"The head of the state has designated the heir to the throne to represent him at the funeral. He will be accompanied by the Prime Minister, the minister of foreign affairs and by chiefs of army."

"Mr. Van Houtte stated that, in accordance with tradition, presence of a Belgian state head in a foreign capital is not customary when an official visit has not previously taken place."

"The Belgian government regrets that erroneous presentation of facts might have led to minimize the part Belgium is taking in the British mourning."

Mr. Le Ross will attend the civic observance here Friday morning, representing the Belgian government.

Daily News to Publish on King's Funeral Day

The Daily News, like all other daily newspapers in British Columbia, will publish on Friday, the day of the King's funeral. While it is a public holiday, the newspapers have made the decision to publish, feeling that it is their duty to bring to their readers the solemn news of the day's proceedings.

The Daily News is arranging for special Canadian Press coverage of the royal funeral in London with a summary of local proceedings centering on the memorial service in the Civic Centre.

The office will be quiet during the period of the service so that all members of the staff will have the opportunity of attending and paying their tribute of respect to the dead monarch.

NOTICE

CANADIAN LEGION B. E. S. L.

Church Parade Friday morning Feb. 15th Civic Centre, Memorial service parade leaving Legion hall first Ave. at 10:30 a.m. Medals and berets to be worn.

Pasture Now Big Airport

EDMONTON (C)—The Edmonton municipal airport which has become one of the busiest and most modern airfields in Canada this year marks its 25th anniversary.

Once a cow pasture, the airport has grown to a \$12,000,000 investment. It has spread from the original 160 acres to 750 acres, and is believed the only Canadian airport within a city's boundaries; perhaps the only one in North America.

Captain James A. (Jimmy) Bell was the first manager and still holds the position.

Although the field is officially 25 years old, it was actually used for many years before 1927 when barnstorming was the rage. Charles Becker, Edmonton barnstormer and bush pilot of the old days, says he believes the first plane landed in Edmonton before the First World War.

It was from this field that bush pilots like W. R. (Wap) May and Matt Berry rose to fame in the aviation world.

Capt. Bell gives May credit for opening the public's eyes to the fact that airplanes were useful in developing the north besides barnstorming.

It was Jan. 1, 1929, that May made a flight in his old Curtis Jenny, carrying the name "City of Edmonton," which opened the way for a generation of bush pilots.

An epidemic of diphtheria had broken out at Fort Vermilion, 350 miles north. Anti-toxin was needed immediately. A plane was the only possible way to get it there in time to quell the epidemic. May, in a two-seater, open-cockpit plane, made the trip successfully.

PIONEER FLIGHTS

Ten years earlier, however, May and George Gorman had made what has gone down on record as the first commercial flight in the west. They carried a bundle of newspapers to Wetaskiwin, 33 miles south of Edmonton, in 1919.

With the success of the first northern flight, aviation in Edmonton started to boom. Trappers seized the chance to save months of dog team travel to trap lines. Supplies were flown in and furs flown out to provide pay loads both ways.

Other pilots and companies joined in and by 1928 the city boasted three airlines and an airport staff of three. By 1937 these figures had grown to 45 planes and an airport staff of 97.

Today there are about 1,000 airport employees and it is estimated that a plane takes off or lands every five minutes of the day.

Recently a Trans-Canada Air Lines plane was unable to land in Edmonton because of icy runways, and turned back to Calgary. That marked the first occasion in 20 years when an aircraft was unable to land here because of runway conditions.

But Capt. Bell didn't feel bad about the situation. In a country such as this, where winter weather is about as unpredictable as any, he feels the Edmonton airport has a proud record.

TEMPERATE CLIMATE

In Lima, capital of Peru, maximum summer temperature is 82 degrees and minimum in winter is 56.

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ray... Reflects and Reminisces

Jack Stewart, Black Hawk hockey player, went to bed for two months with an injured back and, when able to get around again, returned to recover from the effects of brain concussion. Hockey is a great game, but there is a point where sport ends, and something else commences.

It may be a touch of imagination, but ever since Prince Rupert caught the curling bug and finally got down to actual developments and accomplishment the idea has been spreading. Now comes word that Port Alberni is planning another rink.

How often in the past have we pointed to school students, remarking somewhat doubtfully they would be running the town some day. Everyone agreed, but this was as far as it went. So that's one of the reasons why this "future citizen" business, so well exemplified Tuesday, is a first class idea. Why? Times have changed, and time is cash. A fellow at 45 is becoming elderly. It's up to you to educate yourself, fill a profession, learn a trade, find a job or if possible make a stake while still young. Whatever you choose to follow, in life, try and like it, naturally. Spending a day mixing with those already busy with something or other and absorbing what you see, hear and study, is at least a splendid way to make a start.

Saskatchewan finds a decreasing population although not of distressing consequences. It's happened before to that province and it managed to discover reasons to cheer up. Just now, some folks talk oil!

Still February, but daylight comes earlier (if you have enough hardihood to raise the blinds) and twilight lingers. For some folks, lengthening days have a fascination. Others order breakfast around lunch hour.

Gyros Cooperate In Education Week

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Satan at Work In World Still

Pastor S. R. Johnson brought another challenging message at St. Paul's Lutheran Church last night on the problem of sin. He mentioned that it was not popular to speak about sin and its consequences. From Genesis 3 he pointed out that Satan, who is the enemy and deceiver of the human race, was using the same old strategy today in holding men captive in sin.

This was brought out in five points:

Doubt.—Satan in his own subtle way causes people to doubt that what God says in His Word is true. This leads to the final consequence of sin. "The wages of sin is death."

Denial.—The serpent said unto Adam and Eve: "You will not surely die." This reveals unto us that they had to make a choice. "There is way that seemeth right unto man but the end thereof is death."

Desire.—When doubt and denial had accomplished their work in her heart, Eve yielded to desire. When she saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food, she ate and gave to her husband. People fall for the lust of the eye, the pleasure of sin. The Bible says that "friendship of the world is enmity with God."

Disobedience.—When they had fallen to the strategy of Satan, they ate, thereby showing disobedience. This disobedience brought death.

Death.—This death brought physical, spiritual and eternal death. Because of their disobedience they were dead in trespasses and in sins. They were at enmity with God. Faith, love and hope were lost. Because of sin man will go into eternal death. That is eternal separation from God. There is only one thing that man can do and that is to flee to the arms of Jesus for refuge. "If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

Hotel Arrivals

Prince Rupert

Olof Hanson, city; Jack Kennedy, G. Pike, K. G. Bosworth, Capt. W. W. Mounce and Miss G. D. Peddie, Vancouver; G. B. Trimble and F. C. Lutes, Saskatoon; A. Anderson, W. Boyd and C. Boyd, Courtenay; J. A. Charlton, Skeena Crossing, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blakeburn and C. W. Algea, Terrace; D. E. Manson, Nanaimo; S. S. Harper, Edmonton; R. H. Dunlop, Smithers; H. M. Wightman, Terrace; Mrs. H. A. Marshall and Mrs. Brooks, Vera, Sask.

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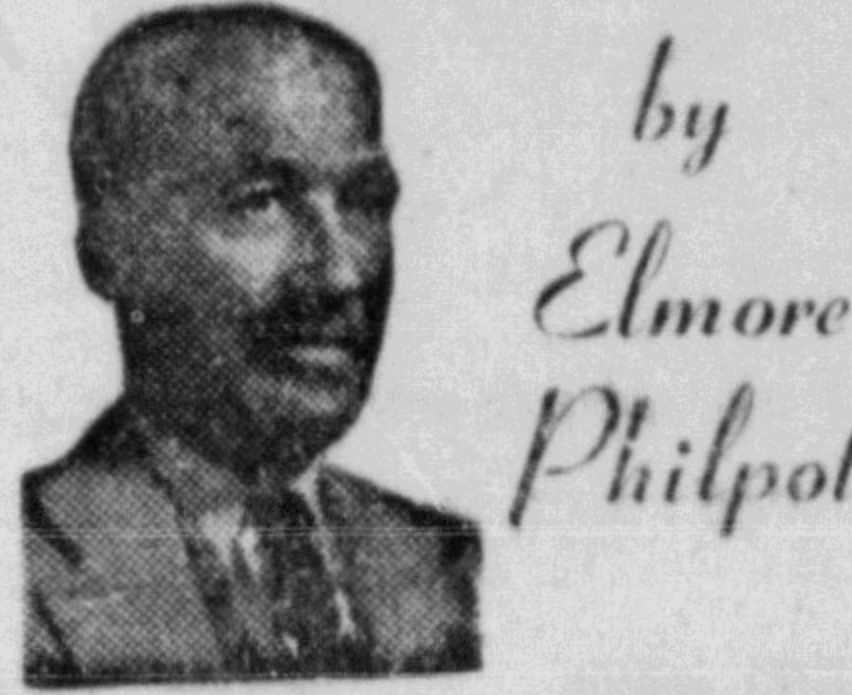
PUBLIC NOTICE

A civic religious observance in memory of the late King George VI will be held at the Civic Centre, Friday, 11 a.m., February 15, under the auspices of the City of Prince Rupert with assistance of the Prince Rupert Ministerial Association.

Public is requested to attend. Civic and Government officials will be present.

HAROLD S. WHALEN
MAYOR.

As I See It



by Elmore Philpott
Hats Off To Nanaimo
YOU WON'T find any finer ship anywhere than the new CP Princess of Nanaimo.

Yet strange are the ways of "progress." For on the smooth swift journey to Nanaimo you talk to old friends for Hornby Island. You find that all scheduled passenger and freight services to and from that island have recently been discontinued, leaving the 200 inhabitants virtually stranded. They can get on and off the island by hiring water taxis. But it costs a small fortune for one person to make the return trip that way.

The government of B. C. has a moral obligation to the people of all these gulf islands to re-establish regular shipping services.

THE MOST striking thing my wife and I discovered on a week's visit to Vancouver Island was Nanaimo's curling rink. You will be reading about it next month when they are to have a monster bonspiel, with participants from all over the country.

But what interested me was how they built it. It cost only \$42,000 cash — although it is worth at least twice or three times that figure at going values.

The secret was—voluntary labor. Nanaimo had never had a curling rink, and some of the men and women around town thought it would be a good idea to build one.

They formed a citizens' committee, headed by a bank manager. But the bank manager soon was transferred and the job of heading the campaign fell on the Vancouver Sun's Nanaimo manager, Jack Whitlam.

Jack minimizes his own part in it, but from keen young Mayor Westwood and others in Nanaimo, I learn it was tops.

But the whole population of Nanaimo jumped in and got behind this project. The actual ice machinery cost over \$20,000.

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There were other cash items which were absolutely inescapable. For every dollar of cash outlay local people and local business concerns gave one or two dollars in free labor and free services. One sawmill even ran "for free."

At the height of the construction just about every truck driver in town was giving one day a week unpaid. A big oil company was supplying the gasoline. And all sorts of craftsmen were doing their bit—all for no other pay than helping to build something that was going to help make Nanaimo a better place to live in.

THEY HAVE a lot of jokes about the building of that rink. They swear by all the gods that some of the old timers who helped with the actual labor had only a vague idea of what curling is like. Some even thought you had to have skates to perform!

But they all jumped in behind the building. It was almost as much fun as those old fashioned barn-raising they used to have back in pioneer days, in

Ontario or on the prairie. SOME YEARS ago in this column I could build her big auditorium mostly by labor.

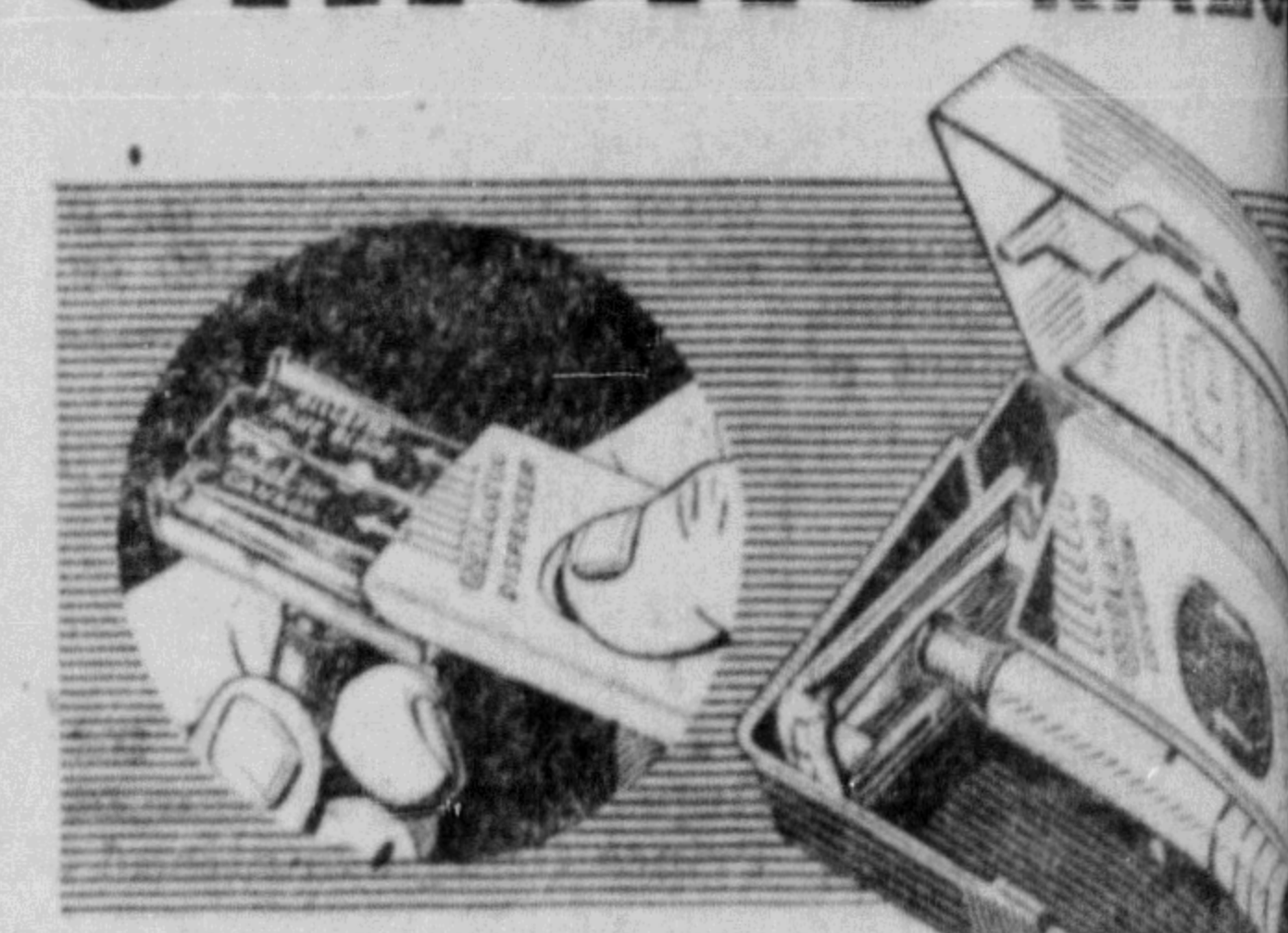
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