

An independent daily newspaper devoted to the upbuilding of Prince Rupert and the Northern and Central British Columbia.  
Member of Canadian Press — Audit Bureau of Circulations  
Canadian Daily Newspaper Association.  
Published by The Prince Rupert Daily News Limited  
J. F. MAGOR, President H. G. PERRY, Vice-President  
Subscription Rates:  
By carrier — Per week, 25c; per month \$1.00; per year, \$10.00  
By mail — Per month, 75c; per year, \$6.00  
Authorized as second class mail by the Post Office Department, Ottawa.

## A One-Sided Story

THE curious case of Ray Gardner is one that arouses a multitude of emotions in anyone acquainted with this likable and gifted former newspaperman who fell under the spell of Communism to such an extent that he was compelled to abandon the trade in which he was gaining enviable distinction.

Even the most hostile listener who heard Mr. Gardner in Prince Rupert last week expounding the cause of the World Peace Congress could not deny his sincerity or fail to admit, however grudgingly, a certain admiration for this young man who has courted bitter antagonism to tell Canadians what he considers is an urgent truth. The simple fact is that he has courage and conviction, and is determined to give expression to both.

To those who knew him before, it was clear that he was applying to his new task the same brilliance which characterized his work as a journalist. His presentation was well organized, his answers were quick and perceptive, and his illustrations of personalities he has met were picturesque.

In spite of all this, there was something about the performance which made it seem less a crusade than a tragedy. No one of right mind or honest heart would dispute Mr. Gardner's plea that the peoples of the world unite for peace. Peace is not the special property of Communists or anyone else and will never be realized if it is regarded with any such suspicion.

The tragedy lay in the fact that here was a highly-qualified newspaperman who had obviously convinced himself of the rightness of a slanted story. In all earnestness, for example, he referred to Dr. Endicott and the Dean of Canterbury as examples of religious leaders who were supporting this particular peace movement. Both, of course, have shown far more desire to preach Communism than any more religious subject.

He failed entirely to remind the audience that while the second peace congress was trying to arrange a meeting place in England, that country had just terminated the work of Karl Fuchs as espionage agent for the congress' chief promoter, Russia. Consequently the congress had to be held in the Red satellite of Poland instead.

Nor did Mr. Gardner consider it necessary to add some pertinent background to the Stockholm Peace Resolution which called for prohibition of atomic weapons and international control of atomic energy. While loudly approving the resolution, the Soviet Union was boycotting meetings of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission which proposed international ownership of all fissionable materials. More complete information of that sort by the speaker would have thrown a better light on the motives of those most actively backing the peace campaign.

It is probable that Mr. Gardner did not omit these and other details by design. Apparently he did not consider them either important or applicable. If this is so, Mr. Gardner is not the good reporter he used to be. He is using his considerable talent to make an uncertain story appear convincing, and has succeeded so well that he has sold it to himself.

The title he has chosen, World Peace, is a good one. We'll buy that. But the story itself needs more preparation and better editing.

## Art Development in Saskatchewan Held Back by Attitude of a 'Frill'

REGINA (CP)—Kenneth Lochhead, art director at Regina College, says the development of art in Saskatchewan is being held back by an attitude that art is a "frill."

The Ottawa-born artist says too many people regard art as something for the talented few only, while it is really for everyone to enjoy and take part in.

He contends that school teachers who are required to teach art in Saskatchewan's schools are at least partly responsible for the poor grounding many have in the subject.

Because of the conception that art is a frill, many are unable to think of it as a part of everyday living. Sport is closely linked with everyday life, he says, "and sport is an art, too."

"Few can apply art to the practical development of our

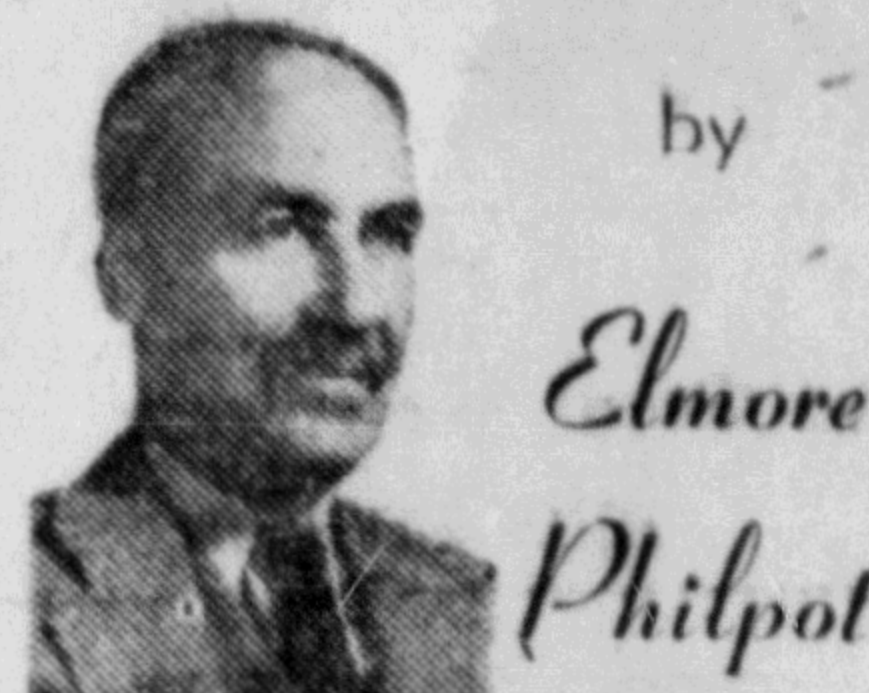
society and can look at it with the idea of recognizing that art in painting is similar to art in living."

Mr. Lochhead says he is trying to create a different attitude towards art in his classes at the college. "I attempt to break some of the students' preconceived ideas."

He says many students lack what he terms the "critical faculty"—the power to question whether an idea or a thing is good or bad. They accept the "mass-produced" article as part of their material needs without questioning the quality of the article.

Mr. Lochhead says many of his own students lack this faculty because they have not had enough preliminary training. Most, however, know what they like or dislike.

## As I See It



Harold Winch Rests

THE RESIGNATION of the B.C. CCF Leader, Harold Winch, marks the end of a political period in western Canada.

He had, literally worn himself to a frazzle in the service of his party—and incidentally in the service of all the people of this country.

No man in any political party in Canada ever fought harder, longer, or more faithfully for any party than Harold Winch fought for the CCF. Not long ago I heard one of Winch's bitterest political enemies say of him "He is by far the most experienced and ablest politician in the Legislature."

THE TRAGEDY of Harold Winch is probably only temporary, and that after a real rest and a chance to recuperate, his best years of public service could still lie ahead of him. But here are my deductions as to its background.

Harold Winch was essentially a political product of the depression. He was literally thrown up and tossed about in the rough and tumble days when a million or more Canadians were living on relief. By sheer accident, too, he happened to get personally beaten up when the police were clubbing a crowd of jobless protesters.

These are not the conditions which make a young man, new to politics, moderate in statement. Sure, young Harold Winch made some fool statements back in the thirties. For that matter, who didn't? I certainly made plenty, in my corner. George Drew, for instance made his break even later about the French Canadians being a beaten race, and even the urbane Mackenzie King lost an election in 1930 by an attitude typified by his declaration that he would not give a single five cent piece to help the unemployed, through Tory governments on earth.

BUT the deeper Winch tragedy was that he came to see, quite clearly, that there was no practical place in Canadian politics for a party as far to the left as the more extreme CCF wing demanded. He was sincerely against them.

Winch also knew that the only real chance the CCF had to win the election of 1952 was to take a position which boiled down to this:

"If elected in B.C. we will give the same kind of safe-and-sane progressive government that Tommy Douglas has given in Saskatchewan. That government, as every realist knows, is not socialism, but advanced Liberalism."

THE PUBLIC has a very bad habit of forming a set mental stereotype of public figure like Winch. Just about everybody who did not know Harold Winch had him tabbed as a "dangerous man," or a reckless radical. The caricature was ridiculously inaccurate—exact opposite of truth. Had Winch been elected Premier last year I think he would have given B.C. good moderate government. But it would have been liberal government, and not socialism—for the very obvious reason that no government in B.C. could so easily organize our basic industries, even if it would.

Now that Winch has stepped aside for a rest the CCF will proceed to pick a new leader in B.C. The names mentioned include Arnold Webster, Tom Alsbury, Alex Macdonald, O. L. Jones and Bert Herridge.

Here is a fact that every realist should ponder: Any of those men would make a first-class leader—either for CCF or Liberals.

THE title he has chosen, World Peace, is a good one. We'll buy that. But the story itself needs more preparation and better editing.

## Copper Stampede Reported

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (CP)—A small scale copper stampede along the Alaska Highway in Yukon territory was reported Friday by a Fairbanks mining man.

T. F. Anderson, who arrived over the highway Thursday, said the frenzied mining claim stakings are at White River Canyon, about two miles off the highway and about 50 miles from Alaska border.

He said truck drivers are parking their vehicles to stake claims and several roadhouse operators have closed their places to join the rush.



AFTER THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY prays for God's blessing on the Queen, he takes the Crown from a velvet cushion, lifts it high and lowers it gently onto the bowed head of the Queen. The crown has been used for the crowning of 39 kings and queens. This drawing is an artist's impression of part of next June's Coronation ceremony.

## Parliament Hill

By Edward T. Applewhite, M.P., Skeena

It was a very real shock to me—and to my wife also—to hear of the sudden death of our former collector of customs, Jarvis McLeod.

I doubt if any citizen of Prince Rupert was as widely known, both in our district, and in many other localities, as Jarvis was. If we cannot say that he grew up with Prince Rupert, his family certainly did. Jarvis McLeod had friends, thousands of them, in all walks of life and in several countries.

His passing is a personal loss to thousands and a very real loss to our district and to the country which he served so well and faithfully throughout his life.

It was disturbing to be advised that Sub-Post Office No. 1 at Seal Cove, Prince Rupert, may have to be closed for lack of a postmaster. I believe that little office performs a valuable service for residents and businesses in the east end of town, and I hope some suitable person may be prevailed upon to undertake this job.

I believe quite a few small businesses in our district will be very pleased with the new taxation amendment respecting small "related" companies. A new subsection permits the members of a group of related companies to divide among the members of the

group by agreement each year the amount of \$20,000 subject to the lower rate of corporation income tax. I have had requests for just that provision in recent years, and I believe the new law will prove just and equitable.

Last summer I undertook to advise the Minister of Trade and Commerce that better protection might well be made for fire protection at the Prince Rupert elevator. Apparently this resulted in quite a "survey" being made, on which Mr. Howe gave me a report last week. We may have accomplished a little, there; it certainly would be a blow to us now if we should lose the elevator.

Relief will be the most general reaction in Canada to news that a Swedish diplomat has been nominated as next Secretary-General of the United Nations. If the Security Council's sudden agreement is evidence of a Russian desire to improve international relations it will be welcomed as such, and at any rate the choice seems to be a good one.

But if Mr. Hammarskjöld is to reach the peak of success in one of the world's biggest and toughest jobs, he will need to transfer to this new field of activity all his skill as an alpinist. The footing is difficult, avalanches come down without warning, and storm clouds swirl above the upper slopes.

George Cruickshank, the Liberal from Fraser Valley, has not been heard from very often this session, but he came to bat a few days ago with a vigorous defence of the Post Office Committee, of which he is a member.

There was a little fun when George described the plight of the rural mail courier driving with one horse, 56 miles a day. Roy McWilliam asked if that was in the Fraser Valley? George denied it saying that he do not abuse any kind of animal.

George's speech was prompted by ill-founded criticisms of the committee by Chester McLure, Conservative of Prince Edward Island. Cruickshank challenged McLure to make one concrete suggestion as to how the committee could improve the lot of the rural mailmen.

Their present unfortunate situation is due to the fact that many of them tendered at too low a figure; they had a right to bid as they saw fit but undoubtedly some of them bid too low. The new Act will enable the Postmaster-General to make adjustments where obviously the remuneration is inadequate.

**Farm Artist**  
BALCARRES, Sask. (CP)—An exhibition of 125 paintings by John Peters, 77-year-old pioneer farmer of the Abernethy district, was held here. His canvasses portray the vigor and color of prairie life.

A—Yes, if your dependent did not receive income in excess of \$600 in 1952 and if he or she was, at some time during 1952, under 21 years of age.

## ray ... Reflects and Reminisces

We might just as well admit it. Daylight saving will shortly be back again until September, and acknowledge something else as well. Didn't that sporty old statesman-kite flier Ben Franklin, have the idea in the first place?

### MORE SCHOOLBOY HOWLERS

The president of the United States has the power to appoint and disapprove the members of the cabinet.

Many American tourists spend their vacations at Miss Cocca in Canada.

A psychologist says dentists should tell jokes to their patients. Most of them do, their favorite being, "Now this isn't going to hurt a bit."

### HIGH DRAMA

There is no greater drama than that of the triumph of human life over death or disease. There was drama of high order in the recent talk in New York at a dinner given by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for it revealed a new polio vaccine. Facts, not theories, are being dealt with. This time, a cure is believed approaching.

When a guest remarked about the grandfather's clock in the hall, he was informed that it was called a mother-law-clock because it had been there for years and wouldn't go.

### FATED TO DIE

"If you stop eating before you have to," our doctor asserts, "you will always have an appetite." But does that mean the thing we have too much of is already past the pudding? Ma. This thing has gotta be killed, somehow.

Cherry blossoms are reported appearing in Washington, and while we'd like to it's just impossible to say the same for Ottawa.

### NOTHING NOTICED

Sons of Freedom, not so long ago, wanted it known they planned to travel to the West Indies, a move that was cheerfully encouraged. Since then, there has been a lot of serious law breaking down in the Nelson district of British Columbia. It might be as well to add that no Sons and Daughters of Freedom have gone any distance from B.C. lately.

Canada's new stamps brighten up the postal service. They are called the "wildlife" series. This, they surely are. The heads of great game animals, such as bighorn sheep, moose and bear carry a boldness and grandeur. They emphasize some of the priceless resources, as well as the defiance and challenges flung at the world by Canada's wilderness.

**PRINCE RUPERT LODGE No. 63, I.O.O.F.**  
Attention!—All members are requested to attend meeting on  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 7th**  
BUSINESS: "IMPORTANT TO ALL MEMBERS"  
Lodge Opens 7:30 p.m.  
J. DAVIDSON, Rec. Secretary.

The current vogue for crowning celebrities is sweeping Parliament Hill these days. Almost every government department has named its own beauty queen. Almost any day it is expected that the patrons of the Parliamentary Restaurant will select Miss Parliamentary Waitress 1953 and that the M.P.'s will be polled in their offices to choose Miss Char Staff of 1953. That will make the foolishness complete.

Perhaps the Correspondents in the Parliamentary Press Gallery will swing into line and nominate their News Figure of the session so far. If they do, their choice will be close to unanimous. It will be Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence.

Hon. Brooke, with the help of the major government department which he heads, originates more news and gets his names into more newspaper headlines than any other Cabinet Minister, not excepting the Prime Minister. The news isn't always favorable to himself. In fact, it's rather the exception when it is. That doesn't matter to Claxton. Or if it does, he never shows it.

The truth is that news correspondents as well as Members of Parliament are beginning to realize that Brooke Claxton, in addition to being one of the most controversial figures in the political life of the nation, is a unique breed of Cabinet Minister. Criticism rains upon him in such deluge servings that at times it seems hardly distinguishable from straight political persecution. But it produces no superficial effect upon him. He simply goes on doing the important job that he has to do. Parliamentary annals have no record of any other Minister so cool and indifferent to political attack.

Persons who have known the Defence Minister from his World War I days aren't surprised. At that time he was enlisted from McGill University in the 10th Canadian Siege Battery. A hard core of his college pals were his comrades in arms. None of them would accept a commission since it would involve breaking up the group. Young Claxton won the D.C.M. and could have had his officer's gold braid. But he stayed a sergeant-major. The common loyalty of the group to one another meant vastly more to him than promotion.

Later in his university course and after his graduation as a young lawyer, he became noted for his radical political ideas. The suggestion that he was so advanced in socialism that he could have no other political home than the CCF was widespread. It made no perceptible difference to Claxton. He didn't change his opinions. It was left for the late Mackenzie King to decide that he was just a good Liberal.

it's  
**HOM LAUND WEEK**  
Inq  
AUTOMATIC/W  
the only Automatic  
you 7 rinses yet  
less hot water.  
RUPERT  
RADIO And ELE  
Box 1279

## Holidays Are Here Again ...

Enjoy this Year's Vacation in an A-1 Used Car  
1951 Pontiac Sedan... \$1865  
1949 Plymouth Sedan... Lots of trouble-free miles \$1415

**EXTRA SPECIAL**  
1949 ANGLIA TUDOR  
Cheaper than shoe-leather... \$625

**TRUCKS**  
1950 Studebaker Pickup.  
Motor  
reconditioned... \$1295  
KNOW YOUR DEALER, THEN  
BUY YOUR USED CAR

**Bob Parker Ltd.**  
Phone 93  
"The Home of Friendly Service"

Canada's new stamps brighten up the postal service. They are called the "wildlife" series. This, they surely are. The heads of great game animals, such as bighorn sheep, moose and bear carry a boldness and grandeur. They emphasize some of the priceless resources, as well as the defiance and challenges flung at the world by Canada's wilderness.

**ROYAL CITY corn**  
cream style

Ask for...  
**ROYAL CITY**  
CANNED FOODS