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. MSTERDAY Prince Rupert citizens had a few hard cold facts dumped in their laps. The chill threeze of reality wafted near them and they heard something unpleasant when they were told that ""if they don't want the Civic Centre, we'll close it down.

In view of the remarks of the chairman of the # Centre's board of directors, regarding public apathy to the Civic Centre's membership drive, ! deep soul searching for a remedy appears to be the order of the day.

It is time the public asked themselves a few questions.

What is wrong? Does the fault lie with the itually and mentally they are to fight, now if necessary." public or the Civic Centre? Does or doesn't the almost as far apart as either. The British simply do not unpublic want a civic centre? Are there still people one of them is from Russia. derstand such kind of talk. Of in town who think that becouse \$6,000 for the Centre has been added to the city's tax total that Ithey shouldn't have to buy a membership? Are there folks who think that they don't get their money's worth from their membership? Is Prince Rupert not really the city it thinks it is, but just an oversized fishing village that can't really afford 'a Civic Centre? Should the city take over the centre and operate it? Is the work of hundreds of people to go to naught after years of working for the centre?

. These are but a few of the questions every Prince Rupert resident should ask himself or her- come "unthinkable" for Britain, self. We should think of the gymnasium, the audi- for the obvious reason that Britorium, the meeting, games, crafts rooms, the dancing classes, the rifle range, the roller skating, the war. theatricals, the basketball games, concerts and other activities that are carried on during the winter months. We should think of just how much money it takes to operate and provide these services at the big building at the corner of McBride and Second.

Then we should think, and think hard of what Prince Rupert would be like if we woke up one morning to find the doors of the Civic Centre padlocked behind a sign reading "CLCSED UNTIL THE PEOPLE OF PRINCE RUPERT CARE ENOUGH TO REOPEN IT."

OTTA'WA DIARY By NORMAN M. MacLEOD

party labors.

Sometimes it seems as if there cessive dampness has been caus- existence." were some players in this great ed in no small degree by the game of politics whom a jealous perspiration dripped by Hees in fale is determined shall just nev- the course of his coast-to-coast

Take the current case of So for Hees what is the pay-off George Hees, MP.

for giving the PCs exactly what It didn't occur to any of Hees' they elected him to give them? immediate predecessors in the Anyone with practical experience post of National President of in this great game of politics the PSs to take the job too seri-could guess it. He's being accusously. They accepted the easy ed privately but in highest party doctrine that National Leader circles of conspiring to pull the George Drew was the performer rug from under the feet of Hon. who should carry the ball main- George Drew as Party Leader. ly. And they refrained from giving him any competition for the No one who knows Hees either

parly spotlight. by personal contact or by repu-The result, of course is well- tation puts the slightest credknown. The party brethren got ence in the charge. The Torontired of National Presidents who to-Eglinton MP is just trying to did nothing in particular, even do the job delegated to him by although they did it gracefully the party rank-an-file to the and generally very well. At last very best of his ability-which year's annual meeting they in matters or organization and plumped for a new deal and in-sheer party mechanics is conced-

stalled Hees over the misgiv-'ed by Parliament Hill experts I ings and even the consternation to be tops, of the Ottawa-Bay Street, hier 12 Hees, has been outscoring it alchy. They wanted a goldetter Effektion than newspaper for a change,"

Hees didn't disappoint them, is simple, Hon, Mr. Drew has Ever since he took on the Job been holidaying on the continhe's been everywhere at once, bask in the sunshine of the Riv-He's been making speeches, busy iera and in the white glare of meeting the rank-and-file, lin- headline and radio publicity in J ing up candidates, pepping-ur local organizations and generally getting back to tending the party grass-roots that his predecessions had allowed to wither, He's been slow marked to wither, He's been alert mentally, and a human dynamo physically. In fact, one of Parliament Hill's favorite four or five light meals are theories to account for the past easier on their digestion than J season's weather is that the ex-| three heavier ones.

and radio publicity over the past several months the explanation []

Elderly people may find that I







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OTTAWA—You can now fly the Atlantic with such speed that your soul tends to lag behind your

that we are now living in times on fear. of great paradox.

For instance, Britain and the writes: U.S.A. are in fact closer together organically than two great we of the United States and oth- man to come in." fallies have ever been. But spir- er free nations, must be willing

real question is-when?

Winston Churchill, Mr. Attlee, Nye Bevan, or anybody else in) touch with the people.

tain could not survive atomic '

That is the reason why the question of war and peace overrides all other questions in Britain today. In the last election the most deadly weapon which! on the trigger?"

by the Conservatives—which in- because of her color. cidentally enabled them to win enough extra seats to become government — was that Churchill would make the su-a helicopter passenger service preme effort of his life to bridge between London's two airports! the widening gulf between the and Southhampton. west and the Soviet, and that, to that end, he himself would even go to Moscow or any place it else to work cut plansifor "co-i'

But the minute you get back North America you realize anti-Americanism. It is based hats.

Most British people read tab-ling, on the other hand. A dry-loo proud." gether than they have ever been jed form. Every few. days the his wits and his nerve." tally there is a "Great Divide" that some American admiral or "Where do you fish?" America more effictively than down" with Russia now. In the fishing is done right, on the lounge of a fisherman's lodge.

course they know they would THAT is because more and more have to fight if Russia or China of the American leaders act, committed some clear-cut atand even talk, as if war with tack on some other country. No Russia is inevitable and the only matter what the cost, the British people would stand by their No Briton, high or low, can ac-pledged word and resist by all cept even for a moment the pro-possible means any outright position that war with Russia Communist aggression, of the enevitable. On this vital type committed by the Kaiser, matter there is no difference Hitler, or even the less clear cut say. Far under the legal limit, some, It's all part of a grand whatever in the attitude of Sir type that came from North

> But the British simply would not go along with the United around here. Better let me States in any war resulting, say, I from an American attempt enable Chiang Kai-shek to hold away." those Quemoy islands a few miles from the coast of China.

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highly skilled kind of angling," | "Oh, no, I couldn't possibly | Jacks went on, "Others prate take your lish." That's what you about their special ways of must say. Even though we're catching bass, salmon, muskies, broke, and we don't know where hody. It always takes mine a few days to catch up, swordfish or shark. All non- our next meal is coming from, sense. Talking through their I can't take your fish, sir. Even if you offered me two or three "Now you take dry-land fish- lish, I couldn't take them. I'm

loid-type newspapers which re-land fisherman has no tackle; "Then the fish is in your The conlinents are closer to- port the news only in compress- no rod, no line. He depends on hands. My boy, that's the most before, But spiritually and men-Pritishers read such items as "I don't understand," I said, fisherman's life."

which separates Europe from general had advocated a "show-"Some of the best dry-and fishermen never move from the

did the oceans, before the days latest issue of Collier's magazine wharf, or the river-bank," Jack While the water-fishermen are for instance, Senator Knowland McCool said, "Select a place that out getting cold and damp, and commands a good view, sit on a missing meals, he toasts his toes "To avoid a Communist world, log, and wait for a water-fisher, lat the fire.

"What balt do you use " : ask- |

"Well, that depends. Some can land from 50 to 100 per cent | dry-land fishermen use scorn. knew one expert who used! nothing else. When a man camp [" along with a few fish in-his too. I remember one time at the basket, this man would look the lodge when I had a 20-pounder . fish over distlainfully, as if they almost in the bag, but it got thad already begun to smell a laway. At the last minute the oit high.

fish as small as that, Mac,' he'd fishing you're bound to lose! And that other fish—she was sport," said Jack McCool. just going to spawn. Tsk, tsk. Game wardens are thick as flies ACCUSED GIVEIT have those fish, and I'll bury 'em week's Remaila

a beginner. Too difficult."

"No, my choice is flattery," Allen said friends of his in said Jack McCool, "Start quest- Vancouver had attempted to ioning the fisherman as soon as retain T. W. Brown, QC, on his apology has been demanded from he is within earshot. Ask him behalf, not knowing that Mr. the Laborites used was the quest the governors of Shawnigan where he caught the fish, and Brown was the prosecutor. The tion "Whose finger do you want Lake boys school by the father what on. Praise his skill. If accused said arrangements were of Mrs. Dorothy Hewitt who says he shows impatience, you may underway to secure another lawactually seize the largest of the yer. fish, caress its mank, and say. The offence is alleged to have Gesh, I sure wish I was small taken place September 21.

"If you're lucky, he'll say "Why ! fishing for trout is the most fully. Get him well hooked.

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"Some of the best dry-land

"When the water-fishermen come in, he takes 'em aside one l at a time, catches the fish and hides 'em away. A real expert of the day's catch at the lodge without stirring from his chair.

"But you get disappointments man's wife waned the fish to "You'll never get away with show the kids. Well, in dry-land

Earl R. Allan was remanded "This man never failed to without plea until October 9 in come home with a full creel, But bonce bonc yesteraa" on a I wouldn't recommend scorn for charge of rape in order that he may obtain counsel.

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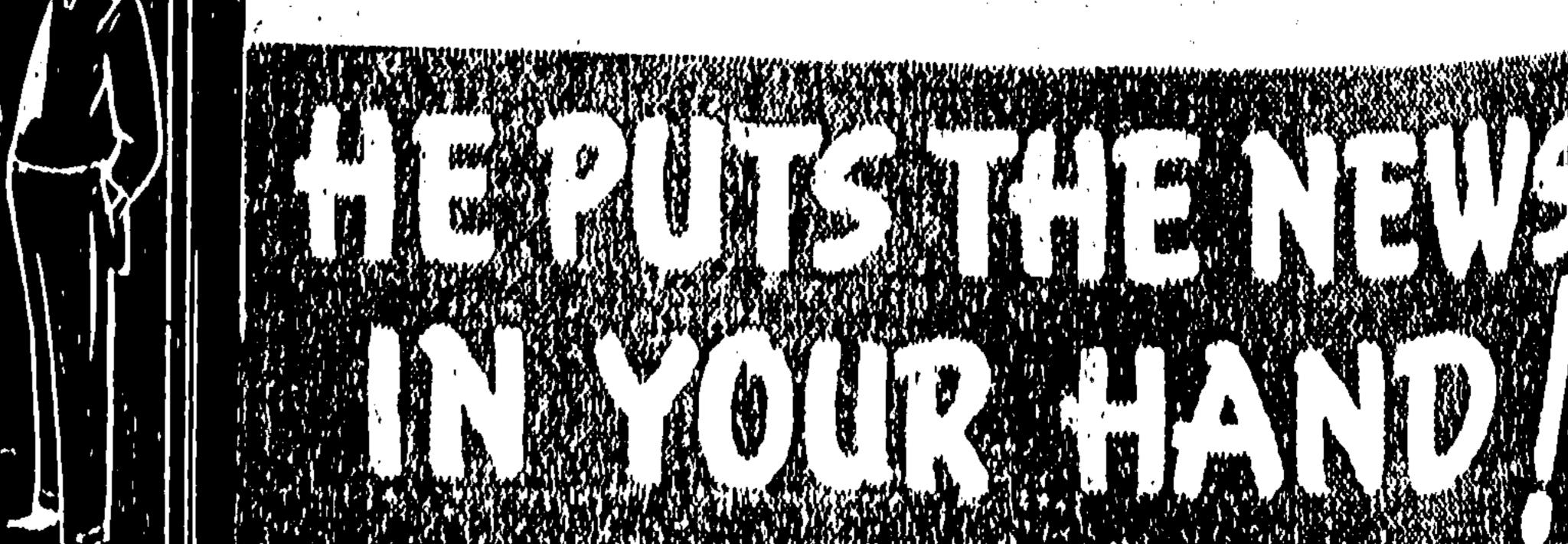
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