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FORMER RESIDENT Mrs. S. P. Woodside and her son G. P. Woodside, advertising manager of the Prince Rupert Daily News, who covered the "Rupert Night" for the paper.

CHRISTOPHER GRAHAM, engineer on the first Grand Trunk Pacific Railway train into Prince Rupert in 1914 and John Robertson, former radio station CFPR program director.



ARTHUR THOMPSON Co-chairman with Dr. C. Reich

WILLIAM WATTS ex-mayor and clothier



FRANK ANFIELD ...Former Indian superintendent

MISS ESSIE M. EARL ...Businesswoman in early days

ROBERT MCKAY ...Civil defence co-ordinator

Friendliness Rupert's Trademark Frank Anfield Tells City Oldtimers

People who have the distinction of having lived in "the only town where they call you by your first name after you've been here 15 minutes" were turned away from "Rupert Night" celebrations held in the Vancouver Gai Paree supper club, February 21, it was learned here today.

Commenting on Prince Rupert whose trademark is "friendliness" was F. E. Anfield, superintendent of Indian affairs for B.C. and formerly Indian agent for the city for many years.

dents flew in from Honolulu and Alaska, spent hours on buses and trains coming from throughout B.C.

Mrs. Helen Schull, who spent five and one-half hours on a bus coming from Princeton said, "It was worth it, you see people you haven't seen for 25 years."

Named president was Dr. Carl Reich who organized the "Rupert Night". Secretary Art Thompson was also responsible for the rally which seated a surprised crowd of 350 originally planned for 100 members.

A recording of the overwhelming successful night will be broadcast over local radio station CFPR at 11:30 tonight.

CITY WOMEN'S RINKS BACK WITH TWO OF SIX TROPHIES

Prince Rupert's Alma Whisman rink returned triumphant to the city this morning bearing two of six trophies up for competition at the Prince George Annual Women's Bonspiel.

An ironical playoff which saw the only two Rupert teams battle each other for the Citizen Rose trophy was won by the Whisman rink 12-8, the city's other representative Lea McKay.

The other trophy snared by the Whisman rink was the visitors' trophy for which the city team beat the Jefferson rink of Vancouver, also 12-8.

Altogether the Whisman rink only lost two of six games.

Playing for the Whisman rink were Bernice Dominato, Doris Dominato and Janet Waldauer. For McKay rink were Jean Rivett, Mabel Shier and Dorothy Gomez.

Driver Fined Total of \$125

A 32-year-old Port Edward man, Peter Campbell, was fined a total of \$125 and costs in city court this morning when he pleaded guilty to charges of impaired driving and driving while his license was under suspension.

In default of payment, Magistrate W. D. Vance sentenced Campbell to two months on the impaired driving charge and 14 days on the second charge. Sentences are to run concurrently.

Peter said he was arrested after he collided with a truck in the Cow Bay area early this morning.

Prior to the accident, Campbell was observed speeding through the city at speeds up to 45 miles per hour.

The McIntrye Block Fire Re-

fund closed today as donations for the three-week appeal reached \$471.00.

The money will be turned over to Mrs. Yet Wong tomorrow for distribution among the 20 ten-

ants of the McIntrye Block who lost most of their possessions in the February 6 fire.

Donations received today which amount to \$30 were from: Alex McKenzies Furniture Ltd., \$5, staff of Thom Sheet Metal \$10, Dr. W. S. Kergin \$20 and an anonymous well-wisher \$1.

Fire Fund Closes At \$471

Big Development In Northwest Foreseen From Proposed Road

Ex-Officer Defends Financier

Asks Gregory For Retraction

VICTORIA (CP) — A retired officer of the Royal Canadian Navy has called on George Gregory (Lib-Victoria) to withdraw charges made in the legislature last week that Axel Wenner-Gren is "bad character."

Mr. Gregory said Mr. Wenner-Gren, Swedish financier behind the proposed industrial development in northern B.C. was a man who had played both sides during the Second World War, for "personal gain."

In a letter to Mr. Gregory from Vancouver, Capt. Bernard L. Johnson accused the Liberal member of "taking a cowardly attitude in libelling a man unknown to you . . . on the privileged floor of the parliament where you are secure from libel."

"Mr. Wenner-Gren has been my friend for the past 17 years and is an honest and trustworthy man," the letter said.

"Your statement . . . is untruthful and perhaps . . . you would be glad to withdraw this allegation."

Capt. Johnson is president of Westward Shipping Ltd. and of

Edgar Johnson, Walton Co. Ltd., as committee members.

An organizational meeting will be held in the Civic Centre ladies' lounge on Tuesday, March 12 at 8 p.m., to which all local clubs and societies are invited to send delegates. Any other interested persons may also attend.

The national target is \$6,297,277 of which British Columbia has been asked to raise \$712,200. This is \$44,500 more than last year's quota and is due to the recent heavy demands made on Red Cross funds for assistance to Hungarian refugees.

Col. W. G. Swan will again be B.C. chairman with Admiral Vice-Admiral Brodeur and Judge Harry J. Sullivan as vice-chairmen.

The drive will run throughout the month of March.

Jointly charged with dissuading Clara Spencer from continuing with a complaint are Victor Pick of 1532 Eighth Avenue East and Patrick August Kelly, 50 of 337 Second Avenue West.

Bail, originally set at \$100 for each, was reduced by Magistrate W. D. Vance to \$75 for Kelly at the request of counsel Willa Ray.

Defending Pick is A. Bruce Brown.

Both lawyers requested an adjournment as neither was ready to proceed.

A further charge of assault against Pick has been remanded for two weeks pending advice from the Attorney-General on a request for the case to be dropped.

HAMILTON (CP)—A 40-year-old steelworker was charged today as a material witness in connection with the slaying of Jeannie Deans, 29, whose body was found Tuesday crumpled under the steps of a Hamilton home.

Thomas Coward was remanded on bail by Magistrate Beemer Hopkins.

The woman, whose nearly nude body was found by an early morning workman, was identified by her parents as Mrs. Roy Long.

Policemen said she was believed to have been beaten to death with sharp heavy instrument.

The Greek freighter *Ileno Kukuknulis* arrived here last night to take on a 600-ton cargo of No. 1 Feed barley at the Canadian Government elevator, London, is expected to be completed early Saturday and the ship will leave for Europe and the United Kingdom.

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cials will treat her until she gets better.

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Rupert, Stewart Hail Announcement

Civic Chamber of Commerce and residents of both Prince Rupert and Stewart today hailed the federal government announcement of the proposed construction of the Stewart-Cassiar road on a cost sharing basis between Ottawa and the provincial government.

Prince Rupert spokesman saw it as a means of opening up the northwest of British Columbia with the city receiving indirect benefits.

Stewart people greeted the news with enthusiasm in that the northern port was finally being recognized for its worth.

Premier Bennett in Victoria said yesterday that he was "very pleased that Ottawa had agreed to share the cost of the \$12,000,000 road running 250 miles from Stewart north to Cassiar."

"But," said the premier, "I hope that they won't limit the cost. It will be brand new construction and may cost more than \$12,000,000."

Acting-Mayor Ald. Kay Smith, speaking in the absence of Mayor George E. Hills who is in Ottawa on civil defence business, said:

"The news of the proposed construction of the Cassiar-Stewart road is welcomed by all in northwestern B.C."

Prince Rupert shares in the satisfaction that must be felt by the northern pioneers who can now see the possibility for the fulfillment of their hopes and plans for the development of this rich but long-neglected area."

A. Bruce Brown, vice-president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, speaking on behalf of Chamber president J. D. MacRae, who is in Hawaii, said that if the provincial and federal governments could agree on the speed of construction of this road without delay, "this could be a tremendous way of opening up the northwest portion of B.C."

"However," Mr. Brown said, "I am disappointed that there is no mention of this being other first-class highway."

"Whatever is built, I believe it than a gravel road instead of a vital importance that there should be a cut-off to Highway 16."

"If this road goes through it could open up an empire that will eventually dwarf the Wenner-Gren development plan."

J. T. Harvey, director of the B.C. Chamber of Commerce said

the parent chamber was "naturally very pleased with the news, as much as it had sent resolution to Ottawa urging establishment of a road along what is known as Route 'A' from at least Hazelton up to Atlin."

"This road will be part of that link," Mr. Harvey said, adding that the B.C. Chamber also favored a cost-sharing plan on the Hazelton link."

He saw obvious development in the northwest as a result of the road.

Receipt of a telegram from T. Applewhite, MP Skeena outlining the federal government proposal to the Stewart Board of Trade was greeted with enthusiasm by businessmen and residents alike.

BIG ADVANTAGES

A message from Stewart states:

"It is felt that with all the natural advantages of Stewart at the only ice-free northern port in British Columbia, the to see that their representations people of the district are glad are at last being realized by the powers that be, and that this port will soon be numbered among the important outlets for northern British Columbia and the Yukon."

"And route chosen is the shortest and most direct to tidewater for the companies through, only opening in this vast area and provide cheap water transportation."

Mr. Applewhite's wire said work on the project is to start this year and will be completed by 1960. Actual construction will be under the direction of the provincial government.

The Weather

Cloudy today. Cloudy with showers Thursday. Remaining mild. Southerly winds 16 today and southerly winds 25 Thursday. Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy 35 and 48, Sandspit 35 and 46 and Prince Rupert 32 and 42.

Only Two Days Remain To Vote on Good Citizen Award

Prince Rupert citizens are reminded that nominations for the Alex Hunter Good Citizenship Award close tomorrow.

This gives just two days in which the public have a chance to choose the person whom they think most qualified for the outstanding citizen award during 1956.

Sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce each year the award is presented to the person obtaining the most votes from the Attorney-General on a request for the case to be dropped.

A city-wide essay competition in which students can write a composition on what constitutes a good citizen has been instituted.

Prizes will be awarded the student winners.

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From there she was transferred to the Department of Fisheries patrol vessel, Clavelina, Skipper R. K. Johnson brought her into Sourdough Bay, near Seal Cove last night.

And that is the solution to this conundrum. She's a wounded trumpeter swan, the rarest of the swan family.

Dubbed "Princess Rupert" by Mel Bussey, Department of Fisheries employee, she's a celebrity because there's only 1,000 to 1,500 of her type known to existence.

Her trumpeter swan is the one which distinguishes her from the other swan breeds who lost most of their common "honk."

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She gets fixed up and