CITY COUNCIL BRIEFS

Council Wants Provincial Grants For Retarded Children's School

Prince Rupert City Council last night adopted a suggestion by Mayor George E. Hills that it draft a resolution for submission to the Union of B.C. Municipalities calling for retarded children's schools to be included with public schools in the issuing of provincial grants. The mayor and councillors were invited to attend a tea in the local retarded children's school Thursday.

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TRILINGUAL MEMORIAL

A memorial to South African merchant seamen killed in the Second World War, being built at Capetown, is inscribed in English, Afrikans and Zulu.

Ald. S. J. Dominato was appointed by Mayor Hills as city council's new representative to the Civic Centre board of directors.

Ald. Dominato's appointment followed notice from the Civic Centre Association that Ald. Kay Smith had tendered her resignation as a city representative on the board, since she has become an employee of the Civic Centre.

Sales agreement with the Dominion Directory Company, covering the 1957 issue of the telephone directory will be renewed.

Two aldermen were granted leave of absence for the latter part of March: Ald. Kay Smith, from March 15 to 23 and Ald. Michael Krueger from March 18 to 31.

Request from the Museum Board of Northern British Columbia for permission to hold a tag day in Prince Rupert, May 4, was granted.

Pipe and fitting requirements during 1957 for the Waterworks Department will be purchased from Bartle and Gibson Co. Ltd., at a cost of $5,114.84. This was the lowest of seven tenders offered.

The following trade licence applicatoins have been accepted: F. J. Ritchie for a shoe shine, Fred's Shoe Shine at 750 Third Avenue West; F. J. Hull for servicing industrial scales, Industrial Scales Ltd.

Council accepted the recommendation of the Health, Social Assistance, Police and Licencing Committee that the vacant shack in the vicinity of the Oceanview Hotel on First Avenue West be demolished as it constitutes a nuisance.

Council appointed City Comptroller R. W. Long and Superintendent of Works C. J. Gustafson as Prince Rupert's representatives to an advanced short course in community planning to be held at the University of B.C. April 6 to 12.

Three Schools Holding Open House

Three city schools are observing "Education Week" today.

This afternoon at 2 p.m. the Parent Teacher associations of Conrad and Roosevelt Park schools entertained parents with a tea hour, while the schools were staging "Open House" in their class rooms.

Tonight the Annunciation school is holding "Open House" in the school following a short Home and School association meeting to be held in the Annunciation school auditorium.

"Open House" opens tomorrow at 1:30 at Booth Memorial High school, which will feature a tea, sponsored by the PTA, a woodwork display, sale and a fashion show.

Yesterday three schools welcomed parents with teas and demonstrations of school activities. Taking part were Seal Cove, King Edward and Port Edward schools.

Slim Pickings

HARRAH, Okla. (AP) — The wolves and coyotes must have been tipped off. The best 350 well-armed men could do Sunday was spot one wolf and kill one owl and three jackrabbits.

The group staged Central Oklahoma's first wolf-coyote hunt after farmers in the area reported suffering livestock and chicken losses.

MORE PLAYERS

Canadian manufacturers shipped 225,000 golf clubs in 1955, a gain of 18,000 over the preceding year.

SPECS APPEAL — Specs for execs — female, that is — are modeled by Joan Castle Josoff, who's president and chairman of the board of her own manufacturing corporation in Burbank, Calif. The lady executive, who should know, says the dazzling eyeglasses are a "secret weapon" which "helps to confuse the male opponent at conferences." Her plant produces a unique combination of commodities — precision parts for airplanes and guided missiles, and costume jewelry.

HAIR-RISING STUNT—One way of raising a family is demonstrated by the Sun clan in a variety show in Hamburg, Germany. Mrs. Sun supports her husband and two children, May-Kwey (right) 2, and four-year-old Tseng-Hai, while hanging by her long hair. The total weight of the family is 320 pounds, and it took years before they could figure out a method of knotting the hair to distribute the strain equally all over Mom's scalp.

Speaker Says Respect Small Racial, Religious Groups' Independence

To solve the problems of the "Minority Groups in Canada," every Canadian must have an intelligent respect for each other's differences, C. Roy Brookbank told members of the Prince Rupert Canadian Club last night.

As executive director of western division, Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, in which he works with religious minority groups, the Alberta Indians, new Canadians and Negro communities, Mr. Brookbank proved one of the best speakers in the club's 1956-57 season.

Addressing the dinner meeting he said:

"We must cut our national teeth on domestic problems or we will be in a constant state of confusion; and we must create internationalism."

Of the Indians, he said one cannot think of the Canadian Indian as one unit with their great diversity of culture. He said that in his opinion the Indian Act was designed to protect the Indian against the people who had subjugated the Indian culture, rather than against the government.

"We are responsible for seeing that there is no more desecration of culture and our problem is—how to restore the Indians pride, confidence and integrity," Mr. Brookbank said.

ECONOMIC FACTOR

Viewing the problems of the French Canadians, Mr. Brookbank said that while they were left their culture they lost the biggest factor in their economy, the fur trade.

"Our problem towards about 200,000 Jews in Canada lies in knowing when we are actually discriminating against Jews in Canada," Mr. Brookbank said.

To be Jewish meant to have a Jewish religion, was Mr. Brookbank's opinion.

"When discrimination hits a country, the Jewish people are the first to feel it," Mr. Brookbank said. "A country which will persecute will always make the Jewish people the prize scapegoat."

There is already a great change in the relations of the Chinese Canadians since the recent law which now allows a man to bring to Canada his wife and any child over 21 years of age, Mr. Brookbank added. But he felt the immigration quota is still too tight.

Until recently, the Chinese felt they were just temporary residents, first coming to Canada as cheap labor to build the railroad, then drifting into such jobs as cooks and laundry men, sending their money home to their families while they lived in shabby dwellings until returning to China to die.

Today, the Chinese are building homes and taking a place in the country's community life, Mr. Brookbank said.

The Afro-Canadians, after six generations, are still only second class Canadians and the problem is: "When are we going to treat Afro-Canadians as first class citizens. Of some 20,000 negroes in Canada, 8,000 live in Nova Scotia.

Turning to the Doukhobors, Mr. Brookbank flatly defied the government policy to force the small radical group, the "Sons of Freedom," to attend schools.

Forcing this small group to have their children educated in Canadian schools would weaken their community.

The recent minority group in Canada, the Hungarian refugee, has a tremendous adjustment to make. His language, his food and even his thoughts are different, Mr. Brookbank said.

"There are many problems, fears, mutterings and suggestions being made all over Canada about the Hungarians' arrival in what appears to be large numbers," Mr. Brookbank added, "but even if all the 70,000 in Austria were allowed in, it would still only be a fraction of one per cent of the country's population and would only double the number of Hungarians now in Canada."

"There are 70 different racial and religious groups in Canada and we must be conscious of their diversity," he concluded.

EXPERT SEAMAN

Joseph Conrad, the writer of sea stories who died in 1924, held a British master-mariner's certificate.

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

Common Sense Should Rule In Opening Lead as in Today's Deal

When you are on the opening lead holding three cards headed by the queen in a suit your partner has bid, I have recommended leading the lowest card. That is the procedure which good players have found will bring the best results in most cases.

South dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
Mr. Dale
♠ K 9 6
♥ 8 7 2
♦ A J 8 2
♣ Q J 8

WEST
Mr. Masters
♠ Q 8 3
♥ 10 9 5 4
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 6 5 4

EAST
Mr. Abel
♠ A J 10 7 4 2
♥ 3
♦ K 9 5 4
♣ A 3

SOUTH
Miss Brash
♠ 6
♥ A K Q J 6
♦ Q 10
♣ K 10 9 7 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	2 ♦	2 ♠
3 ♣	Pass	3 NT	Pass
4 ♥	All Pass		

Today's hand illustrates an exception. There is nothing technical about it. As you will see, it is based on ordinary common sense and the situation where it applies is almost always easily recognized.

As usual, Mr. Masters had listened carefully to the bidding. Obviously Miss Brash wanted no part of a no trump contract. On the other hand Mr. Dale had indicated some strength in Mr. Abel's spade suit.

Normally Mr. Masters would have opened with the trey of spades but in this special situation he promptly laid down the queen.

Dummy's king was put up and smothered by the ace. Mr. Abel returned the jack of spades and Miss Brash ruffed. However, when four hearts turned up in Mr. Masters' hand the contract fell to pieces.

Miss Brash had to knock out the ace of clubs and when Mr. Abel was in with that card he shortened Miss Brashs' trump holding again with the lead of the ten of spades.

It would have done her no good to pitch the ten of diamonds on this trick because Mr. Abel could then have persisted with still another spade lead to give his partner an eventual winner in the trump suit.

If Mr. Masters had woodenly led the trey of spades at trick one, Miss Brash would have ducked in dummy and Mr. Abel would have won with the ten. But there he would have been stymied.

If he led the ace of spades next Miss Brash would ruff and dummy's king would be good. If he led back a low spade Miss Brash could pitch a diamond loser and win with dummy's king. His best return would be a heart and that, too, would give Miss Brash the necessary time to develop the hand for ten tricks.

MEN HANDLE MONEY

CAIRO (AP)—Egypt's Red Crescent Society, equivalent of the Red Cross, has ruled that women members must attend strictly to "humane and charitable" jobs. Its finances and administration are left entirely to male members.

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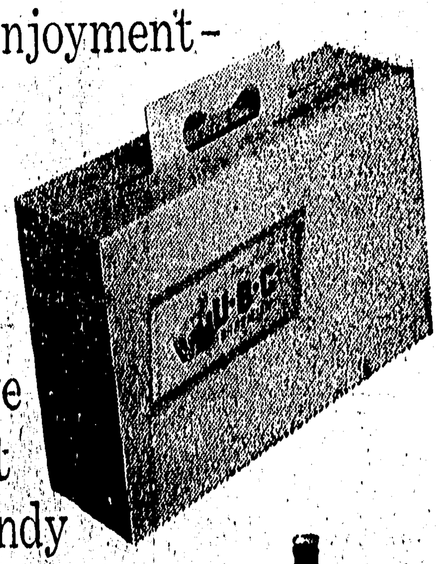

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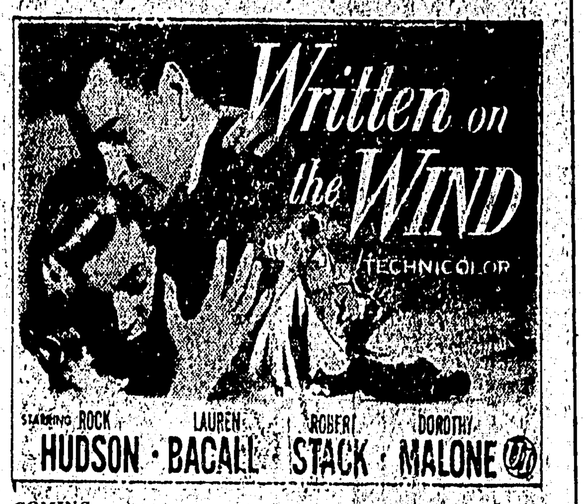

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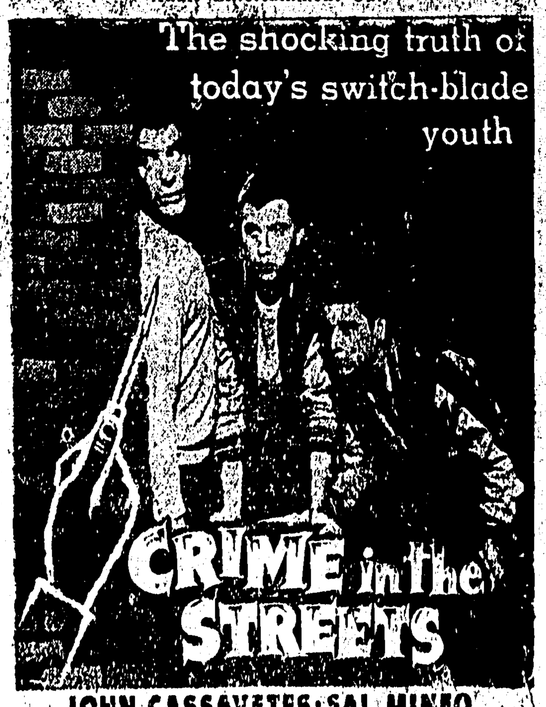

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