

Three Important Questions

TOMORROW while being asked to choose an alderman to fill the vacant seat in city council, voters also will be called upon to answer three questions of major civic importance.

Two in particular stand out: whether to have a new museum as our centennial project and whether to approve construction of an indoor swimming-

Prince Rupert will be best served if "yes" is the answer to both.

If the proposed new museum fails to get the necessary support, it is very likely that Prince Rupert will go without a centennial project for B.C.'s gala year of 1958. Time for making plans is running out and it would be virtually impossible to find an alternative scheme that would fit in so well with the intention of the anniversary celebration.

not a sufficiently useful undertaking to warrant the expense and they point to the city's need for more sewers, street repairs and so on. Admittedly Prince ETTERBOX had to do this after the West learned that the Russians had Rupert needs these things and they are bound to come in the course of events. But let's not be so unimaginative that we celebrate the province's 100th The Editor, anniversary by building a sewer.

There is probably no city in B.C. with a history more colorful than Prince Rupert's to commemorate of this occasion. The influence of native culture and the evidence of pioneering vision still remain in possibly greater degree than anywhere else in the province, so let's not fall into the trap of believing that we have nothing to boast about. There is no more effective way to retain and display the proof of past accomplishments than to establish a good museum. If there are those who believe such a project is not useful, we might ask if education is not useful. In this case, at a cost of about 20 cents a month per taxpayer for no more than five years, it is also cheap.

Let's make sure we do not fail to get this valu- honor our past and future by able asset for the city.

There should be no confusion over where the proposed swimming-pool comes into the picture. This is not being suggested as an alternate centenntal project. In fact, it cannot be just so long as its construction depends on volunteer labor. Such an arrangement would prevent it from receiving the approval of the provincial government as an undertaking for which it is prepared to make a grant of funds.

Our choice does not lie in having one project or the other. We can have both, and we should have both. Because of the financial contributions and valunteer labor that generously have been made available, the \$250,000 swimming-pool will cost consillerably less than half that to the taxpayers. In return, the public will have a recreational facility that will undoubtedly prove to be one of the most popular attractions in the city.

This question also calls for a strong affirmative vete. It will pay off in enjoyment beyond measure for children and adults alike.

With reference to the third question on whether to reduce the size of city council, there seems to be growing reason for doing so. The office of clerkcomptroller has increased steadily in importance in récent years, and now with the appointment of a special assistant that tendency is likely to become more pronounced. The natural assumption is that the work required of aldermen will be reduced accordingly and that the time is at hand when we can decrease the size of council to six members, as prescribed by the new Municipal Act, from the present eight. The reduction can be implemented by voting "ho" to this question, meaning the public does not wish to increase the size of council beyond the auth- | the hands of unknown specula- |in the swim." orized six members.

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Ground Observer's Eye Important as Radar

By DAVE McINTOSH Canadian Press Staff Writer

age of radar, supersonic speeds radar. Ground Observer Corps, which measures to counteract the lowemploys only the human eye, is level threat. ironically taking on increased importance.

report to 11 RCAF filter centres low-flying bomber. The inforon planes they spot. Corps posts mation fed into the device would report on low-flying aircraft bomber and its speed. which can sneak under radar

RADAR WEAK little use in spotting and track-lously. ing aircrast flying under 2,000 GOES STRAIGHT

have a long - range turbojet line; it can't bend with curvabomber which is almost as effi- ture of the earth. cient at low level as at high alti- Some officials contend that

-jets are efficient only at high Second World War when it was altitude—could easily be tracked shown that aircraft could fly by the northern warning lines hundreds of miles over enemy but then drop down to low level territory without ever being de-

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SUPPORT BOTH BYLAWS

The Daily News:

Civic Centre board of directors an amateur organization. it was decided to go on record For instance, in the last big as officially approving both the Canada-U.S. air defence exermuseum bylaw and the swim-cise, it was an observer at Port High point at the moment is rowed a fire department ladder. Other troubles included rufming pool bylaw.

resources both of these excep- erican bombers flying south on for 12 days, and plans to stay at claim the world's flagpole ing guy wires. tionally fine community assets a simulated raid. are well within our means. It The warning signal took less Lowest point will be six feet pounds. can also be argued that if either than six minutes to reach RCAF under ground if two Montrealers "First time I've seen my toes stride, showing casual but not or both are rejected certain Air Defence Command at St special circumstances in their Hubert, Que. favor may never again be avail-

Our city has a fine tradition of working well together for community projects. It is the hope of the Civic Centre directors that this tradition will be maintained and that we will supporting BOTH these worthwhile bylaws.

L. M. GREENE, MD Chairman Publicity Committee, Prince Rupert Civic Centre.

The Editor, The Daily News:

that a museum is a necessity, been asked most frequently, Will this proposed edifice be sufficiently large to accommodate my taxes be increased if the our most cherished antique, the Prince Rupert city hall? Yours truly,

JESTER TAXPAYER, Prince Rupert.

Looking ... Back

10 Years Ago JULY 10

are making the round trip to ing hours represented by these Ketchikan aboard the steamer cards because so many people Prince Rupert which sailed last have stated that they will work night for the north.

of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sherk it is evident that there will be ignored a small amount of cash sufficient volunteer labor and a valuable watch, and he-construct the pool. bottles of hand lotion, two lip-struction start if the by-law is city market. sticks, three bottles of nail pol- passed? ish, a powder puff and a jar of j deodorant.

40 Years Ago

Geo. J. Hess, of Jackfish Lake, Sask, was in town the first of has already worked many hunthe week. He was looking for dreds of hours doing the pre- first meeting was somewhat difland on which to locate with his liminary work on the pool. Gerent,

found all the desirable land in Vote "Yes" tomorrow and "get ling at me and I was wishing

He was forced to return to the

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tout of radar's range before an RCAF or U.S. Air Force jet inter-OTTAWA (P)-In a military air contor could be guided to it by

The RCAF aiready is taking

CF-100 fighter squadrons are being equipped with a new navi-The corps comprises some 40.- gation device which can quickly volunteers in Canada who calculate a course to intercept a -there are between 4,000 and be supplied by Ground Observer 5,000—are designed primarily to Corps: Apparent route of the

However, this navigation apparatus is a far cry from radar itself. Radar, within its range, Officials say that radar is of can track an aircraft continu-

The drawback to radar is that And, they add, the Russians its signal travels in a straight

not enough attention has been Moreover, a Soviet jet bomber given to this problem since the

The RCAF has put much emphasis on the capability of its interceptor to climb higher. It developed a high-flying bomber.

Though the Ground Observer Corps is manned by volunteers the RCAF has only some 160 personnel assigned to permanent! At a recent meeting of the corps duty—it is by no means

Radium on Great Bear Lake who perky Marie-Anne Lajoie, 31, who and touched ground for the first fians who arrived late at night With its present and future flashed the first report of Am- has been 75 feet up a flagpole time in 25 days, five hours to and shook his pole and support-

Swim Pool Questions And Answers

During the past two weeks we have published this "question rocking chair contests with the third wettest June in history." and answer" column in an at-last one "off his rocker" being "Rain?" says Mrs. Laoie, mother ' tempt to answer any questions the winner. Two frogmen stag- of five youngsters. "I'm sick of brought up by citizens pertain-led an aquathon to see who rain." ing to the new Civic Centre in- could stay underwater longest. door swimming pool.

Now that voting day is only one day away, let's review some pitchathon for baseball fans, a We are given to understand of the questions which have

money by-law is passed? ANSWER: By 1.4 per cent of '

your present taxes. For example, if you now pay \$140 per year in property taxes the increase will be only \$1.96 cents per year, or about 16 cents per month.

QUESTION: Will there be form for 24 days. enough volunteer labor to complete the job?

ANSWER: Yes. As of noon! today, the swimming pool committee has received pledge cards from 343 people. It is difficult Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelsey to estimate the number of workas many hours as are needed to was just love at first sight," ex-A thief who raided the house response has been excellent and

law is passed, -

A fairly large group of people bleyele by this house. Everything is ready to go, except Like all others seeking land he for the passing of the by-law, by," she said. "He kept star-



NO NIP FOR THE CAT?—Mortimer the kitten looks somewhat miffed as he searches, for his place in the chow line. Buttons, his mother, has reserved three choice seats for her adopted baby squirrels, but there doesn't seem to be much room left for her own kith and kin. From his Wichita, Kan., home, Mortimer wants to know what's all this talk about a dog's life, anyway?

Poteau-thons at Montreal Give Silly Season Big Lift

Canadian Press Staff Writer

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal's marathon "Silly Season" is striking new highs—and possibly new

least another 15 days. in steel time capsules for two summer.

weeks to six months. The stunts started last April Lajoie had a construction crane were on hand to greet him. His Pair with a pianothon in a local lift her in a bucket to her two- own manager was not aware he night club that lasted more than tier perch on a busy city boule-planned to come down. bilingual city has seen hardly sant went up his pole June 19 in glanced skyward for a glimpse ORLON and marathon in progress.

There have been rockathons— WHAT NEXT?

danceathon, walkathons, a pipeathon for pipe smokers, and ing to keep my blankets dry and QUESTION: By how much will then—in the last five weeks—a series of "poteau-thons," which is French for flagpole sitting.

Last week, four aerial squateaux crawled 50 feet down rickety wooden ladder and from crawling around his shel- enough money from donations to tered 64-inch-by-68-inch plat-buy a family burial plot.

Newlyweds Shelled Beans For Licence

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (4) ---

"I remember when I first saw | ANSWER: Clearing of the her," the bridegroom said at a / land an initial construction will wedding dinner in a friend's pegin immediately after the by- house. "It was about two or three weeks ago when I rode my

Mrs. Norris' reaction to their

"I remember when he came he'd quit and go on,

don't sleep. And since the L

plained Thomas Henderson, 21, after his marriage to the formler Mrs. Florence Norris, 65. The couple paid for their \$5.50 marriage licence with money QUESTION: When will con- saved from shelling beans at the l'

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championship. He lost 40 The cosmopolitan city has

with a plan to bury themselves ising a new record later this his descent after breaking the Two are still in the air. Mrs. daughter and a few firemen

> across the St. Lawrence River. 'All were caught in Montreal's '

HAS PHONE

Her platform—highest of all— Other marathons included a is a split-level affair-with no roof. But it has a telephone. "I spent most of my time tryaway from the wind. I moved

apartments, and I'm sleeping in the top one now." The lower apartment is sixters were at their posts, but two feet square and the top is a foot have come down. Andre Lamour-|smaller. She said in a telephone "promise" to her husband to moaned about his knees, swollen stay up until she has earned

> A previous pole-athon rival did his stint aloft to pay for moving his mother's remains to an-1 other cemetery. But the pay is Lamoureaux figured his dona-

tions worked out to 25 cents an

"It's hard work up there," he Agents: Allied Van Lines Ltd. complained. "I can't stand up. | Phones Whart 432; Cffice 5016 |

taken the latest marathons in SLACKS stride showing casual but not SLACKS -Maurice Thibodeau and Lionel in five years," he said, patting sustained interest in the com-Edward Valiquette—to through his trimmer tummy, and prom- petitors. When Tremblay made world record only his wife,

strictly for the birds."

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