Modern techniques spark leachers' interests

Mrs. T. A. Harris, relieving teacher at Roosevelt Park School, was women's editor of the Abbostford News for five years. Her juvenile historical novel, "Cariboo Trail", published last year in Toronto and New York is included in the list of books authorized for use in junior high school libraries. She has also written hundreds of scripts of school broadcasts and many CBC programs. Her impressions of three facets of the Northern District Teachers Convention follow:

By CHRISTIE HARRIS

To Dr. Brock Chisholm, Santa's "Ho, ho, ho!" is just about as merry as a knell, and Santa's advocates have all the endearing charm of brutal betray-

ers of shining-eyed trust. Friday afternoon, during his provocative discussion of "The group of children who discus- that he be allowed "to distin-Place of Myths and Legends in sed this Santa business only to guish clearly which is which.") the Education of Children" at come to a startling conclusion. He left with the teachers the the fall convention of the North-| They decided that Santa was a disturbing question of their own ern District Council of the straight lie foisted on you by responsibility in cases where challenged teachers to a re-purpose of making you behave, children by "myths" which are appraisal of their own respon- They also decided with tragic "manifestly untrue". sibility in the perpetuation of cynicism, that as soon as you Equally attuned to the times, not only the classical legends, knew Santa was a fake, your and presenting food for "deep but also of such prevalent lying parents replaced him with thought in a prejudiced world," "myths" as "Mother knows best."

In support of his widelypublicized condemnation of one of our most cherished traditions, Santa Claus, Dr. Chisholm cited two actual examples of its tragic effect.

TWO EXAMPLES

He told of a brilliant and imaginative boy being driven the brink of breakdown by fear of a bear getting into his bedroom. Appeal to reason was debear was 200 miles away, and such. In fact, he advocated exthe fact that his window was ercise of the imagination. do it, a bear can."

The second case involved a fancy. The important thing is lecturer your parents for the deliberate parents may be harming their

another rewarding-and-punish- was the "Art in Education" sesing fake figure-God.

NOT AUTOMATIC The facts of birth, Dr. Chisholm contended, do not auto-

the vitally important job of bringing up children. "If a man is going to raise pigs," he said, "he needs four years of college. But if he's only going to raise children-

matically qualify parents for

what his own parents had told He made it quite clear that literature, have a vital social him. The fact that the nearest he does not decry fantasy as function, he thought, since they

only narrowly opened, were met "The story which illustrates tions. by the fact that "if Santa can is valuable," he remarked, since the child needed both fact and

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said, "there are certain things boys and girls 6-9, 4 p.m.; paint- The council's finance committhey won't do. And so they will ing, juniors, 4 p.m.; Basketball tee reported it had approved change the world."

proach to the more specific Lifting, boys 15 and over, 7 p.m.; problems of teaching techniques | Photography, 7:30 p.m.; Copper offered in the various sections. Tooling, 15 and over, 8 p.m.; was J. H. Sutherland's lecture Metal enamelling, 15 and over, on remedial reading.

sion conducted by Robin Pearce

of the UBC Extension Depart-

, tioned the wisdom of neglec-

ting the fine arts in order to

place all possible emphasis on

The arts, including music and

This prominent artist ques-

VITAL FUNCTION

he commented.

ment at Magee High school in Floor Hockey games, 8 p.m.; Vancouver, Mr. Sutherland is a Plastic Foam class, adults, 2:30 dedicated tutor of students who p.m. find themselves defeated at the outset by "Jane and Puff." THROWAWAY BOOKS

"You see these little kids just! driven into themselves," he

patiently by teachers and big repairing children's toys for (sisters from the child's own expressed interests.

"A child can overcome almost any handicap," he declared, "if you can get to him and build

up his confidence." Carefully planned by educators alive to the needs of the time, other sessions tackled problems ranging from mathematics the Arab point of view in the Middle East.

The program, keynoted by Dr. Chisholm's address on "Education for Survival", sparked eager interest among the 264 teachers attending from Kitimat, Hazelton, Ocean Falls, Prince Rupert, Queen Charlotte Islands, Smithers and Terrace.

Stimulating, thought-provoking, and geared to realities, the teachers' fall convention may well prove to be one of the most important and heartening events of the year-heartening, that is, to everybody but Santa.

A by-law to provide an advance poll at the civic elections on December 11 was introduced at City Council Monday night.

It will come up for adoption November 24.

By-law 1366, covering auto trailer courts, was finally adopted by City Council Monday

Council agreed to the suggestion of Alderman A. Donald Ritchie that the by-law should become effective on July 1, 1959.

Prince Rupert Daily News 4 CITY COUNCIL BRIEFS Wednesday, November 12, 1958



H. C. BOULTON, secretarymanager of the B.C. Division, Retail Merchants' association of Canada, will be in Prince Rupert on the evening of Tuesday, November 18, in Ladies' Lounge Civic Centre, Prince Rupert, at: 8:00 p.m. All mercants are welcome to attend this general discussion on retailing matters, besides a report on the progress of the RMA's two major national campaigns. Mr. Boulton will also be visiting a number of other northern and coastal cities at about this same time.

science and the technical skills. "You can't change people's at the hearts through their brains,"

CIVIC CENTRE THURSDAY

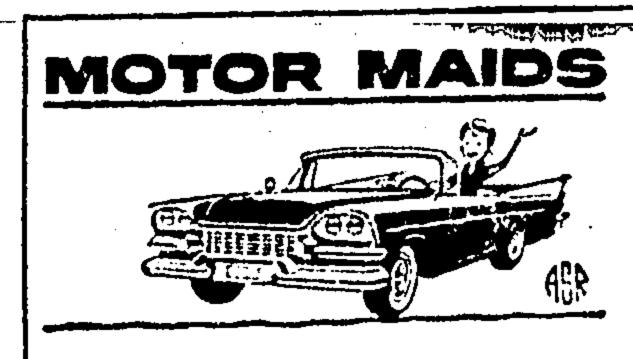
"If people have sensibility," he girls 6-12, 4 p.m.; Handicrafts, essary for small jobs.

Typical of the up-to-date ap- Clinic, boys 12-15, 7 p.m.; Weight 8 p.m.; Adult Rifle, 7 p.m.; Lad-Head of the English Depart- les Slim and trim class, 8:15 p.m.

Firemen aided in toy project

City fire fighters are to receive a donation from City Council towards expenses in the Salvation Army at Christ-

The firemen, belonging to Local 559 of the International Association of Fire Fighters, repair the toys voluntarily at Christmas and will use the money to buy small items needed in the repair of the



Safest Roads Control Access

By Jeanne Smith, Dodge Safety Consultant

ALTHOUGH it's commonly believed that four-lane divided highways are the safest roads on which to travel, a recent study reveals that such roads can be high-ly hazardous —unless they

have controlled ac-A survey by the Michigan State Highway de-

partment es-tablishes that four-lane divided Miss Smith highways without access control are among the most dangerous

roads to travel. On the other hand, four-lane divided highways, with control of entrance and exit, are four times as safe as other high-

ways, the study shows. John C. Mackie, Michigan state highway commissioner, says the study indicates that four-lane divided highways, without access control, give the motorist a false sense of

security. "Such roads," he points out, "encourage travel at high speeds because they separate traffic and provide additional room for maneuverability. However, they still subject the motorist to fric-tion from vehicles or pedestrings moving in and out of roadside services, business establishments and residences.

"They require stop lights at major intersections which vastly increase rear-end collision potential They also require left-turning in the face of encoming igh speed traffic.

"although they are capable of carrying a greater volume of traffic than a two-lane high-way, they still expose the motorist to the same hazards, at a higher rate of speed, as the obsolete two-lane ligh-way they were designed to im-

prove upon or replace."
Mackie believes that the presthan 50 lives the first year, and at least 2000 accidents.

The survey of th

Civic employees seeking per cent wage boost

Civic employees in Prince Rupert are seeking Street (renting rooms); Ronald ' a wage increase of 7 per cent next year, City Council was notified Monday by the Civic Employees' Local Union No. 5. The matter was referred to the 1959 Second Avenue West (renting) wage committee without discussion.

modifications to their agree- Laina Korhonen, \$435; George

ment with the city. city union rates of pay.

clause that will state:

tion if a worker drinks coffee, Maria Tome, \$400. not more than twice during a working shift, at his own station, from his own thermos."

Amendments to the city building by-law were introduced at City Council Monday, and will come up for final adoption November 24.

Alderman R. G. Large said the amendments would mean that the onus for obtaining a permit for alterations or extensions to his property would rest on the individual citizen. It would be his responsibility to see that he was not contravening the bylaw.

develop in people the sensibility 2:15 p.m.; Tiny Tots, 3-4-5 year said his department wished will go to the Pioneers' Home, they need in their human rela-olds, 2:15 p.m.; Floor Hockey, however, to avoid the position and the cost will be defrayed Juvenile, 4 p.m.; Active games, where a permit would be nec- from the Pioneers' Home Trust

suite); Gertrude Rathje, corner

and Kathleen Brown, \$170; Wil-It wants a clause inserted say- liam and Florence E. Greenwood, ing that should the city con- \$90; William and Florence E tract out any work, the con- Greenwood, \$15; Livio and Lina tractors will pay not less than Basso, \$600; Stanley and Marie J. Wozney, \$410; Guiseppe Ier-The civic workers also seek a fina, \$575; Carl and Borghild | Engh, \$487; John F. Collins, \$230; "The city will not take excep- | Manuel Tome, \$400; Manuel and

Council also approved payment of \$3,186 to Swan, Wooster and Partners for the design of the airport ferry landings at Kaien Island and Digby Island; and the payment of \$16,543 to the Canadian General Electric Co., for power cable to serve the Digby Island airport. This is the submarine portioin which is the city's responsibility.

City council agreed to purchase a second hand piano from the Sisters of St. Joseph Con-

Trade licences for the followpractice, senior, 6:30 p.m.; Sports sales of land to the following: ing were approved by council:

Dryborough, 315 Sixth Avenue 上(peddler); Helen Gilbert, 1551

Second Avenue and Second Street, (lunch counter); H. Melby, 853 Borden Street (renting suite); Paul Postula, Second Avenue and Sixth Street, (amusement machines); Michael Vlahos, 504 Third Avenue West, (shoe repair shop).

On the recommendation of the board of works committee, council passed a resolution ordering the owners of the McIntyre Block and of a shack at 1203 Water street to demolish the buildings within 60

Better lighting asked for Eighth Avenue West

City Council utilities committee is to consider a petition from residents of Eighth Avenue West complaining of poor street lighting.

Some 20 residents complained of insufficient lighting on Eighth Avenue, west of McBride Street, and said they thought it one of the poorest-lit streets in the city. They suggested lights on every second light standard.

They asked council to remedy also the lack of lighting at the corner of Thompson street and Lotbiniere street above the stairs from Eighth Avenue West, and also the tree roots and stumps just above the stairs joining Eighth Avenue West and Thompson Street.

Their petition concluded: "In case of doubt perhaps some of the council members would try walking along here in the dark where we have to walk every day.

"We trust you will have these matters brought" 'to light' at the earliest possible council meeting."

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