





## New Heating System Nearing Completion

Major project in the \$180,000 modernization program of the Prince Rupert General Hospital is nearing completion with installation of the first heating unit in the new heating system.

The new \$51,000 plant replaces a 30-year-old system which has threatened to break down for some time.

The heating plant was the main single item on which the hospital board based its campaign for funds last year when \$65,000 was raised in donations from industrial firms, city businesses and individuals.

Both provincial and federal governments contribute as high as one-third of the full cost of rehabilitating municipal hospitals.

The new heating plant, including two boilers and a new water-heating tank, should be completed by the end of January, a hospital board spokesman said today.

"The new plant takes a lot of worry from our minds," he said. "The old system was operating on one lung and could have broken down any time. That would have placed the hospital in a serious situation for heat is one of the main requirements for operation."

Other renovations to the building also have been completed and further plans on which a committee is at present working include enlarging of the X-ray department, the laboratory, and the central sterile supply room; extension of the elevator into the attic which has been prepared for storage; and further equipping and furnishing wards.

## readers

● Miss Barbeau's Hat Shop will be closed January and February. (304)

● Valhalla New Year's Eve Frolic, 10 p.m. Everyone welcome. (305)

● Skeena Grocery will be closed all day Friday, Jan. 2, for stocktaking. Please put your orders in early for delivery Wednesday. (304)

● Events to be held by the Y.P.E.A. Club of Port Simpson, Dec. 30, Balloon Dance; Jan. 5, Snowball Frolic; Jan. 6, Basketball—Merchants of Metlakatla, Alaska, vs. Y.P.E.A. (304)

● Attention Northland Dairy Customers—There will be no milk delivery New Year's Day. Please obtain your extra supply from your driver Wednesday. (304)

● NOTICE — Members must pick up tickets to the Aero Club New Year's Dance today. No tickets will be sold at the door. Surplus tickets may be purchased by non-members. Phone 793 after 6 p.m. (11)

● Attention Moose Members and Chapter Members — New Year's Eve party, Dec. 31. Admittance to building will be confined to member and escort only. Invitations obtainable at Moose Club. (305)

## Back With Interest

VANCOUVER — The thief who stole washing from a woman's clothesline returned it with interest. The woman reported that her wash found its way back on the clothesline. An additional 35 pairs of panties also were hanging there.

## Unemployment Office Hires Job Seeker

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP)—Maurice Crist, a beer salesman, was laid off for a spell, so he went to the state unemployment office to apply for jobless compensation.

The place was packed with applicants and Crist settled down for a long wait.

Catching the eye of one of the girls on duty, he said: "Seems to me you could use more help around here."

"You're so right," said the girl, and one thing leading to another, Crist was hired on the spot.

## Sunday School Presents Story Of Nativity

St. Andrew's Cathedral Sunday School under the direction of F. E. Anfield presented in play form last Sunday afternoon the story of the birth of Christ.

Actors were in full costume. Principal parts were played by Nita Weise, Suzanne Kergin, Norman Barker, Kathleen Gladish, George Jones, Richard Paulding, and Robert Yamada.

The Cathedral senior choir, directed by Peter Lien, supplied the background music of Christmas carols.

## Tag Gets Tagger

WINNIPEG — An elderly police constable while on his regular beat here recently tagged his own car. The car had been driven downtown and parked by his son.

## Kitkatla Couple Probe Halted In Murder Case

A quiet ceremony at St. Andrew's Cathedral joined in a pre-Christmas wedding Eva Maud Ryan and William Peter Shaw, both of Kitkatla.

Groom is the grandson of Mr. Nathan Shaw.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Solomon Brown.

Bridesmaid and groomsmen were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gamble, Rev. Canon Basil S. Prockter conducted the service.

VANCOUVER (CP)—A new investigation into an eight-year-old unsolved murder has been ended by the Attorney-General's Department.

It was started 11 months ago into the slaying of 24-year-old Jenny Conroy, killed in west Vancouver Dec. 28, 1944 while enroute to a Christmas party.

In a letter to the West Vancouver Police Commission, Attorney-General Robert Bonner said claims of Sgt. Don Matheson "cannot be supported."

The re-investigation was ordered when Matheson, then a security sergeant in the RCMP, claimed he had sufficient evidence to warrant a murder charge and named a suspect.

The suspect and 51 other persons were interviewed by RCMP during the re-investigation.

Jenny Conroy's blood-stained body was found near a West Vancouver cemetery. She had been beaten to death with a hammer. A \$2,000 reward was offered for the slayer.

Annapolis Royal in Nova Scotia was founded in 1605.

## Jasper Couple Spend Christmas in Rupert

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ross and daughter, Margaret, have returned to their home at Jasper after spending Christmas Day here with Mrs. Ross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Killin, 352 Eighth Avenue East.

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## Ambulance Cadets Plan Big Jamboree

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Brigade establishments in Canada and other Commonwealth countries will be invited to send two boys and two girls, accompanied by an officer leader to the camp. The United Kingdom cadets have volunteered to invite their colleagues from overseas to be guests in their homes before and after the camp rally.

## Storage Hangars

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## Outdoor stuff ... with Marty

Long, long ago, primitive man spent many hours gazing into unpolluted waters watching the antics of the fishes therein, and he wanted to make them his own. (Even as you and I.) Then came a day when he saw fishes stranded on a sandy bar, and was able to capture them with his hands. They made him life sustaining food, and he soon learned to avoid getting bones stuck in his mouth and throat.

Generations later a brainier primitive reasoned that if bones stuck in his mouth when eating this succulent food, then why would not one of these bones, baited with fish, and lowered on some sort of hair or sinew to fishes in the depths, also stick into the mouth of some curious fish so that he could be hauled to the surface and thus captured?

Of course, the stratagem worked; millions of men and women have been happier ever since.

Ages passed, the Bronze Age came and with it the bronze fish hook, and the processes of evolution have brought us to today's highly efficient steel hooks.

Modern man puts in time and thought, some feathers and hair, some color too, and with the addition of a hook builds up a lure which is truly efficacious. After a few workouts in the salt chuck the attractiveness of the lure remains, but ferric oxide has done its foul work and ruined the steel hook beyond repair; our primitive man never had to suffer this woe.

It is not my purpose to suggest that we return to bronze hooks (but they are pretty good just the same), but since Canada is the world's largest producer of non-rusting nickel, why is it not possible for the sports angler to purchase nickel hooks in Prince Rupert, although such hooks are readily obtainable at certain fishing tackle wholesalers?

For salt water work locally, nickel hooks in sizes 4/0 to 7/0 inclusive should be just about right.

Duck season has still two weeks to go, and a flock of more than 50 Lesser Scaup with a sprinkling of Goldeneyes and Harlequins, has remained within pebble-tossing distance of the Cow Bay floats all the past week-end. The *Bunchies* are showing up in increasing numbers, and many duck hunters consider them about tons at table.

Here is a simple little trick for up-country readers who live near a sizeable lake. Wolves will walk a lake whenever possible, and may be *ceoveed* (particularly during the mating season between late February and early April) in the following manner.

Cut a post about four feet long and six inches diameter, carry this out onto the frozen lake 90 yards from the window from which you intend to shoot, set it upright on the ice, (which you will break to allow a little water to come through to freeze the post in position) and anoint with the contents of a coyote or wolf bladder or any scent which a trapper would be likely to have on hand.

Wolves are definitely curious to closely inspect an object standing out clearly in a snowy world, and are completely dog-like in their calling-card-leaving propensities; this trick has paid me bounties in both Eastern and Western Canada, besides giving the thrill of sitting comfortably in my own home watching and waiting while these big devils decoy a half mile or more.

You will, of course, range on this post, as your quarry will give you only one shot, and you should not walk out to inspect the post lest you leave too much man-smell around; your practice bullet marks will show up clearly in the snow and give opportunity to correct any error in aim.

Quite obviously, you will do the best work with a scope-sighted rifle. I was successful with 303 British and 2 1/2 X scope, but preferred a 30/06 with 4 X scope; other rifles of similar ballistics will do the job, no scope being necessary to those with younger, brighter eyes than my own.

That's it for this year friends, may your bullets all go exactly where you want them to and your fish lines stay taut.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### Pulpmillers Beat Terrace

CCC Pulpmillers, currently tied for second place with Mansons in the senior B basketball league ended the year with a 38-23 victory over a Terrace team in an exhibition game at that village last Saturday.

The pulpmillers drove to Terrace for the match, arranged by Ab Hart, jewellery store manager there who is trying to interest athletes in Terrace in basketball.

Eight players made the jaunt with manager Pat Bolton.

## Balinese Dancer Named One of Ten 'Young Women of the Year'



MADEMOISELLE's 1952 Merit Award winners, honored for signal achievement during the past year. Left: Ni Gusti Raka, Balinese dancer, cited as "a symbol for East-West cultural exchange." Top row: Alett Radzai, Yonkers, N. Y., housewife; Helen J. Cacheris, Washington, D. C., dietitian; Lotte Werner, N. Y. C., fashion designer. Center row: Beatrice A. Hicks, Bloomfield, N. J., engineer; Basilla E. Neilan, Cambridge, Mass., social worker; Dr. Jane Cooke Wright, N. Y. C., scientist. Bottom row: Andrea Mead Lawrence, Rutland, Vt., skier; Geraldine Page, N. Y. C., actress; Melissa Hayden, Toronto, Canada, dancer.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Ni Gusti Raka, the twice-year-old charmer who stole the show in the Dancers of Bali's brilliant American tour this fall, is among the ten Young Women of the Year who received 1952 Merit Awards from MADEMOISELLE magazine today.

For the tenth year in succession awards were presented to ten young women who—with the exception of Miss Raka—are in their twenties and early thirties and "who have already distinguished themselves in their fields and are expected to achieve even greater honors," according to Betsy Talbot Blackwell, MADEMOISELLE's Editor-in-Chief.

In making the awards, Mrs. Blackwell cited Miss Raka as "a lovely symbol of East-West cultural exchange, a slender but sympathetic link between two worlds that need not be so far apart." She referred to "our first glimpse of widely extolled Balinese art forms as a step in the direction of better understanding between Asia and the U. S."

The fields represented in this year's Merit Awards (as featured in January MADEMOISELLE) include business, dietetics, dance, medicine, fashion, sports, theatre, social service and—for the first time since the awards were established—the home.

Winner in the homemaking field is Alett Radzai, 28-year-old Yonkers, N. Y., housewife, "whose indomitable spirit carried her through ten sightless years during which she married, raised four children, doing the sewing, cleaning and cooking herself since money was scarce." A promising art student before she became totally blind at eighteen, Mrs. Radzai

recently saw her husband for the first time—her sight restored by cornea transplants—and has resumed her art studies. (A top commercial artist stakes his reputation on her making good in three years.)

Here are Mrs. Radzai's and Ni Gusti Raka's eight co-winners:

BEATRICE HICKS, of Bloomfield, N. J., chief engineer and vice-president of the quarter-million-dollar Newark Controls Company (a post she took over at her father's death). Perhaps the only woman chief engineer in the U. S., she was founder and first president of the Society of Women Engineers, believes that "women are our greatest untapped source of engineering talent."

HELEN CACHERIS of Washington, dietitian, who knows the way to more men's hearts than any other woman. As chief of the Menu Planning Branch in the Office of the Quartermaster General, she haunts Army mess halls to sample the food, discovers GI's preferences, plans the master menus for the entire U. S. Army and Air Force.

MELISSA HAYDEN of Toronto, dancer, who came to the New York City Ballet comparatively unknown and has climbed straight into prima ballerina ranks. A recent European tour brought cheers from critics and audiences, and now in Charlie Chaplin's "Limelight" she offers some of the most classically perfect dancing to be seen on the screen.

DR. JANE COOKE WRIGHT of New York, scientist, who a few years back was rated by her supervisor at Bellevue Hospital in N. Y., as "by all odds the most promising intern I ever had working with me." Now at Harlen Hospital, she is making a notable contribution to

medical science with her evaluations of the efficacy of drugs in cancer treatment—evaluations that are being translated, abstracted and quoted all over the world.

LOTTE WERNER of New York, fashion designer, who has earned a unique place in the fashion world with her skinny pants, midriff-wrapping cummerbunds, unorthodox use of fabrics. Her original, imaginative touch with separates is one main reason why—from the beach to night club—women were living in them in 1952.

ANDREA MEAD LAWRENCE of Rutland, Vt., captain of the 1952 U. S. women's Olympic ski team, the first U. S. skier, man or woman, to win two winter Olympic titles in one meet. Her second victory after a bad fall was "a tribute to doggedness as well as skill." Unofficial world champion of the downhill race, she has established herself as the world's greatest woman slalom skier.

GERALDINE PAGE of New York, actress, who opened last spring as an unknown in an unknown theatre in Tennessee Williams' never-too-successful "Summer and Smoke" and started a riot in the theatre world. Her acting focused sudden attention on off-Broadway's Circle-in-the-Square, brought her movie, television contracts, and last month the title role in "Lily," her first Broadway show.

BASILLA NEILAN of Cambridge, Mass., social service worker, under whose direction the Cambridge Youth Project has set a model for other cities to follow in combating ethnic and religious prejudice. Last spring the National Conference of Christians and Jews called on her to help out with the Philadelphia high school religious riots and the Bronx teenage fights.

## Adventurer Eats Plankton-Minute Plants During Lone Atlantic Crossing on Raft

BARBADOS (Reuters)—Alain-Louis Bombard, 27-year-old French scientist who set out on a lone Atlantic crossing on a raft two months ago to prove man can survive on food provided by the ocean, has reached the Barbados.

His trip to the open Atlantic began when he left the Canary Islands Oct. 20 on the 3,000-mile voyage.

A British ship picked him up briefly two weeks ago about 590 miles off these West Indies islands. He went aboard to send wireless messages, then returned to the raft to complete his journey. He arrived here the day before Christmas.

Bombard began his voyage from Nice, France, May 23, traveling in a 15-foot rubber dinghy equipped with two paddles, a six-foot mast and a sail.

Backbone of his diet was plankton—minute plants floating in the ocean. He caught them with a sieve trailing behind his tiny raft. He also ate raw fish and some birds.

Bombard's theory is that human beings can take up to one pint of sea water a day without ill effects. Fish and plankton contain fresh water and these sources of supply together should prevent death at sea by hunger and thirst, he contended.

"I believe that survival de-

pends largely on will power," he said before he set out on the Atlantic crossing. "A man with great will power should be able to survive from two to three months; a man with average will power a month to six weeks."

Bombard's raft, named the Heretique, sailed through the eastern end of the Mediterranean coast to Tangier, then along the coast to northwest Africa to Las Palmas in the Canary Islands. He headed for the open Atlantic October 20.

### Shopping Companion

VEREENINGING, South Africa—Mrs. Joyce Croz does her shopping with a snake. A five-foot rinkhals cobra is her particular pet. Asked why she carried the snake around she replied: "With the snake around my neck, pickpockets fight shy of me and I can do my shopping in peace."

## Battle With Living Costs Less Arduous During Year

By HAROLD MORRISON  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—The daily battle with living costs became less arduous in 1952 as prices slipped from their peaks.

Monthly cost-of-living indices show slight declines, but price averages for the year actually are higher this year than in 1951 when consumer and bank credit controls and other government steps were taken to brake the advance.

Prices eased, but they did not come down as fast as they went up in 1951. And as the year draws to an end, there are many commodities and services, such as rents and medical costs, still reaching for higher ground.

### OPINION DIVIDED

In the first 10 months of 1952, the old cost-of-living index dropped by less than one-half the total jump it made in 1951. The decline in the new consumer price index was less than one-quarter of the 1951 boost.

And federal economists don't see eye to eye as to what will take place in 1953. Some suggest that prices may continue to weaken. Others consider that heavy defence spending in both Canada and the United States will continue to keep prices firm.

In 1951, the old price yardstick, based on 1935-39 prices equaling 100, jumped 16 points from 175.2 in January to an all-time high of 191.5 in December. It dropped less than seven points in the first 10 months of 1952—to 184.8 in October.

1952 DROPPED SLIGHT

The new consumer price index, based on 1949 prices equaling 100, showed a nine-point gain during 1951 to a peak of 118.2 from 109.1. It dropped only two points in the 10-month period of 1952—to 116.1.

The Bureau of Statistics plans to continue publication of the two indices simultaneously for at least another few months. Then the old index will be dis-

carded.

While many a housewife could argue that prices, generally, still were high in 1952, the same could be said of prices in other western countries—the United States and Britain.

One of the factors in the 1952 price drop stemmed not from the government's anti-inflation measures, but from a near-catastrophe—the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in south Saskatchewan.

### GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

With meat surpluses mounting and the American market shut, meat prices in Canada began to drop from their 1951 peak. Government price props helped to present a runaway meat price decline, but prices still were a lot lower than they were in the previous year.

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### PROP WASH... Alimony Barr in East German

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Members—don't forget the low level flight at the club this New Year's Eve. A good time for all is anticipated. Club directors are in charge of arrangements.

Recent successful candidate for his licence is Frank Roberts.

Reports via the grapevine indicate the engine for aircraft CP-DEU will arrive here in the near future.

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