

Labor Forms Common Front

Labor formed a united front here Sunday night with creation of the Vancouver Island Joint Labor Conference, an organization embracing the Canadian Federation of Labor, the Canadian Congress of Labor and the American Federation of Labor.

James Robertson, C.C.L., was elected chairman, C. Peck, delegate of the Electrical Workers' Union, A.F. of L., was made one of the vice-chairmen; Lillian Cooper, C.C.L., recording secretary, and George Wilkinson, Retail Clerks' Union, A.F. of L., secretary-treasurer. A second vice-chairman will be appointed by the C.F.L.

The executive officers were instructed to draw up a list of concerns it considers unfair to organized labor and to report at the next meeting on that question. The officers were also asked to act as a committee on mutual support to assist in strengthening the labor front.

T. E. Mohr, reporting on housing here, stated his committee had submitted 500 questionnaires to citizens seeking their reaction on the issue. As a result representations would be made for more rent control on new houses. Mr. Mohr said. He reported dissatisfaction with a reply to a letter addressed by his group to Wartime Housing Ltd. A further letter will go from his committee to that firm expressing the opinion that houses built by the concern are not constructed inexpensively and that the rental set for them is too high. Plans to refer the question to the rental control board were announced.

SEEK WAGE CHANGES

A representative from the electrical workers' union reported Yarrowds had approached the union with a move to have members work on a basis of straight time on Saturday afternoons and

Sundays instead of overtime. Mr. Robertson said the C.C.L. had followed the policy of abiding by existing agreements which have pay scales set forth. The meeting went on record opposing any change in working agreements until a meeting of all unions had discussed the question fully.

A special committee was struck to consider ways and means of furthering labor's war effort. The group, including G. Kassian, T. Money, Jas. Robertson, L. A. Hodgins and A. Whipps will report back to the meeting in March.

Hundreds Hear Whale Lecture

Six hundred students from schools of Greater Victoria attended the first lecture in the new series of educational talks sponsored by the Provincial Museum Saturday morning.

Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan was the speaker, his topic being: "Whales, Great and Small."

With the use of lantern slides, Dr. Cowan related the story of the whales of this province. Tracing the ancestry of the sea monsters, the speaker told his audience that the whale has the same ancestors as the present-day goats, cows and sheep. Their average age is 50 years.

Emphasizing the adaptation of the whales to their sea life, he told of the streamlined body they have, and of the protection against the extreme cold in the form of a thick layer of fat, termed the blubber. The value of this fat and oil was mentioned. The temperature of the whale is 95 degrees, he said.

Saturday night the same talk was given to a group of adults.

Next Saturday night, J. A. Munroe will speak on "Bird Life on the Cattle Range." Mr. Munroe is the chief federal migratory bird officer for British Columbia.

St. Mary's Men's Guild will meet in the hall Thursday at 8.

TOWN TOPICS

Monthly meeting of Ward 5, Cordova Bay District Ratepayers' Association will be held at the Cordova Bay store, Cordova Bay, Wednesday at 8.

Ward 4 Liberals annual meeting will be held at Liberal headquarters Wednesday at 8. There being no further nominations the following officers were declared elected when nominations closed on Feb. 17: President, F. A. Carter; vice-president, T. A. Johnston; secretary, H. J. Maddaford, and treasurer, Mrs. F. Smith.

Wednesday at 8 a public meeting will be held at auditorium of Sir James Douglas School, Corpl. D. W. Taylor of the Civil Protection Department of the Provincial Police will speak, and moving pictures pertaining to A.R.P. matters will be shown. All wardens in the district are asked to be in attendance, so the public may know who are wardens in the area.

Edwin Lewis, found guilty of dangerous driving, was fined \$25 in city police court today. Seven motorists were fined \$2.50 each for parking over one hour. For failing to have a driver's license and for failing to give a hand signal, two other drivers were fined \$5 each. Another motorist was fined \$10 for exceeding the 30-mile limit.

Dozen Awarded Leaflet Prizes

War Savings Certificates were claimed by 12 Victorians following Saturday's plane leaflet distribution over the centre of the city, Vancouver Island Victory Loan headquarters reported today.

Each of the 12 found one of the specially marked leaflets which fluttered down, advertising the loan issue here. To each was given a \$5 War Certificate.

One more pamphlet flight is scheduled in the current drive. More prizes will be included in the batch distributed at that time.

Those winning prizes from Saturday's flight include: Earl Lundy, 856 Darwin; Douglas Evans, 1020 Caledonia; Peter C. Thomson, 1310 Richardson; Wilbert Chan, 830 Caledonia; Ronald Garham, 2552 Forbes; Eleanor Lehman, 637 Niagara; Clara Leong, 541 Fisgard; Georgina Lowe, 961 Pembroke; R. H. Speck, 617 Simcoe; William O'Brien, 1015 Princess; Edward Musgrave, 638 Pembroke, and Enid Lake, 2727 Richmond.

R.C.M.P. Seize Japanese Radios

Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Victoria and Provincial Police up-land began Sunday to seize cameras and shortwave sending and receiving radio sets from Japanese aliens. The work will go on during the week. Inspector C. R. Peters, head of the Victoria detachment, said today.

Since before the outbreak of war in the Pacific, R.C.M.P. officials have had available the names and addresses and status of Japanese on Vancouver Island. The seizure of radios and cameras has been a comparatively simple matter.

Police said no figures were available as to the number of radio sets and cameras that have been confiscated so far.

The orders for confiscation apply only to Japanese, German and Italian nationals. Living in Victoria are hundreds of Canadian-born Japanese who may still legally have in their possession the articles confiscated from Japanese nationals.

Overnight Entries At Hialeah Park

Winch Insists Japs' Removal Be Immediate

Harold Winch, opposition leader and C.C.F. chief, came to Victoria today to insist, through Premier John Hart, that the federal government take immediate action to move all Japanese from vulnerable areas on the coast.

"The Premier has no authority, but is doing his best to get Ottawa to move," Mr. Winch said as he waited for long telephone connections between Mr. Hart and Hon. Ian Mackenzie, B.C.'s representative in the federal cabinet.

The Premier has been insisting for the last month, by telegram and telephone, that Ottawa take immediate action on the Japanese on this coast. He has promised every co-operation and has loaned provincial government officials to Ottawa to speed the expected removal.

Today he had nothing further to say on the question, as he awaited his talk with Mr. Mackenzie.

"There is growing uneasiness in Vancouver, and Victoria, too, about the Japanese in strategic areas on this coast," Mr. Winch said.

"Action must be immediate, not next week or next month, but now, especially concerning those enemy aliens living within strategic areas."

NENT TO EXCHANGE

In Victoria, Mr. Winch pointed out a Japanese establishment is back to back to the one telephone building through which all military communications go to and from the mainland.

"One stick of dynamite could damage that building, and I'm told it would be nine months before it could be repaired," he said.

All Japanese, irrespective of where they were born, will have to go from this coast, Mr. Winch said, not only for the protection of the province, but also for their own protection.

"This is not a matter of questioning the loyalty of all," he said. "My suggestion is that the military be given full authority to act."

"It is common talk that it is tantamount to criminal negligence to leave enemy aliens around strategic points, as in the Japanese settlement alongside the dikes that protect Sea Island airport and Boeing airport, and the Japanese settlement alongside the sole water supply source for Vancouver city."

VANCOUVER (CP) - Plans are being made today for a public meeting to protest to the federal government against the continued presence of Japanese on the Pacific coast after a meeting of about 45 representatives of Vancouver organizations had been told that Japanese are living in the vicinity of almost every defence work and wartime industrial establishment in Vancouver.

James W. Wardrop, chairman, said Sunday's meeting was called by the Flying Column, a war veterans' group.

Employees Show Ready Response

Victoria Machinery Depot employees, laboring strenuously on one of the most important drives of war, subscribed liberally to Canada's Second Victory Loan Saturday when the first employer-employee canvass opened there. Eric Wainwright, organizer of

OBITUARY

CHRISTIE - Funeral services for Alexander Strachan Christie will be conducted in McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel, Tuesday at 3.30. Rev. Hugh McLeod will officiate. Interment, Colwood. No flowers by request.

HATFIELD - Sgt. Pilot William Miller Hatfield, R.C.A.F., age 28, died suddenly Saturday afternoon. He was born in Calgary and had been stationed at Patricia Bay for the last two months, previously coming from Calgary. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Louisa Armitage of 419 Sumas Street, Victoria; one sister in Scotland, Miss Charlotte Kintze of Calgary, to whom he was to have been married in March, arrived in the city today to attend the funeral. The remains are resting at McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel, where funeral services with full Royal Canadian Air Force honors will be held Wednesday at 2. Interment, Colwood.

EARL - Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Frances Earl were held Saturday at St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill Road. Rev. Frederic Pike conducted the services. Pallbearers: J. T. S. Wilson, J. A. Hallier, F. S. Maddock and C. H. Welchman. Interment, churchyard cemetery. Sands Mortuary Ltd. were in charge of arrangements.

DOOLEY - Rev. H. A. McLeod conducted funeral services for Mary Dooley Saturday in McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel. S. Vincent, S. Page, W. Bridges, S. F. Smith, T. Sullivan and G. Thorsteinson were pallbearers. Interment, Colwood.

JORY - Funeral services for Sydney W. Jory were held Saturday. Rev. Fred Comley officiated. Interment was at Colwood. Pallbearers: J. Moss, N. P. Macdonald, A. Larson, W. Prudhomme, J. Davies and G. Bishop. S. J. Curry & Son had charge of funeral arrangements.

ALLEN - Rev. P. J. Disney conducted the funeral service for Mrs. Bertha May Allen in Hayward's R.C. Funeral Chapel Saturday. Pallbearers: C. A. Timman, W. C. Jessiman, P. Allison, C. Jones, R. M. Williams and K. Clyde; interment, Royal Oak.

LEGGETT - Mrs. Mary Eggott died Saturday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, after a short illness. She was 68 years of age, born in Tynemouth, Northumberland, England, and had been a resident of this city 30 years. She is survived by her widower, Horace, 2436 Central Avenue; a sister, Mrs. T. English, 1911 Birch Street, and three sisters in England. Funeral service will be held Tuesday at 2, from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. F. Comley will officiate. Cremation at Royal Oak.

SMETHURST - Donald George Smethurst, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smethurst, 1980 Foul Bay Road, died Sunday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital. He leaves his parents, one brother, David James, and his twin sister, Sylvia June, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Smethurst, 2322 Vancouver Street, and Mrs. J. Masten, 1939 Brighton Avenue. Funeral service will be held Tuesday at 3.30 from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse will officiate. Burial at Royal Oak.

Barry Wood Sings For Victory Loan

Barry Wood, chosen from hundreds of popular singers as the number one "Singing Salesman for Uncle Sam," has come to Canada to do his bit for Jack Canuck, too. Since early last summer he has been heard on scores of government programs and at bond rallies in the famous song, which was practically written for him - "Any Bonds Today?" In Canada this week for a

Study A.R.P. For Calgar

Here today to A.R.P. methods will their possible use I Alderman E. H. St During the mon ferred with Wm. A.R.P. chief, and (recipitation for the received.

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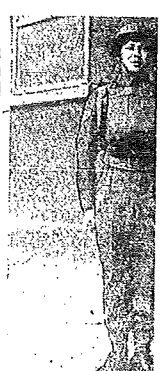
'THING OF PAST

"The big shelter, the past," Alderman He spoke of a family in Wales. Twelve gathered in one ho tending a funeral o time. A direct hit ha on the house and had been wiped out, planation of his p scattering the popl He thinks radios would be useful ste ment, and would pi whereby those she would be able to r clear signal without outside.

"We feel terrible minion government recognize Alberta c was as vulnerable a man Stary said.

"We are going to agitation to get t government to recog nerability of our added. Calgary's c made the more sev the congestion there inadequate housing tude, he said.

B.C. Men Bro Overseas Me



BDR. D. H. R

OTTAWA (CP) - men will participate Loan overseas broa heard over the CBC work Tuesday from 5 p.m. (P.D.T.) The n W. Scott Murdoch; Ronch and Lieut. Joh Maj. Murdoch will r periences during th army raid on Spitzk Roach on bringing dox plane with anti-air. Lieut. Gowen will r servations made on a commando unit. A Vancouver.

Thieves, Vand Busy Over We

Merchandise and e \$275 was stolen fro toria stores which v over the week-end. About \$200 worth c

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