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STYLE COMES WEST — It's hard to say which sex likes it most, but that new above-the-knee skirt fad has made its impact on Calgary. With head high, Betty Thompson was one of the first to display the heightened hem on this downtown shopping expedition. Sales people say, however, that clothing manufacturers are not willing to gamble on making the skirts, so the girls have to buy ordinary dresses and snip four or five inches off the hems. —CP photo.

Pulpworkers, mills in accord for 4 per cent wage increase

Locals to take vote on one-year pact

VANCOUVER (CP) — A one-year agreement providing for a four-per-cent general wage increase has been reached between British Columbia's 10 primary pulp and paper mills and the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers (CLC).

Some 5,000 employees are involved.

Announcement of the settlement in a joint statement Sunday by representatives of the companies and the union, came after more than two weeks of negotiations.

The statement said that in addition to the general wage increase, the agreement provides for a special adjustment of two cents an hour to certain mechanics, an improvement in vacation payment calculation, provision for a joint study of health and welfare provisions and other contractual changes.

The settlement brings the basic wage rates into a range of from $2.03 to $3.12 hourly, with the average hourly earning—including fringe benefits—at $2.78.

The settlement, with recommendation of the union delegates for acceptance, now is being voted upon by members of the 10 local unions involved. It will become effective July 1.

The union locals are at Prince Rupert, Powell River, Port Mellon, Ocean Falls, Woodfibre, Port Alice, Port Alberni, Nanaimo, Duncan Bay and Crofton.

The companies involved are Columbia Cellulose Co., Ltd., Crown Zellerbach Canada Ltd., Elks Falls Co. Ltd., Rayonier of Canada Ltd., MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River Co. Ltd.

Algerian rebels set to meet de Gaulle

PARIS (AP)—The Algerian rebel government-in-exile offered today to send Premier Ferhat Abbas to Paris to discuss the Algerian revolt with the French government.

The French government quickly agreed to receive Abbas, but official sources said discussions would "concern only a ceasefire, the disposition of weapons and the fate of the fighters."

Only after a ceasefire, they said, could arrangements be discussed for a referendum on Algeria's future.

The rebel communique offering to send Abbas was in response to President Charles de Gaulle's radio address June 14. The communique said an emissary would be sent to Paris to arrange Abbas' trip.

De Gaulle has promised the rebels personal safety while in France and the right to leave France if negotiations break down.

The communique noted that de Gaulle's statement reaffirmed the right of the Algerian people to determine their own future. In his radio address, de Gaulle also assured the rebels they would have a voice in arranging the referendum he had promised after peace is restored and in assuring the honesty of the vote count.

The rebel communique said that if the refendum is surrounded by "indispensable guarantees of sincerity, the choice of the Algerian people would, without doubt, be independence." De Gaulle has said that he is confident the Algerians will vote to keep strong links with France.

WILL BOTHER RIGHTISTS

The rebels' acceptance is certain to stir outcries among rightists in both Algeria and France. These circles, along with the French Army, are opposed to negotiations with the rebels.

De Gaulle has said the talks in Paris would be confined to conditions for a ceasefire to end the nationalist insurrection in Algeria, now in its sixth year.

The communique noted that de Gaulle's latest speech was a step forward but said de Gaulle's position "remains far from our own."

APPOINTMENT OF CECIL A. PITT, to the position of manager of the Prince Rupert branch of the Unemployment Insurance Commission, was announced effective on June 6. He succeeds Gordon Simpson who was transferred to the Prince George UIC office. Born and educated at Rossland, B.C., Mr. Pitt worked for the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Limited from 1928 until he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1941. Following his discharge from the RCAF in 1946, he went back to work for CM & S, Co. Ltd., until 1949 when he joined the Unemployment Insurance Commission at Trail, B.C. Following six years at Trail, Mr. Pitt went to Nelson as insurance officer for the UIC. In October, 1957 he went to Cranbrook as insurance supervisor, and the following year was appointed manager of the Princeton office. Before coming to Prince Rupert, Mr. Pitt was manager of the Quesnel office. His wife Mary and son Gordon will arrive at the end of the month from Quesnel.
—Staff photo by Gary Oakes.

Wet weather keeps down fire hazard

Generally cool and cloudy weather with showers has kept the forest fire hazard of the Prince Rupert district at a very low level last week, District Forester J. R. Johnston reported today.

Conditions have been so good, he said, that the burning of clearing scraps on the Kitimat-Terrace highway and powerline continues without mishap.

No new fires were reported in the Prince Rupert Forest District last week and the total fires to date remains at 41, compared to 29 at the same time last year.

However, total cost to extinguish the fires to date is only $943 while it cost $8,850 to put out the 29 fires last year.

James Brown, longtime city man dies at 74

A resident of 31 years standing up until three years ago, well-known former city man James Brown, died suddenly in Prince Rupert General Hospital early this morning. He was 74.

For the past three years Mr. Brown and his wife Bella have been living in Vancouver. They were back in the city for a three-week visit with their son and daughter and their families.

Born in Thoronton, Fifeshire, Scotland, Mr. Brown worked in the Fifeshire coal mines before leaving Cowderbeath with his family and coming to Canada straight to Prince Rupert in 1926.

Before leaving Scotland he became a life member of the AF & AM.

Mr. Brown worked for the Pioneer Steam Laundry and at the outbreak of the Second World War went to work at the Canadian National Railways drydock and shipyard as a carpenter and later became a watchman. In 1951 at the age of 65 he retired and joined the staff of the Columbia Cellulose Company, Limited, as a first aid man and storesman.

Besides his wife Bella, he is survived by one son George James and one daughter Mrs. William F. (Nessie) Stone in Prince Rupert; two brothers, Joseph in Kelowna and Robert in Methil, Scotland; one sister Mrs. John Bewick in Kelowna and five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday from First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Ivan S. Gamble, officiating. No flowers by request.

Mother, child flown south

Mrs. Johanna Verhaar of 1903 Eleventh Avenue East, injured in a car-truck collision on the Shames Bridge, 16 miles east of Terrace Wednesday, is reported in "poor" condition in Vancouver General Hospital today.

Mrs. Verhaar, her husband Cornelius, and their three young daughters, Adrianna, 4, Cornelia, 3, and six-month old Patricia, were injured when their car skidded on a bridge and was in collision with a heavy truck.

Mrs. Verhaar was flown to Vancouver Friday for further treatment, while her daughter, Adrianna was taken from Terrace hospital Saturday and is in "fair" condition in Vancouver.

The father and two daughters were released from Terrace hospital Saturday and returned to Prince Rupert.

Bert Ljungh of 534 Ninth Avenue West, driver of the truck, escaped injury. He aided the Verhaar family from the car and they were taken to hospital by a passing motorist.

Iversen rites set tomorrow

Funeral services for Jacob Kind Iversen of Kitwanga, who died aboard the halibut fishing vessel Goney, Friday, have been set for St. Paul's Lutheran church at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Mr. Iversen was born at Tranoy, Tromso, Norway in 1894 and came to Canada in 1920.

He held the rank of skipper in the Royal Canadian Navy's Fishermen's Reserve and served off the Queen Charlotte Islands during the Second World War.

He was employed as a halibut fisherman during his years in Prince Rupert and Kitwanga, B.C., and was affectionately known by his mates as "Paddy."

He is survived by his wife Petra M. Iverson at Kitwanga, a stepson Edwin L. Lindseth and a niece Mrs. Fritz (Thorbjord) Mostad, both of Prince Rupert.

Impaired driver fined

Amable Joseph Bernard of 1531 Eighth Avenue East, was fined $100, $3.50 costs or in default of payment sentenced to 10 days in jail after he pleaded guilty in police court this morning before Deputy Police Magistrate R. A. McLean, to a charge of driving a motor vehicle while his ability was impaired by alcohol.

RCMP told the court that Bernard was arrested about midnight Saturday after his car was spotted weaving along Hays Cove Avenue.

Also in police court this morning was David Lloyd Cowen of Victoria who pleaded guilty to a charge of creating a disturbance by fighting and was fined $20 and $3.50 costs or 10 days.

William Vermeeren of 1433 First Overlook, pleaded guilty to a charge of speeding and was fined $50 and $2.00 costs or 10 days.

Police said that Vermeeren's car was clocked at 45 miles per hour over the Hays Cove bridge of Sixth Avenue, Saturday afternoon.

W. A. Johnson funeral held

Funeral services for William Arthur Johnson who died June 14 were held Friday from Ferguson Funeral Home with Rev. R. W. K. Elliot officiating.

Mrs. W. C. Hankinson was organist and hymns sung were "What a Friend We have in Jesus", and "Abide With Me"

Interment followed at Fairview cemetery and honorary pallbearers were Sonny Nelson, Charlie McKinnon, Peter Edwards, Patrick McMillon, George Jeffrey, and Erwin Garfield.

Active pallbearers were Edward Valpy, James Bryant, Herbert Bryant, Henry Kelly, Reynold McKay and Joshua McKay.

Prince Rupert has now gone 523 days without a fatal traffic accident.

B.C. ROUNDUP

1,000 men demand work, promise march on Ottawa

VANCOUVER (CP)—One thousand unemployed trade unionists marched on city hall here Friday with a demand that Mayor Tom Alsbury take immediate action on unemployment.

The men, some singing and others carrying placards, said if their voice was not heard the next march would be on Ottawa.

The march was organized following a B.C. Federation of Labor (CLC) mass meeting to discuss unemployment.

Sam Jenkins, chairman of the federation's unemployment committee, told the meeting, "If our voice is not heard . . . today our next step will be by bus and car to Ottawa."

Initial drilling

VANCOUVER (CP) — Hudson's Bay Oil and Gas Company will begin drilling a "wildcat" oil-gas well 60 miles west of Williams Lake, believed the first drilling ever undertaken in the region.

The test hole will be identified as "No. 1 Redstone." The company has 630,000 acres of land under permit in the area. A company spokesman said drilling would be carried to 4,000 feet and "if encouraged, we'll go deeper."

Columbia issue

VICTORIA (CP)—Provincial and federal authorities are "not very far apart in discussions over development of the Columbia River, Lands and Forests Minister Ray Williston said Friday.

He said an Ottawa report that the federal-provincial talks had collapsed is "completely false" and talks of the joint policy liaison committee will be held here soon.

Mysterious fish sought

VANCOUVER (CP)—University of B.C. scientists led by Dr. C. C. Lindsay will make an expedition to the headwaters of the Peel River in the Yukon during the summer to seek specimens of a mysterious "popcorn" fish seen by bush pilots.

The fish, named by pilots for its peculiar head bumps resembling popcorn, has never been reported to exist in any other area and its description fits no known species. The scientists will also visit remote areas of Alaska and the Bering Sea Islands.

A charge of leaving the scene of an accident was scheduled to be laid today against a city man following a traffic incident at 12:40 a.m. today when a vehicle owned by Philpott, Evitt and Co. Ltd., was struck by another car at 1307 Sixth Avenue East causing damage estimated at about $50, RCMP reported today.

8 boats land 239,000 lbs

A total of 239,000 pounds of halibut was landed in Prince Rupert today by eight vessels.

Three boats sold 76,000 pounds on the exchange while the other 163,000 pounds was taken to the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Association's plant at Fairview.

Boats selling on the exchange were: Teeny Milly with 45,000 pounds, including 32,000 med. at 15.7 cents; 8,000 large at 17.8 cents; and 5,000 chix at 10.5 cents to Babcock Fisheries. Frisco (U.S.) with 17,000 pounds, including 10,000 med. at 15.5 cents; 6,000 large at 17.0 cents; and 1,000 chix at 12 cents; to Pacific Fisheries; and Salma II with 14,000, including 10,000 med. at 14.8 cents; 1,000 large at 17.3 cents; and 3,000 chix at 10 cents; to B.C. Packers, Ltd.

Co-op vessels were: Gustav with 48,000 pounds, including 40,000 med. and 8,000 chix; Neptune with 22,000 pounds, including 16,000 med., 3,000 chix, and 3,000 large; Kaion with 20,000 including 15,000 med., 3,000 chix, and 2,000 large; Kariolie II with 15,000 pounds, including 11,000 med., 2,000 chix, and 2,000 large; and Fredolia III with 56,000 pounds.

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Simpson man H. A. Cecil dies aged 27

Howard Arthur Cecil of 418 Eighth Avenue West died at 714 Fraser Street yesterday at age 27.

Mr. Cecil was born in Port Simpson and was employed as a logger.

He is survived by his wife Queenie Cecil, two sons Ronald and Andrew and one daughter Ruth, all of Prince Rupert.

He has three brothers, George of Prince Rupert and William and Louis of Vancouver. He also has two sisters, Dora of Prince Rupert and Ruby of Vancouver.

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Cecil have not been set yet.

World News Briefs

SEOUL (AP) — President Eisenhower left South Korea for Honolulu tonight, completing a Far Eastern tour cut short by rioting in Japan. Eisenhower left with a pledge from South Korea's reform government to guard against wasting the hundreds of millions of dollars in aid the United States pours in each year.

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LEOPOLDVILLE (Reuters) — Hurried meetings between the Congo's chief political rivals raised hopes today that this troubled African state will cut free from colonial rule June 30 with a united government. Reports circulated that a compromise had been struck between Joseph Kasavubu, head of the Abako party, and Patrice Lumumba, leader of the powerful National Congolese movement.

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TOKYO (AP) — Some leaders of Premier Nobusuke Kishi's Conservative party joined the left wing today in a new, last-ditch fight to postpone the exchange of documents sealing Japan's new security pact with the United States. The move put new pressures on the weary 64-year-old prime minister, who has been battling for weeks to maintain Japan's military links with America.

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SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — Eighteen persons were missing today following another violent earthquake at Valdivia, a south Chilean city virtually demolished by quakes last month.

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TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — The guns of Red China and the Chinese Nationalists were silent again today after the biggest artillery battle of the six-year-old war in the Formosa Strait.

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LONDON (AP) — Britain today officially hailed the decision of the Algerian rebel leadership to accept President de Gaulle's offer of ceasefire talks. The foreign office also reaffirmd Britain's backing of de Gaulle's September, 1959, principles for an Algerian settlement based on self-determination.

PILOT RODE TO END

New evidence tarnishes crash hero

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Residents watched in horror as a twin-engined plane roared overhead, trailing flames.

The pilot opened his escape hatch, but didn't jump.

He stayed with the fiercely burning craft until it smashed into a remote canyon — and died what was called a hero's death.

That was three years ago. Police have now tarnished James Gibbs' claims to glory.

Gibbs, they said, took the plane up to crash it on purpose — for a share in $50,000 insurance money.

DELIBERATE SABOTAGE

And Gibbs' boss, they said, deliberately sabotaged the plane, to make sure that it wouldn't return safely.

Detectives Friday booked Richard E. Loomis, 45, on suspicion of murder. Police said he collected $47,000 in insurance after the crash — and refused to share it with Gibbs' survivors.

Did Gibbs, 32, know he was going to die?

"He certainly didn't go up there to commit suicide," said Detective Sergeant Pierce Brooks, who worked four months on the bizarre case. "Apparently he just didn't get a chance to jump."

The plane was a de Havilland mosquito bomber, built in Britain of plywood during the Second World War. They were frequently called "flaming coffins" because the plywood was so quick to burn.

UNCOVERED AGREEMENT

Detectives said they have in their possession an agreement signed by Loomis and Gibbs two days before the crash, in which Loomis agreed to pay Gibbs 10 per cent of insurance proceeds if the plane crashed.

Four days before the crash Loomis insured the plane — purchased in England for $8,000 — for $50,000. Lloyds of London paid him $47,000 30 days after the crash.

The Los Angeles city council honored Gibbs for riding the plane down instead of bailing out and leaving it to crash in the populous San Fernando Valley.

The chamber of commerce in Reseda — one of the last communities the flaming plane passed before crashing — conducted a fund-raising campaign for Gibbs' son, David, then 11.

The chamber said Loomis offered to contribute $5,000. But, said officials of the group, he never gave a cent.

No need for new law, B.C. already has flag

VANCOUVER (CP)—Shortly after the beginning of this century the British Columbia government decided that the province should have its own flag.

On May 3, 1906, the flag, bearing a Union Jack with a gold crown in the centre on the upper half and blue and white wavy bars with a golden sun superimposed on them on the lower half, was registered at the College of Heralds in London, England.

Then it was forgotten until discovered this year by the province's agent-general after members of the opposition and some art critics said some nasty things about a flag proposed by the present government.

Premier Bennett returned from a trip to London, England, Friday with the news and the flag. It meant that B.C. joined Nova Scotia and Quebec as the only provinces with their own flags.

Premier Bennett said B.C.'s flag was found through "research" but he did not say who instigated the research.

The government's legislation providing for a B.C flag died on the order paper last session. The suggested flag had part of the B.C. coat of arms flanked by two fir trees and a dogwood blossom on top. Most critics said it was over loaded with emblems and was not simple enough to recognize and understand at a glance.

WEATHER

Mostly cloudy Tuesday with occasional light drizzle or rain after midday. Little change in temperature. Winds becoming southerly 15 Tuesday. Low tonight and high Tuesday 48 and 60.

TIDES

Tuesday, June 21, 1960
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	12:11	17.7 feet
	23:58	20.5 feet
Low	05:56	4.3 feet
	17:53	7.8 feet