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GIRL GUIDE COOKIE WEEK convener Mrs. R. E. Gladding is pictured yesterday in her garden discussing Cookie Week plans with Girl Guide Shirley Robb and Brownie Kathy Lloyd. The National Cookie Week campaign officially begins today and continues until May 7. One hundred and eighty Guides and Brownies will call at city homes to sell the city's quota of 2,160 packages. Money goes to support the work of the movement. —Staff photo by Gary Oakes.

Senior citizens housing group within reach of down payment

Work could start during summer

Prince Rupert's Senior Citizens Housing Society has almost reached its quota of 10 per cent of the total cost for the new senior citizens apartment-type building.

Sydney Kirk, president of the society said that $17,961.85 has been raised to date and the quota should be reached by the end of next week.

Cost of the building is $175,000 not including the architect's fees or landscaping.

The housing society must raise 10 per cent of the total cost while the provincial government will give a grant of not more than one third the total cost. Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, will supply the balance, on a mortgage if they approve the plans.

Mr. Kirk said that the architect is meeting with Central Mortgage and Housing officials now and results will soon be known.

"If Central Mortgage approves the plans, tenders will be called and work may get underway by the summer," Mr. Kirk said.

Asked who is eligible to live in the completed building, Mr. Kirk said that according to the Provincial Elderly Citizens Act "occupancy shall be limited to elderly persons whose total fixed income from all sources does not exceed the equivalent of 140 per cent of the old age assistance allowance plus the B.C. cost of living bonus."

Old-age pensioners now receive up to $55 from the federal government and up to $24 from the provincial government.

Room costs will be from $23 to $25 for singles and from $33 to $35 for doubles.

The building will be situated at the foot of Sixth Street beside Tony's Drive-In.

A stone wall will be placed at the front of the building which overlooks the harbor. A ground floor wing will jut out of one end of the building and this section as well as the front section will consist of single rooms.

Occupying the two-storey section of the building which grows out of the main section will be the double rooms.

In the front section a game and recreation room will be built for the benefit of all the occupants.

Mr. Kirk said that the following organizations have donated to the down payment.

Rotary Club $4,000; Canadian Legion, Branch 27 $2,000; Business and Professional Women $500; Prince Rupert's Fishermen's Credit Union $2,000; United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union $1,000; Gyro Club of Prince Rupert $2,000; City of Prince Rupert $5,050; Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council $25; Anonymous $486.85 for a total of $17,961.85.

Mrs. V. Deane, Skeena River pioneer dies

A pioneer of the Skeena River district since 1908 and mother of 10 children, Mrs. Vesta Holt Deane died in hospital at New Westminster yesterday afternoon. She was 75.

Mrs. Deane's parents and grandparents came across the United States by prairie schooner to Salt Lake City, California and to British Columbia in 1872. Mrs. Deane was born in New Westminster 13 years later.

It was in New Westminster that she met and married her husband John R. Deane who belonged to the provincial police, in 1903.

Mr. and Mrs. Deane and two children left the south in 1908 for Port Essington and later left by Hudson's Bay Company sternwheeler for Hazelton.

A year later, with a third child the Deane's moved to Port Simpson where they lived until Mr. Deane died in 1945.

Prior to Mr. Deane's death, Mrs. Deane gave birth to seven more children and managed the Port Simpson Post Office for several years.

She moved to Prince Rupert in 1945 and joined the Prince Rupert Canadian Legion, Branch No. 27.

Surviving Mrs. Deane are Patrick K. Deane and J. W. H. Deane of Prince Rupert, Donald H. Deane of Terrace, Mrs. W. S. Leake of Vancouver, Mrs. Percy Church of Willow River, Mrs. Harold Bridgman of Port Coquitlam, Mrs. David A Deane of Masset, Mrs. Roy Roullez of Port Coquitlam, Mrs. Donald Arney of Chemainus, and E. Alfred Deane of Chemainus.

She has 24 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services have not yet been set.

Lost boy safe as police search

RCMP searched for two hours last night for a missing boy only to discover he had been safe all the time.

Mrs. John W. Davey of 241 Eleventh Avenue East reported at 11:10 p.m. that her 13-year old son, Alan was missing. She said her son had left the home of his grandmother Mrs. Alida Davey of 114 Hays Cove Circle at 7:45 p.m. and had not yet returned home.

Police searched the path between the two houses and all intervening territory, all to no avail.

At 1:15 a.m. a call was received from the boy's father that the boy was asleep in his grandmother's room and had been since 10 p.m.

Two more boats clear for grounds

Another two halibut boats were cleared for Area 3A in the Gulf of Alaska today, while about 25 boats are in the process of being cleared for Area 2 which opens May 1.

LOTS OF SMOKE, not much fire, was the case when city firemen battled a bush fire in the 700 block Eleventh Avenue East last night. This was one of the four fire calls received yesterday by the fire department. While one crew was fighting this fire, another crew just returned from a similar bush fire at Port Edward. Firemen were hampered at this blaze due to poor pressure from the hydrant. Here firemen braves smoke to quelch flames with hose. —Staff photo by Gary Oakes.

HOUSES TOO CLOSE

Fire regulation check urged by inquest jury

A recommendation that city fire regulations be re-examined and criticism of the practice of building houses too close together were made last night by a jury inquiring into the March 17 deaths of two teenage girls and their younger brother in a fire that destroyed their house.

The jury found that Yvonne Morven, 19, her sister Linda, 15, and brother Desmond, 13, died between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. March 17 as a result of asphyxiation from smoke and fire.

Coroner George J. Dawes and the six-man jury headed by Arthur L. Lees, foreman, heard evidence that the three children, could not escape from a top storey window of the one-and-a-half storey home at 600 Thompson Street because of a casement catch which limited the opening.

The jury also expressed disapproval of the fact that the house next door, at 604 Thompson Street and owned by Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Jeffrey, was only one-and-one-half feet from the Morven home. Damage could have been much more severe had not the heavy winds been blowing in the opposite direction toward an open street.

Father of the children, Cuthbert Morven, allowed out of hospital only to attend the inquest, testified that between 3 and 3:30 a.m. March 17, his son Nelson, 24, woke him up and said he smelled "something burning."

When he went downstairs he found himself faced with a flaming living room and was unable to reach the 'phone to call for help. He said he tried but was forced back by the flames.

Still badly-scarred from his contact with the fire, Mr. Morven said that he rushed back upstairs to try to break down the door to his daughters' room but was unable to do so.

After calling Nelson and his brothers Desmond and six-year-old Grant, Mr. Morven said that he left the house by a sliding window in his wife's and his bedroom. While he was calling for help, Nelson helped Mrs. Cuthbert and Grant out.

When the inquest first opened March 17, Nelson Morven testified that he was awakened by his father who was outside the house, shouting "there's a fire, there's a fire." He said that after helping his mother and Grant out of the window, he looked for Desmond who had been standing beside him but the younger boy had vanished. When he tried to reach his brother and two sisters Nelson was forced out by heat and flames and had to escape himself.

Mr. Morven said last night that he asked his neighbor, Mr. Jeffrey to phone the fire department but that it took firemen 45 minutes to arrive. When they did, he said only two of them came.

He said he told the firemen that "there are still kids alive in there; bring your axe so that we can get them out."

The firemen, who were reeling out the hose "didn't give me a second look," he testified.

W. G. Jeffrey, the Morven's neighbor said he called for help at 3:20 a.m. He couldn't remember the fire department number and dialed "O" for long distance. He said he told the operator that there was a fire involving three children at 600 Thompson Street.

Assistant Fire Chief W. H. Hill, however, testified that the fire call was recorded at 4:05 a.m. March 17 and that the call was from a woman other than a telephone operator. He said the firemen were at the scene at 4:10.

Mr. Hill, who said he had had 20 years experience in fighting fires said that when firemen arrived at the blaze the whole top storey of the Morven home was burning and "that it would have been humanly impossible for anyone to have been alive on that floor."

The fire is believed to have been caused when the oil heater in the living room blew back extinguishing the flames and later exploding when fumes were ignited by the heat of the heater walls.

Prince Rupert has now gone 471 days without a fatal traffic accident.

Calls keep firemen on jump

Prince Rupert fire department had a busy time yesterday as the firemen answered four fire calls including two bush fires.

A call was received from Port Edward RCMP asking for assistance at a bush fire apparently out of control about one half mile from the village.

One truck and three men were dispatched immediately but the fire had been controlled when firemen arrived. Minor damage resulted and the cause was unknown.

About 6 p.m. yesterday another call was received regarding a bush fire in the 700 block Eleventh Avenue East. Firemen extinguished the blaze quickly and less than an acre of land was burned.

Later, 9:35 last night—Peter Parfeniuk of 739 Seventh Avenue West reported a rubbish fire at his home. The blaze was out when firemen arrived.

Last call came at 10:45 p.m. regarding oil burning on the road in the 200 block Ninth Avenue West. There was no damage and the cause of the fire was not discovered.

Police speedy in finding car

A car reported stolen from Stromdahl's Service Station, Second Avenue and Second Street, at 9:15 a.m. today was recovered by a fast-acting RCMP at 10 a.m. in the parking lot of the Kelly Douglas Co. Ltd. warehouse at Cow Bay.

RCMP said that they are checking the car for finger-prints.

Child bitten

The three-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jessome of 1431 Piggot Avenue was bitten on the lip by a dog yesterday.

Child was treated on the scene by a doctor and the dog was destroyed by A. E. Vell, city poundkeeper.

WEATHER

Sunny periods along the mainland today but otherwise mainly cloudy with a few showers in western section Saturday. A little cooler. Winds southerly 20 this evening. Low tonight and high Saturday [illegible] and 55.

TIDES

Saturday, April 30, 1960
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	03:40	10.[illegible] feet
	16:33	17.3 feet
Low	10:13	4.5 feet
	22:15	8.4 feet

B.C. ROUNDUP

Perrault seeks seat in North Van riding

VANCOUVER (CP)—Liberal leader Ray Perrault announced today he will seek election in the two-seat North Vancouver constituency now held by Mr. Steacy and former Social Crediter J. Mel Bryan.

Mr. Perrault, who has never contested a provincial election, will be pitted against Progressive Conservative leader Deane Finlayson, who has never won one.

He will take the place of Mr. Bryan, who crossed the floor of the legislature to the Liberal benches and who now will seek federal nomination for Coast-Capilano.

He said in a statement today the North Vancouver election will enable all parties to have all their policies and views thoroughly discussed and analyzed.

He said he would have run in Oak Bay, neighboring Victoria, if a byelection had been called to fill the vacancy created by the death of Liberal MLA P. A. Gibbs.

Mill rate up

KAMLOOPS (CP)— City council has boosted the mill rate by 3.5 mills for home-owners here to a total of 51.5 mills. Ald. Don Waddell reporting on the budget for 1960, revealed that increases in expenditure above 1959 total $93,518. The 1960 budget exceeds $1,600,000.

Eggs transplanted

VANCOUVER (CP)—The department of fisheries said Thursday it has carried out one of the most successful salmon egg transplants ever recorded in British Columbia.

A. J. Whitmore, fisheries director in the Pacific area, said 1,560,000 pink salmon fry were produced from a plant of 1,641,000 eggs in Robertson Creek spawning channel, near Alberni on Vancouver Island.

Dysentery puzzles

VICTORIA (CP)—British Columbia health officials said Thursday they are puzzled by a continued increase of bacillary dysentery throughout the province.

A total of 553 cases have been reported so far this year, much above the average, including 31 in the Victoria area and 133 in the Greater Vancouver area where there were only eight last year.

North highway Chamber topic Monday night

Reports and action on matters concerning the northern trans-Canada highway will be high on the agenda of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce when it holds its regular meeting Monday night.

Chamber secretary E. T. Applewhaite said today that reports on the northern highway will be given the meeting in correspondence from Skeena MP Frank Howard.

Also to be discussed will be criticism of publicity given the northern trans-Canada highway which the chamber executive feels should be answered.

Other items on the agenda include a letter from Highways Minister P. A. Gaglardi on the hard-surfacing of Highway 16; a discussion of plans for the forthcoming visit of the Vancouver Board of Trade to Prince Rupert May 10 and a report on the status of the marine highway to Alaska.

Freezerman hurt

A 30-year old freezerman, Quinto Scatone of 209 Fifth Avenue West, is in "satisfactory condition" in Prince Rupert General hospital today after suffering chest injuries yesterday when he lost his balance on the Atlin Fisheries Ltd., ice chute and fell to the roof below.

Conrad Stordale, Atlin Fisheries first aid man treated Mr. Scatone on the scene until the arrival of the city ambulance.

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Morven fund now $1,534

Funds to aid the fire-stricken Cuthbert Morven family was increased by $33.17 today, bringing the total to $1,534.65.

Prince Rupert Senior High School students collected $28.17 for the fund while an anonymous donor sent in $5.

Mrs. P. Ryan dies aged 65 at Miller Bay

Mrs. Peter (Rose Petsey) Ryan of Port Simpson died in Miller Bay Indian Hospital yesterday following a year's illness. She was 65 years old.

Survivors to Mrs. Ryan are her husband Peter, two sons Harvey and Lloyd and one brother William Alexee all of Port Simpson.

Memorial services have been set for Ferguson Funeral Home tomorrow at 8 p.m.

Remains will be forwarded to Port Simpson Sunday afternoon for interment.

Motorist fined for poor parking

Mike Rudolph Lundago of 436 Fourth Avenue East was fined $10 in police court today when he pleaded guilty before Magistrate Applewhaite to a charge of parking on a grade without turning the wheels of the motor-vehicle toward the curb.

Police told the court that Lundago had parked his car near his home on April 23. The car rolled back and struck another vehicle causing $80 damage.

VANCOUVER (CP)—The British Columbia Federation of Labor (CLC) announced today it has requested the federal government to take emergency measures to help unemployed workers and their families in the province.

World News Briefs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional committee today recommended elimination of all Bomarc-B missile production with exception of a small development program.

It suggested that some of the funds be used to purchase two squadrons of supersonic F-106 fighters.

In Ottawa, Defence Minister Pearkes said any scrapping of Bomarc would "not be in keeping with air defence arrangements made more than a year ago between Canadian and U.S. governments.

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OTTAWA (CP)—Appointment of rear-admiral Herbert S. Rayner, 49, as chief of Naval Staff, effective August 1, was announced by Defence Minister Pearkes today.

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MONTREAL (CP)—With some grave misgiving the Canadian Labor Congress Thursday expelled the Seafarers International Union and warned the powerful Teamsters Union to get in line within 30 days or be automatically ousted.

Both unions were hauled on the CLC carpet for raiding other congress affiliates.

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ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Rioting against Premier Adnan Menderes spread to this capital city today in defiance of martial law.

At least 100 persons were injured as mounting police, swinging long riot sticks, charged into demonstrating students.

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WASHINGTON (AP)—President and Mrs. Eisenhower have not been invited to Princess Margaret's wedding May 6 but they are sending a gift. In response to questions, the White House said Thursday that chiefs of state are asked to the wedding only if they happen to be blood relatives of the royal family.

Swimming pool keeps Civic Centre "in red"

Civic Centre would be operating "in the black" if it wasn't for the newly constructed swimming pool.

This was disclosed at last night's Civic Centre board of directors' meeting at the centre.

From July 1, 1959 to March 31, this year the Civic Centre's net revenue was $41,560 while net expenditures for the same period totaled $44,668. Of the over-expenditure, $5,400 was attributed to the swimming pool.

Dr. W. J. D. Arnold, Civic Centre association president, said that by the end of July the total deficit will be cut down to about $2,000.

"We hope that within the next few years the swimming pool will start to pay for itself."

Apart from salaries, which totaled $6,840, the biggest costs in the swimming pool operation are the heating and the light and power.

For the period from July 1, 1959 to March 1, 1960, the heating cost was $2,734.10 while the light and power costs were $1,589.05 for the same period.

Total expenditures of the swimming pool for this period were $14,087.76 compared with a total revenue figure of $9,579.10.