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Local teachers salary dispute referred to arbitration board

Grain strike settlement deadlocked

VANCOUVER (CP) — Negotiations were to continue today in at attempt to settle the week - old strike of 325 grain handlers which has tied up eight local grain elevators.

Federal government conciliator F. Craig Munroe held discussions Tuesday with representatives of five elevator companies and members of the United Brewery Workers of America (AFL-CIO) with which the grain handlers are affiliated. No progress was reported.

In Calgary, A. T. Baker, general manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool, asked grain producers to support terminal operators in their stand against the striking grain workers.

"Vancouver terminal workers are already the highest - paid grain wrokers in Canada," he said.

Death cause said natural

An inquiry conducted yesterday into the death of John Seppala, of Port Edward, disclosed that he died from coronary thrombosis, Coroner George E. Dawes said today.

The body of the 65-year-old fisherman was found aboard the sunken hull of the 29-foot troller, the Suzanne, when it was raised Saturday about noon, just east of the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Association's plant at Fairview.

Coroner Dawes said that Mr. Seppala must have died before the boat sank.

The Suzanne is owned by Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd., of Port Edward, and was operated for them by Seppala.

Seppala, a widower, was born in Finland and is believed to have a son there.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Ferguson Funeral Home with Rev. M. B. Leland officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview.

Scouters meet at Aero Club

A special course for scout and cub leaders will be held at the Prince Rupert Aero Club Saturday, November 19 at 7 p.m. and again on Sunday, November 20 at 1:15 p.m. sponsored by the Prince Rupert District Boy Scout Association.

The courses will be conducted by Field Commissioner John Miller of Prince George, for scout leaders; and Cubmaster William Russett of Prince Rupert for cub leaders.

The aims of the meetings are: to explain the running of a pack or troop as laid down by the founder; to explain the principles of cubbing and scouting; to interpret these principles to boys; to give a thorough grounding in simple technicalities and demonstrate ways of training boys; the planning of programs, meets, games and typical activities to provide interest; to provide a fund of ideas for scouters; and to encourage scouters to take further training.

District Commissioner W. F. McIntosh will provide any further information required. He may be contacted at 3656.

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ELECTED PRESIDENT—Canadian publisher Roy Thomson wears the chain of office following his recent election in London, England, as president of the Printers' Pension Corporation, an organization to help needy printers and their dependents. Mr. Thompson is the first Canadian ever to head the corporation whose presidents have included kings, prime ministers and well-known authors such as Charles Dickens. Seated at left is sixth-generation master printer, Sir Guy Harrison.—(CP Photo).

B.C. ROUNDUP

Second official ends service with union

VICTORIA (CP) — A second executive member of the B.C. Government Employees Association has resigned his post, apparently over the political issue which has beset the association.

Kenneth Kidd, an employee of the lands department, resigned his position on the BCGEA executive, Victoria branch, it was learned Tuesday. Two months ago Lawrence G. Huck quit as association president because of the association's tieup with the B.C. Federation of Labor. Neither Mr. Kidd nor the new association president, Jack Gowan, would disclose the reasons for the resignation.

Smugglers fined

VICTORIA (CP) — Two men who smuggled a collection of stolen rings into Canada from the United States were each fined $600 in police court Tuesday. Sidney A. Travers and John N. L. Smith were charged with bringing $750 worth of rings into the country without paying customs duty. Police said they were stolen in a break-in at Arlington, Wash.

Fund reduced

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Association for Retarded Children of British Columbia has reduced its fund-drive objective by $100,000 for 1960. The association's campaign objective for 1960 will be $100,000. Only $62,000 of a $200,000 objective was collected in 1959. "Our goal was a little unrealistic for the area and the size of our organization," campaign director D. N. Murphy said here Tuesday.

Bridge access plan

VICTORIA (CP) — The highways department plans to build a bridge across the Fort Nelson River this winter to give access to rich oil and gas developments in the northeastern area of the province, it was learned today. The 750-foot Bailey bridge will cost some $200,000. It will be located about five miles south of Fort Nelson and will give access to the north and east of the town where a number of drilling projects are under way.

Boy rescued

BURNABY (CP) — A father who can't swim leaped into a water-filled ditch to save his young son from drowning. William Burris, 60, nearly drowned himself, but two passing fishermen pulled his and his son Johnny out of the water.

World News Briefs

PARIS (AP)—President Charles de Gaulle told his cabinet today he intends to call upon France to approve in a referendum a new administrative organization for Algeria. The new administration is to be created to rule until Algerians by a vote determine their own future.

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)—President-elect John Kennedy, reported considering Republicans for some high post, conferred Tuesday with a Democrat prominently mentioned for a cabinet appointment—Governor Abraham A. Ribicoff of Connecticut.

HAVANA (AP)—The president and another member of Cuba's supreme court have taken asylum in foreign embassies, authoritative sources report. The sources said court president Dr. Emilio Menendez took asylum in the Argentine Embassy and court member Jose Morell Romero did the same at the Mexican Embassy.

LA PAZ (AP)—United States Ambassador Carl Strom and his party were stoned in Cochabamba, Bolivia's second largest city, it was reported Tuesday night. Strom went to Cochabamba in central Bolivia to lecture at San Simon University. The address was cancelled when leftists threw tear gas bombs in the auditorium, said the newspaper Presencia.

Prince Rupert issue 63rd in Province

The salary dispute between District 52 School Board and Prince Rupert Teachers Association today became the 63rd to be referred to arbitration it was learned today.

School board chairman W. J. Scott said that when the conciliation deadline expired yesterday, board and teachers representatives had reached agreement on all other clauses except salaries.

Conciliator for the board of school trustees was City Administrator R. W. Long while George Viereck, secretary-treasurer of the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Credit Union was the conciliator for the teachers association.

Meanwhile Canadian Press reported from Vancouver that 113 British Columbia school districts reached 1961 salary agreements in the conciliation period Tuesday bringing to 20 the total of settlements among the 82 school districts.

The other 62 districts will have to go to arbitration.

Biggest district settled Tuesday was Burnaby, with 688 teachers. The largest, Vancouver, with 2,400 teachers, will go to arbitration.

Qualicum, Alert Bay, Mission, Burnaby, Howe Sound and Maple Ridge have reached agreement through conciliation.

In addition, the following districts will accept settlements reached in other districts: Kelowna (will accept average of 10 comparable areas); Fort Nelson (will accept settlement reached in Fort St. John); Enderby (will accept average of raise agreed to in Kelowna and Salmon Arm); Barriere and Birch Island (will accept Kamloops figures).

Before the conciliation period started November 1, agreements were reached in Quatsino, Ocean Falls, Kitimat, Sechelt, Merritt, Golden and Tahsis districts.

Meanwhile, Charles D. Ovans, general secretary of the B.C. Teachers' Federation, charged that the main stumbling block in negotaitions was the hold-the-line policy adopted by the trustees at their fall convention.

Child, matches bad mixture says fire chief

FireChief E. W. Becker said today that parents must learn to keep matches away from small children.

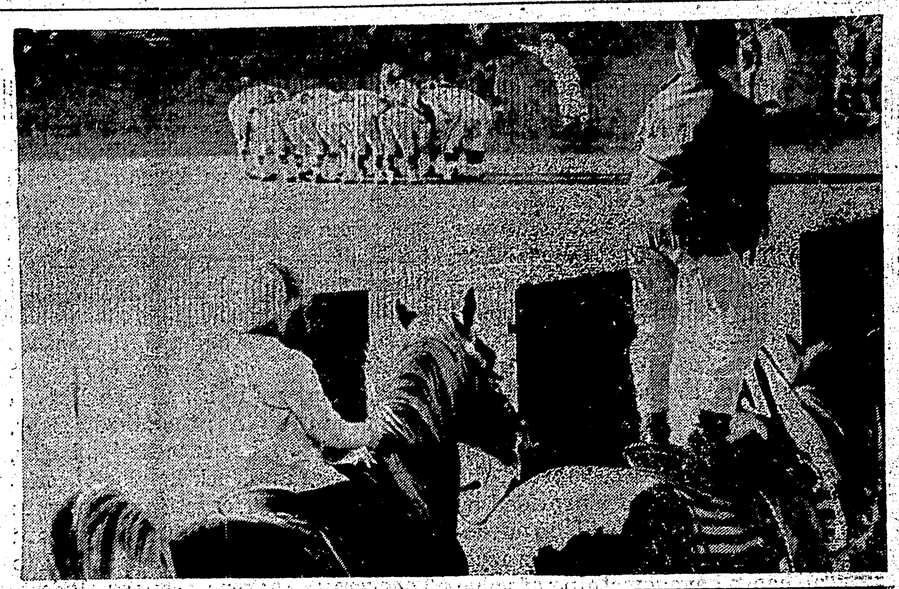
The fire chief's statement came in the wake of a fire this morning which caused an estimated $500 damage.

Firemen were called to 1203 Seventh Avenue East, the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith, about 9:11 a.m. today where the four-year-old son of the Smiths' had set his bed on fire.

"This has happened time and again," the chief said, "and one day some child could be killed."

Bootlegger fined

CASTLEGAR (CP) — John Holuboff of Robson, was fined $400 in police court here after being convicted of bootlegging. RCMP said they seized a great assortment of liquor from the living quarters of Holuboff's home.



FREE VIEW—A pair of young riders go one better than the fence-hole peepers Saturday afternoon to watch the 1960 demise of the Calgary Stampeders. McMahon Stadium was built in a natural basin in northwest Calgary, and one of the surrounding hills provides a good view of almost the entire field. Stampeders lost both games of their Western Interprovincial Football Union semifinal against the Edmonton Eskimos.—(CP Photo).

Herring fishers agree on new tonnage offer

VANCOUVER (CP) — United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union (Ind.) Tuesday night voted in favor of accepting an offer of $8.80 a ton or $1.10 a man for herring.

However, at the same time, the members voted unanimously to instruct the officers not to sign the memorandum revising the agreement until the Native Brotherhood of B.C. agrees.

The brotherhood is strongly opposed to the decision of two major companies not to re-hire thee Indian seiners with about 24 crew members.

A committee of union and native brotherhood members will meet company representatives today.

The fleet is presently free to sail under the terms of the old agreement—$13 a ton or $1.04 a man for fishermen and tendermen. This agreement was in effect when the companies shut down in December because of poor markets.

The revised agreement would pay the 800 herring fishermen with the jobs of 300 tendermen, who take the herring in packers from the fishboats to shore plants. The fishermen would bring their own catch to the plants.

Two delegates to be chosen

Two delegates will be chosen by the Prince Rupert CCF Club from all clubs in the Skeena (Federal) constituency to attend the western pre-founding convention of the New Party to be held in Calgary December 10 and 11.

Provincial council member Angus Macphee informed the meeting a similar gathering will be held in Montreal December 3, both these meetings being preliminary to the founding convention to be held in Ottawa in July, 1961.

A special meeting will be held locally November 20, to discuss resolutions for the draft program and constitution of the New Party.

Mr. Macphee also reported that the provincial council December 3 meeting will discuss the B.C. Federation of Labor's recent endorsement of the CCF federally if an election is called prior to the founding convention.

B. J. Fortune took the chair in the absence of S. A. McReady.

Concealed knife charge remanded

George Phillip Auckland, of Terrace, was remanded until November 24 for sentencing when he pleaded guilty today in police court berore Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite to charges of taking a car without the owner's consent and carrying a concealed weapon.

RCMP told the court that Auckland was arrested at 3:20 a.m. today in Cow Bay after a chase through city streets.

He was found to be driving a car owned by Bob Parker Ltd., which had been taken from the McBride Street and Second Avenue lot sometime during the night.

Police said that a 12-inch knife was found in Auckland's possession.

Four wheels stolen

Four wheels were reported stolen from a car parked on Highwity 16 near the city limits, about 12:45 p.m. yesterday.

RCMP said that the car was owned by Wolfgang Ostrowski of 216 Fourth Avenue East.

Investigation of the theft is underway.

Death toll drops

VICTORIA (CP)—Fewer persons have died in B.C. highway smashes so far this year than last, but the death rate is still too high, government officials said today.

Rail strike intervention proposed

MONTREAL (CP) — The federal government appears to be ready to step in to avert a nation-wide rail strike called for December 3.

The strike deadline was set Tuesday by 15 union heads representing 111,000 non - operating rail employees and it seemed to most observers that the only hope of preventing it lay in federal intervention.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker had no comment when informed of the strike but it was indicated later the government planned to call company and union leaders to Ottawa, perhaps this weekend, for last - ditch talks with the prime minister and Labor Minister Starr.

Both the CNR and CPR said they had no immediate comment on the strike-call.

ONLY PGE WOULD RUN

The strike would take every railway employee, except enginemen, firemen, brakemen and conductors, off trains and out of railway yards, shops and offices and halt every train in Canada except those running on the lines of the Pacific Great Eastern in British Columbia.

Ottawa observers felt there might be some hint of government plans in the throne speech when Parliament opens Thursday.

Bennett witholds details of posts

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier Bennett merely smiled and said "it's getting closer every day" when asked Tuesday about a possible cabinet shuffle.

Two of his ministers—Labor Minister Wicks and Agriculture Minister Steady — ere defeated in the September 12 provincial election but still hold their cabinet offices.

The premier told reporters cabinet changes can be expected "quite a while before Christmas."

Macphee named

Angus Macphee of Prince Rupert was named president of the Western Council of Pulp and Paper Mill Unions in Vancouver last month; W. Scott of Ocean Falls, vice-president; R. McCormick of Ocean Falls, secretary-treasurer; and T. Jenkinson of Nanaimo, executive member, with one other. The new provincial safety committee delegates will be Mr. Macphee, R. A. Ronald and B. J. Fortune.

Road-ferry link to be topic of talks with Alaska in '61

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier Bennett disclosed Tuesday that British Columbia and Alaskan officials will meet in Alaska in the spring or summer to renew discussion for provision of a ship-road link between the far-north state and the U.S. proper through B.C.

He told reporters at a press conference that it was B.C.'s hope that a proposed Alaska ferry system would be dovetailed into this province's highway system at Prince Rupert.

On the southern end B.C. would undertake to build ferries to provide a service probably from Port Hardy, at the northern tip of Vancouver Island, either to Prince Rupert or Kitimat. The latter aluminum-smelting town is linked to Prince Rupert by highway.

This, the premier said, was part of the government's plan to bring tourists by the hundreds of thousands to Vancouver Island and to B.C. generally.

Mr. Bennett said the recent Battelle Memorial Institute report, favoring highway rather than rail links with Alaska, did not in any way interfere with plans of the Pacific Northern Railway. The PNR, backed in part by Swedish industrialist Axel Wenner-Gren, plans a 700-mile line from Summit Lake in the Prince George area to the Yukon border.

Some clearing work has been done at the Summit Lake site but progress is at present stalled in a legal tangle with the Public Utilities Commission.

The Battelle report, released at last week's Seattle meeting of the Alaska Rail and Highway Commission, estimated that a railway from central B.C. to Alaska would require an annual subsidy of $34,000,000 by 1980. It did not mention the PNR by name but there has been talk of eventually extending the railway to Alaska.

The premier said the government feels both railway and highway links are needed — the former for heavy movement and the latter mainly for passengers.

The government-owned Pacific Great Eastern railway from North Vancouver to the Peace River country was "basically a freight railway," he said and that what most railways would become eventually.

GAGLARDI STATEMENT

Highways Minister Gaglardi said today in Vancouver that any ferry between Port Hardy on the northern tip of Vancouver Island and Kitimat, must be operated by private enterprise.

In clarifying the B.C. government's position on a coastal route to Alaska he said the government will look after the highways but some company will have to supply the ferries.

A vote in Alaska for a $23,000,000 bond issue for two ferries to run to Prince Rupert will be decided by absentee ballots that have not been counted. The vote was put to electors November 8.

Mr. Gaglardi said when he promised that a coastal system would be ready to meet Alaskan ferries he was not thinking of government-owned ferries.

He said he is sure the bulk of traffic to and from the Alaska ferries would travel over highway routes through the province.

"There will be fantastic traffic over Highway 16 between Prince George and Prince Rupert, far in excess of the water route."

At the same time, privately-owned ferries could establish a marine route between Kitimat and Port Hardy.

Work was already under way to link logging roads with the island highway north of Campbell River to provide a land route to Port Hardy. The minister figured the road will cost $2,000,000.

Of the land connection with Alaska he said: "The freight potential will be beyond the scope of imagination. Almost all the freight to Alaska will go the land route. They'll put the trailers right on the ships at Prince Rupert."

He said there are stretches of Highway 16 between Terrace and Smithers to be completed.

Impaired driver given jail term

A sentence of 14 days in jail without option was handed out to John Christian of Seal Cove Tuesday in police court when he pleaded guilty before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite to a charge to impaired driving.

RCMP told the court the charge was laid after Christian's car was in collision with a car owned by Robert Brooks of 1510 Second Avenue West, in front of Brooks' house November 5.

Christian was arrested shortly afterwards when he collided with a lamp standard near Second Avenue and Fulton Street. It was his second impaired driving conviction.

Magistrate Applewhaite said that he would not recommend suspension of his driver's licence.

Prince Rupert has now gone 671 days without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER

A gale warning has been issued for the area. This evening scattered showers after midnight. Little change in temperature. Winds light increasing to southeast gales 40 in exposed areas this evening to Southwest 20 after midnight. Low tonight and high tomorrow, 40 and 45.

TIDES

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Low	05:51	0.0 feet
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