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Conservatives take three seats in four Canada-wide elections

Multi-million project for vocational schools

VANCOUVER (CP)—Education Minister Peterson Monday announced a $10,000,000 vocational school construction program for British Columbia, to be completed with federal help.

Included in the widespread program will be an institute of advanced technology at nearby Burnaby, to be completed by March, 1963.

Two $1,000,000 vocational schools, somewhat smaller than that at Burnaby, will be built to serve the Okanagan-Kootenay areas.

There will be additions made to the Nanaimo Vocational School and the Vancouver Vocational Institute. The minister mentioned a $1,750,000 vocational school, now under construction in Prince George.

Speaking as he opened Commonwealth Technical Training Week in B.C. at an Open House in Burnaby, Mr. Peterson said he expects to sign a federal-provincial agreement shortly under which Ottawa will assist financially in the building and operation of the facilities. The federal portion will be 70 per cent of most costs.

The minister arrived at the Burnaby school by helicopter "not intended as a sideshow stunt, but to emphasize the technological age in which we are living."

Alaska power, ferry talks June 20-21

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — Gov. William A. Egan said today plans are virtually complete for a meeting here June 20-21 between Canadian officials and members of the State International Development Commission.

Egan said Premier W. A. C. Bennett of British Columbia and Commissioner F. H. Collins of the Yukon Territory both will attend the session.

Officials of the three governments will discuss long - range highway plans, the possibility of hydro - electric developments in border areas and the effect of Alaska's southeast ferry system on the present traffic pattern in Yukon Territory, British Columbia and the Alaskan Panhandle.

B.C. ROUNDUP

$3,000 stolen from bedroom

VANCOUVER (CP) — A visit to Vancouver from Ocean Falls cost Peter Sharman and Kenneth Sperling more than $3,000 Monday. Police said a sneak thief stole a tape recorder, $2,000 in savings bonds, $435 in cheques and clothing from their hotel room.

Dean dies

VANCOUVER (CP) — Dr. Charles Gordon Campbell, former assistant dean of medicine at the University of B.C. died at his home Monday at the age of 40. A McGill University graduate and specialist in internal medicine, Dr. Campbell served with the Canadian Medical Corps during the Second World War.

Horses needed

KAMLOOPS (CP) — The Kamloops Indian Days Committee is short several horses and one flatbed truck. The horses are needed for Alberta and Washington Indians in the parade and the truck for a parade float for the celebration June 23.

Jaycee meet

PENTICTON (CP) — More than 600 delegates will arrive here Thursday for the annual convention of the Junior Chamber of Commerce from B.C. and the Yukon. It will start with a parade down the main street.

Knife attack

PORT ALBERNI (CP) — Russel Tonchie of Port Alberni received a suspended sentence on a charge of causing bodily harm to Henry Zuschrader by wounding him in the chest with a pocket knife, Magistrate W. E. MacLeod said there were mitigating circumstances.

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Dead man identified

The body of a man found in the waters near Watson Island yesterday morning was identified last night as being Metro Shuparski who had been missing since April 6.

Edward Dawes, an employee of the Columbia Cellulose Company, Limited plant at Watson Island, noticed the body of the 25-year-old truck driver who lived at 1539 Second Overlook, in the water.

RCMP had Shuparski's wife, Jennie, identify the dead man's personal effects.

Deputy Coroner R. B. Smith had scheduled an inquest for 2 p.m. today at Ferguson Funeral Home.

Members of the coroner's jury are Robert Fisher, Peter Oostenbrink, M. J. Saunders, Len Griffiths, Lloyd Mosher and Charles Nicholson.

Born in Sturgis, Saskatchewan, Shuparski came to Prince Rupert about six years ago.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, Martin and Andy, one daughter, Linda, his mother at Sturgis and two brothers and four sisters, all of Saskatchewan.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. J. A. Roskam, will be conducted at 9 p.m. tonight at Ferguson Funeral Home. The body will be shipped to Sturgis for interment.

MLA loses toes

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — Gordon Dowding, CCF MLA for Burnaby, lost three toes of his left foot in a weekend power-mower accident.

He slipped while mowing his sloping lawn and his foot went under the mower. He is in good condition in hospital.

Patrol vessel stationed here

VANCOUVER (CP)—A new vessel which will patrol northern B.C. waters for the Department of Fisheries was launched here Monday.

The vessel, the 51-foot Pillar Rock, will be based at Prince Rupert and will be used for fisheries protection work.

She carries modern navigation equipment and will be manned by a crew of three and a fisheries department officer.

South African takes Saanich

VICTORIA (CP) — George Chatterton, a 45-year - old agriculturist, Monday won the Esquimalt - Saanich byelection for the Progressive Conservatives, nipping Liberal David Groos by less than 800 votes.

Mr. Chatterton had 8,597 over Mr. Groos' 7,828 when all of the polls in the southern Vancouver Island riding were reported.

Glen Hamilton, the New Party candidate, was third with 6,721 votes and Social Credit's George Hahn was fourth with 4,596. Socialist Don Poirier, 22 jan. unemployed seaman, never got off the ground with 143 votes.

The contest, caused by the resignation last fall of former defence minister George Pearkes who became British Columia's lieutenant - governor, was in sharp contrast to the walkaway victory by Mr. Pearkes in the 1958 general election. He had a 14,000-vote majority over runner-up Dr. J. M. Thomas of the CCF.

Mr. Pearkes had held the seat for the Conservatives since it was created in a 1952 redistribution.

Mr. Chatterton, making his first bid for a federal seat, went ahead by about 500 votes after the first 50 polls were counted and held a lead of about that size for the remainder of the race.

A charge of common assault against Bela Istvan Gyulai of 541 Ninth Avenue West was dismissed in police court this morning by Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

The charge was laid in connection with an incident May 24 when Martha Bulsson of the Royal Hotel was slapped.

Majorities down in all ridings

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Progressive Conservatives weathered sharply reduced majorities to score an impressive three-out-of-four triumph in Monday's federal byelections.

The government retained Kings constituency on Prince Edward Island, Restigouche-Madawaska in northern New Brunswick and Esquimalt-Saanich on Vancouver Island.

It lost Leeds in eastern Ontario to a vigorous Liberal candidate who out - campaigned his Conservative opponent despite the handicap of paralyzed legs.

The combination of the Liberal's healthy win in Leeds and the Conservatives' slim margins in their victories produced a situation in which the Liberals received more votes than the government although winning only one seat.

Senator G. S. Thorvaldson of Winnipeg, national president of the Conservative Association, summed up his party's elation over the byelection results. He said:

"I would strongly advise the Liberals not to demand a general election at this time."

TERMED TYPICAL

CCF Leader Hazen Argue countered opinions with a statement in which he said the voting gave no indication of a swing in political sentiment. He called it "typical byelection" results.

Monday's results put the House of Commons standing at Conservatives 205, Liberals 51, CCF 8, New Party 1.

The newest additions to the 265-member Commons:

Kings — Mrs. Margaret Macdonald, in her 40s, mother of four, who takes the Conservative seat left vacant by the death of her husband last January and becomes the first woman MP ever elected in the Maritimes. She won by 167 votes in a tight battle against a former Liberal MP.

Restgouche - Madawaska — Edgar Fournier, 53, Edmundston businessman who fought off a determined campaign by federal and provincial Liberals to hold the seat for the Conservatives.

HOLDS BIG LEAD

Leeds—John R. Matheson, 43, paralyzed from the hips down when a shell splinter pierced his skull as he led an infantry assault into Ortona, Italy, in 1943. The Brockville lawyer had a big edge for the Liberals when counting stopped for the night.

Esquimalt - Saanich — George Chatterton, 45, reeve of Saanich, who survived a sharp drop in Conservative support to win against four opponents.

The vote totals after Monday night's counting:

Kings — complete 56 polls: Mrs. Macdonald, Conservative, 4,476; Thomas J. Kickham, Liberal, 4,309.

Restigouche - Madawaska (161 of 165 polls): Mr. Fournier, Conservative, 14,130; Jean - Eudes Dube, Liberal, 13,177.

Leeds (118 of 125 polls): Mr. Matheson, Liberal, 10,763; R. Elwood Stewart, Conservative, 8,066.

Esquimalt-Saanich (176 of 177 polls): Mr. Chatterton, Conservative, 8,561; David Groos, Liberal, 7,799; Glen Hamilton, New Party, 6,712; George Hahn, Social Credit, 4,594; Don Poirier, Socialist party, 143.

WOMAN ASKS THIEF TO RETURN MONEY TAKEN FROM HANDBAG

Some woman or girl in Prince Rupert is pretty mean. Not only that but they are on the way to becoming a criminal. However, maybe they have a spark of humanity in them and they will return the wallet they took from Mrs. Ellen Jeffrey's handbag in the ladies washroom of the Capitol Theatre last Thursday night.

Mrs. Jeffrey, who lives at 604 Thompson Street has written to The Daily News saying:

"The missing money was to be used for miscellaneous expenses of a disabled person soon to have an operation in Vancouver. She is just recently widowed and has been disabled for years.

"I also am a disabled person and it will be a long hard struggle for me to replace the missing money."

Possibly, if Mrs. Jeffrey had her wallet and money returned she would be so grateful she might forget about taking the matter further.

Community Health Centre opening scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday

The new Community Health Centre at 333 Fifth Street will be officially opened tomorrow at 3 p.m. attended by the Deputy Minister of Health Services, Dr. G. F. Amyot, announced city medical director Dr. Wilfred Sinclair today.

Dr. Amyot will perform the official opening of the new building in the presence of the mayor, P. J. Lester, W. H. Murray, MLA, Alderman Gordon Carlson, chairman of the Skeena Union Board of Health; and representatives of the TB, Cancer societies, Canadian Red Cross; architects Birmingham and Wood of Vancouver, who designed the building; Eby and Sons of Prince Rupert, contractors; and the Kinsmen Club, who will be supplying refreshments for visitors.

A display of models will be on view for visitors after the official opening. These will include nurse work in schools, nutrition (with white rats as examples); sanitation and services; pre-natal classes; well-baby clinics; dental and immunization programs.

Various other displays will also be provided by the TB society, the Cancer Society, Canadian Red Cross; Kinsmen Club, St. John Ambulance, Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Retarded Children's Association, CARS, B.C. Safety Council, and the Children's Hospital in Vancouver.

The building will be open to the public to tour through the exhibits and displays; Dr. Sinclair said, and the Kinettes will be serving refreshments throughout the afternoon and evening.

A special award will be made to the city during the afternoon when Mayor P. J. Lester will accept a certificate from the Canadian Highway Safety Council from Dr. Amyot marking a fatality-free year on the city's streets.

Following the opening a reception and dinner will be held at Club 27, Canadian Legion building, at 7 p.m.

Volunteer firemen attend Kitimat training seminar

Some 35 auxiliary firemen attended a seminar held in Kitimat over the past weekend, Lt. J. S. Furness of the Prince Rupert Fire Department reported today.

The Fire Training Program included lectures, films and practical work including the rescue of victims off the 40-foot high public safety building in Kitimat. Engine-fire pumper capacity tests and a water supply test were also carried out.

A lecture was also given by a doctor on emergency birth deliveries, closed chest heart massage and artificial resuscitation.

A technical committee was formed with representatives from Prince Rupert, Kitimat, Smithers, Terrace and Kitimat to plan the next seminar. Attending from this city were: Capt. Gordon Finlayson, Sam Irvine, J. J. S. Gallant, James Currie, George Warner and J. S. Furness.

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12th grain ship at elevators

The 12th grain ship of the year arrived in Prince Rupert yesterday at the Canadian government elevators to load approximately 12,000 tons of grain for Communist China.

She is the MS Nicolaos Paterns of Greek registry. She is expected to depart towards the end of this week.

SIGNS GOLDEN BOOK — Prime Minister Been-Gurion of Israel signs the visitor's golden book in Quebec in the provincial meeting room. He was paying a courtesy visit to the city. Premier Lesage stands beside him showing the prime minister where to sign. Mr. Ben-Gurion is visiting Canada and the United States. — CP Wirephoto

Jury recommendation may be rider for death sentence commutations

By DON HANRIGHT
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Diefenbaker indicated Monday his cabinet is leaning toward virtually automatic commutation of death sentences for murder in all cases where a jury recommends mercy.

He also said he favors a change whereby the "frightening experience" of reviewing each murder case would be lifted from the cabinet as a whole and, following the United Kingdom practice, be made a duty of the justice minister and the solicitor-general.

Mr. Diefenbaker made both points in an unexpected entry into the Commons debate on the government's bill of capital punishment.

SETS TWO TYPES

The bill would end the present system of a mandatory death penalty for all murder convicts, in favor of two classes of murder — capital or "planned and deliberate" murder, which would bring an automatic sentence to the gallows, and non-capital murder for which the penalty would be life in prison.

No change in the system of execution — by hanging — is proposed by the government. An attempted amendment by Judy LaMarsh (L-Niagara Falls), a lawyer, to have a central gas chamber set up for executions was ruled out of order.

MUST ASK JURY

The prime minister stressed a provision in the bill requiring murder trial judges to ask the jury in each case — after it has delivered its verdict on guilt or otherwise of the accused — whether it wants to recommend for or against mercy.

Juries now have the right to recommend mercy but often do not realize it, Mr. Diefenbaker said. In all cases where it has been recommended the Conservative government took office, it has been followed by a cabinet commutation, he said.

"Having heard the evidence and come to the conclusion that on the basis of the law as explained to them by the judge a verdict of guilty is the only one they can bring in, a jury ought nonetheless to have the right to add a recommendaion to mercy, and having done that, to expect that the royal prerogative will be reasonably carried out."

Opposition Leader Pearson said he agreed with the principle of the bill, but wondered why the government did not see fit to change the method of execution. There are more humane methods than hanging, Mr. Pearson said: "As I see it, there could hardly be a less humane method."

Driver fined for no licence

Driving without a driver's licence cost Edward Norman Juvik of Prince Rupert $10 when he appeared in police court this morning before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

Juvik pleaded guilty to the charge which was laid after he had been checked by the police patrol in the downtown area about 1 a.m. May 24.

Port Ed girl gets honors at college

A Port Edward girl obtained second class honors in sessional examinations held at the faculty of education at Victoria College, it was learned here today.

Obtaining honors was Hisami Nakanishi of Port Edward, now in her second year.

Listed as passing their first year examinations were Lorraine C. Martin and Diane H. Mori of Prince Rupert.

Receiving credit in certain subjects in their first year (nine units) were Helen E. Wahl of Prince Rupert and Sharon S. Omori of Port Edward.

Family of six loses home

A family of six escaped without injury but lost almost all their possessions yesterday afternoon when fire destroyed their three-room, one-storey home on Digby Island.

Practically destitute are Mr. and Mrs. Barry Helin and their four children, who were driven from their blazing home about 3:40 p.m. yesterday.

There was no water with which to fight the blaze and the house was completely destroyed within 45 minutes.

The family saved some bedding, clothing and the clothes they wore when the fire broke out.

Mr. Helin had added a third room to the original two-room building and was in the process of adding another room.

Doukhobors refuse tax pay in Krestova land dispute

NELSON (CP) — The question of land ownership is still causing dissession in Krestova, the shacktown capital of the Sons of Freedom Doukhobors.

At an outdoor meeting Sunday, the Freedomites resolved to refuse to pay taxes on the land they occupy and stated it could neither be bought nor sold.

But an RCMP officer who attended the meeting said it appears there is a split on the land question among the Doukhobors themselves.

The Doukhobors have continued to occupy the land since it was foreclosed by mortgage companies in the depression and later sold to the provincial government. A few years ago the government offered to sell the land back to the Doukhobors for a modest price.

Prince Rupert has now gone 864 days without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER

Scattered showers tomorrow afternoon. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly 20. Low tonight and high tomorrow, 45 and 55.

TIDES

Wednesday, May 31, 1961 (Pacific Standard Time)

High	01:41	22.8 feet
	14:36	20.1 feet
Low	08:18	0.8 feet
	20:22	6.0 feet