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Two dead, one missing, one injured over holiday

Weekend incidents reported low

Two persons died in a fire in Terrace and one boy is presumed drowned in the Bulkley River near Smithers over the weekend while city police in Prince Rupert report a quiet weekend, with only one casualty and three motor vehicle accidents.

Dead are Dr. Gordon Mills, 73, and his wife, Edith, of Terrace. They were found in the gutted remains of their home after the fire had been extinguished by the fire department.

Dr. Mills, who first came to the district in 1929, was in semi-retirement at the time of his death. He was one of the prime movers in getting the township its new hospital which was opened two months ago.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. from the Knox United Church.

KAYAK FOUND

Dragging operations and a general riverside search are being carried out for Arnold John van Lieshout of Smithers after his kayak was found overturned.

Van Lieshout was seen to enter the Bulkley River near the Telkwa Bridge was last seen near Tatlow. His overturned kayak was found near the Smithers Bridge. The river is in spate following the spring thaw of mountain snow.

In Terrace a young Quesnel boy was operated on for a ruptured spleen following a jump-bike accident.

In the city of Prince Rupert only three accidents were reported by RCMP over the long weekend.

Only one of these were serious. This involved Clifford Rennie of Prince Rupert who was in collision with a car Sunday morning near Second Avenue West and Seventh Street. He was taken to hospital and treated for a broken leg and abrasions.

Two other accidents caused only minor property damage, RCMP reported.

The city fire department also reported a quiet weekend with only one call late Friday night. This was to the home of Anthony Webb of 995 Second Avenue West. A pot of beans were found to be burning on the stove. No damage was done other than to the beans.

TRAIL HONORS FIRST FREEMAN AT CITY'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

TRAIL, B.C. (CP) — Canada's minister of external affairs became this city's first freeman Monday. The award was made at a ceremony marking the opening of the city's diamond jubilee celebration.

Howard Green opened the rebuilt city hall and received a gold engraved key as a memento of his visit.

Mr. Green was to fly to Vancouver today and is scheduled to address a campaign meeting in Saanich, near Victoria, tonight.

Reviewing Trail's industrial output in the fields of base and precious metals and chemicals, Mr. Green said he had been trying for some time, without success, to bring about a resumption of heavy water production here.

Heavy water was produced here during the Second World War. The plant has been inoperative for several years.

JAMES BALDWIN, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Baldwin of 1467 Sixth Avenue East, one of two young men engaged in climbing the sheer face of the Chief, a 2,100-foot mountain at Squamish, is shown during a practice climb here last year. Baldwin, who took up cliff-hanging under the direction of noted mountain climber the late Harry Winstone who was killed on Vancouver Island two years ago, practised in Prince Rupert on the cliff face between Seal Cove and the New Fishermen's floats. He and his partner, Ed Cooper of Seattle, are slated to resume their climb tomorrow. — Photo by Christopher Mair

Army junta disbands parties

SEOUL, South Korea (Reuters) — South Korea's 15 political parties were disbanded today by the ruling military junta and the United States voiced "deep concern" over the move.

Disbanded along with the political parties were 238 social organizations. Only charitable, religious and other non-political groups were exempted in the abolition decree which came into effect today.

The disbanding of political and social organizations was another step in the consolidation of power by the military junta which overthrew the government of premier John Chang last week.

The U.S. embassy here immediately announced its opposition to the abolition of political parties.

"Any step suppressing free government process and which makes more difficult the restoration of civilian government is a matter of deep concern," an embassy spokesman said.

RHEE'S PARTY BANNED

Among the political parties covered by the ban were Chang's Democratic party and the Liberal party of former president Syngman Rhee.

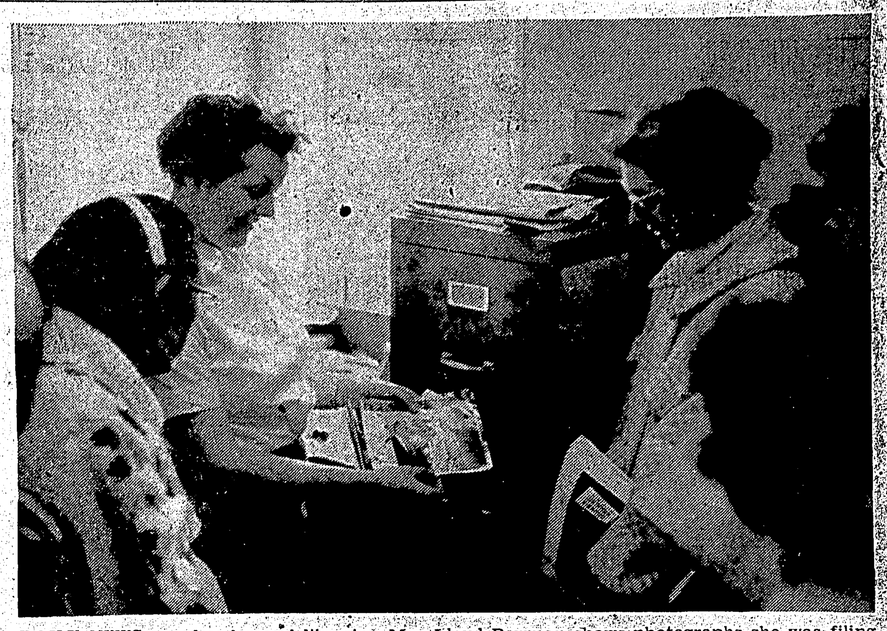
Rhee's party in fact ceased to exist after last year's students revolution but it was not officially disbanded under Chang's administration.

The abolition left the military junta with complete control of South Korea. Earlier, the junta announced that circumstances permitted it would hand back power to a civilian administration.

Meanwhile, the junta reaffirmed the appointments of the four armed forces chiefs, originally appointed by the Chang administration.

Junta leader Lt.-Gen. Do Chang was confirmed as army chief of staff. Vice-Admiral Sung Ho Lee of the Navy, Lt.-Gen. Shim Kim of the air force and Lt.-Gen. Sung Um Kim of the marines all retained their posts.

OTTAWA (CP) — Investigation is continuing into a suspected shortage of Community Chest funds collected in fund drives within the naval department, a spokesman said today.



DAILY NEWS proofreader and librarian Mrs. Lloyd Bowman shows photographs she was filing to group of Grade 7 and Grade 8 students from Port Simpson Indian Day school. Sixteen students along with Miss Theresa Robicheau, school principal, at right, toured the newspaper, visited the museum, Columbia Cellulose Company Limited mill at Watson Island and the Civic Centre swimming pool. — Staff photo by Dick Ayres

U.S. senators angry at Cuban tractors-for-prisoners deal

WASHINGTON (AP)—Charges and demands threatened the tractors-for-prisoners trade today from two sides — the U.S. Congress and Fidel Castro.

State Secretary Dean Rusk was faced with congressional demands that he say whether the administration approves the private efforts to exchange earth-moving equipment for the freedom of 1,200 Cuban invasion prisoners.

Heated speeches in which Cuban Prime Minister Castro's proposal for such an exchange was described as a "heinous barter" by an "inhuman monster" kept the Senate in session until early evening Monday.

From Cuba came word that Castro threatens to break off the negotiations.

MAKES THREATS

"If the insults of Mr. Kennedy's agent continue with regard to the indemnification Cuba demands," said an official Cuban radio commentator, "then all discussion will be stopped and the mercenaries (prisoners) will have to face the revolutionary tribunals of the Cuban people."

Castro has been infuriated by the United States' calling the proposal an exchange. He insists it is indemnification for damage caused by the invasion.

Exchange or indemnification, U.S. senators minced no words Monday.

Senator Wayne Morse, Oregon Democrat, who is chairman of the Senate Latin American subcommittee, said the state department owes it to the people to make a statement of policy on the offer.

He asked Rusk to announce soon "what the position of our government is."

Senator J. William Fulbright (Dem. Ark.), chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, said he didn't believe the government "should lend itself to that kind of blackmail operation."

Senator Homer Capehart (Rep. Ind.) said that if sponsors of the fund-raising drive are acting without President Kennedy's authority they "are violating the law."

The government has officially remained aloof from the negotiations.

Senator Styles Bridges (Rep. N.H.) asked "how much more humiliation and contempt must we suffer from this Communist dictator?

The fund-raising committee composed of labor leader Walter P. Reuther, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, widow of former president, and Dr. Milton Eisenhower, brother of the former president — met with a delegation of 10 Cuban prisoners. The prisoners were paroled by Castro to come to the United States.

Church worker Mrs. Bremner dies aged 78

A large number of relatives and friends attended funeral services this afternoon for Mrs. Christina Shaw Bremner, a resident of Prince Rupert for nearly 50 years and an ardent church worker for most of her life.

Mrs. Bremner died Friday afternoon in Prince Rupert General Hospital after a lengthy illness. She was 78.

Rev. Ivan Gamble conducted the service during which the hymns "The Lord is My Shepherd" and "Unto the Hills" were sung. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were J. L. McIntosh, Samuel Haugan, David Ritchie, George Murray, W. D. Lambie, Allan McDonald and James Parks.

Active pallbearers were Will Murdock, Alex Mitchell, Jack Mussallem, Harry Robb, Norman Moorehouse and Roderick Smith.

Born in Grange, Banffshire, Scotland, Mrs. Bremner came to Canada in 1912 and married her fiancee John Bremner on December 31, 1912, in Prince Rupert. They were married by Anglican minister Canon Rix, later Bishop Rix, because the Presbyterian minister was stormbound at the time.

During the Second World War Mrs. Bremner was active in all forms of work connected with helping servicemen, was a member of the Canadian Legion Branch 27, Women's Auxiliary, an active member of the First Presbyterian Ladies Aid and later was made honorary member of the First Presbyterian church Women's Missionary Society.

She is survived by her husband John at home here; four sons, William in Prince Rupert; James in Victoria; John and Stephen, both of Vancouver; three daughters, Mrs. Mary MacLeod of Prince Rupert, Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan of Vancouver, and Mrs. Nancy Jeffrey of Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bremner moved from Prince Rupert four years ago, but returned last September.

Communist Party backs New Party candidate

VANCOUVER (CP) — Nigel Morgan, leader of British Columbia's 1,000-member Communist party, said Monday night the party wants the New Party to win the May 29 Esquimalt-Saanich byelection.

However, Mr. Morgan said the Communist party is not satisfied with the stand the New Party candidate has taken.

Mr. Morgan was re-elected by acclamation Monday as provincial leader of the party.

Traffic Fatality

KAMLOOPS (CP) — An unidentified man was killed and another is in hospital as the result of an accident on the Trans-Canada highway near here Monday. RCMP are withholding identification.

Rescue successful

NORTH VANCOUVER (CP) — Tommy Evans, 17, plunged into the swift-flowing waters of Lynn creek Monday to rescue a nine-year-old girl who slipped on a rock and fell. The youth saw Jeanette Lemkert fall, ran ahead as the water carried her toward a waterfall, leaped into the water and managed to bring her ashore.

Wharf timbering

TRAIL (CP) — Public works officials have advised the government of plans to prop all Arrow and Kootenay lakes wharfs with timber in an effort to reduce accidents. The action arises from two drowning deaths in the last two years. Cars have slipped off wharves into the water. A spring inquest recommended guard rails.

W. D. LAMBIE, of Prince Rupert has been appointed census commissioner for the northern British Columbia coast and the Queen Charlotte Islands district in the 1961 Census of Canada which begins June 1. Mr. Lambie said today that local preparations are almost complete and that approximately 25 census takers will be making house-to-house calls to collect the facts required. The census takers or enumerators have almost completed their training.

Stewart pioneer John Rennie dies aged 70

Funeral services were held this afternoon for John Rennie, pioneer teamster and bridgeman of Stewart and Prince Rupert.

Mr. Rennie a veteran of the First World War, died in Shaughnessy Military hospital at the age of 70.

Lay minister Donald Robertson of First United Church conducted the funeral service at Ferguson Funeral Home, where the hymns "Abide With Me" and "Jesu, Lover of My Soul" were sung.

Interment was at Fairview cemetery and pallbearers were P. A. Vaccher, K. F. Hardy, Arthur Kristmanson, Louis Campagnola, G. D. Ronson and Theodore Bews.

Born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, Mr. Rennie came to Canada when he was 17 in 1908 and worked as a teamster until he went overseas with the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

After the First World War he moved to Stewart and was in the pack and saddle business with the late A. E. Young, freighting to the various mines in the district.

He sold out his business in 1942 and moved to Prince Rupert where he was employed as a bridgeman and piledriver man. He was working for Skeena River Piledriving Company when illness forced him to retire.

He is survived by his wife Eileen at home at 400 Eighth Avenue East; three sons, John in Calgary, James and Clifford in Prince Rupert; one daughter, Mrs. A. Walton of Ontario, his mother in Victoria; three brothers, four sisters and 11 grandchildren.

Train tows cars

WHITE ROCK (CP) — It took two Great Northern locomotives to pull two tow trucks and an auto out of the sand near here. A car became stuck and called a tow truck, which soon became bogged down. A second truck was called. Its tow cable broke, finally two diesel engines hauled the three vehicles clear.

Town adopts two students in mountain climb attempt

SQUAMISH (CP) — Two university students climbing a 2,100-foot monolith near here, went up another 85 feet Sunday with help from a local blacksmith—then took two days off.

Monday they were halted by rain and today will travel to Vancouver for new boots.

"We can't go up there in the rain", said Ed Cooper, 22, of Seattle, "It's much too risky".

Cooper and Jim Baldwin, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Baldwin of Prince Rupert, B.C., were aided Sunday by special rock spikes made for large cracks.

They plan to climb again tomorrow — 1,000 feet still to go.

The mountain, known locally as the Chief, has sheer rock sides.

The people of this Howe Sound village are paying for the climb, a decision made when it was discovered Cooper and Baldwin were broke.

The 1,500 inhabitants of this logging town 50 miles north of Vancouver have thrown their support behind two university students determined to become the first climbers to reach the summit of the town's 2,100-foot mountain.

The townspeople soon became interested in the intrepid pair, who return to sea level each night after working all day on the spike-and-rope trail up the face of the mountain. They "adopted" the enterprise when they heard the climbers were broke.

The town's main hotel offered them free accommodation, loggers at a nearby mill picked up their meal tabs and a grocery offered them all the supplies they need without charge.

Through binoculars and telescopes, the townspeople watch the two tiny figures make their way slowly towards the peak.

They say no one has ever made the climb before.

Grain ship off tonight

The MV Harpalyce will finish loading approximately 11,000 long tons of grain at the Canadian government elevators tonight and leave for China.

No further vessels are expected this month.

Over half-a-million pounds of halibut landed in city as packers return

More than half a million pounds of halibut were landed in Prince Rupert over the weekend as 220,000 pounds were sold on the Halibut Exchange and 330,000 pounds were landed at the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association plant at Fairview.

Four Canadian and one United States boat sold their catches on the exchange.

The American vessel Arden sold its 23,000-pound catch to British Columbia Packers Limited, with 18,000 medium at 10.5 cents; 2,500 large at 20 cents and 2,500 chix at 14. The Silver rose with 55,000 pounds sold to Booth Fisheries, 36,000 medium at 10.3; 18,000 large at 20.5 and 1,000 chix at 14; Twinkle with 34,000 sold to Babcock Fisheries with 25,000 medium at 10.3; 7,000 large at 21.1; and 2,000 chix at 14; Mother III with 52,000 pounds sold to B.C. Packers, 45,000 medium at 10.2; 3,000 large at 22 and 4,000 pounds at 14; B.C. Clipper with 65,500 sold to Pacific Fisheries with 38,000 medium at 10.3; 27,000 large at 21 and 500 chix at 14.

At the Co-Op, the Fredella III brought in 65,000 pounds, the Advance II 28,000 pounds, the Gony 23,000, the Taplow 54,000, the Lois N 57,000, the Signal 35,000 and the Parma 68,000 pounds.

Prince Rupert has now gone 857 days without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER

Cloudy with occasional showers Wednesday. Remaining cool. Winds light to south 15. Low tonight and high tomorrow, 45 and 57.

TIDES

Wednesday, May 24, 1961 (Pacific Standard Time)

High	08:52	15.8 feet
	21:35	17.2 feet
Low	03:03	8.8 feet
	15:07	7.3 feet

NEW PRESIDENT of the B.C. Chamber of Commerce, Don Forward of Kitimat, is congratulated by Maurice Finnerty of Penticton, past president of the chamber. Mr. Forward was a resident and businessman of Prince Rupert for many years. The Chamber is a federation of 120 boards of trade and chambers of commerce throughout the province.

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