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BROWNIE ENROLMENT. Friday night saw Jacqueline Miller and Frances McKay welcomed in to the Salvation Army pack at the Citadel by other members of the pack and Commissioner Mrs. G. A. Cook (centre) Brown Owl Mrs. L. Timms and Capt. E. G. McInnes (right). Pack Leader Monica Kowal watches as the Brownies surround the toadstool. Left to right: Mary McPhee, Linda Eckass, Donna Eckass, Alexis Miller, Frances McKay, Jacqueline Miller, Heather Player, Suzanne Dickens and Mary Ann Green. — Staff photo by John Pain

East-west rail links, roads cut in south by heavy rains, thaw

Two men killed by slide, storm

VANCOUVER (CP) — Southwestern British Columbia counted its losses in death and destruction today from unseasonably-mild weather and nearly a week of heavy rains—and it braced itself in today's sunshine for another attack from nature expected tonight.

Two deaths have been attributed to the storms or the floods caused by them — one man buried in a mud slide and another drowned when high winds capsized his small boat.

The property damage from flooding, brought about by the melting of mountain snows in temperatures as high as 54 degrees and from four to 10 inches of rainfall during the last several days, is untold.

The two deaths occurred in widely-separated incidents.

R. J. McMillan of Kamloops, a bridge master for Canadian National Railways was crushed under a slide as he inspected a washout in the Fraser Canyon end through which both the CNR and the Canadian Pacific transcontinental lines and the Trans - Canada Highway are routed.

Near Ladysmith on Vancouver Island, the body of 28-year-old Richard Baker Elliott was found washed ashore today. His small boat apparently capsized in gales that ripped coastal areas Sunday.

Two young boys were missing and feared drowned on Vancouver Island after a Sunday fishing trip to a stream swollen by weekend storms.

Missing are Norman Morton 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Morton, and Denny Kirby, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kirby.

Flooding and mountain slides whacked away at communications systems between the 1,000,000 - population Fraser Valley and the rest of Canada. No trains were running east or west today and only one main highway linked Vancouver with the B.C. interior. It too was threatened.

The area affected by the storms runs from Hope, 100 miles east of Vancouver, to Vancouver and includes much of Vancouver Island.

From four to 10 inches of rainfall fell Saturday night and Sunday morning in the region.

The rains stopped over most of the area late Sunday, but the mild weather, causing premature melting of mountain snows, continues with highs between 40 and 50.

The sun was shining today, but the weather forecast called for more heavy rains driven by gale-force winds to hit the south coastal area tonight.

The department of highways in Prince Rupert report that Highway 16 is in good condition to Terrace with the pavement bare in many spots. Local flooding from the recent heavy rains in the vicinity of Pruhomme Lake has now subsided. Snow is reported between Smithers and Vanderhoof.

Canadian National Railways report that all trains between here and Jasper are running on time and no information has been received indicating any delays on connecting lines to the south.

The local weather forecast is for gales and more rain.

Pulpmill worker injured by load of wood chips

A Columbia Cellulose equipment operator was slightly injured about 2:30 yesterday when a large pile of wood chips slid on top of his loading machine, while he was working at the Watson Island plan.

In Prince Rupert General hospital in satisfactory condition suffering lacerations is M. W. Schwab, of 1078 Seventh Avenue East.

A Columbia Cellulose spokesman said that when Schwab was driving his machine near a large pile of wood chips which were piled outside the building, the bulk of the chips slid down on top of the cab.

Schwab was treated for his cuts and is reported "okay."

Court reduces driving charge after accident

A $50 fine was handed out to Robert Morden, of Seal Cove, when he was convicted on a charge of driving without due care and attention, Friday in Port Edward police court.

Morden was originally charged with criminal negligence but the charge also included driving without due care and attention. The magistrate found that the negligence was not of a sufficient degree to convict Morden of criminal negligence but was sufficient to convict him of the lesser charge of driving without due care and attention.

The charge against Morden was laid following the August 25 death of Danniel Hienricks who was killed when a car, driven by Morden, hit a shoulder at the side of the road, went out of control, plunged over a 17-foot bank and came to rest on its right - hand side, about five miles east of Galloway Rapids on Highway 16.

Mrs. Ida Hudson buried Fairview

Mrs. Ida Hudson, wife of R. E. Hudson of 1224 Second Avenue West was buried in Fairview cemetery last Wednesday.

Father M. C. Murphy officiated at the service held in Ferguson Funeral Home. Active pallbearers were: Ross Anderson, David McMeekin, Walter Ballinger, John Dahl and Joe Hackl. Honorary pallbearers were: John Parks Sr., Colonel S. D. Johnston, Donald Ritchie, Herbert Morgan, Harold Menzies and John Taylor.

City roads stay deathfree for two years

Today Prince Rupert marks the commencement of its third fatality-free year on the roads of the city.

Mayor P. J. Lester commented: "People should realise traffic accidents are not inevitable. Speeding, driving while under the influence of alcohol and carelessness in general is the cause of accidents. All the police can do is to enforce safe driving regulations, but they can't be everywhere. Motorists should always drive as if they thought a policeman was watching".

K. F. Harding on east tour

K. F. Harding, general manager of the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association left this morning for Ottawa where he will attend the Fisheries Price Support Board January 19 and 20.

The following day he will attend a meeting of the National Fisheries Co-Operative Committee. Mr. Harding will then conduct an extensive tour throughout the sales offices of the association in New York, Chicago, and Seattle before returning to Vancouver where he will visit the British Columbia Co-Operative Wholesale, of which he is a director.

Mr. Harding expects to return to Prince Rupert by car on the night of January 28.

Ship loads local pulp for Panama

A 14,000-ton ship, the North Viscountess is headed for the Panama Canal carrying a load of 648 tons of locally produced viscous pulp, said Harbor Master W. H. Koughan today.

The vessel left the Columbia Cellulose Co. wharf at 11 a.m. yesterday carrying the pulp and general cargo for Vancouver and intermediate points.

Owned by the Greek Marchessini Line, the vessel was built in Holland two years ago, and arrived here on her way from Japan. Her captain is Captain C. Tavlibis, with a crew of 38 hands, and her home port is Piraeus, Greece.

30 days given man for fraud

Uttering a forged document earned 20-year-old James Albert Point, of Vancouver, a 30-day jail sentence, consecutive with any outstanding sentence, when he appeared in police court this morning before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

RCMP told the court that about December 19 Point cashed a $2 welfare cheque, which had been made out to his brother Sammuel, at the New Royal Hotel, "well-knowing that the endorsement on the cheque was a forgery."

Police said that Point had been sentenced to 30 days in jail when he appeared in Terrace police court last week on a charge of obtaining social assistance by fraud.

HOLDING THE RIBBON for the official opening of the new Canadian Bank of Commerce Saturday is assistant general manager R. G. Miller has his back to the camera. J. M. Buchanan, director of the bank, poises a halibut knife ready for the official act as Manager R. A. Morley looks on. Mayor P. J. Lester was amongst many of the city's leading citizens who attended the "open house" which followed the opening. — Staff photo by Dick Ayres

$150,000 city bank building holds open house at official opening

More than 1,000 persons visited the new $150,000 Canadian Bank of Commerce building at the corner of Third Avenue West and Fourth Street Saturday afternoon for the official opening ceremonies and "open house," Reginald G. Miller, assistant general manager of the bank estimated later that day.

The ultra-modern bank was opened officially by J. M. Buchanan, chairman of the board and president of British Columbia Packers Limited and a director of the bank.

To perform the ribbon cutting ceremony, Mr. Buchanan used a halibut knife, scorning the golden ceremonial scissors and saying that the large knife was "more fitting for a bank opening in the halibut capital of the world."

Mr. Buchanan paid tribute to the residents of Prince Rupert and said that the new building was the Canadian Bank of Commerce's way of signifying its faith in the city. He paid tribute to Dr. R. G. Large for chronicling the history of both the city and the Skeena River and also to Orme G. Stuart, a director of B.C. Packers Ltd., a firm that also has had longstanding ties with Prince Rupert.

Also speaking briefly to the large crowd assembled in the flower-decked and well-lighted bank was Reginald G. Miller, assistant-general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

Following the official ribbon-cutting ceremony, visitors were welcomed by Mr. Buchanan, R. A. Morley, Prince Rupert, manager of the bank, Mrs. Morley and Mr. Miller. Visitors then circulated via a table laden with light refreshments to the vaults and throughout the ground floor layout. Members of the bank staff answered questions and guided visitors to points of interest.

The new building is of reinforced concrete construction and brick veneer, 50 feet by 60 feet. It was completed by Northwest Construction Ltd. of Prince Rupert for a cost of approximately $100,000 with the janitor and painter working through Friday night putting the finishing touches to the premises ready for the opening the following day at 2 p.m.

The interior of the main floor is of vinylite plastic wall covering and vinyl asbestos chairs; and window drapes in the bank's colors of blue and gold imported from the United Kingdom.

Prominent behind the main counter are two locally carved totems by Charles Dudoward which were hewn especially for the Prince Rupert branch of the bank.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce will be the only firm with a 24-hour depository if required.

The furnishings throughout were specially designed for the bank by Art Woodwork of Montreal, styled to the bank's needs.

Architects were Gray, Stillwell and Lobban of Vancouver.

The ceiling is suspended acoustic tile. On the top floor of the bank is the manager's apartment.

The main floor comprises a treasury vault, book vault, stationary room with the counter designed for a mobile teller section.

Behind the bank is a hard-topped parking lot for customers.

Drinking bout ends in death

KAMLOOPS (CP)—A 64-year-old woman and an unidentified man died and 13 persons are in hospital following an all-night drinking party Friday on the Kamloops Indian reserve.

The dead woman was Mrs. Emma Gabriel.

Police said the dead and injured drank methyl alcohol from quart-sized cans. It had been mixed with lemon, water and sugar.

All those in hospital were described as in serious condition.

Police were attempting to locate the source of supply of the poisonous fluid.

Hit, run accident

RCMP are searching for a vehicle which struck a car owned by J. M. Eby, of 435 Fourth Avenue East, sometime between 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. yesterday while it was parked at the Yacht club, and then fled the scene.

Police said that the vehicle collided with the left-rear door of Eby's car and caused an estimated $60 damage.

Two men remanded

Two men were remanded until Saturday for sentencing when they pleaded guilty in Port Edward police court to charges of attempted theft.

RCMP at Port Edward said that Alfred Richmond and Ralph Pierre, both of Hazelton, were arrested Friday when they were found attempting to steal a battery from a car owned by Casey Wilson of Port Edward.

Terrace youth river death

TERRACE (CP) — A 21-year-old man was drowned in the Skeena river near here Saturday when a kayak overturned in rough water.

Drowned was Arthur T. Hudson of Terrace. His companion, Conrad Gagnon, was treated in hospital and released.

The two had set out in the kayak for a downstream trip on the river when the craft tipped over. After clinging to the craft for some time, the two decided to attempt to swim to shore.

Gagnon said he had looked back and found that Hudson had gone under. He swam back, picked up Hudson and brought him ashore.

Hudson was dead when help arrived. An inquiry will be held, state RCMP.

Prince Rupert has now gone TWO YEARS without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER

A gale warning remains in effect for this area. There will be rain tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature. Winds east to southeast 40 tonight. Low tonight and high tomorrow, 35 and 45.

TIDES

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1961
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	01:42	21.7 feet
	13:34	24.3 feet
Low	07:32	5.4 feet
	20:08	0.4 feet

Careless driver fined in court

Driving without due care and attention earned Lorne McMillan, of 1285 Water Street, a $50 fine when he appeared in police court today, before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

McMillan was charged following a motor-vehicle accident about 11:20 p.m. Christmas Eve when a car driven by himself was in collision with another vehicle driven by Donald Allen Delaney, of 1100 Beach Place.

The accident sent Edward Laing, of Prince Rupert, and Peter Hegg, of 116 Eleventh Avenue East, to Prince Rupert General Hospital suffering minor injuries.

Eisenhower increases States budget to cover large military spending

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WASHINGTON (CP) — President Eisenhower today proposed a peacetime record $80,900,000 government spending program for the next fiscal year, based on a small rise in social welfare outlays and a much bigger increase in military needs.

Cautioning against federal expenditures by "credit card," the outgoing chief executive appealed once more for a boost in postal rates and higher gasoline taxes — proposals which Congress previously rejected.

He said that if these increases are provided and the economy recovers as he anticipates, government revenues will climb to $82,300,000,000 from this year's estimated $79,000,000,000.

The new administration headed by John Kennedy, thus would be able to show a surplus of about $1,500,000,000 for the year ending June 30, 1962, cutting the near-record national debt to $283,000,000.

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His proposed spending of $80,900,000,000 compares with an estimated $78,000,000,000 for the current financial year which ends next June 30. Eisenhower had estimated a $4,200,000,000 surplus for the current year but the recession and failure of Congress to approve his tax proposals now has trimmed that estimate to $100,000,000.

The Kennedy team believes there will actually be a deficit this year and, considering his plans to increase federal spending, Kennedy may also show a deficit for the next fiscal year.

Eisenhower would step up defence spending by some $1,500,000,000 to a peacetime record of $42,000,000,000.

There would be increased purchases of the Canadian - made Caribou army transport plane made by de Havilland Aircraft Company of Canada in Toronto. Informants said the U.S. army has purchased about 27 of these and now has placed an order of another 24. A new, larger order is anticipated.

The budget also provided assurances that the Bomarc - B anti - aircraft program would continue, despite Eisenhower's belief that the manned bomber threat is gradually declining in the missile era.

Eisenhower asked for more funds to buy new cargo planes for the American air force but the emphasis in his budget was on the American C-130-B and other aircraft. There was no mention of buying Canadian-made CL-44 cargo planes.

The incoming president won't submit a budget of his own this year. But he'll suggest piecemeal changes in Eisenhower's budget.

Some other major increases in outlays:

Research and development programs of all kinds, but mostly military, up $770,000,000 to $9,400,000,000.

Foreign aid, up $250,000,000 to $3,000,000,000.

Space exploration, up $195,000,000 to $965,000,000.

Agricultural programs up $165,000,000 mostly for price supports, to $5,100,000,000.

Market break-in

A break-in at the Alberta Market, 312 Fifth Street during the weekend, netted a thief or thieves $6 in silver and several cartons of cigarets, RCMP reported today.

Police said that the break-in occurred Saturday night or Sunday morning.

Entrance to the building was gained by smashing down the front door. Extensive investigation is continuing.

World News Briefs

JERUSALEM (AP) — A French archaeological mission says it has unearthed seven houses fo a prehistoric village in the Kirtyath area north of Beersheba. The village is believed to date back to 3,500 B.C.

PORT SAID (AP) — Ships of 35½-foot draft will be allowed to transit the Suez Canal. The previous maximum draft was 35 feet. By February 2 it will be increased to 36 feet and by the end of April to 37. The expansion is the result of projects for deepening and widening the waterway now nearing completion.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dr. Luther L. Terry of Rockville, Md., was named surgeon general Sunday as President-elect Kennedy filled four major posts in the department of health, education and welfare. Dr. Terry is assistant director of the National Heart Institute.

SOUTH KENSINGTON, R.I., (AP) — Parishioners of Christ the King Roman Catholic Church have been asked to contribute 10 per cent of their income, at return to the old practice of tithing. A spokesman for the diocese of Providence said the money is needed to help pay a debt on the two-year-old church.

NEW YORK (AP) — The tugboat strike has brought no threat of immediate shortages of food or fuel, city markets commissioner Anthony Mascianelli said Sunday. Trucks normally carry about 50 per cent of the food brought into the city, and their operations have not been affected, he said.

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