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CLIFTON FAMILY sons and daughters flank their parents at head table in Hartley Bay Community Hall Tuesday as clan gathered to honor Mr. and Mrs. Heber L. Clifton (centre) as they celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. From left to right are John Clifton, Mrs. Herbert Ridley, Edward Clifton, Mrs. Ambrose Robinson, the "bridal couple", Lewis Clifton, Mrs. William Robinson and Robert Clifton. Groom, who is nearing 90, holds framed marriage certificate signed by famous Methodist missionary Rev. Thomas Crosby. (See story and pictures on Page 3). — Staff photo by Dick Ayres

Doctor reaches Bakke to assist failing seaman

Ocean rendezvous made by U.S. cutter

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP)—A perilous small boat transfer in darkness and heavy seas brought medical aid early today to two severely burned crew members aboard the Norwegian freighter Martha Bakke bound for Prince Rupert, B.C., from Japan with a mixed load of cargo and passengers.

Dr. Joseph F. Wilson, chief surgeon of the United States Public Health hospital at Sitka, Alaska, boarded the freighter about 300 miles west of Ketchikan, Alaska, after a mercy dash through mounting seas by U.S. coastguard cutter.

The transfer in the stormy North Pacific took one and a half hours after the cutter Sorrel reached a rendezvous point just before midnight Wednesday.

Dr. Wilson was rushed to the scene after the Marta Bakke radioed that one of the men, Alfred Bjoergen, 30, had taken a turn for the worse. Bjoergen and Kung Jim Fei, 40, of Kowloon, Hong Kong, were seared by flames from an engineroom explosion aboard the Bakke on Tuesday. The former man comes from Vikeyad, Norway.

The crippled freighter is now making her way towards Prince Rupert at reduced speed and it is expected she will reach here about 7 a.m. Friday.

An earlier attempt to bring the injured men ashore by amphibious aircraft was defeated by eightfoot waves churned up by the Pacific storm.

Following the explosion Tuesday in the engineroom of the vessel Captain Gabriel Oeripsland reported that emergency repairs were being carried out to enable the ship to proceed under her own steam. There was no late word of the condition of the two men.

Idealist flies odd banner

OTTAWA (CP) — The red, white and green flag that flew in front of the Supreme Court building Wednesday has turned out to be the creation of an 18-year-old "Canadian idealist" working with one of his mother's best bed sheets.

Peter Hargreaves, a student at Glebe Collegiate, said Wednesday night he placed the home-made banner on the 105-foot flag pole in front of Canada's highest tribunal "because I am a Canadian idealist."

PARENTS NEED BEYOND CLASS EDUCATION SAYS PTA HEAD

VANCOUVER (CP) — A call for promotion of stronger interest in learning that would reach beyond the classroom was made Wednesday at the annual meeting of the British Columbia Parent-Teachers Association.

"We need to think more about parent education and we have a responsibility to make sure that ours is an intelligent, informed, thoughful approach," said president Mrs. L. H. Horan.

She also said lectures dealing with the philosophy of parent-teacher relationships should become part of the teacher-training program.

"The beginning teacher would certainly benefit from some preknowledge of parents and some information about parent-teacher work."

She said child welfare should be high on the PTA's list of priorities.

UN asked to consider South African policy

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UNITED NATIONS (CP)—Canada and Britain have carried their condemnation of South Africa's racial policies beyond the Commonwealth family into the United Nations.

The two countries announced Wednesday their approval in principle of an Asian proposal calling for "action" against apartheid racial segregation but at the same time they rejected a 24-country African resolution seeking trade and diplomatic sanctions against South Africa.

The United States followed a similar line but the French delegation indicated it would abstain on any resolution regarding apartheid, saying the issue is deeply involved with the question of non-interference by the UN in the domestic affairs of a member country.

The Asian resolution sponsored by India, Malaya and Ceylon would have the General Assembly request "all states to consider taking such separate and collective action as are open to them to bring about the abandonment" of apartheid.

WON FAVOR

It has won considerable favor among Western powers because "action" is not defined. India's Defence Minister V. K. Krishna Menon has said it could mean anything from writing a letter of protest to imposing sanctions and he noted his own country has already chopped trade and diplomatic relations with South Africa.

Canadian delegate Arthur R. Smith, Progressive Conservative member of Parliament for Calgary, said Canada's attitude toward the "unnatural policy of apartheid" had been made clear at the recent Commonwealth conference by Prime Minister Diefenbaker. But sanctions were another thing.

"A resolution calling for sanctions would be harmful because it might force South Africa out of the United Nations and thus cut the only channel of communication now left between South Africa and the international community . . .

"The Union is already too isolated from the changing ideas and conditions in the modern world. Moreover, if every country in the world refused to trade with every other nation whose domestic policies were repugnant to it, the international economic scheme would be very distorted indeed . . ."

OPPOSES SANCTIONS

British delegate Peter Smithers, a member of Parliament, said sanctions would do more harm than good and he pleaded with the African countries to withdraw their proposal.

But Alex Quaison-Sackey of Ghana, piloting a 24-country resolution, said he disagreed with Britain and Canada about the need for sanctions which were necessary because South Africa had repeatedly ignored UN appeals.

Katanga refuses serve UN troops

ELIZABETHVILLE (AP) — The Katanga government and Negro and white residents of Elizabethville kept up an economic war today against United Nations troops despite President Moise Tshombe's truce with the UN command.

All business places, including garages and cafes, still refused to serve UN personnel.

VANCOUVER (CP) — K. M. Aitcheson of Burnaby today was elected president of the British Columbia Teachers Federation.

No plea entered after car theft

William Chester Stewart of 1264 Beach Place was remanded without plea until April 13 when he appeared in police court Tuesday before Deputy Magistrate R. A. McLean on a charge of theft of an auto.

RCMP said that the charge was laid following an incident March 31 at Nelson Bros. Fisheries at Port Edward when a car owned by H. F. Robins of 32 Eleventh Street was stolen.

Stewart is represented by defence counsel W. N. Poole.

Prince Rupert has now gone 810 days without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER

Mainly cloudy tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low tonight and high tomorrow 35 and 50.

TIDES

Friday, April 7, 1961
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	05:15	10.3 feet
	18:30	16.5 feet
Low	12:03	4.0 feet

Freed U.S. prisoner carried over border

HONG KONG (AP)—Robert McCann of Pasadena, Calif., released after nearly 10 years imprisonment in Communist China hovered near death here today.

Doctors cancelled all plans to fly him to a U.S. Air Force hospital in Manila unless his condition, which they described as grave, improves. The 60-year-old American, long a businessman in China, is dying of lung cancer.

Attendants at St. Teresa's Hospital said he was semi-conscious and tossing restlessly.

McCann was carried across the Chinese Communist border into Hong Kong on a stretcher at noon today. He was half conscious then, apparently under heavy sedation. His eyes were glazed; his body emaciated.

CONDITION WORSENED

His wife, who flew 9,000 miles last week to be at his side, said his condition took a drastic turn for the worse during their 1,500-mile journey by plane and train from Tientsin, in north China.

A delay in transferring McCann across the border contributed to his critical condition, an attending doctor here said. The McCanns reached the Communist side of the border station at Lowu at 6 a.m., but Communist officials did not notify the British Red Cross he was there until noon, the previously scheduled hour for the transfer.

McCann, meanwhile lay on a stretcher on the floor of the railroad station waiting room.

As they crossed the border bridge, Mrs. McCann bent down and whispered in her husband's ear, "now we are out."

His face, gaunt and rigid, showed no expression.

Living costs show further jump in modified consumer price index

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's official yardstick of living costs — modern style—rose during February as higher housing and clothing costs added one-fifth of a point to the consumer price index.

The index advanced to 129.1 on March 1 from 128.0 on February 1, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today.

This marks the first appearance of the remodelled price index which has been patterned on consumer spending habits of 1957, instead of the 1947-48 spending patterns on which the index has hitherto been based.

The main changes reflect the fact that Canadians are spending a smaller share of the family budget on food, and a larger share on such things as recreation, sports and the family car.

BASED ON 1949 PRICES

The new index, however, continues to be based on 1949 prices equalling 100. Thus it will continue to express present-day living costs as a percentage of 1949 prices.

On the new method of calculation, the price index was 127.9 on March 1 last year — 1.2 points below the March 1 level this year.

Today's report shows no overall change during February in prices of food or of tobacco and alcohol. Higher costs of housing and clothing were partly offset by decreases in transportation, health and personal care, and recreation and reading.

The rise in the index during February followed two small monthly declines from the record high of 129.3 last December 1.

It also followed an increase in industrial wages that occurred in January. The index of average industrial wages and salaries at February 1—latest date available—was 179.2 compared with 175 a month earlier and 174.9 a year earlier. The index is based on 1949 wages equalling 100.

FIRMS SURVEYED

This wages index, computed from a survey of firms employing more than 10 persons and covering a wide range of industries, represents an average of total wages paid.

The new consumer price index gives Canadians more detailed information than before to show what part of their budget is being affected by price changes.

The old index was broken downinto five groups; the new index has seven. The food and clothing sectors remain as they were. The former indexes for shelter and for household operations have been combined into a "housing" index.

But in place of the former miscellaneous grouping of "other goods and services" there are four indexes: transportation health and personal care, recreation and reading, and tobacco and alcohol.

Water cowboy RCMP target

VICTORIA (CP) — The pleasure boat situation in British Columbia has already assumed the proportions of highway traffic problems, an RCMP official said Wednesday.

"After years of trying to reduce automobile accidents and deaths, we now have to start giving part of our attention to water cowboys."

High-powered engines and sturdier craft have combined to give some operators a confidence which does not exist. They have increased the hazards of pleasure boating and swimming in hundreds of B.C. lakes and rivers.

B.C. ROUNDUP

Possible test case talk on Bill 42 to be held

VANCOUVER (CP) — The British Columbia Federation of Labor (CLC) is arranging a province-wide conference at which the possibility of a test case in the courts to determine the validity of a section of the new Labor Relations Act may be discussed.

Vancouver Labor Council (CLC) lawyers have already expressed the opinion that the section requiring union officials to sign affidavits ensuring the dues won't be used for political donations can not be enforced.

Attorney-General Bonner Wednesday described this as "baffle-gab." However, Mr. Bonner declined comment on the possibility of loopholes in the legislation.

Brewery bust

VANCOUVER (CP) — Caribou Brewing Company, British Columbia company with plants in Prince George and Princeton, is expected to go into liquidation within the next few weeks, secretary-treasurer James Kerr said Wednesday.

Change in bargaining

VANCOUVER (CP)—The British Columbia Teachers Federation Wednesday approved a recommendation for province-wide bargaining. But the annual federation's annual convention added that agreements reached at the provincial level should be ratified by teachers and school boards at the district level.

Ban urged

VANCOUVER (CP) — The executive of the British Columbia Young Liberals has urged that political contributions by companies and societies should be banned in a similar manner to control placed on union dues in Bill 42.

Fingerprints sought

VICTORIA (CP) — RCMP said Wednesday they are sifting through hundreds of pages of police reports in connection with the murder of a U.S. college student near Prince George two years ago.

A spokesman for provincial RCMP headquarters here said the force is working closely with the FBI, trying to track down the person who shot Bruce Worline, 30, at a northern B.C. picnic site June 15, 1959.

Mines stimulate

VICTORIA (CP) — B.C.'s mining industry provides the biggest stimulant to the province's economy, according to the latest analysis of market conditions issued by the Purchasing Agents Association of B.C.

$1 for teacher

VANCOUVER (CP) — The British Columbia Teachers Federation today voted to assess each member $1 a year to raise enough money to send a teacher to instruct in an undeveloped Asian or African country.

Undergrads want jobs

VANCOUVER (CP) — An appeal has been sent to employers throughout the province to contact University of B.C. students immediately if they have summer jobs for undergraduates.

Mrs. A. K. Hansen dies aged 72

A 20-year resident of the city, Mrs. Amanda Karoline Hansen of 102 Ninth Avenue West died Tuesday in Prince Rupert General Hospital at the age of 72.

Born in Konigsberg, Norway, Mrs. Hansen came to British Columbia in 1927 and to Prince Rupert in 1941.

Mrs. Hansen was an active member of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church and the Sons of Norway Vinland Lodge No. 28 before her death. She was predeceased by her husband Jakob in 1951.

She is survived by two sons, Thorlief Hansen of Prince Rupert and Arvid Hansen of Melville, France; three daughters, Mrs. Harry (Gerda) Wilkinson and Mrs. Spero (Ruth) Postalo, both of Prince Rupert, and Mrs. Lilly Gravning of Kongsberg, Norway; one sister, Esther Jensen of Norway; one brother, Thorvald Andersen, also of Norway; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 2:30 p.m. Friday with Captain G. E. McInnes officiating. Interment will be in the Sons of Norway plot in Fairview cemetery.

Cup series to be heard over CFPR

Radio station CFPR will broadcast all games of the 1961 National Hockey League Stanley Cup final between Detroit Red Wings and Chicago Black Hawks, it was announced today.

Tonight's opening game from Chicago will be heard starting at 6 p.m. All games will be carried in their entirety.

Chicago is favored to win the classic series which is featuring two American teams for the first time since 1950.

Final meeting

VANCOUVER (CP) — CCF leader Robert Strachan said today the B.C. party is expected to have one more full-scale convention under the CCF banner.

He said the convention will complete legal formalities before the transition to the New Party, a group that would include labor and farm groups.

The convention would be the last CCF gathering and the first New Party gathering. If the New Party was founded in Ottawa in early August a provincial convention would be held in September or October.

Other party officials said the provincial council meeting May 13 is expected to confirm that there will be no CCF convention before the national meeting in Ottawa July 31 - August 4.

New Party meet set for April 8

A noted author and ex-MLA, Mrs. Dorothy Steeves will address a New Party seminar in the Pulp Worker's Islander Hall at 10 a.m. Saturday. With her will be Jack Moore, vice-president, of the International Woodworkers of America.

A nominating convention for a federal candidate will be held in the evening and there will be a social and dance to follow the conclusion of business.

City cafe fire quickly out

Firemen answered a call at the Rainbow Cafe, owned by Mrs. Vera Skinty, on Third Avenue West about 11:32 p.m. yesterday where a chimney fire had caused some minor excitement.

The blaze was quickly extinguished and there was no damage.

Molesting, shouting, screaming brings pair court appearance

Causing a disturbance by molesting persons cost Antal Apathy of 318 Fifth Street $10 when he appeared in police court Wednesday before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

Apathy pleaded guilty to the charge which was laid following an incident about 9 p.m. yesterday in City Hall when he was creating a disturbance and bothering Betty Joan Hill alias Wesley of Prince Rupert.

RCMP said that both persons had been drinking.

The woman was fined $10 this morning when she pleaded guilty to a charge of causing a disturbance by shouting and screaming.

Police said that she was arrested shortly after Apathy's arrest.

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CANCER SOCIETY PRESIDENT Mrs. William Murdock (centre) discusses aspects of the Society's work with Dr. G. C. Mostad (right) while Mrs. Jack Mussallem, who spoke to the annual dinner meeting on the work done to aid cancer victims by the Order of the Eastern Star, listens. Dr. Mostad is in charge of the publicity committee for the forthcoming fund drive to be held April 17. — Staff photo by John Pain