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ARRIVAL OF VANCOUVER Symphony orchestra was still a question mark late this afternoon as local symphony committee members awaited word as to whether orchestra could fly between Smithers and Terrace and catch special train awaiting it. Orchestra, directed by Irwin Hoffman, is shown above on stage of Orpheum theatre in Vancouver. Stage as big as this has been prepared for the symphony in the HMCS Chatham drill hall.

Symphony arrival in lap of weather

By DICK AYRES
Editor of The Daily News

Arrival of the Vancouver Symphony orchestra for one public concert at the HMCS Chatham drill hall tonight was still in the toils of the northland's freakish weather at 3:15 p.m. this afternoon.

Already, due to a blinding blizzard at Terrace at 7 o'clock this morning, the two school children's concerts were cancelled just after 12 noon today, when it was learned that the 70-member orchestra was still grounded at Smithers.

The chartered DC-6B aircraft carrying the orchestra was unable to land at Terrace and was diverted to Smithers.

Last word before press time was that if the plane could land at Terrace before 3:30 this afternoon the orchestra could still get here on time on a special train from Terrace in time to play tonight's concert.

At 2:30 this afternoon Morris Wayman, a member of the four-man local symphony committee reported that Terrace airport was still covered by a driving snowstorm.

J. R. Ayres, publicity chairman for the local Vancouver symphony concert committee said late this afternoon that ticket holders for tonight's concert should keep their radios tuned to radio station CFPR for the latest news on the concert. At 4:03 p.m. the plane carrying the orchestra took off from Smithers heading for Terrace. It appears that the concert will be played here tonight but at a later hour.

Other members of the committee, Dr. L. M. Greene, William Homenuk and J. R. Ayres, plus the Canadian National Railways, and the Department of Transport have been trying to push arrangements to get the symphony here.

Five months of planning, arranging, ticket-selling, publicity and promotion may have been wiped out by the vagaries of the weather.

Everything, down to the last detail of how every child was to enter the seat-filled drill hall to the way the ushers were to hand the adults their programs tonight had been arranged.

Then the blizzard at Terrace changed everything.

Apart from the drill hall with its 1,100 empty seats lined up in 42 rows, the sturdy, and impressive specially-built stage that wasn't used this afternoon, the following re-arrangements had to be made.

● District 52 school superintendent J. M. Phillipson had to phone every school and tell them first that the concerts would be delayed and then cancelled.

● District School board secretary-treasurer Mrs. M. M. Roper had to cancel catering arrangements for the lunch being staged for the orchestra at the Petty Officers mess.

● Roosevelt Park school principal John Steele, who had made arrangements for the marching and seating of the 2,000 or more school children, first had to revise and then wash out his plans.

● Yesterday, when it was known that the Canadian National Railways line between here and Terrace would be open before Highway 16, chartered buses that were to bring the orchestra and its $50,000 worth of instruments from Terrace airport to Prince Rupert had to be cancelled by Ian H. Dobbin, manager of the symphony.

● Then the local symphony committee made arrangements for the orchestra to be carried in two railway cars on the tail end of a Columbia Cellulose logging train.

● Because of the discomfort and slowness of the logging train, Mr. Dobbin, made arrangements with the CNR for a special train to be waiting at Terrace when the chartered 72-passenger DC-6B landed there.

● He then had to phone 68 musicians and tell them that they had to get up at 4 o'clock this morning instead of 5 a.m. so that they would land in Terrace at 7 o'clock and not 8:30 as scheduled originally.

● When the plane was unable to land in Terrace this morning the flight was switched to Smithers and the phone calls between Dr. Greene, Mr. Homenuk, Mr. Phillipson, Mr. Wayman, Mr. Steele, Mr. Ayres, the CNR, the Department of Transport, Columbia Cellulose's woods division in Terrace, CPA and Mr. Dobbin in Smithers, began and didn't stop until press time.

At first Mr. Dobbin thought that if they could land in Terrace by 12 noon the orchestra could play a children's concert at 3 p.m. If they landed at Terrace at 2 p.m. they might play a children's concert here at 5 p.m.

These deadlines approached and finally the two afternoon concerts, for which more than 2,000 children were all prepared, with lunches at school and instructions as to how to enter and leave the drill hall, had to be cancelled.

Meanwhile the nearly 70 musicians sat in the airliner at the Smithers airport or wandered around the plane fighting frustration.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon symphony committee didn't know where to turn.

It faced the problem of returning more than $3,000 to the public and to the school board. The school board had underwritten the children's concerts in case the school collections didn't reach the $750 mark. More than $2,750 in tickets sales will have to be returned to ticket holders if the symphony doesn't arrive.

"GO NOW—PAY LATER" TRAVEL PLANNED BY CN RAILWAYS

Special to The Daily News

MONTREAL—A "go now-pay later" travel plan will be introduced April 1, by Canadian National Railways—the only railway in Canada to provide installment plan travel.

Included will be unrestricted travel in Canada, on one-way or return trips originating in Canada to any points on the North American continent, and combined rail and ocean voyages.

For a 10-per cent down payment and minimum orders of $100, any permanent Canadian resident over 2½ years of age can use the service. The balance of the costs of the trip may be paid over a period of 24 months.

Public works estimates bring strong criticism

VICTORIA (CP)—Works Minister Chant yesterday was accused by the opposition of trying to withhold information about his multi-million dollar department.

The exchange came as various members sought information on government buildings in their ridings as the minister's $4,508,000 vote came before the British Columbia legislature.

At one point John Squire (CCF—Alberni) termed Mr. Chant's conduct as disgraceful and likened the minister to a man trying to run his own business privately instead of a minister spending the people's money.

Mr. Chant's estimates were approved after he told the House that due to delays the March 31 target date for completion of a $2,000,000 government house here would not be met and that a $1,400,000 industrial school for girls in Burnaby—which opposition members criticized as too lavish—was in effect an experiment.

Cedric Cox (CCF—Burnaby) protested spending $2,000,000 on a new government house to replace one which burned down in 1957. He said the money would have been better spent on housing for aged citizens.

The new home of the lieutenant governor will be used by Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip when they make a brief visit to Victoria during their cross-Canada tour this summer.

Train here, highway said usable

Railway and highway crews working at back-breaking pace since Tuesday night have won the battle of the huge Salvus slide and both rail and road traffic has been resumed.

A spokesman for the Canadian National Railways said this morning that last night's westbound passenger train arrived at 8 a.m. today. After cleaning and overhauling it left at 10:15 this morning instead of its scheduled 6 a.m. departure time.

Today's westbound train is on schedule and was scheduled to leave Smithers at 1:30 and arrive here at 9:15 tonight.

Meanwhile Department of Highways district superintendent Carl Shaw at Terrace issued a bulletin stating that the Highway 16 is "usable at the public's own risk."

He said that the motoring public will probably be subject to delays in the slide area, 45 miles from here, due to equipment that is still working.

Mr. Shaw urged that drivers use extreme caution.

Twelve inches of wet snow have fallen between here and Terrace and driving is hazardous.

Ambassador named

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's new ambassador to Spain will be Jean Bruchesi, now Quebec under-secretary of state, it was announced today.

Jean Morin, Montreal lawyer, will be the new ambassador to Columbia.

Mr. Bruchesi, 57, takes up his duties at Madrid shortly, replacing Leon Mayrand whose reposting as ambassador to Italy was announced earlier. Similarly, D. Ford who had been named ly. Mr. Morin, 54, succeeds R. A. ambassador to Yugoslavia.

The two postings were made public in a statement from Prime Minister Diefenbaker's office.

Convicted murderess judged not insane

VENTURA, Calif. (AP)—A psychiatrist says Elizabeth Duncan's personality is like that of most alcoholics, drug addicts and sex deviates. But, Dr. Louis R. Nash adds, she's not insane.

His testimony came in the penalty phase of Mrs. Duncan's murder trial although the question of sanity is yet to come.

Nash, a court-appointed psychiatrist, had been called by the defence, which hopes to establish that Mrs. Duncan is mentally so unstable she should not be put to death.

A jury of eight women and four men last Monday convicted Mrs. Duncan, 54, of hiring two men to kill her son's bride, Olga Duncan, born in Dauphin, Man., and later of Vancouver. The jury now must decide her penalty: Life imprisonment or the gas chamber. Afterward, it will consider her secondary plea of insanity.

Nash gave this description of the defendant:

"Mrs. Duncan is a maladjusted individual, impulsive, immature emotionally, unable to stand frustrations, unable to maintain her emotional equilibrium and independence during major or minor stresses.

VICTORIA (CP)—H. C. O'Donnell, supervisor of intermediate grade instruction, has been appointed to the newly-created post of director of elementary education, Greater Victoria School Board announced.

Murder charge hearing in Newfoundland court

Logger impassive as trial opened

GRAND FALLS, Nfld. (CP)—A Newfoundland logger was charged Thursday with murder after an RCMP corporal described the March 10 clash between police and pickets that resulted in the death of a young constable.

Ronald Laing, 39, of Lomond, Nfld., was remanded until March 26.

Cpl. Garfield Smith testified that he saw Laing "swing a stick and hit a Newfoundland Constabulary man on the head" during the incident at nearby Badger.

Laing impassively chewed gum during the hearing. He wore logger's clothes—sweater, breeches and boots. He has six children.

Cpl. Smith said he was among police ordered to "go down and disperse a crowd" at Badger. He said police formed a column and marched through the crowd which fell in again behind them.

"There were at least 200 in the crowd. The people had birch sticks and hockey sticks."

He said Insp. Arthur A. Argent, heading the column, moved into the crowd to get one of the men carrying a stick and "other Mounties broke ranks to push the people back. They pushed them with their sticks. They were blocking the highway."

Cpl. Smith said he saw Laing standing at the side of the highway behind four or five Newfoundland Constabulary officers. The policemen were bending over as if examining something on the ground.

"He (Laing) was watching the constables," Cpl. Smith said. "All of a sudden he swung a stick. It was one of those birch sticks, two or three feet long."

The corporal said he shouted to an RCMP officer who was close to Laing "and that constable hit the accused with his riding crop."

Const. William Moss, 24, died of a fractured skull and brain damage two days after the incident.

Sydney Smith buried in Maritimes

WINDSOR, N.S. (CP)—External Affairs Minister Sidney Smith was to be buried beside his parents today in this peaceful Annapolis Valley town where he grew up.

The body was to lie in state from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Trinity United Church.

The pastor, Rev. Donald Miller, was to conduct the service in the 275-seat church, expected to be crowded with family, friends and about 25 federal, provincial and town officials.

Mr. Smith came to the valley as a small boy from his parents' homestead on Cape Breton's Port Hood Island. He attended school here, receiving his law degree in 1921 from Dalhousie in Halifax. The family operated a small farm on the town's outskirts.

The body of the 62-year-old minister, who died Tuesday, arrived here Thursday night from Dartmouth, N.S., when it was brought from Ottawa in an RCAF North Star.

Work week cut to 32 hours

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, bargaining agent for 80 per cent of U.S. copper miners, has approved demands for a 32-hour week and a substantial wage increase.

Other contract demands approved Thursday night for negotiations this spring included:

Double pay for Sunday work, time-and-a-half for Saturday work, a cost-of-living escalator clause, improved medical benefits, and supplemental unemployment benefits.

Present copper wage contracts expire June 30.

Complains juveniles neglected

VICTORIA (CP) — Randolph Harding (CCF) Kaslo-Slocan complained in the legislature Thursday that a committee on juvenile delinquency has met only one in the last year and has drawn up no report.

He said he wants to be taken off the committee unless some definite plan is drawn up for it.

"I don't want to bother unless we have a clearer idea of what we are going to do," he said as the house passed a bill giving the committee until the 1960 session to report to the house.

Mr. Harding said Health Minister Martin is committee chairman. Mr. Martin did not reply.

A second meeting of the committee, scheduled Thursday morning, was cancelled when the house sat to 5 a.m.

Loud snore "sensible" observation

VICTORIA (CP)—A loud snore thundered through the British Columbia legislature at 4:31 a.m. today during a quiet spell in the marathon all-night debate on the anti-picketting bill.

Fast asleep was Don Robinson, Social Credit member for Lillooet.

"That's the most sensible observation we've had from the government side all night," commented Burnaby CCF member Gordon Dowding.

Prince Rupert has now gone 64 days without a fatal traffic accident.

ACCIDENT-FREE—Archie Kennedy, 43, of Ottawa, is one truck driver who believes in safety. In the last 14 years Kennedy has driven 1,260,000 miles without an accident. His mileage is equivalent to 50 trips around the world. Archie, who has been honored by the Transportation Safety association of Ontario, has chalked up most of the mileage on three weekly return trips from Ottawa to Hamilton. —CP photo.

Civil servants losing as injunction upheld

VANCOUVER (CP)—British Columbia's 12,000 Civil Servants slowly are losing their second battle in as many days with the Government over the question of whether they can legally picket government buildings.

Thursday in Supreme Court here Mr. Justice J. D. Ruttan upheld a government injunction to prevent the British Columbia Government Employees Association from picketing government services.

And early today the government—in its second marathon sitting in the legislature in as many nights—slowly but surely gave second reading to a Bill making it unlawful to picket any government building in the province.

In his judgment, Mr. Justice Ruttan said, "Picketing of government buildings would amount to a virtual blockade".

"The over-all purpose was nothing less than complete control of the movement of persons and supplies to and from government buildings."

The injunction, obtained last week by the government, to end an unprecendented four-hour strike by Civic Servants, will continue until the issue is brought to trial.

However, once the government legislation which would make picketing of government buildings illegal is approved, it will remove the necessity for a test case.

Attorney - General Robert Bonner said preliminary reports indicate the supreme court judgment established the basic law of non-interruption of crown services and the right of free access by Crown officials to their normal places of employment.

He said the government's main purpose in getting the injunction was to halt picketing. He would not comment on whether the issue will be brought to trial.

Mr. Justice Ruttan ruled that the Attorney-General had the privilege of intervening in the public interest and "May do so even though there be no evidence of actual injury, but only that the defendants may be performing certain illegal act which tend in their nature to injure the public."

The Justice did not rule on the legality of the strike as this was not the issue before him.

Association counsel Thomas Dohm said he will have to study the government's Bill before deciding further action.

B.C. ROUNDUP

Beachcombers reap harvest of salvage logs

VANCOUVER (CP) — Beachcombers here expect to reap about $6,000 from logs washed up on city beaches during an overnight storm Wednesday. Salvage operation, described as the largest ever here, will take three or four days to complete. The logs have been valued at $60,000.

KAMLOOPS (CP)—Fire Thursday destroyed a garage and two cars inside it. No estimate of the loss has been made. Cause of the fire was not known.

ALBERNI (CP)—Anthony Bosh was fined $140 on charges of driving without due care and attention and failing to have a licence. He told Magistrate W. E. Macleod he had never owned a drivers' licence although he had been driving for two years.

ALBERNI (CP) — Three youths will appear in juvenile court here following their arrest by RCMP Thursday. The previous evening a drive-in theatre had been broken into and clothing stolen.

KAMLOOPS (CP)—Lance Kelton, secretary of the Kamloops and district Board of Trade, Thursday said approximately 26,000 persons visited the Kamloops booth at the Spokane sportsmen's show. He said Americans had learned a lot about the B.C. interior from the show.

VICTORIA (CP)—A conciliation board here has awarded city hall inside staff a wage increase of 8-2 per cent. The City Hall Employees' Association had originally asked for an increase of 14.41 per cent. The increase, effective from March 1, will add about $35,000 to city costs.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Black Ball ferry Sinaikwa came to the rescue of a water taxi in Jervis Inlet Thursday night when the taxi's batteries failed. Air Sea Rescue officials in Vancouver said the ferry supplied new batteries to the stranded taxi and enabled the small craft to continue on its way.

WEATHER—

Gale warning in effect. Cloudy and cooler Saturday with showers. Winds southeast gales 50 to 70. Tow tonight and high Saturday at Prince Rupert 38 and 43.

TIDES—

Saturday, March 21, 1959
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	10:56	18.7 feet
	23:30	18.8 feet
Low	04:50	7.9 feet
	17:20	4.7 feet

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